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X	QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECUR 1934	ITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF	
	For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2015		
	or		
	TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECUR 1934	ITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF	
	For the transition period from to		
	Commission file number: 001-32395		
	ConocoPhillips (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)		
	(State or other jurisdiction of (I.I	1-0562944 R.S. Employer ntification No.)	
	600 North Dairy Ashford, Houston, TX 77079 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)		
	281-293-1000 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)		
durir	cate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and irements for the past 90 days. Yes $\boxtimes$ No $\square$		
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Larg	e accelerated filer 🗵	Accelerated filer	
Non-	accelerated filer	Smaller reporting company	
Indic	cate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).	Yes □ No ⊠	
The	registrant had 1,232,946,616 shares of common stock, \$.01 par value, outstanding at March 31, 2015.		

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# PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

# Item 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Consolidated Income Statement	Conoc		ocoPhillips		
	Mil	Millions of Dollars			
	T	hree M	Ionths		
	En	ded M	arch 31		
		2015	2014		
Revenues and Other Income					
Sales and other operating revenues	\$ 7	,716	15,415		
Equity in earnings of affiliates		205	572		
Gain on dispositions		52	9		
Other income		29	52		
Total Revenues and Other Income	8	,002	16,048		
Costs and Expanses					
Costs and Expenses Purchased commodities	2	,237	7,127		
Production and operating expenses		,802	1,895		
Selling, general and administrative expenses	1	159	182		
Exploration expenses		482	296		
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	2	,131	1,892		
Impairments	-	16	1,072		
Taxes other than income taxes		224	651		
Accretion on discounted liabilities		121	117		
Interest and debt expense		202	171		
Foreign currency transaction (gains) losses		(16)	18		
Total Costs and Expenses	8	358	12,350		
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes		(356)	3,698		
Provision (benefit) for income taxes		(642)	1,581		
Income From Continuing Operations		286	2,117		
Income from discontinued operations*		_	2,117		
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Net income		286	2,137		
Less: net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		(14)	(14)		
Net Income Attributable to ConocoPhillips	\$	272	2,123		
Amounts Attributable to ConocoPhillips Common Shareholders:					
Income from continuing operations	\$	272	2,103		
Income from discontinued operations		_	20		
Net Income	\$	272	2,123		
Net Income Attributable to ConocoPhillips Per Share of					
Common Stock (dollars)					
Basic	<b>a</b>	0.22	1.70		
Continuing operations	\$	0.22	1.70		
Discontinued operations  Not Income Attributable to Congoe Philling Pay Share of Common Steels	¢	0.22	0.02		
Net Income Attributable to ConocoPhillips Per Share of Common Stock	\$	0.22	1.72		
Diluted		0.00	1.60		
Continuing operations	\$	0.22	1.69		
Discontinued operations			0.02		
Net Income Attributable to ConocoPhillips Per Share of Common Stock	\$	0.22	1.71		
Dividends Paid Per Share of Common Stock (dollars)	\$	0.73	0.69		
Average Common Shares Outstanding (in thousands)					
Basic	1,240	,791	1,234,968		
Diluted	1,245		1,242,667		
Bilated					

Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income		Cono	coPhillips
		Millions of	
	7	Three Month	
		March	31
		2015	2014
Net Income	\$	286	2,137
Other comprehensive income (loss)			
Defined benefit plans			
Reclassification adjustment for amortization of prior service credit included in net income		(1)	(2)
Reclassification adjustment for amortization of net actuarial losses included in net income		50	33
Nonsponsored plans*		_	6
Income taxes on defined benefit plans		(17)	(11)
Defined benefit plans, net of tax		32	26
Foreign currency translation adjustments		(2,745)	(222)
Income taxes on foreign currency translation adjustments		26	(4)
Foreign currency translation adjustments, net of tax		(2,719)	(226)
Other Comprehensive Loss, Net of Tax		(2,687)	(200)
Comprehensive Income (Loss)		(2,401)	1,937
Less: comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests		(14)	(14)
Comprehensive Income (Loss) Attributable to ConocoPhillips	\$	(2,415)	1,923

<sup>\*</sup>Plans for which ConocoPhillips is not the primary obligor—primarily those administered by equity affiliates. See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Consolidated Balance Sheet		ConocoPhillips		
	Milli	ons of Do	s of Dollars	
	March 3	31 Dece	ember 31	
	201	15	2014	
Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,60	64	5,062	
Accounts and notes receivable (net of allowance of \$4 million in 2015				
and \$5 million in 2014)	5,24		6,675	
Accounts and notes receivable—related parties		33	132	
Inventories	1,23		1,331	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	1,50		1,868	
Total Current Assets	10,84		15,068	
Investments and long-term receivables	23,22	24	24,335	
Loans and advances—related parties		50	804	
Net properties, plants and equipment (net of accumulated depreciation, depletion and amortization of \$70,256 million in 2015				
and \$70,786 million in 2014)	74,22		75,444	
Other assets	1,00		888	
Total Assets	\$ 110,04	42	116,539	
Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$ 6,70		7,982	
Accounts payable—related parties		44	44	
Short-term debt		93	182	
Accrued income and other taxes		64	1,051	
Employee benefit obligations		52	878	
Other accruals	1,20		1,400	
Total Current Liabilities	9,50		11,537	
Long-term debt	22,31		22,383	
Asset retirement obligations and accrued environmental costs	10,30		10,647	
Deferred income taxes	14,04 2,97		15,070 2,964	
Employee benefit obligations Other liabilities and deferred credits	1,82		1,665	
Total Liabilities	61,03	34	64,266	
Equity				
Common stock (2,500,000,000 shares authorized at \$.01 par value)				
Issued (2015—1,775,177,289 shares; 2014—1,773,583,368 shares)				
Par value	1	18	18	
Capital in excess of par	46,13	36	46,071	
Treasury stock (at cost: 2015—542,230,673 shares; 2014—542,230,673 shares)	(36,78		(36,780)	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(4,58	,	(1,902)	
Retained earnings	43,80	67	44,504	
Total Common Stockholders' Equity	48,65	52	51,911	
Noncontrolling interests	,	56	362	
Total Equity	49,00		52,273	
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$ 110.04		116,539	
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See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows	Cono	ConocoPhillips			
	Millions of				
	Three Month				
	March				
	2015	2014			
Cash Flows From Operating Activities					
Net income	\$ 286	2,137			
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities		4 000			
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	2,131	1,892			
Impairments	16	1			
Dry hole costs and leasehold impairments	311	69			
Accretion on discounted liabilities	121	117			
Deferred taxes	(637)	230			
Undistributed equity earnings	80	1,131			
Gain on dispositions	(52)	(9)			
Income from discontinued operations		(20)			
Other	(133)	116			
Working capital adjustments	1200	(200)			
Decrease (increase) in accounts and notes receivable	1,368	(290)			
Decrease (increase) in inventories	77	(27)			
Decrease (increase) in prepaid expenses and other current assets	234	(17)			
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	(1,302)	353			
Increase (decrease) in taxes and other accruals	(630)	595			
Net cash provided by continuing operating activities	1,870	6,278			
Net cash provided by discontinued operations		58			
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	1,870	6,336			
Cash Flows From Investing Activities					
Capital expenditures and investments	(3,332)	(3,895)			
Proceeds from asset dispositions	173	48			
Net sales of short-term investments	_	63			
Collection of advances/loans—related parties	52	62			
Other	(9)	46			
Net cash used in continuing investing activities	(3,116)	(3,676)			
Net cash used in discontinued operations	<u> </u>	(22)			
Net Cash Used in Investing Activities	(3,116)	(3,698)			
Cash Flows From Financing Activities					
Repayment of debt	(57)	(450)			
Issuance of company common stock	(34)	(32)			
Dividends paid	(910)	(855)			
Other	(18)	(17)			
Net Cash Used in Financing Activities	(1,019)	(1,354)			
Effect of Exchange Rate Changes on Cash and Cash Equivalents	(133)	(10)			
Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(2,398)	1,274			
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	5,062	6,246			
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period	\$ 2,664	7,520			
See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.	\$ 2,004	7,520			

# Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

**ConocoPhillips** 

# Note 1-Basis of Presentation

The interim-period financial information presented in the financial statements included in this report is unaudited and, in the opinion of management, includes all known accruals and adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of the consolidated financial position of ConocoPhillips and its results of operations and cash flows for such periods. All such adjustments are of a normal and recurring nature unless otherwise disclosed. Certain notes and other information have been condensed or omitted from the interim financial statements included in this report. Therefore, these financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes included in our 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Effective April 1, 2014, the Other International segment was restructured to focus on enhancing our capability to operate in emerging and new country business units. As a result, we moved the Latin America and Poland businesses from the historically presented Lower 48 and Latin America segment and the Europe segment to the Other International segment. Results of operations for the Lower 48, Europe and Other International segments have been revised for all periods presented. For additional information, see Note 16—Segment Disclosures and Related Information.

The results of operations for our former Nigeria business have been classified as discontinued operations for all periods presented. Unless indicated otherwise, the information in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements relates to our continuing operations.

# Note 2—Variable Interest Entities (VIEs)

We hold variable interests in VIEs that have not been consolidated because we are not considered the primary beneficiary. Information on our significant VIE follows:

# Australia Pacific LNG Pty Ltd (APLNG)

APLNG is considered a VIE, as it has entered into certain contractual arrangements that provide it with additional forms of subordinated financial support. We are not the primary beneficiary of APLNG because we share with Origin Energy and China Petrochemical Corporation (Sinopec) the power to direct the key activities of APLNG that most significantly impact its economic performance, which involve activities related to the production and commercialization of coalbed methane, as well as liquefied natural gas (LNG) processing and export marketing. As a result, we do not consolidate APLNG, and it is accounted for as an equity method investment.

As of March 31, 2015, we have not provided any financial support to APLNG other than amounts previously contractually required. Unless we elect otherwise, we have no requirement to provide liquidity or purchase the assets of APLNG. See Note 4—Investments, Loans and Long-Term Receivables, and Note 8—Guarantees, for additional information.

#### Note 3—Inventories

Inventories consisted of the following:

	Millions	s of Dollars
	March 31	December 31
	2015	2014
Crude oil and natural gas	\$ 456	538
Materials, supplies and other	777	793
	\$ 1,233	1,331

Inventories valued on the last-in, first-out (LIFO) basis totaled \$330 million and \$440 million at March 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively.

# Note 4—Investments, Loans and Long-Term Receivables

# **APLNG**

APLNG's \$8.5 billion project finance facility consists of financing agreements executed by APLNG with the Export-Import Bank of the United States for approximately \$2.9 billion, the Export-Import Bank of China for approximately \$2.7 billion, and a syndicate of Australian and international commercial banks for approximately \$2.9 billion. At March 31, 2015, \$8.3 billion had been drawn from the facility. In connection with the execution of the project financing, we provided a completion guarantee for our pro-rata share of the project finance facility until the project achieves financial completion. See Note 8—Guarantees, for additional information.

APLNG is considered a VIE, as it has entered into certain contractual arrangements that provide it with additional forms of subordinated financial support. See Note 2—Variable Interest Entities (VIEs), for additional information.

At March 31, 2015, the book value of our equity method investment in APLNG was \$11,718 million, net of a \$671 million reduction due to cumulative translation effects. The balance is included in the "Investments and long-term receivables" line on our consolidated balance sheet.

# **FCCL**

At March 31, 2015, the book value of our equity method investment in FCCL was \$8,637 million, net of a \$1,216 million reduction due to cumulative translation effects. The balance is included in the "Investments and long-term receivables" line on our consolidated balance sheet. In the first quarter of 2014, we received a \$1.3 billion distribution from FCCL, which is included in the "Undistributed equity earnings" line on our consolidated statement of cash flows.

# Loans and Long-Term Receivables

As part of our normal ongoing business operations and consistent with industry practice, we enter into numerous agreements with other parties to pursue business opportunities. Included in such activity are loans made to certain affiliated and non-affiliated companies. At March 31, 2015, significant loans to affiliated companies included \$857 million in project financing to Qatar Liquefied Gas Company Limited (3) (QG3).

The long-term portion of these loans is included in the "Loans and advances—related parties" line on our consolidated balance sheet, while the short-term portion is in "Accounts and notes receivable—related parties."

# Note 5—Suspended Wells

The capitalized cost of suspended wells at March 31, 2015, was \$1,310 million, an increase of \$11 million from \$1,299 million at year-end 2014. No suspended wells were charged to dry hole expense during the first three months of 2015 relating to exploratory well costs capitalized for a period greater than one year as of December 31, 2014.

# Note 6-Debt

We have two commercial paper programs supported by our \$7.0 billion revolving credit facility: the ConocoPhillips \$6.1 billion program, primarily a funding source for short-term working capital needs, and the ConocoPhillips Qatar Funding Ltd. \$900 million program, which is used to fund commitments relating to QG3. Commercial paper maturities are generally limited to 90 days.

At March 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, we had no direct outstanding borrowings under the revolving credit facility, with no letters of credit as of March 31, 2015 or December 31, 2014. In addition, under the ConocoPhillips Qatar Funding Ltd. commercial paper program, there was \$806 million of commercial paper outstanding at March 31, 2015, compared with \$860 million at December 31, 2014. Since we had \$806 million of commercial paper outstanding and had issued no letters of credit, we had access to \$6.2 billion in borrowing capacity under our revolving credit facility at March 31, 2015.

At March 31, 2015, we classified \$698 million of short-term debt as long-term debt, based on our ability and intent to refinance the obligation on a long-term basis under our revolving credit facility.

# Note 7—Noncontrolling Interests

Activity attributable to common stockholders' equity and noncontrolling interests for the first three months of 2015 and 2014 was as follows:

	Millions of Dollars						
	<b>2015</b> 2014						
		Common	Non-		Common	Non-	
	Stoc	ckholders'	Controlling	Total	Stockholders'	Controlling	Total
		Equity	Interest	Equity	Equity	Interest	Equity
Balance at January 1	\$	51,911	362	52,273	52,090	402	52,492
Net income		272	14	286	2,123	14	2,137
Dividends		(910)	_	(910)	(855)	_	(855)
Distributions to noncontrolling interests		_	(21)	(21)	_	(17)	(17)
Other changes, net*		(2,621)	1	(2,620)	(136)	_	(136)
Balance at March 31	\$	48,652	356	49,008	53,222	399	53,621

<sup>\*</sup>Includes components of other comprehensive income, which are disclosed separately in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income.

#### Note 8—Guarantees

At March 31, 2015, we were liable for certain contingent obligations under various contractual arrangements as described below. We recognize a liability, at inception, for the fair value of our obligation as a guarantor for newly issued or modified guarantees. Unless the carrying amount of the liability is noted below, we have not recognized a liability either because the guarantees were issued prior to December 31, 2002, or because the fair value of the obligation is immaterial. In addition, unless otherwise stated, we are not currently performing with any significance under the guarantee and expect future performance to be either immaterial or have only a remote chance of occurrence.

#### **APLNG Guarantees**

At March 31, 2015, we have outstanding multiple guarantees in connection with our 37.5 percent ownership interest in APLNG. The following is a description of the guarantees with values calculated utilizing March 2015 exchange rates:

- We have guaranteed APLNG's performance with regard to a construction contract executed in connection with APLNG's issuance of the Train 1 and Train 2 Notices to Proceed. We estimate the remaining term of this guarantee is two years. Our maximum potential amount of future payments related to this guarantee is approximately \$90 million and would become payable if APLNG cancels the applicable construction contract and does not perform with respect to the amounts owed to the contractor.
- We have issued a construction completion guarantee related to the third-party project financing secured by APLNG. Our maximum potential amount of future payments under the guarantee is estimated to be \$3.2 billion, which could be payable if the full debt financing capacity is utilized and completion of the project is not achieved. Our guarantee of the project financing will be released upon meeting certain completion tests with milestones, which we estimate should occur beginning in 2016. Our maximum exposure at March 31, 2015, is \$3.1 billion based upon our pro-rata share of the facility used at that date. At March 31, 2015, the carrying value of this guarantee is approximately \$114 million.
- In conjunction with our original purchase of an ownership interest in APLNG from Origin Energy in October 2008, we agreed to guarantee an existing obligation of APLNG to deliver natural gas under several sales agreements with remaining terms of 1 to 27 years. Our maximum potential amount of future payments, or cost of volume delivery, under these guarantees is estimated to be \$1.2 billion (\$2.1 billion in the event of intentional or reckless breach), and would become payable if APLNG fails to meet its obligations under these agreements and the obligations cannot otherwise be mitigated. Future payments are considered unlikely, as the payments, or cost of volume delivery, would only be triggered if APLNG does not have enough natural gas to meet these sales commitments and if the co-venturers do not make necessary equity contributions into APLNG.
- We have guaranteed the performance of APLNG with regard to certain other contracts executed in connection with the project's continued development. The guarantees have remaining terms of up to 31 years or the life of the venture. Our maximum potential amount of future payments related to these guarantees is approximately \$150 million and would become payable if APLNG does not perform.

