DARLING INGREDIENTS INC.

company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

August 13, 2015	
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549	
FORM 10-Q	
(Mark One) /X/ QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 or 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the quarterly period ended July 4, 2015 OR	
/ / TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 or 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the transition period from to	
Commission File Number 001-13323	
DARLING INGREDIENTS INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)	
Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	36-2495346 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)
251 O'Connor Ridge Blvd., Suite 300 Irving, Texas (Address of principal executive offices)	75038 (Zip Code)
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (972) 717-0300	
Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing required X No	shorter period that the Registrant
Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant has submitted electronically an any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to l (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter peto submit and post such files). Yes X No	Rule 405 of Regulation S-T

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," and "smaller reporting"

Large accelerated filer

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Accelerated filer

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Smaller reporting

company

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes $No\ X$

There were 165,207,424 shares of common stock, \$0.01 par value, outstanding at August 6, 2015.

DARLING INGREDIENTS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES FORM 10-Q FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDED JULY 4, 2015

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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

July 4, 2015 and January 3, 2015 (in thousands, except share data)

ASSETS	July 4, 2015 (unaudited)	January 3, 2015
Current assets:	(GIIGGEIGE)	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$126,020	\$108,784
Restricted cash	340	343
Accounts receivable, net	368,434	409,779
Inventories	396,423	401,613
Prepaid expenses	53,218	44,629
Income taxes refundable	24,855	22,140
Other current assets	24,102	21,324
Deferred income taxes	43,114	45,001
Total current assets	1,036,506	1,053,613
Property, plant and equipment, less accumulated depreciation of \$581,537 at July 4, 2015 and \$525,699 at January 3, 2015	1,515,573	1,574,116
Intangible assets, less accumulated amortization of	0.52 400	022 412
\$219,324 at July 4, 2015 and \$184,909 at January 3, 2015	852,490	932,413
Goodwill	1,261,610	1,320,419
Investment in unconsolidated subsidiaries	177,036	202,712
Other assets	79,833	71,009
Deferred income taxes	15,752	16,431
	\$4,938,800	\$5,170,713
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Current portion of long-term debt	\$50,884	\$54,401
Accounts payable, principally trade	164,424	168,518
Income taxes payable	6,015	4,363
Accrued expenses	242,358	256,119
Deferred income taxes	1,338	642
Total current liabilities	465,019	484,043
Long-term debt, net of current portion	1,994,417	2,098,039
Other non-current liabilities	110,918	114,700
Deferred income taxes	399,335	422,797
Total liabilities	2,969,689	3,119,579
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock, \$0.01 par value; 250,000,000 shares authorized;		
167,029,085 and 166,213,793 shares issued at July 4, 2015	1,670	1,662
and at January 3, 2015, respectively		
Additional paid-in capital	1,484,952	1,479,637

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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

Three and six months months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014 (in thousands, except per share data) (unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended					
	July 4,		June 28,		July 4,		June 28,	
	2015		2014		2015		2014	
Net sales	\$859,315		\$1,031,283		\$1,734,009		\$1,977,575	
Costs and expenses:								
Cost of sales and operating expenses	668,276		789,505		1,352,797		1,564,711	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	84,294		94,630		170,925		184,663	
Acquisition and integration costs	1,208		4,165		6,527		20,113	
Depreciation and amortization	66,245		67,498		132,643		133,167	
Total costs and expenses	820,023		955,798		1,662,892		1,902,654	
Operating income	39,292		75,485		71,117		74,921	
Other expense:								
Interest expense	(34,285)	(26,571)	(57,394)	(85,428)
Foreign currency gain/(loss)	1,622		11		(838)	(13,803)
Other income/(expense), net	(1,199)	(887)	(1,708)	(2,025)
Total other expense	(33,862)	(27,447)	(59,940)	(101,256)
Equity in net income of unconsolidated subsidiaries	4,172		2,040		2,364		7,117	
Income/(loss) before income taxes	9,602		50,078		13,541		(19,218)
Income tax expense/(benefit)	4,665		15,503		6,780		(2,787)
Net income/(loss)	4,937		34,575		6,761		(16,431)
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	(1,857)	(1,818)	(3,572)	(3,615)
Net income/(loss) attributable to Darling	\$3,080		\$32,757		\$3,189		\$(20,046)
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Basic income/(loss) per share	\$0.02		\$0.20		\$0.02		\$(0.12)
Diluted income/(loss) per share	\$0.02		\$0.20		\$0.02		\$(0.12)

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS)

Three and six months months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014 (in thousands) (unaudited)

	Three Month	s Ended	Six Months En	ded
	July 4, 2015	June 28, 2014	July 4, 2015	June 28, 2014
Net income/(loss)	\$4,937	\$34,575	\$6,761	\$(16,431)
Other comprehensive income/(loss), net of tax:				
Foreign currency translation	8,452	(6,931	(90,190)	13,684
Pension adjustments	778	321	1,547	641
Natural gas swap derivative adjustments		(11		(124)
Corn option derivative adjustments	(1,325)	621	(1,287)	(977)
Total other comprehensive income/(loss), net of tax	7,905	(6,000	(89,930)	13,224
Total comprehensive income/(loss)	\$12,842	\$28,575	\$(83,169)	\$(3,207)
Comprehensive income/(loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests	848	2,242	\$7,890	\$3,110
Comprehensive income/(loss) attributable to Darling	\$11,994	\$26,333	\$(91,059)	\$(6,317)

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

Six months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014

(in thousands)

(unaudited)

	July 4, 2015	June 28, 2014	
Cash flows from operating activities:	2013	2014	
Net income/(loss)	\$6,761	\$(16,431)
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	Ψ0,701	Ψ(10,131	,
Depreciation and amortization	132,643	133,167	
Loss/(gain) on disposal of property, plant, equipment and other assets	233	(839)
Gain on insurance proceeds from insurance settlements	(341) —	,
Deferred taxes	(3,225) (12,882)
Increase/(decrease) in long-term pension liability	350	(6,519)
Stock-based compensation expense	4,642	14,583	,
Write-off deferred loan costs	10,633	4,330	
Deferred loan cost amortization	4,868	4,911	
Equity in net (income)/loss of unconsolidated subsidiaries	(2,364) (7,117)
Distributions of earnings from unconsolidated subsidiaries	26,155	, (7,117 —	,
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects from acquisitions:	20,133		
Accounts receivable	22,582	(36,920)
Income taxes refundable/payable	(1,368) (3,181)
Inventories and prepaid expenses	(21,451) (2,806)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(1,505) (25,218)
Other	8,937	(4,054)
Net cash provided by operating activities	187,550	41,024	,
Cash flows from investing activities:	107,550	11,021	
Capital expenditures	(98,722) (103,531)
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired		(2,075,651)
Gross proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment and other assets	1,484	2,308	,
Proceeds from insurance settlement	341	2, 500	
Payments related to routes and other intangibles	(2,242) (7,312)
Net cash used by investing activities	(99,139) (2,184,186)
Cash flows from financing activities:	(>>,10>) (=,10.,100	,
Proceeds from long-term debt	579,974	1,821,196	
Payments on long-term debt	(583,736) (287,066)
Borrowings from revolving credit facility	41,244	170,143	,
Payments on revolving credit facility	(83,506) (257,254)
Net cash overdraft financing	(880) 9,529	,
Deferred loan costs	(11,629) (44,865)
Issuance of common stock	171	417	,
Minimum withholding taxes paid on stock awards	(4,775) (5,495)
Excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation	(12) 1,329	
Distributions to noncontrolling interests	(1,866) —	
Net cash provided/(used) by financing activities	(65,015) 1,407,934	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	(6,160) 8,156	
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	17,236	(727,072)
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Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	108,784	870,857	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$126,020	\$143,785	
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:			
Accrued capital expenditures	\$274	\$(2,300)
Cash paid during the period for:			
Interest, net of capitalized interest	\$37,524	\$47,851	
Income taxes, net of refunds	\$11,436	\$11,301	
Non-cash financing activities			
Debt issued for service contract assets	\$2,521	\$ —	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements July 4, 2015 (unaudited)

(1)General

Darling Ingredients Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Darling", and together with its subsidiaries, the "Company"), is a global developer and producer of sustainable natural ingredients from edible and inedible bio-nutrients, creating a wide range of ingredients and customized specialty solutions for customers in the pharmaceutical, food, pet food, feed, technical, fuel, bioenergy and fertilizer industries. As further discussed in Note 3, on January 7, 2014, the Company acquired the VION Ingredients business division ("VION Ingredients") of VION Holding, N.V., a Dutch limited liability company ("VION"), by purchasing all of the shares of VION Ingredients International (Holding) B.V., and VION Ingredients Germany GmbH, and 60% of Best Hides GmbH (collectively, the "VION Companies"), pursuant to a Sale and Purchase Agreement dated October 5, 2013, as amended, between Darling and VION (the "VION Acquisition"). The VION Ingredients business is now conducted under the name Darling Ingredients International. The Company's business is conducted through a global network of over 200 locations across five continents. Effective December 29, 2013, the Company's business operations were reorganized into three new segments, Feed Ingredients, Food Ingredients and Fuel Ingredients, in order to better align its business with the underlying markets and customers that the Company serves. See Note 13 to the consolidated financial statements.

The accompanying consolidated financial statements for the three and six month periods ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014, have been prepared by the Company in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ("GAAP") without audit, pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). The information furnished herein reflects all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring accruals) that are, in the opinion of management, necessary to present a fair statement of the financial position and operating results of the Company as of and for the respective periods. However, these operating results are not necessarily indicative of the results expected for a full fiscal year. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in annual financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP have been omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations. However, management of the Company believes, to the best of their knowledge, that the disclosures herein are adequate to make the information presented not misleading. The accompanying consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements contained in the Company's Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 3, 2015.

(2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of Presentation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Darling and its consolidated subsidiaries. Noncontrolling interests represents the outstanding ownership interest in the Company's consolidated subsidiaries that are not owned by the Company. In the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations, the noncontrolling interest in net income (loss) of the consolidated subsidiaries is shown as an allocation of the Company's net income and is presented separately as "Net income/(loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests". In the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheets, noncontrolling interests represents the ownership interests in the Company consolidated subsidiaries' net assets held by parties other than the Company. These ownership interests are presented separately as "Noncontrolling interests" within "Stockholders' Equity." All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

(b) Fiscal Periods

The Company has a 52/53 week fiscal year ending on the Saturday nearest December 31. Fiscal periods for the consolidated financial statements included herein are as of July 4, 2015, and include the 13 and 26 weeks ended July 4, 2015, and the 13 and 26 weeks ended June 28, 2014.

(c) Revenue Recognition

The Company recognizes revenue on sales when products are shipped and the customer takes ownership and assumes risk of loss. Certain customers may be required to prepay prior to shipment in order to maintain payment protection related to certain foreign and domestic sales. These amounts are recorded as unearned revenue and recognized when the products have shipped and the customer takes ownership and assumes risk of loss. The Company recognizes service revenue in the fiscal month the service occurs.

(d)Long-Lived Assets

Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are recorded at cost. Depreciation is computed by the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of assets: 1) Buildings and improvements, 15 to 30 years; 2) Machinery and equipment, 3 to 10 years; 3) Vehicles, 3 to 8 years; and 4) Aircraft, 7 to 10 years.

Maintenance and repairs are charged to expense as incurred and expenditures for major renewals and improvements are capitalized.

Intangible Assets

Intangible assets with indefinite lives, and therefore, not subject to amortization, consist of trade names acquired in the acquisition of Griffin Industries Inc. on December 17, 2010 (which was subsequently converted to a limited liability company) and its subsidiaries ("Griffin") and trade names acquired in the VION Acquisition. In the first quarter of fiscal 2015, the Company has determined that due to a global re-branding strategy, the Griffin Industries trade name in the amount of approximately \$65.1 million has been determined to have a limited useful life and therefore the Company has started to amortize the Griffin Industries name over a useful life of 10 years. Intangible assets subject to amortization consist of: 1) collection routes which are made up of groups of suppliers of raw materials in similar geographic areas from which the Company derives collection fees and a dependable source of raw materials for processing into finished products; 2) permits that represent licensing of operating plants that have been acquired, giving those plants the ability to operate; 3) non-compete agreements that represent contractual arrangements with former competitors whose businesses were acquired; 4) trade names; and 5) royalty, consulting, land use rights and leasehold agreements. Amortization expense is calculated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets ranging from: 5 to 21 years for collection routes; 10 to 20 years for permits; 3 to 7 years for non-compete covenants; and 4 to 15 years for trade names. Royalty, consulting, land use rights and leasehold agreements are amortized over the term of the agreement.

(e) Foreign Currency Translation and Remeasurement

Foreign currency translation is included as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income and reflects the adjustments resulting from translating the foreign currency denominated financial statements of foreign subsidiaries into U.S. dollars. The functional currency of the Company's foreign subsidiaries is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates, which is generally the local currency of the country. Accordingly, assets and liabilities of the foreign subsidiaries are translated to U.S. dollars at fiscal period end exchange rates, including intercompany foreign currency transactions that are of long-term investment nature. Income and expense items are translated at average exchange rates occurring during the period. Changes in exchange rates that affect cash flows and the related receivables or payables are recognized as transaction gains and losses in determining net income. The Company incurred net foreign currency translation losses of approximately \$90.2 million and translation gains of approximately \$13.7 million for the six months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014, respectively. In addition, the

Company incurred foreign currency losses in the statement of operations of approximately \$0.8 million and \$13.8 million in the six months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014, with \$12.6 million in fiscal 2014 representing a loss on a hedge transaction during the first quarter of fiscal 2014.

(f) Reclassifications

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation.

(g) Earnings Per Share

Basic income/(loss) per common share is computed by dividing net income attributable to Darling by the weighted average number of common shares including non-vested and restricted shares outstanding during the period. Diluted income/(loss) per common share is computed by dividing net income attributable to Darling by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period increased by dilutive common equivalent shares determined using the treasury stock method.

	Net Incom	e per Com	mo	on Share (in t	housands, ex	cept per share o	data)	
	Three Mor	nths Ended						
		July 4,				June 20 2014		
		2015				June 28, 2014		
	Income	Shares		Per Share	Income	Shares	Per Sha	re
Basic:								
Net Income attributable to Darling	\$3,080	165,228		\$0.02	\$32,757	164,600	\$0.20	
Diluted:								
Effect of dilutive securities:								
Add: Option shares in the money and		188				1,071		
dilutive effect of non-vested stock awards	S	100				1,071		
Less: Pro forma treasury shares		(118)			(574)		
Diluted:								
Net income attributable to Darling	\$3,080	165,298		\$0.02	\$32,757	165,097	\$0.20	
	Net Incom	e/ (loss) pe	er C	Common Sha	re (in thousa	nds, except per	share dat	a)
	Six Month	s Ended						
		July 4,				June 28, 2014		
		2015				June 20, 2014		
	Loss	Shares		Per Share	Income	Shares	Per Sha	re
Basic:								
Net Income/(loss) attributable to Darling	\$3,189	165,077		\$0.02	\$(20,046)	164,469	\$(0.12)
Diluted:								
Effect of dilutive securities:								
Add: Option shares in the money and		303						
dilutive effect of non-vested stock awards	S	303						
Less: Pro forma treasury shares		(136)					
Diluted:								
Net income/(loss) attributable to Darling	\$3,189	165,244		\$0.02	\$(20,046)	164,469	\$(0.12)

For the three months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014, respectively, 825,711 and 163,078 outstanding stock options were excluded from diluted income/(loss) per common share as the effect was antidilutive. For the three months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014, respectively, 582,559 and 740,988 shares of non-vested stock and stock equivalents were excluded from diluted income/(loss) per common share as the effect was antidilutive.

For the six months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014, respectively, 674,834 and 975,799 outstanding stock options were excluded from diluted income/(loss) per common share as the effect was antidilutive. For the six months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014, respectively, 578,899 and 919,798 shares of non-vested stock and stock equivalents were excluded from diluted income/(loss) per common share as the effect was antidilutive.

