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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM S-4**  
**REGISTRATION STATEMENT**

*UNDER*  
*THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933*

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**PETROHAWK ENERGY CORPORATION\***

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**1311**  
(Primary Standard Industrial  
Classification Code Number)

**86-0876964**  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

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including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

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APPROXIMATE DATE OF COMMENCEMENT OF PROPOSED SALE OF THE SECURITIES TO THE PUBLIC: As soon as practicable after this registration statement becomes effective.

If the securities being registered on this Form are being offered in connection with the formation of a holding company and there is compliance with General Instruction G, check the following box. "

If this form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. "

If this form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier registration statement for the same offering. "

\*Includes certain subsidiaries of Petrohawk Energy Corporation identified on the following page.

**CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

<b>Title of Each Class of</b>	<b>Amount to be</b>	<b>Proposed Maximum Offering Price</b>	<b>Proposed Maximum</b>	<b>Amount of</b>
<b>Securities to be Registered</b>	<b>Registered</b>	<b>Per Unit (1)</b>	<b>Aggregate Offering Price (1)</b>	<b>Registration Fee (2)</b>
9.125% Notes due 2013	\$775,000,000	100%	\$775,000,000	\$82,925
Guarantees of 9.125% Notes due 2013 (3)	(4)	(4)	(4)	(5)

(1) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to rule 457(f)(2) of the rules and regulations under the Securities Act.

(2) Calculated by multiplying the aggregate offering amount by 0.000107.

(3) See inside facing page for table of registrant guarantors.

(4) No separate consideration will be received for the guarantees.

(5) No further fee is payable pursuant to Rule 457(n) of the rules and regulations under the Securities Act.

**THE REGISTRANT HEREBY AMENDS THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON SUCH DATE OR DATES AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO DELAY ITS EFFECTIVE DATE UNTIL THE REGISTRANT SHALL FILE A FURTHER AMENDMENT WHICH SPECIFICALLY STATES THAT THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL THEREAFTER BECOME EFFECTIVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 8(A) OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 OR UNTIL THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON SUCH DATE AS THE COMMISSION, ACTING PURSUANT TO SAID SECTION 8(A), MAY DETERMINE.**

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<b>EXACT NAME OF ADDITIONAL REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER</b>	<b>STATE OR OTHER JURISDICTION OF INCORPORATION OR ORGANIZATION</b>	<b>PRIMARY STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION CODE NUMBER</b>	<b>I.R.S. EMPLOYEE IDENTIFICATION NO.</b>
P-H Energy, LLC	Texas	1311	None
Petrohawk Operating Company	Texas	1311	75-2472880
Red River Field Services, L.L.C.	Oklahoma	1311	75-1560304
Petrohawk Properties, LP	Texas	1311	75-2702317
Petrohawk Holdings, LLC	Delaware	1311	20-3066517
Winwell Resources, Inc.	Louisiana	1311	72-1277420
WSF, Inc.	Louisiana	1311	72-1169871
KCS Energy Services, Inc.	Delaware	1311	76-0516389
KCS Resources, Inc.	Delaware	1311	22-2889587
Medallion California Properties Company	Texas	1311	76-0267470
Prolig, Inc.	New Jersey	1311	22-1516527

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**The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and it is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted.**

**SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED SEPTEMBER 1, 2006**

**PROSPECTUS**

**\$775,000,000**

**Petrohawk Energy Corporation**

**Offer to Exchange up to**

**\$775,000,000 of 9.125% senior notes due 2013**

**that have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933**

**for**

**\$775,000,000 of 9.125% senior notes due 2013**

**that have not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933**

**The Exchange Offer will expire at 5:00 pm, New York**

**City time, on \_\_\_\_\_, 2006, unless we extend the date**

**Terms of the Exchange Offer:**

We are offering to exchange up to \$775.0 million aggregate principal amount of registered 9.125% Senior Notes due 2013, which we refer to as the new notes, for any and all of our \$775.0 million aggregate principal amount of unregistered 9.125% Senior Notes due 2013, which we refer to as the old notes, that were issued on June 23, 2006 and July 24, 2006. The new notes are being offered as additional debt securities under the indenture pursuant to which we previously issued the old notes.

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We will exchange all outstanding old notes that are validly tendered and not validly withdrawn prior to the expiration of the exchange offer for an equal principal amount of new notes.

The terms of the new notes are substantially identical to those of the outstanding old notes, except that the transfer restrictions and registration rights relating to the old notes do not apply to the new notes.

You may withdraw tenders of old notes at any time prior to the expiration of the exchange offer.

The exchange of new notes for old notes should not be a taxable transaction for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

We will not receive any cash proceeds from the exchange offer.

The old notes are, and the new notes will be, guaranteed on a senior unsecured basis by all of our current and certain future domestic restricted subsidiaries, other than certain immaterial subsidiaries.

There is no established trading market for the new notes or the old notes.

We do not intend to apply for listing of the new notes on any national securities exchange or for quotation through any quotation system.

**This investment involves risks. Please read Risk Factors beginning on page 13 for a discussion of the risks that you should consider prior to tendering your outstanding old notes in the exchange offer.**

**Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.**

Each broker-dealer that receives new notes for its own account pursuant to the exchange offer must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of such new notes. The letter of transmittal states that by so acknowledging and by delivering a prospectus, a broker-dealer will not be deemed to admit that it is an underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act. This prospectus, as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time, may be used by a broker-dealer in connection with resales of new notes received in exchange for old notes where such old notes were acquired by such broker-dealer as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities. We have agreed that, for a period of 180 days after the consummation of the exchange offer, we will make this prospectus available to any broker-dealer for use in connection with any such resale. Please read Plan of Distribution.

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The date of this prospectus is \_\_\_\_\_, 2006.

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This prospectus is part of a registration statement we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, referred to in this prospectus as the SEC. In making your decision to participate in the exchange offer, you should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus and in the accompanying letter of transmittal. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with any other information. If you received any unauthorized information, you must not rely on it. We are not making an offer to sell these securities in any state or jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted. You should not assume that the information contained in this prospectus, or the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus, is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front cover of this prospectus or the date of such document incorporated by reference, as the case may be.

**This prospectus incorporates by reference important business and financial information about our company that has not been included in or delivered with this prospectus. We will provide without charge to each person to whom this prospectus is delivered, upon written or oral request, a copy of any document incorporated by reference in this prospectus. Requests for such copies should be directed to secretary, Petrohawk Energy Corporation, 1100 Louisiana, Suite 4400, Houston, Texas 77002; telephone number: (832) 204-2700. To obtain timely delivery, you should request the documents and information no later than \_\_\_\_\_, 2006.**

In this prospectus, when we use the terms Petrohawk, we, us, or our, we mean Petrohawk Energy Corporation and its consolidated subsidiaries, unless otherwise indicated or the context requires otherwise.

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**WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION**

We file annual, quarterly and current and special reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, referred to as the Exchange Act. You may read and copy the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part, including exhibits and schedules filed with it, and all other reports or other information we may file with the SEC at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, N.E., Room 1580, Washington, D.C. 20549. You may obtain copies of this information at prescribed rates by mail from the Public Reference Room of the SEC. You may call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for information on the operation of the Public Reference Room. In addition, the SEC maintains an Internet site at <http://www.sec.gov> that contains our reports, proxy and information statements and other information that we file with the SEC. These filings may also be found on the Investor Relations section of our Internet site at <http://www.petrohawk.com>. However, any information that is included on or linked to our Internet site is not a part of this prospectus.

**INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE**

We are incorporating by reference herein important business and financial information that we file with the SEC, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents. The information incorporated by reference or deemed incorporated by reference is an important part of this prospectus, and information that we file later with the SEC will be deemed to update automatically and supersede this incorporated information.

We incorporate by reference the documents listed below and any future filings made with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act subsequent to the date of this prospectus and prior to the completion of this exchange offer (excluding any information furnished to the SEC pursuant to Item 2.02 or Item 7.01 on any current report on Form 8-K). We also incorporate by reference any future filings made with the SEC under the Exchange Act subsequent to the date of the initial registration statement and prior to effectiveness of the registration statement (excluding any information furnished to the SEC pursuant to Item 2.02 of Item 7.01 on any current report on Form 8-K). Any statement contained in this prospectus or in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this prospectus to the extent that a statement contained in this prospectus or in any other subsequently filed document which also is, or is deemed to be, incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this prospectus.

We have filed the following documents with the SEC which are incorporated into this prospectus by reference:

Our Annual Report on Form 10-K (File No. 000-25717) for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005, including the information incorporated by reference from our proxy statement, as amended, relating to our annual meeting of stockholders.

Our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q (File No. 000-25717) for the fiscal quarters ended March 31, 2006 and June 30, 2006.

Our Current Reports on Form 8-K (File No. 000-25717) as filed on January 31, 2006, February 2, 2006, February 9, 2006, March 3, 2006, April 21, 2006 (except for Item 7.01 and the related exhibit), May 18, 2006, June 23, 2006, June 28, 2006, June 29, 2006, July 11, 2006, July 17, 2006, July 28, 2006, August 17, 2006 and September 1, 2006 and our amended Current Reports on Form 8-K/A (File No. 000-25717) as filed on January 5, 2006 and March 17, 2006.



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You can get a free copy of any of the documents incorporated by reference by making an oral or written request directed to:

Petrohawk Energy Corporation

1100 Louisiana, Suite 4400

Houston, Texas 77002

Attention: Secretary

Telephone: (832) 204-2700

To obtain timely delivery of any of the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus, you should request the information no later than  
, 2006.

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**CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

The information discussed in this prospectus (other than information related to the exchange offer as discussed below), our filings with the SEC and our public releases include forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, referred to as the Securities Act, and Section 21E of the Exchange Act. The safe harbor for forward-looking statements provided in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 does not apply to statements made in connection with the exchange offer in this prospectus. All statements, other than statements of historical facts, included herein concerning, among other things, planned capital expenditures, increases in oil and gas production, the number of anticipated wells to be drilled after the date hereof, future cash flows and borrowings, pursuit of potential acquisition opportunities, our financial position, business strategy and other plans and objectives for future operations, are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are identified by their use of terms and phrases such as may, will, expect, estimate, project, believe, achievable, anticipate and similar terms and phrases. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in these forward-looking statements are reasonable, they do involve certain assumptions, risks and uncertainties. Our actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of certain factors, including, among others:

the possibility that problems may arise in successfully integrating the businesses of Petrohawk and KCS;

the possibility that the combined company may be unable to achieve cost-cutting synergies;

the possibility that the industry may be subject to future regulatory or legislative actions (including any additional taxes);

the volatility in commodity prices for oil and gas and in the supply of and demand for oil and natural gas;

the presence or recoverability of estimated oil and gas reserves and the actual future production rates and associated costs;

the ability to replace oil and gas reserves;

environmental risks;

drilling and operating risks;

exploration and development risks;

competition;

the ability of the company's management to execute its plans to meet its goals;

the ability of the company to retain key members of its senior management and key employees;

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general economic conditions, whether internationally, nationally or in the regional and local market areas in which Petrohawk is doing business, may be less favorable than expected;

continued hostilities in the Middle East and other sustained military campaigns or acts of terrorism or sabotage; and

other economic, competitive, governmental, legislative, regulatory, geopolitical and technological factors may negatively impact our businesses, operations or pricing.

Finally, our future results will depend upon various other risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to, those detailed in our other filings with the SEC that are incorporated by reference herein and in the section entitled "Risk Factors" included elsewhere in this prospectus. For additional information regarding risks and uncertainties, please read our other filings with the SEC under the Exchange Act and the Securities Act, including our annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005 and our quarterly reports on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarters ended March 31, 2006 and June 30, 2006. All forward-looking statements attributable to us or persons acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements in this paragraph and elsewhere in this prospectus and in the documents incorporated by reference. Other than as required under the securities laws, we do not assume a duty to update these forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, subsequent events or circumstances, changes in expectations or otherwise.

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**PROSPECTUS SUMMARY**

*The following summary highlights selected information from the prospectus and may not contain all of the information that is important to you. This prospectus includes specific terms of the new notes, as well as information regarding our business and detailed financial data. We encourage you to read this entire prospectus carefully, including the discussion of the risks and uncertainties affecting our business included under the caption Risk Factors, and the documents that have been incorporated into this prospectus, before making an investment decision.*

**Our Business**

We are an independent oil and gas company engaged in the acquisition, development, production and exploration of oil and gas properties located in North America. Our properties are concentrated in the East Texas/North Louisiana, Gulf Coast, Permian Basin, and Anadarko/Arkoma regions. We focus on maintaining a balanced, geographically diverse portfolio of long-lived, lower risk reserves along with shorter lived, higher margin reserves. We believe that this balanced reserve mix provides a diversified cash flow foundation to fund our development and exploration drilling program.

As of December 31, 2005, pro forma for our recent merger with KCS Energy, Inc. ( KCS ) described below, our estimated proved reserves were approximately 980 Bcfe, of which 77% were natural gas, 68% were proved developed and 74% were operated. In the first six months of 2006, we produced approximately 24.0 Bcfe.

**Business Strategy**

Our primary objective is to increase reserves, production and cash flow. To accomplish this objective, our business strategy is focused on the following:

***Focus on Our Core Operating Areas.*** We intend to concentrate our activities in our core operating areas and exploit our multi-year drilling inventory. Given our inventory of drilling opportunities and historical drilling success, we believe that we are well-positioned to continue growing our proved reserves and production organically. Operating in concentrated areas helps us to better control our overhead by enabling us to manage a greater amount of acreage with fewer employees and minimize incremental costs of increased drilling and production. Our strategy of targeting our operations in relatively focused areas permits us to more efficiently capitalize on our base of geological, engineering and production experience in these regions.

***Focus on Natural Gas.*** As of December 31, 2005, pro forma for our recent merger with KCS, our estimated proved reserves were 77% natural gas. We believe that the future need for natural gas in the United States will continue to grow. In addition, North American supplies of natural gas have been declining in recent years. We believe these factors will provide a favorable growth environment for companies with long-lived natural gas reserves such as ours.

***Maintain Financial Flexibility.*** We intend to maintain ample liquidity through availability under our revolving credit facility by funding our capital budget primarily with operating cash flow. We also plan to use discretionary cash flow, proceeds from non-core asset sales, and opportunistic issuances of equity to reduce leverage. In addition, we employ an active commodity price hedging program to ensure a level of predictability in the prices we receive for our production, and to support our operating activities and acquisition strategy. We believe this approach enhances our ability to execute our business plan over a broad commodity price cycle, protect our returns on investment and manage our capital structure. Currently, we plan to hedge approximately 50% of expected production for the next two years.

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***Pursue Disciplined Acquisition Strategy in Our Core Areas of Operation.*** We have been successful at growing through targeted acquisitions. Our multi-year drilling inventory provides us with the ability to grow proved reserves and production organically without acquisitions, however, we will continue to evaluate acquisition opportunities in our core areas of operation. We intend to limit our acquisition activity to properties where we believe our technical expertise in our core operating areas provides us with a competitive advantage in valuing and economically developing those properties.

***Actively Manage Property Portfolio.*** We continually evaluate our property base to identify opportunities to divest non-core, higher cost or less productive properties with limited development potential. This strategy allows us to focus on a portfolio of core properties with significant potential to increase our proved reserves and production. We seek to improve the overall quality of our asset base by disposing of marginal or non-strategic properties.

***Benefit from the Transactional Nature of Our Industry.*** The independent exploration and production industry has been consolidating for a number of years. Our business strategy embraces this trend. We proactively search for acquisitions in our core areas to expand our acreage position and drilling inventory and we intend to assemble a portfolio of quality proved reserves and drilling opportunities within a core group of operated properties that may potentially be desirable as a strategic acquisition target by larger industry participants.

### **Recent Developments**

#### ***Merger with KCS Energy, Inc.***

On July 12, 2006, we completed the merger of KCS with and into us. In the merger, we issued approximately 83.8 million shares of our common stock and paid approximately \$450.3 million cash as consideration to the former stockholders of KCS. In connection with the merger, we assumed or refinanced all outstanding debt of KCS, including \$275.0 million in principal amount of 7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>% senior notes due 2012 (the 2012 Notes ). Pro forma for the Terryville acquisition, as of December 31, 2005, KCS' estimated proved reserves were approximately 463 Bcfe, of which approximately 88% was natural gas and 73% was classified a proved developed.