# Other Guarantees

We have other guarantees with maximum future potential payment amounts totaling approximately \$300 million, which consist primarily of guarantees of the residual value of leased corporate aircraft, guarantees to fund the short-term cash liquidity deficit of two joint ventures, a guarantee for our portion of a joint venture's debt obligations and a guarantee of minimum charter revenue for an LNG vessel. These guarantees have remaining terms of up to 9 years or the life of the venture and would become payable if, upon sale, certain asset values are lower than guaranteed amounts, business conditions decline at guaranteed entities, or as a result of non-performance of contractual terms by guaranteed parties.

#### Indemnifications

Over the years, we have entered into agreements to sell ownership interests in certain corporations, joint ventures and assets that gave rise to qualifying indemnifications. These agreements include indemnifications for taxes, environmental liabilities, employee claims, and litigation. The terms of these indemnifications vary greatly. The majority of these indemnifications are related to environmental issues, the term is generally indefinite and the maximum amount of future payments is generally unlimited. The carrying amount recorded for these indemnifications at March 31, 2015, was approximately \$90 million. We amortize the indemnification liability over the relevant time period, if one exists, based on the facts and circumstances surrounding each type of indemnity. In cases where the indemnification term is indefinite, we will reverse the liability when we have information the liability is essentially relieved or amortize the liability over an appropriate time period as the fair value of our indemnification exposure declines. Although it is reasonably possible future payments may exceed amounts recorded, due to the nature of the indemnifications, it is not possible to make a reasonable estimate of the maximum potential amount of future payments. Included in the recorded carrying amount at March 31, 2015, were approximately \$40 million of environmental accruals for known contamination that are included in the "Asset retirement obligations and accrued environmental costs" line on our consolidated balance sheet. For additional information about environmental liabilities, see Note 9—Contingencies and Commitments.

On April 30, 2012, the separation of our Downstream businesses was completed, creating two independent energy companies: ConocoPhillips and Phillips 66. In connection with the separation, we entered into an Indemnification and Release Agreement, which provides for cross-indemnities between Phillips 66 and us and established procedures for handling claims subject to indemnification and related matters. We evaluated the impact of the indemnifications given and the Phillips 66 indemnifications received as of the separation date and concluded those fair values were immaterial.

On March 1, 2015, a supplier to one of the refineries that was included in Phillips 66 as part of the separation of our Downstream businesses formally registered Phillips 66 as a party to the supply agreement, thereby triggering a guarantee we provided at the time of separation. Our maximum potential liability for future payments under this guarantee, which would become payable if Phillips 66 does not perform its contractual obligations under the supply agreement, is approximately \$1.7 billion. At March 31, 2015, the carrying value of this guarantee is approximately \$100 million and the remaining term is 9 years. Because Phillips 66 has indemnified us for losses incurred under this guarantee, we have recorded an indemnification asset from Phillips 66 of approximately \$100 million. The recorded indemnification asset amount represents the estimated fair value of the guarantee; however, if we are required to perform under the guarantee, we would expect to recover from Phillips 66 any amounts in excess of that value, provided Phillips 66 is a going concern.

# Note 9—Contingencies and Commitments

A number of lawsuits involving a variety of claims arising in the ordinary course of business have been made against ConocoPhillips. We also may be required to remove or mitigate the effects on the environment of the placement, storage, disposal or release of certain chemical, mineral and petroleum substances at various active and inactive sites. We regularly assess the need for accounting recognition or disclosure of these contingencies. In the case of all known contingencies (other than those related to income taxes), we accrue a liability when the loss is probable and the amount is reasonably estimable. If a range of amounts can be reasonably estimated and no amount within the range is a better estimate than any other amount, then the minimum of the range is accrued. We do not reduce these liabilities for potential insurance or third-party recoveries. If applicable, we accrue receivables for probable insurance or other third-party recoveries. With respect to income-tax-related contingencies, we use a cumulative probability-weighted loss accrual in cases where sustaining a tax position is less than certain.

Based on currently available information, we believe it is remote that future costs related to known contingent liability exposures will exceed current accruals by an amount that would have a material adverse impact on our consolidated financial statements. As we learn new facts concerning contingencies, we reassess our position both with respect to accrued liabilities and other potential exposures. Estimates particularly sensitive to future

changes include contingent liabilities recorded for environmental remediation, tax and legal matters. Estimated future environmental remediation costs are subject to change due to such factors as the uncertain magnitude of cleanup costs, the unknown time and extent of such remedial actions that may be required, and the determination of our liability in proportion to that of other responsible parties. Estimated future costs related to tax and legal matters are subject to change as events evolve and as additional information becomes available during the administrative and litigation processes.

#### Environmental

We are subject to international, federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations. When we prepare our consolidated financial statements, we record accruals for environmental liabilities based on management's best estimates, using all information that is available at the time. We measure estimates and base liabilities on currently available facts, existing technology, and presently enacted laws and regulations, taking into account stakeholder and business considerations. When measuring environmental liabilities, we also consider our prior experience in remediation of contaminated sites, other companies' cleanup experience, and data released by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or other organizations. We consider unasserted claims in our determination of environmental liabilities, and we accrue them in the period they are both probable and reasonably estimable.

Although liability of those potentially responsible for environmental remediation costs is generally joint and several for federal sites and frequently so for other sites, we are usually only one of many companies cited at a particular site. Due to the joint and several liabilities, we could be responsible for all cleanup costs related to any site at which we have been designated as a potentially responsible party. We have been successful to date in sharing cleanup costs with other financially sound companies. Many of the sites at which we are potentially responsible are still under investigation by the EPA or the agency concerned. Prior to actual cleanup, those potentially responsible normally assess the site conditions, apportion responsibility and determine the appropriate remediation. In some instances, we may have no liability or may attain a settlement of liability. Where it appears that other potentially responsible parties may be financially unable to bear their proportional share, we consider this inability in estimating our potential liability, and we adjust our accruals accordingly. As a result of various acquisitions in the past, we assumed certain environmental obligations. Some of these environmental obligations are mitigated by indemnifications made by others for our benefit and some of the indemnifications are subject to dollar limits and time limits.

We are currently participating in environmental assessments and cleanups at numerous federal Superfund and comparable state and international sites. After an assessment of environmental exposures for cleanup and other costs, we make accruals on an undiscounted basis (except those acquired in a purchase business combination, which we record on a discounted basis) for planned investigation and remediation activities for sites where it is probable future costs will be incurred and these costs can be reasonably estimated. At March 31, 2015, our balance sheet included a total environmental accrual of \$322 million, compared with \$344 million at December 31, 2014, for remediation activities in the United States and Canada. We expect to incur a substantial amount of these expenditures within the next 30 years. We have not reduced these accruals for possible insurance recoveries. In the future, we may be involved in additional environmental assessments, cleanups and proceedings.

# **Legal Proceedings**

We are subject to various lawsuits and claims including but not limited to matters involving oil and gas royalty and severance tax payments, gas measurement and valuation methods, contract disputes, environmental damages, personal injury, and property damage. Our primary exposures for such matters relate to alleged royalty underpayments on certain federal, state and privately owned properties and claims of alleged environmental contamination from historic operations. We will continue to defend ourselves vigorously in these matters.

Our legal organization applies its knowledge, experience and professional judgment to the specific characteristics of our cases, employing a litigation management process to manage and monitor the legal proceedings against us. Our process facilitates the early evaluation and quantification of potential exposures in individual cases. This process also enables us to track those cases that have been scheduled for trial and/or

mediation. Based on professional judgment and experience in using these litigation management tools and available information about current developments in all our cases, our legal organization regularly assesses the adequacy of current accruals and determines if adjustment of existing accruals, or establishment of new accruals, is required.

# Other Contingencies

We have contingent liabilities resulting from throughput agreements with pipeline and processing companies not associated with financing arrangements. Under these agreements, we may be required to provide any such company with additional funds through advances and penalties for fees related to throughput capacity not utilized. In addition, at March 31, 2015, we had performance obligations secured by letters of credit of \$472 million (issued as direct bank letters of credit) related to various purchase commitments for materials, supplies, commercial activities and services incident to the ordinary conduct of business.

In 2007, we announced we had been unable to reach agreement with respect to our migration to an *empresa mixta* structure mandated by the Venezuelan government's Nationalization Decree. As a result, Venezuela's national oil company, Petróleos de Venezuela S.A. (PDVSA), or its affiliates, directly assumed control over ConocoPhillips' interests in the Petrozuata and Hamaca heavy oil ventures and the offshore Corocoro development project. In response to this expropriation, we filed a request for international arbitration on November 2, 2007, with the World Bank's International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID). An arbitration hearing was held before an ICSID tribunal during the summer of 2010. On September 3, 2013, an ICSID arbitration tribunal held that Venezuela unlawfully expropriated ConocoPhillips' significant oil investments in June 2007. A separate arbitration phase is currently proceeding to determine the damages owed to ConocoPhillips for Venezuela's actions. On October 10, 2014, we filed a separate arbitration under the rules of the International Chamber of Commerce against PDVSA for contractual compensation related to the Petrozuata and Hamaca heavy crude oil projects.

In 2008, Burlington Resources, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of ConocoPhillips, initiated arbitration before ICSID against The Republic of Ecuador, as a result of the newly enacted Windfall Profits Tax Law and government-mandated renegotiation of our production sharing contracts. Despite a restraining order issued by the ICSID tribunal, Ecuador confiscated the crude oil production of Burlington and its co-venturer and sold the seized crude oil. In 2009, Ecuador took over operations in Blocks 7 and 21, fully expropriating our assets. In June 2010, the ICSID tribunal concluded it has jurisdiction to hear the expropriation claim. On April 24, 2012, Ecuador filed supplemental counterclaims asserting environmental damages, which we believe are not material. The ICSID tribunal issued a decision on liability on December 14, 2012, in favor of Burlington, finding that Ecuador's seizure of Blocks 7 and 21 was an unlawful expropriation in violation of the Ecuador-U.S. Bilateral Investment Treaty. An additional arbitration phase is now proceeding to determine the damages owed to ConocoPhillips for Ecuador's actions and to address Ecuador's counterclaims.

ConocoPhillips served a Notice of Arbitration on the Timor-Leste Minister of Finance in October 2012 for outstanding disputes related to a series of tax assessments. As of March 31, 2015, ConocoPhillips has paid, under protest, tax assessments totaling approximately \$237 million, which are primarily recorded in the "Investments and long-term receivables" line on our consolidated balance sheet. The arbitration hearing was conducted in Singapore in June 2014 under the United Nations Commission on International Trade Laws (UNCITRAL) arbitration rules, pursuant to the terms of the Tax Stability Agreement with the Timor-Leste government. Post-hearing briefs from both parties were filed in August 2014. We are now awaiting the Tribunal's decision. Future impacts on our business are not known at this time.

# Note 10-Derivative and Financial Instruments

# **Derivative Instruments**

We use futures, forwards, swaps and options in various markets to meet our customer needs and capture market opportunities. Our commodity business primarily consists of natural gas, crude oil, bitumen, LNG and natural gas liquids.

Our derivative instruments are held at fair value on our consolidated balance sheet. Where these balances have the right of setoff, they are presented on a net basis. Related cash flows are recorded as operating activities on the consolidated statement of cash flows. On our consolidated income statement, realized and unrealized gains and losses are recognized either on a gross basis if directly related to our physical business or a net basis if held for trading. Gains and losses related to contracts that meet and are designated with the normal purchase normal sale exception are recognized upon settlement. We generally apply this exception to eligible crude contracts. We do not use hedge accounting for our commodity derivatives.

The following table presents the gross fair values of our commodity derivatives, excluding collateral, and the line items where they appear on our consolidated balance sheet:

	Mill	ions of Dollars	
	March	31 December 3	31
	20	201	4
Assets			
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	\$ 3,5	<b>93</b> 4,50	0(
Other assets	1	. <b>62</b> 15	57
Liabilities			
Other accruals	3,5	<b>590</b> 4,42	26
Other liabilities and deferred credits	1	.57 14	14

The gains (losses) incurred from commodity derivatives, and the line items where they appear on our consolidated income statement were:

	Millions of Dollars		lars
	Three Months Ended		nded
		March 31	
		2015	2014
Sales and other operating revenues	\$	(16)	237
Other income		(1)	1
Purchased commodities		44	(221)

The table below summarizes our material net exposures resulting from outstanding commodity derivative contracts:

	Open Position	
	Long	/(Short)
	March 31	December 31
	2015	2014
Commodity		
Natural gas and power (billions of cubic feet equivalent)		
Fixed price	(5)	(11)
Basis	(3)	18

# Foreign Currency Exchange Derivatives

We have foreign currency exchange rate risk resulting from international operations. Our foreign currency exchange derivative activity primarily consists of transactions designed to mitigate our cash-related and foreign currency exchange rate exposures, such as firm commitments for capital programs or local currency tax payments, dividends, and cash returns from net investments in foreign affiliates. We do not elect hedge accounting on our foreign currency exchange derivatives.

The following table presents the gross fair values of our foreign currency exchange derivatives, excluding collateral, and the line items where they appear on our consolidated balance sheet:

	Millio	ons of Dollars
	March 3	
Assets		2011
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	\$	2 1
Liabilities		
Other accruals	2	<b>1</b> 1

The losses from foreign currency exchange derivatives incurred and the line item where they appear on our consolidated income statement were:

	 Millions of Doll	
	Three Months En	
	 March 31	
	 2015	2014
Foreign currency transaction losses	\$ 24	_

We had the following net notional position of outstanding foreign currency exchange derivatives:

		In Millions		
		Notional Currency		
		March 31	December 31	
		2015	2014	
Sell U.S. dollar, buy other currencies*	USD	624	7	
Buy U.S. dollar, sell other currencies**	USD	9	44	
Sell British pound, buy euro	GBP	7	_	
Buy British pound, sell euro	GBP	_	20	

<sup>\*</sup>Primarily Canadian dollar, Norwegian krone and British pound.

# **Financial Instruments**

We have certain financial instruments on our consolidated balance sheet related to interest-bearing time deposits and commercial paper. These held-to-maturity financial instruments are included in "Cash and cash equivalents" on our consolidated balance sheet if the maturities at the time we made the investments were 90 days or less.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Primarily Canadian dollar, Norwegian krone and euro.

	Millions of Dollars		
	Carryi	ng Amount	
	Cash and C	ash Equivalents	
	March 31 Decem		
	2015	2014	
Cash	\$ 535	946	
Money Market Funds	_	50	
Time deposits			
Remaining maturities from 1 to 90 days	2,129	3,726	
Commercial paper			
Remaining maturities from 1 to 90 days	_	340	
	\$ 2,664	5,062	

# Credit Risk

Financial instruments potentially exposed to concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash equivalents, over-the-counter (OTC) derivative contracts and trade receivables. Our cash equivalents are placed in high-quality commercial paper, money market funds, government debt securities and time deposits with major international banks and financial institutions.

The credit risk from our OTC derivative contracts, such as forwards and swaps, derives from the counterparty to the transaction. Individual counterparty exposure is managed within predetermined credit limits and includes the use of cash-call margins when appropriate, thereby reducing the risk of significant nonperformance. We also use futures, swaps and option contracts that have a negligible credit risk because these trades are cleared with an exchange clearinghouse and subject to mandatory margin requirements until settled; however, we are exposed to the credit risk of those exchange brokers for receivables arising from daily margin cash calls, as well as for cash deposited to meet initial margin requirements.

Our trade receivables result primarily from our petroleum operations and reflect a broad national and international customer base, which limits our exposure to concentrations of credit risk. The majority of these receivables have payment terms of 30 days or less, and we continually monitor this exposure and the creditworthiness of the counterparties. We do not generally require collateral to limit the exposure to loss; however, we will sometimes use letters of credit, prepayments and master netting arrangements to mitigate credit risk with counterparties that both buy from and sell to us, as these agreements permit the amounts owed by us or owed to others to be offset against amounts due us.