(3) Acquisitions

On January 7, 2014, the Company acquired the VION Ingredients business division from VION by purchasing shares of the VION Companies as described in Note 1, pursuant to a Sale and Purchase Agreement dated October 5, 2013, as amended, between Darling and VION. The VION Ingredients business is now conducted under the name Darling Ingredients International. Darling Ingredients International is a worldwide leader in the development and production of specialty ingredients from animal by-products for applications in pharmaceuticals, food, pet food, feed, fuel, bioenergy and fertilizer. Darling Ingredients International operates a global network of 68 production facilities across five continents

covering all aspects of animal by-product processing through six brands: Rendac (bioenergy), Sonac (bone products, proteins, fats, edible fats and plasma products), Ecoson (bioenergy), Rousselot (gelatin and collagen hydrolysates), CTH (natural casings) and Best Hides (hides and skins). Darling Ingredients International's specialized portfolio of over 400 products covers all animal origin raw material types and thereby offers a comprehensive, single source solution for suppliers, Darling Ingredients International's business has leading positions across Europe with operations in the Netherlands, Belgium, Germany, Poland and Italy under the Rendac and Sonac brand names. Value-added products include edible fats, blood plasma powder, hemoglobin, bone products, protein meals and fats. Rousselot is a global leading market provider of gelatin for the pharmaceutical, food and technical industries with operations in Europe, the United States, South America and China. CTH is a market leader in natural casings for the sausage industry with operations in Europe, China and the United States, The purchase of the VION Companies allows the Company to have a global reach. The purchase price for the transaction was approximately €1.6 billion in cash (approximately \$2.2 billion at the exchange rate of €1.00:USD\$1.3605). The purchase price was financed through (i) borrowings under the Company's senior secured revolving credit facility and term loan facilities; (ii) proceeds from the Company's \$874.0 million public common stock offering in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2013; and (iii) proceeds from the private offering of \$500.0 million aggregate principal amount of the Company's 5.375% Senior Notes due 2022, that closed on January 2, 2014.

On October 1, 2014, the Company acquired substantially all of the assets of Custom Blenders Arkansas, LLC, an Indiana limited liability company, Custom Blenders Georgia, LLC, a Georgia limited liability company, Custom Blenders Indiana, Inc., an Indiana corporation, and Custom Blenders Texas, LLC, an Indiana limited liability company (collectively "Custom Blenders"), one of the leading bakery residuals recyclers in the United States. The acquisition includes Custom Blenders' operations in Indiana, Georgia, Texas, and Arkansas. The acquisition will provide significant synergies to the Company's suppliers and customers in the Feed Ingredients segment. The Company paid approximately \$18.8 million in cash less a second quarter 2015 contingent receivable of \$0.8 million recorded against goodwill for a claim against the hold back amount originally paid in escrow as part of the original purchase price. The purchase price for assets consisting of property, plant and equipment of approximately \$3.2 million, intangible assets of approximately \$8.6 million, goodwill of approximately \$4.6 million and inventory of approximately \$1.6 million. The identifiable intangibles have a weighted average life of 14 years.

(4) Inventories

A summary of inventories follows (in thousands):

	July 4, 2015	January 3, 2015
Finished product	\$252,871	\$255,130
Work in process	95,282	98,936
Supplies and other	48,270	47,547
	\$396,423	\$401,613

(5) Investment in Unconsolidated Subsidiaries

The Company announced on January 21, 2011 that a wholly-owned subsidiary of Darling entered into a limited liability company agreement with a wholly-owned subsidiary of Valero Energy Corporation ("Valero") to form Diamond Green Diesel Holdings LLC (the "DGD Joint Venture"). The DGD Joint Venture is owned 50% / 50% with Valero and was formed to design, engineer, construct and operate a renewable diesel plant (the "DGD Facility"), which is capable of processing approximately 11,000 barrels per day of input feedstock to produce renewable diesel fuel and certain other co-products, and is located adjacent to Valero's refinery in Norco, Louisiana. The DGD Joint Venture reached mechanical completion and began the production of renewable diesel in late June 2013.

On May 31, 2011, the DGD Joint Venture and Diamond Green Diesel LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the DGD Joint Venture ("Opco"), entered into (i) a facility agreement (the "Facility Agreement") with Diamond Alternative Energy, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Valero (the "Lender"), and (ii) a loan agreement (the "Loan Agreement") with the Lender, which provided the DGD Joint Venture with a 14 year multiple advance term loan facility of approximately \$221.3 million (the "JV Loan") to support the design, engineering and construction of the DGD Facility, which is now in production. The Facility Agreement and the Loan Agreement prohibit the Lender from assigning all or any portion of the Facility Agreement or the Loan Agreement to unaffiliated third parties. Opco has also pledged substantially all of its assets to the Lender, and the DGD Joint Venture has pledged all of Opco's equity interests to the Lender, until the JV Loan has been paid in full and the JV Loan has terminated in accordance with its terms.

In addition to the DGD Joint Venture, the Company has investments in other unconsolidated subsidiaries that were acquired in the VION Acquisition that are insignificant to the Company. Selected financial information for the Company's DGD Joint Venture is as follows (in thousands):

(in thousands)	June 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
Assets:		
Total current assets	\$131,385	\$216,991
Property, plant and equipment, net	360,688	373,117
Other assets	1,150	2,092
Total assets	\$493,223	\$592,200
Liabilities and members' equity:		
Total current portion of long term debt	\$20,679	\$57,514
Total other current liabilities	21,002	21,313
Total long term debt	140,330	155,273
Total other long term liabilities	361	339
Total members' equity	310,851	357,761
Total liabilities and member's equity	\$493,223	\$592,200

	Three Months l	Ended	Six Months Ended		
(in thousands)	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2014	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2014	
Revenues:					
Operating revenues	\$156,160	\$148,064	\$272,888	\$267,721	
Expenses:					
Total costs and expenses	145,299	140,654	262,343	246,555	
Operating income	10,861	7,410	10,545	21,166	
Other income	32	24	52	42	
Interest and debt expense, net	(3,352) (4,475) (7,508)(8,901)
Net income	\$7,541	\$2,959	\$3,089	\$12,307	

As of July 4, 2015 under the equity method of accounting, the Company has an investment in the DGD Joint Venture of approximately \$155.4 million on the consolidated balance sheet and has recorded approximately \$1.5 million and \$6.2 million in equity net income in the unconsolidated subsidiary for the six months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014, respectively. In addition, in April 2015, the Company received a \$25.0 million dividend distribution from the DGD Joint Venture.

(6) Debt

Debt consists of the following (in thousands):

	July 4, 2015	January 3, 2015
Amended Credit Agreement:		
Revolving Credit Facility (\$25.5 million and \$36.9 million denominated in CAD at July	y	
4, 2015 and January 3, 2015, respectively and \$11.1 million denominated in Euro at	\$57,553	\$101,863
July 4, 2015)		
Term Loan A (\$110.4 million and \$122.2 million denominated in CAD at July 4, 2015	205 270	312,161
and January 3, 2015, respectively)	293,370	312,101
Term Loan B (\$610.2 million denominated in Euro at January 3, 2015)	592,500	1,205,669

5.375% Senior Notes due 2022	500,000	500,000
4.75% Senior Notes due 2022 - Denominated in euro	571,521	_
Other Notes and Obligations	28,357	32,747
	2,045,301	2,152,440
Less Current Maturities	50,884	54,401
	\$1,994,417	\$2,098,039

As of July 4, 2015, the Company had outstanding debt under a term loan facility and revolving credit facility denominated in Canadian dollars of CAD\$138.8 million and CAD\$32.0 million, respectively. See below for discussion relating to the Company's debt agreements. In addition, as of July 4, 2015, the Company had capital lease obligations denominated in Canadian dollars included in debt. The current and long-term capital lease obligation was approximately CAD\$2.4 million and CAD\$3.7 million, respectively.

As of July 4, 2015, the Company had outstanding debt under a revolving credit facility and the Company's 4.75% Senior Notes due 2022 denominated in euros of $\{0.0\}$ million and $\{0.0\}$ million, respectively. See below for discussion relating to the Company's debt agreements. In addition, at July 4, 2015, the Company had capital lease obligations denominated in euros included in debt. The current and long-term capital lease obligation was approximately $\{0.4\}$ million and $\{0.0\}$ million, respectively.

Senior Secured Credit Facilities. On January 6, 2014, Darling, Darling International Canada Inc. ("Darling Canada") and Darling International NL Holdings B.V. ("Darling NL") entered into a Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the "Amended Credit Agreement"), restating its then existing Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated September 27, 2013 (the "Former Credit Agreement"), with the lenders from time to time party thereto, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent, and the other agents from time to time party thereto.

The Amended Credit Agreement provides for senior secured credit facilities in the aggregate principal amount of \$2.65 billion comprised of (i) the Company's \$350.0 million term loan A facility, (ii) the Company's \$1.3 billion term loan B facility and (iii) the Company's \$1.0 billion five-year revolving loan facility (approximately \$250.0 million of which is available for a letter of credit sub-facility and \$50.0 million of which is available for a swingline sub-facility) (collectively, the "Senior Secured Credit Facilities"). The Amended Credit Agreement also permits Darling and the other borrowers thereunder to incur ancillary facilities provided by any revolving lender party to the Senior Secured Credit Facilities (with certain restrictions). Up to \$350.0 million of the revolving loan facility is available to be borrowed by Darling in U.S. dollars, Canadian dollars, euros and other currencies to be agreed and available to each applicable lender, to be borrowed by Darling Canada in Canadian dollars and to be borrowed by Darling NL, Darling Ingredients International Holding B.V. ("Darling BV") and CTH Germany GmbH ("CTH") in U.S. dollars, euros and other currencies to be agreed and available to each applicable lender. On January 6, 2014, \$600.0 million of the term loan B facility was borrowed in U.S. dollars by Darling and the euro equivalent of \$700.0 million of the term loan B facility was borrowed in euros by Darling NL. The proceeds of the term loan B facility and a portion of the revolving loan facility were used by Darling to pay a portion of the consideration for the VION Acquisition. The revolving loan facility will also be used for working capital needs, general corporate purposes and other purposes not prohibited by the Amended Credit Agreement.

As of July 4, 2015, the Company has borrowed all \$350.0 million of the term loan A facility which, when repaid, cannot be reborrowed. The term loan A facility is repayable in quarterly installments as follows: for the first eight quarters following January 6, 2014, 1.25% of the original principal amount of the term loan A facility, for the ninth through sixteenth quarters following January 6, 2014, 1.875% of the original principal amount of the term loan A facility, and for each quarterly installment after such sixteenth installment until September 27, 2018, 3.75% of the original principal amount of the term loan A facility. The term loan A facility will mature on September 27, 2018.

As of July 4, 2015, the Company has borrowed all \$1.3 billion under the terms of the term loan B facility, which when repaid, cannot be reborrowed. The term loan B facility is repayable in quarterly installments of 0.25% of the aggregate principal amount of the relevant term loan B facility on the last day of each March, June, September and December of each year commencing on the last day of each month falling on or after the last day of the first full quarter following January 6, 2014 and continuing until the last day of each quarter period ending immediately prior to January 7, 2021; and one final installment in the amount of the relevant term loan B facility then outstanding, due on January 7, 2021. The term loan B facility will mature on January 7, 2021. On June 3, 2015, the Company refinanced

€504.9 million of the outstanding euro borrowings under the term loan B facility (the "Euro Term Loan B") using the proceeds from the 4.75% Senior Notes due 2022. As a result of the refinance, the Company incurred a charge of approximately \$10.6 million from the write-off of deferred loan costs related to Euro Term Loan B.

The interest rate applicable to any borrowings under the term loan A facility and the revolving loan facility will equal either LIBOR/euro interbank offered rate/CDOR plus 2.50% per annum or base rate/Canadian prime rate plus 1.50% per annum, subject to certain step-downs based on the Company's total leverage ratio. The interest rate applicable to any borrowings under the term loan B facility will equal (a) for U.S. dollar term loans, either the base rate plus 1.50% or LIBOR plus 2.50%, and (b) for euro term loans, the euro interbank offered rate plus 2.75%, in each case subject to a step-down based on Darling's total leverage ratio. For term loan B loans, the LIBOR rate shall not be less than 0.75%.

As of July 4, 2015, the Company had \$185.0 million outstanding under the term loan A facility and \$18.0 million outstanding under the revolver at LIBOR plus a margin of 2.50% per annum for a total of 2.6875% per annum and \$3.0 million outstanding under the revolver at base rate plus a margin of 1.50% per annum for a total of 4.75% per annum. The Company had \$592.5 million outstanding under the term loan B facility at LIBOR plus a margin of 2.50% per annum for a total of 3.25% per annum. The Company had CAD\$138.8 million outstanding under the term loan A facility and CAD\$32.0 million outstanding under the revolver at CDOR plus a margin of 2.5% per annum for a total of 3.5763% per annum. The Company had €10.0 million outstanding under the revolver at LIBOR plus a margin of 2.50% per annum for a total of 2.438% per annum. As of July 4, 2015, the Company had revolver availability of \$908.4 million under the Credit Agreement taking into account amounts borrowed and letters of credit issued of \$34.0 million.

The Amended Credit Agreement contains various customary representations and warranties by the Company, which include customary use of materiality, material adverse effect and knowledge qualifiers. The Amended Credit Agreement also contains (a) certain affirmative covenants that impose certain reporting and/or performance obligations on Darling and its subsidiaries, (b) certain negative covenants that generally prohibit, subject to various exceptions, Darling and its restricted subsidiaries from taking certain actions, including, without limitation, incurring indebtedness, making investments, incurring liens, paying dividends and engaging in mergers and consolidations, sale and leasebacks and asset dispositions, (c) financial covenants, which include a maximum total leverage ratio, a maximum secured leverage ratio and a minimum interest coverage ratio and (d) customary events of default (including a change of control) for financings of this type. Obligations under the Senior Secured Credit Facilities may be declared due and payable upon the occurrence and during the continuance of customary events of default. Effective May 13, 2015, Darling and the other borrowers party to the Amended Credit Agreement entered into the First Amendment to the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the "First Amendment") with the administrative agent and certain of the lenders. The First Amendment removes the previously existing requirement under the Amended Credit Agreement that the maximum total leverage ratio under one of the financial covenants must continue to step down over the life of the Senior Secured Credit Facilities. After giving effect to the First Amendment, the maximum total leverage ratio shall remain 5.0 to 1.0 for the duration of the loans under the Amended Credit Agreement.

Pursuant to the Second Amended and Restated Security Agreement, dated as of January 6, 2014 (the "Security Agreement"), by and among Darling, its domestic subsidiaries signatory thereto and any other domestic subsidiary who may become a party thereto and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent, the Senior Secured Credit Facilities are secured, subject to certain carveouts and exceptions, by a first priority lien on substantially all of the assets of Darling and such domestic subsidiaries. The obligations of Darling Canada, Darling NL, Darling BV, CTH and any other foreign borrower under the Senior Secured Credit Facilities are also secured by a first priority lien on certain assets of certain of Darling's foreign subsidiaries organized in Canada, Belgium, Germany, the Netherlands and Brazil, subject to certain carveouts and exceptions.

Pursuant to the Second Amended and Restated Guaranty Agreement, dated as of January 6, 2014 (the "Guaranty Agreement"), (a) the obligations of Darling under the Senior Secured Credit Facilities are guaranteed by certain of Darling's wholly-owned domestic subsidiaries and (b) the obligations of Darling Canada, Darling NL, Darling BV, CTH and any other foreign borrower under the Senior Secured Credit Facilities are guaranteed by Darling and certain of its domestic and foreign wholly-owned subsidiaries, in each case subject to certain carveouts and exceptions (collectively, the "Credit Agreement Guarantors").

5.375 % Senior Notes due 2022. On December 18, 2013, Darling Escrow Corporation ("Darling Escrow Sub"), a Delaware corporation and wholly-owned subsidiary of Darling, entered into a purchase agreement (the "Original 5.375% Purchase Agreement") with the initial purchasers party thereto (the "Initial Purchasers"), for the sale of \$500.0 million aggregate principal amount of its 5.375% Notes due 2022 (the "5.375% Private Notes"). On January 2, 2014,

the 5.375% Notes, which were offered in a private offering in connection with the VION Acquisition, were issued pursuant to a 5.375% Notes Indenture, dated as of January 2, 2014 (the "Original 5.375% Indenture"), among Darling Escrow Sub, the Subsidiary Guarantors (as defined in the Original 5.375% Indenture) party thereto from time to time and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the "5.375% Trustee"), with the gross proceeds from the offering of the 5.375% Private Notes and certain additional amounts deposited into an escrow account pending the satisfaction of certain conditions, including the completion of the VION Acquisition, which occurred on January 7, 2014.

On January 8, 2014 (the "Notes Closing Date"), Darling Escrow Sub merged (the "Notes Merger") with and into Darling (with Darling as the survivor of the Notes Merger), pursuant to an Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated January 8, 2014, between Darling Escrow Sub and Darling.

