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| Indicate th | e number of shares outstanding of each | of the issuer's clas | ses of common stock, | Shares outstanding | |
| | Class Common Stock, \$1 Par Value | _ | | at October 31 , 2017 132,284,484 | |
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Unless otherwise stated or the context otherwise requires, references in this report to "Vulcan," the " C ompany," "we," "our," or "us" refer to Vulcan Materials Company and its consolidated subsidiaries.

VULCAN MATERIALS COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

| Unaudited, except for December 31 in thousands | September 30 2017 | December 31 2016 | September 30 2016 |
|---|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Assets | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 701,163 | \$ 258,986 | \$ 135,365 |
| Restricted cash | 0 | 9,033 | 0 |
| Accounts and notes receivable | | 2,022 | |
| Accounts and notes receivable, gross | 582,105 | 494,634 | 536,242 |
| Less: Allowance for doubtful accounts | (2,903) | (2,813) | (4,260) |
| Accounts and notes receivable, net | 579,202 | 491,821 | 531,982 |
| Inventories | , . | - ,- | , |
| Finished products | 307,046 | 293,619 | 283,266 |
| Raw materials | 27,852 | 22,648 | 25,411 |
| Products in process | 1,652 | 1,480 | 2,753 |
| Operating supplies and other | 29,276 | 27,869 | 26,612 |
| Inventories | 365,826 | 345,616 | 338,042 |
| Prepaid expenses | 100,781 | 31,726 | 71,370 |
| Total current assets | 1,746,972 | 1,137,182 | 1,076,759 |
| Investments and long-term receivables | 35,999 | 39,226 | 38,914 |
| Property, plant & equipment | | | |
| Property, plant & equipment, cost | 7,539,928 | 7,185,818 | 7,105,036 |
| Allowances for depreciation, depletion & amortization | (4,002,227) | (3,924,380) | (3,876,743) |
| Property, plant & equipment, net | 3,537,701 | 3,261,438 | 3,228,293 |
| Goodwill | 3,101,337 | 3,094,824 | 3,094,824 |
| Other intangible assets, net | 835,269 | 769,052 | 753,314 |
| Other noncurrent assets | 182,056 | 169,753 | 165,981 |
| Total assets | \$ 9,439,334 | \$ 8,471,475 | \$ 8,358,085 |
| Liabilities | | | |
| Current maturities of long-term debt | 4,827 | 138 | 131 |
| Trade payables and accruals | 181,207 | 145,042 | 163,139 |
| Other current liabilities | 227,665 | 227,064 | 197,642 |
| Total current liabilities | 413,699 | 372,244 | 360,912 |
| Long-term debt | 2,809,966 | 1,982,751 | 1,983,639 |
| Deferred income taxes, net | 716,165 | 702,854 | 706,715 |
| Deferred revenue | 193,117 | 198,388 | 201,732 |
| Other noncurrent liabilities | 621,253 | 642,762 | 601,117 |
| Total liabilities | \$ 4,754,200 | \$ 3,898,999 | \$ 3,854,115 |
| Other commitments and contingencies (Note 8) | | | |
| Equity | | | |
| Common stock, \$1 par value, Authorized 480,000 shares, | | | |
| Outstanding 132,281, 132,339 and 132,309 shares, respectively | 132,281 | 132,339 | 132,309 |
| Capital in excess of par value | 2,803,106 | 2,807,995 | 2,805,355 |
| Retained earnings | 1,886,006 | 1,771,518 | 1,685,412 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss | (136,259) | (139,376) | (119,106) |
| Total equity | \$ 4,685,134 | \$ 4,572,476 | \$ 4,503,970 |
| Total liabilities and equity | \$ 9,439,334 | \$ 8,471,475 | \$ 8,358,085 |

The accompanying Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

VULCAN MATERIALS COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF C OMPREHENSIVE INCOME

| Unaudited | | | Months Ended September 30 | | | | Months Ended September 30 |
|---|---------------|------|------------------------------|----|-----------|----|------------------------------|
| in thousands, except per share data | 20 | | 2016 | | 2017 | | 2016 |
| Total revenues | \$ 1,094,71 | 5 \$ | 1,008,140 | \$ | 2,912,806 | \$ | 2,719,693 |
| Cost of revenues | 789,19 | | 703,931 | · | 2,155,536 | • | 1,958,581 |
| Gross profit | 305,5 | 6 | 304,209 | | 757,270 | | 761,112 |
| Selling, administrative and general expenses | 73,35 | 0 | 76,311 | | 238,263 | | 235,460 |
| Gain on sale of property, plant & equipment | · | | | | | | |
| and businesses | 1,48 | | 2,023 | | 4,630 | | 2,934 |
| Business interruption claims recovery | | 0 | 690 | | 0 | | 11,652 |
| Impairment of long-lived assets | (4.4) | 0 | 0 | | 0 | | (10,506) |
| Other operating expense, net | (4,16 | | (3,535) | | (27,763) | | (23,949) |
| Operating earnings | 229,48 | | 227,076 | | 495,874 | | 505,783 |
| Other nonoperating income, net | 1,78 | | 990 | | 5,677 | | 325 |
| Interest expense, net | 82,04 | in . | 33,126 | | 154,572 | | 100,192 |
| Earnings from continuing operations | 140.00 | .0 | 104.040 | | 246 070 | | 40E 016 |
| before income taxes | 149,23 | | 194,940 | | 346,979 | | 405,916 |
| Income tax expense | 39,08 | | 49,803 | | 81,557 | | 91,575 |
| Earnings from continuing operations | 110,19 | | 145,137 | | 265,422 | | 314,341 |
| Earnings (loss) on discontinued operations, net of tax | (1,57 | | (3,113) | | 8,217 | | (7,451) |
| Net earnings | \$ 108,57 | 9 \$ | 142,024 | \$ | 273,639 | \$ | 306,890 |
| Other comprehensive income, net of tax Reclassification adjustment for cash flow hedges | 4.44 | | 307 | | 4 926 | | 902 |
| Amortization of actuarial loss and prior service | 1,18 | 00 | 307 | | 1,836 | | 902 |
| cost for benefit plans | 42 | 27 | 20 | | 1,281 | | 61 |
| Other comprehensive income | 1,6 | 5 | 327 | | 3,117 | | 963 |
| Comprehensive income | \$ 110,19 | | 142,351 | \$ | 276,756 | \$ | 307,853 |
| | | | | | , | | |
| Basic earnings (loss) per share Continuing operations | \$ 0.8 | 3 \$ | 1.09 | \$ | 2.00 | \$ | 2.36 |
| Discontinued operations | ş 0.0 (0.0 | - | (0.02) | Ф | 0.07 | φ | (0.06) |
| Net earnings | \$ 0.8 | | 1.07 | \$ | 2.07 | \$ | 2.30 |
| Diluted cornings (loss) per abore | | | | | | | |
| Diluted earnings (loss) per share Continuing operations | \$ 0.8 | 2 \$ | 1.07 | \$ | 1.97 | \$ | 2.31 |
| Discontinued operations | (0.0 | | (0.02) | Ψ | 0.06 | Ψ | (0.05) |
| Net earnings | \$ 0.8 | | 1.05 | \$ | 2.03 | \$ | 2.26 |
| <u> </u> | | · | | | | | |
| Weighted-average common shares outstanding Basic | 132.48 | 24 | 133.019 | | 132.510 | | 133.418 |
| Assuming dilution | 134,76 | | 135,823 | | 134,853 | | 135,932 |
| Cash dividends per share of common stock | \$ 0.2 | | 0.20 | \$ | 0.75 | \$ | 0.60 |
| Depreciation, depletion, accretion and amortization | \$ 79,63 | | 72.049 | \$ | 227,974 | \$ | 213.362 |
| Effective tax rate from continuing operations | 26.2 | | 25.5% | • | 23.5% | Ψ | 22.6% |
| Encoure tax rate from continuing operations | 20.2 | 70 | 20.070 | | 20.0/0 | | ££.0 /0 |

The accompanying Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

VULCAN MATERIALS COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

| Unaudited | | onths Ended September 30 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| in thousands | 2017 | 2016 |
| Operating Activities | | |
| Net earnings | \$ 273,639 | \$ 306,890 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash provided by operating activities | | |
| Depreciation, depletion, accretion and amortization | 227,974 | 213,362 |
| Net gain on sale of property, plant & equipment and businesses | (4,630) | (2,934) |
| Contributions to pension plans | (17,638) | (7,126) |
| Share-based compensation expense | 19,953 | 15,645 |
| Deferred tax expense (benefit) | 11,298 | 25,094 |
| Cost of debt purchase | 43,048 | 0 |
| Changes in assets and liabilities before initial effects of business acquisitions | | |
| and dispositions | (162,849) | (145,548) |
| Other, net | 8,740 | (774) |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | \$ 399,535 | \$ 404,609 |
| Investing Activities | | |
| Purchases of property, plant & equipment | (366,845) | (287,440) |
| Proceeds from sale of property, plant & equipment | 10,403 | 5,865 |
| Payment for businesses acquired, net of acquired cash | (210,562) | (1,611) |
| Decrease in restricted cash | 9,033 | 1,150 |
| Other, net | 405 | 2,488 |
| Net cash used for investing activities | \$ (557,566) | \$ (279,548) |
| Financing Activities | | |
| Proceeds from line of credit | 5,000 | 3,000 |
| Payment of line of credit | (5,000) | (3,000) |
| Payment of current maturities and long-term debt | (800,572) | (14) |
| Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt | 1,600,000 | 0 |
| Debt discounts and issuance costs | (15,046) | 0 |
| Purchases of common stock | (60,303) | (161,463) |
| Dividends paid | (99,263) | (79,865) |
| Share-based compensation, shares withheld for taxes | (24,608) | (32,414) |
| Net cash provided by (used for) financing activities | \$ 600,208 | \$ (273,756) |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | 442,177 | (148,695) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year | 258,986 | 284,060 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$ 701,163 | \$ 135,365 |

The accompanying Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements are an integral part of the statements.

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

NATURE OF OPERATIONS

Vulcan Materials Company (the "Company," "Vulcan," "we," "our"), a New Jersey corporation, is the nation's largest supplier of construction aggregates (primarily crushed stone, sand and gravel) and a major producer of asphalt mix and ready-mixed concrete.

We operate primarily in the United States and our principal product — aggregates — is used in virtually all types of public and private construction projects and in the production of asphalt mix and ready-mixed concrete. We serve markets in twenty states, Washington D.C., and the local markets surrounding our operations in Mexico and the Bahamas. Our primary focus is serving metropolitan markets in the United States that are expected to experience the most significant growth in population, households and employment. These three demographic factors are significant drivers of demand for aggregates. While aggregates is our focus and primary business, we produce and sell asphalt mix and/or ready-mixed concrete in our mid-Atlantic, Georgia, Southwestern, Tennessee and Western markets.

BASIS OF PRESENTATION

Our accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements were prepared in compliance with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X and thus do not include all of the information and footnotes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for complete financial statements. Our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2016 was derived from the audited financial statement, but it does not include all disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In the opinion of our management, the statements reflect all adjustments, including those of a normal recurring nature, necessary to present fairly the results of the reported interim periods. Operating results for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2017 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2017. For further information, refer to the consolidated financial statements and footnotes included in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K

Due to the 2005 sale of our Chemicals business as described in Note 2, the results of the Chemicals business are presented as discontinued operations in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income.

SHARE-BASED COMPENSATION - ACCOUNTING STANDARDS UPDATE

We adopted Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2016-09, "Improvement to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting," in the fourth quarter of 2016. The provisions of this standard were applied as of the beginning of the year of adoption resulting in revisions to our 2016 interim financial statements.

Under ASU 2016-09, tax benefits resulting from tax deductions in excess of the compensation cost recognized (excess tax benefits) are reflected as discrete income tax benefits in the period of exercise or issuance. Before the adoption of this standard, excess tax benefits were recorded directly to equity (APIC). Net excess tax benefits are reflected as a reduction to our income tax expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 (\$4,001,000 and \$20,759,000, respectively) and revised three and nine months ended September 30, 2016 (\$2,259,000 and \$24,451,000, respectively). As a result, we also revised our September 30, 2016 diluted share calculation to exclude the assumption that proceeds from excess tax benefits would be used to purchase shares, resulting in an increase in dilutive shares of 790,000 for the quarter and 7 40,000 year-to-date.

Under ASU 2016-09, gross excess tax benefits are classified as operating cash flows rather than financing cash flows. As a result, for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 we increased our operating cash flows and decreased our financing cash flows by \$2 6,74 7,000. Additionally, this ASU requires cash paid for shares withheld to satisfy statutory income tax withholding obligations be classified as financing activities rather than operating activities. As a result, for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 we increased our operating cash flows and decreased our financing cash flows by \$32,414,000.

RECLASSIFICATIONS

Certain items previously reported in specific financial statement captions have been reclassified to conform with the 2017 presentation.

EARNINGS PER SHARE (EPS)

Earnings per share are computed by dividing net earnings by the weighted-average common shares outstanding (basic EPS) or weighted-average common shares outstanding assuming dilution (diluted EPS), as set forth below:

| | | Three Months Ended September 30 | Nine Months Ended September 30 | | |
|---|---------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------|--|
| in thousands | 2017 | 2016 | 2017 | 2016 | |
| Weighted-average common shares outstanding Dilutive effect of | 132,484 | 133,019 | 132,510 | 133,418 | |
| Stock-Only Stock Appreciation Rights | 1,249 | 1,356 | 1,305 | 1,322 | |
| Other stock compensation plans | 1,032 | 1,448 | 1,038 | 1,192 | |
| Weighted-average common shares outstanding, assuming dilution | 134,765 | 135,823 | 134,853 | 135,932 | |

All dilutive common stock equivalents are reflected in our earnings per share calculations. In periods of loss, shares that otherwise would have been included in our diluted weighted-average common shares outstanding computation would be excluded.

Antidilutive common stock equivalents are not included in our earnings per share calculations. The number of antidilutive common stock equivalents for which the exercise price exceeds the weighted-average market price is as follows:

| | | Three Months Ended | | Nine Months Ended | |
|---------------------------------------|------|--------------------|---------|-------------------|--|
| | | September 30 | Septemb | | |
| in thousands | 2017 | 2016 | 2017 | 2016 | |
| Antidilutive common stock equivalents | 79 | 2 | 79 | 234 | |

NOTE 2: DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

In 2005, we sold substantially all the assets of our Chemicals business to Basic Chemicals, a subsidiary of Occidental Chemical Corporation. The financial results of the Chemicals business are classified as discontinued operations in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for all periods presented. There were no revenues from discontinued operations for the periods presented. Results from discontinued operations are as follows:

| | Three Months Ended September 30 | | | | *************************************** | | Nine Months Ended September 30 | | |
|---|------------------------------------|------------------|----|------------------|---|-------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| in thousands | | 2017 | | 2016 | | 2017 | | 2016 | |
| Discontinued Operations Pretax earnings (loss) Income tax (expense) benefit | \$ | (1,282) (289) | \$ | (5,135) 2,022 | \$ | 13,614 (5,397) | \$ | (12,312) 4,861 | |
| Earnings (loss) on discontinued operations, net of tax | \$ | (1,571) | \$ | (3,113) | \$ | 8,217 | \$ | (7,451) | |

Our discontinued operations include charges—related to general and product liability costs, including legal defense costs, and environmental remediation costs associated with our former Chemicals business. The 2017 results—noted above primarily reflect charges and related insurance recoveries, including those associated with the Texas Brine matter, as further discussed in Note 8.

NOTE 3: INCOME TAXES

Our estimated annual effective tax rate (EAETR) is based on full-year expectations of pretax earnings, statutory tax rates, permanent differences between book and tax accounting such as percentage depletion, and tax planning alternatives available in the various jurisdictions in which we operate. For interim financial reporting, we calculate our quarterly income tax provision in accordance with the EAETR. Each quarter, we update our EAETR based on our revised full-year expectation of pretax earnings and calculate the income tax provision so that the year-to-date income tax provision reflects the EAETR. Significant judgment is required in determining our EAETR.

In the third quarter of 2017, we recorded income tax expense from continuing operations of \$ 39,080,000 compared to income tax expense from continuing operations of \$ 49,803,000 in the third quarter of 2016. The de crease in our income tax expense resulted largely from applying the statutory rate to the decrease in our pretax earnings.

For the first nine months of 2017, we recorded income tax expense from continuing operations of \$81,557,000 compared to \$91,575,000 for the first nine months of 2016. The de crease in our income tax expense resulted largely from applying the statutory rate to the decrease in our pretax earnings.

We recognize deferred tax assets and liabilities (which reflect our best assessment of the future taxes we will pay) based on the differences between the book basis and tax basis of assets and liabilities. Deferred tax assets represent items to be used as a tax deduction or credit in future tax returns while deferred tax liabilities represent items that will result in additional tax in future tax returns.

Each quarter we analyze the likelihood that our deferred tax assets will be realized. A valuation allowance is recorded if, based on the weight of all available positive and negative evidence, it is more likely than not (a likelihood of more than 50%) that some portion, or all, of a deferred tax asset will not be realized.

Based on our third quarter 2017 analysis, we believe it is more likely than not that we will realize the benefit of all our deferred tax assets with the exception of certain state net operating loss carryforwards. For December 31, 2017, we project deferred tax assets related to state net operating loss carryforwards of \$53, 751,000, of which \$52, 552,000 relates to Alabama. The Alabama net operating loss carryforward, if not utilized, would expire in years 2023 – 2029. Before 2015, this Alabama deferred tax asset carried a full valuation allowance. During 2015, we restructured our legal entities which resulted in a partial release of the valuation allowance in the amount of \$4,655,000. During the fourth quarter of 2016, we achieved three consecutive years of positive Alabama adjusted earnings which resulted in an additional partial release of the valuation allowance in the amount of \$4,791,000. We expect one additional significant partial release of this valuation allowance once we have returned to sustained profitability, which we project will occur in the fourth quarter of 2017 ("Alabama adjusted earnings" and "sustained profitability" are defined in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K).

We recognize a tax benefit associated with a tax position when, in our judgment, it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained based upon the technical merits of the position. For a tax position that meets the more likely than not recognition threshold, we measure the income tax benefit as the largest amount that we judge to have a greater than 50% likelihood of being realized. A liability is established for the unrecognized portion of any tax benefit. Our liability for unrecognized tax benefits is adjusted periodically due to changing circumstances, such as the progress of tax audits, case law developments and new or emerging legislation.

A summary of our deferred tax assets is included in Note 9 "Income Taxes" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016.

NOTE 4: DEFERRED REVENUE

In 2013 and 2012, we sold a percentage interest in future production structured as volumetric production payments (VPPs).

The VPPs:

- relate to eight quarries in Georgia and South Carolina
- provide the purchaser solely with a nonoperating percentage interest in the subject quarries' future production from aggregates reserves
- are both time and volume limited
- contain no minimum annual or cumulative guarantees for production or sales volume, nor minimum sales price

Our consolidated total revenues exclude the sales of aggregates owned by the VPP purchaser.

We received net cash proceeds from the sale of the VPPs of \$153,282,000 and \$73,644,000 for the 2013 and 2012 transactions, respectively. These proceeds were recorded as deferred revenue on the balance sheet and are amortized to revenue on a unit-of-sales basis over the terms of the VPPs (expected to be approximately 25 years, limited by volume rather than time).

Reconciliation of the deferred revenue balances (current and noncurrent) is as follows:

| | Three Months Ended September 30 | | | | | nths Ended otember 30 |
|--|------------------------------------|----|--------------------|----|--------------------|------------------------------|
| in thousands | 2017 | | 2016 | _ | 2017 | 2016 |
| Deferred Revenue Balance at beginning of period Amortization of deferred revenue | \$ 203,100 (1,903) | \$ | 210,200 (2,068) | \$ | 206,468 (5,271) | \$ 214,060 (5,928) |
| Balance at end of period | \$ 201,197 | \$ | 208,132 | \$ | 201,197 | \$ 208,132 |

Based on expected sales from the specified quarries, we expect to recognize approximately \$ 8,080,000 of deferred revenue as income during the 12-month period ending September 3 0, 201 8 (reflected in other current liabilities in our 201 7 Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet).

NOTE 5: FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value hierarchy prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three broad levels as described below:

Level 1: Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities

Level 2: Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data

Level 3: Inputs that are unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement

Our a ssets subject to fair value measurement on a recurring basis are summarized below:

| | | Level 1 Fair Value | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| in thousands | September 30 2017 | December 31 2016 | September 30 2016 | | | | | | |
| Fair Value Recurring Rabbi Trust | | | | | | | | | |
| Mutual funds Equities | \$ 7,431 12,825 | \$ 6,883 10,033 | \$ 6,601 8,574 | | | | | | |
| Total | \$ 20,256 | \$ 16,916 | \$ 15,175 | | | | | | |

| | Level 2 Fair Value | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|------|----|-------|---------|-------|--|--|
| | September 30 December 31 | | | | Septemb | | | |
| in thousands | | 2017 | | 2016 | | 2016 | | |
| Fair Value Recurring | | | | | | | | |
| Rabbi Trust | | | | | | | | |
| Money market mutual fund | \$ | 386 | \$ | 1,705 | \$ | 2,144 | | |
| Total | \$ | 386 | \$ | 1,705 | \$ | 2,144 | | |

We have two Rabbi Trusts for the purpose of providing a level of security for the employee nonqualified retirement and deferred compensation plans and for the directors' nonqualified deferred compensation plans. The fair values of these investments are estimated using a market approach. The Level 1 investments include mutual funds and equity securities for which quoted prices in active markets are available. Level 2 investments are stated at estimated fair value based on the underlying investments in the fund (short-term, highly liquid assets in commercial paper, short-term bonds and certificates of deposit).

Net gains of the Rabbi Trust investments were \$1,950,000 and \$1,379,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The portions of the net gains related to investments still held by the Rabbi Trusts at September 30, 2017 and 2016 were \$1,424,000 and \$273,000, respectively.

The carrying values of our cash equivalents, restricted cash, accounts and notes receivable, short-term debt, trade payables and accruals, and other current liabilities approximate their fair values because of the short-term nature of these instruments. Additional disclosures for derivative instruments and interest-bearing debt are presented in Notes 6 and 7, respectively.

Assets subject to fair value measurement on a nonrecurring basis are summarized below:

| | Period ende | d September 3 | 0, 2017 | Period ended | l Septembe | r 30, 2016 |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|---------|------------------|------------|------------|
| | | Impa | irment | | lı | mpairment |
| in thousands | Level 2 Charges | | Level 2 | | Charges | |
| Fair Value Nonrecurring | | | | | | |
| Property, plant & equipment, net | \$ 0 | \$ | 0 | \$ 0 | \$ | 1,359 |
| Other intangible assets, net | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 8,180 |
| Other assets | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | 967 |
| Total | \$ 0 | \$ | 0 | \$ 0 | \$ | 10,506 |

We recorded \$10,506,000 of losses on impairment of long-lived assets for the nine m onths ended September 3 0, 2 01 6, re ducing the carrying value of these Aggregates segment asset s to their estimated fair value of \$0. Fair value was estimated using a market approach (observed transactions involving comparable assets in similar locations).

NOTE 6: DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS

During the normal course of operations, we are exposed to market risks including interest rates, foreign currency exchange rates and commodity prices. From time to time, and consistent with our risk management policies, we use derivative instruments to balance the cost and risk of such exposure. We do not use derivative instruments for trading or other speculative purposes.

The accounting for gains and losses that result from changes in the fair value of derivative instruments depends on whether the derivatives have been designated and qualify as hedging instruments and the type of hedging relationship. The interest rate lock agreements described below were designated as cash flow hedges. The changes in fair value of our cash flow hedges are recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income (AOCI) and are reclassified into interest expense in the same period the hedged items affect earnin gs.

CASH FLOW HEDGES

During 2007, we entered into fifteen forward starting interest rate locks on \$1,500,000,000 of future debt issuances to hedge the risk of higher interest rates. Upon the 2007 and 2008 issuances of the related fixed-rate debt, underlying interest rates were lower than the rate locks and we terminated and settled these forward starting locks for cash payments of \$89,777,000 . This amount was booked to AOCI and is being amortized to interest expense over the term of the related debt.

This amortization was reflected in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income as follows:

| | | TI | ree Mont | hs Ended | | Nine Moi | nths Ended |
|-----------------------------|-------------|---------------|----------|----------|---------------|----------|------------|
| | Location on | | Sept | ember 30 | | Se | ptember 30 |
| in thousands | Statement | 2017 | | 2016 | 2017 | | 2016 |
| Cash Flow Hedges | | | | | | | |
| Loss reclassified from AOCI | Interest | | | | | | |
| (effective portion) | expense | \$ (1,955) | \$ | (507) | \$ (3,022) | \$ | (1,490) |

The 2017 losses reclassified from AOCI include the acceleration of deferred losses in the amount of \$1, 405,000 referable to the July debt purchases as described in Note 7

For the 12-month period ending September 3 0, 201 8, we estimate that \$344,000 of the pretax loss in AOCI will be reclassified to earnings.

NOTE 7: DEBT

Debt is detailed as follows:

| in the constant | Effective | s | eptember 30 | De | December 31 2016 | | September 30 2016 | |
|---|----------------|----|-------------|----|---------------------|----|----------------------|--|
| in thousands | Interest Rates | | 2017 | | 2016 | | 2016 | |
| Short-term Debt | | | | _ | | | | |
| Bank line of credit expires 2021 1, 2, 3 | n/a | \$ | 0 | \$ | 0 | \$ | 0 | |
| Total short-term debt | | \$ | 0 | \$ | 0 | \$ | 0 | |
| Long-term Debt | | | | | | | | |
| Bank line of credit expires 2021 1, 2, 3 | n/a | \$ | 0 | \$ | 235,000 | \$ | 235,000 | |
| 7.00% notes due 2018 | n/a | | 0 | | 272,512 | | 272,512 | |
| 10.375% notes due 2018 | n/a | | 0 | | 250,000 | | 250,000 | |
| Floating-rate notes due 2020 | 2.13% | | 250,000 | | 0 | | 0 | |
| 7.50% notes due 2021 | 7.75% | | 600,000 | | 600,000 | | 600,000 | |
| 8.85% notes due 2021 | 8.88% | | 6,000 | | 6,000 | | 6,000 | |
| Term loan due 2021 ^{2, 3} | 2.49% | | 250,000 | | 0 | | 0 | |
| 4.50% notes due 2025 | 4.65% | | 400,000 | | 400,000 | | 400,000 | |
| 3.90% notes due 2027 | 4.00% | | 400,000 | | 0 | | 0 | |
| 7.15% notes due 2037 | 8.05% | | 240,188 | | 240,188 | | 240,188 | |
| 4.50% notes due 2047 | 4.59% | | 700,000 | | 0 | | 0 | |
| Other notes ³ | 6.31% | | 353 | | 365 | | 484 | |
| Total long-term debt - face value | | \$ | 2,846,541 | \$ | 2,004,065 | \$ | 2,004,184 | |
| Unamortized discounts and debt issuance costs | | | (31,748) | | (21,176) | | (20,414) | |
| Total long-term debt - book value | | \$ | 2,814,793 | \$ | 1,982,889 | \$ | 1,983,770 | |
| Less current maturities | | | 4,827 | | 138 | | 131 | |
| Total long-term debt - reported value | | \$ | 2,809,966 | \$ | 1,982,751 | \$ | 1,983,639 | |
| Estimated fair value of long-term debt | | \$ | 3,068,236 | \$ | 2,243,213 | \$ | 2,305,065 | |

¹ Borrowings on the bank line of credit are classified as short-term debt if we intend to repay within twelve months and as long-term debt otherwise.

Our total long-term debt - book value is presented in the table above net of unamortized discounts/premium s and unamortized deferred debt issuance costs. Discounts /premiums and debt issuance costs are amortized using the effective interest method over the terms of the respective notes resulting in \$ 4,473,000 of net interest expense for these items for the nine months ended September 30, 2017.

The estimated fair value of our debt presented in the table above was determined by: (1) averaging several asking price quotes for the publicly traded notes and (2) assuming par value for the remainder of the debt. The fair value estimates for the publicly traded notes were based on Level 2 information (as defined in Note 5) as of their respective balance sheet dates.

LINE OF CREDIT

In December 2016, among other favorable changes, we extended the maturity date of our unsecured \$750,000,000 line of credit from June 2020 to December 2021. The credit agreement contains affirmative, negative and financial covenants customary for an unsecured investment-grade facility. The primary negative covenant limits our ability to incur secured debt. The financial covenants are: (1) a maximum ratio of debt to EBITDA of 3.5:1 (upon certain acquisitions, the maximum ratio can be 3.75:1 for three quarters), and (2) a minimum ratio of EBITDA to net cash interest expense of 3.0:1. As of September 30, 2017, we were in compliance with the line of credit covenants.

² The effective interest rate is the spread over LIBOR as of the most recent balance sheet date.

³ Non-publicly traded debt.

Borrowings on our line of credit are classified as short-term debt if we intend to repay within twelve months and as long-term debt if we have the intent and ability to extend repayment beyond twelve months. Borrowings bear interest, at our option, at either LIBOR plus a credit margin ranging from 1.00% to 1.75%, or SunTrust Bank's base rate (generally, its prime rate) plus a credit margin ranging from 0.00% to 0.75%. The credit margin for both LIBOR and base rate borrowings is determined by our credit ratings. Standby letters of credit, which are issued under the line of credit and reduce availability, are charged a fee equal to the credit margin for LIBOR borrowings plus 0.175%. We also pay a commitment fee on the daily average unused amount of the line of credit that ranges from 0.10% to 0.25% determined by our credit ratings. As of September 30, 2017, the credit margin for LIBOR borrowings was 1.25 %, the credit margin for base rate borrowings was 0.25 %, and the commitment fee for the unused amount was 0.15 %.

As of September 30, 2017, our available borrowing capacity was \$ 706,712,000. Utilization of the borrowing capacity was as follows:

- none was borrowed
- \$ 43,288,000 was used to provide support for outstanding standby letters of credit

TERM DEBT

All of our term debt is unsecured. \$ 2,596,188,000 of such debt is governed by two essentially identical indentures that contain customary investment-grade type covenants. The primary covenant in both indentures limits the amount of secured debt we may incur without ratably securing such debt. \$250,000,000 of such debt is governed, as described below, by the same credit agreement that governs our line of credit. As of September 30, 2017, we were in compliance with all term debt covenants.

In June 2017, we issued \$1,000,000,000 of debt composed of three issuances as follows: (1) \$700,000,000 of 4.50% senior notes due June 2047, (2) \$50,000,000 of 3.90% senior notes due April 2027 (these notes are a further issuance of, and form a single series with, the 3.90% notes issued in March 2017), and (3) \$250,000,000 of floating-rate senior notes due June 2020. These issuances resulted in proceeds of \$989,512,000 (net of original issue discounts/premiums, underwriter fees and other transaction costs). The proceeds will be used to partially finance the pending acquisition of Aggregates USA, LLC as described in Note 16 and were used to early retire the notes due in 2018 (\$272,512,000 @ 7.00% and \$250,000,000 @ 10.375%). This early retirement was completed in July at a cost of \$565,5 60 ,000 including a \$43,020,000 premium above the principal amount of the notes and transaction costs of \$2 8 ,000. As a result, in the third quarte r , we recognized \$3,029,000 of net noncash expense associated with the acceleration of unamortized discounts, deferred debt issuance costs and deferred interest rate derivative settlement losses. The combined charge of \$46,07 7 ,000 was a component of interest expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017.

In June 2017, we drew the full \$250,000,000 on the unsecured delayed draw term loan entered into in December 2016. These funds were used to repay the \$235,000,000 borrowed on our line of credit and for general corporate purposes. Borrowings bear interest in the same manner as the line of credit. The term loan principal will be repaid quarterly beginning March 2018 as follows: quarters 5 - 8 @ \$1,562,500 /quarter; 9 - 12 @ \$3,125,000 /quarter; 13 - 19 @ \$4,687,500 /quarter and \$198,437,500 for quarter 20 (December 2021). The term loan may be prepaid at any time without penalty. It is provided by the same group of banks that provides our line of credit, and is governed by the same credit agreement as the line of credit. As such, it is subject to the same affirmative, negative, and financial covenants.

In March 2017, we issued \$350,000,000 of 3.90% senior notes due April 2027 for proceeds of \$345,450,000 (net of original issue discounts, underwriter fees and other transaction costs). The proceeds were used for general corporate purposes. This series of notes now totals \$400,000,000 due to the additional \$50,000,000 of notes issued in June (as described above).

STANDBY LETTERS OF CREDIT

We provide, in the normal course of business, certain third-party beneficiaries with standby letters of credit to support our obligations to pay or perform according to the requirements of an underlying agreement. Such letters of credit typically have an initial term of one year, typically renew automatically, and can only be modified or cancelled with the approval of the beneficiary. All of our standby letters of credit are issued by banks that participate in our \$750,000,000 line of credit, and reduce the borrowing capacity thereunder. Our standby letters of credit as of September 30, 2017 are summarized by purpose in the table below:

| in thousands | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Standby Letters of Credit | |
| Risk management insurance | \$ 38,111 |
| Reclamation/restoration requirements | 5,177 |
| Total | \$ 43,288 |

NOTE 8: COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

As summarized by purpose directly above in Note 7, our standby letters of credit totaled \$43,288,000 as of September 30, 2017.

As described in Note 9, our asset retirement obligations totaled \$ 222,888,000 as of September 30, 2017.

LITIGATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

We are subject to occasional governmental proceedings and orders pertaining to occupational safety and health or to protection of the environment, such as proceedings or orders relating to noise abatement, air emissions or water discharges. As part of our continuing program of stewardship in safety, health and environmental matters, we have been able to resolve such proceedings and to comply with such orders without any material adverse effects on our business.

We have received notices from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or similar state or local agencies that we are considered a potentially responsible party (PRP) at a limited number of sites under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA or Superfund) or similar state and local environmental laws. Generally, we share the cost of remediation at these sites with other PRPs or alleged PRPs in accordance with negotiated or prescribed allocations. There is inherent uncertainty in determining the potential cost of remediating a given site and in determining any individual party's share in that cost. As a result, estimates can change substantially as additional information becomes available regarding the nature or extent of site contamination, remediation methods, other PRPs and their probable level of involvement, and actions by or against governmental agencies or private parties.

We have reviewed the nature and extent of our involvement at each Superfund site, as well as potential obligations arising under other federal, state and local environmental laws. While ultimate resolution and financial liability is uncertain at a number of the sites, in our opinion based on information currently available, the ultimate resolution of claims and assessments related to these sites will not have a material effect on our consolidated results of operations, financial position or cash flows, although amounts recorded in a given period could be material to our results of operations or cash flows for that period.

We are a defendant in various lawsuits in the ordinary course of business. It is not possible to determine with precision the outcome, or the amount of liability, if any, under these lawsuits, especially where the cases involve possible jury trials with as yet undetermined jury panels.

In addition to these lawsuits in which we are involved in the ordinary course of business, certain other material legal proceedings are more specifically described below:

■ LOWER PASSAIC RIVER STUDY AREA (SUPERFUND SITE) — The Lower Passaic River Study Area is part of the Diamond Shamrock Superfund Site in New Jersey. Vulcan and approximately 70 other companies are parties (collectively the Cooperating Parties Group) to a May 2007 Administrative Order on Consent (AOC) with the EPA to perform a Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (draft RI/FS) of the lower 17 miles of the Passaic River (River). However, before the draft RI/FS was issued in final form, the EPA issued a record of decision (ROD) in March 2016 that calls for a bank-to-bank dredging remedy for the lower 8 miles of the River. The EPA estimates that the cost of implementing this proposal is \$1.38 billion. In September 2016, the EPA entered into an Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent with Occidental Chemical Corporation (Occidental) in which Occidental agreed to undertake the remedial design for this bank-to-bank dredging remedy, and to reimburse the United States for certain response costs.

Efforts to remediate the River have been underway for many years and have involved hundreds of entities that have had operations on or near the River at some point during the past several decades. We formerly owned a chemicals operation near the mouth of the River, which was sold in 1974. The major risk drivers in the River have been identified as dioxins, PCBs, DDx and mercury. We did not manufacture any of these risk drivers and have no evidence that any of these were discharged into the River by Vulcan.

The AOC does not obligate us to fund or perform the remedial action contemplated by either the draft RI/FS or the ROD. Furthermore, the parties who will participate in funding the remediation and their respective allocation s. h ave not been determined. We do not agree that a bank-to-bank remedy is warranted, and we are not obligated to fund any of the remedial action at this time; nevertheless, we previously estimated the cost to be incurred by us as a potential participant in a bank-to-bank dredging remedy and recorded an immaterial loss for this matter in 2015.

■ TEXAS BRINE MATTER — During the operation of its former Chemicals Division, Vulcan le a sed the right to mine salt out of an underground salt dome formation in Assumption Parish, Louisiana f rom 1976 - 200 5. Throughout that period and for all times thereafter, t he Texas Brine Company (Texas Brine) was the operat or contracted by Vulcan to mine and deliver the salt. We sold our Chemicals Division in 2005 and transferred our rights and interest s related to the salt and mining operations to the purchaser, a subsidiary of Occidental, and we have had no association with the leased premises or Texas Brine since that time. In August 2012, a sinkhole developed in the vicinity of the Texas Brine mining operations, and numerous lawsuits were filed in state court in Assumption Parish, Louisiana. Other lawsuits, including class action litigation, were also filed in federal court before the Eastern District of Louisiana in New Orleans.

There are numerous defendants , including Texas Brine and Occidental, to the litigation in state and federal court. Vulcan was first brought into the litigation as a third-party defendant in August 2013 b y T exas Brine . We have since been added as a direct and third-party defendant by other parties, including a direct claim by the s tate of Louisian a. Damage categories encompassed within the litigation include individual plaintiffs' claims for property damage, a claim by the s tate of Louisian and Texas Brine for response costs , c laims for physical damages to nearby oil and gas pipeline s and storage facilities (pipelines) , and business interruption claims . In addition to the plaintiffs' claims, we were als o s ued for contractual indemnity and comparative fault by both Texas Brine and Occidental. It is alleged that the sinkhole was caused, in whole or in part, by our negligent actions or failure to act. It is also alleged that we breached the salt lease with Occidental , as well as an operating agreement and related contracts with Texas Brin e; that we are strictly liable for certain property damages in our capacity as a former lessee of the salt lease; and that we violated certain covenants and conditions in the agreement under which we sold our Chemicals Division to Occidental . We have likewise made claims for contractual indemnity and on a basis of comparative fault against Texas Brine and Occidental. Vulcan and Occidental have since dismissed all of their claims against one another. Texas Brine has claims that remain pending against Vulcan and against Occidental. Discovery remains ongoing in various cases .

In December 2016, we settled with p laintiffs in one of the cases involving individual property damages. During the first nine months of 2017, we settled with the plaintiffs in the cases involving physical damages to pipelines. Our insurers have funded the settle ments in excess of our self-insured retention amount. Each of the pipeline plaintiffs signed a release in favor of Vulcan and agreed that we would not be responsible to the pipelines for any amount beyond the settlement amount. A bench t rial (judge only) began in September 2017 and ended in October in two of the three pipeline cases. The trial was limited in scope to the allocation of comparative fault or liability for causing the sinkhole, with a damages trial to be held at a later date. Vulcan participated in the trial, as it encompassed c ross-party and third-party claims against us. The court ordered post-trial briefs to be filed early November 2017, and scheduled closing arguments for later that month. We do not know at this time when the judge will issue his ruling.

W e cannot reasonably estimate a range of liability pertaining to the open cases at this time

■ HEWITT LANDFILL MATTER (SUPERFUND SITE) — In September 2015, the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) issued a Cleanup and Abatement Order (CAO) directing Vulcan to assess, monitor, cleanup and abate wastes that have been discharged to soil, soil vapor, and/or groundwater at the former Hewitt Landfill in Los Angeles. The CAO followed a 2014 Investigative Order from the RWQCB that sought data and a technical evaluation regarding the Hewitt Landfill, and a subsequent amendment to the Investigative Order requiring us to provide groundwater monitoring results to the RWQCB and to create and implement a work plan for further investigation of the Hewitt Landfill. In April 2016, we submitted an interim remedial action plan (IRAP) to the RWQCB, proposing a n on-site pilot test of a pump and treat system; testing and implementation of a leachate recovery system; and storm water capture and convevance improvements.

Operation of the on-si t e pilot-scale treatment system began in January 2017, and was completed in April 2017. With completion of the pilot testing and other investigative work to date, we submitted an amendment to the IRAP (AIRAP) to RWQCB in August 2017 proposing the use of a 300 gallon per minute pump, treat and reinjection system. Based on the preliminary design of this system, we accrued \$14,216,000 in the second quarter of 2017 (reflected in other operating expense). We are currently responding to comments and planning for implementation of the AIRAP.

We are also engaged in an ongoing dialogue with the EPA, the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, and other stakeholders regarding the potential contribution of the Hewitt Landfill to groundwater contamination in the North Hollywood Operable Unit (NHOU) of the San Fernando Valle y Superfund Site. We are gathering and analyzing data and developing technical information to determine the extent of possible contribution by the Hewitt Landfill to the groundwater contamination in the area. This work is also intended to assist in identification of other PRPs that may have contributed to groundwater contamination in the area.

In July 2016, the EPA sent us a letter requesting that we enter into an AOC for remedial design work at the NHOU. We entered into an AOC and Statement of Work with the EPA in September 2017, for the design of two extraction wells south of the Hewi tt S ite to protect the North Hollywood West well field. The AOC provides for Vulcan to undertake a preliminary evaluation of the appropriateness of the two-well remedy. Estimated cost s to comply with this AOC are immaterial and have been accrued. Until the remedial design work and evaluation of the two-well remedy is complete, we cannot identify an appropriate remedial action or reasonably estimate a loss pertaining to this matter.

It is not possible to predict with certainty the ultimate outcome of these and other legal proceedings in which we are involved and a number of factors, including developments in ongoing discovery or adverse rulings, or the verdict of a particular jury, could cause actual losses to differ materially from accrued costs. No liability was recorded for claims and litigation for which a loss was determined to be only reasonably possible or for which a loss could not be reasonably estimated. Legal costs incurred in defense of lawsuits are expensed as incurred. In addition, losses on certain claims and litigation described above may be subject to limitations on a per occurrence basis by excess insurance, as described in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K.

NOTE 9: ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATIONS

Asset retirement obligations (AROs) are legal obligations associated with the retirement of long-lived assets resulting from the acquisition, construction, development and/or normal use of the underlying assets.

Recognition of a liability for an ARO is required in the period in which it is incurred at its estimated fair value. The associated asset retirement costs are capitalized as part of the carrying amount of the underlying asset and depreciated over the estimated useful life of the asset. The liability is accreted through charges to operating expenses. If the ARO is settled for other than the carrying amount of the liability, we recognize a gain or loss on settlement.

We record all AROs for which we have legal obligations for land reclamation at estimated fair value. Essentially all these AROs relate to our underlying land parcels, including both owned properties and mineral leases. For the three and nine month periods ended September 3 0, we recognized ARO operating costs related to accretion of the liabilities and depreciation of the assets as follows:

| | | Three Months Ended | | Nine Months Ended |
|---------------------|----------|--------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | September 30 | | September 30 |
| in thousands | 201 | 2016 | 2017 | 2016 |
| ARO Operating Costs | | | | |
| Accretion | \$ 2,857 | \$ 2,692 | \$ 8,620 | \$ 8,163 |
| Depreciation | 1,494 | 1,469 | 4,741 | 4,783 |
| Total | \$ 4,351 | \$ 4,161 | \$ 13,361 | \$ 12,946 |

ARO operating costs are reported in cost of revenues. AROs are reported within other noncurrent liabilities in our accompanying Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Reconciliations of the carrying amounts of our AROs are as follows:

| | | Three Months Ended September 30 | Nine Months Ended September 30 | | | |
|--------------------------------|------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------|--|--|
| in thousands | 2017 | 2016 | 2017 | 2016 | | |
| Asset Retirement Obligations | | | | | | |
| Balance at beginning of period | \$ 223,953 | \$ 217,043 | \$ 223,872 | \$ 226,594 | | |
| Liabilities incurred | 731 | 0 | 1,066 | 505 | | |
| Liabilities settled | (5,263) | (3,937) | (15,739) | (14,256) | | |
| Accretion expense | 2,857 | 2,692 | 8,620 | 8,163 | | |
| Revisions, net | 610 | (1,112) | 5,069 | (6,320) | | |
| Balance at end of period | \$ 222,888 | \$ 214,686 | \$ 222,888 | \$ 214,686 | | |

ARO liabilities settled during the first nine months of 2017 and 2016 include \$8,117,000 and \$10,373,000, respectively, of reclamation activities required under a development agreement and conditional use permits at two adjacent aggregates sites on owned property in Southern California. The reclamation required under the reclamation agreement will result in the restoration and development of 90 acres of previously mined property suitable for retail and commercial development.

NOTE 10: BENEFIT PLANS

We sponsor three qualified, noncontributory defined benefit pension plans. These plans cover substantially all employees hired before July 2007, other than those covered by union-administered plans. Normal retirement age is 65, but the plans contain provisions for earlier retirement. Benefits for the Salaried Plan and the Chemicals Hourly Plan are generally based on salaries or wages and years of service; the Construction Materials Hourly Plan provides benefits equal to a flat dollar amount for each year of service. In addition to these qualified plans, we sponsor three unfunded, nonqualified pension plans.

Effective July 2007, we amended our defined benefit pension plans to no longer accept new participants. Effective December 2013, we amended our defined benefit pension plans to freeze future benefit accrual s for salaried pension participants effective December 31, 2015.

The following table sets forth the components of net periodic pension benefit cost:

| PENSION BENEFITS | | Three Months Ended September 30 | Nine Months Ended September 30 | | | |
|--|----------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------|--|--|
| in thousands | 2017 | 2016 | 2017 | 2016 | | |
| Components of Net Periodic Benefit Cost | | | | _ | | |
| Service cost | \$ 1,653 | \$ 1,335 | \$ 4,961 | \$ 4,007 | | |
| Interest cost | 9,057 | 9,127 | 27,172 | 27,379 | | |
| Expected return on plan assets | (12,097) | (12,891) | (36,289) | (38,672) | | |
| Amortization of prior service cost (credit) | 335 | (11) | 1,005 | (32) | | |
| Amortization of actuarial loss | 1,824 | 1,540 | 5,471 | 4,622 | | |
| Net periodic pension benefit cost (credit) | \$ 772 | \$ (900) | \$ 2,320 | \$ (2,696) | | |
| Pretax reclassifications from AOCI included in | | | | | | |
| net periodic pension benefit cost | \$ 2,159 | \$ 1,529 | \$ 6,476 | \$ 4,590 | | |

The contributions to pension plans for the nine months ended September 3 0, 2017 and 201 6, as reflected on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, pertain to benefit payments under nonqualified plans and a third quarter 2017 discretionary qualified plan contribution of \$10,600,000.

In addition to pension benefits, we provide certain healthcare and life insurance benefits for some retired employees. In 2012, we amended our postretirement healthcare plan to cap our portion of the medical coverage cost at the 2015 level. Substantially all our salaried employees and, where applicable, certain of our hourly employees may become eligible for these benefits if they reach a qualifying age and meet certain se rvice requirements. Generally, C ompany-provided healthcare benefits end when covered individuals become eligible for Medicare benefits, become eligible for other group insurance coverage or reach age 65, whichever occurs first.

The following table sets forth the components of net periodic other postretirement benefit cost:

| OTHER POSTRETIREMENT BENEFITS | Three Months Ended September 30 | | | | | | Nine Months Ended September 30 | | |
|--|--|----|--------------------------------|----|----------------------------------|----|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| in thousands | 2017 | | 2016 | | 2017 | | 2016 | | |
| Components of Net Periodic Benefit Cost Service cost Interest cost Amortization of prior service credit Amortization of actuarial gain | \$ 292 315 (1,059) (397) | \$ | 281 302 (1,059) (438) | \$ | 875 945 (3,177) (1,190) | \$ | 842 907 (3,177) (1,313) | | |
| Net periodic postretirement benefit credit | \$ (849) | \$ | (914) | \$ | (2,547) | \$ | (2,741) | | |
| Pretax reclassifications from AOCI included in net periodic postretirement benefit credit | \$ (1,456) | \$ | (1,497) | \$ | (4,367) | \$ | (4,490) | | |

NOTE 11: OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Comprehensive income comprises two subsets: net earnings and other comprehensive income (OCI). The components of other comprehensive income are presented in the accompanying Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income, net of applicable taxes.

Amounts in accumulated other comprehensive income (AOCI), net of tax, are as follows:

| | September 30 | December 31 | September 30 |
|----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| in thousands | 2017 | 2016 | 2016 |
| AOCI | | | |
| Cash flow hedges | \$ (11,464) | \$ (13,300) | \$ (13,592) |
| Pension and postretirement plans | (124,795) | (126,076) | (105,514) |
| Total | \$ (136,259) | \$ (139,376) | \$ (119,106) |

Changes in AOCI, net of tax, for the nine months ended September $\,3\,0$, 2017 are as follows:

| in thousands | Cash Flow Hedges | Pension and Postretirement Benefit Plans | Total |
|---|---------------------|--|--------------|
| AOCI Balance as of December 31, 2016 | \$ (13,300) | \$ (126,076) | \$ (139,376) |
| Amounts reclassified from AOCI | 1,836 | 1,281 | 3,117 |
| Balance as of September 30, 2017 | \$ (11,464) | \$ (124,795) | \$ (136,259) |

Amounts reclassified from AOCI to earnings, are as follows:

| | | Three Months Ended September 30 | | | | | | |
|---|----|------------------------------------|----|-------|----|---------|----|-------|
| in thousands | • | 2017 | | 2016 | | 2017 | | 2016 |
| Reclassification Adjustment for Cash Flow Hedge Losses | | | | | | | | |
| Interest expense | \$ | 1,955 | \$ | 507 | \$ | 3,022 | \$ | 1,490 |
| Benefit from income taxes | | (767) | | (200) | | (1,186) | | (588) |
| Total ¹ | \$ | 1,188 | \$ | 307 | \$ | 1,836 | \$ | 902 |
| Amortization of Pension and Postretirement Plan Actuarial Loss and Prior Service Cost | | | | | | | | |
| Cost of revenues | \$ | 576 | \$ | 27 | \$ | 1,721 | \$ | 82 |
| Selling, administrative and general expenses | | 127 | | 6 | | 388 | | 18 |
| Benefit from income taxes | | (276) | | (13) | | (828) | | (39) |
| Total | \$ | 427 | \$ | 20 | \$ | 1,281 | \$ | 61 |
| Total reclassifications from AOCI to earnings | \$ | 1,615 | \$ | 327 | \$ | 3,117 | \$ | 963 |

¹ The 2017 losses reclassified from AOCI include the acceleration of deferred losses in the amount of \$1, 405,000 referable to the July debt purchases as described in Note 7.

NOTE 12: EQUITY

Our capital stock consists solely of common stock, par value \$1.00 per share. Holders of our common stock are entitled to one vote per share. Our Certificate of Incorporation also authorizes 5,000,000 shares of preferred stock of which no shares have been issued. The terms and provisions of such shares will be determined by our Board of Directors upon any issuance of preferred shares in accordance with our Certificate of Incorporation.

Changes in total equity are summarized below:

| | Nine Moi Se | | | | | |
|--|----------------|--------------|--|--|--|--|
| in thousands | 2017 | 2016 | | | | |
| Total Equity | | | | | | |
| Balance at beginning of year | \$ 4,572,476 | \$ 4,454,188 | | | | |
| Net earnings | 273,639 | 306,890 | | | | |
| Share-based compensation plans, net of shares withheld for taxes | (24,485) | (32,388) | | | | |
| Purchase and retirement of common stock | (60,303) | (161,463) | | | | |
| Share-based compensation expense | 19,953 | 15,645 | | | | |
| Cash dividends on common stock (\$0.75/\$0.60 per share) | (99,263) | (79,865) | | | | |
| Other comprehensive income | 3,117 | 963 | | | | |
| Balance at end of period | \$ 4,685,134 | \$ 4,503,970 | | | | |

There were no shares held in treasury as of September 30, 20 17, December 31, 2016 and September 30, 2016.

Our common stock purchases (all of which were open market purchases) were as follows:

- nine months ended September 30, 2017 purchased and retired 510,283 shares for a cost of \$60,303,000
- twelve months ended December 31, 2016 purchased and retired 1,426,659 shares for a cost of \$161,463,000
- nine months ended September 30, 2016 purchased and retired 1,426,659 shares for a cost of \$161,463,000

As of September 30, 2017, 9,489,717 shares may be p urchased under the current purchase authorization of our Board of Directors.

NOTE 13: SEGMENT REPORTING

We have four operating (and reportable) segments organized around our principal product lines: Aggregates, Asphalt, Concrete and Calcium. The vast majority of our activities are domestic. We sell a relatively small amount of construction aggregates outside the United States. Intersegment sales are made at local market prices for the particular grade and quality of product u sed in the production of asphalt mix and ready-mixed concrete. Management reviews earnings from the product line reporting segments principally at the gross profit level.

SEGMENT FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

| in the country | | 2017 | Three Months Ended September 30 | | 2017 | Nine Months Ended September 30 |
|------------------------------------|----|--------------------|---------------------------------|----|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| in thousands | | 2017 | 2016 | | 2017 | 2016 |
| Total Revenues | • | 050 000 | \$ 821.809 | • | 0 000 505 | C 0 040 474 |
| Aggregates ¹ Asphalt | \$ | 858,699 189,940 | \$ 821,809 157,406 | Þ | 2,326,585 461,474 | \$ 2,248,174 388,560 |
| Concrete | | 115,485 | 91,147 | | 309,448 | 242,790 |
| Calcium | | 1,965 | 2.373 | | 5,822 | 6.732 |
| Segment sales | ¢ | 1,166,089 | \$ 1,072,735 | ¢ | 3,103,329 | \$ 2,886,256 |
| Aggregates intersegment sales | Ψ | (71,374) | (64,595) | φ | (190,523) | (166,563) |
| Total revenues | • | 1,094,715 | \$ 1,008,140 | ¢ | 2,912,806 | \$ 2,719,693 |
| | Ψ | 1,034,713 | \$ 1,000,140 | φ | 2,312,000 | \$ 2,719,093 |
| Gross Profit | • | 050 400 | 0.04.700 | • | 050 075 | 0 004.454 |
| Aggregates | \$ | 259,122 | \$ 261,762 | \$ | 652,075 | \$ 664,154 |
| Asphalt Concrete | | 31,363 14,367 | 32,889 8,711 | | 68,921 34,302 | 76,028 18,334 |
| Calcium | | 664 | 847 | | 1.972 | 2,596 |
| Total | \$ | 305,516 | \$ 304,209 | \$ | 757,270 | \$ 761,112 |
| | Ψ | 303,310 | \$ 304,209 | φ | 131,210 | φ /01,112 |
| Depreciation, Depletion, Accretion | | | | | | |
| and Amortization (DDA&A) | \$ | 64.074 | \$ 60.204 | \$ | 182,559 | \$ 177.129 |
| Aggregates Asphalt | Þ | 64,071 6,494 | \$ 60,204 4,100 | Þ | 18,841 | 12,468 |
| Concrete | | 3,591 | 3,072 | | 10,286 | 9,141 |
| Calcium | | 180 | 198 | | 567 | 577 |
| Other | | 5,300 | 4,475 | | 15,721 | 14,047 |
| Total | \$ | 79,636 | \$ 72,049 | \$ | 227,974 | \$ 213,362 |
| Identifiable Assets ² | | . 0,000 | ψ <u></u> | • | | Ψ 2.0,002 |
| Aggregates | | | | ¢ | 7,974,915 | \$ 7,671,222 |
| Asphalt | | | | ų. | 355,171 | 243.909 |
| Concrete | | | | | 233,565 | 188,169 |
| Calcium | | | | | 3,505 | 5,392 |
| Total identifiable assets | | | | \$ | 8,567,156 | \$ 8,108,692 |
| General corporate assets | | | | | 171,015 | 114,028 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | | | | | 701,163 | 135,365 |
| Total | | | | \$ | 9,439,334 | \$ 8,358,085 |

Includes crushed stone, sand and gravel, sand, other aggregates, as well as freight, delivery and transportation revenues, and service revenues related to aggregates.

Certain temporarily idled assets are included within a segment's Identifiable Assets but the associated DDA&A is shown within Other in the DDA&A section above as the related DDA&A is excluded from segment gross profit.

NOTE 14: SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION

Supplemental information referable to our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows is summarized below:

| | | Nine Months Ended September 30 |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| in thousands | 2017 | 2016 |
| Cash Payments Interest (exclusive of amount capitalized) Income taxes | \$ 118,157 124,121 | \$ 69,865 92,397 |
| Noncash Investing and Financing Activities Accrued liabilities for purchases of property, plant & equipment Amounts referable to business acquisitions | \$ 10,602 | \$ 10,493 |
| Liabilities assumed | 1,935 | 0 |

NOTE 15: GOODWILL

Goodwill is recognized when the consideration paid for a business exceeds the fair value of the tangible and identifiable intangible assets acquired. Goodwill is allocated to reporting units for purposes of testing goodwill for impairment. There were no charges for goodwill impairment in the nine month periods ended September 3 0, 20 17 and 201 6.

We have four reportable segments organized around our principal product lines: Aggregates, Asphalt, Concrete and Calcium. Changes in the carrying amount of goodwill by reportable segment from December 31, 201 6 to September 3 0, 2017 are summarized below:

| in thousands | Aggregates | Asphalt | С | oncrete | Calcium | Total |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|----|---------|---------|-----------------|
| Goodwill | | | | | | |
| Total as of December 31, 2016 | \$ 3,003,191 | \$ 91,633 | \$ | 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 3,094,824 |
| Goodwill of acquired businesses 1 | 6,513 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 6,513 |
| Goodwill of divested businesses | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total as of September 30, 2017 | \$ 3,009,704 | \$ 91,633 | \$ | 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 3,101,337 |

¹ See Note 16 for a summary of the current year acquisition s.

We test goodwill for impairment on an annual basis or more frequently if events or circumstances change in a manner that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of a reporting unit below its carrying value. A decrease in the estimated fair value of one or more of our reporting units could result in the recognition of a material, noncash write-down of goodwill.

NOTE 16: ACQUISITIONS AND DIVESTITURES

BUSINESS ACQUISITIONS AND PENDING ACQUISITIONS

During the second quarter of 2017, we announced the pending acquisition of Aggregates USA, LLC, an aggregates business that is composed of 32 facilities (15 aggregates facilities, 16 aggregates rail distribution yards and 1 aggregates truck distribution yard) in Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia, for \$900.0 million in cash. In order to expedite the regulatory approval process, we may dives t quarries in Tennessee and Virginia subject to receipt of regulatory approval. We expect to close this acquisition in the fourth quarter of 2017.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2017, we purchased the following for total consideration of \$ 212,406,000 :

- California ready-mixed concrete facilities, an aggregates marine distribution yard and building materials yards
- Illinois two aggregates facilities
- New Mexico an aggregates facility
- Tennessee two aggregates facilities, asphalt mix operations and a construction paving business

The 2017 completed acquisitions listed above are reported in our condensed consolidated financial statements as of their respective acquisition dates. None of these acquisitions are material to our results of operations or financial position either individually or collectively.

The fair value of consideration transferred for these acquisitions and the preliminary amounts of assets acquired and liabilities assumed (based on their estimated fair values at their acquisition dates), are summarized below:

| in thousands | Se | ptember 30 2017 |
|--|----|--------------------|
| Fair Value of Purchase Consideration | | |
| Cash | \$ | 210,562 |
| Payable to seller | | 1,844 |
| Total fair value of purchase consideration | \$ | 212,406 |
| Identifiable Assets Acquired and Liabilities Assumed | | |
| Inventories | | 6,213 |
| Other current assets | | 253 |
| Property, plant & equipment | | 126,426 |
| Other intangible assets | | |
| Contractual rights in place | | 73,092 |
| Liabilities assumed | | (91) |
| Net identifiable assets acquired | \$ | 205,893 |
| Goodwill | \$ | 6,513 |

Estimated fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed are preliminary pending appraisals of contractual rights in place and property, plant & equipment.

As a result of these 2017 completed acquisitions, we recognized \$ 73,092,000 of amortizable intangible assets (c ontractual rights in place). The se contractual rights in place ewill be amortized against earnings (\$ 66,630,000 – straight-line over a weighted-average 18.8 years and \$ 6,462,000 – units of sales over an estimated 20 years) and deductible for income tax purposes over 15 years. The goodwill noted above will be deductible for income tax purposes over 15 years.

For the full year 2016, we purchased the following for total consideration of \$33,287,000 (\$32,537,000 cash and \$750,000 payable):

- Georgia a distribution business to complement our aggregates logistics and distribution activities
- New Mexico an asphalt mix operation
- Texas an aggregates facility

None of the 2016 acquisitions listed above are material to our results of operations or financial position either individually or collectively. As a result of these 2016 acquisitions, we recognized \$16,670,000 of amortizable intangible assets (\$15,213,000 contractual rights in place and \$1,457,000 noncompetition agreement). The contractual rights in place are amortized against earnings (\$6,798,000 – straight-line over 20 years and \$8,415,000 – u nits of sales over an estimated 20 years) and deductible for income tax purposes over 15 years.

DIVESTITURES AND PENDING DIVESTITURES

No assets met the criteria for held for sale at September 30, 2017, December 31, 2016 or September 30, 2016. However, as stated above, we may divest several quarries in Tennessee in order to expedite the regulatory approval process for the pending Aggregates USA acquisition.

NOTE 17: NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

ACCOUNTING STANDARDS PENDING ADOPTION

PRESENTATION OF NET PERIODIC BENEFIT PLANS In March 2017, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued ASU 2017-07, "Improving the Presentation of Net Periodic Pension Cost and Net Periodic Postretirement Benefit Cost," which changes the presentation of the net periodic benefit cost in the income statement. Employers will present the service cost component of net periodic benefit cost in the same income statement line item(s) as other employee compensation costs. The other components of net benefit cost will be included in nonoperating expense. This ASU is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017, and interim reporting periods within those annual reporting periods. Retrospective application of the change in income statement presentation is required. A practical expedient is provided that permits entities to use the components of cost disclosed in prior years as a basis for the retrospective application of the new income statement presentation. We will adopt ASU 2017-07 in the first quarter of 2018. We do not expect the adoption of this standard to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements; service cost for 2017 is estimated to be \$7,782,000 while all other components are estimated to be a benefit of \$8,083,000.

GOODWILL IMPAIRMENT TESTING In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-04, "Simplifying the Test for Goodwill Impairment," which eliminates the requirement to calculate the implied fair value of goodwill (Step 2) to measure a goodwill impairment charge. Instead, entities will record an impairment charge based on the excess of a reporting unit's carrying value over its fair value. This ASU is effective for annual and interim impairment tests performed in periods beginning after December 15, 2019. Early adoption is permitted for annual and interim goodwill impairment testing dates after January 1, 2017. We will early adopt this standard as of our November 1, 2017 annual impairment test. The results of our November 1, 2016 annual impairment test indicated that the fair value of all our reporting units substantially exceeded their carrying values. As a result, we do not expect the adoption of this standard to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

INTRA-ENTITY ASSET TRANSFERS In October 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-16, "Intra-Entity Transfers of Assets Other Than Inventory," which requires the tax effects of intercompany transactions other than inventory to be recognized currently. ASU 2016-16 is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017, and interim reporting periods within those annual reporting periods. We will adopt this standard in the first quarter of 2018. We do not expect the adoption of this standard to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

CASH FLOW CLASSIFICATION In August 2016, the F ASB issued ASU 2016-15, "Classification of Certain Cash Receipts and Cash Payments," which amends guidance on the classification of certain cash receipts and payments in the statement of cash flows. This ASU adds or clarifies guidance on eight specific cash flow issues. Additionally, guidance on the presentation of restricted cash is addressed in ASU 2016-18 which was issued in November 2016. Our current policy is to present changes in restricted cash within the investing section of our consolidated statements of cash flows. Both of these standards are effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017, and interim reporting periods within those annual reporting periods. Early adoption is permitted. We do not expect the adoption of these standards to have a material impact on our consolidated statements of cash flows.

CREDIT LOSSES In June 2016, the FA SB issued ASU 2016-13, "Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments," which amends guidance on the impairment of financial instruments. The new guidance estimates credit losses based on expected losses, modifies the impairment model for available-for-sale debt securities and provides for a simplified accounting model for purchased financial assets with credit deterioration. ASU 2016-13 is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2019, and interim reporting periods within those annual reporting periods. Early adoption is permitted for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2018. While we are still evaluating the impact of ASU 2016-13, we do not expect the adoption of this standard to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

LEASE ACCOUNTING In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, "Leases," which amends existing accounting standards for lease accounting and adds additional disclosures about leasing arrangements. Under the new guidance, lessees are required to recognize lease assets and lease liabilities on the balance sheet for all leases with terms longer than 12 months. Leases will be classified as either finance or operating, with classification affecting the pattern of expense recognition in the income statement and presentation of cash flow in the statement of cash flows. This ASU is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2018, and interim reporting periods within those annual reporting periods. Early adoption is permitted and modified retrospective application is required. We will adopt this standard in the first quarter of 2019. While we expect the adoption of this standard to have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures, we have yet to quantify the effect.

CLASSIFICATION AND MEASUREMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS In January 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-01, "Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities," which amends certain aspects of current guidance on the recognition, measurement and disclosure of financial instruments. Among other changes, this ASU requires most equity investments be measured at fair value. Additionally, the ASU eliminates the requirement to disclose the method and significant assumptions used to estimate the fair value for instruments not recognized at fair value in our financial statements. This ASU is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017, and interim reporting periods within those annual reporting periods. Early adoption is permitte d. W e do not expect the adoption of this standard to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

REVENUE RECOGNITION In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-09, "Revenue From Contracts With Customers," which outlines a single comprehensive model for entities to use in accounting for revenue arising from contracts with customers and supersedes most current revenue recognition guidance, including industry-specific guidance. This ASU provides a more robust framework for addressing revenue issues and expands required revenue recognition disclosures. This ASU is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017, and interim reporting periods within those annual reporting periods. Early adoption is permitted only as of annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016, including interim reporting periods within that reporting period. Further, in applying this ASU an entity is permitted to use either the full retrospective or cumulative effect transition approach. We expect to identify similar performance obligations under ASU 2014-09 compared with the deliverables and separate units of account we have identified under existing accounting standards. As a result, we expect the timing of our revenues to remain generally the same. We will adopt this standard using the cumulative effect transition approach.

GENERAL COMMENTS

OVERVIEW

We provide the basic materials for the infrastructure needed to maintain and expand the U.S. economy. We operate primarily in the U.S. and are the nation's largest supplier of construction aggregates (primarily crushed stone, sand and gravel) and a major producer of asphalt mix and ready-mixed concrete. Our strategy and competitive advantage are based on our strength in a ggregates. Aggregates are used in most types of construction and in the production of asphalt mix and ready-mixed concrete.

Demand for our products is dependent on construction activity and correlates positively with changes in population growth, household formation and employment. E nd u ses include public construction (e.g., highways, bridges, buildings, airports, schools, prison s, s ewer and waste disposal systems, water supply systems, dams and reservoirs), private nonresidential construction (e.g., manufacturing, retail, offices, industrial and institutional) and private residential construction (e.g., single-family houses, duplexes, apartment buildings and condominiums). Customers for our products include heavy construction and paving contractors; commercial building contractors; concrete products manufacturers; residential building contractors; railroads and electric utilities; and to a smaller extent state, county and municipal governments.

A ggregates have a high weight-to-value ratio and, in most cases, must be produced near where they are used; if not, transportation can cost more than the materials, rendering them uncompetitive compared to locally produced materials. Exceptions to this typical market structure include areas along the U.S. Gulf Coast and the Eastern Seaboard where there are limited supplies of locally available high-quality aggregates. We serve these markets from quarries that have access to long-haul transportation—shipping by barge and rail—and from our quarry on Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula with our fleet of Panamax-class, self-unloading ships.

There are practically no substitutes for quality aggregates. Because of barriers to entry created in many metropolitan markets by zoning and permitting regulation and because of high transportation costs relative to the value of the product, the location of reserves is a critical factor to our long-term success.

N o material part of our business depends upon any single customer whose loss would have a significant adverse effect on our business. In 201 6, our five largest customers accounted for 8.1 % of our total revenues (excluding internal sales), and no single customer accounted for more than 3.0 % of our total revenues. Our products typically are sold to private industry and not directly to governmental entities. Although approximately 45% to 55% of our aggregates shipments have historically been used in publicly funded construction, such as highways, airports and government buildings, relatively insignificant sales are made directly to federal, state, county or municipal governments/agencies. Therefore, although reductions in state and federal funding can curtail publicly funded construction, our business is not directly subject to renegotiation of profits or termination of contracts with state or federal governments.

While aggregates is our focus and primary business, we believe vertical integration between aggregates and downstream products, such as asphalt mix and ready-mixed concrete, can be managed effectively in certain markets to generate attractive financial returns. We produce and sell asphalt mix and /or ready-mixed concrete primarily in our mid-Atlantic, Georgi a , S outhwestern , Tennessee and W estern markets. Aggregates comprise approximately 95 % of asphalt mix by weight and 80 % of ready-mixed concrete by weight. In both of these downstream businesse s, a ggregates are primarily supplied from our own operations.

SEASONALITY AND CYCLICAL NATURE OF OUR BUSINESS

Almost all our products are produced and consumed outdoors. Seasonal changes and other weather-related conditions can affect the production and sal e s volume of our products. Therefore, the financial results for any quarter do not necessarily indicate the results expected for the year. Normally, the highest sales and earnings are in the third quarter and the lowest are in the first quarter. Furthermore, our sales and earnings are sensitive to national, regional and local economic conditions, demographic and population fluctuation s, and particularly to cyclical swings in construction spending, primarily in the private sector.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS FOR THIRD QUARTER 201 7

Compared to third guarter 201 6:

- Total revenues in creased \$ 86.6 million, or 9 %, to \$ 1,094.7 million
- Gross profit in creased \$ 1.3 million, or less than 1 %, to \$ 305.5 million
- Aggregates segment sales in creased \$ 36.9 million, or 4 %, t o \$ 858.7 million
- A ggregates segment freight-adjusted revenues increased \$ 27.4 million, or 4 %, to \$ 668.5 million
 - S hipments in creased 1 %, or 0.7 million tons , to 50.9 million tons
 - Same-store shipments de creased less than 1 %, or 0.2 million tons, to 50.1 million tons
 - Freight-adjusted sales price in creased 3 %, or \$ 0.37 per ton
 - Same-store freight-adjusted sales price increased 3 %, or \$ 0.42 per ton
 - Segment gross profit de creased \$ 2.6 million, or 1 %, to \$ 259.1 millio n
- Asphalt, Concrete and Calcium segmen t g ross profit increased \$ 3.9 million , or 9 %, to \$ 46.4 million, collectively
- Selling, a dministrative and g eneral (SAG) expenses de creased \$ 3.0 million or 0.9 percentage points (90 basis points) as a percentage of total revenues
- Operating earnings increased \$2.4 million, or 1%, to \$229.5 million
- Earnings from continuing operations were \$ 110.2 million, or \$ 0.8 2 per diluted share, compared to \$ 145.1 million, or \$ 1.07 per diluted share
 - Discrete items in the third quarter of 201 7 include:
 - pretax interest charges of \$46.1 million related to the July debt purchase
 - pretax charges of \$ 0.8 million associated with business development, net of an asset purchase agreement termination fee
 - Discrete items in the third quarter of 201 6 include:
 - a \$6.5 million tax benefit related to utilization of foreign tax credits
 - a pretax gain of \$ 0. 7 million for business interruption claims recovery
 - pretax charges of \$ 1.1 million associated with divested operations
- Net earnings were \$ 108.6 million, a de c rease of \$ 33.4 million, or 24 %
- Adjusted EBITDA was \$ 311.8 million, a n in crease of \$ 10.8 million, or 4 %

H urricanes Harvey and Irma negatively affected more than half of our operational footprint in the third quarter. Important Southeastern markets, particularly Florida and Georgia, as well as coastal markets in Texas and along the central Gulf Coast were disrupted. Prolonged extreme weather conditions limited both revenue growth and profitability. Aggregates shipments increased 1% and pricing improved 3 % versus the prior year's third quarter. Overall, both gross profit and operating earnings improved slightly compared to the prior year.

S to rms disrupted the third quarter shipment pattern in a number of our stronger growth markets. Absent the impact of these storms, we believe that our third quarter shipments would have been in line with expectations. We are still experiencing some lingering effects from these storms on plant efficiency and shipment levels, which will take some time to work through. Underlying demand, however, remains solid, the pricing environment remains positive and our unit profitability in aggregates continues to strengthen. On a same-store basis, our third quarter gross profit per ton was essentially flat while our cash gross profit per ton set at hird-quarter record despite the severe weather. We are very encouraged by these trends, which should provide good momentum into 2018.

O ur business remains on track with our longer-term goals and expectation s. G rowth in new construction starts in our markets continues to outpace the rest of the U.S. R ecent acquisitions are performing well and should make meaningful contributions to our earnings growth in 2018 and beyon d. We remain confident in the sustained, multi-year recovery in materials demand across our markets and in the further compounding improvements to our unit profitability. However, given the shortfall in shipments to date and due to certain lingering effects of third quarter weather events on fourth quarter shipments, pricing and costs, we now expect full year aggregates shipments to approximate the prior year, with full year Adjusted EBITDA of approximately \$1 billion.

As of September 30, year-to-date cash capital expenditures were \$366.8 million. This amount included \$136.8 million invested in internal growth projects to enhance our aggregates distribution network to markets without local aggregates reserves, as well as development of new sites and other growth investment projects. Core capital investments to replace existing property, plant & equipment made up the remaining \$230.0 million, and are expected to be approximately \$300 million for the full year.

We remain active in the pursuit of a cquis i tions and other value-creating growth investments. Since January, we have closed acquisitions totaling \$212.4 million (see Note 16 to the condensed consolidated financial statements). These acquisitions complement our existing positions in certain California, Illinois, New Mexico and Tennessee ma rkets.

We expect to close the Aggregates USA acquisition (see Note 16) during the fourth quart er.

At the end of the third quarter, total debt was \$2.8 billion and cash was \$701.2 million. Retirement of notes due in June and December of 2018 was completed in July for \$565.6 million using part of the proceeds from the \$1.0 billion of new notes issued in June. The remain der of the proceeds will be used to help fund acquisitions and other growth investments including the Aggregates USA acquisition. One-time charges related to this early debt retirement were \$46.1 million. Full year interest expense will be approximately \$19 0.2 million including the see one-time charges.

We are excited about the growth opportunities ahead of us. Leading indicators, such as growth in the pre-construction pipeline and in construction starts in our markets, as well as growth in our own order backlogs, point toward a return to growth in 2018 and beyond. Private demand continues to grow and public demand is firming up after relative weakness during the last 18 months.

Our confidence in the longer term outlook for our business remains strong. Our industry-leading core profitability in aggregates keeps improving and positions us well for future earnings growth. We have the financial strength to continue making smart growth investments that fit us best and we are committed to continuous improvements in safety, customer service and operational efficiencies.

RECONCILIATION OF NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

Gross profit margin excluding freight and delivery revenues is not a Generally Accepted Accounting Principle (GAAP) measure. We present this metric as it is consistent with the basis by which we review our operating results. Likewise, we believe that this presentation is consistent with our competitors and consistent with the basis by which investors analyze our operating results considering that freight and delivery services represent pass-through activities. Reconciliation of this metric to its nearest GAAP measure is presented below:

GROSS PROFIT MARGIN IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAAP

| | Three Months Ended | | | | Nine Months Ended | | | |
|---------------------|--------------------|----------|---------|----|-------------------|----|---------|--|
| | September 30 | | | | September : | | | |
| dollars in millions | 2017 | | 2016 | | 2017 | | 2016 | |
| Gross profit | \$ 305.5 | \$ | 304.2 | \$ | 757.3 | \$ | 761.1 | |
| Total revenues | \$ 1,094.7 | \$ | 1,008.1 | \$ | 2,912.8 | \$ | 2,719.7 | |
| Gross profit margin | 27.9% | <u> </u> | 30.2% | | 26.0% | | 28.0% | |

GROSS PROFIT MARGIN EXCLUDING FREIGHT AND DELIVERY REVENUES

| | 7 | ths Ended tember 30 | Nine Months Ende September 3 | | | | |
|---|---------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------|----|---------|--|
| dollars in millions | 2017 | 2016 | | 2017 | | 2016 | |
| Gross profit | \$ 305.5 | \$ 304.2 | \$ | 757.3 | \$ | 761.1 | |
| Total revenues | \$ 1,094.7 | \$ 1,008.1 | \$ | 2,912.8 | \$ | 2,719.7 | |
| Freight and delivery revenues 1 | 143.7 | 143.8 | | 397.9 | | 407.3 | |
| Total revenues excluding freight and delivery revenues | \$ 951.0 | \$ 864.3 | \$ | 2,514.9 | \$ | 2,312.4 | |
| Gross profit margin excluding freight and delivery revenues | 32.1% | 35.2% | | 30.1% | | 32.9% | |

¹ Includes freight to remote distribution sites.

SAME-STORE

We have provided certain information on a same-store basis. When discussing our financial results in comparison to prior periods, we may exclude the operating results of recently acquired/divested businesses that do not have comparable results in the periods being discussed. These recently acquired/divested businesses are disclosed in Note 16 "Acquisitions and Divestitures." This approach allows us to evaluate the performance of our operations on a comparable basis. We believe that measuring performance on a same-store basis is useful to investors because it enables evaluation of how our operations are performing period over period without the effects of acquisition and divestiture activity. Our same-store information may not be comparable to similar measures used by other entities.

Aggregates segment gross profit margin as a percentage of freight-adjusted revenues is not a GAAP measure. We present this metric as it is consistent with the basis by which we review our operating results. We believe that this presentation is consistent with our competitors and meaningful to our investors as it excludes freight, delivery and transportation revenues, which are pass-through activities. It also excludes immaterial other revenues related to services, such as landfill tipping fees, that are derived from our aggregates business. Incremental gross profit as a percentage of freight-adjusted revenues represents the year-over-year change in gross profit divided by the year-over-year change in freight-adjusted revenues. Reconciliation s of these metric s to their nearest GAAP measure s are presented below:

AGGREGATES SEGMENT GROSS PROFIT MARGIN IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAAP

| | | Three Months Ended September 30 | | | | Nine Months E Septemb | | | |
|---|----|------------------------------------|----|----------------|----|--------------------------|----|------------------|--|
| dollars in millions | | 2017 | | 2016 | | 2017 | | 2016 | |
| Aggregates segment Gross profit Segment sales | \$ | 259.1 858.7 | \$ | 261.8 821.8 | \$ | 652.1 2,326.6 | \$ | 664.2 2,248.2 | |
| Gross profit margin | • | 30.2% | ų. | 31.9% | Ť | 28.0% | Ψ | 29.5% | |
| Incremental gross profit margin | | n/a | | | | n/a | | | |

AGGREGATES SEGMENT GROSS PROFIT AS A PERCENTAGE OF FREIGHT-ADJUSTED REVENUES

| | | 1 | | ths Ended | Nine Months Ended September 30 | | | | |
|---|----|--------------|-----|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----|---------------|--|--|
| dollars in millions | | 2017 | Sep | <u>tember 30</u> 2016 | 2017 | Sep | 2016 | | |
| Aggregates segment | | | | | | | | | |
| Gross profit | \$ | 259.1 | \$ | 261.8 | \$ 652.1 | \$ | 664.2 | | |
| Segment sales | \$ | 858.7 | \$ | 821.8 | \$ 2,326.6 | \$ | 2,248.2 | | |
| Less Freight, delivery and transportation revenues Other revenues | | 181.3 8.9 | | 176.9 3.8 | 505.6 24.3 | | 494.0 11.4 | | |
| Freight-adjusted revenues | \$ | 668.5 | \$ | 641.1 | \$ 1,796.7 | \$ | 1,742.8 | | |
| Gross profit as a percentage of freight-adjusted revenues | | 38.8% | | 40.8% | 36.3% | | 38.1% | | |
| Incremental gross profit as a percentage of freight-adjusted revenues | | n/a | | | n/a | | | | |

¹ At the segment level, freight, delivery and transportation revenues include intersegment freight & delivery revenues, which are eliminated at the consolidated level.

GAAP does not define "cash gross profit" and it should not be considered as an alternative to earnings measures defined by GAAP. We present this metric for the convenience of investment professionals who use such metrics in their analyses and for shareholders who need to understand the metrics we use to assess performance. We and the investment community us enthis metric to assess the operating performance of our business. Additionally, we present this metric as we believe that it closely correlates to long-term shareholder value. We do not use this metric as a measure to allocate resources. Aggregates segment cash gross profit by tons shipped. Reconciliation of this metric to its nearest GAAP measure e is presented below:

CASH GROSS PROFIT

| | Т | hree Mont Sept | ths Ended tember 30 | Nine Months Ended September 30 | | | |
|--|-------------|-------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------|----|-------|
| in millions, except per ton data | 2017 | | 2016 | | 2017 | | 2016 |
| Aggregates segment | | | | | | | |
| Gross profit | \$ 259.1 | \$ | 261.8 | \$ | 652.1 | \$ | 664.2 |
| DDA&A | 64.1 | | 60.2 | | 182.5 | | 177.1 |
| Aggregates segment cash gross profit | \$ 323.2 | \$ | 322.0 | \$ | 834.6 | \$ | 841.3 |
| Unit shipments - tons | 50.9 | | 50.3 | | 137.2 | | 138.3 |
| Aggregates segment cash gross profit per ton | \$ 6.34 | \$ | 6.40 | \$ | 6.09 | \$ | 6.09 |
| Asphalt segment | | | | | | | |
| Gross profit | \$ 31.4 | \$ | 32.9 | \$ | 68.9 | \$ | 76.0 |
| DDA&A | 6.5 | | 4.1 | | 18.8 | | 12.5 |
| Asphalt segment cash gross profit | \$ 37.9 | \$ | 37.0 | \$ | 87.7 | \$ | 88.5 |
| Concrete segment | | | | | | | |
| Gross profit | \$ 14.4 | \$ | 8.7 | \$ | 34.3 | \$ | 18.3 |
| DDA&A | 3.6 | | 3.1 | | 10.3 | | 9.1 |
| Concrete segment cash gross profit | \$ 18.0 | \$ | 11.8 | \$ | 44.6 | \$ | 27.4 |
| Calcium segment | | | | | | | |
| Gross profit | \$ 0.7 | \$ | 0.8 | \$ | 2.0 | \$ | 2.6 |
| DDA&A | 0.2 | | 0.2 | | 0.6 | | 0.6 |
| Calcium segment cash gross profit | \$ 0.9 | \$ | 1.0 | \$ | 2.6 | \$ | 3.2 |

GAAP does not define "Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization" (EBITDA) and it should not be considered as an alternative to earnings measures defined by GAAP. We present this metric for the convenience of investment professionals who use such metrics in their analyses—and for shareholders who need to understand the metrics we use to assess performance. We use—this metric to assess the operating performance of our business and for a basis of strategic planning and forecasting as we believe that it closely correlates to long-term shareholder value. We do not use this metric as a measure to allocate resources. We adjust EBITDA for certain items to provide a more consistent comparison of earnings performance from period to period.

Reconciliation of th is metric to its nearest GAAP measure is presented below:

EBITDA AND ADJUSTED EBITDA

| | T | ths Ended tember 30 | Nine Months Ended September 30 | | | | | |
|--|-------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------|----|---------|--|--|
| in millions | 2017 | 2016 | | 2017 | | 2016 | | |
| Net earnings | \$ 108.6 | \$ 142.0 | \$ | 273.6 | \$ | 306.9 | | |
| Income tax expense | 39.1 | 49.8 | | 81.6 | | 91.6 | | |
| Interest expense, net | 82.0 | 33.2 | | 154.6 | | 100.1 | | |
| (Earnings) loss on discontinued operations, net of tax | 1.6 | 3.1 | | (8.2) | | 7.5 | | |
| EBIT | 231.3 | 228.1 | | 501.6 | | 506.1 | | |
| Depreciation, depletion, accretion and amortization | 79.6 | 72.0 | | 228.0 | | 213.4 | | |
| EBITDA | \$ 310.9 | \$ 300.1 | \$ | 729.6 | \$ | 719.5 | | |
| Business interruption claims recovery, net of incentives | \$ 0.0 | \$ (0.2) | \$ | 0.0 | \$ | (11.2) | | |
| Charges associated with divested operations | 0.1 | 1.1 | | 16.5 | | 16.8 | | |
| Business development, net of termination fee | 0.8 | 0.0 | | 0.8 | | 0.0 | | |
| Asset impairment | 0.0 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 10.5 | | |
| Restructuring charges | 0.0 | 0.0 | | 1.9 | | 0.3 | | |
| Adjusted EBITDA | \$ 311.8 | \$ 301.0 | \$ | 748.8 | \$ | 735.9 | | |
| Depreciation, depletion, accretion and amortization | (79.6) | (72.0) | | (228.0) | | (213.4) | | |
| Adjusted EBIT | \$ 232.2 | \$ 229.0 | \$ | 520.8 | \$ | 522.5 | | |

Adjusted EBITDA for 2016 has been revised to conform with the 2017 presentation which no longer includes an adjustment for routine business development charges. However, business development charges that are deemed to be non-routine are included as an adjustment.

2017 PROJECTED EBITDA

The following reconciliation to the mid-point of the range of 2017 Projected EBITDA excludes adjustments for char ges associated with divested operations, asset impairment and other unusual gains and losses. Due to the difficulty of forecasting the timing or amount of items that have not yet occurred, are out of our control, or cannot be reasonably predicted, we are unable to estimate the significance of this unavailable information.

| in millions | Projected Mid-point |
|---|------------------------|
| Net earnings | \$ 380 |
| Income tax expense | 130 |
| Interest expense, net | 190 |
| Discontinued operations, net of tax | 0 |
| Depreciation, depletion, accretion and amortization | 300 |
| Projected EBITDA | \$ 1.000 |

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Total revenues include sales of products to customers, net of any discounts and taxes, and freight and delivery revenues billed to customers. Related freight and delivery costs are included in cost of revenues. This presentation is consistent with the basis on which we review our consolidated results of operations. We discuss separately our discontinued operations, which consist of our former Chemicals business.

 $The following table highlights significant components of our consolidated operating \ results including \ E\ BITDA \ and \ Adjusted \ EBITDA \ .$

CON SOLIDATED OPERATING RESULT HIGHLIGHT S

| | | oths Ended otember 30 | | ths Ended otember 30 |
|--|---------------|--------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|
| in millions, except per share data | 2017 | 2016 | 2017 | 2016 |
| Total revenues | \$ 1,094.7 | \$ 1,008.1 | \$ 2,912.8 | \$ 2,719.7 |
| Cost of revenues | 789.2 | 703.9 | 2,155.5 | 1,958.6 |
| Gross profit | \$ 305.5 | \$ 304.2 | \$ 757.3 | \$ 761.1 |
| Selling, administrative and general expenses | \$ 73.4 | \$ 76.3 | \$ 238.3 | \$ 235.5 |
| Gain on sale of property, plant & equipment | | | | |
| and businesses | \$ 1.5 | \$ 2.0 | \$ 4.6 | \$ 2.9 |
| Operating earnings | \$ 229.5 | \$ 227.1 | \$ 495.9 | \$ 505.8 |
| Interest expense, net | \$ 82.0 | \$ 33.1 | \$ 154.6 | \$ 100.2 |
| Earnings from continuing operations | | | | |
| before income taxes | \$ 149.2 | \$ 194.9 | \$ 347.0 | \$ 405.9 |
| Earnings from continuing operations | \$ 110.2 | \$ 145.1 | \$ 265.4 | \$ 314.3 |
| Earnings (loss) on discontinued operations, | | | | |
| net of income taxes | (1.6) | (3.1) | 8.2 | (7.4) |
| Net earnings | \$ 108.6 | \$ 142.0 | \$ 273.6 | \$ 306.9 |
| Basic earnings (loss) per share | | | | |
| Continuing operations | \$ 0.83 | \$ 1.09 | \$ 2.00 | \$ 2.36 |
| Discontinued operations | (0.01) | (0.02) | 0.07 | (0.06) |
| Basic net earnings per share | \$ 0.82 | \$ 1.07 | \$ 2.07 | \$ 2.30 |
| Diluted earnings (loss) per share | | | | |
| Continuing operations | \$ 0.82 | \$ 1.07 | \$ 1.97 | \$ 2.31 |
| Discontinued operations | (0.01) | (0.02) | 0.06 | (0.05) |
| Diluted net earnings per share | \$ 0.81 | \$ 1.05 | \$ 2.03 | \$ 2.26 |
| EBITDA | \$ 310.9 | \$ 300.1 | \$ 729.6 | \$ 719.5 |
| Adjusted EBITDA | \$ 311.8 | \$ 301.0 | \$ 748.8 | \$ 735.9 |

THIRD QUARTER 2017 COMPARED TO THIRD QUARTER 2016

Third quarter 201 7 total revenues were \$ 1,094.7 million, up 9 % from the third quarter of 201 6. Shipments in creased in aggregates (+1%), asphalt mix (+7%) and ready-mixed conc rete (+20%). Gross profit declined in the Aggregates (-\$2.6 million or -1%) and Asphalt (-\$1.5 million or -5%) segments, while it was up in the Concrete segment (+\$5.7 million or +65%). Diesel fuel cost s were up \$3.9 million as a result of a n 18% increase in the unit cost of diesel fuel, with most (\$2.7 million) of this increased cost reflected in the Aggregates segment.

Net earnings for the third quarter of 201 7 were \$108.6 million, or \$0.81 per diluted share, compared to \$142.0 million, or \$1.05 per diluted share, in the third quarter of 201 6. Each period's results were impacted by discrete items, as follows:

- Net earnings for the third quarter of 201 7 include pretax interest charges of \$46.1 million related to the July debt purchase and pretax charges of \$0.8 million associated with business development, net of an asset purchase agreement termination fee.
- Net earnings for the third quarter of 201 6 include a \$6.5 million tax benefit related to utilization of foreign tax credits, a pretax gain of \$ 0.7 million f or business interruption claims recovery and pretax charges of \$ 1.1 million associated with divested operations.

CONTINUING OPERATIONS — Changes in earnings from continuing operations before income taxes for the third quarter of 201 7 versus the third quarter of 201 6 are summarized below:

EARNINGS FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS BEFORE INCOME TAXES

| in millions | |
|--|-------------|
| Third quarter 2016 | \$ 194.9 |
| Lower aggregates gross profit | (2.6) |
| Lower asphalt gross profit | (1.5) |
| Higher concrete gross profit | 5.7 |
| Lower calcium gross profit | (0.2) |
| Lower selling, administrative and general expenses | 3.0 |
| Lower gain on sale of property, plant & equipment and businesses | (0.5) |
| Lower business interruption claims recovery | (0.7) |
| Higher interest expense, net | (48.9) |
| All other | 0.0 |
| Third quarter 2017 | \$ 149.2 |

Aggregates shipments increased 1 % versus the prior year's quarter. Shipment trends in aggregates were disrupted by hurricane s a cross our Florida, Georgia, Gulf Coast, North Carolina, South Carolina and coastal Texas markets. Markets outside of these areas combined to grow mid-single digit versus the prior year's third quarter – more in line with trend s and expectations.

Broad pricing momentum continued across our footprint with most markets realizing price growth in the third quarter. For the quarter, freight-adjusted average sales price for aggregates increased 3% versus the prior year, or \$0. 37 per ton, despite a negative product mix impact. Product mix, partly due to aggregates needs immediately after the hurricanes, negatively impacted price growth by approximately one percentage point (100 basis points). Excluding mix impact, aggregates price increased 4 %. The overall pricing climate remains favorable as visibility to a sustained recovery improves and as construction materials producers stay focused on earning adequate returns on capital.

Third quarter Aggregates segment gross profit was \$259.1 million, or \$5.09 per ton. These results were slightly lower than the prior year as a result of the third quarter weather even ts. W eather-related disruptions impaired shipments and drove inefficiencies that limited revenue growth and earnings improvement. The aforementioned 18% increase in the unit cost of diesel fuel and costs related to the transition to two new, more efficient ships to transport aggregates from our quarry in Mexico negatively impacted segment gross profit by \$6.7 million in comparison to the prior year.

Asphalt segment gross profit was \$ 31.4 million in the third quarter of 2017 versus \$3 2 .9 million in the prior year period. Shipments of asphalt mix were 3.1 million tons in total and 2.8 million tons on a same-store basis . Shipments in the prior year were 2.9 million tons. An 18% increase in liquid asphalt unit cost negatively affected materials margins .

Concrete segment gross profit was \$ 14.4 million in the quarter compared to \$ 8.7 million in the prior year period. Shipments increased 20% versus the prior year. On a same-store basis, volumes increased 8%, as volumes in Virginia (our largest concrete market) drove most of the year-over-year increase. Materials margins and unit gross profit in the Concrete segment also improved versus the prior year.

Our Calcium segment reported gross profit of \$ 0.7 million versus \$ 0.8 million in the third quarter of 2016.

On a trailing-twelve-month basis, total gross profit in our non-aggregates segments was \$ 135.9 million, a 12 % increase from the prior year's comparable period.

SAG expenses were \$ 73.4 millio n v ersus \$ 76.3 millio n i n the prior year's third quarter. Trailing-twelve-month SAG expenses were \$317.8 million, in line with full-year expectation s.

O ther operating expens e w as \$ 4.2 m illion in the third quarter of 2017 versus \$ 3.5 million in the third quarter of 2016. This line item includes the aforementioned discrete charge s as sociated with business development (net of a termination fee) in the amount of \$ 1.2 million of the third quarter of 2017. These net charges were composed of \$9.2 million of non-routine business development charges partially offset by an \$8.0 million credit related to a n asset purchase agreement termination fee. Additionally, t his line item includes the aforementioned discrete charges associated with divested operations (environmental liability accruals at divested sites) of \$0.1 million and \$1.1 million for the third quarters of 2017 and 2016, respectively.

Net interest expense was \$82.0 million in the third quarter of 201 7 compared to \$33.1 million in 201 6. The higher interest expense resulted primarily from the \$46.1 million charge related to the July 2017 debt purchase. For additional details, see Note 7 to the condensed consolidated financial statements.

Income tax expense from continuing operations was \$39.1 million in the third quarter of 201 7 compared to income tax expense of \$49.8 million in the third quarter of 201 6. The decrease in our income tax expense resulted largely from applying the statutory rate to the decrease in our pretax earnings.

Earnings from continuing operations were \$ 0.82 per diluted share in the third quarter of 201 7 compared to \$ 1.07 per diluted share in the third quarter of 2016.

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS — Third quarter pretax loss from discontinued operations w as \$1.3 million in 2017 compared with a pretax loss of \$5.1 million in 2016. Both periods i nclude charges related to general and product liability costs, including legal defense costs, and environmental remediation costs associated with our former Chemicals business. For additional details, see Note 2 to the condensed consolidated financial statements.

YEAR-TO-DATE SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 COMPARED TO YEAR-TO-DATE SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

Total revenues for the first nine months of 2017 were \$ 2,912.8 million, up 7 % from the first nine months of 2016. Shipments dec lined in aggregates (- 1 %) while they were up in asphalt mix (+ 10 %) and ready-mixed conc rete (+ 21 %). Gross profit declined in the Aggregates (-\$ 12.1 million or - 2 %) and Asphalt (-\$ 7.1 million or - 9 %) segments while it was up in the Concrete segment (+\$ 16.0 million or + 87 %). Diesel fuel costs were up \$ 12.4 million as a result of a 22 % increase in the unit cost of diesel fuel compared with the first nine months of 2016, with most (\$ 9.1 million) of this increased cost reflected in the Aggregates segment.

Net earnings for the first nine months of 201 7 were \$273.6 million, or \$2.03 per diluted share, compared to \$306.9 million, or \$2.26 per diluted share, in the first nine months of 201 6. Each period's results were impacted by discrete items, as follows:

- Net earnings for the first nine months of 201 7 include pretax interest charges of \$46.1 million related to the July debt purchase, pretax charges of \$16.5 million associated with divested operations, net pretax charges of \$0.8 million associated with business development (net of an asset purchase agreement termination fee) and a \$1.9 million pretax charge for restructuring, and excess tax benefits of \$20.8 million related to share -based compensation.
- Net earnings for the first nine months of 201 6 include a pretax gain of \$11.7 million f or business interruption claims recovery, pretax charges of \$16.8 million associated with divested operations, a pretax loss of \$10.5 million for asset impairment, and excess tax benefits of \$24.5 million related to share-based compensation.

CONTINUING OPERATIONS — Changes in earnings from continuing operations before income taxes for year-to-date September 30, 2017 versus year-to-date September 30, 2016 are summarized below:

EARNINGS FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS BEFORE INCOME TAXES

| in millions | |
|---|-------------|
| Year-to-date September 30, 2016 | \$ 405.9 |
| Lower aggregates gross profit | (12.1) |
| Lower asphalt gross profit | (7.1) |
| Higher concrete gross profit | 16.0 |
| Lower calcium gross profit | (0.6) |
| Higher selling, administrative and general expenses | (2.8) |
| Higher gain on sale of property, plant & equipment and businesses | 1.7 |
| Lower business interruption claims recovery | (11.7) |
| Lower impairment charges | 10.5 |
| Higher interest expense, net | (54.4) |
| All other | 1.6 |
| Year-to-date September 30, 2017 | \$ 347.0 |

Gross profit for our Aggregates segment was \$ 652.1 million for the first nine months of 2017 versus \$ 664.2 million in the comparable period of 201 6 . Aggregates segment sales of \$ 2,326.6 million were up 3 %, and aggregates freight-adjusted revenues of \$ 1,796.7 million were also up 3 %. Year-to-date aggregates shipment s declined 1 %, or 1.1 million tons, compared to the first nine months of 2016 . Wet weather — severe flooding in California during the first quarter of 2017 , extreme rainfall in core Southeastern markets (Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana and Mississippi) during the second quarter of 2017 , and hurricanes/ tropical storm condition s across our Florida, Georgia, Gulf C oast, North Carolina, South Carolina and coastal Texas markets during the third quarter of 2017 — contributed to the shipment shortfall. Freight-adjusted average sales price for aggregates increased 4 %, or \$ 0.49 per ton, versus the first nine months of 2016, with most major markets realizing price improvement. Year-to-date unit cost of sales (freight-adjusted) in the Aggregates segment was up 7 % , or \$ 0.55 per ton, versus the nine months of 2016 . As noted above, higher diesel fuel costs accounted for \$ 9.1 million of the cost increase in the Aggregates segment. Additionally, i nefficiencies and lower volume due to the severe weather con ditions noted above also contributed to the increased cost . Gross profit per ton was \$ 4.75 per ton for the first nine months of 2017 compared with \$4.80 per ton for the first nine months of 2016.

Asphalt segment gross profit of \$ 68.9 million was down \$ 7.1 million from the first nine months of 2016. Shipments increased 10 % in total and were essentially flat on a same-store basis. Materials margins were lower as a result of lower unit sales price and higher liquid asphalt unit cost.

Concrete segment gross profit was \$ 34.3 million for the first nine months of 2017, up \$ 16.0 million from the prior year period. Shipments increased 21 % versus the first nine months of 2016 as ready-mixed concrete volumes increased in most of our markets. On a same-store basis, ready-mixed concrete shipments increased 13 %. Concrete segment materials margins and unit gross profit also improved versus the first nine months of 2016.

Our Calcium segment reported gross profit of \$ 2.0 million versus \$ 2.6 million in the first nine months of 2016.

SAG expenses were \$ 238.3 million versus \$ 235.5 million in the prior year's first nine months reflecting a 0.5 percentage point (50 basis point) reduction as a percentage of total revenue s.

In the first nine months of 2016, we recognized a gain of \$11.7 million related to the settlement of business interruption claims from the 2010 Gulf C oast oil

There were no asset impairment charges during the first nine months of 2017. During the first nine months of 2016, we recorded \$10.5 million of losses on impairment of long-lived assets, as follows: (\$0.9 million) — wrote off nonrecoverable project costs related to two Aggregates segment capital projects that we no longer intend to complete and (\$9.6 million) — terminated a nonstrategic aggregates site lease we no longer intended to develop.

Other operating expense, net is composed of various cost items not included in cost of revenues and not specifically presented in the accompanying Condensed Consol i dated Statement of Comprehensive Income. The total other operating expense, net and significant items included in the total were:

- \$ 27.8 million in the first nine months of 2017 includes \$1.2 million of discrete charges associated with business development (net of termination fee). These net charges were composed of \$9.2 million of non-routine business development charges partially offset by an \$8.0 million credit related to an asset purchase agreement termination fee. Additionally, this line item i ncludes \$ 16.5 million of discrete charges associated with divested operations including \$ 15.6 million of environmental liability accruals related to the Hewitt Landfill matter (see Note 8 to the condensed consolidated financial statements)
- \$ 2 3.9 million in the first nine months of 201 6 includes \$ 16.8 million of discrete charges associated with divested operations. These charges were composed of charges associated with office space no longer needed and vacated (\$5.2 million), the write-off of a prepaid royalty asset resulting from a change in long-term mining plans (\$3.6 million), a property litigation settlement (\$1.9 million), a pension withdrawal settlement revision (\$1.5 million) and environmental liability accruals associated with previously divested properties (\$ 4.6 million)

Net interest expense was \$ 154.6 million in the first nine months of 201 7 compared to \$ 100.2 million in 201 6. This increase resulted from the \$46.1 million charge related to the July 2017 debt purchase coupled with the higher debt load . For additional details, see Note 7 to the condensed consolidated financial statements

Income tax expense from continuing operations was \$81.6 million in the first nine months of 201 7 compared to \$91.6 million in the first nine months of 201 6. The decrease in our income tax expense resulted largely from applying the statutory rate to the decrease in our pretax earnings.

Earnings from continuing operations were \$ 2.03 per diluted share in the first nine months of 201 7 compared to \$ 2.26 per diluted share in the first nine months of 2016.

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS — Year-to-date September pretax earnings from discontinued operations were \$ 13.6 million in 2017 compared with a pretax loss of \$ 12.3 million in 20 16. Our discontinued operations i nclude charges related to general and product liability costs, including legal defense costs, and environmental remediation costs associated with our former Chemicals business. The current year results also include insurance recoveries from previously incurred general liability costs. For additional details, see Note 2 to the condensed consolidated financial statements.

LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Our primary sources of liquidity are cash provided by our operating activities and a substantial, committed bank line of credit. A dditional sources of capital include access to the capital markets, the sale of surplus real estate, and dispositions of nonstrategic operating assets. We believe these e financial resources a resufficient to fund our business requirements for 2017, including:

- cash contractual obligations
- capital expenditures
- debt service obligations
- di vidend payments
- potential share repurchases
- potentia I a cquisitions

Our balanced approach to capital deployment remain s unchanged. We intend to balance reinvestment in our business, growth through acquisitions and return of capital to shareholders, while sustaining financial strength and flexibility.

We actively manage our capital structure and resources in order to minimize the cost of capital while properly managing financial risk. We seek to meet these objectives by adhering to the following principles:

- maintain substantial bank line of credit borrowing capacity
- proactively manage our d ebt maturity schedule such that repayment/refinancing risk in any single year is low
- maintain an appropriate balance of fixed-rate and floating-rate debt
- minimize financial and other covenants that limit our operating and financial flexibility

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Included in our September 30, 2017 cash and cash equivalents balance of \$ 701.2 million is \$ 55.1 million of cash held at our foreign subsidiaries. All of this \$ 55.1 million of cash relates to earnings that are indefinitely reinvested offshore. Use of this cash is currently limited to our foreign operations.

CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

| in millions | 2017 | oths Ended otember 30 2016 |
|--|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Net earnings Depreciation, depletion, accretion and amortization (DDA&A) | \$ 273.6 228.0 | \$ 306.9 213.4 |
| Net earnings before noncash deductions for DDA&A | \$ 501.6 | \$ 520.3 |
| Contributions to pension plans Cost of debt purchase Other operating cash flows, net 1 | (17.6) 43.0 (127.5) | (7.1) 0.0 (108.6) |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | \$ 399.5 | \$ 404.6 |

¹ Primarily reflects changes to working capital balances.

Net cash provided by operating activities is derived primarily from net earnings before noncash deductions for depreciation, depletion, accretion and amortization. Net cash provided by operating activities was \$ 399.5 million during the nine months ended September 3 0, 2017, a \$ 5.1 million de crease compared to the same period of 2016. During the third quarter of 2017, we made a discretionary pension plan contribution of \$10.6 million. Additionally, we retired debt costing \$43.0 million above the principal amount of the notes which is reflected as a financing cash outflow.

CASH FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES

Net cash used for investing activities was \$ 557.6 million during the first nine months of 201 7 , a \$ 278.0 million in crease compared to the same period of 201 6 . We invested \$ 366.8 million in our existing operations in the first nine months of 201 7 , a \$ 79.4 million increase compared to the prior year period . Of this \$ 366.8 million, \$ 136.8 million was invested in shipping capacity enhancements , new site developments and other growth opportunities. Additionally, d uring the first nine months of 201 7 , we acquired the following businesses for \$ 210.6 million of cash consideration: California — ready-mixed concrete facilities, a n aggregates marine distribution yard and building materials yards; Illinois — two aggregates facilities; New Mexico — an aggregates facility; and Tenn essee — two aggregates facilities , asphalt mix operation s and a construction paving busin ess. Dur ing the first nine months of 201 6 , we purchased a distribution business in Georgia for \$1.6 million of cash consideration.

CASH FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES

Net cash provided by financing activities in the first nine months of 201 7 was \$ 600.2 million, a n inc rease of \$ 874.0 million compared with the cash used during the same period of 201 6 . This in crease was primarily attributable to the 2017 debt issuances (as described in the section below) which provided net proceeds of \$1,585.0 million partially offset by the repayment of our \$235.0 million line of credit and the ear ly r etirement of notes due in 2018 for a total cost of \$ 56 5.6 million (\$522.5 million principal and \$43.0 million cost of debt purchase) . Additionally, we increased dividends to our shareholders by \$19.4 million (\$0.75 per share compared to \$0.60 per share). S hare repurchase s decreased by \$101.2 million (510,283 shares @ \$ 118.18 per share compared to 1,426,659 shares @ \$ 113.18 per share). Finally, cash paid for shares withheld to satisfy statutory income tax withholding obligations of \$ 24.6 million de creased \$ 7.8 million from the first nine months of 2016 (s ee Note 1 to the condensed consolidated financial statements, caption Share-based Compensation – Accounting Standards Update).

DEBT

Certain debt measures are outlined below:

| | Sep | tember 30 | De | ecember 31 | Sej | ptember 30 |
|---|-----|-----------|----|------------|-----|------------|
| dollars in millions | | 2017 | | 2016 | | 2016 |
| Debt | | | | | | |
| Current maturities of long-term debt | \$ | 4.8 | \$ | 0.1 | \$ | 0.1 |
| Short-term debt (line of credit) | | 0.0 | | 0.0 | | 0.0 |
| Long-term debt ¹ | | 2,810.0 | | 1,982.8 | | 1,983.6 |
| Total debt | \$ | 2,814.8 | \$ | 1,982.9 | \$ | 1,983.7 |
| Capital | | | | | | |
| Total debt | \$ | 2,814.8 | \$ | 1,982.9 | \$ | 1,983.7 |
| Equity | | 4,685.1 | | 4,572.5 | | 4,504.0 |
| Total capital | \$ | 7,499.9 | \$ | 6,555.4 | \$ | 6,487.7 |
| Total Debt as a Percentage of Total Capital | | 37.5% | | 30.2% | | 30.6% |
| Weighted-average Effective Interest Rates | | | | | | |
| Line of credit ² | | 1.25% | | 1.25% | | 1.25% |
| Term debt | | 5.08% | | 7.52% | | 7.52% |
| Fixed versus Floating Interest Rate Debt | | | | | | |
| Fixed-rate debt | | 82.4% | | 88.3% | | 88.3% |
| Floating-rate debt | | 17.6% | | 11.7% | | 11.7% |

¹ Includes borrowings under our line of credit for which we have the intent and ability to extend payment beyond twelve months, as follows: September 30, 2017 — none, December 31, 2016 — \$ 235.0 million and September 30, 2016 — \$ 235.0 million.

² Reflects the margin above LIBOR for LIBOR- based borrowings; we also paid upfront fees that are amortized to interest expense and pay fees for unused borrowing capacity and standby letters of credit.

LINE OF CREDIT

Covenants, b orrowin g c ost ranges and other details are described in Note 7 to the condensed consolidated financial statements. As of September 30, 2017, we were in compliance with the line of credit covenants and the credit margin for London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) borrowings was 1.25 %, the credit margin for base rate borrowings was 0.25 %, and the commitment fee for the unused amount was 0.15%.

A s of September 30, 2017, o ur available borrowing capacity under the line of credit was \$ 706.7 million. Utilization of the borrowing capacity was as follows:

- none was borrowed
- \$ 43.3 million was used to provide support for outstanding standby letters of credit

TERM DEBT

All of o u r term debt is unsecured. \$ 2,596.2 million of such de bt is governed by two essentially identica I i ndentures that contain customary investment-grade type covenants. The primary covenant in both indentures limits the amount of secured debt we may incur without ratably securing such debt. \$250.0 million of such debt is governed, as described below, by the same credit agreement that governs our line of credit. As of September 30, 2017, we were in compliance with all term debt covenants.

In June 2017, we issued \$1,000.0 million of debt composed of three issuances as follows: (1) \$700.0 million of 4.50 % senior notes due June 20 47, (2) \$50.0 million of 3.90% senior notes due April 2027 (these notes are a further issuance of, and form a single series with, the 3.90% notes issued in March 2017), and (3) \$250.0 million of floating-rate senior notes due June 2020. These issuances resulted in proceeds of \$989.5 million (net of original issue discounts /premiums, underwriter fees and other transaction costs). The proceeds will be used to partially finance the pending acquisition of Aggregates USA as described in Note 16 to the condensed consolidated financial statements and were used to early retire the notes due in 2018 (\$272.5 million @ 7.00% and \$250.0 million @ 10.375%). This early retirement was completed in July at a cost of \$565.6 million inc ludin g \$43.0 million in premium above the principal amount of the notes and transaction costs. As a result, in the third quarter, we recognize d \$3.0 million of net noncash expense associated with the acceleration of unamortized discounts, deferred debt issuance costs and deferred interest rate derivative settlement losses. The combined charge of \$46.1 million was a component of interest expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017.

In June 2017, we drew the full \$250.0 million on the unsecured delayed draw term loan entered into in December 2016. These funds were used to re pay the \$2 35.0 million borrowed on our line of credit and for general corporate purposes. Borrowings bear interest in the same manner as the line of credit. The term loan principal will be repaid quarterly beginning March 2018 as follows: quarters 5 - 8 @ \$1.6 million/quarter; 9 - 12 @ \$3.1 million/quarter; 13 - 19 @ \$4.7 million/quarter and \$198.4 million for quarter 20 (December 2021). The term loan may be prepaid at any time without penalty. It is provided by the same group of banks that provides our line of credit, and is governed by the same credit agreement as the line of credit. As such, it is subject to the same affirmative, negative, and financial covenants.

In Marc h 2 017, we issued \$ 350.0 million of 3.90 % senior notes due April 2027 for proceeds of \$ 345.5 million (net of original issue discounts, underwriter fees and other transaction costs). The proceeds were used for g eneral corporate purposes. This series of notes now totals \$400.0 million due to the additional \$50.0 million of notes issued in June (as described above).

CURRENT MATURITIES OF LONG-TERM DEBT

The \$ 4.8 million of current maturities of long-term debt as of September 30, 2017 includes all long-term deb t that we intend to pay within twelve month s, a nd is due as follows:

| in millions | Current Maturities |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Fourth quarter 2017 | \$0.1 |
| First quarter 2018 | 1.6 |
| Second guarter 2018 | 1.6 |
| Third quarter 2018 | 1.5 |

DEBT RATINGS

Our debt ratings and outlooks as of September 30, 2017 are as follows :

| | Rating/Outlook | Date | Description |
|---|----------------|-----------|-------------------------|
| Senior Unsecured Term Debt ¹ | | | |
| Fitch | BBB-/stable | 6/12/2017 | rating/outlook affirmed |
| Moody's | Baa3/stable | 6/12/2017 | rating/outlook affirmed |
| Standard & Poor's | BBB/stable | 6/12/2017 | rating/outlook affirmed |

¹ Not all of our long-term debt is rated.

EQUITY

Our common stock issuances and purchases are as follows :

| in thousands | September 30 2017 | December 31 2016 | September 30 2016 |
|--|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Common stock shares at January 1, issued and outstanding | 132,339 | 133,172 | 133,172 |
| Common Stock Issuances Share-based compensation plans | 452 | 594 | 564 |
| Common Stock Purchases Purchased and retired | (510) | (1,427) | (1,427) |
| Common stock shares at end of period, issued and outstanding | 132,281 | 132,339 | 132,309 |

On February 10, 20 06, our Board of Directors authorized us to purchase up to 10,000,000 shares of our common stock. On February 10, 2017, there were 1,756,757 shares remaining under this authorization and our Board of Directors authorized us to purchase an additional 8,243,243 shares to refresh the number of shares we were authorized to purchase to 10,000,000. As of September 3 0, 2017, there were 9,489,717 shares remaining under the authorization. Depending upon market, business, legal and other conditions, we may make share purchases from time to time through open market (including plans designed to comply with Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Ex c hange Act of 1934) and/or privately negotiated transactions. The authorization has no time limit, do es not obligate us to purchase any specific number of shares, and may be suspended or discontinued at any time.

Our common stock purchases (all of which were open market purchases) for the year-to-date periods ended are detailed below:

| | September 30 | December 31 | September 30 |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| in thousands, except average cost | 2017 | 2016 | 2016 |
| Shares Purchased and Retired | | | |
| Number | 510 | 1,427 | 1,427 |
| Cost 1 | \$ 60,303 | \$ 161,463 | \$ 161,436 |
| Average cost per share 1 | \$ 118.18 | \$ 113.18 | \$ 113.18 |

¹ Excludes commissions of \$0.02 per share.

There were no shares held in treasury as of September $\,3\,0$, 20 17, December 31, 201 6 and September $\,3\,0$, 201 6.

OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

We have no off-balance sheet arrangements, such as financing or unconsolidated variable interest entities, that either have or are reasonably likely to have a current or future material effect on our:

- results of operations and financial position
- c apital expenditures
- I iquidity and capital resources

STANDBY LETTERS OF CREDIT

For a discussion of our standby letters of credit, see Note 7 to the condensed con solidated financial statements.

CASH CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

Our obligation to make future payments under contracts is presented in our most re cent Annual Report on Form 10-K. Changes resulting from our March 2017 debt issuance as described in Note 7 to the condensed consolidated financial statements are outlined in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2017. Changes resulting from our June 2017 debt transactions as well as the July 2017 debt retirement, as described in Note 7 to the condensed consolidated financial statements, are outlined in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2017.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

We follow certain significant accounting policies when preparing our consolidated financial statements. A summary of these policies is included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 201 6 (Form 10-K).

We prepare these financial statements to conform with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These principles require us to make estimates and judgments that affect our reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and the related disclosures of contingent assets and contingent liabilities at the date of the financial statements. We base our estimates on historical experience, current conditions and various other assumptions we believe reasonable under existing circumstances and evaluate these estimates and judgments on an ongoing basis. The results of t hese estimates form the basis for our judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities as well as identifying and assessing the accounting treatment with respect to commitments and contingencies. Our actual results may materially differ from these estimates.

We believe that the accounting policies described in the "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" section of our Form 10-K require the most significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements, so we consider these to be our critical accounting policies. There have been no changes to our critical accounting policies during the nine months ended September 3 0, 2017.

NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

For a discussion of the accounting standards recently adopted or pending adoption and the effect such accounting changes will have on our results of operations, financial position or liquidity, see Note 17 to the condensed consolidated financial statements.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain matters discussed in this report, including expectations regarding future performance, contain forward-looking statements that are subject to assumptions, risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected. These assumptions, risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to:

- general economic and business conditions
- the timing and amount of federal, state and local funding for infrastructure
- changes in our effective tax rate
- the increasing reliance on information technology infrastructure for our ticketing, procurement, financial statements and other processes could adversely affect operations in the event that the infrastructure does not work as intended or experiences technical difficulties or is subjected to cyber attacks
- the impact of the state of the global economy on our business es and financial condition and access to capital markets
- changes in the level of spending for private residential and private nonresidential construction
- the highly competitive nature of the construction materials industry
- the impact of future regulatory or legislative actions, including those r elating to climate change, greenhouse gas emissions, the definition of minerals or international trade
- the outcome of pending legal proceedings
- pricing of our products
- weather and other natural phenomena
- energy costs
- costs of hydrocarbon-based raw materials
- healthcare costs
- the amount of long-term debt and interest expense we incur
- changes in interest rates
- volatility in pension plan asset values and liabilities , which may require cash contributions to the pension plans
- th e impact of environmental clea n u p costs and other liabilities relating to existing and/ or d ivested businesses
- our ability to secure and permit aggregates reserves in strategically located areas
- modification to the terms of the acquisitio n of Aggregates USA, LL C may be required in order to satisfy approvals or conditions
- business disruption during the pendency of, or following the acquisitio n o f, Aggregates USA, LL C, i ncluding diversion of management time
- our ability to manage and successfully integrate acquisitions
- the potential of goodwill or long-lived asset impairment
- other assumptions, risks and uncertainties detailed from time to time in our periodic reports filed with the SEC

All forward-looking statements are made as of the date of filing. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Investors are cautioned not to rely unduly on such forward-looking statements when evaluating the information presented in our filings, and are advised to consult any of our future disclosures in filings made with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and our press releases with regard to our business and consolidated financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

INVESTOR INFORMATION

We make available on our website, www.vulcanmaterials.com, free of charge, copies of our:

- Annual Report on Form 10-K
- Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q
- Current Reports on Form 8-K

Our website also includes amendments to those reports filed with or furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as well as all Forms 3, 4 and 5 filed with the SEC by our executive officers and directors, as soon as the filings are made publicly available by the SEC on its EDGAR database (www.sec.gov).

The public may read and copy materials filed with the SEC at the Public Reference Room of the SEC at 1 00 F Street, NE, Washington, D. C. 20549. The public may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-732-0330. In addition to accessing copies of our reports online, you may request a copy of our Annual Report on Form 10-K, including financial statements, by writing to Jerry F. Perkins Jr., General Counsel and Secretary, Vulcan Materials Company, 1200 Urban Center Drive, Birmingham, Alabama 35242.

We have a:

- Business Conduct Policy applicable to all employees and directors
- Code of Ethics for the CEO and Senior Financial Officers

Copies of the Business Conduct Policy and the Code of Ethics are available on our website under the heading "Corporate Governance." If we make any amendment to, or waiver of, any provision of the Code of Ethics, we will disclose such information on our website as well as through filings with the SEC.

Our Board of Directors has also adopted:

- Corporate Governance Guidelines
- · Charters for its Audit, Compensation, Executive, Finance, Governance and Safety, Health & Environment al Affairs Committees

These documents meet all applicable SEC and New York Stock Exchange regulatory requirements.

The Charters of the Audit, Compensation and Governance Committees are available on our website under the heading, "Corporate Governance," or you may request a copy of any of these documents by writing to Jerry F. Perkins Jr., General Counsel and Secretary, Vulcan Materials Company, 1200 Urban Center Drive, Birmingham, Alabama 35242.

Information included on our website is not incorporated into, or otherwise made a part of, this report.

MARKET RISK

We are exposed to certain market risks arising from transactions that are entered into in the normal course of business. To manage these market risks, we may use derivative financial instruments. We do not enter into derivative financial instruments for speculative or trading purposes.

As discussed in the Liquidity and Financial Resources section of Part I, Item 2, we actively manage our capital structure and resources to balance the cost of capital and r isk of financial stress. Such activity includes balancing the cost and risk of interest expense. In addition to floating-rate borrowings, we at times use interest rate swaps to manage the mix of fixed- rate and floating-rate debt.

While floating-rate debt exposes us to rising interest rates, it is typically cheaper than issuing fixed-rate debt at any point in time but can become more expensive than previously issued fixed-rate debt. However, a rising interest rate environment is not necessarily harmful to our financial results. Since 200 2, our EBITDA and Operating income are positively correlated to floating interest rates (as measured by 3-month LIBOR). As such, our business serves as a natural hedge to rising interest rates, and floating-rate debt serves as a natural hedge against weaker operating results due to general economic weakness.

At September 3 0, 2017, the estimated fair value of our long-term deb t i including current maturities was \$3,073.1 million compared to a book value of \$2,814.8 million. The estimated fair value was determined by averaging several asking price quotes for the publicly traded notes and assuming par value for the remainder of the deb t. The fair value estimate is based on information available as of the balance sheet date. The effect of a decline in interest rates of one percentage point would increase the fair value of our debt by approximately \$258.3 million.

We are exposed to certain economic risks related to the costs of our pension and other postretirement benefit plans. These economic risks include changes in the discount rate for high-quality bonds and the expected return on plan assets. The impact of a change in these assumptions on our annual pension and other postretirement benefits costs is discussed in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K.

ITEM 4

CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

DISCLOSURE CONTROLS AND PROCEDUR ES

We maintain a system of controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in reports we file with the SEC is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified by the SEC's rules and forms. These disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in the Securitie s E xchange Act of 1934 Rules 13a - 15(e) or 15d - 15(e)), include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, with the participation of other management officials, evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of the disclosure controls and procedures as of September 30, 2017. Based upon that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of September 30, 2017.

No material changes were made during the third quarter of 201 7 to our internal con trols ov er financial reporting, nor have there been other factors that materially affect these controls.

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Certain legal proceedings in which we are involved are discussed in Note 12 to the consolidated financial statements and Part I, Item 3 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 201 6, and in Note 8 to the condensed consolidated financial statements and Part II, Item 1 of our Q uarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter s ended March 31, 2017 and June 30, 2017. See Note 8 to the condensed consolidated financial statements of this Form 10-Q for a discussion of certain recent developments concerning our legal proceedings.

ITEM 1A

RISK FACTORS

There were no material changes to the risk factors disclosed in Part I, Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016.

ITEM 2

UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

Purchases of our equity securities during the quarter ended September 3 0, 2017 are summarized below.

| | | | | Total Number | Maximum |
|------------------|-----------|----|------------|------------------|-----------------|
| | | | | of Shares | Number of |
| | | | | Purchased as | Shares that |
| | Total | | | Part of Publicly | May Yet Be |
| | Number of | | Average | Announced | Purchased |
| | Shares | F | Price Paid | Plans or | Under the Plans |
| Period | Purchased | F | Per Share | Programs | or Programs 1 |
| 2017 | | | | | |
| July 1 - July 31 | 0 | \$ | 0.00 | 0 | 9,489,717 |
| Aug 1 - Aug 31 | 0 | \$ | 0.00 | 0 | 9,489,717 |
| Sept 1 - Sept 30 | 0 | \$ | 0.00 | 0 | 9,489,717 |
| Total | 0 | \$ | 0.00 | 0 | |

On February 10, 2006, our Board of Directors authorized us to purchase up to 10,000,000 shares of our common stock. On February 10, 2017, there were 1,756,757 shares remaining under this authorization, and our Board of Directors authorized us to purchase an additional 8,243,243 shares to refresh the number of shares we were authorized to purchase to 10,000,000. As of September 30, 2017, there were 9,489,717 shares remaining under the authorization. Depending upon market, business, legal and other conditions, we may make share purchases from time to time through open market (including plans designed to comply with Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) and/or privately negotiated transactions. The authorization has no time limit, does not obligate us to purchase any specific number of shares, and may be suspended or discontinued at any time.

We did not have any unregistered sales of equity securities during the third $\,$ quarter of 201 7 .

ITEM 4

MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

The information concerning mine safety violations or other regulatory matters required by Section 1503(a) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and C onsumer Protection Act and Item 104 of Regulation S-K is included in Exhibit 95 of this report.

| Exhibit 31(a) | Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 |
|-----------------|--|
| Exhibit 31(b) | Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 |
| Exhibit 32(a) | Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 |
| Exhibit 32(b) | Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 |
| Exhibit 95 | MSHA Citations and Litigation |
| Exhibit 101.INS | XBRL Instance Document |
| Exhibit 101.SCH | XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document |
| Exhibit 101.CAL | XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document |
| Exhibit 101.LAB | XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document |
| Exhibit 101.PRE | XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document |
| Exhibit 101.DEF | XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document |

O ur SEC file number for documents filed with the SEC pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, is 001-33841.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

VULCAN MATERIALS COMPANY

/s/ Ejaz A. Khan Ejaz A. Khan

Vice President, Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)

/s/ John R. McPherson John R. McPherson

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial and Strategy Officer

Date November 3, 2017 (Principal Financial Officer)

Date

November 3, 2017

- I, J. Thomas Hill , certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Vulcan Materials Company;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report:
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedure s , o r caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision , t o ensure that material information relating to the registrant including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has mater ially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financia I reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date November 3, 2017

/s/ J. Thomas Hill J. Thomas Hill Chairman , President and Chief Executive Officer

Exhibit 31(a)

I, John R. McPherson, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Vulcan Materials Company;
- Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report:
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedure s , o r caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervisio n , t o ensure that material information relating to the registrant including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date November 3, 2017

/s/ John R. McPherson John R. McPherson , Executive Vice President and Chief Financial and Strategy Officer

Exhibit 31(b)

EXHIBIT 32(a)

CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

FICER

VULCAN MATERIALS COMPANY JRSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350

PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES OXLEY ACT OF 2020

- I, J. Thomas Hill, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Vulcan Materials Company, certify that the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (the "r eport") for the quarter ended September 3 0, 201 7, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof:
 - (i) fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and
 - (ii) the information contained in the r eport fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of Vulcan Materials Company.

/s/ J. Thomas Hill J. Thomas Hill Chairman , President and Chief Executive Officer November 3, 2017

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906, or other document authenticating, acknowledging, or otherwise adopting the signature that appears in typed form within the electronic version of this written statement required by Section 906, has been provided to Vulcan Materials Company and will be retained by Vulcan Materials Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

Exhibit 32(a)

EXHIBIT 32 (b)

CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

OF

VULCAN MATERIALS COMPANY

PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350

AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES OXLEY ACT OF 2020

I, John R. McPherson, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial and Strategy Officer of Vulcan Materials Company, certify that the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (the "report") for the quarter ended September 3 0, 201 7, filed with the Securities and Exchange Com mission on the date hereof:

- (i) fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and
- (ii) the information contained in the r eport fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of Vulcan Materials Company.

/s/ John R. McPherson John R. McPherson , Executive Vice President and Chief Financial and Strategy Officer November 3 , 201 7

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906, or other document authenticating, acknowledging, or otherwise adopting the signature that appears in typed form within the electronic version of this written statement required by Section 906, has been provided to Vulcan Materials Company and will be retained by Vulcan Materials Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

Exhibit 32(b)

FXHIBIT 95

MSHA CITATIONS AND LITIGATION

On July 21, 2010, the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the Dodd-Frank Act) was enacted. Section 1503 of the Dodd-Frank Act requires companies that are "operators" (as such term is defined in the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 (the Mine Act)) to disclose certain mine safety information in each periodic report to the Securities and Exchange Commission. This information is related to the enforcement of the Mine Act by the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA).

The Dodd-Frank Act and the subsequent implementing regulation issued by the SEC require disclosure of the following categories of violations, orders and citations: (1) Section 104 S&S Citations, which are citations issued for violations of mandatory health or safety standards that could significantly and substantially contribute to the cause and effect of a mine safety or health hazard; (2) Section 104(b) Orders, which are orders issued upon a follow up inspection where the inspector finds the violation previously cited has not been totally abated in the prescribed time period; (3) Section 104(d) Citations and Orders, which are issued upon violations of mandatory health or safety standards caused by an unwarrantable failure of the operator to comply with the standards; (4) Section 110(b)(2) Violations, which result from the reckless and repeated failure to eliminate a known violation; (5) Section 107(a) Orders, which are given when MSHA determines that an imminent danger exists and results in an order of immediate withdrawal from the area of the mine affected by the condition; and (6) written notices from MSHA of a pattern of violations of mandatory health or safety standards that are of such nature as could have significantly and substantially contributed to the cause and effect of mine health or safety hazards under Section 104(e). In addition, the Dodd-Frank Act requires the disclosure of the total dollar value of proposed assessments from MSHA under the Mine Act and the total number of mining related fatalities.

The following disclosures are made pursuant to Section 1503.

During the three months ended September 3 0, 2017, none of our operations: (i) received any orders under Section 104(b), which are issued upon a follow up inspection where the inspector finds the violation previously cited has not been totally abated in the prescribed time perio d; (i i) had any flagrant violations under Section 110(b)(2); (i ii) received any Section 107(a) Orders, which are given when MSHA determines that an imminent danger exists and results in an order of immediate withdrawal from the area of the mine affected by the condition; (i v) received notice from MSHA of a pattern of violations of mandatory health or safety standards under Section 104(e); or (v) had any mining-related fatalities.

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The table below sets forth, by mine, the total number of citations and/or orders issued by MSHA during the period covered by this report under the indicated provisions of the Mine Act, together with the total dollar value of proposed assessments, if any, from MSHA, received during the three months ended September 3 0, 201 7. Of our 250 active MSHA-regulated f acilities during the quarter, we received 135 federal mine safety inspections at 113 facilities during the reporting period. Of our inspected facilities, 107 did not receive any reportable citations or orders.

| Name of Operation | Number of Inspections | Total Number of S&S Citations | Mine Act § 104(b) Orders | Mine Act § 104(d) Citations and Orders | Mine Act § 110(b)(2) Violations | Mine Act § 107(a) Orders | Total Dollar Value of Proposed MSHA Assessments (dollars in thousands) | Total Number of Mining Related Fatalities | Received Written Notice under Mine Act § 104(e) (yes/no) |
|------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|---|---|
| BLACK ANGUS PLANT, AZ | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | No |
| CHATTANOOGA, TN | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | No |
| FRIENDSHIP QUARRY, GA | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | No |
| HELOTES QUARRY, TX | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | No |
| MARANA, AZ | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | No |
| PLACITAS, NM | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | No |
| OTHER OPERATIONS - 107 | 128 | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | No |
| Total | 135 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

The total dollar value of proposed assessments received during the three months ended September 3 0, 201 7 for all other citations, as well as proposed assessments received during the reporting period for citations previously issued, is \$20,427.

The table below set s forth, by mine, category of legal action and number of legal actions pending before the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission as of September 30, 2017.

| | Number of Legal Action | | | | |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|-----------|----------------|--|--|
| | Complain | | | | |
| | Contest | Contest | Discharge, | | |
| Name of Operation | Penalty | Citations | Discrimination | | |
| BOLINGBROOK UNDERGROUND, IL | 10 | 0 | 0 | | |
| BOONE QUARRY, NC | 1 | 0 | 0 | | |
| BRISTOL QUARRY, TN | 0 | 0 | 1 | | |

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The table below sets forth, by mine, category of legal action and number of legal actions filed before the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission during the three months ended September 3 0, 201 7.

| | | Number of Legal Action | | | |
|----------------------------------|---------|------------------------|----------------|--|--|
| | | | Complaint of | | |
| | Contest | Contest | Discharge, | | |
| Name of Operation | Penalty | Citations | Discrimination | | |
| DALE, VA | 1 | 0 | 0 | | |
| GRAHAM VA, VA | 2 | 0 | 0 | | |
| LEMONT UNDERGROUND LIMESTONE, IL | 1 | 0 | 0 | | |
| TAMPA SALES YARD, FL | 1 | 0 | 0 | | |
| VAL VISTA – CITRUS GROVE 150, AZ | 1 | 0 | 0 | | |

The table below sets forth, by mine, category of legal action and number of legal actions resolved (disposed) by the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission during the three months ended September 30, 2017.

| | | Number of Legal Act | | | |
|---------------------------|---------|---------------------|----------------|--|--|
| | | C | | | |
| | Contest | Contest | Discharge, | | |
| Name of Operation | Penalty | Citations | Discrimination | | |
| BLACK ANGUS PLANT, AZ | 1 | 0 | 0 | | |
| BRISTOL QUARRY, TN | 0 | 0 | 1 | | |
| HAVRE DE GRACE QUARRY, MD | 1 | 0 | 0 | | |
| HELOTES QUARRY, TX | 1 | 0 | 0 | | |
| LAKESHORE QUARRY, AL | 2 | 0 | 0 | | |
| LITHIA SPRINGS QUARRY, GA | 1 | 0 | 0 | | |
| PRIDE QUARRY, AL | 1 | 0 | 0 | | |
| SAVANNAH QUARRY, TN | 3 | 0 | 0 | | |