Certain of our derivative instruments contain provisions that require us to post collateral if the derivative exposure exceeds a threshold amount. We have contracts with fixed threshold amounts and other contracts with variable threshold amounts that are contingent on our credit rating. The variable threshold amounts typically decline for lower credit ratings, while both the variable and fixed threshold amounts typically revert to zero if we fall below investment grade. Cash is the primary collateral in all contracts; however, many also permit us to post letters of credit as collateral, such as transactions administered through the New York Mercantile Exchange or IntercontinentalExchange.

The aggregate fair value of all derivative instruments with such credit-risk-related contingent features that were in a liability position on March 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, was \$121 million and \$150 million, respectively. For these instruments, no collateral was posted as of March 31, 2015 or December 31, 2014. If our credit rating had been lowered one level from its "A" rating (per Standard and Poor's) on March 31, 2015, we would be required to post no additional collateral to our counterparties. If we had been downgraded below investment grade, we would be required to post \$121 million of additional collateral, either with cash or letters of credit.

#### Note 11-Fair Value Measurement

We carry a portion of our assets and liabilities at fair value that are measured at a reporting date using an exit price (i.e., the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability) and disclosed according to the quality of valuation inputs under the following hierarchy:

- Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in an active market for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices that are directly or indirectly observable.
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs that are significant to the fair value of assets or liabilities.

The classification of an asset or liability is based on the lowest level of input significant to its fair value. Those that are initially classified as Level 3 are subsequently reported as Level 2 when the fair value derived from unobservable inputs is inconsequential to the overall fair value, or if corroborated market data becomes available. Assets and liabilities that are initially reported as Level 2 are subsequently reported as Level 3 if corroborated market data is no longer available. Transfers occur at the end of the reporting period. There were no material transfers in or out of Level 1 during 2015 or 2014.

# **Recurring Fair Value Measurement**

Financial assets and liabilities reported at fair value on a recurring basis primarily include commodity derivatives and certain investments to support nonqualified deferred compensation plans. The deferred compensation investments are measured at fair value using unadjusted prices available from national securities exchanges; therefore, these assets are categorized as Level 1 in the fair value hierarchy. Level 1 derivative assets and liabilities primarily represent exchange-traded futures and options that are valued using unadjusted prices available from the underlying exchange. Level 2 derivative assets and liabilities primarily represent OTC swaps, options and forward purchase and sale contracts that are valued using adjusted exchange prices, prices provided by brokers or pricing service companies that are all corroborated by market data. Level 3 derivative assets and liabilities consist of OTC swaps, options and forward purchase and sale contracts that are long term in nature and where a significant portion of fair value is calculated from underlying market data that is not readily available. The derived value uses industry standard methodologies that may consider the historical relationships among various commodities, modeled market prices, time value, volatility factors and other relevant economic measures. The use of these inputs results in management's best estimate of fair value. Level 3 activity was not material for all periods presented.

The following table summarizes the fair value hierarchy for gross financial assets and liabilities (i.e., unadjusted where the right of setoff exists for commodity derivatives accounted for at fair value on a recurring basis):

	Millions of Dollars								
			March 31	, 2015			December 3	31, 2014	
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets									
Deferred compensation investments	\$	296	_	_	296	297	_	_	297
Commodity derivatives		3,452	232	71	3,755	4,221	361	75	4,657
Total assets	\$	3,748	232	71	4,051	4,518	361	75	4,954
Liabilities									
Commodity derivatives	\$	3,481	254	12	3,747	4,200	354	16	4,570
Total liabilities	\$	3,481	254	12	3,747	4,200	354	16	4,570

The following table summarizes those commodity derivative balances subject to the right of setoff as presented on our consolidated balance sheet. We have elected to offset the recognized fair value amounts for multiple derivative instruments executed with the same counterparty in our financial statements when a legal right of offset exists.

	Millions of Dollars								
	Gross Amounts		Gross	Net		Gross Amounts			
			Amounts		Amounts		Amounts	Amounts	Cash
	Recognized		Offset	Presented	Collateral	Right of Setoff	Amounts		
March 31, 2015									
Assets	\$	3,755	3,550	205	7	13	185		
Liabilities		3,747	3,550	197	37	10	150		
D 1 21 2014									
December 31, 2014									
Assets	\$	4,657	4,352	305	8	28	269		
Liabilities		4,570	4,352	218	4	22	192		

At March 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, we did not present any amounts gross on our consolidated balance sheet where we had the right of setoff.

# Reported Fair Values of Financial Instruments

We used the following methods and assumptions to estimate the fair value of financial instruments:

- Cash and cash equivalents: The carrying amount reported on the balance sheet approximates fair value.
- Accounts and notes receivable (including long-term and related parties): The carrying amount reported on the balance sheet approximates fair value. The valuation technique and methods used to estimate the fair value of the current portion of fixed-rate related party loans is consistent with Loans and advances—related parties.
- Loans and advances—related parties: The carrying amount of floating-rate loans approximates fair value. The fair value of fixed-rate loan activity is measured using market observable data and is categorized as Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy. See Note 4—Investments, Loans and Long-Term Receivables, for additional information.
- Accounts payable (including related parties) and floating-rate debt: The carrying amount of accounts payable and floating-rate debt reported on the balance sheet approximates fair value.
- Fixed-rate debt: The estimated fair value of fixed-rate debt is measured using prices available from a pricing service that is corroborated by market data; therefore, these liabilities are categorized as Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy.

The following table summarizes the net fair value of financial instruments (i.e., adjusted where the right of setoff exists for commodity derivatives):

	Millions of Dollars					
		Carrying	g Amount	Fair Value		
	M	arch 31	December 31	March 31	December 31	
		2015	2014	2015	2014	
Financial assets						
Deferred compensation investments	\$	296	297	296	297	
Commodity derivatives		198	297	198	297	
Total loans and advances—related parties		859	913	859	913	
Financial liabilities						
Total debt, excluding capital leases		21,650	21,707	25,460	25,191	
Commodity derivatives		160	214	160	214	

# Note 12—Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income

Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) in the equity section of our consolidated balance sheet included:

		Millions of Dollars			
				Accumulated	
			Foreign	Other	
		Defined	Currency	Comprehensive	
	Ben	efit Plans	Translation	Income (Loss)	
December 31, 2014	\$	(1,261)	(641)	(1,902)	
Other comprehensive income (loss)		32	(2,719)	(2,687)	
March 31, 2015	\$	(1,229)	(3,360)	(4,589)	

Foreign Currency Translation decreased due to the strengthening of the U.S. dollar relative to the Canadian dollar, Australian dollar and Norwegian krone.

The following table summarizes reclassifications out of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss):

	 Millions of Dolla		
	Three Months Ende		
	 March 31		
	 2015	2014	
Defined Benefit Plans	\$ 32	20	

The above amounts are included in the computation of net periodic benefit cost and are presented net of tax expense of \$17 million and \$11 million for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively. See Note 14—Employee Benefit Plans, for additional information.

There were no items within accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) related to noncontrolling interests.

# Note 13—Cash Flow Information

	 Millions of I Three Months March 3	s Ended	
	 2015	2014	
Cash Payments (Receipts)			
Interest	\$ 197	199	
Income taxes*	(253)	667	
Net Sales (Purchases) of Short-Term Investments			
Short-term investments purchased	\$ _	(210)	
Short-term investments sold	_	273	
	\$ _	63	

<sup>\*</sup>Includes \$556 million in 2015 related to a refund received from the Internal Revenue Service for 2014 overpaid taxes.

# Note 14—Employee Benefit Plans

# **Pension and Postretirement Plans**

	Millions of Dollars								
	Pension Benefits								
Three Months Ended			March 3	Į		March 3	1		
			2015		2014	2015	2014		
		U.S.	Int'l.	U.S.	Int'l.				
Components of Net Periodic Benefit Cost									
Service cost	\$	36	32	31	28	1	1		
Interest cost		40	34	41	42	7	7		
Expected return on plan assets		(54)	(44)	(53)	(46)	_	_		
Amortization of prior service cost (credit)		2	(2)	1	(2)	(1)	(1)		
Recognized net actuarial loss (gain)		28	21	19	15	1	(1)		
Net periodic benefit cost	\$	52	41	39	37	8	6		

During the first three months of 2015, we contributed \$14 million to our domestic benefit plans and \$44 million to our international benefit plans. In 2015, we expect to contribute approximately \$110 million to our domestic qualified and nonqualified pension and postretirement benefit plans and \$120 million to our international qualified and nonqualified pension and postretirement benefit plans.

Due to an ongoing restructuring program in the Europe segment, we recognized additional expense of \$50 million associated with employee special termination benefits during the three-month period ended March 31, 2015, of which approximately 62 percent is expected to be recovered from partners.

#### Severance Accrual

As a result of the current business environment's impact on our operating and capital plans, a reduction in our overall employee workforce is expected in 2015. The following segments recorded accruals totaling \$85 million in the first quarter of 2015 for severance and related employee benefits: \$33 million in Corporate and Other, \$25 million in Lower 48, \$24 million in Canada, \$2 million in Alaska, and \$1 million in Asia Pacific and Middle East. The following table summarizes our severance accrual activity:

	Million	Millions of Dollars		
Balance at January 1, 2015	\$	61		
Accruals		85		
Benefit payments		(13)		
Foreign currency translation adjustments		(4)		
Balance at March 31, 2015	\$	129		

Of the remaining balance at March 31, 2015, \$88 million is classified as short-term.

# Note 15—Related Party Transactions

We consider our equity method investments to be related parties. Significant transactions with related parties were:

	Millions of Dollar		
	Three Months Ende		
	March 31		
		2015	2014
Operating revenues and other income	\$	25	21
Purchases		22	48
Operating expenses and selling, general and administrative expenses*		18	18
Net interest (income) expense**		(2)	(12)

<sup>\*2014</sup> has been restated to eliminate certain non-related party transactions.

# Note 16—Segment Disclosures and Related Information

We explore for, produce, transport and market crude oil, bitumen, natural gas, LNG and natural gas liquids on a worldwide basis. We manage our operations through six operating segments, which are primarily defined by geographic region: Alaska, Lower 48, Canada, Europe, Asia Pacific and Middle East, and Other International.

Effective April 1, 2014, the Other International segment was restructured to focus on enhancing our capability to operate in emerging and new country business units. As a result, we moved the Latin America and Poland businesses from the historically presented Lower 48 and Latin America segment and the Europe segment to the Other International segment. Results of operations for the Lower 48, Europe and Other International segments have been revised for all periods presented. There was no impact on our consolidated financial statements, and the impact on our segment presentation was immaterial.

In 2012, we agreed to sell our Nigeria business. We sold our Nigeria business in the third quarter of 2014. Results for these operations have been reported as discontinued operations in all periods presented.

<sup>\*\*</sup>We paid interest to, or received interest from various affiliates. See Note 4—Investments, Loans and Long-Term Receivables, for additional information on loans to affiliated companies.

Corporate and Other represents costs not directly associated with an operating segment, such as most interest expense, corporate overhead and certain technology activities, including licensing revenues. Corporate assets include all cash and cash equivalents.

We evaluate performance and allocate resources based on net income attributable to ConocoPhillips. Intersegment sales are at prices that approximate market.

# Analysis of Results by Operating Segment

	_	Millions of I	
		March 3	
		2015	2014
Sales and Other Operating Revenues	_		
Alaska	\$	1,050	2,186
Lower 48		3,139	6,584
Intersegment eliminations		(22)	(38)
Lower 48		3,117	6,546
Canada		703	1,859
Intersegment eliminations		(110)	(345)
Canada		593	1,514
Europe		1,554	3,209
Asia Pacific and Middle East		1,388	1,949
Other International		(5)	2
Corporate and Other		19	9
Consolidated sales and other operating revenues	\$	7,716	15,415
Net Income (Loss) Attributable to ConocoPhillips		4.4	500
Alaska	\$	145	598
Lower 48		(405)	324
Canada		(158)	356
Europe Asia Pacific and Middle East		637 395	347 742
Other International			
		(93)	(29)
Corporate and Other		(249)	(235)
Discontinued operations			20
Consolidated net income (loss) attributable to ConocoPhillips	\$	272	2,123
		Millions of l	Dollars

Total Assets       Alaska     \$ 12,913     12,655       Lower 48     29,905     30,185       Canada     20,035     21,764       Europe     15,020     16,125       Asia Pacific and Middle East     25,015     25,976       Other International     2,025     1,961       Corporate and Other     5,129     7,815       Discontinued operations     -     58			OI DOMAIS
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Corporate and Other5,1297,815Discontinued operations—58	Asia Pacific and Middle East	25,015	25,976
Discontinued operations – 58	Other International	2,025	1,961
1	Corporate and Other	5,129	7,815
Consolidated total assets \$ 110,042 116,539	Discontinued operations	_	58
	Consolidated total assets	\$ 110,042	116,539

#### Note 17—Income Taxes

Our effective tax rate from continuing operations for the first quarter of 2015 was 180 percent compared with 43 percent for the first quarter of 2014. The increase in the effective tax rate was primarily due to the effect of the 2015 U.K. tax law change discussed below, partially offset by positive earnings in higher tax rate jurisdictions in 2015.

The effective tax rate in excess of the domestic federal statutory rate of 35 percent was primarily due to foreign taxes.

In the United Kingdom, legislation was enacted on March 26, 2015, to decrease the overall U.K. upstream corporation tax rate from 62 percent effective January 1, 2015. As a result, a \$555 million net tax benefit for revaluing the U.K. deferred tax liability is reflected in the "Provision (benefit) for income taxes" line on our consolidated income statement.

# Note 18-New Accounting Standards

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2014-09, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers," which outlines a single comprehensive model for entities to use in accounting for revenue arising from contracts with customers. This ASU supersedes the revenue recognition requirements in FASB Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 605, "Revenue Recognition," and most industry-specific guidance. This ASU sets forth a five-step model for determining when and how revenue is recognized. Under the model, an entity will be required to recognize revenue to depict the transfer of goods or services to a customer at an amount reflecting the consideration it expects to receive in exchange for those goods or services. Additional disclosures will be required to describe the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from customer contracts. The ASU is currently effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016. Early adoption is not permitted. Entities may choose to adopt the standard using either a full retrospective approach or a modified retrospective approach. We are currently evaluating the impact of the adoption of this ASU.

In February 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-02, "Amendments to the Consolidation Analysis," which amends existing requirements applicable to reporting entities that are required to evaluate whether certain legal entities should be consolidated. The ASU is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2015. Early adoption is permitted. Entities may choose to adopt the standard using either a full retrospective approach or a modified retrospective approach. We are currently evaluating the impact of the adoption of this ASU.

# Supplementary Information—Condensed Consolidating Financial Information

We have various cross guarantees among ConocoPhillips, ConocoPhillips Company and ConocoPhillips Canada Funding Company I, with respect to publicly held debt securities. ConocoPhillips Company is 100 percent owned by ConocoPhillips. ConocoPhillips Canada Funding Company I is an indirect, 100 percent owned subsidiary of ConocoPhillips Company. ConocoPhillips and ConocoPhillips Company have fully and unconditionally guaranteed the payment obligations of ConocoPhillips Company I, with respect to its publicly held debt securities. Similarly, ConocoPhillips has fully and unconditionally guaranteed the payment obligations of ConocoPhillips Company with respect to its publicly held debt securities. In addition, ConocoPhillips Company has fully and unconditionally guaranteed the payment obligations of ConocoPhillips with respect to its publicly held debt securities. All guarantees are joint and several. The following condensed consolidating financial information presents the results of operations, financial position and cash flows for:

- ConocoPhillips, ConocoPhillips Company and ConocoPhillips Canada Funding Company I (in each case, reflecting investments in subsidiaries utilizing the equity method of accounting).
- All other nonguarantor subsidiaries of ConocoPhillips.
- The consolidating adjustments necessary to present ConocoPhillips' results on a consolidated basis.

This condensed consolidating financial information should be read in conjunction with the accompanying consolidated financial statements and notes.

In April 2015, ConocoPhillips received a \$2 billion return of capital from ConocoPhillips Company to settle certain accumulated intercompany balances. The transaction will be reflected in the second quarter 2015 Condensed Consolidating Financial Information for ConocoPhillips and ConocoPhillips Company and is expected to have no impact on our consolidated financial statements.