In connection with the completion of the Notes Merger, pursuant to the provisions of the Original 5.375% Indenture and the Original 5.375% Purchase Agreement, Darling Escrow Sub, Darling and certain of Darling's subsidiaries: Craig Protein Division, Inc. ("Craig Protein"), Darling AWS LLC, Darling National LLC ("Darling National"), Darling Northstar LLC, Darling Global Holdings Inc., EV Acquisition, Inc., Griffin Industries LLC ("Griffin"), Terra Holding Company and TRS (such subsidiaries and together with any other Darling subsidiaries that guarantee the 5.375% Notes, the "Notes Guarantors") entered into a supplemental indenture with the Trustee (the "Supplemental 5.375% Indenture," and together with the Original 5.375% Indenture, the "5.375% Indenture"), pursuant to which, upon effectiveness of the Notes Merger, Darling assumed all the obligations of Darling Escrow Sub under the 5.375% Private Notes and the 5.375% Indenture and the Notes Guarantors guaranteed the 5.375% Private Notes and agreed to be bound by the terms of the 5.375% Indenture applicable to subsidiary guarantors of the 5.375% Private Notes. In addition, in accordance with the provisions of the Original 5.375% Purchase Agreement, upon the completion of the Notes Merger, Darling and the Notes Guarantors became parties to the Original 5.375% Purchase Agreement, by entering into a Joinder to the Purchase Agreement, dated as of the Notes Closing Date (together with the Original 5.375% Purchase Agreement, the "5.375% Purchase Agreement"), with the Initial Purchasers. Upon satisfaction of the escrow release conditions on the Notes Closing Date, the proceeds from the offering of the 5.375% Private Notes were released from the escrow account in accordance with Darling's written instructions. Darling used a portion of the proceeds from the offering of the 5.375% Private Notes to pay the Initial Purchasers' commission related to the offering of the 5.375% Private Notes and certain fees and expenses (including bank fees and expenses) related to the financing of the VION Acquisition and for purposes of satisfying, discharging and redeeming its 8.5% Notes due 2018 discussed below.

Darling used the remaining proceeds of the 5.375% Private Notes to pay certain other fees and expenses related to the completion of the VION Acquisition and its related financings, to repay a portion of the borrowings under its revolving credit facility used to fund a portion of the consideration for the VION Acquisition and for general corporate purposes.

The Purchase Agreement contains customary representations, warranties and agreements by Darling and the Notes Guarantors. In addition, Darling and the Notes Guarantors have agreed to indemnify the Initial Purchasers against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), or to contribute to payments the Initial Purchasers may be required to make because of any of those liabilities.

In connection with the assumption of the 5.375% Private Notes by Darling and the guarantee of the 5.375% Private Notes by the Notes Guarantors, on the Notes Closing Date, Darling and the Notes Guarantors became parties to, and Darling assumed all of Darling Escrow Sub's obligations under, a registration rights agreement, dated as of January 2, 2014 (the "Registration Rights Agreement"). In satisfaction of Darling's obligations under the Registration Rights Agreement, Darling and the Notes Guarantors completed a registered exchange offer for the 5.375% Private Notes under the Securities Act during the third quarter of 2014. The terms of the notes issued in exchange for the 5.375% Private Notes and guaranteed by the Notes Guarantors (the "5.375% Public Notes" and together with the 5.375% Private Notes, the "5.375% Notes") are substantially identical in all material respects to the 5.375% Private Notes, except that transfer restrictions, registration rights and additional interest provisions relating to the 5.375% Private Notes do not apply to the 5.375% Public Notes.

The 5.375% Notes will mature on January 15, 2022. Darling will pay interest on the 5.375% Notes on January 15 and July 15 of each year, commencing on July 15, 2014. Interest on the 5.375% Notes will accrue at a rate of 5.375% per annum and be payable in cash. Other than for extraordinary events such as change of control and defined assets sales, the Company is not required to make mandatory redemption or sinking fund payments on the 5.375% Notes.

The 5.375% Notes are currently guaranteed on an unsecured senior basis by the Notes Guarantors, which constitute all of Darling's existing restricted subsidiaries that are Credit Agreement Guarantors (other than Darling's foreign

subsidiaries). Under the 5.375% Indenture, each restricted subsidiary of Darling (other than Darling's foreign subsidiaries and certain of Darling's subsidiaries that engage solely in the financing of receivables and are so designated by Darling) is required to guarantee the 5.375% Notes (a) if the Amended Credit Agreement is outstanding and such restricted subsidiary guarantees the Amended Credit Agreement and (b) if the Amended Credit Agreement is not outstanding, if such restricted subsidiary incurs or guarantees certain indebtedness in excess of \$50.0 million.

The 5.375% Notes and the guarantees thereof rank equally in right of payment to any existing and future senior debt of Darling and the Notes Guarantors, including debt that is secured by the collateral for the Amended Credit Agreement. The 5.375% Notes and the guarantees thereof will be effectively junior to existing and future debt of Darling and the Notes Guarantors that is secured by assets that do not constitute collateral for the Amended Credit Agreement, to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt. The 5.375% Notes and the guarantees thereof will be structurally subordinated to all of the existing and future liabilities (including trade payables) of each of the subsidiaries of Darling that do not guarantee the 5.375% Notes.

Darling may at any time and from time to time purchase the 5.375% Notes in the open market or otherwise. Darling may redeem some or all of the 5.375% Notes at any time prior to January 15, 2017, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the 5.375% Notes redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date and an Applicable Premium as specified in the 5.375% Indenture.

On and after January 15, 2017, Darling may redeem all or, from time to time, a part of the 5.375% Notes (including any additional 5.375% Notes), upon not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice at the following redemption prices (expressed as a percentage of principal amount), plus accrued and unpaid interest on the 5.375% Notes, if any, to, but excluding, the applicable redemption date (subject to the right of holders of record on the relevant record date to receive interest due on the relevant interest payment date), if redeemed during the twelve-month period beginning on January 15 of the years indicated below:

Year	Percentage
2017	104.031%
2018	102.688%
2019	101.344%
2020 and thereafter	100.000%

In addition, prior to January 15, 2017, Darling may on one or more occasions redeem up to 40% of the original principal amount of the 5.375% Notes (calculated after giving effect to the issuance of any additional 5.375% Notes) with the net cash proceeds of one or more equity offerings at a redemption price equal to 105.375% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to, but excluding, the redemption date (subject to the right of holders of record on the relevant record date to receive interest due on the relevant interest payment date); provided that at least 50% of the original principal amount of the 5.375% Notes (calculated after giving effect to the issuance of any additional 5.375% Notes) remains outstanding after each such redemption; provided further that the redemption occurs within 90 days after the closing of such equity offering.

The 5.375% Indenture contains covenants limiting Darling's ability and the ability of its restricted subsidiaries to, among other things: incur additional indebtedness or issue preferred stock; pay dividends on or make other distributions or repurchases of Darling's capital stock or make other restricted payments; create restrictions on the payment of dividends or other amounts from Darling's restricted subsidiaries to Darling or Darling's other restricted subsidiaries; make loans or investments; enter into certain transactions with affiliates; create liens; designate Darling's subsidiaries as unrestricted subsidiaries; and sell certain assets or merge with or into other companies or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of Darling's assets.

The 5.375% Indenture also provides for customary events of default, including, without limitation, payment defaults, covenant defaults, cross acceleration defaults to certain other indebtedness in excess of specified amounts, certain events of bankruptcy and insolvency and judgment defaults in excess of specified amounts. If any such event of default occurs and is continuing under the 5.375% Indenture, the Trustee or the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the total outstanding 5.375% Notes may declare the principal, premium, if any, interest and any other monetary obligations on all the then outstanding 5.375% Notes issued under the 5.375% Indenture to be due and payable immediately.

4.75 % Senior Notes due 2022. On May 29, 2015, Darling Global Finance B.V. (the "Note Issuer"), a wholly-owned indirect finance subsidiary of Darling incorporated as a private company with limited liability (besloten vennootschap met beperkte aansprakelijkheid) under the laws of The Netherlands, the Company and the subsidiary guarantors named therein entered into a Purchase Agreement (the "4.75% Purchase Agreement") with Goldman Sachs International ("Goldman Sachs") and J.P. Morgan Securities plc ("J.P. Morgan"), for themselves and on behalf of the

other several initial purchasers named therein (together with Goldman Sachs and J.P. Morgan, the "4.75% Initial Purchasers"), for the sale by the Note Issuer, and the purchase by the 4.75% Initial Purchasers, severally, of €515.0 million aggregate principal amount of the Note Issuer's 4.75% Senior Notes due 2022 (the "4.75% Notes"). The 4.75% Purchase Agreement contains customary representations, warranties and agreements by the Note Issuer, Darling and the subsidiary guarantors named therein. In addition, the Note Issuer, Darling and such subsidiary guarantors have agreed to indemnify the 4.75% Initial Purchasers against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, as amended, or to contribute to payments the 4.75% Initial Purchasers may be required to make because of any of those liabilities.

On June 3, 2015, the 4.75% Notes, which were offered in a private offering, were issued pursuant to a Senior Notes Indenture, dated as of June 3, 2015 (the "4.75% Indenture"), among the Note Issuer, Darling, the subsidiary guarantors

party thereto from time to time, Citibank, N.A., London Branch, as trustee (the "4.75% Trustee") and principal paying agent, and Citigroup Global Markets Deutschland AG, as principal registrar.

The gross proceeds from the sale of the 4.75% Notes were €515.0 million. Darling used the gross proceeds from the sale of the 4.75% Notes to refinance outstanding the Euro Term Loan B under the Company's Senior Secured Credit Facilities, to pay the 4.75% Initial Purchasers' commission related to the offering of the 4.75% Notes and to pay certain fees and expenses related to the offering of the 4.75% Notes and the refinancing of the Euro Term Loan B. Darling intends to use any remaining proceeds for general corporate purposes. In addition, the Company capitalized as deferred loan costs approximately \$12.8 million, which are included in other long-term assets from the issuance of the 4.75% Notes and the First Amendment to the Amended Credit Agreement in the three months ended July 4, 2015.

The 4.75% Notes will mature on May 30, 2022. The Note Issuer will pay interest on the 4.75% Notes on May 30 and November 30 of each year, commencing on November 30, 2015. Interest on the 4.75% Notes will accrue from June 3, 2015 at a rate of 4.75% per annum and be payable in cash. Other than for extraordinary events such as change of control and defined assets sales, the Note Issuer is not required to make mandatory redemption or sinking fund payments on the 4.75% Notes.

The 4.75% Notes are currently guaranteed on an unsecured senior basis by Darling and the Note Guarantors (collectively, the "4.75% Guarantors"). Under the 4.75% Indenture, each restricted subsidiary of Darling (other than Darling's foreign subsidiaries, the Note Issuer and certain of Darling's subsidiaries that engage solely in the financing of receivables and are so designated by Darling) is required to guarantee the 4.75% Notes (a) if the Amended Credit Agreement is outstanding and such restricted subsidiary guarantees the Amended Credit Agreement and (b) if the Amended Credit Agreement is not outstanding, if such restricted subsidiary incurs or guarantees certain indebtedness in excess of \$50.0 million.

The 4.75% Indenture provides that all payments on the 4.75% Notes or the guarantees of the 4.75% Notes must be made without withholding or deduction for taxes imposed by any relevant tax jurisdiction (as defined in the 4.75% Indenture) unless required by law. In the event that any taxes imposed by any relevant tax jurisdiction are required to be to be withheld or deducted from payments on the 4.75% Notes or the guarantees of the 4.75% Notes, the Note Issuer or the relevant 4.75% Guarantor, as the case may be, is required, subject to certain exceptions, to pay such additional amounts ("additional amounts") as may be necessary so that the net amounts received by the holders of the 4.75% Notes after such withholding or deduction are equal to the amounts that would have been received in the absence of any such withholding or deduction.

The 4.75% Notes are senior unsecured obligations of the Note Issuer and rank equally in right of payment to all of the Note Issuer's existing and future senior unsecured indebtedness. The 4.75% Notes are effectively junior to all of the Note Issuer's existing and future secured indebtedness, including its guarantee of the current Senior Secured Credit Facilities (and any secured indebtedness incurred to refinance the borrowings thereunder), to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness. The 4.75% Notes are effectively junior to all existing and future indebtedness and other liabilities (including trade payables and capital lease obligations) of all subsidiaries of Darling (other than the Note Issuer) that do not guarantee the 4.75% Notes, including current and future foreign subsidiaries that guarantee the Senior Secured Credit Facilities but not the 4.75% Notes. The 4.75% Notes are senior in right of payment to all of the Note Issuer's existing and future subordinated indebtedness, if any.

The guarantees are senior unsecured obligations of the 4.75% Guarantors and rank equally in right of payment to each 4.75% Guarantor's existing and future senior unsecured indebtedness (including, in the case of Darling, its outstanding 5.375% Notes and, in the case of any restricted subsidiary of Darling that is a 4.75% Guarantor, such restricted subsidiary's guarantee of the 5.375% Notes). The guarantees of the 4.75% Notes are effectively junior to all of each 4.75% Guarantor's existing and future secured indebtedness, including the current Senior Secured Credit Facilities

(and any secured indebtedness incurred to refinance borrowings thereunder), to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness. The guarantees are effectively junior to all existing and future indebtedness and other liabilities (including trade payables and capital lease obligations) of each 4.75% Guarantor's subsidiaries that do not guarantee the 4.75% Notes (other than the Note Issuer), including current and future foreign subsidiaries that guarantee the Senior Secured Credit Facilities but not the 4.75% Notes. The guarantees are senior in right of payment to all of each 4.75% Guarantor's existing and future subordinated indebtedness, if any.

The Note Issuer may at any time and from time to time purchase the 4.75% Notes in the open market or otherwise. The Note Issuer may redeem some or all of the 4.75% Notes at any time prior to May 30, 2018, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the 4.75% Notes redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date and an Applicable Premium as specified in the 4.75% Indenture and all additional amounts (if any) then due or which

will become due on the redemption date as a result of the redemption or otherwise (subject to the rights of holders on the relevant record dates to receive interest due on the relevant interest payment date and additional amounts (if any) in respect thereof).

On and after May 30, 2018, the Note Issuer may redeem all or, from time to time, a part of the 4.75% Notes at the following redemption prices (expressed as a percentage of principal amount) plus accrued and unpaid interest on the 4.75% Notes, if any, to, but excluding, the applicable redemption date and all additional amounts (if any) then due or which will become due on the applicable redemption date as a result of the redemption or otherwise (subject to the right of holders of record on the relevant record date to receive interest due on the relevant interest payment date and additional amounts (if any) in respect thereof), if redeemed during the twelve-month period beginning on May 30 of the years indicated below:

Year	Percentage
2018	102.3750%
2019	101.1875%
2020 and thereafter	100.0000%

In addition, prior to May 30, 2018, the Note Issuer may on any one or more occasions redeem up to 40% of the original principal amount of the 4.75% Notes (calculated after giving effect to the issuance of any additional 4.75% Notes), with the net cash proceeds of one or more equity offerings at a redemption price equal to 104.75% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to, but excluding, the redemption date and all additional amounts (if any) then due or which will become due on the redemption date as a result of the redemption or otherwise (subject to the right of holders of record on the relevant record date to receive interest due on the relevant interest payment date and additional amounts (if any) in respect thereof); provided that at least 50% of the original principal amount of the 4.75% Notes (calculated after giving effect to any issuance of any additional 4.75% Notes) remains outstanding after each such redemption; and provided further that the redemption occurs within 90 days after the closing of such equity offering.

The Note Issuer may redeem the 4.75% Notes, in whole but not in part, at its option at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount thereof, together with accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date and all additional amounts (if any) then due or which will become due on the redemption date as a result of the redemption or otherwise (subject to the right of holders on the relevant record dates to receive interest due on the relevant interest payment dates and additional amounts (if any) in respect thereof), if the Issuer or any 4.75% Guarantor is or would be required to pay additional amounts on the 4.75% Notes as the result of certain changes in relevant tax laws after the date on which the 4.75% Notes were first issued and if the requirement to pay such additional amounts cannot be avoided by taking reasonable measures available to the Note Issuer or such guarantor of the 4.75% Notes.

The 4.75% Indenture contains covenants limiting Darling's ability and the ability of its restricted subsidiaries (including the Note Issuer) to, among other things: incur additional indebtedness or issue preferred stock; pay dividends on or make other distributions or repurchases of Darling's capital stock or make other restricted payments; create restrictions on the payment of dividends or certain other amounts from Darling's restricted subsidiaries to Darling or Darling's other restricted subsidiaries; make loans or investments; enter into certain transactions with affiliates; create liens; designate Darling's subsidiaries as unrestricted subsidiaries; and sell certain assets or merge with or into other companies or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of Darling's assets.

The 4.75% Indenture also provides for customary events of default, including, without limitation, payment defaults, covenant defaults, cross acceleration defaults to certain other indebtedness in excess of specified amounts, certain events of bankruptcy and insolvency and judgment defaults in excess of specified amounts. If any such event of default occurs and is continuing under the 4.75% Indenture, the 4.75% Trustee or the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the total outstanding 4.75% Notes may declare the principal, premium, if any, interest and

additional amounts, if any, on all the then outstanding 4.75% Notes to be due and payable immediately or, in the case of certain events of bankruptcy and insolvency, the principal, premium, if any, interest and additional amounts, if any, on all the then outstanding 4.75% Notes shall become immediately due and payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the 4.75% Trustee or the holders.

As of July 4, 2015, the Company believes it is in compliance with all of the financial covenants under the Amended Credit Agreement, as well as all of the other covenants contained in the Amended Credit Agreement, the 5.375% Indenture and the 4.75% Indenture.

(7) Income Taxes

The Company has provided income taxes for the three and six month periods ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014, based on its estimate of the effective tax rate for the entire 2015 and 2014 fiscal years. For fiscal 2015, the Company's effective tax rate is significantly affected by Subpart F income and entities that are subject to income tax at various tax rates in their countries of operation that differ from the U.S. statutory tax rate.

The Company accounts for income taxes using the asset and liability method. Under the asset and liability method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date. The Company expects to indefinitely reinvest the earnings of its foreign subsidiaries outside of the United States and has generally not provided deferred income taxes on the accumulated earnings of its foreign subsidiaries.

The Company periodically assesses whether it is more likely than not that it will generate sufficient taxable income to realize its deferred income tax assets. In making this determination, the Company considers all available positive and negative evidence and makes certain assumptions. The Company considers, among other things, its deferred tax liabilities, the overall business environment, its historical earnings and losses, current industry trends and its outlook for future years. Certain VION Companies acquired as part of the VION Acquisition have deferred tax assets for tax loss carryforwards, and the Company has recorded valuation allowances in respect to those losses to the extent it has been determined that it is not more likely than not that the deferred tax assets will be realized.

Unrecognized tax benefits represent the difference between tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return and the benefits recognized for financial statement purposes. As of July 4, 2015, the Company had \$5.6 million of gross unrecognized tax benefits and \$2.3 million of related accrued interest and penalties. An indemnity receivable of \$5.9 million has been recorded for the uncertain tax positions related to the VION Acquisition. It is reasonably possible within the next twelve months that the Company's gross unrecognized tax benefits may decrease by up to \$2.1 million, excluding interest and penalties, primarily due to potential settlements and expiration of certain statutes of limitations.

The Company's major taxing jurisdictions include the United States (federal and state), Canada, the Netherlands, Belgium, Brazil, Germany, France and China. The Company is subject to regular examination by various tax authorities and although the final outcome of these examinations is not yet determinable, the Company does not anticipate that any of the examinations will have a significant impact on the Company's results of operations or financial position. The statute of limitations for the Company's major tax jurisdictions is open for varying periods, but is generally closed through the 2005 tax year.

(8) Other Comprehensive Income

The Company follows Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") authoritative guidance for reporting and presentation of comprehensive income or loss and its components. Other comprehensive income (loss) is derived from adjustments that reflect pension adjustments, natural gas derivative adjustments, corn option adjustments and interest rate swap derivative adjustments. The components of other comprehensive income (loss) and the related tax impacts for the three and six months months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014 are as follows (in thousands):

	Three Mon Before-Tax Amount July 4, 201	ζ	Tax (Exp or Benefi 114 July 4, 20	it	Net-of-Tav Amount 014 July 4, 201		014
Defined benefit pension plans Amortization of prior service cost Amortization of actuarial loss Total defined benefit pension plans Natural gas swap derivatives	\$(20 1,284)\$4 520 524	\$10 (496 (486	\$(2)(201)(203)\$(10)788)778)\$2 319 321	
Loss/(gain) reclassified to net income	_	_		_	_		
Gain/(loss) activity recognized in other comprehensive income (loss)	_	(17)—	6	_	(11)
Total natural gas swap derivatives Corn option derivatives	_	(17)—	6		(11)
Loss/(gain) reclassified to net income	(347)(32) 134	12	(213)(20)
Gain/(loss) activity recognized in other comprehensive income (loss)	(1,819) 1,046	707	(405)(1,112)641	
Total corn option derivatives	(2,166) 1,014	841	(393)(1,325) 621	
Foreign currency translation	8,452	(6,931)—	_	8,452	(6,931)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	\$7,550 Six Months	\$(5,410 s Ended)\$355	\$(590)\$7,905	\$(6,000)
	Before-Tax Amount		Tax (Exp		Net-of-Tax	Κ	
		5 June 28 20	or Benefi 014 July 4 20		Amount 014 July 4 201	5 June 28 2	014
Defined benefit pension plans	July 4, 201		014 July 4, 20)15 June 28, 2	014 July 4, 201		014
Defined benefit pension plans Amortization of prior service cost Amortization of actuarial loss		5 June 28, 20)\$8 1,039			014 July 4, 201) \$(20	5 June 28, 2)\$4 637	014
Amortization of prior service cost Amortization of actuarial loss Total defined benefit pension plans	July 4, 201 \$(40 2,569)\$8	\$20	\$15 June 28, 2 \$(4	014 July 4, 201)\$4	014
Amortization of prior service cost Amortization of actuarial loss	July 4, 201 \$(40 2,569)\$8 1,039	\$20 (1,002	\$(4)(402	014 July 4, 201)\$(20)1,567)\$4 637)
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Amortization of prior service cost Amortization of actuarial loss Total defined benefit pension plans Natural gas swap derivatives Loss/(gain) reclassified to net income Gain/(loss) activity recognized in other comprehensive income (loss) Total natural gas swap derivatives Corn option derivatives Loss/(gain) reclassified to net income Gain/(loss) activity recognized in other comprehensive income (loss)	July 4, 201 \$(40 2,569 2,529 (581 (1,523)\$8 1,039 1,047 (357 155 (202)(1,324)(273	\$20 (1,002 (982)—)—)—)225)592	\$(4)(402)(406 139 (61 78 513 107	014 July 4, 201) \$ (20) 1,567) 1,547) (356 (931)\$4 637 641 (218 94 (124)(811)(166)

The following table presents the amounts reclassified out of each component of other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax for the three and six months months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014 as follows (in thousands):

	Three Mont	ths Ended	Six Months	Ended	
	July 4, 2015	June 28, 2014	July 4, 2015	June 28, 2014	Statement of Operations Classification
Derivative instruments					
Natural gas swap derivatives	\$—	\$ —	\$ —	\$357	Cost of sales and operating expenses
Corn option derivatives	347	32	581	1,324	Cost of sales and operating expenses
	347	32	581	1,681	Total before tax
	(134)(12)(225) (652) Income taxes
	213	20	356	1,029	Net of tax
Defined benefit pension plans	1				
Amortization of prior service cost	\$20	\$(4)\$40	\$(8)(a)
Amortization of actuarial loss	(1,284)(520)(2,569)(1,039)(a)
	(1,264) (524)(2,529)(1,047) Total before tax
	486	203	982	406	Income taxes
	(778)(321)(1,547) (641) Net of tax
Total reclassifications	\$(565)\$(301)\$(1,191)\$388	Net of tax

⁽a) These items are included in the computation of net periodic pension cost. See Note 9 Employee Benefit Plans for additional information.

The following table presents changes in each component of accumulated comprehensive income (loss) as of July 4, 2015 as follows (in thousands):

	Six Months En	ded July 4, 2015			
	Foreign Curren	cy Derivative	Defined Benef	it	
	Translation	Instruments	Pension Plans	Total	
Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (loss) January 3, 2015, net of tax	\$(140,386)\$76	\$(36,750)\$(177,060)
Other comprehensive gain before reclassifications	(90,190)(931)—	(91,121)
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	_	(356) 1,547	1,191	
Net current-period other comprehensive income	(90,190)(1,287) 1,547	(89,930)
Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (loss) July 4, 2015, net of tax	(230,576)\$(1,211)\$(35,203)\$(266,990)

(9) Employee Benefit Plans

The Company has retirement and pension plans covering a substantial number of its domestic and foreign employees. Most retirement benefits are provided by the Company under separate final-pay noncontributory and contributory defined benefit and defined contribution plans for all salaried and hourly employees (excluding those covered by union-sponsored plans) who meet service and age requirements. Although various defined benefit formulas exist for employees, generally these are based on length of service and earnings patterns during employment. Effective January 1, 2012, the Company's Board of Directors authorized the Company to proceed with the restructuring of its domestic retirement benefit program to include the closing of Darling's salaried and hourly defined benefit plans to new participants as well as the freezing of service and wage accruals thereunder effective

December 31, 2011 (a curtailment of these plans for financial reporting purposes) and the enhancing of benefits under the Company's domestic defined contribution plans. The Company-sponsored domestic hourly union plan has not been curtailed; however, several locations of the Company-sponsored domestic hourly union plan have been curtailed as a result of collective bargaining renewals for those sites.

Net pension cost for the three and six months months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014 includes the following components (in thousands):

	Pension Ber	nefits		Pension Ber	nefits	
	Three Mont	hs Ended		Six Months	Ended	
	July 4,	June 28,		July 4,	June 28,	
	2015	2014		2015	2014	
Service cost	\$1,667	\$1,496		\$3,345	\$2,986	
Interest cost	2,638	3,353		5,285	6,700	
Expected return on plan assets	(3,051)(3,612)	(6,116)(7,220)
Amortization of prior service cost	(20)4		(40)8	
Amortization of net loss	1,284	520		2,569	1,040	
Net pension cost	\$2,518	\$1,761		\$5,043	\$3,514	

The Company's funding policy for employee benefit pension plans is to contribute annually not less than the minimum amount required nor more than the maximum amount that can be deducted for federal and foreign income tax purposes. Contributions are intended to provide not only for benefits attributed to service to date, but also for those expected to be earned in the future. Based on actuarial estimates at July 4, 2015, the Company expects to contribute approximately \$7.5 million to its pension plans to meet funding requirements during the next twelve months. Additionally, the Company has made tax deductible discretionary and required contributions to its pension plans for the six months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014 of approximately \$2.5 million and \$8.0 million, respectively.

The Company participates in various multiemployer pension plans which provide defined benefits to certain employees covered by labor contracts. These plans are not administered by the Company and contributions are determined in accordance with provisions of negotiated labor contracts to meet their pension benefit obligations to their participants. The Company's contributions to each individual multiemployer plan represent less than 5% of the total contributions to each such plan. Based on the most currently available information, the Company has determined that, if a withdrawal were to occur, withdrawal liabilities on two of the plans in which the Company currently participates could be material to the Company, with one of these material plans certified as critical or red zone. With respect to the other multiemployer pension plans in which the Company participates and which are not individually significant, four plans have certified as critical or red zone, two plans have certified as endangered or yellow zone and one plan has certified as seriously endangered or orange zone as defined by the Pension Protection Act of 2006.

In June 2009, the Company received a notice of a mass withdrawal termination and a notice of initial withdrawal liability from a multiemployer plan in which it participated. The Company had anticipated this event and as a result had accrued approximately \$3.2 million as of January 3, 2009 based on the most recent information that was probable and estimable for this plan. The plan had given a notice of redetermination liability in December 2009. In fiscal 2010, the Company received further third party information confirming the future payout related to this multiemployer plan. As a result, the Company reduced its liability to approximately \$1.2 million. In fiscal 2010, another under-funded multiemployer plan in which the Company participates gave notification of partial withdrawal liability. As of July 4, 2015, the Company has an accrued liability of approximately \$0.8 million representing the present value of scheduled withdrawal liability payments under this multiemployer plan. While the Company has no ability to calculate a possible current liability for under-funded multiemployer plans that could terminate or could require additional funding under the Pension Protection Act of 2006, the amounts could be material.

(10) Derivatives

The Company's operations are exposed to market risks relating to commodity prices that affect the Company's cost of raw materials, finished product prices and energy costs and the risk of changes in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates.

The Company makes limited use of derivative instruments to manage cash flow risks related to natural gas usage, diesel fuel usage, inventory, forecasted sales and foreign currency exchange rates. The Company does not use derivative instruments for trading purposes. Natural gas swaps and options are entered into with the intent of managing the overall cost of natural gas usage by reducing the potential impact of seasonal weather demands on natural gas that increases natural gas prices. Heating oil swaps and options are entered into with the intent of managing the overall cost of diesel fuel usage by reducing the potential impact of seasonal weather demands on diesel fuel that increases diesel fuel prices. Corn options and future contracts are entered into with the intent of managing U.S. forecasted sales of bakery by-products ("BBP") by reducing the impact of changing prices. Foreign currency forward contracts are entered into to

mitigate the foreign exchange rate risk for transactions designated in a currency other than the local functional currency. At July 4, 2015, the Company had corn option contracts outstanding that qualified and were designated for hedge accounting as well as heating oil swap contracts, corn option and forward contracts and foreign currency forward contracts that did not qualify and were not designated for hedge accounting.

Entities are required to report all derivative instruments in the statement of financial position at fair value. The accounting for changes in the fair value (i.e., gains or losses) of a derivative instrument depends on whether it has been designated and qualifies as part of a hedging relationship and, if so, on the reason for holding the instrument. If certain conditions are met, entities may elect to designate a derivative instrument as a hedge of exposures to changes in fair value, cash flows or foreign currencies. If the hedged exposure is a cash flow exposure, the effective portion of the gain or loss on the derivative instrument is reported initially as a component of other comprehensive income (outside of earnings) and is subsequently reclassified into earnings when the forecasted transaction affects earnings. Any amounts excluded from the assessment of hedge effectiveness, as well as the ineffective portion of the gain or loss are reported in earnings immediately. If the derivative instrument is not designated as a hedge, the gain or loss is recognized in earnings in the period of change.

Cash Flow Hedges

In fiscal 2014 and the first six months of fiscal 2015, the Company entered into corn option contracts that are considered cash flow hedges. Under the terms of the corn option contracts, the Company hedged a portion of its U.S. forecasted sales of BBP through the second quarter of fiscal 2016. As of July 4, 2015, some of the contracts have settled while the remaining contract positions and activity are disclosed below. From time to time, the Company may enter into corn option contracts in the future.

As of July 4, 2015, the Company had the following outstanding forward contract amounts that were entered into to hedge the future payments of intercompany note transactions, foreign currency transactions in currencies other than the functional currency and forecasted transactions in currencies other than the functional currency. All of these transactions are currently not designated for hedge accounting. (in thousands):

Functional Currency		Contract Currency	
Type	Amount	Туре	Amount
Brazilian real	15,910	Euro	4,550
Brazilian real	40,100	U.S. dollar	12,750
Euro	264,533	U.S. dollar	300,494
Euro	23,330	Polish zloty	98,000
Euro	4,968	Japanese yen	663,043
Euro	36,981	Chinese renminbi	254,055
Euro	25,326	Australian dollar	37,350
Euro	5,331	British pound	3,848
Polish zloty	24,978	Euro	6,065
British pound	74	Euro	100
British pound	131	U.S. dollar	200
Japanese yen	12,217	U.S. dollar	102

The Company estimates the amount that will be reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive gain at July 4, 2015 into earnings over the next 12 months will be approximately \$2.0 million. As of July 4, 2015, no amounts have been reclassified into earnings as a result of the discontinuance of cash flow hedges.

The following table presents the fair value of the Company's derivative instruments under FASB authoritative guidance as of July 4, 2015 and January 3, 2015 (in thousands):

Derivatives Designated	Balance Sheet	Asset Derivatives l	Fair Value
as Hedges	Location	July 4, 2015	January 3, 2015
Corn options	Other current assets	\$ —	\$247
Total asset derivatives designated as hedges		\$ —	\$247
Derivatives Not			
Designated as			
Hedges			
Foreign currency contracts	Other current assets	\$7,783	\$11,559
Heating oil swaps and options	Other current assets	129	353
Corn options and futures	Other current assets	_	69
Total asset derivatives not designated as hedge	s	\$7,912	\$11,981
Total asset derivatives		\$7,912	\$12,228
Derivatives Designated	Balance Sheet	Liability Derivativ	es Fair Value
Derivatives Designated as Hedges	Balance Sheet Location	Liability Derivativ July 4, 2015	
Derivatives Designated as Hedges Corn options	Balance Sheet Location Accrued expenses	Liability Derivativ July 4, 2015 \$2,531	es Fair Value January 3, 2015 \$—
as Hedges Corn options	Location Accrued expenses	July 4, 2015 \$2,531	January 3, 2015 \$—
as Hedges	Location Accrued expenses	July 4, 2015	January 3, 2015
as Hedges Corn options Total liability derivatives designated as hedges Derivatives Not Designated as	Location Accrued expenses	July 4, 2015 \$2,531	January 3, 2015 \$—
as Hedges Corn options Total liability derivatives designated as hedges Derivatives Not Designated as Hedges	Location Accrued expenses	July 4, 2015 \$2,531	January 3, 2015 \$— \$—
as Hedges Corn options Total liability derivatives designated as hedges Derivatives Not Designated as	Location Accrued expenses	July 4, 2015 \$2,531 \$2,531	January 3, 2015 \$—
as Hedges Corn options Total liability derivatives designated as hedges Derivatives Not Designated as Hedges Foreign currency contracts	Location Accrued expenses Accrued expenses	July 4, 2015 \$2,531 \$2,531 \$743	January 3, 2015 \$— \$— \$2,019
as Hedges Corn options Total liability derivatives designated as hedges Derivatives Not Designated as Hedges Foreign currency contracts Heating oil swaps and options	Accrued expenses Accrued expenses Accrued expenses Accrued expenses Accrued expenses	July 4, 2015 \$2,531 \$2,531 \$743 491	January 3, 2015 \$— \$— \$2,019 993

The effect of the Company's derivative instruments on the consolidated financial statements as of and for the three months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014 is as follows (in thousands):

Derivatives Designated as Cash Flow Hedges	Comprehe ("OCI") on Deriva	ed in Other ensive Income	Gain or (I Reclassif Accumul into Inco (Effective	ied from ated OCI	on Derivat (Ineffectiv Amount E	ed in Income	
	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	
Corn options	\$(1,819)\$1,046	\$347	\$32	\$672	\$355	
Natural gas swaps	_	(17)—			(4)
Total	\$(1,819)\$1,029	\$347	\$32	\$672	\$351	

Amount recognized in accumulated OCI (effective portion) is reported as accumulated other comprehensive (a)income/(loss) of approximately \$(1.8) million and approximately \$1.0 million recorded net of taxes of approximately \$0.7 million and \$(0.4) million as of July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014, respectively.

(b) Gains and (losses) reclassified from accumulated OCI into income (effective portion) for corn options and natural gas swaps are included in cost of sales, respectively, in the Company's consolidated statements of operations.

(c) Gains and (losses) recognized in income on derivatives (ineffective portion) for corn options and natural gas swaps is included in other income/ (expense), net in the Company's consolidated statements of operations.

The effect of the Company's derivative instruments on the consolidated financial statements as of and for the six months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014 is as follows (in thousands):

Derivatives Designated as Cash Flow Hedges	on Deriva	ed in OCI	Accumul into Inco	ied From ated OCI	on Deriva (Ineffectiv Amount E	ed in Income	
Č	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	
Corn options	\$(1,523)\$(273)\$581	\$1,324	\$727	\$731	
Natural gas swaps	_	155		357		(5)
Total	\$(1,523)\$(118)\$581	\$1,681	\$727	\$726	

Amount recognized in accumulated OCI (effective portion) is reported as accumulated other comprehensive (a)income/(loss) of approximately \$(1.5) million and approximately \$(0.1) million recorded net of taxes of approximately \$0.6 million and less than \$0.1 million as of July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014, respectively.

(b) Gains and (losses) reclassified from accumulated OCI into income (effective portion) for corn options and natural gas swaps are included in cost of sales, respectively, in the Company's consolidated statements of operations.

Gains and (losses) recognized in income on derivatives (ineffective portion) for corn options and natural gas swap.

Gains and (losses) recognized in income on derivatives (ineffective portion) for corn options and natural gas swaps is included in other income/ (expense), net in the Company's consolidated statements of operations.

The table below summarizes the effect of derivatives not designated as hedges on the Company's consolidated statements of operations for the three and six months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014 (in thousands):

		•	ss) Recognized as Hedge		on Derivative	es
5		Three Mon		Six Months		
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments	Location	July 4, 201	5 June 28, 2014	July 4, 201:	5 June 28, 2014	
Foreign Exchange	Foreign currency gain/(loss)	\$(2,262)\$2,372	\$25,437	\$(11,350)
Foreign Exchange	Cost of sales and operating expenses	(5) 15	(1)1	
Foreign Exchange	Selling, general and administrative expense	(361)465	1,456	258	
Corn options and futures	Net sales	(81)—	(70)—	
Corn options and futures	Cost of sales and operating expenses	(633)94	(378)(78)
Heating Oil swaps and options	Cost of sales and operating expenses	(35)8	(130) 18	
Total	_	\$(3,377)\$2,954	\$26,314	\$(11,151)

At July 4, 2015, the Company had forward purchase agreements in place for purchases of approximately \$2.5 million of natural gas and diesel fuel. These forward purchase agreements have no net settlement provisions and the

Company intends to take physical delivery of the underlying product. Accordingly, the forward purchase agreements are not subject to the requirements of fair value accounting because they qualify and the Company has elected to account for these as normal purchases as defined in the FASB authoritative guidance.

(11) Fair Value Measurements

FASB authoritative guidance defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. The following table presents the Company's financial instruments that are measured at fair value on a recurring and nonrecurring basis as of July 4, 2015 and are categorized using the fair value hierarchy under FASB authoritative guidance. The fair value hierarchy has three levels based on the reliability of the inputs used to determine the fair value.

		Fair Value Measuremen	nts at July 4, 2015 Using	,
		Quoted Prices in	Significant Other	Significant
		Active Markets for	Observable	Unobservable
		Identical Assets	Inputs	Inputs
(In thousands of dollars)	Total	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)
Assets:				
Derivative instruments	\$7,912	\$—	\$7,912	\$
Total Assets	\$7,912	\$—	\$7,912	\$
Liabilities:				
Derivative instruments	\$4,881	\$—	\$4,881	\$—
5.375% Senior notes	496,250	_	496,250	_
4.75% Senior notes	560,091	_	560,091	_
Term loan A	298,324	_	298,324	_
Term loan B	595,092	_	595,092	_
Revolver debt	56,689	_	56,689	_
Total Liabilities	\$2,011,327	\$—	\$2,011,327	\$ —

Derivative assets consist of the Company's heating oil swap and option contracts, corn option and future contracts and foreign currency contracts, which represents the difference between observable market rates of commonly quoted intervals for similar assets and liabilities in active markets and the fixed swap rate considering the instruments term, notional amount and credit risk. See Note 10 (Derivatives) for breakdown by instrument type.

Derivative liabilities consist of the Company's heating oil swap and option contracts, corn option and future contracts and foreign currency contracts, which represents the difference between observable market rates of commonly quoted intervals for similar assets and liabilities in active markets and the fixed swap rate considering the instruments term, notional amount and credit risk. See Note 10 (Derivatives) for breakdown by instrument type.

The carrying amount of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued expenses approximates fair value due to the short maturity of these instruments and as such have been excluded from the table above. The carrying amount for the Company's other debt is not deemed to be significantly different than the fair value and all other instruments have been recorded at fair value.

The fair value of the senior notes, term loan A, term loan B and revolver debt is based on market quotation from a third-party bank.

(12) Contingencies

The Company is a party to several lawsuits, claims and loss contingencies arising in the ordinary course of its business, including employment related matters and assertions by certain regulatory and governmental agencies related to permitting requirements and air, wastewater and storm water discharges from the Company's processing

facilities.

The Company's workers compensation, auto and general liability policies contain significant deductibles or self-insured retentions. The Company estimates and accrues its expected ultimate claim costs related to accidents occurring during each fiscal year and carries this accrual as a reserve until these claims are paid by the Company.

As a result of the matters discussed above, the Company has established loss reserves for insurance, environmental, litigation and tax matters. At July 4, 2015 and January 3, 2015, the reserves for insurance, environmental, litigation and tax contingencies reflected on the balance sheet in accrued expenses and other non-current liabilities were approximately

\$57.5 million and \$54.9 million, respectively. The Company has insurance recovery receivables of approximately \$11.4 million as of July 4, 2015 and January 3, 2015, related to these liabilities. The Company's management believes these reserves for contingencies are reasonable and sufficient based upon present governmental regulations and information currently available to management; however, there can be no assurance that final costs related to these matters will not exceed current estimates. The Company believes that the likelihood is remote that any additional liability from these lawsuits and claims that may not be covered by insurance would have a material effect on the Company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Lower Passaic River Area. In December 2009, the Company, along with numerous other entities, received notice from the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") that the Company (as successor-in-interest to Standard Tallow Company) is considered a potentially responsible party with respect to alleged contamination in the lower Passaic River area which is part of the Diamond Alkali Superfund Site located in Newark, New Jersey. The Company's designation as a potentially responsible party is based upon the operation of a former plant site located in Newark, New Jersey by Standard Tallow Company, an entity that the Company acquired in 1996. In the letter, EPA requested that the Company join a group of other parties in funding a remedial investigation and feasibility study at the site. As of the date of this report, the Company has not agreed to participate in the funding group. The Company's ultimate liability for investigatory costs, remedial costs and/or natural resource damages in connection with the lower Passaic River area cannot be determined at this time; however, as of the date of this report, there is nothing that leads the Company to believe that this matter will have a material effect on the Company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Fresno Facility Permit Issue. The Company has been named as a defendant and a real party in interest in a lawsuit filed on April 9, 2012 in the Superior Court of the State of California, Fresno County, styled Concerned Citizens of West Fresno vs. Darling International Inc. The complaint, as subsequently amended, alleges that the Company's Fresno facility is operating without a proper use permit and seeks, among other things, injunctive relief. The complaint had at one time also alleged that the Company's Fresno facility constitutes a continuing private and public nuisance, but the plaintiff has since amended the complaint to drop these allegations. The City of Fresno was also named as a defendant in the original complaint but has since had a judgment entered in its favor and is no longer a defendant in the lawsuit; however, in December 2013 the City of Fresno filed a motion to intervene as a plaintiff in this matter. The Superior Court heard the motion on February 4, 2014, and entered an order on February 18, 2014 denying the motion. Rendering operations have been conducted on the site since 1955, and the Company believes that it possesses all of the required federal, state and local permits to continue to operate the facility in the manner currently conducted and that its operations do not constitute a private or public nuisance. Accordingly, the Company intends to defend itself vigorously in this matter. Discovery has begun and this matter was scheduled for trial in July 2014; however, the parties have agreed to stay the litigation while they participate in a mediation process. While management cannot predict the ultimate outcome of this matter, management does not believe the outcome will have a material effect on the Company's financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

(13) Business Segments

Effective December 29, 2013, the Company's business operations were reorganized into three industry segments: Feed Ingredients, Food Ingredients and Fuel Ingredients, in order to better align its business with the underlying markets and customers that the Company serves. All historical periods have been recast for the changes to the segment reporting structure. The Company sells its products domestically and internationally. The measure of segment profit (loss) includes all revenues, operating expenses (excluding certain amortization of intangibles), and selling, general and administrative expenses incurred at all operating locations and excludes general corporate expenses.

Included in corporate activities are general corporate expenses and the amortization of certain intangibles. Assets of corporate activities include cash, unallocated prepaid expenses, deferred tax assets, prepaid pension, and

miscellaneous other assets.

Feed Ingredients

Feed Ingredients consists principally of (i) the Company's U.S. ingredients business, including the Company's used cooking oil, trap grease and food residuals collection businesses, the Rothsay ingredients business, and the ingredients and specialty products businesses conducted by Darling Ingredients International under the Sonac name (proteins, fats, and plasma products) and (ii) the Company's bakery residuals business. Feed Ingredients operations process animal by-products and used cooking oil into fats, protein and hides.

Food Ingredients

Food Ingredients consists principally of (i) the gelatin and collagen hydrolysates business conducted by Darling Ingredients International under the Rousselot name, (ii) the natural casings and meat-by-products business conducted by Darling Ingredients International under the CTH name and (iii) certain specialty products businesses conducted by Darling Ingredients International under the Sonac name.

Fuel Ingredients

The Company's Fuel Ingredients segment consists of (i) the Company's biofuel business conducted under the Dar Pro® and Rothsay names (ii) the bioenergy business conducted by Darling Ingredients International under the Ecoson and Rendac names and (iii) the Company's investment in the DGD Joint Venture.

Business	Segments	(in	thousands)):
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<i>z</i> , , ,	Feed Ingredients	Food Ingredients	Fuel Ingredients	Corporate	Total	
Three Months Ended July 4, 2015 Net Sales Cost of sales and operating expenses Gross Margin	\$529,429 404,899 124,530	\$283,354 223,190 60,164	\$46,532 40,190 6,342	\$— (3 3	\$859,315)668,276 191,039	
Selling, general and administrative expense Acquisition costs Depreciation and amortization Segment operating income/ (loss)	48,656 — 40,485 35,389	27,867 — 16,785 15,512	(2,295 — 6,599 2,038) 10,066 1,208 2,376 (13,647	84,294 1,208 66,245) 39,292	
Equity in net income of unconsolidated subsidiaries Segment income/(loss)	402 35,791	 15,512	3,770 5,808	— (13,647	4,172)43,464	
Total other expense Income before income taxes					(33,862 \$9,602)
Thurs Marsha Ended Lune 20, 2014	Feed Ingredients	Food Ingredients	Fuel Ingredients	Corporate	Total	
Three Months Ended June 28, 2014 Net Sales Cost of sales and operating expenses Gross Margin				Corporate \$— (14 14	Total \$1,031,283)789,505 241,778	
Net Sales Cost of sales and operating expenses	\$622,110 458,167	\$331,443 269,522	\$77,730 61,830	\$— (14	\$1,031,283)789,505	
Net Sales Cost of sales and operating expenses Gross Margin Selling, general and administrative expense Acquisition costs Depreciation and amortization	\$622,110 458,167 163,943 49,371 — 39,866	\$331,443 269,522 61,921 30,982 — 19,628	\$77,730 61,830 15,900 4,839 — 5,818	\$— (14 14 9,438 4,165 2,186	\$1,031,283)789,505 241,778 94,630 4,165 67,498	

Six Months Ended July 4, 2015	Feed Ingredients	Food Ingredients	Fuel Ingredients	Corporate	Total
Net Sales Cost of sales and operating expenses Gross Margin	\$1,076,927 828,905 248,022	\$553,511 439,827 113,684	\$103,571 84,065 19,506	\$— —	\$1,734,009 1,352,797 381,212
Selling, general and administrative expense Acquisition costs Depreciation and amortization Segment operating income/(loss)	96,679 — 80,539 70,804	53,342 — 33,982 26,360	1,745 — 13,230 4,531	19,159 6,527 4,892 (30,578	170,925 6,527 132,643)71,117
Equity in net income of unconsolidated subsidiaries Segment income/(loss)	819 71,623	<u> </u>	1,545 6,076	— (30,578	2,364)73,481
Total other expense Income before income taxes					(59,940) \$13,541
Segment assets at July 4, 2015	\$2,609,679	\$1,619,213	\$611,531	\$98,377	\$4,938,800
Six Months Endad June 29, 2014	Feed Ingredients	Food Ingredients	Fuel Ingredients	Corporate	Total
Six Months Ended June 28, 2014	\$1,208,217	\$624,905	\$144,453	\$—	\$1,977,575
Net Sales Cost of sales and operating expenses Gross Margin	916,618 291,599	533,623 91,282	114,499 29,954	(29 29) 1,564,711 412,864
Cost of sales and operating expenses	916,618	533,623	114,499	(29) 1,564,711
Cost of sales and operating expenses Gross Margin Selling, general and administrative expense Acquisition costs Depreciation and amortization	916,618 291,599 100,937 — 78,425	533,623 91,282 55,044 — 37,069	114,499 29,954 9,171 — 13,196	(29 29 19,511 20,113 4,477)1,564,711 412,864 184,663 20,113 133,167
Cost of sales and operating expenses Gross Margin Selling, general and administrative expense Acquisition costs Depreciation and amortization Segment operating income/(loss) Equity in net income of unconsolidated subsidiaries	916,618 291,599 100,937 — 78,425 112,237	533,623 91,282 55,044 — 37,069 (831	114,499 29,954 9,171 — 13,196)7,587 6,153	(29 29 19,511 20,113 4,477 (44,072)1,564,711 412,864 184,663 20,113 133,167)74,921 7,117

(14) Related Party Transactions

Raw Material Agreement

The Company entered into a Raw Material Agreement with the DGD Joint Venture in May 2011 pursuant to which the Company will offer to supply certain animal fats and used cooking oil at market prices, up to the DGD Joint

Venture's full operational requirement of feedstock, but the DGD Joint Venture is not obligated to purchase the raw material offered by the Company. Additionally, the Company may offer other feedstocks to the DGD Joint Venture, such as inedible corn oil, purchased on a resale basis. For the three months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014, the Company has recorded sales to the DGD Joint Venture of approximately \$44.4 million and \$42.0 million, respectively. For the six months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014, the Company has recorded sales to the DGD Joint Venture of approximately \$83.0 million and \$83.6 million, respectively. At July 4, 2015 and January 3, 2015, the Company has \$7.1 million and \$6.1 million in outstanding receivables due from the DGD Joint Venture, respectively. In addition, the Company has eliminated approximately \$6.0 million of additional sales for the three months ended July 4, 2015 to defer the Company's portion of profit of approximately \$1.4 million on those sales relating to inventory assets still remaining on the DGD Joint Venture's balance sheet at July 4, 2015.

Revolving Loan Agreement

On February 23, 2015, Darling through its wholly owned subsidiary Darling Green Energy LLC, ("Darling Green") and a third party Diamond Alternative Energy, LLC ("Diamond Alternative" and together with Darling Green, the "DGD Lenders") entered into a revolving loan agreement (the "DGD Loan Agreement") with the DGD Joint Venture Opco. The DGD Lenders have committed to make loans available to Opco in the total amount of \$10.0 million with each lender committed to \$5.0 million of the total commitment. Any borrowings by Opco under the DGD Loan Agreement are at the applicable annum rate equal to the sum of (a) the LIBO Rate (meaning Reuters BBA Libor Rates Page 3750) on such day plus (b) 2.50%. The DGD Loan Agreement matures on December 31, 2015, unless extended by agreement of the parties. During the first half of fiscal 2015, Opco borrowed and repaid \$3.5 million plus an insignificant amount of interest to Darling Green. As of July 4, 2015, no amounts are owed to Darling Green under the DGD Loan Agreement.