#### ***Terryville Acquisition***

On April 19, 2006, KCS completed an acquisition of oil and gas properties located in the Terryville field in North Louisiana for \$26.2 million. The acquisition included approximately 10,300 acres located in Lincoln Parish, Louisiana, and proved reserves internally estimated at 11.2 Bcfe.

#### ***Tender Offer for Outstanding 9<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>% Senior Notes due 2011***

On July 12, 2006, we accepted for purchase \$124.2 million principal amount of our 9<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub> senior notes due 2011 (the 2011 Notes ) for aggregate cash consideration of \$139.1 million, which we (as successor by way of merger to Mission Resources Corporation on July 28, 2005) issued in April 2004. Following acceptance, we, the parties named therein as subsidiary guarantors, and The Bank of New York Trust Company, NA., as trustee, entered into a supplemental indenture that supplements and amends the indenture that governs the terms of the 2011 Notes, to eliminate substantially all of the restrictive covenants contained in the indenture and the 2011 Notes, eliminate certain events of default, and modify certain other covenants and provisions contained in the indenture and the 2011 Notes. A total of \$224,000 principal amount of 2011 Notes remains outstanding.

#### ***Amendment to Revolving Credit Facility***

On July 12, 2006, we entered into a Second Amended and Restated Senior Revolving Credit Agreement (herein referred to as the revolving credit facility ) which amended and restated our \$600 million amended and restated senior revolving credit agreement dated July 28, 2005. The revolving credit facility provides for a \$1 billion facility with an initial borrowing base of \$700 million that will be redetermined on a semi-annual basis,

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with us and the lenders each having the right to one annual interim unscheduled redetermination, and adjusted based on our oil and gas properties, reserves, other indebtedness, and other relevant factors. Amounts outstanding under the revolving credit facility bear interest at specified margins over the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) of 1.00% to 1.75% for Eurodollar loans or at specified margins over the Alternate Base Rate ( ABR ) of 0.00% to 0.50% for ABR loans. Such margins will fluctuate based on the utilization of the facility. Borrowings under the revolving credit facility will be secured by first priority liens on substantially all of our assets, including pursuant to the terms of the Second Amended and Restated Guarantee and Collateral Agreement, all of the assets of, and equity interest in, our subsidiaries. Amounts drawn on the revolving credit facility will mature on July 12, 2010.

The revolving credit facility contains customary financial and other covenants, including minimum working capital levels, minimum coverage of interest expenses, and a maximum leverage ratio. In addition, we are subject to covenants limiting dividends and other restricted payments, transactions with affiliates, incurrence of debt, changes of control, asset sales, and liens on properties. Our receipt of a waiver from the lenders under our revolving credit facility permitting us to issue the notes offered hereby was a condition to closing this offering. Please read Description of Other Indebtedness Revolving Credit Facility for additional information on our revolving credit facility.

***Gulf of Mexico Property Sale***

On March 21, 2006, we sold substantially all of our Gulf of Mexico properties for \$52.5 million in cash. These properties had estimated proved reserves as of December 31, 2005 of approximately 25 Bcfe, were approximately 70% gas, 59% proved developed and 27% operated. Production at closing was estimated to be approximately 10 MMcfe per day.

***North Louisiana Acquisitions***

On January 27, 2006, we completed the acquisition of all of the issued and outstanding common stock of Winwell Resources, Inc. ( Winwell ). We paid aggregate consideration of approximately \$208 million in cash after certain closing adjustments. Also on January 27, 2006, we completed an acquisition of assets from Redley Company, Burriss Run Company and Red Clay Minerals, paying aggregate consideration of approximately \$86 million in cash after certain closing adjustments. In these acquisitions, we acquired oil and gas properties in the Elm Grove and Caspiana fields in North Louisiana with approximately 106 Bcfe of internally estimated proved reserves at December 31, 2005 and average production of 16 MMcfe per day for December 2005.

***Mission Resources Corporation Acquisition***

We acquired Mission Resources Corporation ( Mission ) by merger on July 28, 2005. We issued approximately 19.6 million shares of common stock and paid approximately \$139.5 million in cash to the former stockholders of Mission. In addition, all outstanding options to purchase Mission common stock were converted into options to purchase our common stock using an exchange ratio of 0.7641 shares of Petrohawk common stock per share of Mission common stock underlying each option. We also assumed Mission's long-term debt of approximately \$184 million, including the 2011 Notes. At December 31, 2004, Mission's estimated net proved reserves were approximately 226 Bcfe.

**Corporate Information**

We are a Delaware corporation. We were formed in 1997 as a Nevada corporation and reincorporated in Delaware during 2004. We are a publicly traded company, with our common stock quoted on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol HAWK. Our principal offices are located at 1100 Louisiana Street, Suite 4400, Houston, Texas 77002, telephone number (832) 204-2700, fax number (832) 204-2800, and our website can be found at [www.petrohawk.com](http://www.petrohawk.com). Unless specifically incorporated by reference in this prospectus, information that you may find on our website is not part of this prospectus.

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**The Exchange Offer**

On June 23, 2006, we completed a private offering of \$650 million in aggregate principal of the old notes, and on July 24, 2006, we completed a follow-on private offering of \$125 million in aggregate principal amount of additional old notes. As part of these private offerings, we entered into a registration rights agreement with the initial purchasers of the old notes in which we agreed, among other things, to deliver this prospectus to you and to use our best efforts to complete the exchange offer. The following is a summary of the exchange offer.

Old Notes	9.125% Senior Notes due 2013, which were issued on June 23, 2006 and July 24, 2006.
New Notes	9.125% Senior Notes due 2013. The terms of the new notes are substantially identical to those terms of the outstanding old notes, except that the transfer restrictions and registration rights relating to the old notes do not apply to the new notes.
Exchange Offer	<p>We are offering to exchange up to \$775.0 million aggregate principal amount of our new notes that have been registered under the Securities Act for an equal amount of our outstanding old notes that have not been registered under the Securities Act to satisfy our obligations under the registration rights agreements.</p> <p>The new notes will evidence the same debt as the old notes and will be issued under and be entitled to the benefits of the same indenture that governs the old notes. Holders of the old notes do not have any appraisal or dissenter rights in connection with the exchange offer. Because the new notes will be registered, the new notes will not be subject to transfer restrictions, and holders of old notes that have tendered and had their old notes accepted in the exchange offer will have no registration rights.</p>
Expiration Date	The exchange offer will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on _____, 2006, unless we decide to extend it.
Conditions to the Exchange Offer	The exchange offer is subject to customary conditions, which we may waive. Please read "The Exchange Offer - Conditions to the Exchange Offer" for more information regarding the conditions to the exchange offer.
Procedures for Tendering Old Notes	<p>Unless you comply with the procedures described under the caption "The Exchange Offer - Procedures for Tendering Guaranteed Delivery," you must do one of the following on or prior to the expiration of the exchange offer to participate in the exchange offer:</p> <p>tender your old notes by sending the certificates for your old notes, in proper form for transfer, a properly completed and duly executed letter of transmittal, with any required signature guarantees, and all other documents required by the letter of transmittal, to U.S. Bank National Association, as registrar and exchange agent, at the address listed under the caption "The Exchange Offer - Exchange Agent"; or</p> <p>tender your old notes by using the book-entry transfer procedures described below and transmitting a properly completed and duly executed letter of transmittal, with any required</p>

signature guarantees, or an agent's message instead of the letter of



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transmittal, to the exchange agent. In order for a book-entry transfer to constitute a valid tender of your old notes in the exchange offer, U.S. Bank National Association, as registrar and exchange agent, must receive a confirmation of book-entry transfer of your old notes into the exchange agent's account at The Depository Trust Company prior to the expiration of the exchange offer. For more information regarding the use of book-entry transfer procedures, including a description of the required agent's message, please read the discussion under the caption "The Exchange Offer Procedures for Tendering Book-Entry Transfer."

**Guaranteed Delivery Procedures**

If you are a registered holder of the old notes and wish to tender your old notes in the exchange offer, but

the old notes are not immediately available,

time will not permit your old notes or other required documents to reach the exchange agent before the expiration of the exchange offer, or

the procedure for book-entry transfer cannot be completed prior to the expiration of the exchange offer,

then you may tender old notes by following the procedures described under the caption "The Exchange Offer Procedures for Tendering Guaranteed Delivery."

**Special Procedures for Beneficial Owners**

If you are a beneficial owner whose old notes are registered in the name of a broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee and you wish to tender your old notes in the exchange offer, you should promptly contact the person in whose name the old notes are registered and instruct that person to tender on your behalf.

If you wish to tender in the exchange offer on your own behalf, prior to completing and executing the letter of transmittal and delivering the certificates for your old notes, you must either make appropriate arrangements to register ownership of the old notes in your name or obtain a properly completed bond power from the person in whose name the old notes are registered.

**Withdrawal; Non-Acceptance**

You may withdraw any old notes tendered in the exchange offer at any time prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on \_\_\_\_\_, 2006. If we decide for any reason not to accept any old notes tendered for exchange, the old notes will be returned to the registered holder at our expense promptly after the expiration or termination of the exchange offer. In the case of old notes tendered by book-entry transfer into the exchange agent's account at The Depository Trust Company, any withdrawn or unaccepted old notes will be credited to the tendering holder's account at The Depository Trust Company. For further information regarding the withdrawal of tendered old notes, please read "The Exchange Offer Withdrawal Rights."

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U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations      The exchange of new notes for old notes in the exchange offer should not be a taxable event for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Please read the discussion under the caption "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations" for more information regarding the tax consequences to you of the exchange offer.

Use of Proceeds      The issuance of the new notes will not provide us with any new proceeds. We are making this exchange offer solely to satisfy our obligations under the registration rights agreement.

Fees and Expenses      We will pay all of our expenses incident to the exchange offer.

Exchange Agent      We have appointed U.S. Bank National Association as exchange agent for the exchange offer. You can find the address, telephone number and fax number of the exchange agent under the caption "The Exchange Offer Exchange Agent."

Resales of New Notes      Based on interpretations by the staff of the SEC, as set forth in no-action letters issued to third parties that are not related to us, we believe that the new notes you receive in the exchange offer may be offered for resale, resold or otherwise transferred by you without compliance with the registration and prospectus delivery provisions of the Securities Act so long as:

the new notes are being acquired in the ordinary course of business;

you are not participating, do not intend to participate, and have no arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in the distribution of the new notes issued to you in the exchange offer;

you are not our affiliate; and

you are not a broker-dealer tendering old notes acquired directly from us for your account.

The SEC has not considered this exchange offer in the context of a no-action letter, and we cannot assure you that the SEC would make similar determinations with respect to this exchange offer. If any of these conditions are not satisfied, or if our belief is not accurate, and you transfer any new notes issued to you in the exchange offer without delivering a resale prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act or without an exemption from registration of your new notes from those requirements, you may incur liability under the Securities Act. We will not assume, nor will we indemnify you against, any such liability. Each broker-dealer that receives new notes for its own account in exchange for old notes, where the old notes were acquired by such broker-dealer as a result of market-making or other trading activities, must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of such new notes. Please read "Plan of Distribution."

Please read "The Exchange Offer Resales of New Notes" for more information regarding resales of the new notes.



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Consequences of Not Exchanging Your Old Notes

If you do not exchange your old notes in this exchange offer, you will no longer be able to require us to register your old notes under the Securities Act, except in the limited circumstances provided under the registration rights agreement. In addition, you will not be able to resell, offer to resell or otherwise transfer your old notes unless we have registered the old notes under the Securities Act, or unless you resell, offer to resell or otherwise transfer them under an exemption from the registration requirements of, or in a transaction not subject to, the Securities Act.

For information regarding the consequences of not tendering your old notes and our obligation to file a registration statement, please read [The Exchange Offer](#) [Consequences of Failure to Exchange Outstanding Securities](#) and [Description of the New Notes](#).

**Description of the New Notes**

The terms of the new notes and those of the outstanding old notes are substantially identical, except that the transfer restrictions and registration rights relating to the old notes do not apply to the new notes. As a result, the new notes will not bear legends restricting their transfer and will not have the benefit of the registration rights and special interest provisions contained in the old notes. The new notes represent the same debt as the old notes for which they are being exchanged. Both the old notes and the new notes are governed by the same indenture.

The following is a summary of the terms of the new notes. It may not contain all the information that is important to you. For a more detailed description of the new notes, please read [Description of the New Notes](#).

Issuer	Petrohawk Energy Corporation
Securities Offered	\$775.0 million aggregate principal amount of 9.125% Senior Notes due 2013. The new notes are being offered as additional debt securities under the indenture pursuant to which we previously issued the old notes.
Maturity Date	July 15, 2013.
Interest	Interest on the new notes will accrue at the rate of 9.125% per year and will be payable semi-annually on January 15 and July 15 of each year, beginning on January 15, 2007. Interest will accrue from July 12, 2006.

In addition, if:

this registration statement is not declared effective on or prior to the 180 day after the original date of issuance of the old notes or if the exchange offer is not consummated on or prior to the 40th day after this registration statement becomes effective,

we are obligated to file a shelf registration statement and we fail to do so on or prior to the 30th day after the obligation arises or the shelf registration statement is not declared effective on or prior to the 90th day after the date of filing, or

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if this registration statement or the shelf registration statement, as the case may be, is declared effective and such registration statement thereafter ceases to be effective or usable (subject to certain exceptions),

we agree to pay additional interest in an amount equal to 0.50% per year of the principal amount of old notes for the first 90-day period immediately following a default event, increasing by an additional 0.50% per year with respect to each subsequent 90-day period until all defaults have been cured, up to a maximum additional interest rate of 1.50% per year.

Ranking

The new notes will be our senior unsecured obligations. The new notes will rank equally with all our current and future senior indebtedness. The new notes will rank effectively junior to our secured debt to the extent of the collateral, including secured debt under our existing revolving credit facility.

As of June 30, 2006, on a pro forma basis, after giving effect to our issuance of the old notes and the application of the net proceeds to fund a portion of our payment of cash to KCS stockholders, our repayment of KCS debt and transaction expenses incurred in connection with our merger with KCS, our repurchase of our 2011 notes and repayment in full of our second lien term facility described herein, we had approximately \$325.5 million of indebtedness outstanding under our revolving credit facility.

Optional Redemption

On or prior to July 15, 2009, we may redeem up to 35% of the aggregate principal amount of the notes (including the new notes) with the proceeds of certain equity offerings at a redemption price of 109.13% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date. Additionally, prior to July 15, 2010, we may redeem all or part of the notes (including the new notes) at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date plus a make whole premium described in the section [Description of the New Notes](#) [Certain Definitions](#) and [Description of the New Notes](#) [Optional Redemption](#).

On or after July 15, 2010, we may redeem some or all of the notes at any time at the redemption prices listed in the section [Description of the New Notes](#) [Optional Redemption](#).

Mandatory Offer to Repurchase

If we experience specific kinds of changes of control or sell certain assets, we must offer to repurchase the notes at the prices listed in the section [Description of the New Notes](#) [Repurchase at the Option of Holders](#).

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Basic Covenants of Indenture

We will issue the new notes under the indenture, as supplemented, between us, the subsidiary guarantors and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee. The indenture includes covenants that will restrict our ability and the ability of our restricted subsidiaries to, among other things:

borrow money;

pay dividends or make other distributions on stock;

make investments;

create liens;

enter into transactions with affiliates;

sell assets;

refinance certain indebtedness we assumed in the KCS merger; and

merge with or into other companies or transfer all or substantially all our assets.

These limitations are subject to a number of important qualifications and exceptions which are described in [Description of the New Notes](#) [Certain Covenants](#).

Events of Default

If there is an event of default on the notes, the principal amount of notes plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, may be declared immediately due and payable in specified circumstances. Please read [Description of the New Notes](#) [Events of Default and Remedies](#).

Guarantees

The notes will be jointly and severally guaranteed on a senior unsecured basis by all of our current subsidiaries. If we cannot make payments on the notes when they are due, the guarantor subsidiaries must make them instead.

**Risk Factors**

Investing in the new notes involves substantial risk. Please read [Risk Factors](#) for a discussion of factors you should consider in evaluating an investment in the new notes and in evaluating our business.