	Millions of Dollars						
	<u> </u>		Thre	ee Months Ended !	March 31, 2015		
				ConocoPhillips			
			G 101.111	Canada	411.04	a	m . 1
Income Statement	Como	coPhillips	ConocoPhillips Company	Funding	All Other Subsidiaries	Consolidating Adjustments	Total Consolidated
Revenues and Other Income	Collo	corminps	Company	Company I	Substitutaties	Adjustificitis	Consortdated
Sales and other operating revenues	S	_	2,933	_	4,783	_	7,716
Equity in earnings of affiliates	Ψ	381	813		578	(1,567)	205
Gain on dispositions			31	_	21	(1,507)	52
Other income		_	7	_	22	_	29
Intercompany revenues		19	98	64	843	(1,024)	_
Total Revenues and Other Income		400	3,882	64	6,247	(2,591)	8,002
Costs and Expenses							
Purchased commodities		_	2,560	_	1,494	(817)	3,237
Production and operating expenses		_	400	_	1,434	(32)	1,802
Selling, general and administrative expenses		3	120	_	45	(9)	159
Exploration expenses		_	200	_	282	_	482
Depreciation, depletion and amortization		_	259	_	1,872	_	2,131
Impairments		_	_	_	16	_	16
Taxes other than income taxes		_	69	_	155	_	224
Accretion on discounted liabilities		_	14	_	107	_	121
Interest and debt expense		121	101	57	89	(166)	202
Foreign currency transaction (gains) losses		63	(1)	(378)	300		(16)
Total Costs and Expenses		187	3,722	(321)	5,794	(1,024)	8,358
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes		213	160	385	453	(1,567)	(356)
Provision (benefit) for income taxes		(59)	(221)	11	(373)	_	(642)
Income From Continuing Operations		272	381	374	826	(1,567)	286
Income from discontinued operations		_	_	_	_	_	
Net income		272	381	374	826	(1,567)	286
Less: net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		_	_	_	(14)	_	(14)
Net Income Attributable to ConocoPhillips	\$	272	381	374	812	(1,567)	272
Comprehensive Income (Loss) Attributable to ConocoPhillips	\$	(2,415)	(2,306)	30	(1,874)	4,150	(2,415)

			Thre	e Months Ended	March 31, 2014	ı	
	-		ConocoPhillips	ConocoPhillips Canada Funding	All Other	Consolidating	Total
Income Statement	(	ConocoPhillips	Company	Company I	Subsidiaries	Adjustments	Consolidated
Revenues and Other Income							
Sales and other operating revenues	5	s —	6,143	_	9,272	_	15,415
Equity in earnings of affiliates		2,212	2,451	_	721	(4,812)	572
Gain (loss) on dispositions		_	(1)	_	10	_	9
Other income		_	18	_	34	_	52
Intercompany revenues		20	154	71	1,643	(1,888)	_
Total Revenues and Other Income		2,232	8,765	71	11,680	(6,700)	16,048
Costs and Expenses							
Purchased commodities		_	5,517	_	3,290	(1,680)	7,127
Production and operating expenses		_	360	_	1,538	(3)	1,895
Selling, general and administrative expenses		3	124	_	69	(14)	182
Exploration expenses		_	144	_	152	_	296
Depreciation, depletion and amortization		_	242	_	1,650	_	1,892
Impairments		_	1	_	_	_	1
Taxes other than income taxes		_	93	_	558	_	651
Accretion on discounted liabilities		_	14	_	103	_	117
Interest and debt expense		159	70	58	75	(191)	171
Foreign currency transaction (gains) losses		25	_	(139)	132		18
Total Costs and Expenses		187	6,565	(81)	7,567	(1,888)	12,350
Income from continuing operations before income taxes		2,045	2,200	152	4,113	(4,812)	3,698
Provision (benefit) for income taxes		(58)	(12)	2	1,649	_	1,581
Income From Continuing Operations		2,103	2,212	150	2,464	(4,812)	2,117
Income from discontinued operations		20	20	_	20	(40)	20
Net income		2,123	2,232	150	2,484	(4,852)	2,137
Less: net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		_	_	_	(14)	_	(14)
Net Income Attributable to ConocoPhillips		\$ 2,123	2,232	150	2,470	(4,852)	2,123
Comprehensive Income Attributable to ConocoPhillips	\$	1,923	2,032	9	2,255	(4,296)	1,923

	Millions of Dollars						
	March 31, 2015						
	ConocoPhillips						
				Canada			
			ConocoPhillips	Funding	All Other	Consolidating	Total
Balance Sheet	Cono	coPhillips	Company	Company I	Subsidiaries	Adjustments	Consolidated
Assets							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	_	64	8	2,592		2,664
Accounts and notes receivable		18	1,936	20	6,989	(3,584)	5,379
Inventories		_	170	_	1,063	_	1,233
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		6	668	23	912	(45)	1,564
Total Current Assets		24	2,838	51	11,556	(3,629)	10,840
Investments, loans and long-term receivables*		53,220	70,182	3,760	30,685	(133,873)	23,974
Net properties, plants and equipment		_	9,910	_	64,310	_	74,220
Other assets		39	171	357	1,198	(757)	1,008
Total Assets	\$	53,283	83,101	4,168	107,749	(138,259)	110,042
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity							
Accounts payable	\$	_	4,477	15	5,842	(3,584)	6,750
Short-term debt		(5)	6	6	186	_	193
Accrued income and other taxes		_	67	_	797	_	864
Employee benefit obligations		_	401	_	151	_	552
Other accruals		101	332	85	731	(45)	1,204
Total Current Liabilities		96	5,283	106	7,707	(3,629)	9,563
Long-term debt		7,542	8,195	2,973	3,608	_	22,318
Asset retirement obligations and accrued environmental costs		_	1,335	_	8,969	_	10,304
Deferred income taxes		_	244	_	13,804	(6)	14,042
Employee benefit obligations		_	2,169	_	810	_	2,979
Other liabilities and deferred credits*		3,552	7,583	1,048	16,370	(26,725)	1,828
Total Liabilities		11,190	24,809	4,127	51,268	(30,360)	61,034
Retained earnings		37,345	21,828	(722)	18,163	(32,747)	43,867
Other common stockholders' equity		4,748	36,464	763	37,962	(75,152)	4,785
Noncontrolling interests		_		_	356		356
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$	53,283	83,101	4,168	107,749	(138,259)	110,042

<sup>\*</sup>Includes intercompany loans.

	December 31, 2014					
			ConocoPhillips			
		ConocoPhillips	Canada Funding	All Other	Consolidating	Total
Balance Sheet	ConocoPhillips	Company	Company I	Subsidiaries	Adjustments	Consolidated
Assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	s —	770	7	4,285	_	5,062
Accounts and notes receivable	20	2,813	22	6,671	(2,719)	6,807
Inventories	_	281	_	1,050		1,331
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	6	754	15	1,138	(45)	1,868
Total Current Assets	26	4,618	44	13,144	(2,764)	15,068
Investments, loans and long-term receivables*	55,568	70,732	3,965	32,467	(137,593)	25,139
Net properties, plants and equipment	_	9,730	_	65,714	_	75,444
Other assets	40	67	208	1,338	(765)	888
Total Assets	55,634	85,147	4,217	112,663	(141,122)	116,539
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity						
Accounts payable	1	4,149	14	6,581	(2,719)	8,026
Short-term debt	(5)	6	5	176	_	182
Accrued income and other taxes	_	117	_	934	_	1,051
Employee benefit obligations	_	595	_	283	_	878
Other accruals	170	337	71	868	(46)	1,400
Total Current Liabilities	166	5,204	90	8,842	(2,765)	11,537
Long-term debt	7,541	8,197	2,974	3,671	_	22,383
Asset retirement obligations and accrued environmental costs	_	1,328	_	9,319	_	10,647
Deferred income taxes	_	265	_	14,811	(6)	15,070
Employee benefit obligations	_	2,162	_	802	_	2,964
Other liabilities and deferred credits*	2,577	7,391	1,142	17,218	(26,663)	1,665
Total Liabilities	10,284	24,547	4,206	54,663	(29,434)	64,266
Retained earnings	37,983	21,448	(1,096)	17,355	(31,186)	44,504
Other common stockholders' equity	7,367	39,152	1,107	40,283	(80,502)	7,407
Noncontrolling interests		_	_	362		362
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$ 55,634	85,147	4,217	112,663	(141,122)	116,539

<sup>\*</sup>Includes intercompany loans.

	Millions of Dollars					
		T	hree Months Ende	d March 31, 2015		
			ConocoPhillips			
			Canada			
Statement of Cash Flows	ConocoPhillips	ConocoPhillips	Funding Company I	All Other Subsidiaries	Consolidating Adjustments	Total Consolidated
Cash Flows From Operating Activities	Conocorninps	Company	Company 1	Subsidiaries	Adjustificitis	Consortuated
Net cash provided by (used in) continuing operating activities	\$ (131)	(171)	1	2,082	89	1,870
Net cash provided by (used in) discontinued operations	\$ (131)	(1/1)	1	2,082	0.9	1,670
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities	(131)	(171)	1	2,082	89	1,870
Cash Flows From Investing Activities	(131)	(171)		2,002	0,	1,070
Capital expenditures and investments		(941)		(2,759)	368	(3,332)
Proceeds from asset dispositions	_	88	_	88	(3)	173
Long-term advances/loans—related parties	_	(72)	_	(1,482)	1,554	
Collection of advances/loans—related parties	_	(· -)	_	52	_	52
Intercompany cash management	974	(1,085)	_	111	_	_
Other	_	(7)	_	(2)	_	(9)
Net cash provided by (used in) continuing investing activities	974	(2,017)	_	(3,992)	1,919	(3,116)
Net cash provided by (used in) discontinued operations	_	_	_	_	_	_
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Investing Activities	974	(2,017)	_	(3,992)	1,919	(3,116)
Cash Flows From Financing Activities						
Issuance of debt	_	1,482	_	72	(1,554)	_
Repayment of debt	_	_	_	(57)	_	(57)
Issuance of company common stock	66	_	_	_	(100)	(34)
Dividends paid	(910)	_	_	(11)	11	(910)
Other	1			346	(365)	(18)
Net cash provided by (used in) continuing financing activities	(843)	1,482	_	350	(2,008)	(1,019)
Net cash used in discontinued operations	_	_	_	_	_	_
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Financing Activities	(843)	1,482	_	350	(2,008)	(1,019)
Effect of Exchange Rate Changes on Cash and Cash Equivalents	_		_	(133)	_	(133)
Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents	_	(706)	1	(1,693)	_	(2,398)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		770	7	4,285	_	5,062
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period	s —	64	8	2,592	_	2,664

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2014						
			ConocoPhillips	ConocoPhillips Canada Funding	All Other	Consolidating	Total
Statement of Cash Flows	Cono	coPhillips	Company	Company I	Subsidiaries	Adjustments	Consolidated
Cash Flows From Operating Activities							
Net cash provided by (used in) continuing operating activities	\$	(134)	373	1	5,976	62	6,278
Net cash provided by (used in) discontinued operations			100		121	(163)	58
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities		(134)	473	1	6,097	(101)	6,336
Cash Flows From Investing Activities							
Capital expenditures and investments		_	(662)	_	(3,378)	145	(3,895)
Proceeds from asset dispositions		_	(1)	_	49	_	48
Net sales (purchases) of short-term investments		_	_	_	63	_	63
Long-term advances/loans—related parties		_	(44)	_	(2)	46	_
Collection of advances/loans—related parties		_	15	_	47	_	62
Intercompany cash management		1,325	1,486	_	(2,811)	_	_
Other		_	18	_	(6)	34	46
Net cash provided by (used in) continuing investing activities		1,325	812	_	(6,038)	225	(3,676)
Net cash provided by (used in) discontinued operations		_	(1)	_	(22)	1	(22)
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Investing Activities		1,325	811	_	(6,060)	226	(3,698)
Cash Flows From Financing Activities							
Issuance of debt		_	_	_	46	(46)	_
Repayment of debt		(400)	_	_	(50)	_	(450)
Issuance of company common stock		63	_	_	_	(95)	(32)
Dividends paid		(855)	_	_	(96)	96	(855)
Other		1	_	_	161	(179)	(17)
Net cash provided by (used in) continuing financing activities		(1,191)	_	_	61	(224)	(1,354)
Net cash provided by (used in) discontinued operations		_	_	_	(99)	99	_
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Financing Activities		(1,191)	_	_	(38)	(125)	(1,354)
Effect of Exchange Rate Changes on Cash and Cash Equivalents			_	_	(10)	_	(10)
Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents		_	1,284	1	(11)	_	1,274
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		_	2,434	229	3,583	_	6,246
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period	\$	_	3,718	230	3,572	_	7,520

#### Item 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Management's Discussion and Analysis is the Company's analysis of its financial performance and of significant trends that may affect future performance. It should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes. It contains forward-looking statements including, without limitation, statements relating to the Company's plans, strategies, objectives, expectations and intentions that are made pursuant to the "safe harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The words "anticipate," "estimate," "believe," "budget," "continue," "could," "intend," "may," "plan," "potential," "predict," "seek," "should," "will," "would," "expect," "objective," "projection," "forecast," "goal," "guidance," "outlook," "effort," "target" and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements. The Company does not undertake to update, revise or correct any of the forward-looking information unless required to do so under the federal securities laws. Readers are cautioned that such forward-looking statements should be read in conjunction with the Company's disclosures under the heading: "CAUTIONARY STATEMENT FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE 'SAFE HARBOR' PROVISIONS OF THE PRIVATE SECURITIES LITIGATION REFORM ACT OF 1995," beginning on page 45.

Due to discontinued operations reporting, income (loss) from continuing operations is more representative of ConocoPhillips' earnings. The terms "earnings" and "loss" as used in Management's Discussion and Analysis refer to income (loss) from continuing operations.

# BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT AND EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW

ConocoPhillips is the world's largest independent exploration and production (E&P) company, based on proved reserves and production of liquids and natural gas. Headquartered in Houston, Texas, we had operations and activities in 27 countries, approximately 18,800 employees worldwide and total assets of \$110 billion as of March 31, 2015.

#### Overview

We are an independent E&P company focused on exploring for, developing and producing crude oil and natural gas globally. Our diverse portfolio primarily includes resource-rich North American unconventional assets; oil sands assets in Canada; lower-risk legacy assets in North America, Europe, Asia and Australia; several major international developments; and an inventory of global conventional and unconventional exploration prospects.

Our value proposition to our shareholders is to deliver a compelling dividend and predictable growth, with a focus on margins and financial returns. In response to a view that commodity prices could be lower and more volatile in the future, we recently updated our three-year operating plan. The plan anticipates annual capital spending of about \$11.5 billion in 2015 to 2017, a decrease of about 30 percent compared to the company's previous plan. Based on this revised plan, we expect to deliver on our value proposition, while achieving production of 1.7 million barrels of oil equivalent per day and cash flow neutrality (cash from continuing operations sufficient to fund our dividend and capital program) in 2017. To achieve these goals, we plan to continue to invest in high-margin developments, apply technical capabilities, maintain financial flexibility and actively pursue operating cost reductions. We have targeted a \$1 billion reduction in operating costs in 2016, compared with 2014. Operating costs include production and operating expense; selling, general and administrative expense; and exploration expense excluding dry hole and impairment expense.

Based on our announced 2015 capital budget of \$11.5 billion, we expect to achieve 2 to 3 percent production growth in 2015 through investments in our conventional and unconventional assets, as well as project startups, which include Surmont 2, Australia Pacific LNG Pty Ltd (APLNG), CD5, Drill Site 2 and Enochdhu. During the first quarter, the company achieved first production at Eldfisk II and the Brodgar H3 subsea tie-back in Europe and Bayu-Undan Phase III in Australia

We achieved production of 1,610 thousand barrels of oil equivalent per day (MBOED) in the first quarter of 2015. Adjusted for downtime and dispositions of 2 MBOED, our production from continuing operations, excluding Libya, increased by 82 MBOED, or 5 percent, compared with the first quarter of 2014. Consistent with our commitment to offer our shareholders a compelling dividend, we paid dividends on our common stock of \$0.9 billion.

We participate in a capital-intensive industry. As a result, we invest significant capital to acquire acreage, explore for new oil and natural gas fields, develop newly discovered fields, maintain existing fields, and construct infrastructure and liquefied natural gas (LNG) facilities. In the first quarter of 2015, we funded \$3.3 billion of capital expenditures, or 29 percent of our annual capital budget. Capital spending is expected to decrease throughout the year as major projects come online and activity ramps down from first quarter levels. We use a disciplined approach to allocate capital to the investment opportunities that will provide the most attractive investment returns in our portfolio. We are focused on growing organically and target investments that will drive higher-margin production from oil, condensate and LNG projects. During the past few years, we have dramatically reduced dry gas drilling in North America. We expect a continued shift in our production mix, as investments bring more liquids production online. As our major capital projects start up, we plan to direct more of our capital to unconventionals, while maintaining the flexibility to respond to changing market conditions. We continue to actively monitor the commodity price environment and will further reduce capital and/or exercise capacity on our balance sheet, as necessary.