(15) New Accounting Pronouncements

In July 2015, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2015-11, Simplifying the Measurement of Inventory. This ASU amends Topic 330, Inventory. The ASU simplifies the measurement of inventory by requiring certain inventory to be measured at the lower of cost and net realizable value. The ASU is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016 and for interim periods therein. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of this standard.

In April 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-04, Practical Expedient for the Measurement Date of an Employer's Defined Benefit Obligation and Plan Assets. The ASU amends ASC Topic 715, Compensation-Retirement Benefits. The new standard permits a reporting entity with a fiscal year-end that does not coincide with a month-end to measure defined benefit plan assets and obligations using the month-end that is closest to the entity's fiscal year-end and apply that expedient consistently from year to year. The practical expedient should be applied consistently to all plans if an entity has more than one plan. This ASU is effective for public entities for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015, and interim periods within those years. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of this standard.

In April 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-03, Simplifying the Presentation of Debt Issuance Costs. The ASU amends ASC (Subtopic 835-30), Interest - Imputation of Interest. The new standard requires debt issuance costs related to a recognized debt liability be presented in the balance sheet as a direct deduction from the carrying value of the debt liability, which is similar to the presentation of debt discounts or premiums. The costs will continue to be amortized to interest expense using the effective interest method. The ASU is effective for public entities for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015, and interim periods within those fiscal years. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of this standard.

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09, Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606), which will supersede nearly all existing revenue recognition guidance under GAAP. The new ASU introduces a new five-step revenue recognition model in which an entity should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. In addition, this ASU requires disclosures sufficient to enable the users to understand the nature, amount, timing, and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from contracts with customers, including qualitative and quantitative disclosures about contracts with customers, significant judgments and changes in judgments, and assets recognized from the costs to obtain or fulfill a contract. In July 2015, the FASB deferred the elective date of the standard by one year. This ASU allows for either full retrospective or modified retrospective adoption and will become effective for the Company for the fiscal years beginning after December 15,

2017. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of this standard.

(16) Subsequent Event

In August 2015, the Company's Board of Directors approved a share repurchase program of up to an aggregate of \$100.0 million of the Company's Common Stock depending on market conditions. The repurchases may be made from time to time on the open market at prevailing market prices or in negotiated transactions off the market. Repurchases may occur over the 24 month period ending in August 2017, unless extended or shortened by the Board of Directors.

(17) Guarantor Financial Information

The Company's 5.375% Notes and 4.75% Notes (see Note 6) are guaranteed on a senior unsecured basis by the following Notes Guarantors, each of which is a 100% directly or indirectly owned subsidiary of Darling and which constitute all of Darling's existing restricted subsidiaries that are Credit Agreement Guarantors (other than Darling's foreign subsidiaries, Darling Global Finance B.V., which issued the 4.75% Notes and is discussed further below, or any receivables entity): Darling National, Griffin and its subsidiary Craig Protein, Darling AWS LLC, Terra Holding Company, Darling Global Holdings Inc., Darling Northstar LLC, TRS, EV Acquisition, Inc., Rousselot Inc., Rousselot Dubuque Inc., Sonac USA LLC and Rousselot Peabody Inc. In addition, the 4.75% Notes, which were issued by Darling Global Finance B.V., a wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of Darling, are guaranteed on a senior unsecured basis by Darling. The Notes Guarantors, and Darling in the case of the 4.75% Notes, fully and unconditionally guaranteed the 5.375% Notes and 4.75% Notes on a joint and several basis. The following financial statements present condensed consolidating financial data for (i) Darling, (ii) the combined Notes Guarantors, (iii) the combined other subsidiaries of the Company that did not guarantee the 5.375% Notes or the 4.75% Notes (the "Non-guarantors"), and (iv) eliminations necessary to arrive at the Company's consolidated financial statements, which include condensed consolidated balance sheets as of July 4, 2015 and January 3, 2015, and the condensed consolidating statements of operations, the condensed consolidating statements of comprehensive income and the condensed consolidating statements of cash flows for the three and six months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014. Separate financial information is not presented for Darling Global Finance B.V. since it was formed as a special purpose finance subsidiary for the purpose of issuing the 4.75% Notes and therefore does not have any substantial operations or assets.

Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet As of July 4, 2015 (in thousands)

	Parent	Guarantors	Non-guarantorsEliminations		Consolidated
ASSETS			_		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$3,363	\$2,830	\$119,827	\$—	\$126,020
Restricted cash	103		237		340
Accounts receivable	304,566	94,872	300,928	(331,932) 368,434
Inventories	12,763	116,374	267,286		396,423
Income taxes refundable	21,735		3,120		24,855
Prepaid expenses	14,688	3,562	34,968		53,218
Other current assets	1,605	51	30,294	(7,848) 24,102
Deferred income taxes	38,853		4,261		43,114
Total current assets	397,676	217,689	760,921	(339,780) 1,036,506
Investment in subsidiaries	3,910,375	1,126,082	837,604	(5,874,061)—
Property, plant and equipment, net	214,614	454,476	846,483		1,515,573
Intangible assets, net	19,840	346,130	486,520		852,490
Goodwill	21,860	549,200	690,550		1,261,610
Investment in unconsolidated subsidiaries			177,036		177,036
Other assets	63,567	524,894	331,766	(840,394	79,833
Deferred taxes			15,752		15,752
	\$4,627,932	\$3,218,471	\$4,146,632	\$(7,054,235)\$4,938,800
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS'					
EQUITY Current partial of lang tarm debt	¢22 602	¢ 1 /	¢ 26 025	¢/7 040	\
Current portion of long-term debt	\$22,683	\$14	\$36,035	\$(7,848)\$50,884

Accounts payable	36,035	326,667	113,768	(312,046) 164,424
Income taxes payable	(1,653) 373	7,295		6,015
Accrued expenses	79,618	24,957	157,669	(19,886) 242,358
Deferred income taxes	(776)—	2,114		1,338
Total current liabilities	135,907	352,011	316,881	(339,780) 465,019
Long-term debt, net of current portion	1,278,394		1,556,417	(840,394) 1,994,417
Other noncurrent liabilities	55,468	2,095	53,355	_	110,918
Deferred income taxes	180,666		218,669	_	399,335
Total liabilities	1,650,435	354,106	2,145,322	(1,180,174) 2,969,689
Total stockholders' equity	2,977,497	2,864,365	2,001,310	(5,874,061) 1,969,111
	\$4,627,932	\$3,218,471	\$4,146,632	\$(7,054,235	5)\$4,938,800

Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet As of January 3, 2015 (in thousands)

	Parent	Guarantors	Non-guaranto	rsEliminations	Consolidated
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$10,447	\$14,460	\$83,877	\$ —	\$108,784
Restricted cash	103	_	240	_	343
Accounts receivable	30,237	604,486	320,040	(544,984)409,779
Inventories	19,762	93,253	288,598		401,613
Income taxes refundable	18,647		3,493		22,140
Prepaid expenses	11,513	1,792	31,324		44,629
Other current assets	1,894	14	206,338	(186,922)21,324
Deferred income taxes	42,497		2,504	_	45,001
Total current assets	135,100	714,005	936,414	(731,906) 1,053,613
Investment in subsidiaries	3,874,466	1,096,541	837,605	(5,808,612)—
Property, plant and equipment, net	205,895	445,301	922,920		1,574,116
Intangible assets, net	21,903	366,315	544,195		932,413
Goodwill	21,860	549,950	748,609		1,320,419
Investment in unconsolidated subsidiary			202,712		202,712
Other assets	56,404	575,656	538,460	(1,099,511	71,009
Deferred income taxes			16,431		16,431
	\$4,315,628	\$3,747,768	\$4,747,346	\$(7,640,029)\$5,170,713
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS'					
EQUITY					
Current portion of long-term debt	\$16,017	\$55	\$225,252	\$(186,923)\$54,401
Accounts payable	540,784	11,349	127,994	(511,609) 168,518
Income taxes payable			4,363		4,363
Accrued expenses	88,840	34,842	165,812	(33,375) 256,119
Deferred income taxes	_		642	_	642
Total current liabilities	645,641	46,246	524,063	(731,907)484,043
Long-term debt, net of current portion	1,334,556	_	1,862,994	(1,099,511)2,098,039
Other noncurrent liabilities	56,849	1,979	55,872		114,700
Deferred income taxes	176,745	_	246,052	_	422,797
Total liabilities	2,213,791	48,225	2,688,981	(1,831,418)3,119,579
Total stockholders' equity	2,101,837	3,699,543	2,058,365	(5,808,611)2,051,134
• •	\$4,315,628	\$3,747,768	\$4,747,346	\$(7,640,029)\$5,170,713
Total liabilities	2,213,791 2,101,837	3,699,543	2,688,981 2,058,365	(5,808,611)3,119,579)2,051,134

Condensed Consolidating Statements of Operations For the three months ended July 4, 2015 (in thousands)

	Parent	Guarantors	Non-guarant	orsElimination	s Consolidat	ed
Net sales	\$121,270	\$345,030	\$437,136	\$(44,121)\$859,315	
Cost and expenses:						
Cost of sales and operating expenses	89,321	278,873	344,203	(44,121)668,276	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	35,124	13,169	36,001		84,294	
Acquisition and integration costs	603		605		1,208	
Depreciation and amortization	7,983	23,833	34,429		66,245	
Total costs and expenses	133,031	315,875	415,238	(44,121)820,023	
Operating income/(loss)	(11,761) 29,155	21,898		39,292	
Interest expense	(15,069) 4,851	(24,067)—	(34,285)
Foreign currency gains/(losses)	2	(93) 1,713		1,622	
Other, net	(1,224) (582)607		(1,199)
Equity in net income/(loss) of			4,172	_	4,172	
unconsolidated subsidiaries			7,172		7,172	
Earnings in investments in subsidiaries	18,444	_	_	(18,444)—	
Income/(loss) before taxes	(9,608) 33,331	4,323	(18,444) 9,602	
Income taxes (benefit)	(12,688) 15,221	2,132		4,665	
Net (income)/loss attributable to			(1,857)—	(1,857)
noncontrolling interests			(1,037)—	(1,037	,
Net income/(loss) attributable to Darling	\$3,080	\$18,110	\$334	\$(18,444)\$3,080	

Condensed Consolidating Statements of Operations For the six months ended July 4, 2015 (in thousands)

	Parent	Guarantors	_		s Consolidate	d
Net sales	\$247,064	\$703,737	\$885,979	\$(102,771)\$1,734,009	
Cost and expenses:						
Cost of sales and operating expenses	192,937	563,376	699,255	(102,771) 1,352,797	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	68,254	28,037	74,634		170,925	
Acquisition and integration costs	2,576	_	3,951		6,527	
Depreciation and amortization	16,154	47,432	69,057		132,643	
Total costs and expenses	279,921	638,845	846,897	(102,771) 1,662,892	
Operating income/(loss)	(32,857) 64,892	39,082		71,117	
Interest expense	(30,229	9,699	(36,864)—	(57,394)
Foreign currency gains/(losses)	(9)(397)(432)—	(838)
Other, net	(2,405)(371) 1,068	_	(1,708)
Equity in net income of unconsolidated subsidiaries	_		2,364	_	2,364	
Earnings in investments in subsidiaries	35,893	_		(35,893)—	
Income/(loss) before taxes	(29,607	73,823	5,218	(35,893) 13,541	
Income taxes (benefit)	(32,796)36,963	2,613		6,780	

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Net income/(loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests Net income/(loss) attributable to Darling			(3,572 \$(967)—)\$(35,893	(3,572)\$3,189)
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Condensed Consolidating Statements of Operations For the three months ended June 28, 2014 (in thousands)

	Parent	Guarantors	Non-guaranto	rsEliminations	Consolidate	ed
Net sales	\$148,217	\$414,100	\$538,375	\$(69,409)\$1,031,283	
Cost and expenses:						
Cost of sales and operating expenses	103,388	333,361	422,165	(69,409	789,505	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	34,908	14,892	44,830		94,630	
Acquisition and integration costs	2,626	_	1,539		4,165	
Depreciation and amortization	7,630	19,012	40,856	_	67,498	
Total costs and expenses	148,552	367,265	509,390	(69,409) 955, 798	
Operating income/(loss)	(335) 46,835	28,985		75,485	
Interest expense	(15,434)5,330	(16,467)—	(26,571)
Foreign currency gains/(losses)		328	(317)—	11	
Other, net	(1,266) 227	152		(887)
Equity in net income of unconsolidated subsidiaries		_	2,040		2,040	
Earnings in investments in subsidiaries	57,688	_		(57,688)—	
Income/(loss) before taxes	40,653	52,720	14,393	(57,688) 50,078	
Income taxes (benefit)	7,896	2,050	5,557		15,503	
Net (income)/loss attributable to noncontrolling interests	_	_	(1,818)—	(1,818)
Net income/(loss) attributable to Darling	\$32,757	\$50,670	\$7,018	\$(57,688)\$32,757	

Condensed Consolidating Statements of Operations For the six months ended June 28, 2014 (in thousands)

	Parent	Guarantors	Non-guaranto	rsElimination	s Consolidate	ed
Net sales	\$302,654	\$817,088	\$1,019,784	\$(161,951)\$1,977,575	
Cost and expenses:						
Cost of sales and operating expenses	221,564	660,250	844,848	(161,951) 1,564,711	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	72,460	28,768	83,435	_	184,663	
Acquisition costs	17,007		3,106	_	20,113	
Depreciation and amortization	15,148	38,523	79,496	_	133,167	
Total costs and expenses	326,179	727,541	1,010,885	(161,951) 1,902,654	
Operating income/(loss)	(23,525) 89,547	8,899	_	74,921	
Interest expense	(65,735) 10,555	(30,248)—	(85,428)
Foreign currency gains/(losses)	(12,228) 236	(1,811)—	(13,803)
Other, net	(2,719)(570) 1,264	_	(2,025)
Equity in net loss of unconsolidated subsidiaries		_	7,117	_	7,117	
Earnings in investments in subsidiaries	69,049		_	(69,049)—	
Income/(loss) before taxes	(35,158)99,768	(14,779) (69,049)(19,218)

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Income taxes	(15,112) 14,468	(2,143)—	(2,787)
Net (income)/loss attributable to noncontrolling interests	_	_	(3,615)—	(3,615)
Net income/(loss)	\$(20,046)\$85,300	\$(16,251) \$(69,049)\$(20,046)

Condensed Consolidating Statements of Comprehensive Income/(Loss) For the three months ended July 4, 2015 (in thousands)

	Parent	Guarantors	Non-guaranto	rsElimination	s Consolidate	ed
Net income/(loss)	\$4,937	\$18,110	\$334	\$(18,444)\$4,937	
Other comprehensive income/(loss), net of						
tax:						
Foreign currency translation			8,452		8,452	
Pension adjustments	729		49		778	
Corn option derivative adjustments	(1,325)—			(1,325)
Total other comprehensive income, net of ta	x(596)—	8,501		7,905	
Total comprehensive income/(loss)	4,341	18,110	8,835	(18,444) 12,842	
Total comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interest	_	_	848	_	848	
Total comprehensive income/(loss) attributable to Darling	\$4,341	\$18,110	\$7,987	\$(18,444)\$11,994	

Condensed Consolidating Statements of Comprehensive Income/(Loss) For the six months ended July 4, 2015 (in thousands)

	Parent	Guarantors	Non-guarantors Eliminations Consolidated			ed
Net income	\$6,761	\$36,860	\$(967) \$(35,893)\$6,761	
Other comprehensive income/ (loss), net of						
tax:						
Foreign currency translation	_	_	(90,190)—	(90,190)
Pension adjustments	1,458	_	89		1,547	
Corn option derivative adjustments	(1,287)—	_	_	(1,287)
Total other comprehensive income, net of ta	x171	_	(90,101)—	(89,930)
Total comprehensive income/(loss)	6,932	36,860	(91,068) (35,893)(83,169)
Total comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interest	_	_	7,890	_	7,890	
Total comprehensive income/(loss) attributable to Darling	\$6,932	\$36,860	\$(98,958)\$(35,893)\$(91,059)

Condensed Consolidating Statements of Comprehensive Income/(Loss) For the three months ended June 28, 2014 (in thousands)

	Parent	Guarantors	Non-guarantorsEliminations		s Consolidated	
Net income/(loss)	\$34,575	\$50,670	\$7,018	\$(57,688) \$34,575	
Other comprehensive income/(loss), net of						
tax:						
Foreign currency translation			(6,931)—	(6,931)
Pension adjustments	321				321	
Natural gas swap derivative adjustments	(11)—		_	(11)
Corn option derivative adjustments	621			_	621	
Total other comprehensive income, net of ta	1x931		(6,931)—	(6,000)
Total comprehensive income/(loss)	35,506	50,670	87	(57,688	28,575	
Total comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interest	_	_	2,242	_	2,242	
Total comprehensive income/(loss) attributable to Darling	\$35,506	\$50,670	\$(2,155)\$(57,688)\$26,333	

Condensed Consolidating Statements of Comprehensive Income/(Loss) For the six months ended June 28, 2014 (in thousands)

	Parent	Guarantors	Non-guarantorsEliminations Consolidated			ted
Net income	\$(16,431)\$85,300	\$(16,251) \$ (69,049)\$(16,431)
Other comprehensive income/(loss), net of						
tax:						
Foreign currency translation	_	_	13,684	_	13,684	
Pension adjustments	641	_		_	641	
Natural gas swap derivative adjustments	(124)—		_	(124)
Corn option derivative adjustments	(977)—			(977)
Total other comprehensive income, net of	(460)—	13,684		13,224	
tax	(400)—	13,004		13,224	
Total comprehensive income/(loss)	(16,891) 85,300	(2,567) (69,049)(3,207)
Total comprehensive income attributable to			3,110		3,110	
noncontrolling interest		_	3,110		3,110	
Total comprehensive income/(loss)	\$(16,891)\$85,300	\$(5,677)\$(69,049)\$(6,317)
attributable to Darling	φ(10,691					

Condensed Consolidating Statements of Cash Flows For the six months ended July 4, 2015 (in thousands)

Cash flows from operating activities:	Parent	Guarantors	Non-guaranto	orsEliminations	s Consolidate	d
Cash nows from operating activities.						
Net income/(loss) Earnings in investments in subsidiaries Other operating cash flows Net cash provided by operating activities	\$6,761 (35,893 100,687 71,555	\$36,860)— (32,359 4,501	\$(967 —)112,461 111,494)\$(35,893 35,893 —)\$6,761 — 180,789 187,550	
Cash flows from investing activities: Capital expenditures Acquisitions	(21,187)(38,383)(39,152)	(98,722 —)
Investment in subsidiaries and affiliates Note receivable from affiliates Gross proceeds from sale of property, plant	(20)(29,541 51,019) 29,541 (51,019	20)—		
and equipment and other assets Proceeds from insurance settlements	705 71	545 270	234		1,484 341	
Payments related to routes and other intangibles	-	_	(2,242)—	(2,242)
Net cash used in investing activities	(20,431)(16,090)(62,638) 20	(99,139)
Cash flows from financing activities: Proceeds for long-term debt	_	_	579,974	_	579,974	
Payments on long-term debt Borrowings from revolving facilities	(8,067 8,000)(41) (575,628 33,244)	(583,736 41,244)
Payments on revolving facilities Net cash overdraft financing	(52,000)	(31,506 (880)—)—	(83,506 (880)
Deferred loan costs Issuances of common stock	(1,525 171) <u> </u>	(10,104) <u> </u>	(11,629 171)
Contributions from parent Minimum withholding taxes paid on stock	— (4,775	_	20	(20)— (4,775)
awards Excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation	(12)—	_	_	(12)
Distributions to noncontrolling interests Net cash used in financing activities	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	(1,866)(6,746)—)(20	(1,866)(65,015)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash		_	(6,160)—	(6,160)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(7,084)(11,630) 35,950	_	17,236	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	10,447	14,460	83,877	_	108,784	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$3,363	\$2,830	\$119,827	\$—	\$126,020	

Condensed Consolidating Statements of Cash Flows For the six months ended June 28, 2014 (in thousands)

Cook flows from anaroting activities	Parent	Guarantors	Non-guarantorsEliminations Consolidat			ed
Cash flows from operating activities: Net income/(loss) Earnings in investments in subsidiaries Other operating cash flows Net cash provided by operating activities	\$(16,431 (69,049 81,867 (3,613)\$85,300)— (36,376)48,924	\$(16,251 —)11,964 (4,287)\$(69,049 69,049 —)—)\$(16,431 — 57,455 41,024)
Cash flows from investing activities: Capital expenditures Acquisitions Investment in subsidiaries and affiliates Note receivable from affiliates	(22,570 — (1,483,007 —)(38,730 (645)(2,217,686 (204,074)(42,231)(2,075,006)(2,307,591)204,074)—)—)6,008,284 —	(103,531 (2,075,651 —)
Gross proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment and other assets	1,041	615	652	_	2,308	
Proceeds from insurance settlements	_		_		_	
Payments related to routes and other intangibles	(7,312)—		_	(7,312)
Net cash used in investing activities	(1,511,848)(2,460,520)(4,220,102) 6,008,284	(2,184,186)
Cash flows from financing activities:	1 100 000		721 107		1 001 106	
Proceeds for long-term debt Payments on long-term debt	1,100,000 (252,500	—)(43	721,196)(34,523	<u> </u>	1,821,196 (287,066)
Borrowings from revolving credit facility	122,445) (43 —	47,698) <u> </u>	170,143)
Payments on revolving credit facility	(207,445)—	(49,809)—	(257,254)
Net cash overdraft financing	_	<u> </u>	9,529	_	9,529	,
Deferred loan costs	(41,390)—	(3,475)—	(44,865)
Issuances of common stock	417	_		_	417	
Contributions from parent		2,421,762	3,586,522	(6,008,284)—	
Minimum withholding taxes paid on stock awards	(5,495)—	_	_	(5,495)
Excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation	1,329				1,329	
Net cash used in financing activities	717,361	2,421,719	4,277,138	(6,008,284) 1,407,934	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	_	_	8,156	_	8,156	
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(798,100) 10,123	60,905	_	(727,072)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	857,267	6,117	7,473	_	870,857	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$59,167	\$16,240	\$68,378	\$ —	\$143,785	

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

The following Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. The Company's actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of certain factors, including those set forth below under the heading "Forward Looking Statements" and elsewhere in this report, and under the heading "Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 3, 2015, filed with the SEC on March 4, 2015 and in the Company's other public filings with the SEC.

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the unaudited consolidated financial statements and related notes thereto contained in this report.

Overview

The Company is a global developer and producer of sustainable natural ingredients from edible and inedible bio-nutrients, creating a wide range of ingredients and customized specialty solutions for customers in the pharmaceutical, food, pet food, feed, technical, fuel, bioenergy and fertilizer industries. With operations on five continents, the Company collects and transforms all aspects of animal by-product streams into useable and specialty ingredients, such as gelatin, edible fats, feed-grade fats, animal proteins and meals, plasma, pet food ingredients, organic fertilizers, yellow grease, fuel feedstocks, green energy, natural casings and hides. The Company also recovers and converts used cooking oil and commercial bakery residuals into valuable feed and fuel ingredients. In addition, the Company provides grease trap services to food service establishments, environmental services to food processors and sells restaurant cooking oil delivery and collection equipment.

On January 7, 2014, the Company acquired the VION Ingredients business division ("VION Ingredients") of VION Holding, N.V. ("VION") by purchasing all of the shares of VION Ingredients International (Holding) B.V., and VION Ingredients Germany GmbH, and 60% of Best Hides GmbH (collectively, the "VION Companies"), as described in Notes 1 and 3 to the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements for the period ended July 4, 2015 included herein, pursuant to a Sale and Purchase Agreement dated October 5, 2013, as amended, between Darling and VION (the "VION Acquisition"). The VION Ingredients business is now conducted under the name Darling Ingredients International. In addition, on October 28, 2013, Darling completed the acquisition of substantially all of the assets of Rothsay ("Rothsay"), a division of Maple Leaf Foods, Inc. ("MFI"), a Canadian corporation, pursuant to an Acquisition Agreement between MFI and Darling dated August 23, 2013 (the "Rothsay Acquisition"). As a result of the VION Acquisition and the Rothsay Acquisition, the Company's business is now conducted through a global network of over 200 locations across five continents.

Commencing with the first quarter of 2014, the Company's business operations were reorganized into three new reportable operating segments: Feed Ingredients, Food Ingredients and Fuel Ingredients. This change was necessitated by the VION Acquisition and aligns the Company's operations based on the products and services offered to various end markets. All historical periods have been restated to conform to the new reportable operating segment structure; however, none of the Company's historic operations fall within the Food Ingredients operating segment and therefore, there is no comparable financial information for the Food Ingredients operating segment for prior periods.

The Feed Ingredients operating segment includes the Company's global activities related to (i) the collection and processing of beef, poultry and pork animal by-products in North America and Europe into non-food grade oils and protein meals, (ii) the collection and processing of bakery residuals in North America into Cookie Meal®, which is predominantly used in poultry and swine rations, (iii) the collection and processing of used cooking oil in North America into non-food grade fats, as well as the production and sale of a variety of cooking oil collection delivery

systems, (iv) the collection and processing of bovine, porcine and ovine blood in China, Europe, North America and Australia into blood plasma powder and hemoglobin, (v) the processing of cattle hides and hog skins in North American and Europe, (vi) the production of organic fertilizers using protein produced from the Company's animal by-products processing activities in North America and Europe, and (vii) grease trap services to food service establishments and environmental services to food processors. Non-food grade oils and fats produced and marketed by the Company are principally sold to third parties to be used as ingredients in animal feed and pet food, as an ingredient for the production of biodiesel and renewable diesel or to the oleo-chemical industry to be used as an ingredient in a wide variety of industrial applications. Protein meals produced and marketed by the Company are sold to third parties to be used as ingredients in animal feed, pet food and aquaculture. Blood plasma powder and hemoglobin produced and marketed by the Company are sold to third parties to be used as ingredients in animal feed, pet food and aquaculture.

The Food Ingredients operating segment includes the Company's global activities related to (i) the collection and processing of beef and pork bone chips, beef hides, pig skins, and fish skins into gelatin and hydrolyzed collagen in Europe,

China, South America and North America, (ii) collection and processing of porcine and ovine intestines into natural casings in Europe, China and North America, (iii) the extraction and processing of porcine mucosa into crude heparin in Europe, (iv) the collection and refining of animal fat into food grade fat in Europe, and (v) the processing of bones to bone chips for the gelatin industry and bone ash. Gelatins produced and marketed by the Company are sold to third parties to be used as ingredients in the pharmaceutical, nutriceutical, food, and technical (i.e, photographic) industries. Natural casings produced and marketed by the Company are sold to third parties to be used as an ingredient in the production of sausages and other similar food products.

The Fuel Ingredients operating segment includes the Company's global activities related to (i) the conversion of animal fats and recycled greases into biodiesel in North America, (ii) the conversion of organic sludge and food waste into biogas in Europe, (iii) the collection and conversion of fallen stock and certain animal by-products pursuant to applicable E.U. regulations into low-grade energy sources to be used in industrial applications, (iv) commencing in the second quarter of 2014, the processing of manure into natural bio-phosphate in Europe, and (v) the Company's share of the results of its equity investment in Diamond Green Diesel Holdings LLC, a joint venture with Valero Energy Corporation (the "DGD Joint Venture"), to convert animal fats, recycled greases, used cooking oil, inedible corn oil, soybean oil, or other feedstocks that become economically and commercially viable into renewable diesel as described in Note 5 to the Company's Consolidated Financial Statement for the period ended July 4, 2015 included herein.

Corporate Activities principally includes unallocated corporate overhead expenses, acquisition-related expenses, interest expense net of interest income, and other non-operating income and expenses.

In December 2014, an H5 strain of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza ("Bird Flu") was reported on commercial poultry farms in Western Canada and backyard flocks in the Northwestern U.S. This same H5 strain was subsequently reported on commercial turkey farms in California in January 2015. Since these initial reports that the disease had reached the U.S., migratory birds have been blamed for spreading this and two additional H5 strains among commercial poultry flocks in the Midwestern U.S. and Ontario, Canada. As of the date of this report, the disease had spread to commercial and backyard poultry flocks in 15 states in the U.S., although no new confirmed cases have been reported since June 17, 2015. To date, there have been no reports of humans contracting any of these H5 strains, nor have there been any reports that these Bird Flu strains can be spread from person to person. The response plans followed by APHIS in the U.S. to control outbreaks and prevent the spread of Bird Flu include, among other procedures, restricting the movement of poultry and poultry products into or out of the site of infection, using humane methods to depopulate the infected flock or farm and disposal of the euthanized birds on-site to avoid transporting infected material outside the established quarantine zone. The Company is continuing to monitor this situation. As of the date of this report, this outbreak has not had a significant impact on the Company's operations or financial performance; however, any disease that is linked to animals and has a negative impact on meat or poultry consumption or animal production in any jurisdiction in which the Company operates could have a material negative impact on the volume of raw materials available to the Company or the demand for the Company's finished products. For a more detailed discussion of this and other factors that can impact the Company's business and results of operation, see the Risk Factors discussion in Item 1A of Part I of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 3, 2015.

Operating Performance Indicators

The Company is exposed to certain risks associated with a business that is influenced by agricultural-based commodities. These risks are further described in Item 1A, "Risk Factors" included in the Company's Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 3, 2015.

The Company's Feed Ingredients segment animal by-products, bakery residuals, used cooking oil recovery, and blood operations are each influenced by prices for agricultural-based alternative ingredients such as corn, soybean oil,

soybean meal, and palm oil. In these operations, the costs of the Company's raw materials change with, or in certain cases are indexed to, the selling price or the anticipated selling price of the finished goods produced from the acquired raw materials and/or in some cases, the price spread between various types of finished products. The Company believes that this methodology of procuring raw materials generally establishes a relatively stable gross margin upon the acquisition of the raw material. Although the costs of raw materials for the Feed Ingredients segment are generally based upon actual or anticipated finished goods selling prices, rapid and material changes in finished goods prices, including competing agricultural-based alternative ingredients, generally have an immediate and often times, material impact on the Company's gross margin and profitability resulting from the lag effect or lapse of time from the procurement of the raw materials until they are processed and the finished goods sold. In addition, the amount of raw material volume acquired, which has a direct impact on the amount of finished goods produced, can also have a material effect on the gross margin reported, as the Company has a substantial amount of fixed operating costs.

The prices available for the Company's Food Ingredients segment gelatin and natural casings products are influenced by other competing ingredients including plant-based and synthetic hydrocolloids and artificial casings. In the gelatin operation, in particular, the cost of the Company's animal-based raw material moves in relationship to the selling price of the finished goods. The processing time for gelatin and casings is generally 30 to 60 days, which is substantially longer than the Company's animal by-products operations. Consequently, the Company's gross margin and profitability in this segment can be influenced by the movement of finished goods prices from the time the raw materials were procured until the finished goods are sold.

The reporting currency for the Company's financial statements is the U.S. dollar. The Company operates in over 15 countries and therefore, certain of the Company's assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses are denominated in functional currencies other than the U.S. dollar, primarily in the euro, Brazilian real, Chinese renminbi, Canadian dollar, Argentine peso, Japanese yen and Polish zloty. To prepare the Company's consolidated financial statements the Company must translate those assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses into U.S. dollars at the applicable exchange rate. As a result, increases or decreases in the value of the U.S. dollar against these other currencies will affect the amount of these items recorded in the Company's consolidated financial statements, even if their value has not changed in the functional currency. This could have a significant impact on the Company's results, if such increase or decrease in the value of the U.S. dollar relative to these other currencies is substantial.

The Company monitors the performance of its business segments using key financial metrics such as segment operating income, metric tons of raw material processed, gross margin percentage, foreign currency, and Adjusted EBITDA. The Company's operating results can vary significantly due to changes in factors such as the fluctuation in energy prices, weather conditions, crop harvests, government policies and programs, changes in global demand, changes in standards of living, protein consumption, and global production of competing ingredients. Due to these unpredictable factors that are beyond the control of the Company, the Company does not provide forward-looking financial or operational estimates.

Results of Operations

Three Months Ended July 4, 2015 Compared to Three Months Ended June 28, 2014

Net income attributable to Darling for the three months ended July 4, 2015, was \$3.1 million, or \$0.02 per diluted share, as compared to a net income of \$32.8 million, or \$0.20 per diluted share, in the three months ended June 28, 2014. The results for the three months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014, respectively include the following after-tax costs:

Fiscal 2015

\$0.7 million (\$0.00 per diluted share) associated with the integration of VION Ingredients and Rothsay and the implementation of internal controls over financial reporting per the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 for VION Ingredients; and

\$5.8 million (\$0.04 per diluted share) related to the write-off of deferred loan costs associated with the retirement of the Company's European portion of its term loan B term note on June 3, 2015.

Fiscal 2014

\$3.5 million (\$0.02 per diluted share) related to a non-cash inventory step-up associated with the required purchase accounting for the VION Acquisition related to the portion of acquired inventory sold during the period; and

\$2.9 million (\$0.02 per diluted share) associated with the acquisition and integration of Rothsay and VION Ingredients during the period.