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**RISK FACTORS**

*You should consider carefully the following factors, as well as the other information set forth or incorporated by reference in the prospectus (including the risks and other disclosure that are presented in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005 or other documents filed by us with the SEC, which are incorporated by reference into this prospectus), before deciding to participate in the exchange offer.*

**Risks Related to the Exchange Offer and the New Notes**

*If you do not properly tender your old notes, you will continue to hold unregistered outstanding notes and your ability to transfer outstanding notes will be adversely affected.*

We will only issue new notes in exchange for old notes that you timely and properly tender. Therefore, you should allow sufficient time to ensure timely delivery of the old notes and you should carefully follow the instructions on how to tender your old notes. Neither we nor the exchange agent is required to tell you of any defects or irregularities with respect to your tender of old notes. Please read The Exchange Offer Procedures for Tendering and Description of the New Notes.

If you do not exchange your old notes for new notes in the exchange offer, you will continue to be subject to the restrictions on transfer of your old notes described in the legend on the certificates for your old notes. In general, you may only offer or sell the old notes if they are registered under the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws, or offered and sold under an exemption from these requirements. We do not plan to register any sale of the old notes under the Securities Act. For further information regarding the consequences of tendering your old notes in the exchange offer, please read The Exchange Offer Consequences of Failure to Exchange Outstanding Securities.

*You may find it difficult to sell your new notes.*

Although the new notes will trade in The PORTAL<sup>(SM)</sup> Market and will be registered under the Securities Act, the new notes will not be listed on any securities exchange. Because there is no public market for the new notes, you may not be able to resell them.

We cannot assure you that an active market will exist for the new notes or that any trading market that does develop will be liquid. If an active market does not develop or is not maintained, the market price and liquidity of our new notes may be adversely affected. If a market for the new notes develops, they may trade at a discount from their initial offering price. The trading market for the notes may be adversely affected by:

changes in the overall market for non-investment grade securities;

changes in our financial performance or prospects;

the financial performance or prospects for companies in our industry generally;

the number of holders of the notes;

the interest of securities dealers in making a market for the notes; and

prevailing interest rates and general economic conditions.

Historically, the market for non-investment grade debt has been subject to substantial volatility in prices. The market for the new notes, if any, may be subject to similar volatility. Prospective investors in the new notes should be aware that they may be required to bear the financial risks of such investment for an indefinite period of time.

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*Some holders who exchange their old notes may be deemed to be underwriters.*

If you exchange your old notes in the exchange offer for the purpose of participating in a distribution of the new notes, you may be deemed to have received restricted securities and, if so, will be required to comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any resale transaction.



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### **Risks Related to Our Indebtedness and the Notes**

*We may not be able to generate sufficient cash to service all of our indebtedness, including the notes, and be forced to take other actions to satisfy our obligations under our indebtedness, which may not be successful.*

Our ability to make scheduled payments or to refinance our debt obligations depends on our financial and operating performance, which is subject to prevailing economic and competitive conditions and to certain financial, business and other factors beyond our control. We cannot assure you that we will maintain a level of cash flows from operating activities sufficient to permit us to pay the principal, premium, if any, and interest on our indebtedness.

If our cash flows and capital resources are insufficient to fund our debt service obligations, we may be forced to reduce or delay capital expenditures, sell assets or operations, seek additional capital or restructure or refinance our indebtedness, including the notes. We cannot assure you that we would be able to take any of these actions, that these actions would be successful and permit us to meet our scheduled debt service obligations or that these actions would be permitted under the terms of our existing or future debt agreements including the revolving credit facility and the indenture that will govern the notes. In the absence of such operating results and resources, we could face substantial liquidity problems and might be required to dispose of material assets or operations to meet our debt service and other obligations. Our revolving credit facility, the KCS indenture, and the indenture that will govern the notes will restrict our ability to dispose of assets and use the proceeds from the disposition. We may not be able to consummate those dispositions or to obtain the proceeds which we could realize from them and these proceeds may not be adequate to meet any debt service obligations then due. See [Description of Other Indebtedness](#) and [Description of the New Notes](#).

If we cannot make scheduled payments on our debt, we will be in default and, as a result:

our debt holders could declare all outstanding principal and interest to be due and payable;

the lenders under our revolving credit facility could terminate their commitments to loan us money and foreclose against the assets securing their borrowings; and

we could be forced into bankruptcy or liquidation, which could result in you losing your investment in the notes.

*Covenants in our debt agreements restrict our business in many ways.*

The existing KCS indenture which we assumed in connection with the merger with KCS and the indenture governing the notes will contain various covenants that limit our ability and/or our restricted subsidiaries' ability to, among other things:

incur or assume liens or additional debt or provide guarantees in respect of obligations of other persons;

issue redeemable stock and preferred stock;

pay dividends or distributions or redeem or repurchase capital stock;

prepay, redeem or repurchase subordinated debt;

make loans, investments and capital expenditures;

enter into agreements that restrict distributions from our subsidiaries;

sell assets and capital stock of our subsidiaries;

enter into certain transactions with affiliates;

consolidate or merge with or into, or sell substantially all of our assets to, another person; and

enter into new lines of business.

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In addition, our revolving credit facility contains restrictive covenants and requires us to maintain specified financial ratios and satisfy other financial condition tests. Our ability to meet those financial ratios and tests can be affected by events beyond our control, and we cannot assure you that we will meet those tests. A breach of any of these covenants could result in a default under our revolving credit facility and/or the notes. Upon the occurrence of an event of default under our revolving credit facility, the lenders could elect to declare all amounts outstanding to be immediately due and payable and terminate all commitments to extend further credit. If we were unable to repay those amounts, the lenders under our revolving credit facility could proceed against the collateral granted to them to secure that indebtedness. We have pledged a significant portion of our assets as collateral under our revolving credit facility. If the lenders under our revolving credit facility accelerate the repayment of borrowings, we cannot assure you that we will have sufficient assets to repay indebtedness under our revolving credit facility and our other indebtedness, including the notes. See [Description of Other Indebtedness](#).

Our borrowings under our revolving credit facility are, and are expected to continue to be, at variable rates of interest and expose us to interest rate risk. If interest rates increase, our debt service obligations on the variable rate indebtedness would increase even though the amount borrowed remained the same, and our net income would decrease.

*If we default on our obligations to pay our indebtedness we may not be able to make payments on the notes.*

Any default under the agreements governing our indebtedness, including a default under our revolving credit facility that is not waived by the required lenders, and the remedies sought by the holders of such indebtedness, could render us unable to pay principal, premium, if any, and interest on the notes and substantially decrease the market value of the notes. If we are unable to generate sufficient cash flow and are otherwise unable to obtain funds necessary to meet required payments of principal, premium, if any, and interest on our indebtedness, or if we otherwise fail to comply with the various covenants, including financial and operating covenants, in the instruments governing our indebtedness (including covenants in the KCS indenture and our revolving credit facility), we could be in default under the terms of the agreements governing such indebtedness. In the event of such default, the holders of such indebtedness could elect to declare all the funds borrowed thereunder to be due and payable, together with accrued and unpaid interest, the lenders under our revolving credit facility could elect to terminate their commitments thereunder, cease making further loans and institute foreclosure proceedings against our assets, and we could be forced into bankruptcy or liquidation. If our operating performance declines, we may in the future need to obtain waivers from the required lenders under our revolving credit facility to avoid being in default. If we breach our covenants under our revolving credit facility and seek a waiver, we may not be able to obtain a waiver from the required lenders. If this occurs, we would be in default under our revolving credit facility, the lenders could exercise their rights, as described above, and we could be forced into bankruptcy or liquidation. See [Description of Other Indebtedness](#) and [Description of the New Notes](#).

*The notes and the guarantees will be effectively subordinated to all of our secured debt, and, if a default occurs, we may not have sufficient funds to fulfill our obligations under the notes and the guarantees.*

The notes will be general senior unsecured obligations that rank equally in right of payment with all of our existing and future unsubordinated indebtedness. The notes will be effectively subordinated to all our and our subsidiary guarantors' secured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the assets securing that indebtedness. As of June 30, 2006, on a pro forma basis, after giving effect to our issuance of the old notes and the application of the net proceeds to fund a portion of our payment of cash to KCS stockholders, our repayment of KCS debt and transaction expenses incurred in connection with our merger with KCS, our repurchase of our 2011 notes and repayment in full of our second lien term facility (collectively, the [Transactions](#)) described herein, we had approximately \$325.5 million outstanding under our revolving credit facility and additional availability of approximately \$374.5 million (on a \$700 million borrowing base). All of those borrowings, together with our hedging obligations, will be secured by substantially all of our assets and will rank effectively senior to the notes and the guarantees. In addition, the indenture governing the notes will, subject to some limitations, permit us to incur additional secured indebtedness, and your notes will be effectively junior to any additional secured indebtedness we may incur.

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In the event of our bankruptcy, liquidation, reorganization or other winding up, our assets that secure our secured indebtedness, including our revolving credit facility, will be available to pay obligations on the notes only after all secured indebtedness, together with accrued interest, has been repaid in full from our assets. Our failure to comply with the terms of the revolving credit facility would entitle those lenders to declare all the funds borrowed thereunder, together with accrued interest, immediately due and payable. Such lenders could then seek to foreclose on substantially all of our assets that serve as collateral. In this event, our secured lenders would be entitled to be repaid in full from the proceeds of the liquidation of those assets before those assets would be available for distribution to other creditors, including holders of the notes. Holders of the notes will participate in our remaining assets ratably with all holders of our unsecured indebtedness that is deemed to be of the same class as the notes, and potentially with all of our other general creditors. We advise you that there may not be sufficient assets remaining to pay amounts due on any or all the notes then outstanding. The guarantees of the notes will have a similar ranking with respect to secured and unsecured senior indebtedness of the subsidiary guarantors as the notes do with respect to our secured and unsecured senior indebtedness, as well as with respect to any unsecured obligations expressly subordinated in right of payment to the guarantees.

*We may not be able to repurchase the notes upon a change of control.*

Upon the occurrence of specific kinds of change of control events, we will be required to offer to repurchase all outstanding notes at 101% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest. We may not be able to repurchase the notes upon a change of control because we may not have sufficient funds. Further, we may be contractually restricted under the terms of our revolving credit facility or other future senior indebtedness from repurchasing all of the notes tendered by holders upon a change of control. Accordingly, we may not be able to satisfy our obligations to purchase your notes unless we are able to refinance or obtain waivers under our revolving credit facility. Our failure to repurchase the notes upon a change of control would cause a default under the indenture and a cross default under our revolving credit facility. Our revolving credit facility also provides that a change of control, as defined in such agreement, will be a default that permits lenders to accelerate the maturity of borrowings thereunder and, if such debt is not paid, to enforce security interests in the collateral securing such debt, thereby limiting our ability to raise cash to purchase the notes, and reducing the practical benefit of the offer to purchase provisions to the holders of the notes. Any of our future debt agreements may contain similar provisions.

In addition, the change of control provisions in the indenture may not protect you from certain important corporate events, such as a leveraged recapitalization (which would increase the level of our indebtedness), reorganization, restructuring, merger or other similar transaction, unless such transaction constitutes a **Change of Control** under the indenture. Such a transaction may not involve a change in voting power or beneficial ownership or, even if it does, may not involve a change that constitutes a **Change of Control** as defined in the indenture that would trigger our obligation to repurchase the notes. Therefore, if an event occurs that does not constitute a **Change of Control** as defined in the indenture, we will not be required to make an offer to repurchase the notes and you may be required to continue to hold your notes despite the event. See **Description of Other Indebtedness** and **Description of the New Notes** **Repurchase at the Option of Holders** **Change of Control**.

*Despite current indebtedness levels, we may still be able to incur substantially more debt. This could further exacerbate the risks described above.*

We and our subsidiary guarantors may be able to incur substantial additional indebtedness in the future. The terms of the indenture do not fully prohibit us or our subsidiary guarantors from doing so. If we incur any additional indebtedness, including trade payables, that ranks equally with the notes, the holders of that debt will be entitled to share ratably with you in any proceeds distributed in connection with any insolvency, liquidation, reorganization, dissolution or other winding up of us. This may have the effect of reducing the amount of proceeds paid to you. As of June 30, 2006, on a pro forma basis, after giving effect to the Transactions, we had approximately \$325.5 million of secured debt outstanding under our revolving credit facility and additional availability of approximately \$374.5 million (on a \$700 million borrowing base). If new debt is added to our

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current debt levels, the related risks that we and our subsidiary guarantors now face could intensify. The subsidiaries that guarantee the notes are also guarantors under our revolving credit facility. See [Description of Other Indebtedness](#) and [Description of the New Notes](#).

*Your ability to transfer the notes may be limited by the absence of an active trading market, and there is no assurance that any active trading market will develop for the notes.*

The notes are a new issue of securities for which there is no established public market. We do not intend to have the notes or any exchange notes listed on a national securities exchange or to arrange for quotation on any automated dealer quotation systems, although we expect that they will be eligible for trading in the PORTAL<sup>SM</sup> Market. No party is obligated to make a market in the notes or the exchange notes. Therefore, we cannot assure you as to the development or liquidity of any trading market for the notes. The liquidity of any market for the notes will depend on a number of factors, including:

the number of holders of notes;

our operating performance and financial condition;

our ability to complete the offer to exchange the notes for the exchange notes;

the market for similar securities;

the interest of securities dealers in making a market in the notes; and

prevailing interest rates.

Historically, the market for non investment grade debt has been subject to disruptions that have caused substantial volatility in the prices of securities similar to the notes. We cannot assure you that the market, if any, for the notes will be free from similar disruptions or that any such disruptions may not adversely affect the prices at which you may sell your notes. Therefore, we cannot assure you that you will be able to sell your notes at a particular time or the price that you receive when you sell will be favorable.

*Federal and state fraudulent transfer laws permit a court to void the notes and the guarantees, and, if that occurs, you may not receive any payments on the notes.*

The original issuance of the notes and the guarantees may be subject to review under federal and state fraudulent transfer and conveyance statutes. While the relevant laws may vary from state to state, under such laws the payment of consideration will be a fraudulent conveyance if (1) we paid the consideration with the intent of hindering, delaying or defrauding creditors or (2) we or any of our subsidiary guarantors, as applicable, received less than reasonably equivalent value or fair consideration in return for issuing either the notes or a guarantee, and, in the case of (2) only, one of the following is also true:

we or any of our subsidiary guarantors were or was insolvent or rendered insolvent by reason of the incurrence of the indebtedness; or

payment of the consideration left us or any of our subsidiary guarantors with an unreasonably small amount of capital to carry on the business; or

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we or any of our subsidiary guarantors intended to, or believed that we or it would, incur debts beyond our or its ability to pay as they mature.

If a court were to find that the issuance of the notes or a guarantee was a fraudulent conveyance, the court could void the payment obligations under the notes or such guarantee or subordinate the notes or such guarantee to presently existing and future indebtedness of ours or such subsidiary guarantor, or require the holders of the notes to repay any amounts received with respect to the notes or such guarantee. In the event of a finding that a fraudulent conveyance occurred, you may not receive any repayment on the notes. Further, the voidance of the notes could result in an event of default with respect to our other debt and that of our subsidiary guarantors that could result in acceleration of such debt.

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Generally, an entity would be considered insolvent if, at the time it incurred indebtedness:

the sum of its debts, including contingent liabilities, was greater than the fair saleable value of all its assets; or

the present fair saleable value of its assets was less than the amount that would be required to pay its probable liability on its existing debts and liabilities, including contingent liabilities, as they become absolute and mature; or

it could not pay its debts as they become due.

We cannot be certain as to the standards a court would use to determine whether or not we or the subsidiary guarantors were solvent at the relevant time, or regardless of the standard that a court uses, that the issuance of the notes and the guarantees would not be subordinated to our or any subsidiary guarantor's other debt.

If the guarantees were legally challenged, any guarantee could also be subject to the claim that, since the guarantee was incurred for our benefit, and only indirectly for the benefit of the subsidiary guarantor, the obligations of the applicable subsidiary guarantor were incurred for less than fair consideration. A court could thus void the obligations under the guarantees, subordinate them to the applicable subsidiary guarantor's other debt or take other action detrimental to the holders of the notes.