# **Basis of Presentation**

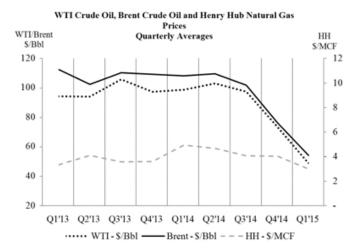
Effective April 1, 2014, the Other International segment was restructured to focus on enhancing our capability to operate in emerging and new country business units. As a result, we moved the Latin America and Poland businesses from the historically presented Lower 48 and Latin America segment and the Europe segment to the Other International segment. Results of operations for the Lower 48, Europe and Other International segments have been revised for all periods presented. There was no impact on our consolidated financial results, and the impact on our segment presentation was immaterial. For additional information, see Note 16—Segment Disclosures and Related Information, in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

# **Business Environment**

The energy landscape has changed dramatically in the past year. In the first half of 2014, strong crude oil prices were supported by geopolitical tensions impacting supplies, as well as global oil demand growth. This was followed by an abrupt decline in prices beginning in mid-2014 to near five-year lows, as surging production growth from U.S. shale and the decision by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) to maintain production outweighed fears of supply disruptions. This, combined with lower forecasts for global oil demand growth, caused crude oil prices to plummet at the end of 2014. Prices remained low, in the upper \$40- to low \$50-per-barrel range, in the first quarter of 2015.

The energy industry has periodically experienced this type of extreme volatility due to fluctuating supply and demand conditions. Dramatic swings in commodity prices impact our profitability and cash flows, but are largely beyond our control. Commodity prices are the most significant factor impacting our profitability and related reinvestment of operating cash flows into our business. Other dynamics which have influenced world energy markets and commodity prices included the global financial crisis and recession, which began in 2008, supply disruptions or fears thereof caused by civil unrest or military conflicts, environmental laws, tax regulations, governmental policies and weather-related disruptions. North America's energy landscape has been transformed from resource scarcity to an abundance of supply, as a result of advances in technology responsible for the rapid growth of shale production, successful exploration and development in the deepwater Gulf of Mexico and rising production from the Canadian oil sands. In order to navigate through a volatile market, our strategy is to maintain a strong balance sheet with a diverse and flexible portfolio of assets that can provide the resilience to withstand challenging business cycles.

Our earnings generally correlate with industry price levels for crude oil and natural gas. These are commodity products, the prices of which are subject to factors external to the Company and over which we have no control. The following graph depicts the trend in average benchmark prices for West Texas Intermediate (WTI) crude oil, Dated Brent crude oil and U.S. Henry Hub (HH) natural gas:



Brent crude oil prices averaged \$53.97 per barrel in the first quarter of 2015, a decrease of 50 percent compared with \$108.22 per barrel in the first quarter of 2014. Industry crude prices for WTI averaged \$48.56 per barrel in the first quarter of 2015, a decrease of 51 percent compared with \$98.75 per barrel in the first quarter of 2014. Crude oil prices have remained under pressure in the first quarter of 2015 due to increased U.S. production, OPEC's decision to maintain production levels, and weaker-than-expected demand in Europe and Asia.

Henry Hub natural gas prices averaged \$2.99 per thousand cubic feet (MCF) in the first quarter of 2015, a decrease of 40 percent compared with \$4.94 per MCF in the first quarter of 2014. Natural gas prices remained under pressure as production growth continued and U.S. underground gas storage inventories stayed near the five-year average even after a colder-than-normal winter.

While the Canadian heavy crude differential versus WTI remained relatively constant between the fourth quarter of 2014 and first quarter of 2015, declining global crude oil prices contributed to the Western Canada Select benchmark price experiencing a significant decline in the first quarter of 2015, from \$58.90 per barrel in the fourth quarter of 2014 to \$33.86 per barrel in the first quarter of 2015. As a result, our realized bitumen price experienced a corresponding decrease, from \$37.76 per barrel in the fourth quarter of 2014 to \$17.22 per barrel in the first quarter of 2015, a decrease of 54 percent.

Our total average realized price was \$36.96 per barrel of oil equivalent (BOE) in the first quarter of 2015, a decrease of 48 percent compared with \$71.21 per BOE in the first quarter of 2014, which reflected lower average realized prices for crude oil, natural gas, bitumen and natural gas liquids.

# **Key Operating and Financial Highlights**

Significant highlights during the first quarter of 2015 included the following:

- First-quarter total production of 1,610 MBOED represents a 5 percent growth in production from continuing operations when adjusted for Libya, downtime and dispositions, compared to the same period in 2014.
- First production at Eldfisk II and the Brodgar H3 subsea tie-back in Europe, as well as Bayu-Undan Phase III in Australia.
- · On track for five major project startups at Surmont 2, APLNG, Enochdhu, CD5 and Drill Site 2S by year-end.
- Exploration and appraisal activity ongoing with conventional activity in the Gulf of Mexico and Angola; unconventional activity in the Lower 48 and Canada.

# Outlook

# Production and Capital Guidance

Second-quarter 2015 production guidance, excluding Libya, is expected to be 1,555 MBOED to 1,595 MBOED, reflecting planned downtime and turnaround activity. Full-year 2015 production is unchanged from previous guidance and is expected to grow 2 to 3 percent, excluding Libya.

We are on track to achieve our target of \$11.5 billion in capital expenditures and investments in 2015. Capital spending is expected to decrease throughout the year as major projects come online and activity ramps down from first quarter levels.

# RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Unless otherwise indicated, discussion of results for the three-month period ended March 31, 2015, is based on a comparison with the corresponding period of 2014.

# **Consolidated Results**

A summary of the Company's income (loss) from continuing operations by business segment follows:

	1	ollars	
	T	hree Months	Ended
		March 31	1
		2015	2014
Alaska	\$	145	598
Lower 48		(405)	324
Canada		(158)	356
Europe		637	347
Asia Pacific and Middle East		409	756
Other International		(93)	(29)
Corporate and Other		(249)	(235)
Income from continuing operations	\$	286	2,117

Earnings for ConocoPhillips decreased 86 percent in the first quarter of 2015. The decrease primarily resulted from lower commodity prices.

In addition, earnings were negatively impacted by:

- Higher depreciation, depletion and amortization (DD&A) expenses, mainly due to higher volumes, partly offset by lower unit-of-production rates from reserve additions.
- · Higher exploration expenses.

These items were partially offset by:

- A \$555 million net deferred tax benefit resulting from a change in the U.K. tax rate.
- Higher crude oil, bitumen and LNG sales volumes and a continued portfolio shift toward liquids.
- The absence of an \$83 million after-tax loss in the first quarter of 2014 related to releases of capacity on transportation and storage capacity agreements.
- Lower operating expenses.

See the "Segment Results" section for additional information.

# **Income Statement Analysis**

Sales and other operating revenues decreased 50 percent in the first quarter of 2015, mainly as a result of lower prices across all commodities, partly offset by higher crude oil, bitumen, LNG and natural gas volumes.

Equity in earnings of affiliates decreased 64 percent in the first quarter of 2015, primarily as a result of lower earnings from the FCCL Partnership and Qatargas 3 (QG3) due to lower commodity prices. This decrease is partly offset by benefits of foreign exchange-related tax impacts from APLNG.

<u>Purchased commodities</u> decreased 55 percent in the first quarter of 2015, largely as a result of lower natural gas prices and the absence of a \$130 million loss in the Lower 48 related to transportation and storage capacity agreements.

<u>Production and operating expenses</u> decreased 5 percent in the first quarter of 2015 as a result of favorable foreign exchange-related impacts in Canada and lower operating expense activity across all segments, partly offset by restructuring charges.

Exploration expenses increased 63 percent in the first quarter of 2015 primarily due to increased dry hole costs associated with the Omosi-1 well in Angola and the Harrier prospect in the Gulf of Mexico.

DD&A increased 13 percent in the first quarter of 2015. The increase was mostly associated with higher production volumes in the Lower 48, Canada, and Asia Pacific and Middle East (APME). The increase was partly offset by lower unit-of-production rates in Lower 48 and Canada, as well as favorable foreign exchange-related impacts in Canada.

Taxes other than income taxes decreased 66 percent in the first quarter of 2015, mainly as a result of lower crude oil prices and volumes in Alaska and lower commodity prices in APME.

See Note 17—Income Taxes, in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, for information regarding our <u>provision for income taxes</u> and effective tax rate.

# **Summary Operating Statistics**

	Tl	hree Month March	
		2015	2014
Average Net Production			
Crude oil (MBD)*		622	599
Natural gas liquids (MBD)		155	159
Bitumen (MBD)		156	124
Natural gas (MMCFD)**		4,059	3,901
Total Production (MBOED)		1,610	1,532
		Dollars Pe	r Unit
Average Sales Prices			
Crude oil (per barrel)	\$	48.05	101.59
Natural gas liquids (per barrel)		19.60	46.52
Bitumen (per barrel)		17.22	56.47
Natural gas (per thousand cubic feet)		4.72	7.55
	<u>N</u>	Millions of	Dollars
Exploration Expenses			
General administrative, geological and geophysical, and lease rentals	\$	171	227
Leasehold impairment		40	46
Dry holes		271	23

Excludes discontinued operations.

We explore for, produce, transport and market crude oil, bitumen, natural gas, LNG and natural gas liquids on a worldwide basis. At March 31, 2015, our continuing operations were producing in the United States, Norway, the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, Timor-Leste, Indonesia, China, Malaysia, Qatar, Libya and Russia.

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Total production from continuing operations, including Libya, increased 5 percent in the first quarter of 2015 compared with the same period in 2014, while average liquids production increased 6 percent over the same period. The increase in total average production primarily resulted from additional production from major developments, mainly from shale plays in the Lower 48 and the ramp up of production from Gumusut in Malaysia, APLNG in Australia, the Jasmine Field and the Britannia Long-Term Compression Project in the U.K. and Foster Creek Phase F in Canada, as well as improved well performance, mostly in the Lower 48, western Canada and Norway. These increases were largely offset by normal field decline. In the first quarter of 2015, we achieved production of 1,610 MBOED. Adjusted for downtime and dispositions of 2 MBOED, our production from continuing operations, excluding Libya, increased by 82 MBOED, or 5 percent, compared with the first quarter of 2014.

<sup>\*</sup>Thousands of barrels per day.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Millions of cubic feet per day. Represents quantities available for sale and excludes gas equivalent of natural gas liquids included above.

# **Segment Results**

# Alaska

	T	hs Ended 31	
		2015	2014
Income from Continuing Operations (millions of dollars)	\$	145	598
Average Net Production			
Crude oil (MBD)		163	175
Natural gas liquids (MBD)		14	16
Natural gas (MMCFD)		52	55
Total Production (MBOED)		186	200
Average Sales Prices			
Crude oil (dollars per barrel)	\$	50.74	106.39
Natural gas (dollars per thousand cubic feet)		4.29	5.22

The Alaska segment primarily explores for, produces, transports and markets crude oil, natural gas liquids, natural gas and LNG. As of March 31, 2015, Alaska contributed 19 percent of our worldwide liquids production and 1 percent of our worldwide natural gas production.

Alaska operations reported earnings of \$145 million in the first quarter of 2015, a \$453 million decrease compared with the same period in 2014. The decrease in earnings was primarily due to lower crude oil prices. Lower sales volumes also contributed to the earnings decrease, but were offset by lower production taxes, which also mainly resulted from lower crude oil prices and volumes.

Average production decreased 7 percent in the first quarter of 2015 compared with the same period in 2014, due to normal field decline and downtime, partially offset by improved well performance.

#### Lower 48

	T	s Ended	
		31	
		2015	2014
Income (Loss) from Continuing Operations (millions of dollars)	\$	(405)	324
Average Net Production			
Crude oil (MBD)		198	171
Natural gas liquids (MBD)		93	91
Natural gas (MMCFD)		1,505	1,468
Total Production (MBOED)		542	507
Average Sales Prices			
Crude oil (dollars per barrel)	\$	40.77	91.52
Natural gas liquids (dollars per barrel)		15.55	36.06
Natural gas (dollars per thousand cubic feet)		2.60	5.08

As of March 31, 2015, the Lower 48 contributed 31 percent of our worldwide liquids production and 38 percent of our worldwide natural gas production. The Lower 48 segment consists of operations located in the U.S. Lower 48 states and exploration activities in the Gulf of Mexico.

Lower 48 operations reported a loss of \$405 million in the first quarter of 2015, a \$729 million decrease compared with the same quarter of 2014, primarily due to lower crude oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids prices. In addition, higher DD&A, mainly from increased crude oil production; the absence of the earnings benefit from marketing third-party natural gas volumes realized in the first quarter of 2014; and increased dry hole expense contributed to the decrease in earnings. These decreases were partially offset by higher volumes and the absence of an \$83 million after-tax loss recognized in the first quarter of 2014 upon the release of underutilized transportation and storage capacity at rates below our contractual rates.

Rising U.S. production and an increase in pipeline capacity to the Gulf Coast have put downward pressure on Gulf Coast crude oil prices. Prices for Permian Basin crude oil production have been impacted by production increases exceeding pipeline offtake additions. In the first quarter of 2015, our average realized crude oil price of \$40.77 per barrel was 16 percent less than WTI of \$48.56 per barrel. Current market dynamics indicate this crude differential may remain relatively wide in the near-term.

Total average production in the Lower 48 increased 7 percent in the first quarter of 2015, while average crude oil production increased 16 percent over the same period. The increase in the first quarter of 2015 was mainly attributable to new production, primarily from Eagle Ford and Bakken, and improved drilling and well performance, partially offset by normal field decline, increased ethane rejection and winter weather impacts.

# Exploration Update

In April 2015, we began plug and abandon operations on the Harrier exploration well, located in Mississippi Canyon Block 118. As a result, we recorded an approximately \$61 million after-tax charge to dry hole expense in the first quarter of 2015. The non-operated Vernaccia exploration well, located in Mississippi Canyon Block 35, is expected to spud in the third quarter of 2015.

## Canada

	Three Months Ended		
		March 31	
		2015	2014
Income (Loss) from Continuing Operations (millions of dollars)	\$	(158)	356
Average Net Production			
Crude oil (MBD)		14	13
Natural gas liquids (MBD)		25	25
Bitumen (MBD)			
Consolidated operations		12	13
Equity affiliates		144	111
Total bitumen		156	124
Natural gas (MMCFD)		736	707
Total Production (MBOED)		318	280
Average Sales Prices			
Crude oil (dollars per barrel)	\$	37.12	80.32
Natural gas liquids (dollars per barrel)		18.28	56.13
Bitumen (dollars per barrel)			
Consolidated operations		24.31	61.69
Equity affiliates		16.60	55.85
Total bitumen		17.22	56.47
Natural gas (dollars per thousand cubic feet)		2.21	5.81

Our Canadian operations mainly consist of natural gas fields in western Canada and oil sands developments in the Athabasca Region of northeastern Alberta. As of March 31, 2015, Canada contributed 21 percent of our worldwide liquids production and 18 percent of our worldwide natural gas production.

Canada operations reported a loss of \$158 million in the first quarter of 2015, a \$514 million decrease compared with the same quarter of 2014. The decrease in earnings was primarily due to lower bitumen and natural gas prices. The decrease was partially offset by higher production volumes; lower operating expenses from favorable foreign currency impacts; and lower DD&A resulting from favorable foreign currency impacts, lower unit-of-production rates from reserve additions, and year-end 2014 price-related reserve revisions.

Total average production increased 14 percent in the first quarter of 2015, while bitumen production increased 26 percent in the same period. The increase in total production in the first quarter of 2015 was mainly attributable to lower royalty impacts, strong operational performance at FCCL, improved drilling and well performance and the continued ramp-up of production from Foster Creek Phase F. These increases were partly offset by normal field decline.

## Europe

	Three Months Ended March 31	
	2015	2014
Income from Continuing Operations (millions of dollars)	637	347
Average Net Production		
Crude oil (MBD)	120	135
Natural gas liquids (MBD)	7	7
Natural gas (MMCFD)	494	472
Total Production (MBOED)	209	220
Average Sales Prices		
Crude oil (dollars per barrel)	\$ 54.30	109.05
Natural gas liquids (dollars per barrel)	29.90	60.48
Natural gas (dollars per thousand cubic feet)	8.33	10.94

The Europe segment consists of operations principally located in the Norwegian and U.K. sectors of the North Sea, as well as exploration activities in Greenland. As of March 31, 2015, our Europe operations contributed 14 percent of our worldwide liquids production and 12 percent of our worldwide natural gas production.