Net income and diluted earnings per common share would have been \$9.6 million and \$0.06 per diluted share, respectively, for the three months ended July 4, 2015, as compared to \$39.2 million and \$0.24 per share, respectively, for the three months ended June 28, 2014 without, in the case of the three months ended July 4, 2015, the integration costs and the write-off of deferred loan costs associated with the retirement of the Euro Term Loan B, and in the case of the three months ended June 28, 2014, the acquisition and integration costs and noncash inventory step-up associated with the VION Acquisition. When comparing the three months ended July 4, 2015 to the three months ended June 28, 2014, this would have resulted in a \$29.6 million decrease in net income. This decrease is attributable to lower finished product prices and the impact of foreign exchange rates as a function of the strengthening U.S. dollar as compared mainly to the euro and Canadian dollar, which were partially offset by an increase in raw material volumes.

Non-U.S. GAAP Measures

Adjusted EBITDA is presented here not as an alternative to net income, but rather as a measure of the Company's operating performance and is not intended to be a presentation in accordance with GAAP. Since EBITDA (generally, net income plus interest expenses, taxes, depreciation and amortization) is not calculated identically by all companies, the presentation in this report may not be comparable to EBITDA or adjusted EBITDA presentations disclosed by other companies. Adjusted EBITDA is calculated below and represents, for any relevant period, net income/(loss) plus depreciation and amortization, goodwill and long-lived asset impairment, interest expense, (income)/loss from discontinued operations, net of tax, income tax provision, other income/(expense) and equity in net loss of unconsolidated subsidiary. Management believes that Adjusted EBITDA is useful in evaluating the Company's operating performance compared to that of other companies in its industry because the calculation of Adjusted EBITDA generally eliminates the effects of financing, income taxes and certain non-cash and other items that may vary for different companies for reasons unrelated to overall operating performance.

As a result, the Company's management uses Adjusted EBITDA as a measure to evaluate performance and for other discretionary purposes. However, Adjusted EBITDA is not a recognized measurement under GAAP, should not be considered as an alternative to net income as a measure of operating results or to cash flow as a measure of liquidity, and is not intended to be a presentation in accordance with GAAP. In addition to the foregoing, management also uses or will use Adjusted EBITDA to measure compliance with certain financial covenants under the Company's Senior Secured Credit Facilities, 5.375% Notes and 4.75% Notes that were outstanding at July 4, 2015. However, the amounts shown below for Adjusted EBITDA differ from the amounts calculated under similarly titled definitions in the Company's Senior Secured Credit Facilities, 5.375% Notes and 4.75% Notes, as those definitions permit further adjustments to reflect certain other non-recurring costs and non-cash charges.

In addition, the Company's management used adjusted diluted earning per share as a measure of earnings due to the significant merger and acquisition activity of the Company. However, adjusted earnings per share is not a recognized measurement under GAAP and should not be considered as an alternative to diluted earnings per share presented in accordance with GAAP. Adjusted diluted earnings per share, is defined as adjusted net income attributable to Darling divided by the weighted average shares of diluted common stock. Adjusted net income attributable to Darling is defined as a reconciliation of net income attributable to Darling, net of tax (i) adjusted for net of tax acquisition and integration costs related to merger and acquisitions, (ii) net of tax amortization of acquisition related intangibles and (iii) net of tax certain non-recurring items that are not part of normal operations. This measure is solely for the purpose of calculating adjusted diluted earnings per share and is not intended to be a substitute or presentation in accordance with GAAP.

Reconciliation of Net Income to (Non-GAAP) Adjusted EBITDA and (Non-GAAP) Pro Forma Adjusted EBITDA

	Three Months	s Ended	
(dollars in the execute)	July 4,	June 28,	
(dollars in thousands)	2015	2014	
Net income attributable to Darling	\$3,080	\$32,757	
Depreciation and amortization	66,245	67,498	
Interest expense	34,285	26,571	
Income tax expense/(benefit)	4,665	15,503	
Foreign currency loss/(gain)	(1,622)(11)
Other expense/(income), net	1,199	887	
Equity in net (income)/loss of unconsolidated subsidiaries	(4,172) (2,040)
Net (loss)/income attributable to noncontrolling interests	1,857	1,818	

Adjusted EBITDA	\$105,537	\$142,983
Non-cash inventory step-up associated with VION Acquisition Acquisition and integration-related expenses Pro forma Adjusted EBITDA (Non-GAAP)		4,972 4,165 \$152,120
DGD Joint Venture Adjusted EBITDA (Darling's Share) (1)	\$7,909	\$5,903

⁽¹⁾ Darling's pro forma adjusted EBITDA (Non-GAAP) in the above table does not include the DGD Joint Venture adjusted EBITDA (Darling's share) if we had consolidated the DGD Joint Venture.

For the three months ended July 4, 2015, the Company generated Adjusted EBITDA of \$105.5 million, as compared to \$143.0 million in the same period in fiscal 2014. The decrease was primarily attributable to lower finished product prices attributable to lower global competing ingredient prices and the impact of foreign exchange rates as a function of the strengthening U.S. dollar as compared mainly to the euro and Canadian dollar, which were partially offset by an increase in raw material volumes. On a Pro forma Adjusted EBITDA basis, the Company would have generated \$106.7 million in the three months ended July 4, 2015, as compared to a Pro forma Adjusted EBITDA of \$152.1 million in the same period in 2014. The decrease in the Pro forma Adjusted EBITDA is attributable to lower finished product prices (see table below), the impact of foreign exchange rates as a function of the strengthening U.S. dollar as compared mainly to the euro and Canadian dollar, lower acquisition and integration-related expense and no inventory step-up associated with the VION Acquisition, which were partially offset by an increase in raw material volumes.

As a result of the strengthened U.S. dollar, the above Pro forma Adjusted EBITDA results for the three months ended July 4, 2015 would have been \$120.9 million when taking into consideration the change in average foreign currency fluctuations of \$14.2 million, as compared to \$152.1 million for the same period in fiscal 2014, a reduction of \$31.2 million.

	Three Months Ended	
(dollars in thousands)	July 4,	April 4,
(donars in thousands)	2015	2015
Net income attributable to Darling	\$3,080	\$109
Depreciation and amortization	66,245	66,398
Interest expense	34,285	23,109
Income tax expense/(benefit)	4,665	2,115
Foreign currency loss/(gain)	(1,622) 2,460
Other expense/(income), net	1,199	509
Equity in net (income)/loss of unconsolidated subsidiaries	(4,172) 1,808
Net (loss)/income attributable to noncontrolling interests	1,857	1,715
Adjusted EBITDA	\$105,537	\$98,223
Acquisition and integration-related expenses	1,208	5,319
Pro forma Adjusted EBITDA (Non-GAAP)	\$106,745	\$103,542
DGD Joint Venture Adjusted EBITDA (Darling's Share) (1)	\$7,909	\$2,346

(1) Darling's pro forma adjusted EBITDA (Non-GAAP) in the above table does not include the DGD Joint Venture adjusted EBITDA (Darling's share) if we had consolidated the DGD Joint Venture.

On a sequential basis, for the three months ended July 4, 2015, the Company generated Adjusted EBITDA of \$105.5 million, as compared to \$98.2 million for the three months ended April 4, 2015. On a Pro forma Adjusted EBITDA basis, the Company would have generated \$106.7 million in the three months ended July 4, 2015, as compared to a Pro forma Adjusted EBITDA of \$103.5 million in the three months ended April 4, 2015. On a sequential basis, Pro Forma Adjusted EBITDA increased by approximately \$3.2 million. The increase in the Pro forma Adjusted EBITDA is attributable to lower raw material prices, lower acquisition and integration-related expenses and cost reductions.

As a result of the strengthened U.S. dollar, the above Pro forma Adjusted EBITDA results for the three months ended July 4, 2015 would have been \$107.6 million when taking into consideration the change in average foreign currency fluctuations of \$0.9 million, as compared to \$103.5 million for the three months ended April 4, 2015, an increase of \$4.1 million.

Finished Product Commodity Prices. Prices for finished product commodities that the Company produces in the Feed Ingredients segment are reported each business day on the Jacobsen index (the "Jacobsen"), an established trading exchange price publisher. The Jacobsen reports industry sales from the prior day's activity by product. The Jacobsen includes reported prices for finished products such as protein (primarily meat and bone meal ("MBM"), poultry meal ("PM") and feathermeal ("FM")), hides, fats (primarily bleachable fancy tallow ("BFT") and yellow grease ("YG")) and corn, which is a substitute commodity for the Company's bakery by-product ("BBP") as well as a range of branded and value-added products, which are end products of the Company's Feed Ingredients segment. In the U.S. the Company regularly monitors the Jacobsen for MBM, PM, FM, BFT, YG and corn because they provide a daily indication of the Company's U.S. revenue performance against business plan benchmarks, while in Europe, the Company regularly monitors Thomson Reuters to track the competing

commodities palm oil and soy meal. Although the Jacobsen and Thomson Reuters provide useful metrics of performance, the Company's finished products are commodities that compete with other commodities such as corn, soybean oil, palm oil complex, soybean meal and heating oil on nutritional and functional values and therefore actual pricing for the Company's finished products, as well as competing products, can be quite volatile. In addition, neither the Jacobsen or Thomson Reuters provides forward or future period pricing for the Company's commodities. The Jacobsen and Thompson Reuters prices quoted below are for delivery of the finished product at a specified location. Although the Company's prices generally move in concert with reported Jacobsen and Thomson Reuters prices, the Company's actual sales prices for its finished products may vary significantly from the Jacobsen and Thomson Reuters because of delivery timing differences and because the Company's finished products are delivered to multiple locations in different geographic regions which utilize different price indexes. In addition, certain of the Company's premium branded finished products may also sell at prices that may be higher than the closest product on the related Jacobsen index or by Thomson Reuters. During the second quarter of fiscal 2015, the Company's actual sales prices by product trended with the disclosed Jacobsen and Thomson Reuters prices. Average Jacobsen and Thomson Reuters prices (at the specified delivery point) for the second quarter of fiscal 2015, compared to average Jacobsen and Thomson Reuters prices for the second quarter of fiscal 2014 follow:

	Avg. Price 2nd Quarter 2015	Avg. Price 2nd Quarter 2014	% Increase/(Decrease) Increase/(Decre		Decrease)
Jacobsen Index:					
MBM (Illinois)	\$ 348.88/ton	\$ 530.63/ton	\$ (181.75)/ton	(34.3)%
Feed Grade PM (Mid-South)	\$ 426.94/ton	\$ 603.68/ton	\$ (176.74)/ton	(29.3)%
Pet Food PM (Mid-South)	\$ 521.50/ton	\$ 818.34/ton	\$ (296.84)/ton	(36.3)%
Feathermeal (Mid-South)	\$ 499.13/ton	\$ 702.98/ton	\$ (203.85)/ton	(29.0)%
BFT (Chicago)	\$ 29.18/cwt	\$ 42.49/cwt	\$ (13.31)/cwt	(31.3)%
YG (Illinois)	\$ 23.24/cwt	\$ 33.68/cwt	\$ (10.44)/cwt	(31.0)%
Corn (Illinois)	\$ 3.80/bushel	\$ 4.92/bushel	\$ (1.12)/bushel	(22.8)%
Thomson Reuters:					
Palm Oil (CIF Rotterdam)	\$ 650.00/ton	\$ 872.00/ton	\$ (222.00)/ton	(25.5)%
Soy meal (CIF Rotterdam)	\$ 396.00/ton	\$ 566.00/ton	\$ (170.00)/ton	(30.0)%

The following table shows the average Jacobsen and Thomson Reuters prices for the second quarter of fiscal 2015, compared to the average Jacobsen and Thomson Reuters prices for the first quarter of fiscal 2015.

	Avg. Price 2nd Quarter	Avg. Price 1st Quarter		%	
	2015	2015	Increase/(Decreas	e) Increase/(D	Decrease)
Jacobsen Index:					
MBM (Illinois)	\$ 348.88/ton	\$ 385.12/ton	\$ (36.24)/ton	(9.4)%
Feed Grade PM (Mid-South)	\$ 426.94/ton	\$ 465.00/ton	\$ (38.06)/ton	(8.2)%
Pet Food PM (Mid-South)	\$ 521.50/ton	\$ 655.12/ton	\$ (133.62)/ton	(20.4)%
Feathermeal (Mid-South)	\$ 499.13/ton	\$ 523.77/ton	\$ (24.64)/ton	(4.7)%
BFT (Chicago)	\$ 29.18/cwt	\$ 29.66/cwt	\$ (0.48)/cwt	(1.6)%
YG (Illinois)	\$ 23.24/cwt	\$ 24.58/cwt	\$ (1.34)/cwt	(5.5)%
Corn (Illinois)	\$ 3.80/bushel	\$ 3.90/bushel	\$ (0.10)/bushel	(2.6)%
Thomson Reuters:					
Palm Oil (CIF Rotterdam)	\$ 650.00/ton	\$ 656.00/ton	\$ (6.00)/ton	(0.9))%
Soy meal (CIF Rotterdam)	\$ 396.00/ton	\$ 436.00/ton	\$ (40.00)/ton	(9.2)%

During the three months ended July 4, 2015 net sales for the Feed Ingredients segment were \$529.4 million as compared to \$622.1 million during the three months ended June 28, 2014, a decrease of approximately \$92.7 million. Fat net sales were approximately \$139.9 million and \$165.9 million of net sales for the three months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014, respectively, used cooking oil net sales were approximately \$43.1 million and \$58.3 million of net sale for the three months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014, respectively, protein net sales were approximately \$209.9 million and \$251.9 million of net sales for the three months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014, respectively, bakery net sales were approximately \$54.3 million and \$59.4 million of net sales for the three months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014, respectively, and other sales were approximately \$82.2 million and \$86.6 million for the three months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014, respectively. The decrease in net sales for the Feed Ingredients segment was primarily due to the following (in millions of dollars):

	Fats	Used Cooking Oil	Proteins	Bakery	Other	Total	
Net sales three months ended June 28, 2014	\$165.9	\$58.3	\$251.9	\$59.4	\$86.6	\$622.1	
Increase in sales volumes	12.3	1.4	12.0	12.9		38.6	
Decrease in finished good prices	(32.1)(16.3) (34.4)(18.0)—	(100.8)
Decrease due to currency exchange rates	(6.2)(0.3)(19.6)—	(9.9)(36.0)
Other change	_		_	_	5.5	5.5	
Total change	(26.0)(15.2) (42.0)(5.1) (4.4) (92.7)
Net sales three months ended July 4, 2015	\$139.9	\$43.1	\$209.9	\$54.3	\$82.2	\$529.4	

In the above table, the increase in sales volumes for bakery is primarily due to the Custom Blenders acquisition that occurred in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2014.

Reconciliation (Non-GAAP) Adjusted Diluted Earnings Per Share and (Non-GAAP) Adjusted Net Income Attributable to Darling

	Three Months Ended	
(dollars in millions, except earnings per share)	July 4,	June 28,
(donars in mimons, except earnings per snare)	2015	2014
Net income attributable to Darling	\$3.1	\$32.8
Adjusted for acquisition related items (a)		
Non-cash inventory step-up associated with the VION Acquisition	_	3.5
Acquisition and integration costs	0.7	2.9
Amortization of intangibles	11.4	15.3
Write-off deferred loan costs euro term loan B	5.8	
Adjusted income attributable to Darling (Non-GAAP)	\$21.0	\$54.5
Weighted average shares of common stock outstanding	165,298	165,097
Diluted earnings per share, as reported	\$0.02	\$0.20
Non-cash inventory step-up associated with the VION Acquisition	_	0.02
Acquisition and integration costs	_	0.02
Amortization of intangibles	0.07	0.09
Write-off deferred loan costs euro term loan B	0.04	_
Adjusted diluted earnings per share attributable to Darling	\$0.13	\$0.33
(Non-GAAP)	ψ0.13	ψ0.33

Adjustments to net income attributable to Darling and diluted earnings per share of acquisition related items are net of tax. Calculations of all adjustment tax amounts were at the applicable effective tax rate for the period, except for discrete items in fiscal 2015 and fiscal 2014. The effective tax rate used for calculating Non-GAAP Adjusted EPS in the above table for the three months ended July 4, 2015 and June 28, 2014 was 45.8% and 28.7%, respectively.

Other principal indicators which management routinely monitors as an indicator of operating performance include:

Segment operating income Raw material processed Gross margin percentage

Foreign currency

These indicators and their importance are discussed below in greater detail.

Operating Income by Segment

Segment operating income for the three months ended July 4, 2015 was \$39.3 million, which reflects a decrease of \$36.2 million as compared to the three months ended June 28, 2014. Adjusting the three months ended June 28, 2014 for the inventory step-up associated with the required purchase accounting for the VION Acquisition and the net change between the acquisition and integration costs in the three months ended July 4, 2015 as compared to the three months ended June 28, 2014, operating income would have been \$83.5 million in the three months ended June 28, 2014.

	Feed Ingredients	Food Ingredients	Fuel Ingredients	Corporate	Total
Three Months Ended July 4, 2015					
Net Sales	\$529,429	\$283,354	\$46,532	\$	\$859,315
Cost of sales and operating expenses	404,899	223,190	40,190	(3) 668,276
Gross Margin	124,530	60,164			