*As a holding company, our main source of cash is distributions from our subsidiaries.*

We conduct operations primarily through our subsidiaries, and these subsidiaries directly own substantially all of our operating assets. Therefore, our operating cash flow and ability to meet our debt obligations, including the notes, will depend principally on the cash flow provided by our subsidiaries in the form of loans, dividends or other payments to us as an equity holder, service provider or lender. The ability of our subsidiaries to make such payments to us will depend on their earnings, tax considerations, legal restrictions and contractual restrictions imposed by their own indebtedness. Although the indenture for the notes will limit the right of certain of our subsidiaries to enter into consensual restrictions on their ability to pay dividends and make other payments to us, these limitations are subject to a number of significant qualifications and exceptions. Please read [Description of the Notes](#) [Certain Covenants](#) [Dividend and Other Payment Restrictions Affecting Subsidiaries](#).

## **Risks Related to Our Business**

*Oil and natural gas prices are volatile, and low prices could have a material adverse impact on our business.*

Our revenues, profitability and future growth and the carrying value of our properties depend substantially on prevailing oil and natural gas prices. Prices also affect the amount of cash flow available for capital expenditures and our ability to borrow and raise additional capital. The amount we will be able to borrow under our revolving credit facility will be subject to periodic redetermination based in part on changing expectations of future prices. Lower prices may also reduce the amount of oil and natural gas that we can economically produce and have an adverse effect on the value of our properties.

Historically, the markets for oil and natural gas have been volatile, and they are likely to continue to be volatile in the future. Among the factors that can cause volatility are:

the domestic and foreign supply of oil and natural gas;

the ability of members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) and other producing countries to agree upon and maintain oil prices and production levels;

political instability, armed conflict or terrorist attacks, whether or not in oil or natural gas producing regions;

the level of consumer product demand;



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the growth of consumer product demand in emerging markets, such as China;

labor unrest in oil and natural gas producing regions;

weather conditions, including hurricanes;

the price and availability of alternative fuels;

the price of foreign imports;

worldwide economic conditions; and

the availability of liquid natural gas imports.

These external factors and the volatile nature of the energy markets make it difficult to estimate future prices of oil and natural gas. The spot prices for crude oil and natural gas at the close of business on December 31, 2005 were \$57.75 per Bbl and \$10.075 per MMBtu and on August 30, 2006 were \$70.45 per Bbl and \$6.29 per MMBtu.

*We may not be able to replace production with new reserves through our drilling or acquisition activities.*

In general, the volume of production from oil and natural gas properties declines as reserves are depleted. Our reserves will decline as they are produced unless we acquire properties with proved reserves or conduct successful development and exploration activities. Our future oil and natural gas production is highly dependent upon our level of success in finding or acquiring additional reserves. However, we cannot assure you that our future acquisition, development and exploration activities will result in any specific amount of additional proved reserves or that we will be able to drill productive wells at acceptable costs.

The successful acquisition of producing properties requires an assessment of a number of factors. These factors include recoverable reserves, future oil and natural gas prices, operating costs and potential environmental and other liabilities, title issues and other factors. Such assessments are inexact and their accuracy is inherently uncertain. In connection with such assessments, we perform a review of the subject properties that we believe is thorough. However, there is no assurance that such a review will reveal all existing or potential problems or allow us to fully assess the deficiencies and capabilities of such properties. We cannot assure you that we will be able to acquire properties at acceptable prices because the competition for producing oil and natural gas properties is particularly intense at this time and many of our competitors have financial and other resources which are substantially greater than those available to us.

*Our bank lenders can limit our borrowing capabilities, which may materially impact our operations.*

As of June 30, 2006, on a pro forma basis, after giving effect to the Transactions, our revolving credit facility balance was \$325.5 million, and we have \$374.5 million of additional available borrowing capacity under our \$1 billion revolving credit facility, assuming a borrowing base of \$700 million. The borrowing base limitation under our revolving credit facility is semi-annually redetermined. Redeterminations are based upon a number of factors, including commodity prices and reserve levels. The next redetermination date is expected to occur in the fourth quarter of 2006. Upon a redetermination, we could be required to repay a portion of our bank debt. We may not have sufficient funds to make such repayments, which could result in a default under the terms of the loan agreement and an acceleration of the loan. We intend to finance our development, acquisition and exploration activities with cash flow from operations, bank borrowings and other financing activities. In addition, we may significantly alter our capitalization in order to make future acquisitions or develop our properties. These changes in capitalization may significantly increase our level of debt. If we incur additional debt for these or other purposes, the related risks that we now face could intensify. A higher level of debt also increases the risk that we may default on our debt obligations. Our ability to meet our debt obligations and to reduce our level of debt depends on our future performance which is affected by general economic conditions and financial, business and other factors. Many of these factors are beyond our control. Our level of debt affects our operations in several important ways, including the following:

a portion of our cash flow from operations is used to pay interest on borrowings;

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the covenants contained in the agreements governing our debt limit our ability to borrow additional funds, pay dividends, dispose of assets or issue shares of preferred stock and otherwise may affect our flexibility in planning for, and reacting to, changes in business conditions;

a high level of debt may impair our ability to obtain additional financing in the future for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions, general corporate or other purposes;

a leveraged financial position would make us more vulnerable to economic downturns and could limit our ability to withstand competitive pressures; and

any debt that we incur under our revolving credit facility will be at variable rates which makes us vulnerable to increases in interest rates.

*Our ability to finance our business activities will require us to generate substantial cash flow.*

Our business activities require substantial capital. We have budgeted 2006 drilling expenditures of approximately \$600 million pro forma for the combined companies for the entire year. We intend to finance our capital expenditures in the future primarily from discretionary cash flow from operations. We cannot be sure that our business will continue to generate cash flow at or above current levels. Future cash flows and the availability of financing will be subject to a number of variables, such as:

the level of production from existing wells;

prices of oil and natural gas;

our results in locating and producing new reserves;

the success and timing of development of proved undeveloped reserves; and

general economic, financial, competitive, legislative, regulatory and other factors beyond our control.

If we are unable to generate sufficient cash flow from operations to service our debt, we may have to obtain additional financing through the issuance of debt and/or equity. We cannot be sure that any additional financing will be available to us on acceptable terms. The level of our debt financing could also materially affect our operations.

If our revenues were to decrease due to lower oil and natural gas prices, decreased production or other reasons, and if we could not obtain capital through our revolving credit facility or otherwise, our ability to execute our development and acquisition plans, replace our reserves or maintain production levels could be greatly limited.

*Drilling wells is speculative, often involves significant costs and may not result in additions to our production or reserves.*

Developing and exploring for oil and natural gas reserves involves a high degree of operating and financial risk. The actual costs of drilling, completing and operating wells often exceed our budget for such costs and can increase significantly when drilling costs rise due to a tightening in the supply of various types of oilfield equipment and related services. Drilling may be unsuccessful for many reasons, including title problems, cost overruns, equipment shortages, mechanical difficulties, and faulty assumptions about geological features. Moreover, the drilling of a productive oil or natural gas well does not ensure a profitable investment. Exploratory wells bear a much greater risk of loss than development wells. A variety of factors, including geological and market-related, can cause a well to become uneconomical or only marginally economic. In addition to their cost, unsuccessful wells can hurt our efforts to replace reserves.

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*Estimates of oil and gas reserves are uncertain and any material inaccuracies in these reserve estimates will materially affect the quantities and the value of our reserves.*

This prospectus and the information incorporated by reference contain estimates of our proved oil and natural gas reserves. These estimates are based upon various assumptions, including assumptions required by the

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SEC relating to oil and natural gas prices, drilling and operating expenses, capital expenditures, taxes and availability of funds. The process of estimating oil and natural gas reserves is complex. This process requires significant decisions and assumptions in the evaluation of available geological, geophysical, engineering and economic data for each reservoir. Therefore, these estimates are inherently imprecise.

Actual future production, oil and natural gas prices, revenues, taxes, development expenditures, operating expenses and quantities of recoverable oil and natural gas reserves will vary from those estimated. Any significant variance could materially affect the estimated quantities and the value of our reserves. Our properties may also be susceptible to hydrocarbon drainage from production by other operators on adjacent properties. In addition, we may adjust estimates of proved reserves to reflect production history, results of exploration and development, prevailing oil and natural gas prices and other factors, many of which are beyond our control.

At December 31, 2005, approximately 32% of our estimated pro forma proved reserves were undeveloped. Estimates of undeveloped reserves are less certain than estimates of developed reserves. Recovery of undeveloped reserves requires significant capital expenditures and successful drilling operations. The reserve data assumes that we will make significant capital expenditures to develop our reserves. Although we have prepared estimates of these oil and natural gas reserves and the costs associated with development of these reserves in accordance with SEC regulations, we cannot assure you that the estimated costs or estimated reserves are accurate, that development will occur as scheduled or that the actual results will be as estimated.

*We depend substantially on the continued presence of key personnel for critical management decisions and industry contacts.*

Our success depends upon the continued contributions of our executive officers and key employees, particularly with respect to providing the critical management decisions and contacts necessary to manage and maintain growth within a highly competitive industry. Competition for qualified personnel can be intense, particularly in the oil and natural gas industry, and there are a limited number of people with the requisite knowledge and experience. Under these conditions, we could be unable to attract and retain these personnel. The loss of the services of any of our executive officers or other key employees for any reason could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, financial condition and cash flows.

*Our business is highly competitive.*

The oil and natural gas industry is highly competitive in many respects, including identification of attractive oil and natural gas properties for acquisition, drilling and development, securing financing for such activities and obtaining the necessary equipment and personnel to conduct such operations and activities. In seeking suitable opportunities, we compete with a number of other companies, including large oil and natural gas companies and other independent operators with greater financial resources, larger numbers of personnel and facilities, and, in some cases, with more expertise. There can be no assurance that we will be able to compete effectively with these entities.

*Hedging transactions may limit our potential gains and increase our potential losses.*

In order to manage our exposure to price risks in the marketing of our oil and natural gas production, we have entered into oil and natural gas price hedging arrangements with respect to a portion of our expected production. We will most likely enter into additional hedging transactions in the future. While intended to reduce the effects of volatile oil and natural gas prices, such transactions may limit our potential gains and increase our potential losses if oil and natural gas prices were to rise substantially over the price established by the hedge. In addition, such transactions may expose us to the risk of loss in certain circumstances, including instances in which:

our production is less than expected;

there is a widening of price differentials between delivery points for our production and the delivery point assumed in the hedge arrangement; or

the counterparties to our hedging agreements fail to perform under the contracts.

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*Our oil and natural gas activities are subject to various risks which are beyond our control.*

Our operations are subject to many risks and hazards incident to exploring and drilling for, producing, transporting, marketing and selling oil and natural gas. Although we may take precautionary measures, many of these risks and hazards are beyond our control and unavoidable under the circumstances. Many of these risks or hazards could materially and adversely affect our revenues and expenses, the ability of certain of our wells to produce oil and natural gas in commercial quantities, the rate of production and the economics of the development of, and our investment in the prospects in which we have or will acquire an interest. Any of these risks and hazards could materially and adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. Such risks and hazards include:

human error, accidents, labor force and other factors beyond our control that may cause personal injuries or death to persons and destruction or damage to equipment and facilities;

blowouts, fires, hurricanes, pollution and equipment failures that may result in damage to or destruction of wells, producing formations, production facilities and equipment;

unavailability of materials and equipment;

engineering and construction delays;

unanticipated transportation costs and delays;

unfavorable weather conditions;

hazards resulting from unusual or unexpected geological or environmental conditions;

environmental regulations and requirements;

accidental leakage of toxic or hazardous materials, such as petroleum liquids or drilling fluids, into the environment;

changes in laws and regulations, including laws and regulations applicable to oil and gas activities or markets for the oil and natural gas produced;

fluctuations in supply and demand for oil and gas causing variations of the prices we receive for our oil and natural gas production;  
and

the internal and political decisions of OPEC and oil and natural gas producing nations and their impact upon oil and gas prices. As a result of these risks, expenditures, quantities and rates of production, revenues and cash operating costs may be materially adversely affected and may differ materially from those anticipated by us.

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*Governmental and environmental regulations could adversely affect our business.*

Our business is subject to federal, state and local laws and regulations on taxation, the exploration for and development, production and marketing of oil and natural gas and safety matters. Many laws and regulations require drilling permits and govern the spacing of wells, rates of production, prevention of waste, unitization and pooling of properties and other matters. These laws and regulations have increased the costs of planning, designing, drilling, installing, operating and abandoning our oil and natural gas wells and other facilities. In addition, these laws and regulations, and any others that are passed by the jurisdictions where we have production, could limit the total number of wells drilled or the allowable production from successful wells, which could limit our revenues.

Our operations are also subject to complex environmental laws and regulations adopted by the various jurisdictions in which we have or expect to have oil and natural gas operations. We could incur liability to governments or third parties for any unlawful discharge of oil, natural gas or other pollutants into the air, soil or water, including responsibility for remedial costs. We could potentially discharge these materials into the environment in any of the following ways:

from a well or drilling equipment at a drill site;

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from gathering systems, pipelines, transportation facilities and storage tanks;

damage to oil and natural gas wells resulting from accidents during normal operations; and

blowouts, hurricanes, cratering and explosions.

Because the requirements imposed by laws and regulations are frequently changed, we cannot assure you that laws and regulations enacted in the future, including changes to existing laws and regulations, will not adversely affect our business. In addition, because we acquire interests in properties that have been operated in the past by others, we may be liable for environmental damage caused by the former operators.

*We cannot be certain that the insurance coverage maintained by us will be adequate to cover all losses which may be sustained in connection with all oil and gas activities.*

We maintain general and excess liability policies, which we consider to be reasonable and consistent with industry standards. These policies generally cover:

personal injury;

bodily injury;

third party property damage;

medical expenses;

legal defense costs;

pollution in some cases;

well blowouts in some cases; and

workers compensation.

There can be no assurance that this insurance coverage will be sufficient to cover every claim made against us in the future. A loss in connection with our oil and natural gas properties could have a materially adverse effect on our financial position and results of operations to the extent that the insurance coverage provided under our policies cover only a portion of any such loss.

*Title to the properties in which we have an interest may be impaired by title defects.*

We generally obtain title opinions on significant properties that we drill or acquire. However, there is no assurance that we will not suffer a monetary loss from title defects or title failure. Generally, under the terms of the operating agreements affecting our properties, any monetary loss is to be borne by all parties to any such agreement in proportion to their interests in such property. If there are any title defects or defects in assignment of leasehold rights in properties in which we hold an interest, we will suffer a financial loss.

*We may not be able to successfully integrate the businesses of Petrohawk and KCS following the merger with KCS.*



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The success of the merger with KCS depends in large part upon our ability to integrate our organizations, operations, systems and personnel. The integration of two previously independent companies is a challenging, time-consuming and costly process. We have grown rapidly through recent acquisitions and will be required to integrate our recent acquisitions with KCS. It is possible that the integration process could result in the loss of key employees, the disruption of each company's ongoing businesses or inconsistencies in standards, controls, procedures and policies that adversely affect our ability to maintain relationships with suppliers, customers and employees or to achieve the anticipated benefits of the merger with KCS. In addition, successful integration of the companies will require the dedication of significant management resources, which will temporarily detract attention from the day-to-day businesses of the combined company. If we are not able to integrate our organizations, operations, systems and personnel in a timely and efficient manner, the anticipated benefits of the merger with KCS may not be realized fully or at all or may take longer to realize than expected.

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*We may be required to take non-cash asset writedowns if natural gas and oil prices decline.*

We may be required under full cost accounting rules to write down the carrying value of natural gas and oil properties if natural gas and oil prices decline or if there are substantial downward adjustments to our estimated proved reserves, increases in our estimates of development costs or deterioration in our exploration results.

We utilize the full cost method of accounting for natural gas and oil exploration and development activities. Under full cost accounting, we are required by SEC regulations to perform a ceiling test each quarter. The ceiling test is an impairment test and generally establishes a maximum, or ceiling, of the book value of natural gas and oil properties that is equal to the expected after tax present value (discounted at 10%) of the future net cash flows from proved reserves, including the effect of cash flow hedges, calculated using prevailing natural gas and oil prices on the last day of the period. If the net book value of natural gas and oil properties (reduced by any related net deferred income tax liability and asset retirement obligation) exceeds the ceiling limitation, SEC regulations require us to impair or writedown the book value of our natural gas and oil properties. Depending on the magnitude, a ceiling test writedown could significantly reduce income, or produce a loss. As ceiling test computations involve the prevailing natural gas and oil prices on the last day of the quarter, it is impossible to predict the likelihood, timing and magnitude of any future impairments. The book value of our proved natural gas and oil properties increased in 2005 as a function of higher acquisition, exploration and development costs for the year and the increase in future development costs associated with reserves added during the year. To the extent finding and development costs continue to increase, we will become more susceptible to ceiling test writedowns in lower price environments.

*Our results of operations could be adversely affected as a result of non-cash goodwill impairments.*

We expect to record, in connection with the merger with KCS, approximately \$867 million in goodwill. Goodwill represents the excess of the purchase price paid by us for KCS plus liabilities assumed, including deferred taxes recorded in connection with the merger with KCS, over the estimated fair market value of the tangible net assets acquired.

Goodwill is not amortized, but instead must be tested at least annually for impairment by applying a fair value based test. Goodwill is deemed impaired to the extent of any excess of its carrying amount over the residual fair value of the business. Such non-cash impairment could significantly reduce earnings during the period in which the impairment occurs, and would result in a corresponding reduction to goodwill and stockholders' equity.

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The following table sets forth our historical consolidated ratio of earnings to fixed charges for the periods shown:

	2001	Year Ended December 31,			2005	Six Months Ended
		2002	2003	2004		June 30, 2006
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges	(1)	(2)	2.9	3.8	(3)	3.9

- (1) Due to our loss in 2001, the ratio coverage was less than 1:1. Additional earnings of \$12.6 million would have been necessary to achieve a coverage ratio of 1:1.
- (2) Due to our loss in 2002, the ratio coverage was less than 1:1. Additional earnings of \$6.9 million would have been necessary to achieve a coverage ratio of 1:1.
- (3) Due to our loss in 2005, the ratio coverage was less than 1:1. Additional earnings of \$25.7 million would have been necessary to achieve a coverage ratio of 1:1.

The following table sets forth our consolidated ratio of earnings to fixed charges for the year ended December 31, 2005, and for the six months ended June 30, 2006, which are shown on a pro forma basis after giving effect to the Transactions:

	Year Ended	Six Months Ended
	December 31, 2005	June 30, 2006
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges	(4)	3.8

- (1) Due to our loss in 2005, the ratio coverage was less than 1:1. Additional earnings of \$30.9 million would have been necessary to achieve a coverage ratio of 1:1.

The ratio was computed by dividing earnings by fixed charges. For this purpose, earnings represent the aggregate of pre-tax income from continuing operations before reorganization items and cumulative effect of accounting change plus fixed charges excluding capitalized interest.

Fixed charges include interest expensed, capitalized interest, amortization of debt issuance costs and the portion of non-capitalized rental expense deemed to be the equivalent of interest.

**USE OF PROCEEDS**

The exchange offer is intended to satisfy our obligations under the registration rights agreement we entered into in connection with the private placement of the old notes. We will not receive any proceeds from the issuance of the new notes in the exchange offer. In consideration for issuing the new notes as contemplated in this prospectus, we will receive, in exchange, outstanding old notes in like principal amount. We will cancel all old notes surrendered in exchange for new notes in the exchange offer. As a result, the issuance of the new notes will not result in any increase or decrease in our indebtedness.

The net proceeds from the offering of the sale of the old notes in the initial private placements were approximately \$766 million in the aggregate after deducting estimated expenses of the offering. The net proceeds to us from the sale of the old notes was used to finance our acquisition of KCS, to finance our tender offer for 9.875% notes due 2011, and to repay our second lien term loan credit facility. Please read Prospectus Summary Recent Developments for more information on our recent transactions.

**Table of Contents****DESCRIPTION OF OTHER INDEBTEDNESS**

Our indebtedness, other than the new notes and any old notes not exchanged, consists primarily of obligations under our revolving credit facility and the 2012 Notes (as defined below).

**Revolving Credit Facility**

Certain banks have provided to us a revolving credit facility of up to \$1 billion, subject to a borrowing base calculation, which is secured by liens on most of our assets, the stock of our subsidiaries and most of the assets of our subsidiaries. As of June 30, 2006, on a pro forma basis, the borrowing base was \$700 million. The borrowing base for our revolving credit facility is determined semi-annually on or about May 1 and November 1, though we and the lenders under our revolving credit facility may request additional borrowing base determinations under certain circumstances. Our obligations under our revolving credit facility are also guaranteed by all of our subsidiaries. Final maturity of our revolving credit facility is July 12, 2010.

As of June 30, 2006, on a pro forma basis, after giving effect to the Transactions, we had outstanding under our revolving credit facility approximately \$325.5 million, approximately \$37 million of which was drawn to repay amounts under KCS credit facilities.

Amounts outstanding under our revolving credit facility will bear interest at a specified margin over LIBOR of 1.00% to 1.75% for Eurodollar loans or at specified margins over the ABR of 0.00% to 0.50% for ABR loans. Such margins fluctuate based on the utilization of the facility relative to the borrowing base as follows:

	<b>LIBOR Margin</b>	<b>ABR Margin</b>
<b>Usage of Borrowing Base (%)</b>	<b>(in basis points)</b>	<b>(in basis points)</b>
Greater or equal to 90%	175	50
Greater or equal to 75%, but less than 90%	150	25
Greater or equal to 50%, but less than 75%	125	0
Less than 50%	100	0

Outstanding advances under our revolving credit facility bear interest payable quarterly with respect to ABR loans and at the end of each interest period with respect to Eurodollar loans, except for interest periods for Eurodollar loans of more than three months duration, which are payable at three month intervals. We can repay outstanding debt under our revolving credit facility at any time without penalty or premium, subject to Eurodollar loan related fees which must be paid under certain circumstances.

Our revolving credit facility requires us to maintain certain financial covenants pertaining to minimum current ratio, minimum coverage of interest expense, and a maximum leverage ratio. We may not permit our ratio of consolidated current assets to consolidated current liabilities to be less than 1.00 to 1.00 as of the end of each fiscal quarter. We may not permit our ratio of Total Debt to EBITDA (as defined in our revolving credit facility) for the period of four fiscal quarters immediately preceding the date of determination for which financial statements are available to be greater than 4.0 to 1.0. Also, we may not permit our ratio of EBITDA (as defined in our revolving credit facility) to Interest Expense (as defined in our revolving credit facility) for the period of four fiscal quarters immediately preceding the date of determination for which financial statements are available to be less than 2.5 to 1.0. In addition, we are subject to various covenants including those limiting dividends and other payments, transactions with affiliates, incurrence of debt, change of control, asset sales, and liens on properties.

**2012 Notes**

In connection with the merger with KCS, we assumed KCS outstanding 7 1/8% senior notes due April 1, 2012 (the 2012 Notes). As of June 30, 2006, on a pro forma basis, after giving effect to the merger with KCS, we had outstanding an aggregate face value of approximately \$275 million of the 2012 Notes. The 2012 Notes

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bear interest at a rate of 7 1/8% per annum with interest payable semi annually on April 1 and October 1. KCS may redeem the notes at its option, in whole or in part, at any time on or after April 1, 2008 at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, plus a specified premium which decreases annually from 3.563% in 2008 to 0% in 2010 and thereafter. In addition, at any time prior to April 1, 2007, KCS may redeem up to a maximum of 35% of the aggregate principal amount of the 2012 Notes with the net cash proceeds of one or more equity offerings at a price equal to 107.125% of the principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest. The 2012 Notes are senior unsecured obligations and, after we have assumed them, the 2012 Notes will be effectively subordinate to all of our existing and future secured debt, including secured debt under our bank credit facilities, and will rank equal in right of payment to all of our existing and future senior indebtedness.

The 2012 Notes will be jointly and severally and fully and unconditionally guaranteed on a senior unsecured basis by all of our subsidiaries. We have no independent assets or operations apart from the assets and operations of our subsidiaries.

The indenture governing the 2012 Notes contains covenants that are substantially similar to those to be contained in the indenture governing the old notes and the new notes offered hereby.

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**THE EXCHANGE OFFER**

**Purpose and Effect of the Exchange Offer**

We sold \$775 million in aggregate principal amount at maturity of the old notes in two private offerings, which were completed on July 23, 2006 for \$650 million and on July 24, 2006 for \$125 million. The old notes were sold to the initial purchasers who in turn resold the notes to a limited number of qualified institutional buyers pursuant to Rule 144A of the Securities Act or offshore investors pursuant to Regulation S of the Securities Act.

In connection with each offering of the old notes, we entered into a registration rights agreement with the initial purchasers of the old notes, pursuant to which we agreed to file and to use our reasonable best efforts to cause to be declared effective by the SEC a registration statement with respect to the exchange of the old notes for the new notes. We are making the exchange offer to fulfill our contractual obligations under the agreements. Copies of the registration rights agreements have been filed as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part.

Pursuant to the exchange offer, we will issue the new notes in exchange for old notes. The terms of the new notes are identical in all material respects to those of the old notes, except that the new notes (1) have been registered under the Securities Act and therefore will not be subject to certain restrictions on transfer applicable to the old notes and (2) will not have registration rights or provide for any additional interest related to the obligation to register. Please read **Description of the New Notes** for more information on the terms of the respective notes and the differences between them.

We are not making the exchange offer to, and will not accept tenders for exchange from, holders of old notes in any jurisdiction in which an exchange offer or the acceptance thereof would not be in compliance with the securities or blue sky laws of such jurisdiction. Unless the context requires otherwise, the term **holder** with respect to the exchange offer means any person in whose name the old notes are registered on our books or any other person who has obtained a properly completed bond power from the registered holder, or any person whose old notes are held of record by The Depository Trust Company, referred to as DTC, who desires to deliver such old notes by book-entry transfer at DTC.

We make no recommendation to the holders of old notes as to whether to tender or refrain from tendering all or any portion of their old notes pursuant to the exchange offer. In addition, no one has been authorized to make any such recommendation. Holders of old notes must make their own decision whether to tender pursuant to the exchange offer and, if so, the aggregate amount of old notes to tender after reading this prospectus and the letter of transmittal and consulting with the advisers, if any, based on their own financial position and requirements.

In order to participate in the exchange offer, you must represent to us, among other things, that:

you are acquiring the new notes in the exchange offer in the ordinary course of your business;

you are not engaged in, and do not intend to engage in, a distribution of the new notes;

you do not have and to your knowledge, no one receiving new notes from you has, any arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in the distribution of the new notes;

you are not a broker-dealer tendering old notes acquired directly from us for your own account or if you are a broker-dealer, you will comply with the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any resale of the new notes; and

you are not one of our affiliates, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.

Each broker-dealer that receives new notes for its own account in exchange for old notes, where such old notes were acquired by such broker-dealer as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities, must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of such new notes. Please read **Plan of Distribution**.



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### **Terms of Exchange**

Upon the terms and conditions described in this prospectus and in the accompanying letter of transmittal, which together constitute the exchange offer, we will accept for exchange old notes that are properly tendered at or before the expiration time and not withdrawn as permitted below. As of the date of this prospectus, \$775 million aggregate principal amount of old notes are outstanding. This prospectus, together with the letter of transmittal, is first being sent on or about the date on the cover page of the prospectus to all holders of old notes known to us. Old notes tendered in the exchange offer must be in denominations of principal amount of \$1,000 and any integral multiple of \$1,000.

Our acceptance of the tender of old notes by a tendering holder will form a binding agreement between the tendering holder and us upon the terms and subject to the conditions provided in this prospectus and in the accompanying letter of transmittal.

The form and terms of the new notes being issued in the exchange offer are the same as the form and terms of the old notes except that:

the new notes being issued in the exchange offer will have been registered under the Securities Act;

the new notes being issued in the exchange offer will not bear the restrictive legends restricting their transfer under the Securities Act; and

the new notes being issued in the exchange offer will not contain the registration rights contained in the old notes.

### **Expiration, Extension and Amendment**

The expiration time of the exchange offer is 5:00 P.M., New York City time, on \_\_\_\_\_, 2006. However, we may, in our sole discretion, extend the period of time for which the exchange offer is open and set a later expiration date for the offer. The term "expiration time" as used herein means the latest time and date to which we extend the exchange offer. If we decide to extend the exchange offer period, we will then delay acceptance of any old notes by giving oral or written notice of an extension to the holders of old notes as described below. During any extension period, all old notes previously tendered will remain subject to the exchange offer and may be accepted for exchange by us. Any old notes not accepted for exchange will be returned to the tendering holder after the expiration or termination of the exchange offer.

Our obligation to accept old notes for exchange in the exchange offer is subject to the conditions described below under "Conditions to the Exchange Offer." We may decide to waive any of the conditions in our sole reasonable discretion. Furthermore, we reserve the right to amend or terminate the exchange offer, and not to accept for exchange any old notes not previously accepted for exchange, upon the occurrence of any of the conditions of the exchange offer specified below under the same heading. We will give oral or written notice of any extension, amendment, non-acceptance or termination to the holders of the old notes as promptly as practicable. If we materially change the terms of the exchange offer, we will resolicit tenders of the old notes, file a post-effective amendment to the prospectus and provide notice to you. If the change is made less than five business days before the expiration of the exchange offer, we will extend the offer so that the holders have at least five business days to tender or withdraw. We will notify you of any extension by means of a press release or other public announcement no later than 9:00 A.M., New York City time, on the first business day after the previously scheduled expiration time.

### **Procedures for Tendering**

#### *Valid Tender*

Except as described below, a tendering holder must, prior to the expiration time, transmit to U.S. Bank National Association, the exchange agent, at the address listed below under the caption "Exchange Agent":

a properly completed and duly executed letter of transmittal, including all other documents required by the letter of transmittal; or





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if old notes are tendered in accordance with the book-entry procedures listed below, an agent's message transmitted through DTC's Automated Tender Offer Program, referred to as ATOP.

In addition, you must:

deliver certificates, if any, for the old notes to the exchange agent at or before the expiration time; or

deliver a timely confirmation of the book-entry transfer of the old notes into the exchange agent's account at DTC, the book-entry transfer facility, along with the letter of transmittal or an agent's message; or

comply with the guaranteed delivery procedures described below.

The term "agent's message" means a message, transmitted by DTC to, and received by, the exchange agent and forming a part of a book-entry confirmation, that states that DTC has received an express acknowledgment that the tendering holder agrees to be bound by the letter of transmittal and that we may enforce the letter of transmittal against such holder.

If the letter of transmittal is signed by a person other than the registered holder of old notes, the letter of transmittal must be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer or exchange in satisfactory form duly executed by the registered holder with the signature guaranteed by an eligible institution. The old notes must be endorsed or accompanied by appropriate powers of attorney. In either case, the old notes must be signed exactly as the name of any registered holder appears on the old notes.

If the letter of transmittal or any old notes or powers of attorney are signed by trustees, executors, administrators, guardians, attorneys-in-fact, officers of corporations or others acting in a fiduciary or representative capacity, these persons should so indicate when signing. Unless waived by us, proper evidence satisfactory to us of their authority to so act must be submitted.

By tendering, each holder will represent to us that, among other things, the person is not our affiliate, the new notes are being acquired in the ordinary course of business of the person receiving the new notes, whether or not that person is the holder, and neither the holder nor the other person has any arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in the distribution of the new notes. Each broker-dealer that receives new notes for its own account in exchange for old notes, where such old notes were acquired by such broker-dealer as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities, must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of such new notes. Please read "Plan of Distribution."

The method of delivery of old notes, letters of transmittal and all other required documents is at your election and risk, and the delivery will be deemed made only upon actual receipt or confirmation by the exchange agent. If the delivery is by mail, we recommend that you use registered mail, properly insured, with return receipt requested. In all cases, you should allow sufficient time to assure timely delivery. Holders tendering through DTC's ATOP system should allow sufficient time for completion of the ATOP procedures during the normal business hours of DTC on such dates.

No old notes, agent's messages, letters of transmittal or other required documents should be sent to us. Delivery of all old notes, agent's messages, letters of transmittal and other documents must be made to the exchange agent. Holders may also request their respective brokers, dealers, commercial banks, trust companies or nominees to effect such tender for such holders.

If you are a beneficial owner whose old notes are registered in the name of a broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee, and wish to tender, you should promptly instruct the registered holder to tender on your behalf. Any registered holder that is a participant in DTC's ATOP system may make book-entry delivery of the old notes by causing DTC to transfer the old notes into the exchange agent's account. The tender by a holder of old notes, including pursuant to the delivery of an agent's message through DTC's ATOP system, will constitute an agreement between such holder and us in accordance with the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein and in the letter of transmittal.

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All questions as to the validity, form, eligibility, time of receipt and withdrawal of the tendered old notes will be determined by us in our sole reasonable discretion or by the exchange agent, which determination will be final and binding. We reserve the absolute right to reject any and all old notes not validly tendered or any old notes which, if accepted, would, in the opinion of our counsel, be unlawful. We also reserve the absolute right to waive any irregularities or conditions of tender as to particular old notes. Our interpretation of the terms and conditions of this exchange offer, including the instructions in the letter of transmittal, will be final and binding on all parties. Unless waived, any defects or irregularities in connection with tenders of old notes must be cured within such time as we shall determine. Although we intend to notify you of defects or irregularities with respect to tenders of old notes, none of us, the exchange agent, or any other person shall be under any duty to give notification of defects or irregularities with respect to tenders of old notes, nor shall any of them incur any liability for failure to give such notification. Tendere of old notes will not be deemed to have been made until such irregularities have been cured or waived. Any old notes received by the exchange agent that are not validly tendered and as to which the defects or irregularities have not been cured or waived will be returned without cost to such holder by the exchange agent, unless otherwise provided in the letter of transmittal, as soon as practicable following the expiration date of the exchange offer.

Although we have no present plan to acquire any old notes that are not tendered in the exchange offer or to file a registration statement to permit resales of any old notes that are not tendered in the exchange offer, we reserve the right, in our sole discretion, to purchase or make offers for any old notes after the expiration date of the exchange offer, from time to time, through open market or privately negotiated transactions, one or more additional exchange or tender offers, or otherwise, as permitted by law, the indenture and our other debt agreements. Following consummation of this exchange offer, the terms of any such purchases or offers could differ materially from the terms of this exchange offer.

*Signature Guarantees*

Signatures on a letter of transmittal or a notice of withdrawal must be guaranteed, unless the old notes surrendered for exchange are tendered:

by a registered holder of the old notes who has not completed the box entitled *Special Issuance Instructions* or *Special Delivery Instructions* on the letter of transmittal, or

for the account of an eligible institution.

If signatures on a letter of transmittal or a notice of withdrawal are required to be guaranteed, the guarantees must be by an eligible institution. An eligible institution is an eligible guarantor institution meeting the requirements of the registrar for the notes within the meaning of Rule 17Ad-15 under the Exchange Act.

*Book-Entry Transfer*

The exchange agent will make a request to establish an account for the old notes at DTC for purposes of the exchange offer. Any financial institution that is a participant in DTC's system may make book-entry delivery of old notes by causing DTC to transfer those old notes into the exchange agent's account at DTC in accordance with DTC's procedure for transfer. The participant should transmit its acceptance to DTC at or prior to the expiration time or comply with the guaranteed delivery procedures described below. DTC will verify this acceptance, execute a book-entry transfer of the tendered old notes into the exchange agent's account at DTC and then send to the exchange agent confirmation of this book-entry transfer. The confirmation of this book-entry transfer will include an agent's message confirming that DTC has received an express acknowledgment from this participant that this participant has received and agrees to be bound by the letter of transmittal and that we may enforce the letter of transmittal against this participant.

Delivery of new notes issued in the exchange offer may be effected through book-entry transfer at DTC. However, the letter of transmittal or facsimile of it or an agent's message, with any required signature guarantees and any other required documents, must:

be transmitted to and received by the exchange agent at the address listed under *Exchange Agent* at or prior to the expiration time; or

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comply with the guaranteed delivery procedures described below.

Delivery of documents to DTC in accordance with DTC's procedures does not constitute delivery to the exchange agent.

### *Guaranteed Delivery*

If a registered holder of old notes desires to tender the old notes, and the old notes are not immediately available, or time will not permit the holder's old notes or other required documents to reach the exchange agent before the expiration time, or the procedures for book-entry transfer described above cannot be completed on a timely basis, a tender may nonetheless be made if:

the tender is made through an eligible institution;

prior to the expiration time, the exchange agent receives by facsimile transmission, mail or hand delivery from such eligible institution a properly and validly completed and duly executed notice of guaranteed delivery, substantially in the form provided by us:

1. stating the name and address of the holder of old notes and the amount of old notes tendered,
2. stating that the tender is being made, and
3. guaranteeing that within three New York Stock Exchange trading days after the expiration time, the certificates for all physically tendered old notes, in proper form for transfer, or a book-entry confirmation, as the case may be, and a properly completed and duly executed letter of transmittal, or an agent's message, and any other documents required by the letter of transmittal will be deposited by the eligible institution with the exchange agent; and

the certificates for all physically tendered old notes, in proper form for transfer, or a book-entry confirmation, as the case may be, and a properly completed and duly executed letter of transmittal, or an agent's message, and all other documents required by the letter of transmittal, are received by the exchange agent within three New York Stock Exchange trading days after the date of execution of the notice of guaranteed delivery.

### *Determination of Validity*

We will determine in our sole reasonable discretion all questions as to the validity, form and eligibility of old notes tendered for exchange. This discretion extends to the determination of all questions concerning the timing of receipts and acceptance of tenders. These determinations will be final and binding. We reserve the right to reject any particular old note not properly tendered or of which our acceptance might, in our judgment or our counsel's judgment, be unlawful. We also reserve the right to waive any defects or irregularities or conditions of the exchange offer as to any particular old note either before or after the expiration time, including the right to waive the ineligibility of any tendering holder. Our interpretation of the terms and conditions of the exchange offer as to any particular old note either before or after the applicable expiration time, including the letter of transmittal and the instructions to the letter of transmittal, shall be final and binding on all parties. Unless waived, any defects or irregularities in connection with tenders of old notes must be cured within a reasonable period of time.

Neither we, the exchange agent nor any other person will be under any duty to give notification of any defect or irregularity in any tender of old notes. Moreover, neither we, the exchange agent nor any other person will incur any liability for failing to give notifications of any defect or irregularity.

### **Acceptance of Old Notes for Exchange; Issuance of New Notes**

Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of the exchange offer, we will accept, promptly after the expiration time, all old notes properly tendered. We will issue the new notes promptly after acceptance of the old notes. For purposes of an exchange offer, we will be deemed to have accepted properly tendered old notes for exchange when, as and if we have given oral or written notice to the exchange agent, with prompt

written confirmation of any oral notice.

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For each old note accepted for exchange, the holder will receive a new note registered under the Securities Act having a principal amount equal to that of the surrendered old note. As a result, registered holders of old notes issued in the exchange offer on the relevant record date for the first interest payment date following the completion of the exchange offer will receive interest accruing from the most recent date to which interest has been paid on the old notes or, if no interest has been paid on the old notes, from July 12, 2006. Old notes that we accept for exchange will cease to accrue interest from and after the date of completion of the exchange offer. Under the registration rights agreement, we may be required to make additional payments in the form of additional interest to the holders of the old notes under circumstances relating to the timing of the exchange offer.

In all cases, issuance of new notes for old notes will be made only after timely receipt by the exchange agent of:

certificate for the old notes, or a timely book-entry confirmation of the old notes, into the exchange agent's account at the book-entry transfer facility;

a properly completed and duly executed letter of transmittal or an agent's message; and

all other required documents.

Unaccepted or non-exchanged old notes will be returned without expense to the tendering holder of the old notes. In the case of old notes tendered by book-entry transfer in accordance with the book-entry procedures described above, the non-exchanged old notes will be credited to an account maintained with DTC as promptly as practicable after the expiration or termination of the exchange offer. For each old note accepted for exchange, the holder of the old note will receive a new note having a principal amount equal to that of the surrendered old note.

## **Interest Payments on the New Notes**

The new notes will bear interest from the most recent date to which interest has been paid on the old notes for which they were exchanged. Accordingly, registered holders of new notes on the relevant record date for the first interest payment date following the completion of the exchange offer will receive interest accruing from the most recent date to which interest has been paid. Old notes accepted for exchange will cease to accrue interest from and after the date of completion of the exchange offer and will be deemed to have waived their rights to receive the accrued interest on the old notes.

## **Withdrawal Rights**

Tender of old notes may be properly withdrawn at any time before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date of the exchange offer.

For a withdrawal to be effective with respect to old notes, the exchange agent must receive a written notice of withdrawal before the expiration time delivered by hand, overnight by courier or by mail, at the address indicated under "Exchange Agent" or, in the case of eligible institutions, at the facsimile number, or a properly transmitted "Request Message" through DTC's ATOP system. Any notice of withdrawal must:

specify the name of the person, referred to as the depositor, having tendered the old notes to be withdrawn;

identify the old notes to be withdrawn, including certificate numbers and principal amount of the old notes;

contain a statement that the holder is withdrawing its election to have the old notes exchanged;

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other than a notice transmitted through DTC's ATOP system, be signed by the holder in the same manner as the original signature on the letter of transmittal by which the old notes were tendered, including any required signature guarantees, or be accompanied by documents of transfer to have the trustee with respect to the old notes register the transfer of the old notes in the name of the person withdrawing the tender; and

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specify the name in which the old notes are registered, if different from that of the depositor.

If certificates for old notes have been delivered or otherwise identified to the exchange agent, then, prior to the release of these certificates the withdrawing holder must also submit the serial numbers of the particular certificates to be withdrawn and signed notice of withdrawal with signatures guaranteed by an eligible institution, unless this holder is an eligible institution. If old notes have been tendered in accordance with the procedure for book-entry transfer described below, any notice of withdrawal must specify the name and number of the account at the book-entry transfer facility to be credited with the withdrawn old notes.

Any old notes properly withdrawn will be deemed not to have been validly tendered for exchange. New notes will not be issued in exchange unless the old notes so withdrawn are validly re-tendered.

Properly withdrawn old notes may be re-tendered by following the procedures described under **Procedures for Tendering** above at any time at or before the expiration time.

We will determine all questions as to the validity, form and eligibility, including time of receipt, of notices of withdrawal.

## **Conditions to the Exchange Offer**

Notwithstanding any other provisions of the exchange offer, or any extension of the exchange offer, we will not be required to accept for exchange, or to exchange, any old notes for any new notes, and, as described below, may terminate an exchange offer, whether or not any old notes have been accepted for exchange, or may waive any conditions to or amend the exchange offer, if any of the following conditions has occurred or exists:

there shall occur a change in the current interpretation by the staff of the SEC which permits the new notes issued pursuant to such exchange offer in exchange for old notes to be offered for resale, resold and otherwise transferred by the holders (other than broker-dealers and any holder which is an affiliate) without compliance with the registration and prospectus delivery provisions of the Securities Act, provided that such new notes are acquired in the ordinary course of such holders' business and such holders have no arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in the distribution of the new notes;

any action or proceeding shall have been instituted or threatened in any court or by or before any governmental agency or body seeking to enjoin, make illegal or delay completion of the exchange offer or otherwise relating to the exchange offer;

any law, statute, rule or regulation shall have been adopted or enacted which, in our judgment, would reasonably be expected to impair our ability to proceed with such exchange offer;

a banking moratorium shall have been declared by United States federal or New York State authorities;

trading on the New York Stock Exchange or generally in the United States over-the-counter market shall have been suspended, or a limitation on prices for securities imposed, by order of the SEC or any other governmental authority;

an attack on the United States, an outbreak or escalation of hostilities or acts of terrorism involving the United States, or any declaration by the United States of a national emergency or war shall have occurred;

a stop order shall have been issued by the SEC or any state securities authority suspending the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part or proceedings shall have been initiated or, to our knowledge, threatened for that purpose or any governmental approval has not been obtained, which approval we shall, in our sole reasonable discretion, deem necessary for the consummation of such exchange offer; or





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any change, or any development involving a prospective change, in our business or financial affairs or any of our subsidiaries has occurred which is or may be adverse to us or we shall have become aware of facts that have or may have an adverse impact on the value of the old notes or the new notes, which in our sole judgment in any case makes it inadvisable to proceed with such exchange offer and/or with such acceptance for exchange or with such exchange.

If any of the foregoing events or conditions has occurred or exists, we may, subject to applicable law, terminate the exchange offer, whether or not any old notes have been accepted for exchange, or may waive any such condition or otherwise amend the terms of such exchange offer in any respect. Please read "Expiration, Extension and Amendment" above.

If any of the above events occur, we may:

terminate the exchange offer and promptly return all tendered old notes to tendering holders;

complete and/or extend the exchange offer and, subject to your withdrawal rights, retain all tendered old notes until the extended exchange offer expires;

amend the terms of the exchange offer; or

waive any unsatisfied condition and, subject to any requirement to extend the period of time during which the exchange offer is open, complete the exchange offer.

We may assert these conditions with respect to the exchange offer regardless of the circumstances giving rise to them. All conditions to the exchange offer, other than those dependent upon receipt of necessary government approvals, must be satisfied or waived by us before the expiration of the exchange offer. We may waive any condition in whole or in part at any time in our sole reasonable discretion. Our failure to exercise our rights under any of the above circumstances does not represent a waiver of these rights. Each right is an ongoing right that may be asserted at any time. Any determination by us concerning the conditions described above will be final and binding upon all parties.

If a waiver constitutes a material change to the exchange offer, we will promptly disclose the waiver by means of a prospectus supplement that we will distribute to the registered holders of the old notes, and we will extend the exchange offer for a period of five to ten business days, as required by applicable law, depending upon the significance of the waiver and the manner of disclosure to the registered holders, if the exchange offer would otherwise expire during the five to ten business day period.

## **Resales of New Notes**

Based on interpretations by the staff of the SEC, as described in no-action letters issued to third parties that are not related to us, we believe that new notes issued in the exchange offer in exchange for old notes may be offered for resale, resold or otherwise transferred by holders of the new notes without compliance with the registration and prospectus delivery provisions of the Securities Act, if:

the new notes are acquired in the ordinary course of the holder's business;

the holders have no arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in the distribution of the new notes;

the holders are not affiliates of ours within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act; and

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the holders are not a broker-dealer who purchased old notes directly from us for resale pursuant to Rule 144A or any other available exemption under the Securities Act.

However, the SEC has not considered the exchange offer described in this prospectus in the context of a no-action letter. The staff of the SEC may not make a similar determination with respect to the exchange offer as in the other circumstances. Each holder who wishes to exchange old notes for new notes will be required to represent that it meets the above four requirements.

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Any holder who is an affiliate of ours or who intends to participate in the exchange offer for the purpose of distributing new notes or any broker-dealer who purchased old notes directly from us for resale pursuant to Rule 144A or any other available exemption under the Securities Act:

cannot rely on the applicable interpretations of the staff of the SEC mentioned above;

will not be permitted or entitled to tender the old notes in the exchange offer; and

must comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any secondary resale transaction.

Each broker-dealer that receives new notes for its own account in exchange for old notes must acknowledge that the old notes were acquired by it as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities and agree that it will deliver a prospectus that meets the requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any resale of the new notes. The letter of transmittal states that by so acknowledging and by delivering a prospectus, a broker-dealer will not be deemed to admit that it is an underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act. Please read Plan of Distribution. A broker-dealer may use this prospectus, as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time, in connection with the resales of new notes received in exchange for old notes that the broker-dealer acquired as a result of market-making or other trading activities. Any holder that is a broker-dealer participating in the exchange offer must notify the exchange agent at the telephone number set forth in the enclosed letter of transmittal and must comply with the procedures for broker-dealers participating in the exchange offer. We have not entered into any arrangement or understanding with any person to distribute the new notes to be received in the exchange offer.

In addition, to comply with state securities laws, the new notes may not be offered or sold in any state unless they have been registered or qualified for sale in such state or an exemption from registration or qualification, with which there has been compliance, is available. The offer and sale of the new notes to qualified institutional buyers, as defined under Rule 144A of the Securities Act, is generally exempt from registration or qualification under the state securities laws. We currently do not intend to register or qualify the sale of new notes in any state where an exemption from registration or qualification is required and not available.

**Exchange Agent**

U.S. Bank National Association has been appointed as the exchange agent for the exchange offer. All executed letters of transmittal and any other required documents should be directed to the exchange agent at the address or facsimile number set forth below. Questions and requests for assistance, requests for additional copies of this prospectus or of the letter of transmittal and requests for notices of guaranteed delivery should be directed to the exchange agent addressed as follows:

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By Facsimile for Eligible Institutions:

(615) 495-8158

Attention: Specialized Finance

By Mail/Overnight Delivery/Hand:

60 Livingston Avenue

St. Paul, MN 55107

Attention: Specialized Finance

Confirm by Telephone:

(800) 934-6802

**Delivery of the letter of transmittal to an address other than as set forth above or transmission of such letter of transmittal via facsimile other than as set forth above does not constitute a valid delivery of the letter of transmittal.**

**Fees and Expenses**

The expenses of soliciting tenders pursuant to this exchange offer will be paid by us. We have agreed to pay the exchange agent reasonable and customary fees for its services and will reimburse it for its reasonable out-of-pocket expenses in connection with the exchange offer. We will

also pay brokerage houses and other

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custodians, nominees and fiduciaries the reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by them in forwarding copies of this prospectus and related documents to the beneficial owners of old notes, and in handling or tendering for their customers. We will not make any payment to brokers, dealers or others soliciting acceptances of the exchange offer.

Holders who tender their old notes for exchange will not be obligated to pay any transfer taxes on the exchange. If, however, new notes are to be delivered to, or are to be issued in the name of, any person other than the registered holder of the old notes tendered, or if a transfer tax is imposed for any reason other than the exchange of old notes in connection with the exchange offer, then the amount of any such transfer taxes (whether imposed on the registered holder or any other persons) will be payable by the tendering holder. If satisfactory evidence of payment of such taxes or exemption therefrom is not submitted with the letter of transmittal, the amount of such transfer taxes will be billed directly to such tendering holder.

### **Transfer Taxes**

We will pay all transfer taxes, if any, applicable to the exchange of old notes under the exchange offer. The tendering holder, however, will be required to pay any transfer taxes, whether imposed on the registered holder or any other person, if a transfer tax is imposed for any reason other than the exchange of old notes under the exchange offer.

### **Consequences of Failure of Exchange Outstanding Securities**

Holders who desire to tender their old notes in exchange for new notes registered under the Securities Act should allow sufficient time to ensure timely delivery. Neither the exchange agent nor us is under any duty to give notification of defects or irregularities with respect to the tenders of old notes for exchange.

Old notes that are not tendered or are tendered but not accepted will, following the completion of the exchange offer, continue to be subject to the provisions in the indenture regarding the transfer and exchange of the old notes and the existing restrictions on transfer set forth in the legend on the old notes set forth in the indenture for the notes. Except in limited circumstances with respect to specific types of holders of old notes, we will have no further obligation to provide for the registration under the Securities Act of such old notes. In general, old notes, unless registered under the Securities Act, may not be offered or sold except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws.

We do not currently anticipate that we will take any action to register the old notes under the Securities Act or under any state securities laws. Upon completion of the exchange offer, holders of the old notes will not be entitled to any further registration rights under the registration rights agreement, except under limited circumstances.

Holders of the new notes issued in the exchange offer, any old notes which remain outstanding after completion of the exchange offer and the previously issued notes will vote together as a single class for purposes of determining whether holders of the requisite percentage of the class have taken certain actions or exercised certain rights under the indenture.

### **Accounting Treatment**

We will record the new notes at the same carrying value as the old notes, as reflected in our accounting records on the date of the exchange. Accordingly, we will not recognize any gain or loss for accounting purposes. The expenses of the exchange offer will be amortized over the term of the new notes.

### **Other**

Participation in the exchange offer is voluntary, and you should consider carefully whether to accept. You are urged to consult your financial and tax advisors in making your own decision on what action to take.

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**DESCRIPTION OF THE NEW NOTES**

We issued the old notes under an indenture, dated as of July 12, 2006, (as supplemented, the Indenture ), among us, the subsidiary guarantors and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the Trustee ). We will issue the new notes under the same indenture under which we issued the old notes, and the new notes will represent the same debt as the old notes for which they are exchanged.

The indenture is governed by the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 (the Trust Indenture Act ). The terms of the notes include those stated in the indenture and those made part of the indenture by reference to the Trust Indenture Act. The registration rights agreement referred to under the caption Registration Rights sets forth the rights holders of the old notes have to require us to register their notes with the SEC.

Old notes that remain outstanding after the completion of the exchange offer, together with the new notes, will be treated as a single class of securities under the Indenture. Otherwise unqualified references herein to notes shall, unless the context requires otherwise, include the previously issued notes, the old notes and the new notes, and all references to specified percentages in aggregate principal amount of the notes shall be deemed to mean, at any time after the exchange offer is completed, such percentage in aggregate principal amount of the previously issued notes, the old notes and the new notes then outstanding.

The terms of the new notes will be substantially identical to the terms of the old notes, except that the new notes:

will have been registered under the Securities Act;

will not be subject to transfer restrictions applicable to the old notes; and

will not have the benefit of the registration rights agreement applicable to the old notes.

The following description is a summary of the material provisions of the Indenture and the registration rights agreement. It does not restate those agreements in their entirety. We urge you to read the Indenture and the registration rights agreement because they, and not this description, define your rights as Holders of these notes. You may request copies of the Indenture and the registration rights agreement at the address set forth under the heading Additional Information.

You can find the definitions of certain capitalized terms used in this description that are not otherwise defined in this description under the subheadings Certain Definitions, and Registration Rights. In this description, the word Company refers only to Petrohawk Energy Corporation and not to any of its subsidiaries.

**Brief Description of the Notes**

*The Notes*

These notes:

will be general unsecured senior obligations of the Company;

will be issued in an aggregate principal amount of \$775.0 million, subject to the Company's ability to issue Additional Notes under certain circumstances;

will be equal in right of payment to all existing and future senior indebtedness of the Company;

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will be effectively subordinate in right of payment to any secured indebtedness of the Company to the extent of the collateral, including indebtedness under the Company's existing revolving credit facility;

will be senior in right of payment to any future subordinated indebtedness of the Company;

will be unconditionally guaranteed by the Guarantors; and

will be eligible for trading on The PORTAL(SM) Market.



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**The Subsidiary Guarantees**

These notes will be jointly and severally guaranteed by each of the Company's present Restricted Subsidiaries and its future domestic Restricted Subsidiaries.

The Subsidiary Guarantees of these notes:

will be general unsecured senior obligations of each Guarantor;

will be equal in right of payment to all existing and future senior Indebtedness of each Guarantor;

will be effectively subordinate in right of payment to any secured Indebtedness of each Guarantor to the extent of the collateral, including Indebtedness of the Guarantors under the Company's existing revolving credit facility; and

will be senior in right of payment to any future subordinated Indebtedness of each Guarantor.

As of the date of this prospectus, all of the Company's subsidiaries are Restricted Subsidiaries. However, under the circumstances described below under the subheading **Certain Definitions** **Unrestricted Subsidiary**, the Company will be permitted to designate certain of its subsidiaries as **Unrestricted Subsidiaries**. **Unrestricted Subsidiaries** will not be subject to many of the restrictive covenants in the Indenture. **Unrestricted Subsidiaries** will not guarantee these notes.

**Principal, Maturity and Interest**

The Company issued the old notes with a maximum aggregate principal amount of \$775.0 million (the **Initial Notes**). The Company again may issue **Additional Notes** from time to time after this offering in an unlimited amount, without the consent of the Holders but subject to the provisions of the Indenture described below under the caption **Certain Covenants** **Incurrence of Indebtedness**, provided, however, in no event may the Company issue any **Additional Notes** if, as a result of any such issuance, the aggregate principal amount of notes outstanding would exceed the maximum aggregate principal amount of notes permitted under the **Existing Credit Facilities** or any other **Credit Facilities**, in each case as in effect on the date of such issuance. The **Initial Notes** and any **Additional Notes** subsequently issued under the Indenture will be treated as a single class for all purposes under the Indenture, including, without limitation, waivers, amendments, redemptions and offers to purchase. Unless otherwise provided or the context otherwise requires, for all purposes of the Indenture and this **Description of the New Notes**, references to the notes include any **Additional Notes** actually issued.

The Company will issue notes in denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000. The notes will mature on July 15, 2013.

Interest on the new notes will accrue at the rate of 9.125% per year and will be payable semiannually in arrears on January 15 and July 15, commencing on January 15, 2007. The Company will make each interest payment to the Holders of record of the notes on the immediately preceding January 1 and July 1.

Interest on the new notes will accrue from July 12, 2006. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year comprised of twelve 30-day months.

The interest rate on the old notes is subject to increase if the Company does not file a registration statement relating to the Registered Exchange Offer on a timely basis, if the registration statement is not declared effective on a timely basis or if certain other conditions are not satisfied, all as further described under the caption **Registration Rights**. All references to interest on the notes shall include any such additional interest that may be payable.

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### **Methods of Receiving Payments on the Notes**

If a Holder of not less than \$5.0 million aggregate principal amount of any notes has given wire transfer instructions to the Company, the Company will make all principal, premium and interest payments on those notes in accordance with those instructions. All other payments on these notes will be made at the office or agency where notes may be presented for payment (the Paying Agent ) within the City and State of New York unless the Company elects to make interest payments by check mailed to the Holders at their addresses set forth in the register of Holders.

The Company will make all principal, premium and interest payments on each note in global form registered in the name of The Depository Trust Company ( DTC ) or its nominee in immediately available funds to DTC or its nominee, as the case may be, as the Holder of such global note.

### **Paying Agent and Registrar for the Notes**

U.S. Bank National Association will initially act as Paying Agent and registrar. The Company may change the Paying Agent or registrar without prior notice to the Holders of the notes, and the Company or any of its Subsidiaries may act as Paying Agent or registrar.

### **Transfer and Exchange**

A Holder may transfer or exchange notes in accordance with the Indenture. The registrar and the Trustee may require a Holder, among other things, to furnish appropriate endorsements and transfer documents and the Company may require a Holder to pay any taxes and fees required by law or permitted by the Indenture. The Company is not required to transfer or exchange any note selected for redemption. Also, the Company is not required to transfer or exchange any note for a period of 15 days before a selection of notes to be redeemed.

The Holder of a note will be treated as the owner of it for all purposes.

### **Subsidiary Guarantees**

The Guarantors will jointly and severally guarantee the Company's obligations under these notes on a senior unsecured basis. The obligations of each Guarantor under its Subsidiary Guarantee will be limited in a manner intended to prevent that Subsidiary Guarantee from constituting a fraudulent conveyance under applicable laws, although no assurance can be given that a court would give the Holders the benefit of such a provision. Please read Risk Factors Risks Related to Our Indebtedness and the Notes A subsidiary guarantee could be voided if it constitutes a fraudulent transfer under U.S. bankruptcy or similar state law, which would prevent the holders of the notes from relying on that subsidiary to satisfy claims.

The Company shall not permit a Guarantor to sell or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of its assets, or consolidate with or merge with or into (whether or not such Guarantor is the surviving Person), another Person (other than the Company or another Guarantor) unless:

(1) immediately after giving effect to that transaction, no Default or Event of Default (as described below under Events of Default and Remedies ) shall have occurred and be continuing; and

(2) either:

(a) the Person acquiring the property in any such sale or disposition or the Person formed by or surviving any such consolidation or merger (if other than such Guarantor) assumes all the obligations of that Guarantor under its Subsidiary Guarantee pursuant to a supplemental indenture satisfactory to the Trustee; or

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(b) an amount equal to the Net Proceeds of such sale or other disposition is applied in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture described under the caption **Repurchase at the Option of Holders Asset Sales**.

The Subsidiary Guarantee of a Guarantor will be released in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Indenture:

- (1) in connection with any sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of that Guarantor (including by way of merger or consolidation), other than to the Company or another Guarantor, if the Company applies the Net Proceeds of that sale or other disposition in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture described under the caption **Repurchase at the Option of Holders Asset Sales**;
- (2) in connection with any sale or other disposition of all of the Capital Stock of a Guarantor (including by way of merger or consolidation) other than to the Company or another Guarantor, if the Company applies the Net Proceeds of that sale or other disposition in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture described under the caption **Repurchase at the Option of Holders Asset Sales**; or
- (3) if the Company designates any Restricted Subsidiary that is a Guarantor as an Unrestricted Subsidiary in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture; or
- (4) if the Company effects a Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance as described under **Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance**.

Please read **Repurchase at the Option of Holders Asset Sales**.

## **Optional Redemption**

On or prior to July 15, 2009, the Company may on any one or more occasions redeem up to 35% of the aggregate principal amount of notes (including any Additional Notes) originally issued prior to the redemption date under the Indenture at a redemption price of 109.13% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date, with the Net Cash Proceeds of one or more Equity Offerings; provided that

- (1) at least 65% in aggregate principal amount of notes (including any Additional Notes) originally issued under the Indenture remain outstanding immediately after the occurrence of such redemption (excluding notes held by the Company and its Subsidiaries); and
- (2) each such redemption must occur within 90 days of the date of the closing of the related Equity Offering.

In addition, at any time prior to July 15, 2010, the Company may redeem all or part of the Notes upon not less than 30 nor more than 60 days notice, at a redemption price equal to the sum of:

- (i) the principal amount thereof, plus
- (ii) accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date (subject to the right of Holders of record on the relevant record date to receive interest due on an interest payment date that is on or prior to the redemption date), plus
- (iii) the Make Whole Premium at the redemption date.

Except pursuant to the preceding paragraph, the notes will not be redeemable at the Company's option prior to July 15, 2010.

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On or after July 15, 2010, the Company may redeem all or a part of the notes at any time or from time to time upon not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice, at the redemption prices (expressed as percentages of principal amount) set forth below plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon, if any, to the applicable redemption date, if redeemed during the twelve-month period beginning on July 15 of the years indicated below:

Year	Percentage
2010	104.563%
2011	102.281%
2012	100.000%

**Selection and Notice**

If less than all of the notes are to be redeemed at any time, the Trustee will select notes for redemption as follows:

- (1) if the notes are listed, in compliance with the requirements of the principal national securities exchange on which the notes are listed; or
- (2) if the notes are not so listed, on a pro rata basis.

Notes or portions of notes the Trustee selects for redemption shall be in amounts of \$1,000 or a whole multiple of \$1,000. Notices of redemption shall be mailed by first class mail at least 30 but not more than 60 days before the redemption date to each Holder of notes to be redeemed at its registered address. Notices of redemption may not be conditional.

If any note is to be redeemed in part only, the notice of redemption that relates to that note shall state the portion of the principal amount thereof to be redeemed. A new note in principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion of the outstanding note will be issued in the name of the Holder thereof upon cancellation of the outstanding note. Notes called for redemption become due on the date fixed for redemption. On and after the redemption date, interest ceases to accrue on notes or portions of them called for redemption.

**Mandatory Redemption; Offers to Purchase; Open Market Purchases**

Except as provided under *Escrow of Proceeds; Special Mandatory Redemption*, the Company is not required to make any mandatory redemption or sinking fund payments with respect to the notes. However, under certain circumstances, the Company may be required to offer to purchase notes as described under the captions *Repurchase at the Option of Holders*, *Change of Control* and *Asset Sales*. The Company may at any time and from time to time purchase notes in the open market or otherwise.

**Repurchase at the Option of Holders***Change of Control*

If a Change of Control occurs, each Holder of notes will have the right to require the Company to repurchase all or any part (equal to \$1,000 or an integral multiple thereof) of that Holder's notes pursuant to the offer described below (the *Change of Control Offer*). In the *Change of Control Offer*, the Company will offer a payment (the *Change of Control Payment*) in cash equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount of notes to be repurchased plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon, if any, to the date of purchase. Within 30 days following any Change of Control, the Company will mail a notice to each Holder describing the transaction or transactions that constitute the Change of Control and offering to repurchase notes on the date (the *Change of Control Payment Date*) specified in such notice, which date will be no earlier than 30 days nor later than 60 days from the date such notice is mailed, pursuant to the procedures required by the Indenture and described in such notice. The Company will comply with the requirements of Rule 14e-1 under the Exchange Act and any other securities laws and regulations thereunder to the extent such laws and regulations are applicable in connection with the repurchase of the notes as a result of a Change of Control. To the extent that the provisions of any securities laws

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or regulations conflict with the provisions of the covenant described herein, the Company will comply with the applicable securities laws and regulations and will not be deemed to have breached its obligations under this covenant by virtue of the Company's compliance with such securities laws or regulations.

On the Change of Control Payment Date, the Company will, to the extent lawful:

- (1) accept for payment all notes or portions thereof properly tendered pursuant to the Change of Control Offer;
- (2) deposit with the Paying Agent an amount equal to the Change of Control Payment in respect of all notes or portions thereof so tendered; and
- (3) deliver or cause to be delivered to the Trustee the notes so accepted together with an Officers' Certificate stating the aggregate principal amount of notes or portions thereof being purchased by the Company.

The Paying Agent will promptly mail to each Holder of notes so tendered and not withdrawn the Change of Control Payment for such tendered Notes, with such payments to be made through the facilities of DTC for all Notes in global form, and the Trustee will promptly authenticate and mail (or cause to be transferred by book entry) to each Holder a new note equal in principal amount to any unpurchased portion of the notes surrendered, if any, by such Holder; provided that each such new note will be in a principal amount of \$1,000 or an integral multiple thereof.

If the Change of Control Payment Date is on or after an interest payment record date and on or before the related interest payment date, any accrued and unpaid interest will be paid to the Person in whose name a note is registered at the close of business on such record date, and no other interest will be payable to Holders who tender pursuant to the Change of Control Offer.

The Company will publicly announce the results of the Change of Control Offer on or as soon as practicable after the Change of Control Payment Date.

The provisions described above that require the Company to make a Change of Control Offer following a Change of Control will be applicable regardless of whether or not any other provisions of the Indenture are applicable. Except as described above with respect to a Change of Control, the Indenture will not contain provisions that permit the Holders of the notes to require that the Company repurchase or redeem the notes in the event of a takeover, recapitalization or similar transaction.

The Company's existing bank credit facility, as amended, currently includes a covenant prohibiting certain change of control events with respect to the Company. Any future credit agreements or other agreements to which the Company becomes a party may contain similar restrictions and provisions or require the repurchase of the Indebtedness thereunder upon a Change of Control. The occurrence of a Change of Control would result in a default under the bank credit facility and may cause a default under other Indebtedness of the Company and its Subsidiaries, and give the lenders thereunder the right to require the Company to repay obligations outstanding thereunder. Moreover, the exercise by Holders of their right to require the Company to repurchase the notes could cause a default under such Indebtedness, even if the Change of Control itself does not, due to the financial effect of such repurchase on the Company. The Company's ability to repurchase notes following a Change of Control also may be limited by the Company's then existing financial resources.

The Company will not be required to make a Change of Control Offer upon a Change of Control if a third party makes the Change of Control Offer in the manner, at the times and otherwise in compliance with the requirements set forth in the Indenture applicable to a Change of Control Offer made by the Company and purchases all notes validly tendered and not withdrawn under such Change of Control Offer.

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*Asset Sales*

The Company will not, and will not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, consummate an Asset Sale unless:

(1) the Company (or the Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be) receives consideration at the time of such Asset Sale at least equal to the Fair Market Value of the Equity Interests or other assets issued or sold or otherwise disposed of; and

(2) at least 75% of the consideration therefor received by the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary is in the form of cash or Cash Equivalents. For purposes of this provision, each of the following shall be deemed to be cash:

(a) any liabilities (as shown on the Company's or such Restricted Subsidiary's most recent balance sheet) of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary (other than contingent liabilities and liabilities that are by their terms subordinated to the notes or any Subsidiary Guarantee) that are assumed by the transferee of any such assets pursuant to a customary novation agreement or similar agreement that releases the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary from further liability; and

(b) any securities, notes or other obligations received by the Company or any such Restricted Subsidiary from such transferee that are converted within 120 days by the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary into cash (to the extent of the cash received in that conversion).

Within the later of (x) one year after the date of receipt of any Net Proceeds from an Asset Sale and (y) six months after the date of an agreement entered into within such one-year period committing the Company to make an acquisition or expenditure referred to in clauses (2) or (3) below, the Company may apply such Net Proceeds at its option, in any one or more of the following:

(1) to permanently repay, prepay, redeem or repurchase the Senior Debt of the Company or any Guarantor, and cause any related loan commitment to be permanently reduced in an amount equal to the principal amount so repaid, prepaid, redeemed or repurchased;

(2) to acquire all or substantially all of the assets of, or a majority of the Voting Stock of, a Company principally engaged in the Oil and Gas Business or to acquire additional Capital Stock in any Person that at such time is a Restricted Subsidiary; or

(3) to make capital expenditures or to acquire properties or assets, in each case that are used or useful in the Oil and Gas Business.

Pending the final application of any such Net Proceeds, the Company may temporarily reduce revolving credit borrowings or otherwise invest such Net Proceeds in any manner not prohibited by the Indenture.

Any Net Proceeds from Asset Sales that are not applied or invested as provided in the preceding paragraph will constitute Excess Proceeds. When the aggregate amount of Excess Proceeds exceeds \$20.0 million, the Company will make an offer (the Asset Sale Offer) to all Holders of notes and, to the extent required by the terms thereof, all holders of other Indebtedness that is pari passu with the notes containing provisions similar to those set forth in the Indenture with respect to offers to purchase or redeem with the proceeds of sales of assets to purchase the maximum principal amount of notes and such other pari passu Indebtedness that may be purchased out of the Excess Proceeds. The offer price in any Asset Sale Offer will be equal to 100% of principal amount (or accreted value in the case of any such other pari passu Indebtedness issued with a significant original issue discount) plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase, and will be payable in cash. If any Excess Proceeds remain after consummation of an Asset Sale Offer, the Company may use such Excess Proceeds for any purpose not otherwise prohibited by the Indenture. If the aggregate principal amount of notes and such other pari passu Indebtedness tendered into such Asset Sale Offer exceeds the amount of Excess Proceeds, the Trustee shall select the notes and such other pari passu Indebtedness to be purchased on a pro rata basis, on the

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basis of the aggregate principal amounts (or accreted values) tendered in round denominations (which in the case of the notes will be denominations of \$1,000 principal amount or multiples thereof). Upon completion of each Asset Sale Offer, the amount of Excess Proceeds shall be reset at zero.

If the Asset Sale Offer purchase date is on or after an interest payment record date and on or before the related interest payment date, any accrued and unpaid interest will be paid to the Person in whose name a note is registered at the close of business on such record date, and no other interest will be payable to holders who tender notes pursuant to the Asset Sale Offer.

The Company will publicly announce the results of the Asset Sale Offer or as soon as practicable after the date such Asset Sale Offer is completed.

The Company will comply with the requirements of Rule 14e-1 under the Exchange Act and any other securities laws and regulations thereunder to the extent such laws and regulations are applicable in connection with an Asset Sale Offer. To the extent that the provisions of any securities laws or regulations conflict with the provisions of the covenant described herein, the Company will comply with the applicable securities laws and regulations and will not be deemed to have breached its obligations under this covenant by virtue of the Company's compliance with such securities laws or regulations.

**Certain Covenants**

*Restricted Payments*

The Company will not, and will not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly:

(1) declare or pay any dividend or make any other payment or distribution on account of the Company's or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries Equity Interests (including, without limitation, any payment by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary in connection with any merger or consolidation involving the Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries) or to the direct or indirect holders of the Company's or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries' Equity Interests in their capacity as such (other than dividends or distributions payable in Equity Interests (other than Disqualified Stock) of the Company or to the Company or a Restricted Subsidiary of the Company);

(2) purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire or retire for value (including, without limitation, in connection with any merger or consolidation involving the Company) any Equity Interests of the Company or any direct or indirect parent of the Company (other than any such Equity Interests owned by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Company);

(3) make any payment on or with respect to, or purchase, redeem, defease or otherwise acquire or retire for value, prior to scheduled maturity or scheduled sinking fund payment, any Subordinated Indebtedness of the Company or any Guarantor, except a payment of interest or principal at the Stated Maturity thereof; or

(4) make any Investment other than a Permitted Investment (all such payments and other actions set forth in clauses (1) through (3) above and this clause (4) being collectively referred to as Restricted Payments ),

unless, at the time of and after giving effect to such Restricted Payment:

(1) no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or would occur as a consequence thereof;

(2) the Company would, at the time of such Restricted Payment and after giving pro forma effect thereto as if such Restricted Payment had been made at the beginning of the applicable four-quarter period, have been permitted to incur at least \$1.00 of additional Indebtedness pursuant to the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio test set forth in the first paragraph of the covenant described below under the caption Incurrence of Indebtedness; and

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(3) such Restricted Payment, together with the aggregate amount of all other Restricted Payments made by the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries after the Issue Date (excluding Restricted Payments permitted by clauses (2), (3), (4), (6), (7), (9), (11) and (12) of the next succeeding paragraph, but including Restricted Payments permitted by clauses (1), (5), (8) and (10) of such paragraph), is less than the sum, without duplication, of

(a) 50% of the Consolidated Net Income of the Company for the period (taken as one accounting period) from the beginning of the full fiscal quarter during which the Issue Date falls to the end of the Company's most recently ended fiscal quarter for which internal financial statements are available at the time of such Restricted Payment (or, if such Consolidated Net Income for such period is a deficit, less 100% of such deficit); plus

(b) 100% of the aggregate Net Cash Proceeds and 100% of the Fair Market Value of securities or other property other than cash (including Capital Stock of Persons engaged in the Oil and Gas Business that become Restricted Subsidiaries or assets used in the Oil and Gas Business) received by the Company since the Issue Date from the issue or sale of Equity Interests of the Company (other than Disqualified Stock), other than Equity Interests (or Disqualified Stock or debt securities) sold to a Subsidiary of the Company and other than an issuance or sale pursuant to the KCS Merger Agreement or to an employee stock ownership plan or to a trust established by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries for the benefit of their employees; plus

(c) the amount by which Indebtedness is reduced on the Company's consolidated balance sheet upon the conversion or exchange (other than by a Subsidiary of the Company) subsequent to the Issue Date of any Indebtedness convertible or exchangeable for Capital Stock (other than Disqualified Stock) of the Company (plus the amount of any accrued interest then outstanding on such Indebtedness to the extent the obligation to pay such interest is extinguished less the amount of any cash, or the Fair Market Value of any property (as determined in good faith by an officer of the Company), distributed by the Company upon such conversion or exchange); provided, however, that the foregoing amount shall not exceed the Net Cash Proceeds received by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary from the sale of such Indebtedness (excluding Net Cash Proceeds from sales to a Subsidiary of the Company or to an employee stock ownership plan or to a trust established by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries for the benefit of their employees); plus

(d) an amount equal to the sum of (i) the net reduction in the Investments (other than Permitted Investments) made by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary in any Person resulting from repurchases, repayments or redemptions of such Investments by such Person, proceeds realized on the sale of such Investment and proceeds representing the return of capital (excluding dividends and distributions), in each case received by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary, and (ii) to the extent such Person is an Unrestricted Subsidiary, the portion (proportionate to the Company's equity interest in such Subsidiary) of the Fair Market Value of the net assets of such Unrestricted Subsidiary at the time such Unrestricted Subsidiary is designated a Restricted Subsidiary; provided, however, that to the extent the foregoing sum exceeds, in the case of any such Person or Unrestricted Subsidiary, the amount of Investments (excluding Permitted Investments) previously made (and treated as a Restricted Payment) by the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary in such Person or Unrestricted Subsidiary, such excess shall not be included in this clause (d) unless the amount represented by such excess has not been and will not be taken into account in one of the foregoing clauses (a)-(c); plus

(e) \$20.0 million.

The preceding provisions will not prohibit:

(1) the payment of any dividend within 60 days after the date of declaration thereof, if at said date of declaration such payment would have complied with the provisions of the Indenture (and such payment shall be deemed to be paid on the date of payment for purposes of any calculation required by this covenant);

(2) the redemption, repurchase, retirement, defeasance or other acquisition of any Subordinated Indebtedness of the Company or any Guarantor or of any Equity Interests of the Company or any Restricted



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Subsidiary in exchange for, or out of the Net Cash Proceeds of the substantially concurrent sale (other than to a Subsidiary of the Company) of, Equity Interests of the Company (other than Disqualified Stock); provided that the amount of any such Net Cash Proceeds that are utilized for any such redemption, repurchase, retirement, defeasance or other acquisition shall be excluded from clause (3)(b) of the preceding paragraph;

(3) the defeasance, redemption, repurchase, retirement or other acquisition of any Subordinated Indebtedness of the Company or any Guarantor with the Net Cash Proceeds from an incurrence of any Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness permitted to be incurred under the caption Incurrence of Indebtedness;

(4) the payment of any dividend or other distribution by a Restricted Subsidiary of the Company to the holders of its common Equity Interests on a pro rata basis;

(5) so long as no Default has occurred and is continuing, the repurchase, redemption or other acquisition or retirement for value of any Equity Interests of the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary of the Company held by any employees, former employees, directors or former directors of Company or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (or heirs, estates or other permitted transferees of such employees or directors) pursuant to any agreements (including employment agreements), management equity subscription agreement or stock option agreements or plans (or amendments thereto), approved by the Board of Directors, under which such individuals purchase or sell or are granted the right to purchase or sell shares of Capital Stock; provided that the aggregate price paid for all such repurchased, redeemed, acquired or retired Equity Interests shall not exceed \$2.0 million in any twelve-month period;

(6) so long as no Default has occurred and is continuing, loans or advances to employees of the Company or employees or directors of any Subsidiary of the Company, in each case as permitted by Section 402 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, the proceeds of which are used to purchase Capital Stock of the Company, or to refinance loans or advances made pursuant to this clause (6), in an aggregate amount not in excess of \$1.0 million at any one time outstanding;

(7) repurchases or other acquisitions for value of Capital Stock deemed to occur upon the exercise or exchange of stock options, warrants or other convertible securities if such Capital Stock represents a portion of the exercise or exchange price thereof or made in lieu of withholding taxes in connection with any such exercise or exchange; provided, however, that the aggregate amount of such repurchases, redemption or acquisitions to satisfy federal income tax obligations shall not exceed \$2.0 million in any twelve-month period;

(8) so long as no Default has occurred and is continuing, upon the occurrence of a Change of Control or an Asset Sale and within 60 days after the completion of the offer to repurchase the notes under the covenants described under Repurchase at the Option of Holders Change of Control or Asset Sales above (including the purchase of all notes tendered), any purchase, repurchase, redemption, defeasance, acquisition or other retirement for value of Subordinated Indebtedness required under the terms thereof as a result of such Change of Control or Asset Sale at a purchase or redemption price not to exceed 101% of the outstanding principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon, if any, provided that, in the notice to Holders relating to a Change of Control or Asset Sale hereunder, the Company shall describe this clause (8); or

(9) so long as no Default has occurred or is continuing, the purchase by the Company of fractional shares arising out of stock dividends, splits or business combinations.

(10) payments to dissenting stockholders (x) pursuant to applicable law or (y) in connection with the settlement or other satisfaction of legal claims made pursuant to or in connection with a consolidation, merger or transfer of assets in connection with a transaction that is not prohibited by the Indenture; or

(11) payments made by any Person other than the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary to the stockholders of the Company in connection with or as part of (a) a merger or consolidation of the Company with or into such Person or a subsidiary of such Person, or (b) a merger of a subsidiary of such Person into the Company.

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The amount of all Restricted Payments (other than cash) shall be the Fair Market Value on the date of the Restricted Payment of the asset(s) or securities proposed to be transferred or issued by the Company or such Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, pursuant to the Restricted Payment. The Fair Market Value of any assets or securities that are required to be valued at the time of such Restricted Payment by this covenant shall be evidenced by an officers' certificate which shall be delivered to the Trustee not later than five Business Days following the date of the making of any Restricted Payment. Such officers' certificate shall state that such Restricted Payment is permitted, together with a copy of any related resolution of the Board of Directors.