Europe operations reported earnings of \$637 million in the first quarter of 2015, an increase of \$290 million compared with the same period in 2014. The increase in earnings was primarily due to a \$555 million net deferred tax benefit as a result of a change in the U.K. tax rate, effective at the beginning of 2015. Higher earnings were partially offset by lower crude oil and natural gas prices.

Average production decreased 5 percent in the first quarter of 2015, compared to the same period in 2014. The decrease was mostly due to normal field decline, partly offset by continued ramp-up of production from the Jasmine Field and the Britannia Long-Term Compression Project in the U.K., as well as lower unplanned downtime.

## **Asia Pacific and Middle East**

	Three Mon Marc	
	2015	2014
Income from Continuing Operations (millions of dollars)	\$ 409	756
Average Net Production		
Crude oil (MBD)		
Consolidated operations	108	86
Equity affiliates	15	14
Total crude oil	123	100
Natural gas liquids (MBD)		
Consolidated operations	9	13
Equity affiliates	7	7
Total natural gas liquids	16	20
Natural gas (MMCFD)		
Consolidated operations	711	726
Equity affiliates	561	469
Total natural gas	1,272	1,195
Total Production (MBOED)	351	319
Average Sales Prices		
Crude oil (dollars per barrel)		
Consolidated operations	\$ 51.20	104.92
Equity affiliates	52.70	107.49
Total crude oil	51.38	105.32
Natural gas liquids (dollars per barrel)		
Consolidated operations	40.90	80.07
Equity affiliates	38.80	79.91
Total natural gas liquids	39.99	80.01
Natural gas (dollars per thousand cubic feet)	# 22	10.22
Consolidated operations	7.23 7.48	10.32 10.43
Equity affiliates	7.34	10.43
Total natural gas	/.34	10.3 /

The Asia Pacific and Middle East segment has operations in China, Indonesia, Malaysia, Australia, Timor-Leste and Qatar, as well as exploration activities in Bangladesh, Brunei and Myanmar. As of March 31, 2015, Asia Pacific and Middle East contributed 15 percent of our worldwide liquids production and 31 percent of our worldwide natural gas production.

Asia Pacific and Middle East operations reported earnings of \$409 million in the first quarter of 2015, a \$347 million decrease compared with the same period in 2014. The decrease in first-quarter 2015 earnings was mainly due to lower prices across all commodities and higher DD&A from increased crude oil production. The decrease was partially offset by increased crude oil and natural gas volumes; lower production taxes, as a result of lower crude oil prices; and higher equity earnings from foreign exchange tax-related impacts.

Average production increased 10 percent in the first quarter of 2015 compared with the same period of 2014, mainly attributable to new production from Gumusut, in Malaysia, which came online in the fourth quarter of 2014; the ramp up of APLNG production due to additional gas processing facilities online; and improved well performance. The increases were partially offset by normal field decline.

## Other International

	T1	Three Months Ended March 31	
		2015	2014
Income (Loss) from Continuing Operations (millions of dollars)	\$	(93)	(29)
Average Net Production			
Crude oil (MBD)			
Consolidated operations		_	1
Equity affiliates		4	4
Total crude oil		4	5
Natural gas (MMCFD)		_	4
Total Production (MBOED)		4	6
Average Sales Prices			
Crude oil (dollars per barrel)			
Equity affiliates		36.09	67.82
Total crude oil		36.09	67.82
Natural gas (dollars per thousand cubic feet)		_	6.65

The Other International segment includes operations in Libya and Russia, as well as exploration activities in Colombia, Poland, Angola, Senegal and Azerbaijan. As of March 31, 2015, Other International contributed less than one percent of our worldwide liquids production.

Other International operations reported a loss of \$93 million in the first quarter of 2015, compared with a loss of \$29 million in the first quarter of 2014. The decrease in earnings was primarily due to higher exploration expenses related to the \$81 million after-tax dry hole expense for the Omosi-1 well.

Average production decreased by 2 MBOED in the first quarter of 2015 compared with the same period in 2014, due to normal field decline. Libya production remains shut in, as the Es Sider crude oil export terminal closure has continued throughout the first quarter of 2015. The 2015 drilling program remains uncertain as a result of the ongoing civil unrest.

# Exploration Update

In April 2015, we plugged and abandoned the Omosi-1 exploration well, located in Block 37 offshore Angola. As a result, we recorded an approximately \$81 million after-tax charge to dry hole expense in the first quarter of 2015. Vali-1, the third wildcat in our planned four-well exploration program in the Kwanza Basin, was spud in April 2015.

## Corporate and Other

	J	Millions of Dollars Three Months Ended	
	T		
		March 31	
		2015	2014
Income (Loss) from Continuing Operations			
Net interest	\$	(155)	(163)
Corporate general and administrative expenses		(21)	(31)
Technology		(16)	(28)
Other		(57)	(13)
	\$	(249)	(235)

Net interest consists of interest and financing expense, net of interest income and capitalized interest, as well as premiums incurred on the early retirement of debt. Net interest decreased 5 percent in the first quarter of 2015 compared with the same period in 2014, primarily as a result of a tax benefit associated with the election of the fair market value method of apportioning interest expense in the United States, partly offset by lower capitalized interest on projects.

Technology includes our investment in new technologies or businesses, as well as licensing revenues. Activities are focused on heavy oil and oil sands, unconventional reservoirs, LNG, and subsurface, arctic and deepwater technologies, with an underlying commitment to environmental responsibility. Losses from Technology were \$16 million in the first quarter of 2015, compared with losses of \$28 million in the same period of 2014. The decrease in losses primarily resulted from lower research and development expenses and higher licensing revenues.

The category "Other" includes certain foreign currency transaction gains and losses, environmental costs associated with sites no longer in operation, and other costs not directly associated with an operating segment. "Other" expenses increased \$44 million in the first quarter of 2015 compared with the same period in 2014, primarily due to higher foreign currency transaction losses and restructuring charges incurred in the first quarter of 2015.

## CAPITAL RESOURCES AND LIQUIDITY

#### **Financial Indicators**

	Million	s of Dollars
	March 31	December 31
	2015	2014
Short-term debt	\$ 193	182
Total debt	22,511	22,565
Total equity	49,008	52,273
Percent of total debt to capital*	31%	<b>6</b> 30
Percent of floating-rate debt to total debt	5%	<b>6</b> 5

<sup>\*</sup>Capital includes total debt and total equity.

To meet our short- and long-term liquidity requirements, we look to a variety of funding sources. Cash generated from continuing operating activities is the primary source of funding. During the first three months of 2015, the primary uses of our available cash were \$3,332 million to support our ongoing capital expenditures and investments program, \$910 million to pay dividends and \$57 million to repay debt. During the first three months of 2015, cash and cash equivalents decreased by \$2,398 million, to \$2,664 million.

In addition to cash flows from operating activities and proceeds from asset sales, we rely on our commercial paper and credit facility programs and our shelf registration statement to support our short- and long-term liquidity requirements. We believe current cash balances and cash generated by operations, together with access to external sources of funds as described below in the "Significant Sources of Capital" section, will be sufficient to meet our funding requirements in the near- and long-term, including our capital spending program, dividend payments, and required debt payments.

## Significant Sources of Capital

#### Operating Activities

Cash provided by continuing operating activities was \$1,870 million for the first three months of 2015, compared with \$6,278 million for the corresponding period of 2014, a 70 percent decrease. The decrease was primarily due to lower prices across all commodities and the absence of the \$1.3 billion distribution from FCCL in the first quarter of 2014. The distribution from FCCL resulted from our \$2.8 billion prepayment of the remaining joint venture acquisition obligation in 2013, which substantially increased the financial flexibility of our 50 percent owned FCCL Partnership. We do not expect this individually significant distribution to recur in the future under current economic conditions.

While the stability of our cash flows from operating activities benefits from geographic diversity, our short- and long-term operating cash flows are highly dependent upon prices for crude oil, bitumen, natural gas, LNG and natural gas liquids. Prices and margins in our industry have historically been volatile and are driven by market conditions over which we have no control. Absent other mitigating factors, as these prices and margins fluctuate, we would expect a corresponding change in our operating cash flows.

The level of absolute production volumes, as well as product and location mix, impacts our cash flows. Production levels are impacted by such factors as the volatile crude oil and natural gas price environment, which may impact investment decisions; the effects of price changes on production sharing and variable-royalty contracts; acquisition and disposition of fields; field production decline rates; new technologies; operating efficiencies; timing of startups and major turnarounds; political instability; weather-related disruptions; and the addition of proved reserves through exploratory success and their timely and cost-effective development. While we actively manage these factors, production levels can cause variability in cash flows, although generally this variability has not been as significant as that caused by commodity prices.

## Commercial Paper and Credit Facilities

At March 31, 2015, we had a revolving credit facility totaling \$7.0 billion expiring in June 2019. Our revolving credit facility may be used for direct bank borrowings, for the issuance of letters of credit totaling up to \$500 million, or as support for our commercial paper programs. The revolving credit facility is broadly syndicated among financial institutions and does not contain any material adverse change provisions or any covenants requiring maintenance of specified financial ratios or credit ratings. The facility agreement contains a cross-default provision relating to the failure to pay principal or interest on other debt obligations of \$200 million or more by ConocoPhillips, or any of its consolidated subsidiaries.

Credit facility borrowings may bear interest at a margin above rates offered by certain designated banks in the London interbank market as administered by ICE Benchmark Administration or at a margin above the overnight federal funds rate or prime rates offered by certain designated banks in the United States. The agreement calls for commitment fees on available, but unused, amounts. The agreement also contains early termination rights if our current directors or their approved successors cease to be a majority of the Board of Directors.

Our primary funding source for short-term working capital needs is the ConocoPhillips \$6.1 billion commercial paper program. Commercial paper maturities are generally limited to 90 days. We also have the ConocoPhillips Qatar Funding Ltd. \$900 million commercial paper program, which is used to fund commitments relating to Qatar Liquefied Gas Company Limited (3). At both March 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, we had no direct borrowings or letters of credit issued under the revolving credit facility. In addition, under the ConocoPhillips Qatar Funding Ltd. commercial paper programs, \$806 million of commercial paper was outstanding at March 31, 2015, compared with \$860 million at December 31, 2014. Since we had \$806 million of commercial paper outstanding and had issued no letters of credit, we had access to \$6.2 billion in borrowing capacity under our revolving credit facility at March 31, 2015.

Certain of our project-related contracts and derivative instruments contain provisions requiring us to post collateral. Many of these contracts and instruments permit us to post either cash or letters of credit as collateral. At March 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, we had direct bank letters of credit of \$472 million and \$802 million, respectively, which secured performance obligations related to various purchase commitments incident to the ordinary conduct of business.

## Shelf Registration

We have a universal shelf registration statement on file with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission under which we, as a well-known seasoned issuer, have the ability to issue and sell an indeterminate amount of various types of debt and equity securities.

# **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

As part of our normal ongoing business operations and consistent with normal industry practice, we enter into numerous agreements with other parties to pursue business opportunities, which share costs and apportion risks among the parties as governed by the agreements.

For information about guarantees, see Note 8—Guarantees, in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, which is incorporated herein by reference.

# **Capital Requirements**

For information about our capital expenditures and investments, see the "Capital Spending" section.

Our debt balance at March 31, 2015, was \$22.5 billion, a decrease of \$54 million from the balance at December 31, 2014. For more information, see Note 6—Debt, in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

In February 2015, we announced a dividend of 73 cents per share. The dividend was paid March 2, 2015, to stockholders of record at the close of business on February 17, 2015.

# **Capital Spending**

	1	Millions of Dollars	
	T	hree Months Ended	
		March 31	
		2015	2014
Alaska	\$	402	415
Lower 48		1,372	1,312
Canada		455	622
Europe		500	596
Asia Pacific and Middle East		488	848
Other International		83	67
Corporate and Other		32	35
Capital expenditures and investments from continuing operations	\$	3,332	3,895
Discontinued operations in Nigeria:	\$	_	22

During the first three months of 2015, capital expenditures and investments from continuing operations supported key exploration and development programs, primarily:

- Oil and natural gas development and exploration activities in the Lower 48, including the Eagle Ford and Bakken shale plays and the Permian Basin.
- Major project expenditures associated with the APLNG joint venture in Australia.
- Oil sands development, notably at Surmont 2, and ongoing liquids-rich plays in Canada.
- Alaska activities related to development in the Greater Kuparuk Area, Greater Prudhoe Area and the Western North Slope.
- In Europe, development activities in the Greater Ekofisk, Aasta Hansteen, Clair Ridge, Jasmine and Greater Britannia areas, and exploration and appraisal activities in the Jasmine and Greater Clair areas.
- Exploration and appraisal drilling in deepwater Gulf of Mexico.
- · Continued development in Malaysia, Indonesia, China and ongoing exploration and appraisal activity in Indonesia and offshore Australia.
- Exploration activities in Angola.

# Contingencies

A number of lawsuits involving a variety of claims arising in the ordinary course of business have been made against ConocoPhillips. We also may be required to remove or mitigate the effects on the environment of the placement, storage, disposal or release of certain chemical, mineral and petroleum substances at various active and inactive sites. We regularly assess the need for accounting recognition or disclosure of these contingencies. In the case of all known contingencies (other than those related to income taxes), we accrue a liability when the loss is probable and the amount is reasonably estimable. If a range of amounts can be reasonably estimated and no amount within the range is a better estimate than any other amount, then the minimum of the range is accrued. We do not reduce these liabilities for potential insurance or third-party recoveries. If applicable, we accrue receivables for probable insurance or other third-party recoveries. With respect to income-tax-related contingencies, we use a cumulative probability-weighted loss accrual in cases where sustaining a tax position is less than certain.

Based on currently available information, we believe it is remote that future costs related to known contingent liability exposures will exceed current accruals by an amount that would have a material adverse impact on our consolidated financial statements. As we learn new facts concerning contingencies, we reassess our position

both with respect to accrued liabilities and other potential exposures. Estimates particularly sensitive to future changes include contingent liabilities recorded for environmental remediation, tax and legal matters. Estimated future environmental remediation costs are subject to change due to such factors as the uncertain magnitude of cleanup costs, the unknown time and extent of such remedial actions that may be required, and the determination of our liability in proportion to that of other responsible parties. Estimated future costs related to tax and legal matters are subject to change as events evolve and as additional information becomes available during the administrative and litigation processes. For information on other contingencies, see Note 9—
Contingencies and Commitments, in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

## Legal Matters

We are subject to various lawsuits and claims including but not limited to matters involving oil and gas royalty and severance tax payments, gas measurement and valuation methods, contract disputes, environmental damages, personal injury, and property damage. Our primary exposures for such matters relate to alleged royalty underpayments on certain federal, state and privately owned properties and claims of alleged environmental contamination from historic operations. We will continue to defend ourselves vigorously in these matters.

Our legal organization applies its knowledge, experience and professional judgment to the specific characteristics of our cases, employing a litigation management process to manage and monitor the legal proceedings against us. Our process facilitates the early evaluation and quantification of potential exposures in individual cases. This process also enables us to track those cases that have been scheduled for trial and/or mediation. Based on professional judgment and experience in using these litigation management tools and available information about current developments in all our cases, our legal organization regularly assesses the adequacy of current accruals and determines if adjustment of existing accruals, or establishment of new accruals, is required.

## **Environmental**

We are subject to the same numerous international, federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations as other companies in our industry. For a discussion of the most significant of these environmental laws and regulations, including those with associated remediation obligations, see the "Environmental" section in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations on pages 59–61 of our 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

We occasionally receive requests for information or notices of potential liability from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and state environmental agencies alleging that we are a potentially responsible party under the Federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) or an equivalent state statute. On occasion, we also have been made a party to cost recovery litigation by those agencies or by private parties. These requests, notices and lawsuits assert potential liability for remediation costs at various sites that typically are not owned by us, but allegedly contain wastes attributable to our past operations. As of March 31, 2015, there were 13 sites around the United States in which we were identified as a potentially responsible party under CERCLA and comparable state laws.

At March 31, 2015, our balance sheet included a total environmental accrual of \$322 million, compared with \$344 million at December 31, 2014, for remediation activities in the United States and Canada. We expect to incur a substantial amount of these expenditures within the next 30 years.

