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We also use production costs, which we define as costs of goods sold, excluding depreciation, depletion, accretion of asset retirement obligations and freight charges, to measure our financial performance. Freight charges consist of shipping costs and rail car rental and storage expenses. Shipping costs consist of railway transportation and transload costs to deliver products to customers. Rail car rental and storage expenses are associated with our long-term rail car operating agreements with certain customers. A portion of these freight charges are passed through to our customers and are, therefore, included in revenue. We believe production costs is a meaningful measure to management and external users of our financial statements, such as investors and commercial banks, because it provides a measure of operating performance that is unaffected by historical cost basis. Cost of goods sold is the GAAP measure most directly comparable to production costs. Production costs should not be considered an alternative to cost of goods sold presented in accordance with GAAP. Because production costs may be defined differently by other companies in our industry, our definition of production costs may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies, thereby diminishing its utility. A reconciliation of production costs to cost of goods sold, the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure, can be found in the Appendix to this presentation.



Smart Sand Key Highlights



Long-lived, strategically located, high-quality reserve base

Intrinsic logistics advantage

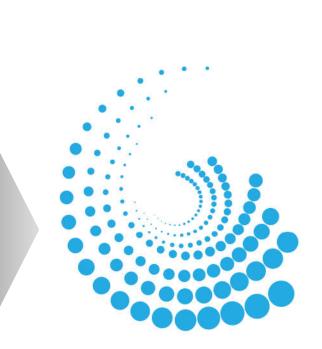
Significant organic growth potential

Focus on safety and environmental stewardship

Experienced management team

Strong industry fundamentals

Strong balance sheet and financial flexibility



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Our Strategy



Increasing capacity utilization and processing capacity at Oakdale

Focus on increasing our capacity utilization as we expand annual processing capacity to 5.5 million tons by early 2018

Pursuing strategic long-term opportunities for capacity expansion and geographic diversification

- Hixton available for future development
- Evaluate regional sand mine opportunities

Optimizing logistics infrastructure

- Take advantage of dual-serve rail capabilities at Oakdale facility to potentially reduce rail rates and transportation costs
- Evaluate opportunities to capture incremental value from the efficient management of supplying sand from the mine all the way to the wellhead
 - In-basin delivery points
 - Iast mile solutions for delivery of sand to the wellhead

Focusing on cost profile and process improvements

- Low royalty rates and minimal yield loss from balance of coarse and fine mineral reserves drive operating costs lower
- Continue to evaluate cost and efficiency initiatives at Oakdale facility to reduce overall operating cost structure

Maintaining financial strength and flexibility

Ability to access capital markets and availability under our unfunded credit facility provides us with financial flexibility to pursue growth initiatives

Company Overview

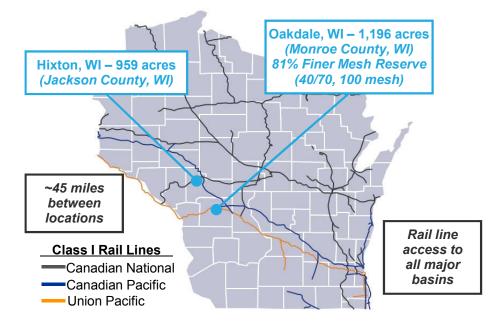


Company Overview

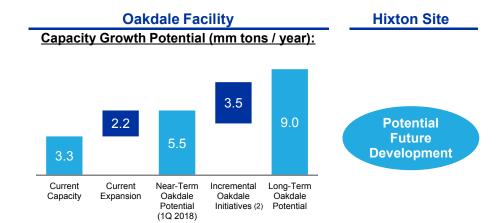
Smart Sand is a pure-play, low-cost producer of high-quality Northern White raw frac sand

- The Company owns and operates a Northern White raw frac sand mine, processing facility and a multi-unit train rail logistics loadout on the Canadian Pacific rail network, a Class I rail line, near Oakdale, Wisconsin
- The Company is expanding its Byron location to be a multi-unit train capable facility on a Class I rail line owned by Union Pacific, ~3.5 miles away from the Oakdale facility
- Smart Sand owns a second property available for future development in Jackson County, Wisconsin, named the Hixton site
- 169 employees as of September 30, 2017

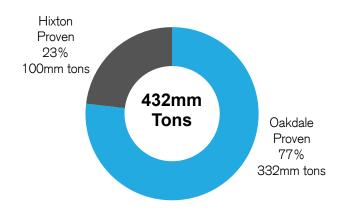
Reserve Locations



Significant Organic Growth Potential



Sand Reserve Overview ⁽¹⁾



Source: Smart Sand Management, Company disclosures.

(1) Reserves data as of December 31, 2016.

(2) Further development and permitting at the Oakdale facility could ultimately allow for production of up to 9 million tons of raw frac sand per year.

Oakdale Facility: High Quality Northern White Raw Frac Sand





Cost-Effective, Differentiated Process



 Onsite Mining / Excavation
 Conveyer Belt to Onsite Wet Plant
 Wet Plant Cleans and Sorts

 Image: Conveyer Belt to Onsite Wet Plant
 Image: Conveyer

Dry Plant Dries and Sorts Product





Unit Trains Deliver Dry Sand to Basin

- Low cost operating structure results from a number of key attributes:
 - Low royalty rates (\$0.50 per ton only on 20/70 sand sold)
 - Higher mining yields due to balance of coarse and fine mineral reserve deposits
 - Minimal to no trucking required since reserves, processing plants, and primary rail facilities are in one location
 - 3Q 2017 production costs of \$10.79 per ton
- Evaluating other cost initiatives to reduce mining and operating costs

Expansive Logistics Capabilities



Key Logistical Advantages

- On-site rail eliminates trucking to a rail load-out facility and associated costs
- Class I access current location on Canadian Pacific rail line provides direct access to multiple high-growth plays and avoids interchange fees on local short-hauls
- Rail design efficient rail design eliminates demurrage and optimizes load times
- Unit train capability significantly reduces customer product delivery time and costs (see below)
- Dual Source Capability additional Union Pacific Rail Siding allows for opportunity to reduce freight costs by providing the ability to source sand on competing Class I rail lines

Highly Competitive Delivery Capabilities







Unit trains require approximately a third of the time of manifest trains and significantly improve reliability

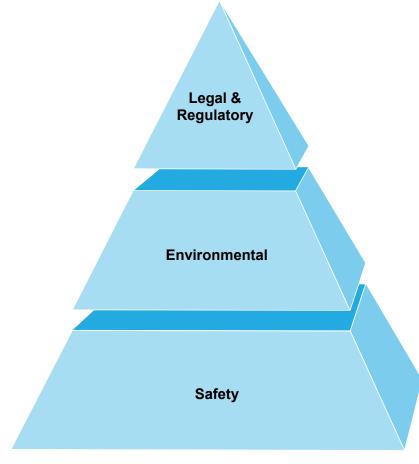
Significant Organic Growth Potential



UP Rail Siding (Byron, WI)				
 Commenced operations in June 2016 				
 Dual-serve rail origination capability at Oakdale 				
 Expanding to be a unit-train capable facility 				
 Expected to result in incremental sale volumes due to more competitive rail rates 				
Oakdale Expansion				
Expanding to 5.5 million tons of annual nameplate capacity by Q1 2018				
 Integrated plant design with new wet plant, which began operations in mid-October 2017, and dry plants enclosed for year-round processing 				
 Smart Sand's reserve base of ~332 million proven tons provides significant ability to ultimately increase annual production capacity at Oakdale up to ~9 million tons 				
In-basin terminals and "last-mile" development key to long-term strategy to provide low cost, efficient product and logistics delivery to the wellhead				
 Hixton 				
 ~100 million tons of proven reserves at Hixton with access to third Class I rail line 				
 Hixton facility is fully permitted and remains readily available for future expansion opportunities 				
 Asset is well positioned to take advantage of rebound in Canadian drilling activity of additional upside in U.S demand 				
 Regional greenfield mine opportunities being evaluated to provide geographic diversification of our mining asset base 				

Committed to Highest Corporate Standards









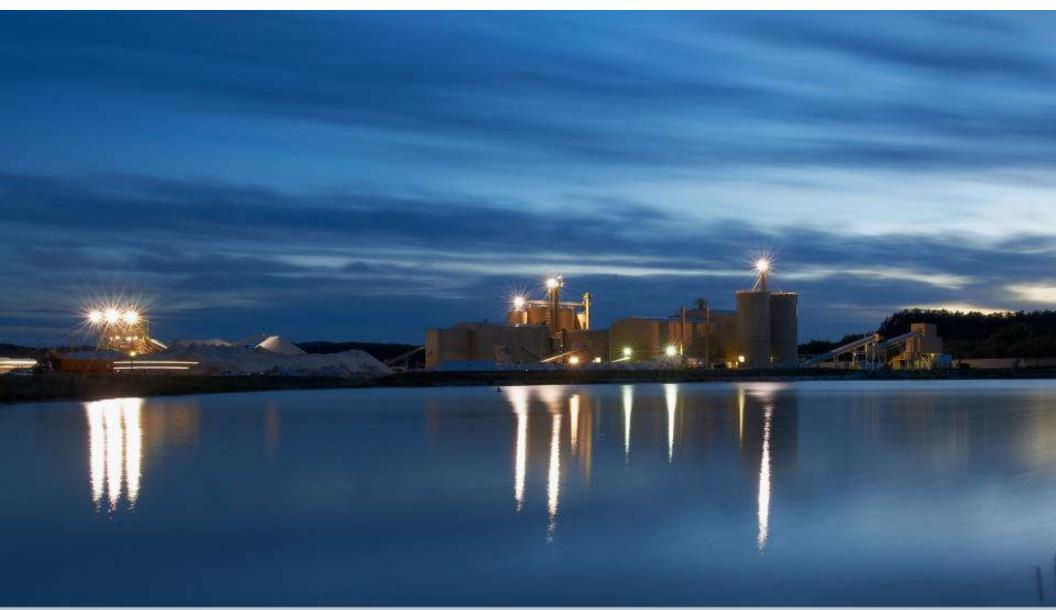




Smart Sand is committed to providing a safe working environment and upholding the highest levels of environmental stewardship

- Management maintains close dialogue with its customers regarding the oil and gas industry's rigorous regulatory environment
- ISO registered Quality System and Environmental Management System in place
- Minimal environmental and community impact: on-site rail, careful mine design, moderating trucking and extensive use of conveyors
- A member of the Wisconsin Industrial Sand Association (WISA), a selective industry group promoting high standards for safety, sustainability, and environmental performance
- Participant in Wisconsin's Green Tier program, demonstrating voluntary commitment to high environmental performance through projects that improve the environment and promote good community relations
- Our first priority is a safe work environment. Dedicated safety staff, continual training, and daily inspections are part of our MSHA approved safety plan

INDUSTRY OVERVIEW







*Represents Effective Utilization, which assumes a varying 10-20% haircut to gross supply to better represent operational constraints.

Source: Jefferies estimates, Baker Hughes, NavPort, State Regulatory filings.

Raw Sand Established as Proppant of Choice

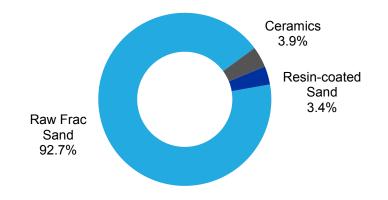


Comparison of Key Proppant Characteristics

	Brown Raw Frac Sand	Northern White Raw Frac Sand	Resin-coated	Ceramics
Product and Characteristics	 Natural resource Quality of sand varies widely depending on source 	 Natural resource Considered highest quality raw frac sand Monocrystalline in nature, exhibiting crush strength, turbidity and roundness and sphericity in excess of API specifications 	 Raw frac sand substrate with resin coating Coating increases crush strength Bond together to prevent proppant Flowback 	 Manufactured product Typically highest crush strength
Crush Strength	 Up to 12,000 psi 	 Up to 12,000 psi 	Up to 15,000 psi	 Up to 18,000 psi
Relative Price	 Least expensive 	<		 Most Expensive

Source: API; Stim-Lab, Inc.; company provided information; The Freedonia Group, September 2015.

U.S. Proppant Market Share by Type



With Clear Supply Constraints

- Operating permits can be difficult to obtain
- Few remaining Northern White frac sand reserve sites which meet API specifications
- Few remaining contiguous frac sand reserves
- Local opposition has stymied the development of some new, unpermitted facilities in Wisconsin and Minnesota
- Design-build phase for facilities requires long lead time

Growing Demand for Fine Sand

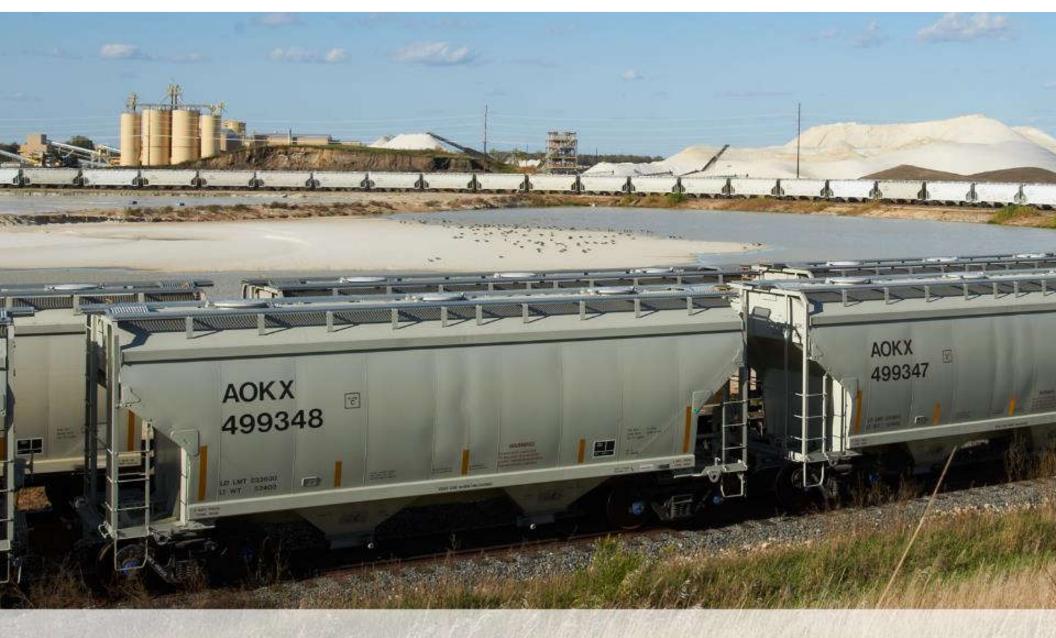


Mesh Sizes

- Proppant size is characterized by mesh size which is determined by sieving the proppant through mesh screens
 - Historically, large mesh sizes used for oily / liquids rich formations
 - Historically, smaller mesh sizes were used for natural gas formations
- Generally, E&P companies have two methods to control well performance: increase frac conductivity or reservoir contact area
- Due to smaller grain size, 100 mesh enhances reservoir contact area
 - Used more prominently in oil wells with increasingly positive results
- Focus on reservoir contact area has led to an increasing number of operators achieving better yields (higher production relative to optimized cost), increasing demand for 100 mesh

Market Outlook for Fine Sand

- According to Kelrik LLC, a notable driver impacting demand for fine mesh sand is increased proppant loadings, specifically, larger volumes of proppant placed per frac stage
- Kelrik expects the trend of using larger volumes of finer mesh materials, such as 100 mesh sand and 40/70 sand, to continue
- Due to innovations in completion techniques, demand for finer grade sands has also shown a considerable resurgence



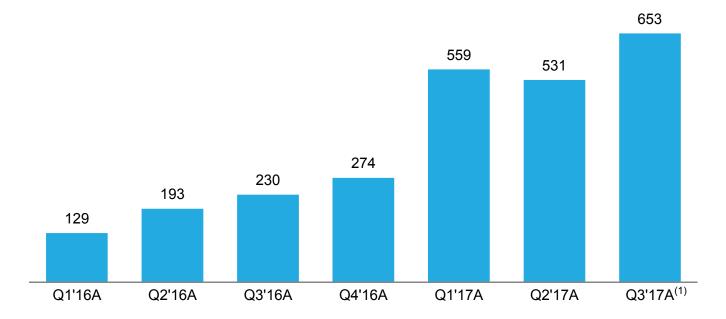
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Summary Quarterly Sales Volumes



Quarterly Sales Volumes

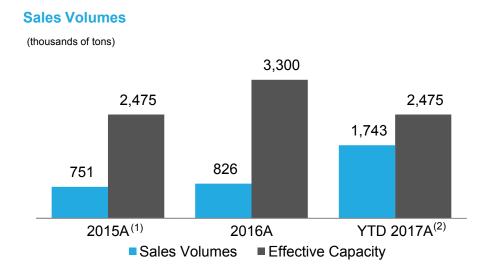
(thousands of tons)



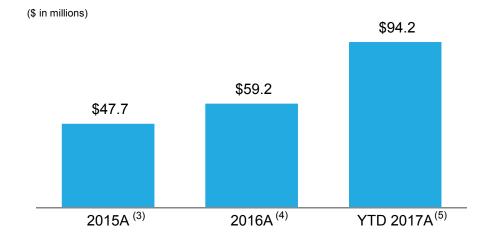
(1) Approximately 80% of sales volume in Q3'17 were to contracted customers. Approximately 77% of sales volumes were shipped via unit train in Q3'17.

Summary Financials





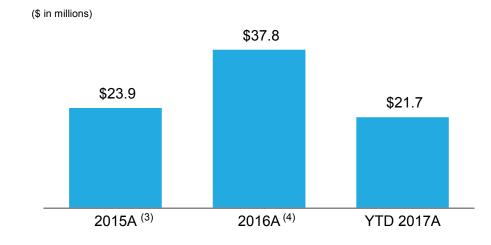
Revenue



Production Costs



Adjusted EBITDA



(1) In September 2015, we completed an expansion project to increase our processing capacity from 2.2 million tons per year to approximately 3.3 million tons per year. Effective capacity is weighted average across full year.

Effective capacity based on the nine months ended September 30, 2017 or 3.3 million tons of processing capacity per year.

(2) (3) Includes monthly minimum / shortfall payments of \$11.1 million for 2015.

(4) Includes monthly minimum / shortfall payments of \$20.9 million for 2016.

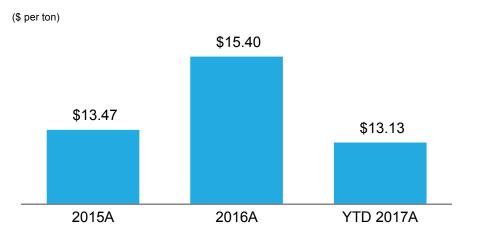
(5) Includes monthly minimum / shortfall payments of \$1.2 million for 2017.

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Summary Financials Per Ton







Adjusted EBITDA⁽¹⁾



Production costs

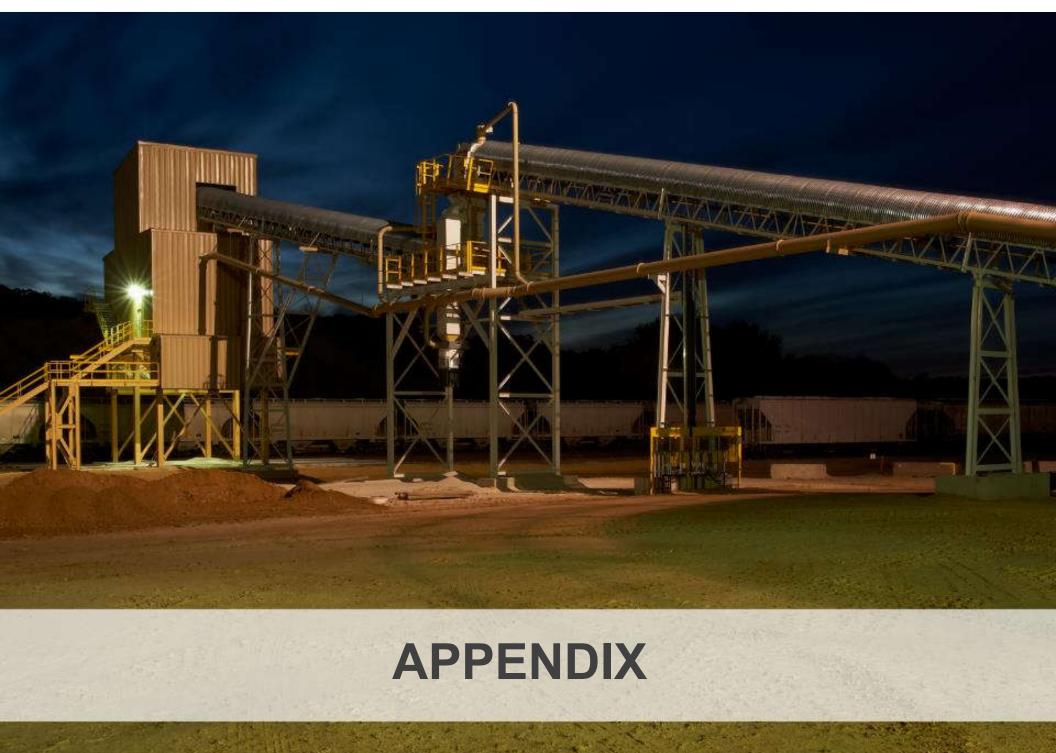
On a per ton basis, our financial performance remained strong despite the energy downturn

(1) Includes monthly minimum / shortfall payments of \$11.1 million for 2015, \$20.9 million for 2016 and \$1.2 million for 2017.

Summary



- Significant balance sheet flexibility and liquidity
 - Minimal debt
 - Approximately \$52 million in cash available to support growth initiatives
- Efficient management of railcar fleet
 - 1,250 of 1,798 leased railcars assigned to customers as of October 31, 2017
 - Intend to add 625 railcars to fleet in the next six months to allow greater flexibility to pursue spot sales and have available fleet for new contract support
- Contract structure provides ongoing cash flow support
 - Monthly reservation charges and periodic shortfall payments provide some stability of cash flow through industry operating cycles
- Ability to take advantage of near term market growth potential
 - Available capacity at Oakdale to capture near term volume growth
 - Expanding Oakdale to 5.5 million tons of annual nameplate processing capacity to take advantage of current strong market demand
- Pursuing long-term growth opportunities
 - In basin terminals and last mile logistics
 - Hixton site available for future expansion
 - Evaluating regional sand mine opportunities



Income Statement



		For the					
(\$ in millions)	Year ended Dec 31, 2014 (Audited)	Year ended Dec 31, 2015 (Audited)	Year ended Dec 31, 2016 (Audited)	Nine months endeo Sep 30, 2017 (Unaudited)			
Revenues ⁽¹⁾	\$68.2	\$47.7	\$59.2	94.2			
Cost of sales	29.9	21.0	26.6	67.4			
Gross profit	38.2	26.7	32.7	26.8			
Operating expenses							
Salaries, benefits and payroll taxes	5.1	5.1	7.4	5.7			
Depreciation and amortization	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4			
Selling, general and administrative	7.2	4.7	4.5	6.6			
Total operating expenses	12.5	10.1	12.3	12.7			
Income from operations	25.8	16.6	20.4	14.1			
Preferred stock interest expense	(5.6)	(5.1)	(5.6)	-			
Other interest expense	(2.2)	(2.7)	(2.9)	(0.3)			
Other income	0.4	0.4	8.9	0.2			
Total other expense	(7.5)	(7.5)	0.4	(0.1)			
Loss on extinguishment of debt	(1.2)	_	(1.1)	-			
Income (loss) before income tax expense	17.1	9.1	19.7	14.0			
Income tax expense (benefit)	9.5	4.1	9.4	3.4			
Net income (loss)	7.6	5.0	10.3	10.6			
Adjusted EBITDA	33.3	23.9	37.9	21.7			
Capital expenditures	30.9	29.4	2.5	27.6			
Sales volumes (tons)	1,255,455	750,675	826,414	1,742,844			

(1) Includes monthly minimum / shortfall payments of \$0 for 2014, \$11.1 million for 2015, \$20.9 million for 2016, and \$1.2 million for 2017.

Balance Sheet



	As of				
	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2015	December 31, 2016	Sep 30, 2017	
(\$ in millions)	(Audited)	(Audited)	(Audited)	(Unaudited)	
Current assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$0.8	\$3.9	\$46.6	\$51.8	
Accounts receivable	8.6	6.0	5.7	21.5	
Inventory – ST	8.6	4.2	10.3	7.7	
Prepaid expenses and other assets	4.1	1.5	1.4	2.6	
Total current assets	22.2	15.6	65.0	83.6	
Noncurrent assets					
PP&E, net	85.8	108.9	104.0	138.5	
Inventory – LT	1.1	8.0	3.2	-	
Deferred financing cost, net	0.6	0.5	1.2	1.0	
Total noncurrent assets	87.5	117.4	108.4	139.6	
Total assets	109.6	133.1	173.4	223.2	
Current liabilities					
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	8.4	4.9	4.0	23.4	
Deferred revenue	_	7.1	1.6	_	
Income tax payable	-	-	7.1	-	
Cap. lease & notes payable – current	0.5	1.8	1.0	0.9	
Preferred stock liability – current	-	34.7	-	_	
Total current liabilities	8.9	48.6	13.7	24.4	
Noncurrent liabilities					
Revolving credit facility, net	59.1	63.3	-	_	
Deferred tax liability	11.0	14.5	15.0	18.8	
Asset retirement obligation	1.8	1.2	1.4	1.4	
Cap. lease & notes payable – noncurrent	1.7	1.8	0.9	0.0	
Preferred stock liability – noncurrent	29.1	-	-	_	
Total noncurrent liabilities	102.7	80.8	17.3	20.3	
Total liabilities	111.6	129.4	31.0	44.7	
Total stockholders' equity (deficit)	(2.0)	3.7	142.4	178.5	
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	109.6	133.1	173.4	223.2	

Statement of Cash Flows



	For the			
		Year ended December 31, 2015		Nine months ended Sep 30, 2017
(\$ in millions)	(Audited)	(Audited)	(Audited)	(Unaudited)
Operating activities				
Net income (loss)	\$7.6	\$5.0	\$10.4	\$10.6
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities				
Depreciation, depletion and amortization of asset element obligation	3.6	5.3	6.5	5.2
(Gain) loss on disposal of assets	0.1	0.1	(0.1)	0.2
Loss on derivatives	-	0.5	-	_
Loss on adjustment of debt	1.2	-	1.1	_
Revenue reserve	-	(0.1)	-	_
Amortization of deferred financing cost	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.3
Accretion of debt discount	0.2	0.5	0.3	-
Deferred income taxes	8.3	3.7	0.5	3.8
Stock-based compensation, net	0.4	0.8	1.4	1.4
Non-cash interest expense on revolving credit facility	1.9	0.7	_	_
Non-cash interest expense on Series A preferred stock	5.6	5.1	5.6	_
Changes in assets and liabilities				
Accounts and unbilled receivables	(4.4)	2.6	0.3	(15.8)
Inventories	0.3	(2.5)	(1.4)	5.8
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(3.5)	2.4	` 0.1 [′]	(1.2)
Deferred revenue	(0.2)	7.1	(5.5)	(1.6)
Accounts payable	0.8	(0.1)	0.8	4.6
Accrued and other expenses	0.3	(0.7)	(0.5)	2.3
Income taxes payable	(0.2)	(7.0	(7.1)
Net cash provided by operating activities	22.1	30.7	26.7	8.6
Investing activities:			2011	
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(30.8)	(29.4)	(2.5)	(27.6)
Proceeds from disposal of assets	(00.0)	(20.4)	(2.0)	(27.0)
•	(30.8)	(29.4)	(2.5)	(27.6)
Net cash used in investing activities	(30.0)	(23.4)	(2:5)	(21.0)
Financing activities	(0.0)			
Repayment of line of credit	(9.2)	-	_	_
Repayments of notes payable	(0.1)	(0.5)	(1.4)	(0.3)
Payments under equipment financing obligators	(0.2)	(0.4)	(0.4)	(0.3)
Payment of deferred financing and amendment costs	(0.7)	(0.4)	(1.2)	(0.2)
Proceeds from revolving credit facility	61.2	12.8	1.1	_
Repayment of revolving credit facility	(3.5)	(9.6)	(65.3)	-
Proceeds from equity issuance	-	-	138.3	26.3
Payment of equity transaction costs		-	(11.0)	(2.1)
Repayment Series A preferred stock	(40.0)	-	(40.3)	_
Purchase of treasury stock	_	-	(0.4)	(0.1)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	7.4	1.8	19.4	23.3
Net (decrease) increase in cash	(1.3)	3.1	43.6	4.3
Cash at beginning of period	2.1	0.8	3.9	47.5
Cash at end of period	0.8	3.9	47.5	51.8



				Nine months ended	
	Year ended December 31,			September 30,	
(\$ in thousands)	2014	2015	2016	2017	
Net income (loss)	\$7,556	\$4,990	\$10,379	\$10,648	
Depreciation, depletion, accretion and amortization	3,642	5,318	6,445	5,116	
Income tax expense (benefit)	9,518	4,129	9,394	3,354	
Interest expense	7,832	7,826	8,436	526	
Franchise taxes	139	35	21	308	
EBITDA	\$28,687	\$22,298	\$34,675	\$19,952	
Loss (gain) on sale of fixed assets (1)	57	39	(59)	187	
Integration and transition costs	2,687	221	725	16	
Equity compensation ⁽²⁾	420	792	1,426	1,157	
Development costs (3)	249	76	_	79	
Cash charges related to restructuring and retention (4)	-	_	_	239	
Non-cash charges ⁽⁵⁾	-	455	21	61	
Loss on extinguishment of debt ⁽⁶⁾	1,230	_	1,051	_	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$33,330	\$23,881	\$37,839	\$21,691	

⁽¹⁾ Includes gains related to the sale and disposal of certain assets in property, plant and equipment.

⁽²⁾ Represents the non-cash expenses for stock-based awards issued to our employees and employee stock purchase plan compensation expense.

⁽³⁾ Represents costs incurred related to current development project activities.

⁽⁴⁾ Represents costs associated with the retention and relocation of employees.

⁽⁵⁾ Represents accretion of asset retirement obligations and loss on derivatives.

⁽⁶⁾ Reflects the loss on extinguishment of debt related to our November 2016 and March 2014 financing transactions, respectively.



				Nine months ended	
	Ye	Year ended December 31,			
(\$ in tho usands)	2014	2015	2016	2017	
Cost of goods sold	\$29,934	\$21,003	\$26,569	\$67,360	
Depreciation, depletion, and accretion of asset retirment obligations	(3,481)	(4,930)	(6,076)	(4,799)	
Freight charges	(5,763)	(5,959)	(7,765)	(39,675)	
Production costs	\$20,690	\$10,114	\$12,728	\$22,886	
Production costs per ton	\$16.49	\$13.47	\$15.40	\$13.13	