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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

X QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the Quarterly Period Ended March 31, 2011

OR

" TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Commission File Number: 001-15369

WILLIS LEASE FINANCE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 68-0070656 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

773 San Marin Drive,

Suite 2215, Novato, CA 94998 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant s telephone number, including area code (415) 408-4700

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes x No "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes "No"

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer " Accelerated filer x

Non-accelerated filer " (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes " No x

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer s classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date:

Title of Each ClassCommon Stock, \$0.01 par value per share

Outstanding at May 6, 2011 8,921,656

WILLIS LEASE FINANCE CORPORATION

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PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited) WILLIS LEASE FINANCE CORPORATION

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Consolidated Balance Sheets

(In thousands, except share data, unaudited)

	March 31, 2011	De	ecember 31, 2010
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,754	\$	2,225
Restricted cash	95,493		77,013
Equipment held for operating lease, less accumulated depreciation of \$202,657 and \$192,377 at March 31,			
2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively	998,940		998,001
Equipment held for sale	6,917		7,418
Operating lease related receivable, net of allowances of \$389 and \$423 at March 31, 2011 and December 31,			
2010, respectively	6,259		8,872
Notes receivable	693		747
Investments	9,687		9,381
Property, equipment & furnishings, less accumulated depreciation of \$4,169 and \$3,984 at March 31, 2011			
and December 31, 2010, respectively	6,955		6,971
Equipment purchase deposits	1,969		2,769
Other assets, net	15,088		12,565
Total assets	\$ 1,144,755	\$	1,125,962
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 16,524	\$	18,099
Liabilities under derivative instruments	11,685		14,274
Deferred income taxes	79,651		75,645
Notes payable, net of discount of \$2,478 and \$2,617 at March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively	746,786		731,632
Maintenance reserves	51,736		50,442
Security deposits	5,817		5,726
Unearned lease revenue	3,816		3,174
Total liabilities	916,015		898,992
Shareholders equity:			
Preferred stock (\$0.01 par value, 5,000,000 shares authorized; 3,475,000 shares issued and outstanding at			
March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively)	31,915		31,915
Common stock (\$0.01 par value, 20,000,000 shares authorized; 8,817,311 and 9,181,365 shares issued and	,,		2 2,2 22
outstanding at March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively)	88		92
Paid-in capital in excess of par	55,683		60,108
Retained earnings	149,605		145,324
Accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of income tax benefit of \$4,979 and \$6,085 at March 31, 2011	117,003		1 13,32 1
and December 31, 2010, respectively	(8,551)		(10,469)

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Total shareholders equity	228,740	226,970
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	\$ 1,144,755	\$ 1,125,962

See accompanying notes to the unaudited consolidated financial statements.

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Consolidated Statements of Income

(In thousands, except share data, unaudited)

		Three Months Ended M 2011 2		
REVENUE		2011		2010
Lease rent revenue	\$	27,306	\$	26,052
Maintenance reserve revenue	,	8,226		6,764
Gain on sale of leased equipment		5,060		2,220
Other income		220		663
Total revenue		40,812		35,699
EXPENSES				
Depreciation expense		13,189		11,743
General and administrative		8,211		7,302
Technical expense		2,307		1,637
Net finance costs:				
Interest expense		9,244		10,497
Interest income		(43)		(28)
Total net finance costs		9,201		10,469
Total expenses		32,908		31,151
Earnings from operations		7,904		4,548
Earnings from joint venture		306		262
Income before income taxes		8,210		4,810
Income tax expense		(3,147)		(1,760)
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Net income	\$	5,063	\$	3,050
Preferred stock dividends paid and declared-Series A		782		782
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Net income attributable to common shareholders	\$	4,281	\$	2,268
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Basic earnings per common share:	\$	0.50	\$	0.26
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Diluted earnings per common share:	\$	0.47	\$	0.24
Average common shares outstanding		8,552		8,660
Diluted average common shares outstanding		9,048		9,303
See accompanying notes to the unaudited consolidated financial statements.				

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Three Months Ended March 31, 2011 and 2010

(In thousands, unaudited)

	Preferred Stock	Issued and Outstanding Shares of Common Stock	 nmon ock	C	Paid-in apital in cess of par	Con	cumulated Other nprehensive ome/(Loss)	Retained Earnings	 Total areholders Equity
Balances at December 31, 2009	\$ 31,915	9,182	\$ 92	\$	60,671	\$	(8,287)	\$ 136,402	\$ 220,793
Net income								3,050	3,050
Unrealized loss from derivative									
instruments, net of tax benefit of \$898							(1,556)		(1,556)
Total comprehensive income									1,494
Preferred stock dividends paid								(782)	(782)
Shares repurchased		(3)			(35)			,	(35)
Shares issued under stock compensation									
plans		56			104				104
Stock-based compensation expense					575				575
Excess tax cost from stock-based									
compensation					(78)				(78)
Balances at March 31, 2010	\$ 31,915	9,235	\$ 92	\$	61,237	\$	(9,843)	\$ 138,670	\$ 222,071
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Balances at December 31, 2010	\$ 31,915	9,181	\$ 92	\$	60,108	\$	(10,469)	\$ 145,324	\$ 226,970
Net income								5,063	5,063
Unrealized gain from derivative									
instruments, net of tax expense of \$1,107							1,918		1,918
Total comprehensive income									6,981
Preferred stock dividends paid									