Notwithstanding any of the foregoing, and as with other companies engaged in similar businesses, environmental costs and liabilities are inherent concerns in our operations and products, and there can be no assurance that material costs and liabilities will not be incurred. However, we currently do not expect any material adverse effect upon our results of operations or financial position as a result of compliance with current environmental laws and regulations.

## Climate Change

There has been a broad range of proposed or promulgated state, national and international laws focusing on greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction. These proposed or promulgated laws apply or could apply in countries where we have interests or may have interests in the future. Laws in this field continue to evolve, and while it is not possible to accurately estimate either a timetable for implementation or our future compliance costs relating to implementation, such laws, if enacted, could have a material impact on our results of operations and financial condition. Examples of legislation and precursors for possible regulation that do or could affect our operations include the EPA's announcement on March 29, 2010 (published as "Interpretation of Regulations that Determine Pollutants Covered by Clean Air Act Permitting Programs," 75 Fed. Reg. 17004 (April 2, 2010)) and the EPA's and U.S. Department of Transportation's joint promulgation of a Final Rule on April 1, 2010, that trigger regulation of GHGs under the Clean Air Act, may trigger more climate-based claims for damages, and may result in longer agency review time for development projects.

For other examples of legislation or precursors for possible regulation and factors on which the ultimate impact on our financial performance will depend, see the "Climate Change" section in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations on pages 61–62 of our 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

# CAUTIONARY STATEMENT FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE "SAFE HARBOR" PROVISIONS OF THE PRIVATE SECURITIES LITIGATION REFORM ACT OF 1995

This report includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. All statements other than statements of historical fact included or incorporated by reference in this report, including, without limitation, statements regarding our future financial position, business strategy, budgets, projected revenues, projected costs and plans, and objectives of management for future operations, are forward-looking statements. You can identify our forward-looking statements by the words "anticipate," "estimate," "believe," "budget," "continue," "could," "intend," "may," "plan," "potential," "predict," "seek," "should," "will," "would," "expect," "objective," "projection," "forecast," "goal," "guidance," "outlook," "effort," "target" and similar expressions.

We based the forward-looking statements on our current expectations, estimates and projections about ourselves and the industries in which we operate in general. We caution you these statements are not guarantees of future performance as they involve assumptions that, while made in good faith, may prove to be incorrect, and involve risks and uncertainties we cannot predict. In addition, we based many of these forward-looking statements on assumptions about future events that may prove to be inaccurate. Accordingly, our actual outcomes and results may differ materially from what we have expressed or forecast in the forward-looking statements. Any differences could result from a variety of factors, including, but not limited to, the following:

- Fluctuations in crude oil, bitumen, natural gas, LNG and natural gas liquids prices.
- Potential failures or delays in achieving expected reserve or production levels from existing and future oil and gas developments due to operating hazards, drilling risks and the inherent uncertainties in predicting reserves and reservoir performance.
- Unsuccessful exploratory drilling activities or the inability to obtain access to exploratory acreage.
- · Unexpected changes in costs or technical requirements for constructing, modifying or operating exploration and production facilities.
- · Legislative and regulatory initiatives further regulating hydraulic fracturing, methane emissions, flaring or water disposal.
- · Lack of, or disruptions in, adequate and reliable transportation for our crude oil, bitumen, natural gas, LNG and natural gas liquids.
- Inability to timely obtain or maintain permits, including those necessary for drilling and/or development, construction of LNG terminals or regasification facilities; comply with government regulations; or make capital expenditures required to maintain compliance.
- Failure to complete definitive agreements and feasibility studies for, and to timely complete construction of, announced and future exploration and production and LNG development.
- Potential disruption or interruption of our operations due to accidents, extraordinary weather events, civil unrest, political events, terrorism, cyber attacks or infrastructure constraints or disruptions.
- International monetary conditions and exchange controls.
- Substantial investment or reduced demand for products as a result of existing or future environmental rules and regulations, use of competing energy sources or the development of alternative energy sources.
- · Liability for remedial actions, including removal and reclamation obligations, under environmental regulations.
- · Liability resulting from litigation.
- General domestic and international economic and political developments, including armed hostilities; expropriation of assets; changes in
  governmental policies relating to crude oil, bitumen, natural gas, LNG and natural gas liquids pricing, regulation or taxation; other political,
  economic or diplomatic developments; and international monetary fluctuations.
- · Volatility in the commodity futures markets.
- · Changes in tax and other laws, regulations (including alternative energy mandates), or royalty rules applicable to our business.
- · Competition in the oil and gas exploration and production industry.

- Limited access to capital or significantly higher cost of capital related to illiquidity or uncertainty in the domestic or international financial markets
- Delays in, or our inability to, execute asset dispositions.
- · Inability to obtain economical financing for development, construction or modification of facilities and general corporate purposes.
- The operation and financing of our joint ventures.
- The factors generally described in Item 1A—Risk Factors in our 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

# Item 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Information about market risks for the three months ended March 31, 2015, does not differ materially from that discussed under Item 7A in our 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

## Item 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures designed to ensure information required to be disclosed in reports we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Act), is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in Securities and Exchange Commission rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to management, including our principal executive and principal financial officers, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. As of March 31, 2015, with the participation of our management, our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer) and our Executive Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer (principal financial officer) carried out an evaluation, pursuant to Rule 13a-15(b) of the Act, of ConocoPhillips' disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) of the Act). Based upon that evaluation, our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer and our Executive Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer concluded our disclosure controls and procedures were operating effectively as of March 31, 2015.

There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting, as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) of the Act, in the period covered by this report that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

#### PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

## Item 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The following is a description of reportable legal proceedings including those involving governmental authorities under federal, state and local laws regulating the discharge of materials into the environment for this reporting period. The following proceedings include those matters that arose during the first quarter of 2015 and any material developments with respect to matters previously reported in ConocoPhillips' 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K. While it is not possible to accurately predict the final outcome of these pending proceedings, if any one or more of such proceedings were to be decided adversely to ConocoPhillips, we expect there would be no material effect on our consolidated financial position. Nevertheless, such proceedings are reported pursuant to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) regulations.

On April 30, 2012, the separation of our downstream businesses was completed, creating two independent energy companies: ConocoPhillips and Phillips 66. In connection with the separation, we entered into an Indemnification and Release Agreement, which provides for cross-indemnities between Phillips 66 and us and established procedures for handling claims subject to indemnification and related matters, such as legal proceedings. We have included matters where we remain or have subsequently become a party to a proceeding relating to Phillips 66, in accordance with SEC regulations. We do not expect any of those matters to result in a net claim against us.

## Matters previously reported—Phillips 66

In October 2011 ConocoPhillips was notified by the Attorney General of the State of California that it was investigating possible violations of regulations relating to the operation of underground storage tanks at gas stations in California. On January 3, 2013, the California Attorney General filed a lawsuit notice that alleges such violations. Phillips 66 has reached an agreement to resolve this lawsuit with a settlement payment of \$11.5 million to the State of California.

## Item 1A. RISK FACTORS

There have been no material changes from the risk factors disclosed in Item 1A of our 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Item 6.	EXHIBITS
10.1*	Form of Retention Award Terms and Conditions, as part of the Restricted Stock Unit Award, granted under the 2014 Omnibus Stock and Performance Incentive Plan of ConocoPhillips.
12*	Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges.
31.1*	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
31.2*	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
32*	Certifications pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350.
101.INS*	XBRL Instance Document.
101.SCH*	XBRL Schema Document.
101.CAL*	XBRL Calculation Linkbase Document.
101.LAB*	XBRL Labels Linkbase Document.
101.PRE*	XBRL Presentation Linkbase Document.
101.DEF*	XBRL Definition Linkbase Document.

<sup>\*</sup> Filed herewith.

# SIGNATURE

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

# CONOCOPHILLIPS

/s/ Glenda M. Schwarz

Glenda M. Schwarz
Vice President and Controller
(Chief Accounting and Duly Authorized Officer)

May 5, 2015



## RETENTION AWARD

# TERMS AND CONDITIONS

These Retention Award Terms and Conditions describe terms and conditions of Restricted Stock Unit Awards granted under the 2014 Omnibus Stock and Performance Incentive Plan of ConocoPhillips (referred to as the Plan) by ConocoPhillips (Company) to \_\_\_\_\_\_(Employee). These Terms and Conditions, together with the Award Summary given to Employee, form the Award Agreement (the Agreement) relating to the Award described.

- 1. Type and Size of Grant. Subject to the Plans and this Agreement, the Company grants to Employee Restricted Stock Units. The number of units will be as set forth in the Award Summary given to Employee. The Award Summary for Employee is made a part of this Agreement.
- 2. <u>Grant Date, Price, and Plan.</u> The Grant Date is \_\_\_\_\_ and the Grant Price is <u>\$\_\_\_\_.</u> Awards are made under the 2014 Omnibus Stock and Performance Incentive Plan.
- 3. **Restrictions, Forfeiture, and Lapse of Restrictions.** The Restricted Stock Units subject hereto may be canceled or forfeited as set forth herein. Except as otherwise noted in this Agreement, the following summary table describes restrictions and terms, forfeiture, and lapse of restrictions, subject to the more detailed provisions set forth below:

## **Summary Table**

## **Summary of Termination Rules**

Status	Termination Date	Forfeiture or Lapsing of Restrictions
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Layoff	Prior to 6	
	months from	
	grant date	Canceled upon termination
	6 months from	
	grant date &	
	after	Restrictions lapse on Termination date
Disability	Any date after	
	grant date	Restrictions lapse on Termination date
Death	Any date after	
	grant date	Restrictions lapse on Termination date
Divestitures, outsourcing, and moves to joint ventures	Any date after	
	grant date	Canceled upon Termination, unless approval otherwise
All other Terminations, including Retirement		Canceled upon Termination

# (a) Restrictions and Terms.

(i) The Award shall be held in escrow by the Company until the lapsing of restrictions placed upon the Award. The Employee shall not have the right to sell, transfer, assign, or

otherwise dispose of Restricted Stock Units granted in the Award until the escrow is terminated. Except as set forth below, the Award shall be forfeited and the related Restricted Stock Units cancelled upon the Employee's Termination of Employment with the Company prior to the lapsing of restrictions. Restrictions shall lapse on one-third of the Restricted Stock Units granted in the Award (rounded down to the nearest whole share) on the first anniversary of the grant date of the award; restrictions shall lapse on one-third of the Restricted Stock Units granted in the Award (rounded down to the nearest whole share) on the second anniversary of the grant date of the award and restrictions shall lapse on the remaining Restricted Stock Units granted in the Award on the third anniversary of the grant date of the award. Upon the lapsing of restrictions, the number of shares of unrestricted Stock equal to the number of shares of Restricted Stock Units for which the restrictions have so lapsed shall be registered in the Employee's name, and the related shares of Restricted Stock Units shall be canceled; provided, however, that in places where it is determined by the Administrator that payout in the form of unrestricted Stock is prohibited by law, regulation, or decree, or where the cost of legal compliance to issue the unrestricted Stock would be unreasonably expensive, the Fair Market Value of such unrestricted Stock shall be paid in cash instead of settlement of the Award in unrestricted Stock. Cash payouts are only permitted where such legal restrictions exist. Settlement of the Award in unrestricted Stock or cash payout, if any, shall be made when the restrictions lapse, but in any event, shall be made no later than March 15 of the year following the year in which such restrictions lapse.

(ii) Restricted Stock Units do not have any voting rights or other rights generally associated with Stock, and are merely an obligation of the Company to make settlement in accordance with the terms and conditions applicable to such Restricted Stock Units. Restricted Stock Units shall accrue a dividend equivalent at such times as an ordinary quarterly cash dividend is paid on the Stock of the Company, which dividend equivalent shall be paid in cash to the Employee to whom the Award was made. Payment of a dividend equivalent, if any, shall be made on the first day of the third month of each calendar quarter (or, if the New York Stock Exchange is not open on such day, the first day that the New York Stock Exchange is open thereafter), but in any event, shall be made no later than March 15 of the year following the year in which the dividend related to the dividend equivalent is paid.

## (b) <u>Termination of Employment</u>.

- (i) <u>General Rule for Termination</u>. If, prior to the date on which restrictions lapse in accordance with the schedule set forth in the Award, the Employee's employment with a Participating Company shall be terminated for any reason except death, Disability, or Layoff, any Restricted Stock Units remaining in escrow pursuant to such Award shall be canceled and all rights thereunder shall cease; provided that the Authorized Party may, in its or his sole discretion, determine that all or any portion of an Award shall not be canceled due to Termination of Employment.
- (ii) <u>Layoff.</u> If, after the date the Award is granted, the Employee's employment with a Participating Company shall be terminated by reason of Layoff, the Employee shall retain all rights provided by the Award at the time of such Termination of Employment. In such case, the restrictions on the Award shall lapse on the date of Termination of the Employee from the employ of the Company and its subsidiaries, and settlement shall be made in accordance with the settlement provisions above.
- (iii) <u>Disability</u>. If, after the date the Award is granted, the Employee shall terminate employment following Disability of the Employee, the Employee shall retain all rights provided by the Award at the time of such Termination of Employment. In such case, the restrictions on the Award shall lapse on the date of Termination of Employment from the

employ of the Company and its subsidiaries, and settlement shall be made in accordance with the settlement provisions above.

- (iv) Death. If, after the date an Award is granted, the Employee shall die while in the employ of a Participating Company, or after Termination of Employment by reason of Disability, or Layoff (and prior to the cancellation of the Award), the executor or administrator of the estate of the Employee or the person or persons to whom the Award shall have been validly transferred by the executor or the administrator pursuant to will or the laws of descent and distribution shall have the right to settlement of the Award to the same extent the Employee would have, had the Employee not died. In such case, the restrictions on the Award shall lapse upon the determination of death by the Administrator, and settlement shall be made in accordance with the settlement provisions above. No transfer of an Award, or of the unrestricted Stock or other proceeds of an Award, by the Employee by will or by the laws of descent and distribution shall be effective to bind the Company unless the Administrator shall have been furnished with written notice thereof and a copy of the will and such other evidence as the Administrator may deem necessary to establish the validity of the transfer and the acceptance by the transferee or transferees of the terms and conditions of such Award.
- (v) <u>Transfers and Leaves</u>. Transfer of employment between Participating Companies shall not constitute Termination of Employment for the purpose of any Award granted under the Program. Whether any leave of absence shall constitute Termination of Employment for the purposes of any Award granted under the Program shall be determined by the Administrator, in each case in accordance with applicable law and by application of the policies and procedures adopted by the Company in relation to such leave of absence.
- (vi) <u>Divestiture, Outsourcing, or Move to Joint Venture</u>. If, after the date the Award is granted, the Employee ceases to be employed by Participating Company as a result of (a) the outsourcing of a function, (b) the sale or transfer of all or a portion of the equity interest of such Participating Company (removing it from the controlled group of companies of which the Company is a part), (c) the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of such Participating Company to another employer outside of the controlled group of corporations (whether the Employee is offered employment or accepts employment with the other employer), (d) the Termination of the Employee by a Participating Company followed by employment within a reasonable time with a company or other entity in which the Company owns, directly or indirectly, at least a 50% interest, prior to exercise of an Award, or (e) any other sale of assets determined by the Authorized Party to be considered a divestiture under this program, the Authorized Party may, in its or his sole discretion, determine that all or a portion of any such Award shall not be canceled. In such cases, the restrictions on the Award shall lapse on the date of Termination of the Employee from the employ of the Company and its subsidiaries, and settlement shall be made in accordance with the settlement provisions above.
- (vii) Change of Control. Upon a Change of Control, the following shall apply to any Award:
  - (1) Each Employee shall immediately become fully vested in such Award that is not assumed, or substituted for, by the an acquirer in connection with the Change of Control, and such Award shall not thereafter be forfeitable for any reason, except as set forth in Section 3(c).
  - (2) With regard to any other Award, each Employee shall become fully vested in such Award upon incurring a Severance following such Change of Control, and such Award shall not thereafter be forfeitable for any reason, except as set forth in Section 3(c).

- (3) In the event of vesting of an Award pursuant to either Section 3(vii)(1) or Section 3(vii)(2), all restrictions and other limitations applicable to the Restricted Stock Units shall lapse and the Restricted Stock Units shall be settled in unrestricted Stock or cash at the same times and upon the same events as it would otherwise have been made in accordance with the settlement provisions above.
- (viii) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, in the event that this Award or the dividend equivalents associated with this Award are includible in income pursuant to section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code, settlement of the Award or any other distribution hereunder due to Separation from Service with the Company and its subsidiaries shall not be made to a "specified employee" (as that term is defined in section 409A(a)(2)(B)(i)) prior to six months after the specified employee's Separation from Service from the Company and its subsidiaries (or, if earlier, the date of death of the specified employee).
- (c) <u>Detrimental Activities and Suspension of Award.</u>
  - (i) If the Authorized Party determines that, subsequent to the grant of any Award, the Employee has engaged or is engaging in any activity which, in the sole judgment of the Authorized Party, is or may be detrimental to the Company or a subsidiary, the Authorized Party may cancel all or part of the Restricted Stock or Restricted Stock Units held in escrow pursuant to the Award or Awards granted to that Employee.
  - (ii) If the Authorized Party, in its or his sole discretion, determines that the lapsing of restrictions on Restricted Stock or Restricted Stock Units held in escrow pursuant to any Award has the possibility of violating any law, regulation, or decree pertaining to the Company or Employee, the Authorized Party may freeze or suspend the Employee's right to settlement or payout of the Award until such time as the lapse of restrictions would no longer, in the sole discretion of the Authorized Party, have the possibility of violating such law, regulation, or decree.
- 4. <u>Assignment of Award Upon Death</u>. Rights under the Plans and this Agreement cannot be assigned or transferred other than by (i) will or (ii) the laws of descent and distribution.
- 5. Tax Withholding. In all cases the Employee will be responsible to pay all required withholding taxes applicable to the Award. Should a withholding tax obligation arise with regard to the Award or the lapsing of restrictions on Restricted Stock Units granted in the Award, the withholding tax may be satisfied by withholding shares of Stock. The value of the shares of Stock withheld for this purpose shall not exceed the minimum withholding amount required by applicable laws and regulations. In cases where a withholding tax obligation arises prior to the lapse of restrictions on Restricted Stock Units granted in the Award, the withholding tax may be satisfied instead by payment of cash by the Employee. Payment of cash shall not be allowed unless the Employee has elected to make such payment by payroll withholding over a period of six months following the date the obligation shall arise, which election must be made within thirty days of the Grant Date of the relevant Award. If any interest is required under local laws, regulations, or decrees to be charged on or imputed against the payroll withholding, the Employee shall be responsible for paying such interest, which shall be withheld from pay over the same six-month period. In cases where payment by payroll withholding cannot be made due to circumstances arising after the election or where the Administrator has determined that such withholding would violate any applicable law, regulation, or decree, shares of Stock shall be withheld instead. When necessary, lapsing of restrictions may be accelerated by the Authorized Party to the extent necessary to provide shares of Stock to satisfy any withholding tax obligation. This withholding tax obligation includes, but is not limited to, federal, state, and local taxes, including applicable non-U.S. taxes.

- 6. Shareholder Rights for Restricted Stock Units. The Employee shall not have the rights of a shareholder until the Restricted Stock Unit has been canceled and ownership of shares of Stock has been transferred to the Employee. As described above, the Company may pay dividend equivalents with regard to Restricted Stock Units in certain circumstances.
- Certain Adjustments. In the event certain corporate transactions, recapitalizations, or stock splits occur while Restricted Stock or Restricted Stock Units are outstanding, the Grant Price and the number of shares of Restricted Stock Option Shares or Restricted Stock Units shall be correspondingly adjusted.
- 8. Relationship to the Plan. In addition to the terms and conditions described in this Agreement, Awards are subject to all other applicable provisions of the Plan. The decisions of the Committee with respect to questions arising as to the interpretation of the Plan or this Agreement and as to findings of fact shall be final, conclusive, and binding.
- 9. No Employment Guarantee. No provision of this Agreement shall confer any right upon the Employee to continued employment with any Participating Company.
- 10. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by, construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware.
- 11. Amendment. Without the consent of the Employee, this Agreement may be amended or supplemented (i) to cure any ambiguity or to correct or supplement any provision herein which may be defective or inconsistent with any other provision herein, or (ii) to add to the covenants and agreements of the Company for the benefit of an Employee or to add to the rights of an Employee or to surrender any right or power reserved to or conferred upon the Company in this Agreement, provided, in each case, that such changes or corrections shall not adversely affect the rights of the Employee with respect to the grant of an Award evidenced hereby without the Employee's consent, or (iii) to make such other changes as the Company, upon advice of counsel, determines are necessary or advisable because of the adoption or promulgation of, or change in or of the interpretation of, any law or governmental rule or regulation, including any applicable federal or state securities or tax laws.

## **DEFINITIONS**

Capitalized terms not defined below shall have the meanings set forth in the Plan.

Authorized Party means the person who is authorized to approve an Award, exercise discretion or take action under the Administrative Procedure for the Restricted Stock Program and pursuant to the Program. With regard to Senior Officers, the Committee is the Authorized Party. With regard to other Employees, the Chief Executive Officer is the Authorized Party, although the Committee may act concurrently as the Authorized Party.

Award means the Restricted Stock Units granted to the Employee pursuant to the foregoing terms, conditions, and limitations.

Change of Control has the meaning set forth in Attachment A to these Terms and Conditions.

*Committee* means the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company.

Company means ConocoPhillips a Delaware corporation.

**Disability** means a disability for which the employee in question has been determined to be entitled to either (i) benefits under the applicable plan of long-term disability of the Company or its subsidiaries or (ii) disability benefits under the Social Security Act. In the absence of any such determination, the Authorized Party may make a determination that the employee has a Disability.

Fair Market Value means, as of a particular date, the mean between the highest and lowest sales price per share of such Stock on the consolidated transaction reporting system for the principal national securities exchange on which shares of Stock are listed on that date, or, if there shall have been no such sale so reported on that date, on the next preceding date on which such a sale was so reported, or, at the discretion of the Committee, the price prevailing on the exchange at a designated time.

Grant Price means the Fair Market Value for one share of Stock as of the date of the grant of an Award. Grant price is not adjusted for any restrictions applicable to the Award.

Layoff means an applicable Termination of Employment due to layoff under the ConocoPhillips Severance Pay Plan, the ConocoPhillips Executive Severance Plan, or the ConocoPhillips Key Employee Change in Control Severance Plan, or layoff or redundancy under any similar layoff or redundancy plan which the Company or its subsidiaries may adopt from time to time. If all or any portion of the benefits under the redundancy or layoff plan are contingent on the employee's signing a general release of liability, such Termination shall not be considered as a "Layoff" for purposes of this Award unless the employee executes and does not revoke a general release of liability, acceptable to the Company, under the terms of such layoff or redundancy plan. In order to be considered a layoff for purposes of this Award, the Termination of Employment must also be considered a Separation from Service.

**Participating Company** includes ConocoPhillips and its 100% owned subsidiaries, including both those directly owned and those owned through subsidiaries, whose participation has been approved by the Authorized Party.

Restricted Stock Unit means a unit equal to one share of Stock (as determined by the Authorized Party) that is subject to forfeiture provisions or that has certain restrictions attached to the ownership thereof.

**Retirement** means Termination at age 55 or older with a minimum of 5 years service with a Participating Company; provided, however, that with regard to an Employee not on the United States payroll, the CEO may approve the use of a different definition. Service is defined by the policies of the Participating

# Company.

Senior Officer means the Chairman of the Board, the CEO, all other executive officers of the Company (determined in accordance with the Company's custom and practice pursuant to section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended), all other employees of the Company who report directly to the CEO and whose salary grade is 23 or higher, and all other employees of the Company whose salary grade is 26 or higher.

Separation from Service means "separation from service" as that term is used in section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code.

Stock means shares of common stock of the Company, par value \$.01. Stock may also be referred to as "Common Stock."

*Termination and Termination of Employment* each mean cessation of employment with the Participating Companies, determined in accordance with the policies and practices of the Participating Company for whom the Employee was last performing services.

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## Attachment A

## Change of Control

The following definitions apply to the Change of Control provision in Section 10 of the Plan.

"Affiliate" shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in Rule 12b-2 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Exchange Act, as in effect at the time of determination.

"Associate" shall mean, with reference to any Person, (a) any corporation, firm, partnership, association, unincorporated organization or other entity (other than the Company or a subsidiary of the Company) of which such Person is an officer or general partner (or officer or general partner of a general partner) or is, directly or indirectly, the Beneficial Owner of 10% or more of any class of equity securities, (b) any trust or other estate in which such Person has a substantial beneficial interest or as to which such Person serves as trustee or in a similar fiduciary capacity and (c) any relative or spouse of such Person, or any relative of such spouse, who has the same home as such Person.

"Beneficial Owner" shall mean, with reference to any securities, any Person if:

- (a) such Person or any of such Person's Affiliates and Associates, directly or indirectly, is the "beneficial owner" of (as determined pursuant to Rule 13d-3 of the General Rules and Regulations under the Exchange Act, as in effect at the time of determination) such securities or otherwise has the right to vote or dispose of such securities;
- (b) such Person or any of such Person's Affiliates and Associates, directly or indirectly, has the right or obligation to acquire such securities (whether such right or obligation is exercisable or effective immediately or only after the passage of time or the occurrence of an event) pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding (whether or not in writing) or upon the exercise of conversion rights, exchange rights, other rights, warrants or options, or otherwise; provided, however, that a Person shall not be deemed the Beneficial Owner of, or to "beneficially own," (i) securities tendered pursuant to a tender or exchange offer made by such Person or any of such Person's Affiliates or Associates until such tendered securities are accepted for purchase or exchange or (ii) securities issuable upon exercise of Exempt Rights; or
- (c) such Person or any of such Person's Affiliates or Associates (i) has any agreement, arrangement or understanding (whether or not in writing) with any other Person (or any Affiliate or Associate thereof) that beneficially owns such securities for the purpose of acquiring, holding, voting (except as set forth in the proviso to subsection (a) of this definition) or disposing of such securities or (ii) is a member of a group (as that term is used in Rule 13d-5(b) of the General Rules and Regulations under the Exchange Act) that includes any other Person that beneficially owns such securities;

provided, however, that nothing in this definition shall cause a Person engaged in business as an underwriter of securities to be the Beneficial Owner of, or to "beneficially own," any securities acquired through such Person's participation in good faith in a firm commitment underwriting until the expiration of 40 days after the date of such acquisition. For purposes hereof, "voting" a

security shall include voting, granting a proxy, consenting or making a request or demand relating to corporate action (including, without limitation, a demand for a shareholder list, to call a shareholder meeting or to inspect corporate books and records) or otherwise giving an authorization (within the meaning of section 14(a) of the Exchange Act) in respect of such security.

The terms "beneficially own" and "beneficially owning" shall have meanings that are correlative to this definition of the term "Beneficial Owner."

"Board" shall have the meaning set forth in the Plan.

"Change of Control" shall mean any of the following occurring on or after January 1, 2015:

- (a) any Person (other than an Exempt Person) shall become the Beneficial Owner of 20% or more of the shares of Common Stock then outstanding or 20% or more of the combined voting power of the Voting Stock of the Company then outstanding; provided, however, that no Change of Control shall be deemed to occur for purposes of this subsection (a) if such Person shall become a Beneficial Owner of 20% or more of the shares of Common Stock then outstanding or 20% or more of the combined voting power of the Voting Stock of the Company then outstanding solely as a result of (i) any acquisition directly from the Company or (ii) any acquisition by a Person pursuant to a transaction that complies with clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) of subsection (c) of this definition;
- (b) individuals who, as of January 1, 2015, constitute the Board (the "Incumbent Board") cease for any reason to constitute at least a majority of the Board; provided, however, that any individual becoming a director subsequent to January 1, 2015 whose election, or nomination for election by the Company's shareholders, was approved by a vote of at least a majority of the directors then comprising the Incumbent Board shall be considered as though such individual were a member of the Incumbent Board; provided, further, that there shall be excluded, for this purpose, any such individual whose initial assumption of office occurs as a result of any actual or threatened election contest with respect to the election or removal of directors or other actual or threatened solicitation of proxies or consents by or on behalf of a Person other than the Board;
- (c) the Company shall consummate a reorganization, merger, statutory share exchange, consolidation, or similar transaction involving the Company or any of its subsidiaries or sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company, or the acquisition of assets or securities of another entity by the Company or any of its subsidiaries (a "Business Combination"), in each case, unless, following such Business Combination, (i) 50% or more of the then outstanding shares of common stock of the corporation, or common equity securities of an entity other than a corporation, resulting from such Business Combination and the combined voting power of the then outstanding Voting Stock of such corporation or other entity are beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by all or substantially all of the Persons who were the Beneficial Owners of the outstanding Common Stock immediately prior to such Business Combination in substantially the same proportions as their ownership, immediately prior to such Business Combination, of the outstanding Common Stock, (ii) no Person

(excluding any Exempt Person or any Person beneficially owning, immediately prior to such Business Combination, directly or indirectly, 20% or more of the Common Stock then outstanding or 20% or more of the combined voting power of the Voting Stock of the Company then outstanding) beneficially owns, directly or indirectly, 20% or more of the then outstanding shares of common stock of the corporation, or common equity securities of an entity other than a corporation, resulting from such Business Combination or the combined voting power of the then outstanding Voting Stock of such corporation or other entity, and (iii) at least a majority of the members of the board of directors of the corporation, or the body which is most analogous to the board of directors of a corporation if not a corporation, resulting from such Business Combination were members of the Incumbent Board at the time of the initial agreement or initial action by the Board providing for such Business Combination; or

(d) the shareholders of the Company shall approve a complete liquidation or dissolution of the Company unless such liquidation or dissolution is approved as part of a transaction that complies with clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) of subsection (c) of this definition.

"Common Stock" shall have the meaning set forth in the Plan.

"Company" shall have the meaning set forth in the Plan.

"Exchange Act" shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

"Exempt Person" shall mean any of the Company, any entity controlled by the Company, any employee benefit plan (or related trust) sponsored or maintained by the Company or any entity controlled by the Company, and any Person organized, appointed, or established by the Company for or pursuant to the terms of any such employee benefit plan.

"Exempt Rights" shall mean any rights to purchase shares of Common Stock or other Voting Stock of the Company if at the time of the issuance thereof such rights are not separable from such Common Stock or other Voting Stock (i.e., are not transferable otherwise than in connection with a transfer of the underlying Common Stock or other Voting Stock), except upon the occurrence of a contingency, whether such rights exist as of January 1, 2015 or are thereafter issued by the Company as a dividend on shares of Common Stock or other Voting Securities or otherwise.

"Person" shall mean any individual, firm, corporation, partnership, association, trust, unincorporated organization, or other entity.

"Voting Stock" shall mean, (1) with respect to a corporation, all securities of such corporation of any class or series that are entitled to vote generally in the election of, or to appoint by contract, directors of such corporation (excluding any class or series that would be entitled so to vote by reason of the occurrence of any contingency, so long as such contingency has not occurred) and (ii) with respect to an entity which is not a corporation, all securities of any class or series that are entitled to vote generally in the election of, or to appoint by contract, members of the body which is most analogous to the board of directors of a corporation.

# CONOCOPHILLIPS AND CONSOLIDATED SUBSIDIARIES TOTAL ENTERPRISE

Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges

	 Millions of I Three Month March : 2015	s Ended
Earnings Available for Fixed Charges		
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes and noncontrolling interests that have not incurred fixed		
charges	\$ (371)	3,685
Distributions greater (less) than equity in earnings of affiliates	80	1,131*
Fixed charges, excluding capitalized interest**	272	216
	\$ (19)	5,032
Fixed Charges		
Interest and debt expense, excluding capitalized interest	\$ 202	171
Capitalized interest	94	120
Interest portion of rental expense	29	19
	\$ 325	310
Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges***		16

<sup>\*\*</sup>Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges

\* Includes a significant distribution from a Canadian joint venture.

\*\*\* Includes amortization of capitalized interest totaling approximately \$41 million in 2015 and \$27 million in 2014.

\*\*\* Earnings were insufficient to cover fixed charges by \$344 million in the first quarter of 2015.

## CERTIFICATION

## I, Ryan M. Lance, certify that:

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

May 5, 2015

/s/ Ryan M. Lance
Ryan M. Lance
Chairman and
Chief Executive Officer

## CERTIFICATION

## I, Jeff W. Sheets, certify that:

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

May 5, 2015

/s/ Jeff W. Sheets

Jeff W. Sheets

Executive Vice President, Finance and
Chief Financial Officer

# CERTIFICATIONS PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350

In connection with the Quarterly Report of ConocoPhillips (the Company) on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2015, as filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the Report), each of the undersigned hereby certifies, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to their knowledge:

(1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Sections 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

(2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

May 5, 2015

/s/ Ryan M. Lance

Ryan M. Lance Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

/s/ Jeff W. Sheets

Jeff W. Sheets Executive Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer