

SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP INC
Form 10-Q
August 09, 2013
[Table of Contents](#)

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2013

OR

o 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: 000-26076

SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland

(State or other jurisdiction of
Incorporation or organization)

52-1494660

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**10706 Beaver Dam Road
Hunt Valley, Maryland 21030**

(Address of principal executive office, zip code)

(410) 568-1500

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

None

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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

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

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

Large accelerated filer ☐

Accelerated filer ☒

Non-accelerated filer ☐

Smaller reporting company ☐

Edgar Filing: SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP INC - Form 10-Q

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

Indicate the number of share outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock as of the latest practicable date.

	Title of each class	Number of shares outstanding as of August 2, 2013
Class A Common Stock		73,560,761
Class B Common Stock		26,263,259

Table of Contents

SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP, INC.

FORM 10-Q

FOR THE QUARTER ENDED JUNE 30, 2013

TABLE OF CONTENTS

<u>PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION</u>		3
<u>ITEM 1.</u>	<u>FINANCIAL STATEMENTS</u>	3
	<u>CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS</u>	3
	<u>CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS</u>	4
	<u>CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME</u>	5
	<u>CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF EQUITY (DEFICIT)</u>	6
	<u>CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS</u>	8
	<u>NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS</u>	9
<u>ITEM 2.</u>	<u>MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS</u>	33
<u>ITEM 3.</u>	<u>QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK</u>	43
<u>ITEM 4.</u>	<u>CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES</u>	43
<u>PART II.</u>	<u>OTHER INFORMATION</u>	44
<u>ITEM 1.</u>	<u>LEGAL PROCEEDINGS</u>	44
<u>ITEM 1A.</u>	<u>RISK FACTORS</u>	44
<u>ITEM 2.</u>	<u>UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS</u>	44
<u>ITEM 3.</u>	<u>DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES</u>	44
<u>ITEM 4.</u>	<u>MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES</u>	44
<u>ITEM 5.</u>	<u>OTHER INFORMATION</u>	44
<u>ITEM 6.</u>	<u>EXHIBITS</u>	45
<u>SIGNATURE</u>		46

Table of Contents**PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION****ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS****SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP, INC.****CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS****(In thousands, except share and per share data) (Unaudited)**

	As of June 30, 2013	As of December 31, 2012
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 550,812	\$ 22,865
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$3,245 and \$3,091, respectively	210,802	183,480
Affiliate receivable	29	416
Current portion of program contract costs	29,348	56,581
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	11,788	7,404
Deferred barter costs	4,142	3,345
Assets held for sale		30,357
Total current assets	806,921	304,448
PROGRAM CONTRACT COSTS, less current portion	10,931	12,767
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, net	454,814	439,713
RESTRICTED CASH	33,859	225
GOODWILL	1,105,005	1,074,032
BROADCAST LICENSES	87,077	85,122
DEFINITE-LIVED INTANGIBLE ASSETS, net	656,081	623,406
OTHER ASSETS	188,705	189,984
Total assets (a)	\$ 3,343,393	\$ 2,729,697
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY (DEFICIT)		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	\$ 9,775	\$ 10,086
Accrued liabilities	128,838	143,731
Income taxes payable	2,456	9,939
Current portion of notes payable, capital leases and commercial bank financing	19,094	47,622
Current portion of notes and capital leases payable to affiliates	2,178	1,704
Current portion of program contracts payable	53,201	88,015
Deferred barter revenues	4,378	3,499
Deferred tax liabilities	6,368	607
Liabilities held for sale		2,397
Total current liabilities	226,288	307,600
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:		
Notes payable, capital leases and commercial bank financing, less current portion	2,407,680	2,210,866
Notes payable and capital leases to affiliates, less current portion	20,220	13,187
Program contracts payable, less current portion	14,933	16,341
Deferred tax liabilities	241,043	233,465
Other long-term liabilities	47,221	48,291
Total liabilities (a)	2,957,385	2,829,750
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (See Note 3)		

Edgar Filing: SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP INC - Form 10-Q

EQUITY (DEFICIT):

SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY (DEFICIT):

Class A Common Stock, \$.01 par value, 500,000,000 shares authorized, 73,541,440 and 52,332,012 shares issued and outstanding, respectively	735	523
Class B Common Stock, \$.01 par value, 140,000,000 shares authorized, 26,263,259 and 28,933,859 shares issued and outstanding, respectively, convertible into Class A Common Stock	262	289
Additional paid-in capital	1,088,639	600,928
Accumulated deficit	(705,846)	(713,697)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(5,071)	(4,993)
Total Sinclair Broadcast Group shareholders' deficit	378,719	(116,950)
Noncontrolling interests	7,289	16,897
Total equity (deficit)	386,008	(100,053)
Total liabilities and equity (deficit)	\$ 3,343,393	\$ 2,729,697

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

(a) Our consolidated total assets as of June 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 include total assets of variable interest entities (VIEs) of \$122.6 million and \$107.9 million, respectively, which can only be used to settle the obligations of the VIEs. Our consolidated total liabilities as of June 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012 include total liabilities of the VIEs of \$10.4 million and \$7.9 million, respectively, for which the creditors of the VIEs have no recourse to us. See *Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies*.

Table of Contents**SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP, INC.****CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS****(In thousands, except per share data) (Unaudited)**

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
REVENUES:				
Station broadcast revenues, net of agency commissions	\$ 279,270	\$ 217,582	\$ 532,195	\$ 408,470
Revenues realized from station barter arrangements	22,047	21,343	40,277	38,881
Other operating divisions revenues	12,837	12,149	24,300	26,097
Total revenues	314,154	251,074	596,772	473,448
OPERATING EXPENSES:				
Station production expenses	85,694	62,596	166,127	122,393
Station selling, general and administrative expenses	53,297	41,581	105,235	77,293
Expenses recognized from station barter arrangements	19,382	19,695	35,396	35,819
Amortization of program contract costs and net realizable value adjustments	18,656	15,169	37,517	29,269
Other operating divisions expenses	10,736	10,503	20,605	22,793
Depreciation of property and equipment	15,105	12,134	29,700	21,405
Corporate general and administrative expenses	11,447	7,513	22,697	16,880
Amortization of definite-lived intangible and other assets	15,557	9,994	31,559	15,813
Total operating expenses	229,874	179,185	448,836	341,665
Operating income	84,280	71,889	147,936	131,783
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE):				
Interest expense and amortization of debt discount and deferred financing costs	(45,465)	(29,320)	(83,162)	(56,707)
Loss from extinguishment of debt	(16,283)		(16,283)	(335)
Income (loss) from equity and cost method investments	(404)	5,148	(1,456)	6,424
Other income, net	482	715	939	1,186
Total other expense	(61,670)	(23,457)	(99,962)	(49,432)
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	22,610	48,432	47,974	82,351
INCOME TAX PROVISION	(9,654)	(18,298)	(18,503)	(23,092)
Income from continuing operations	12,956	30,134	29,471	59,259
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS:				
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, includes income tax benefit (provision) of \$4,973, (\$67), \$4,682 and (\$134), respectively	5,103	(2)	5,458	(53)
NET INCOME	18,059	30,132	34,929	59,206
Net (income) loss attributable to the noncontrolling interests	(233)	(72)	(106)	213
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP	\$ 17,826	\$ 30,060	\$ 34,823	\$ 59,419
Dividends declared per share	\$ 0.15	\$ 0.12	\$ 0.30	\$ 0.24

Edgar Filing: SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP INC - Form 10-Q

EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP:					
Basic earnings per share from continuing operations	\$	0.14	\$	0.37	\$ 0.34 \$ 0.73
Basic earnings per share from discontinued operations	\$	0.06	\$		\$ 0.06 \$
Basic earnings per share	\$	0.19	\$	0.37	\$ 0.40 \$ 0.73
Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations	\$	0.14	\$	0.37	\$ 0.34 \$ 0.73
Diluted earnings per share from discontinued operations	\$	0.05	\$		\$ 0.06 \$
Diluted earnings per share	\$	0.19	\$	0.37	\$ 0.40 \$ 0.73
Weighted average common shares outstanding		92,083		81,036	86,667 80,944
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding		93,604		81,294	87,844 81,211
AMOUNTS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP COMMON SHAREHOLDERS:					
Income from continuing operations, net of tax	\$	12,723	\$	30,062	\$ 29,365 \$ 59,472
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax		5,103		(2)	5,458 (53)
Net income	\$	17,826	\$	30,060	\$ 34,823 \$ 59,419

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

Table of Contents

SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP, INC.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(In thousands) (Unaudited)

	Three months ended June 30,		Six months ended June 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Net income	\$ 18,059	\$ 30,132	\$ 34,929	\$ 59,206
Amortization of net periodic pension benefit costs, net of taxes	(39)	85	(78)	189
Comprehensive income	18,020	30,217	34,851	59,395
Comprehensive (income) loss attributable to the noncontrolling interests	(233)	(72)	(106)	213
Comprehensive income attributable to Sinclair Broadcast Group	\$ 17,787	\$ 30,145	\$ 34,745	\$ 59,608

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

Table of Contents

SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP, INC.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF EQUITY (DEFICIT)
(In thousands) (Unaudited)

	Sinclair Broadcast Group Shareholders						Accumulated Other			
	Class A Common Stock		Class B Common Stock		Additional Paid-In	Accumulated	Comprehensive	Noncontrolling	Total Equity	
	Shares	Values	Shares	Values	Capital	Deficit	Loss	Interests	(Deficit)	
BALANCE, December 31, 2011	52,022,086	\$ 520	28,933,859	\$ 289	\$ 617,375	\$ (734,511)	\$ (4,848)	\$ 9,813	\$ (111,362)	
Dividends declared on Class A and Class B Common Stock						(19,204)			(19,204)	
Class A Common Stock issued pursuant to employee benefit plans	258,425	3			3,990				3,993	
Tax benefit on share based awards					191				191	
Distributions to noncontrolling interests								(462)	(462)	
Issuance of subsidiary share awards								392	392	
Consolidation of variable interest entity								775	775	
Amortization of net periodic pension benefit costs, net of taxes							189		189	
Net income						59,419		(213)	59,206	
BALANCE, June 30, 2012	52,280,511	\$ 523	28,933,859	\$ 289	\$ 621,556	\$ (694,296)	\$ (4,659)	\$ 10,305	\$ (66,282)	

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

Table of Contents**SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP, INC.****CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF EQUITY (DEFICIT)****(In thousands) (Unaudited)**

	Sinclair Broadcast Group Shareholders				Additional Paid-In Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Noncontrolling Interests	Total Equity (Deficit)
	Class A Common Stock Shares	Class A Common Stock Values	Class B Common Stock Shares	Class B Common Stock Values					
BALANCE, December 31, 2012	52,332,012	\$ 523	28,933,859	\$ 289	\$ 600,928	\$ (713,697)	\$ (4,993)	\$ 16,897	\$ (100,053)
Dividends declared on Class A and Class B Common Stock						(26,972)			(26,972)
Issuance of common stock, net of issuance costs	18,000,000	180			472,220				472,400
Class B Common Stock converted into Class A Common Stock	2,670,600	27	(2,670,600)	(27)					
Class A Common Stock issued upon exercise of stock options	98,000	1			1,154				1,155
Class A Common Stock issued pursuant to employee benefit plans	440,828	4			3,703				3,707
Tax benefit on share based award					471				471
Distributions to noncontrolling interests								(9,714)	(9,714)
Issuance of stock settled appreciation rights					3,155				3,155
Class A Common Stock sold by variable interest entity, net of taxes					7,008				7,008
Amortization of net periodic pension benefit costs, net of taxes							(78)		(78)
Net income						34,823		106	34,929
BALANCE, June 30, 2013	73,541,440	\$ 735	26,263,259	\$ 262	\$ 1,088,639	\$ (705,846)	\$ (5,071)	\$ 7,289	\$ 386,008

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

[Table of Contents](#)

SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP, INC.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(In thousands) (Unaudited)

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2013	2012
CASH FLOWS FROM (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net income	\$ 34,929	\$ 59,206
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash flows from operating activities:		
Depreciation of property and equipment	29,827	22,356
Amortization of definite-lived intangible and other assets	31,548	16,025
Amortization of program contract costs and net realizable value adjustments	37,711	29,747
Loss on extinguishment of debt	16,283	335
Deferred tax (benefit)	(3,934)	(2,769)
Change in assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions:		
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable, net	(28,124)	976
Increase in prepaid expenses and other current assets	(2,984)	(10,483)
Increase in other assets	(420)	(25,255)
(Decrease) increase in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(18,176)	5,234
(Decrease) increase in income taxes payable	(4,240)	9,963
Increase in other long-term liabilities	3,824	106
Payments on program contracts payable	(45,375)	(35,108)
Original debt issuance discount paid	(10,285)	
Other, net	12,786	9,942
Net cash flows from operating activities	53,370	80,275
CASH FLOWS FROM (USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Acquisition of property and equipment	(17,166)	(18,473)
Payments for acquisition of television stations	(96,160)	(590,887)
Payments for acquisitions in other operating divisions	(4,650)	
Purchase of alarm monitoring contracts	(6,284)	(5,627)
Proceeds from sale of broadcast assets	27,992	
(Increase) decrease in restricted cash	(33,634)	58,500
Distributions from equity and cost method investees	3,271	5,992
Investments in equity and cost method investees	(3,402)	(5,748)
Investments in marketable securities	(2,285)	
Proceeds from insurance settlement	134	23
Proceeds from the sale of assets	39	15
Proceeds from sale of real estate investment	5,516	
Loans to affiliates	(84)	(699)
Proceeds from loans to affiliates	77	508
Net cash flows used in investing activities	(126,636)	(556,396)
CASH FLOWS FROM (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Proceeds from notes payable, commercial bank financing and capital leases	1,162,344	555,134
Repayments of notes payable, commercial bank financing and capital leases	(991,724)	(33,344)
Proceeds from the sale of Class A Common Stock	472,400	
Proceeds from exercise of stock options, including excess tax benefits of share based payments of \$0.5 million and \$0.2 million, respectively	1,626	279
Dividends paid on Class A and Class B Common Stock	(26,972)	(19,204)
Payments for deferred financing costs	(16,749)	(6,702)
Proceeds from Class A Common Stock sold by variable interest entity	10,908	
Noncontrolling interests distributions	(9,714)	(462)
Repayments of notes and capital leases to affiliates	(906)	(1,469)

Edgar Filing: SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP INC - Form 10-Q

Net cash flows from (used in) financing activities	601,213	494,232
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	527,947	18,111
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, beginning of period	22,865	12,967
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, end of period	\$ 550,812	\$ 31,078

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

Table of Contents

SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP, INC.

NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include our accounts and those of our wholly-owned and majority-owned subsidiaries and VIEs for which we are the primary beneficiary. Noncontrolling interests represents a minority owner's proportionate share of the equity in certain of our consolidated entities. All intercompany transactions and account balances have been eliminated in consolidation.

Discontinued Operations

In accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board's (FASB) guidance on reporting assets held for sale, we reported the financial position and results of operations of our stations in Lansing, Michigan (WLAJ-TV) and Providence, Rhode Island (WLWC-TV), as assets and liabilities held for sale in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets and discontinued operations consolidated statements of operations. Discontinued operations have not been segregated in the consolidated statements of cash flows and, therefore, amounts for certain captions will not agree with the accompanying consolidated balance sheets and consolidated statements of operations. WLAJ-TV was acquired in the second quarter of 2012 in connection with the acquisition of the television stations from Freedom Communications (Freedom). WLWC-TV was acquired in the first quarter of 2012 in connection with the acquisition of the television stations from Four Points Media Group LLC (Four Points). See *Note 2. Acquisitions* for more information. In October 2012, we entered into an agreement to sell all the assets of WLAJ-TV to an unrelated third party for \$14.4 million. In January 2013, we entered into an agreement to sell the assets of WLWC-TV to an unrelated third party for \$13.8 million. The operating results of WLAJ-TV, which was sold effective March 1, 2013, and WLWC-TV, which was sold effective April 1, 2013, are not included in our consolidated results of operations from continuing operations for the three and six months ending June 30, 2013. Total revenues for WLAJ-TV and WLWC-TV, which are included in discontinued operations for the six months ending June 30, 2013 were \$0.6 million and \$1.6 million, respectively. Total revenues of WLAJ-TV and WLWC-TV, which are included in discontinued operations for the three months ending June 30, 2012, are \$1.1 million and \$1.4 million, respectively. Total revenues of WLAJ-TV and WLWC-TV, which are included in discontinued operations for the six months ending June 30, 2012, are \$1.1 million and \$2.9 million, respectively. Total income before taxes for WLAJ-TV and WLWC-TV, which are included in discontinued operations for the six months ending June 30, 2013, are \$0.2 million and \$0.4 million, respectively, and total income(loss) before taxes of WLAJ-TV and WLWC-TV, which are included in discontinued operations for the six months ending June 30, 2012, are \$0.2 million and less than (\$0.1) million, respectively. The resulting gain on the sale of these stations in 2013 was negligible.

Additionally, we recognized a \$5.1 million tax benefit for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 attributable to the adjustment of certain liabilities for unrecognized tax benefits related to discontinued operations. See discussion under *Income Taxes* below.

Interim Financial Statements

The consolidated financial statements for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 are unaudited. In the opinion of management, such financial statements have been presented on the same basis as the audited consolidated financial statements and include all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring adjustments necessary for a fair statement of the consolidated balance sheets, consolidated statements of operations, consolidated statements of comprehensive income, consolidated statement of equity (deficit) and consolidated statements of cash flows for these periods as adjusted for the adoption of recent accounting pronouncements discussed below.

As permitted under the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), the consolidated financial statements do not include all disclosures normally included with audited consolidated financial statements and, accordingly, should be read together with the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 filed with the SEC. The consolidated statements of operations presented in the accompanying consolidated financial statements are not necessarily representative of operations for an entire year.

Variable Interest Entities

In determining whether we are the primary beneficiary of a VIE for financial reporting purposes, we consider whether we have the power to direct the activities of the VIE that most significantly impact the economic performance of the VIE and whether we have the obligation to absorb losses or the right to receive returns that would be significant to the VIE. We consolidate VIEs when we are the primary beneficiary. The assets of each of our consolidated VIEs can only be used to settle the obligations of the VIE.

Table of Contents

All the liabilities, including debt held by our VIEs, are non-recourse to us except for Deerfield Media, Inc.'s (Deerfield) debt which we guarantee.

We have entered into local marketing agreements (LMAs) to provide programming, sales and managerial services for television stations of Cunningham Broadcasting Company (Cunningham), the license owner of seven television stations as of June 30, 2013. We pay LMA fees to Cunningham and also reimburse all operating expenses. We also have an acquisition agreement in which we have a purchase option to buy the license assets of the television stations which includes the Federal Communication Commission (FCC) license and certain other assets used to operate the station (License Assets). Our applications to acquire the FCC licenses are pending approval. We own the majority of the non-license assets of the Cunningham stations and our Bank Credit Agreement contains certain default provisions whereby insolvency of Cunningham would cause an event of default under our Bank Credit Agreement. We have determined that the Cunningham stations are VIEs and that based on the terms of the agreements, the significance of our investment in the stations and the cross-default provisions with our Bank Credit Agreement, we are the primary beneficiary of the variable interests because, subject to the ultimate control of the licensees, we have the power to direct the activities which significantly impact the economic performance of the VIEs through the sales and managerial services we provide and we absorb losses and returns that would be considered significant to Cunningham. See *Note 6. Related Person Transactions* for more information on our arrangements with Cunningham. Included in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations for the three months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 are net broadcast revenues of \$26.5 million and \$24.8 million, respectively, that relate to LMAs with Cunningham. For the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, Cunningham's stations provided us with approximately \$51.2 million and \$48.1 million, respectively, of net broadcast revenues.

Effective December 1, 2012, we have entered into joint sales agreements (JSAs) and shared services agreements (SSAs) to provide certain non-programming related sales, operational and administrative services for the television stations of Deerfield, the license owner of eight television stations as of June 30, 2013. The initial term is for eight years from the commencement and the agreement may be automatically renewed for successive eight year renewal terms. We also have a purchase option to buy the license assets of the television stations. We own the majority of the non-license assets of the Deerfield stations and we have also guaranteed the debt of Deerfield. Additionally, there are leases in place whereby Deerfield leases assets owned by us in order to perform its duties under FCC rules. We have determined that the Deerfield stations are VIEs and that based on the terms of the agreements, the significance of our investment in the stations and our guarantee of Deerfield's debt, we are the primary beneficiary of the variable interests because, subject to the ultimate control of the licensees, we have the power to direct the activities which significantly impact the economic performance of the VIEs through the sales and managerial services we provide and we absorb losses and returns that would be considered significant to Deerfield. Included in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 are net revenues of \$21.0 million and \$45.1 million, respectively, that relate to agreements with Deerfield.

We have outsourcing agreements with certain other license owners, under which we provide certain non-programming related sales, operational and administrative services. We pay a fee to the license owners based on a percentage of broadcast cash flow and we reimburse all operating expenses. We also have purchase options to buy the License Assets. We have determined that the License Assets of these stations are VIEs, and, based on the terms of the agreements and the significance of our investment in the stations, we are the primary beneficiary of the variable interests because, subject to the ultimate control of the licensees, we have the power to direct the activities which significantly impact the economic performance of the VIE through the sales and managerial services we provide and because we absorb losses and returns that would be considered significant to the VIEs. Included in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations for the three months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 are net broadcast revenues of \$9.8 million and \$4.1 million, respectively, that relate to these arrangements. For the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, net broadcast revenues of \$18.2 million and \$7.7 million, respectively, related to these arrangements.

Edgar Filing: SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP INC - Form 10-Q

Table of Contents

As of the dates indicated, the carrying amounts and classification of the assets and liabilities of the VIEs mentioned above which have been included in our consolidated balance sheets for the periods presented (in thousands):

	As of June 30, 2013	As of December 31, 2012
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 12,996	\$ 3,805
Accounts receivable	199	110
Income taxes receivable	139	94
Current portion of program contract costs	3,901	6,113
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	43	124
Total current asset	17,278	10,246
PROGRAM CONTRACT COSTS, less current portion	814	1,484
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, net	10,401	10,806
GOODWILL	6,357	6,357
BROADCAST LICENSES	16,782	14,927
DEFINITE-LIVED INTANGIBLE ASSETS, net	56,393	51,368
OTHER ASSETS	14,624	12,723
Total assets	\$ 122,649	\$ 107,911
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	\$ 15	\$ 15
Accrued liabilities	447	186
Current portion of notes payable, capital leases and commercial bank financing	3,448	2,123
Current portion of program contracts payable	5,982	8,991
Total current liabilities	9,892	11,315
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:		
Notes payable, capital leases and commercial bank financing, less current portion	24,270	20,238
Program contracts payable, less current portion	1,508	2,080
Total liabilities	\$ 35,670	\$ 33,633

The amounts above represent the consolidated assets and liabilities of the VIEs related to our LMAs with Cunningham, JSAs and SSAs with Deerfield and certain outsourcing agreements, for which we are the primary beneficiary, and have been aggregated as they all relate to our broadcast business. Excluded from the amounts above are payments made to Cunningham under the LMA which are treated as a prepayment of the purchase price of the stations and capital leases between us and Cunningham which are eliminated in consolidation. The total payments made under these LMAs as of June 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, which are excluded from liabilities above, were \$31.5 million and \$29.8 million, respectively. The total capital lease assets excluded from above were \$11.6 million and \$11.7 million as of June 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively. During the six months ended June 30, 2013, Cunningham sold a portion of its investment in our Class A Common Stock which is eliminated in consolidation and excluded from assets shown above, for \$7.0 million, net of income taxes and has been reflected as an increase in additional paid in capital in the consolidated balance sheet. Also excluded from the amounts above are liabilities associated with the JSAs, SSAs, and option agreements with the other VIEs totaling \$44.2 million and \$36.2 million as of June 30, 2013 and December 31, 2013, respectively. The risk and reward characteristics of the VIEs are similar.

In the fourth quarter of 2011, we began providing sales, programming and management services to the Freedom stations pursuant to a LMA. Effective April 1, 2012, we completed the acquisition of the Freedom stations and the LMA was terminated. We determined that the Freedom stations were VIEs during the period of the LMA based on the terms of the agreement. We were not the primary beneficiary because the owner

Edgar Filing: SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP INC - Form 10-Q

of the stations had the power to direct the activities of the VIEs that most significantly impacted the economic performance of the VIEs. In the consolidated statements of operations for the six months ended June 30, 2012 are net broadcast revenues of \$10.0 million and station production expenses of \$7.8 million related to the Freedom LMAs during the first quarter of 2012.

We have investments in other real estate ventures and investment companies which are considered VIEs. However, we do not participate in the management of these entities including the day-to-day operating decisions or other decisions which would allow us to control the entity, and therefore, we are not considered the primary beneficiary of these VIEs. We account for these entities using the equity or cost method of accounting.

Table of Contents

The carrying amounts of our investments in these VIEs for which we are not the primary beneficiary for the periods presented (in thousands):

	As of June 30, 2013		As of December 31, 2012	
	Carrying amount	Maximum exposure	Carrying amount	Maximum exposure
Investments in real estate ventures	\$ 3,517	\$ 3,517	\$ 3,648	\$ 3,648
Investments in investment companies	27,141	27,141	27,335	27,335
Total	\$ 30,658	\$ 30,658	\$ 30,983	\$ 30,983

The carrying amounts above are included in other assets in the consolidated balance sheets. The income and loss related to these investments are recorded in income from equity and cost method investments in the consolidated statement of operations. We recorded income of \$0.3 million and \$5.3 million in the three months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. We recorded income of \$0.7 million and \$6.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Our maximum exposure is equal to the carrying value of our investments. As of June 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, our unfunded commitments related to private equity investment funds totaled \$16.9 million and \$8.9 million, respectively.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In July 2012, the FASB issued new guidance for testing indefinite-lived intangible assets for impairment. The new guidance allows companies to perform a qualitative assessment to determine whether further impairment testing of indefinite-lived intangible assets is necessary, similar to the approach now applied to goodwill. Companies can first determine based on certain qualitative factors whether it is more likely than not (a likelihood of more than 50 percent) that an indefinite-lived intangible asset is impaired. The new standard is intended to reduce the cost and complexity of testing indefinite-lived intangible assets for impairment. The revised standard is effective for annual and interim impairment tests performed for fiscal years beginning after September 30, 2012 and early adoption is permitted. We adopted this new guidance in the fourth quarter of 2012 when completing our annual impairment analysis. This guidance impacted how we perform our annual impairment testing for indefinite-lived intangible assets and changed our related disclosures for 2012; however, it does not have an impact on our consolidated financial statements as the guidance does not impact the timing or amount of any resulting impairment charges.

In February 2013, the FASB issued new guidance requiring disclosure of items reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income (AOCI). This new guidance requires entities to present (either on the face of the income statement or in the notes) the effects on the line items of the income statement for amounts reclassified out of AOCI. The new guidance is effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2012. This guidance does not have a material impact on our financial statements.

In July 2013, the FASB issued new guidance requiring new disclosure of unrecognized tax benefit, or a portion of an unrecognized tax benefit, in the financial statements as a reduction to a deferred tax asset for a net operating loss carryforward, a similar tax loss, or a tax credit carryforward. If a company does not have: (i) a net operating loss carryforward; (ii) a similar tax loss; or (iii) a tax credit carryforward is not available at the reporting date under the tax law of the applicable jurisdiction to settle any additional income taxes that would result from the disallowance of a tax position or the entity does not intend to use the deferred tax asset for such purpose, the unrecognized tax benefit should be presented in the financial statements as a liability and should not be combined with deferred tax assets. The authoritative guidance is effective for fiscal years and the interim periods within those fiscal years beginning on or after December 15, 2013 and should be applied on a prospective

basis. We are currently evaluating the impact of this requirement on our financial statements.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses in the consolidated financial statements and in the disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Restricted Cash

During the first and second quarters of 2013, we deposited a total of \$25.0 million and \$11.5 million, respectively, into escrow accounts upon entering into agreements to purchase certain television stations, as further discussed under Pending Acquisitions in *Note 3. Commitments and Contingencies*. These escrow deposits are classified as restricted cash within noncurrent assets in the consolidated balance sheet as of June 30, 2013.

Additionally, under the terms of certain lease agreements, as of June 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, we were required to hold \$0.2 million of restricted cash related to the removal of analog equipment from some of our leased towers.

Revenue Recognition

Total revenues include: (i) cash and barter advertising revenues, net of agency commissions; (ii) retransmission consent fees; (iii) network compensation; (iv) other broadcast revenues and (v) revenues from our other operating divisions.

Advertising revenues, net of agency commissions, are recognized in the period during which time spots are aired.

Our retransmission consent agreements contain both advertising and retransmission consent elements. We have determined that our retransmission consent agreements are revenue arrangements with multiple deliverables. Advertising and retransmission

Table of Contents

consent deliverables sold under our agreements are separated into different units of accounting at fair value. Revenue applicable to the advertising element of the arrangement is recognized similar to the advertising revenue policy noted above. Revenue applicable to the retransmission consent element of the arrangement is recognized over the life of the agreement.

Network compensation revenue is recognized over the term of the contract. All other revenues are recognized as services are provided.

Income Taxes

Our income tax provision for all periods consists of federal and state income taxes. The tax provision for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 is based on the estimated effective tax rate applicable for the full year after taking into account discrete tax items and the effects of the noncontrolling interests. We provide a valuation allowance for deferred tax assets if we determine that it is more likely than not that some or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. In evaluating our ability to realize net deferred tax assets, we consider all available evidence, both positive and negative, including our past operating results, tax planning strategies and forecasts of future taxable income. In considering these sources of taxable income, we must make certain judgments that are based on the plans and estimates used to manage our underlying businesses on a long-term basis. A valuation allowance has been provided for deferred tax assets related to a substantial portion of our available state net operating loss carryforwards, based on past operating results, expected timing of the reversals of existing temporary book/tax basis differences, alternative tax strategies and projected future taxable income.

Our effective income tax rate for the three months and six months ended June 30, 2013 was greater than the statutory rate primarily due to an increase in the state income tax reserves related to an ongoing audit. Our effective income tax rate for the three and six months ended June 30, 2012 was lower than the statutory rate primarily due to a release of valuation allowance of \$7.7 million related to certain deferred tax assets of Cunningham as the weight of all available evidence supports realization of the deferred tax assets. The valuation allowance release determination was based primarily on the sufficiency of forecasted taxable income necessary to utilize NOLs expiring in years 2022 - 2029. This VIE files separate income tax returns. Any resulting tax liabilities are nonrecourse to us and we are not entitled to any benefit resulting from the deferred tax assets of the VIE.

As previously discussed above under *Discontinued Operations*, during the second quarter of 2013, we reduced our liability for unrecognized tax benefits by \$5.1 million related to discontinued operations upon the application of limits under an available state administrative practice exception.

In April, 2013, we entered into a settlement agreement with the Internal Revenue Service's Appeals Office with respect to our 2006 and 2007 federal income tax returns. There was no material impact on our financial statements as a result of this settlement.

Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to prior years' consolidated financial statements to conform to the current year's presentation.

2. ACQUISITIONS

Four Points

Effective January 1, 2012, we completed the acquisition of the broadcast assets of Four Points, which we had previously operated pursuant to a LMA since October 1, 2011. The acquired assets consist of the following seven stations in four markets along with the respective network affiliation or program service arrangements: KUTV (CBS) and KMYU (MNT / This TV) in Salt Lake City / St. George, UT; KEYE (CBS) in Austin, TX; WTVX (CW), WTCN (MNT) and WWHB (Azteca) in West Palm Beach / Fort Pierce / Stuart, FL; and WLWC (CW) in Providence, RI / New Bedford, MA. This acquisition provides expansion into additional markets and increases value based on the synergies we can achieve.

We paid Four Points \$200.0 million in cash, less a working capital adjustment of \$0.9 million. The acquisition was financed with a \$180.0 million draw under an incremental Term B Loan commitment under our amended Bank Credit Agreement plus a \$20.0 million cash escrow previously paid in September 2011.

Under the acquisition method of accounting, the results of the acquired operations are included in the financial statements of the Company beginning January 1, 2012. The purchase price has been allocated to the acquired assets and assumed liabilities based on estimated fair values. The allocated fair value of acquired assets and assumed liabilities is summarized as follows (in thousands):

Prepaid expenses and other current assets	\$	456
Program contract costs		3,731
Property and equipment		34,578
Broadcast licenses		10,658
Definite-lived intangible assets		93,800
Other assets		548
Accrued liabilities		(381)
Program contracts payable		(5,157)
Fair value of identifiable net assets acquired		138,233
Goodwill		60,843
Total	\$	199,076

Table of Contents

The final allocation presented above is based upon management's estimate of the fair values using valuation techniques including income, cost and market approaches. In estimating the fair value of the acquired assets and assumed liabilities, the fair value estimates are based on, but not limited to, expected future revenue and cash flows, expected future growth rates, and estimated discount rates. The amount allocated to definite-lived intangible assets represents the estimated fair values of network affiliations of \$66.9 million, the decaying advertiser base of \$9.8 million, and other intangible assets of \$17.1 million. These intangible assets will be amortized over the estimated remaining useful lives of 15 years for network affiliations, 10 years for the decaying advertiser base and a weighted average of 14 years for the other intangible assets. Acquired property and equipment will be depreciated on a straight-line basis over the respective estimated remaining useful lives. Goodwill is calculated as the excess of the consideration transferred over the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired and represents the future economic benefits expected to arise from other intangible assets acquired that do not qualify for separate recognition, including assembled workforce and noncontractual relationships, as well as expected future synergies. We expect that goodwill will be deductible for tax purposes. Certain measurement period adjustments have been made since the initial allocation in the first quarter of 2012, which were not material to the consolidated financial statements.

Prior to the acquisition, since October 1, 2011, we provided sales, programming and management services to the stations pursuant to an LMA. During that period, we funded the working capital needs of the stations, which totaled \$8.1 million as of December 31, 2011 and was reflected as cash flows used in operating activities within the consolidated statement of cash flows for that period. This working capital is not reflected in the purchase price allocation presented above.

The results of operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2012 include the results of the Four Points stations since January 1, 2012. Net broadcast revenues and operating income of the Four Points stations included in our consolidated statements of operations, were \$18.6 million and \$5.2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2013, respectively, and \$36.4 million and \$9.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2013, respectively. Net broadcast revenues and operating income of the Four Points stations included in our consolidated statements of operations, were \$16.8 million and \$3.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2012, respectively, and \$33.2 million and \$7.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012, respectively. These amounts exclude the operations of WLWC-TV, which was sold effective April 1, 2013 and are classified as discontinued operations in the consolidated statements of operations. *See Note 1. Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies.* Net broadcast revenues and operating income (loss) of WLWC-TV were \$1.5 million and \$0.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2013, respectively. Net broadcast revenues and operating income (loss) of WLWC-TV were \$1.4 million and \$(0.1) million, respectively, for the three months ended June 30, 2012 and \$2.7 million and \$(0.1) million for the six months ended June 30, 2012, respectively.

Freedom

Effective April 1, 2012, we completed the acquisition of the broadcast assets of Freedom, which we had previously operated pursuant to a LMA since December 1, 2011. The acquired assets consist of the following eight stations in seven markets along with the respective network affiliation or program service arrangements: WPEC (CBS) in West Palm Beach, FL; WWMT (CBS) in Grand Rapids/Kalamazoo/Battle Creek, MI; WRGB (CBS) and WCWN (CW) in Albany, NY; WTVC (ABC) in Chattanooga, TN; WLAJ (ABC) in Lansing, MI; KTVL (CBS) in Medford-Klamath Falls, OR; and KFDM (CBS) in Beaumont/Port Arthur/Orange, TX. This acquisition provides expansion into additional markets and increases value based on the synergies we can achieve.

We paid Freedom \$385.0 million plus a working capital adjustment of \$0.3 million. The acquisition was financed with a draw under a \$157.5 million incremental Term Loan A and a \$192.5 million incremental Term B Loan commitment under our amended Bank Credit Agreement, plus a \$38.5 million cash escrow previously paid in November 2011.

Edgar Filing: SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP INC - Form 10-Q

Under the acquisition method of accounting, the results of the acquired operations are included in the financial statements of the Company beginning April 1, 2012. The purchase price has been allocated to the acquired assets and assumed liabilities based on estimated fair values. The allocated fair value of acquired assets and assumed liabilities is summarized as follows (in thousands):

Prepaid expenses and other current assets	\$	373
Program contract costs		3,520
Property and equipment		54,109
Broadcast licenses		10,424
Definite-lived intangible assets		140,963

Table of Contents

Other assets	278
Accrued liabilities	(589)
Program contracts payable	(3,404)
Fair value of identifiable net assets acquired	205,674
Goodwill	179,609
Total	\$ 385,283

The final allocation presented above is based upon management's estimate of the fair values using valuation techniques including income, cost and market approaches. In estimating the fair value of the acquired assets and assumed liabilities, the fair value estimates are based on, but not limited to, expected future revenue and cash flows, expected future growth rates, and estimated discount rates. The amount allocated to definite-lived intangible assets represents the estimated fair values of network affiliations of \$93.1 million, the decaying advertiser base of \$25.1 million, and other intangible assets of \$22.8 million. These intangible assets will be amortized over the estimated remaining useful lives of 15 years for network affiliations, 10 years for the decaying advertiser base and a weighted average life of 16 years for the other intangible assets. Acquired property and equipment will be depreciated on a straight-line basis over the respective estimated remaining useful lives. Goodwill is calculated as the excess of the consideration transferred over the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired and represents the future economic benefits expected to arise from other intangible assets acquired that do not qualify for separate recognition, including assembled workforce and noncontractual relationships, as well as expected future synergies. We expect that goodwill will be deductible for tax purposes. Certain measurement period adjustments have been made since the initial allocation in the second quarter of 2012, which were not material to the consolidated financial statements.

Prior to the acquisition, since December 1, 2011, we provided sales, programming and management services to the stations pursuant to an LMA. During that period, we funded the working capital needs of the stations, which totaled \$1.5 million as of December 31, 2011 and \$9.6 million as of March 31, 2012 and was reflected as cash flows used in operating activities within the consolidated statement of cash flows for those periods. This working capital is not reflected in the purchase price allocation presented above.

The results of operations for the six months ended June 30, 2012 includes the results of the Freedom stations since April 1, 2012. Net broadcast revenues and operating income of the Freedom stations included in our consolidated statements of operations, were \$27.4 million and \$8.2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2013, respectively, and \$53.7 million and \$14.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2013, respectively. Net broadcast revenues and operating income of the Freedom stations included in our consolidated statements of operations, were \$25.7 million and \$9.0 million for the three months ended June 30, 2012, respectively, and \$25.7 million and \$9.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012, respectively. These amounts exclude the operations of WLAI-TV, which was sold effective, January 1, 2013 and are classified as discontinued operations in the consolidated statements of operations. *See Note 1. Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies.* Net broadcast revenues and operating income (loss) of WLAI-TV were \$0.6 million and \$0.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2013, respectively. Net broadcast revenues and operating income of WLAI-TV were \$1.0 million and \$0.2 million, respectively, for the three months ended June 30, 2012 and \$1.0 million and \$0.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012, respectively. Additionally, during the first quarter 2012, prior to the acquisition, we recorded net broadcast revenues of \$10.0 million related to the Freedom LMAs.

Newport

Effective December 1, 2012, we completed the acquisition of certain broadcast assets of Newport Television (Newport). The acquired assets relate to the following seven stations in six markets along with the respective network affiliation or program service arrangements: WKRC (CBS) in Cincinnati, OH; WOAI (NBC) in San Antonio, TX; WHP (CBS) in Harrisburg/Lancaster/Lebanon/York, PA; WPMI (NBC) and WJTC (IND) in Mobile, AL/Pensacola, FL; KSAS (FOX) in Wichita/Hutchinson, KS; and WHAM (ABC) in Rochester, NY. We also acquired Newport's rights under the local marketing agreements with WLYH (CW) in Harrisburg, PA and KMTW (MNT) in Wichita, KS, as well as options to acquire the license assets. This acquisition provides expansion into additional markets and increases value based on the synergies we

can achieve.

We paid Newport \$460.5 million in cash, less a working capital adjustment of \$1.3 million. We financed the \$460.5 million purchase price, less the \$41.3 million in escrow with the net proceeds from the 6.125% Notes issued in October 2012.

Our right to acquire certain of the license assets of WPMI and WJTC in Mobile, AL was assigned to Deerfield and Deerfield acquired these assets effective December 1, 2012 for \$6.0 million. Additionally, Deerfield acquired the license assets of WHAM in Rochester, NY effective February 1, 2013 for \$6.0 million, using borrowings under its bank credit facility. Prior to Deerfield's acquisition of the assets of WHAM, the assets were owned by Newport. Concurrent with the acquisition of WKRC in Cincinnati, OH and WOAI in San Antonio, TX from Newport, we sold to Deerfield the license assets of two of our existing stations located in Cincinnati, OH (WSTR MNT) and San Antonio, TX (KMYS CW) for a total of \$10.7 million. Deerfield financed these purchases with third party bank financing which we have guaranteed. We have assignable purchase option agreements with Deerfield to acquire the license assets upon FCC approval and operate the stations pursuant to shared services and joint sales agreements with Deerfield. We consolidate the license assets owned by Deerfield because the licensee companies are VIEs and we are the primary beneficiary. Prior to Deerfield acquiring the license assets of WHAM in Rochester, NY on February 1, 2013, we operated the

Table of Contents

station pursuant to a shared services and joint sales agreement with Newport. We consolidated the license assets owned by Newport from December 1, 2012 to January 31, 2013 because the licensee company was a VIE and the Company is the primary beneficiary. See *Variable Interest Entities* in Note 1. *Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies*. The purchase of the license assets by Deerfield in February 2013 was accounted for as a transaction between parties under common control.

Under the acquisition method of accounting, the results of the acquired operations are included in the financial statements of the Company beginning December 1, 2012. The initial purchase price has been allocated to the acquired assets and assumed liabilities based on estimated fair values. The initial purchase price allocated includes \$460.5 million paid for certain broadcast assets of the seven stations from Newport and the rights under the LMAs with the two other stations, \$6.0 million paid by Deerfield for the license assets of WPXI and WJTC and \$6.0 million paid by Deerfield for the license assets of WHAM, and \$0.2 million of noncontrolling interests related to the WLYH VIE, less a working capital adjustment of \$1.3 million. The sale of the license assets ofWSTR in Cincinnati, OH and KMYS in San Antonio, TX was considered a transaction between parties under common control and therefore was not included in the purchase price allocation. The purchase price allocation is preliminary pending a final determination of the fair values of the assets and liabilities. The initial allocated fair value of acquired assets and assumed liabilities, including the assets owned by VIEs, is summarized as follows (in thousands):

Prepaid expenses and other current assets	\$	1,390
Program contract costs		10,378
Property and equipment		53,883
Broadcast licenses		15,581
Definite-lived intangible assets		240,013
Other assets		1,097
Accrued liabilities		(3,928)
Program contracts payable		(11,634)
Fair value of identifiable net assets acquired		306,780
Goodwill		164,621
Total	\$	471,401

The preliminary allocation presented above is based upon management's estimate of the fair values using valuation techniques including income, cost and market approaches. In estimating the fair value of the acquired assets and assumed liabilities, the fair value estimates are based on, but not limited to, expected future revenue and cash flows, expected future growth rates, and estimated discount rates. The amount allocated to definite-lived intangible assets represents the estimated fair values of network affiliations of \$176.0 million, the decaying advertiser base of \$23.7 million, and other intangible assets of \$40.3 million. These intangible assets will be amortized over the estimated remaining useful lives of 15 years for network affiliations, 10 years for the decaying advertiser base and a weighted average of 14 years for the other intangible assets. Acquired property and equipment will be depreciated on a straight-line basis over the respective estimated remaining useful lives. Goodwill is calculated as the excess of the consideration transferred over the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired and represents the future economic benefits expected to arise from other intangible assets acquired that do not qualify for separate recognition, including assembled workforce and noncontractual relationships, as well as expected future synergies. We expect that goodwill will be deductible for tax purposes. The preliminary purchase price allocation is based upon all information available to us at the present time and is subject to change, and such changes could be material. Certain measurement period adjustments have been made since the initial allocation in the fourth quarter of 2012, which were not material to our consolidated financial statements.

Net broadcast revenues and operating income of the Newport stations included in our consolidated statements of operations, were \$38.3 million and \$11.5 million for the three months ended June 30, 2013, respectively, and \$73.2 million and \$19.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2013, respectively.

Edgar Filing: SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP INC - Form 10-Q

Pro Forma Information

The following table sets forth unaudited pro forma results of operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2012, assuming that the acquisitions of the Freedom and Newport stations discussed above, along with transactions necessary to finance the acquisitions, occurred at the beginning of the annual period presented (in thousands, except per share data):

	Three Months Ended June 30, 2012		Six Months Ended June 30, 2012	
Total revenues	\$	285,377	\$	560,254
Net Income	\$	29,805	\$	56,451
Net Income attributable to Sinclair Broadcast Group	\$	28,976	\$	56,589
Basic and diluted earnings per share attributable to Sinclair Broadcast Group	\$	0.36	\$	0.70

Table of Contents

The results of operations of the Four Points stations was included in our consolidated statements of operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012. The results of operations, of all of the aforementioned acquired stations, were included in our consolidated statement of operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013.

This pro forma financial information is based on historical results of operations, adjusted for the allocation of the purchase price and other acquisition accounting adjustments, and is not necessarily indicative of what our results would have been had we operated the businesses since the beginning of the annual period presented. The pro forma adjustments reflect depreciation expense, amortization of intangibles and amortization of program contract costs related to the fair value adjustments of the assets acquired, additional interest expense related to the financing of the transactions, exclusion of nonrecurring financing and transaction related costs, alignment of accounting policies and the related tax effects of the adjustments. The pro forma revenues exclude the revenues of WLAI-TV which are classified as discontinued operations in the consolidated statements of operations. Total revenues of WLAI-TV which are excluded from the pro forma results above are \$1.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012.

Other Acquisitions

We acquired five other television stations during the year ended 2012 in three markets. The initial purchase price allocated includes \$45.1 million paid for certain broadcast assets of these stations, less working capital adjustments of \$0.7 million, and \$4.4 million of non-controlling interests related to, and amounts paid by Deerfield for, the license assets of certain of these stations owned by VIEs that we consolidate. Additionally, we acquired six television stations during 2013 in five markets, which four of the five markets were acquired from Cox Media Group. The initial purchase price allocated includes \$98.6 million paid for certain broadcast assets of these stations, less working capital adjustments of \$5.3 million, and \$3.1 million paid by Deerfield for the license assets of certain of these stations owned by VIEs that we consolidate. We allocated the total purchase price of these within the respective years, as follows (in thousands):

	2013		2012	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	\$	268	\$	160
Program contract costs		7,467		1,638
Property and equipment		26,315		16,545
Broadcast licenses		1,536		2,679
Definite-lived intangible assets		34,225		22,546
Accrued liabilities		(1,290)		(1,178)
Program contracts payable		(7,498)		(4,252)
Fair value of identifiable net assets acquired		61,023		38,138
Goodwill		35,367		10,661
Total	\$	96,390	\$	48,799

In December 2012, we acquired the license assets of WTTA-TV in Tampa/St. Petersburg, Florida from Bay Television, Inc. (Bay TV). Prior to December 1, 2012, we performed sales, programming and other management services to the station pursuant to an LMA which was terminated upon closing. As discussed in *Note 6. Related Person Transactions*, our controlling shareholders own a controlling interest in Bay TV. As this was considered a transaction between entities under common control, the acquisition method of accounting was not applied, and the assets acquired were recorded at their historical cost basis and the difference between the purchase price and the historical cost basis of the assets of \$23.6 million, net of taxes of \$15.6 million, was recorded as a reduction in additional paid-in capital. A substantial portion of the purchase price will be deductible for tax purposes in future periods. Net broadcast revenues and operating income of these stations, included in our consolidated statements of operations were \$18.6 million and \$4.9 million for the three months ended June 30, 2013, respectively, and \$27.5 million and \$5.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2013, respectively.

In conjunction with all acquisitions, we incurred transaction costs of approximately \$2.9 million, which are reported in general and administrative expenses in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations, as incurred. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2013, such costs totaled \$0.1 million and \$0.5 million, respectively. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2012, there were \$0.2 and \$0.5 million, respectively. These costs were not included in the pro forma amounts above as they are nonrecurring in nature.

3. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES:

Litigation

We are party to lawsuits and claims from time to time in the ordinary course of business. Actions currently pending are in various preliminary stages and no judgments or decisions have been rendered by hearing boards or courts in connection with such actions. After reviewing developments to date with legal counsel, our management is of the opinion that the outcome of our

Table of Contents

pending and threatened matters will not have a material adverse effect on our consolidated balance sheets, consolidated statements of operations or consolidated statements of cash flows.

Various parties have filed petitions to deny our applications or our LMA partners' applications for the following stations' license renewals: WXLV-TV, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; WMYV-TV, Greensboro, North Carolina; WLFL-TV, Raleigh / Durham, North Carolina; WRDC-TV, Raleigh / Durham, North Carolina; WLOS-TV, Asheville, North Carolina; WMMP-TV, Charleston, South Carolina; WTAT-TV, Charleston, South Carolina; WMYA-TV, Anderson, South Carolina; WICS-TV Springfield, Illinois; WBFF-TV, Baltimore, Maryland; KGAN-TV, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; WTTE-TV, Columbus, Ohio; WRGT-TV, Dayton, Ohio; WVAH, Charleston / Huntington, West Virginia and WCGV-TV in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The FCC is in the process of considering the renewal applications and we believe the petitions have no merit.

Network Affiliations

On May 14, 2012, the Company and the licensees of stations to which we provide services, representing 20 affiliates of Fox Broadcast Company (FOX), extended the network affiliation agreements with FOX from the existing term of December 31, 2012 to December 31, 2017. Concurrently, we entered into an assignable option agreement with Fox Television Stations, Inc. (FTS) giving us or our assignee the right to purchase substantially all the assets of the WUTB station (Baltimore, MD) owned by FTS, which had a program service arrangement with MyNetworkTV, for \$2.7 million. In October 2012, we exercised our option and purchased the assets of WUTB effective June 1, 2013. As part of this transaction, we also granted options to FTS to purchase the assets of television stations we own in up to three out of four designated markets, which options expired unexercised. In the second quarter of 2012, we paid \$25.0 million to FOX pursuant to the agreements and we recorded \$50.0 million in other assets and \$25.0 million of other accrued liabilities within the consolidated balance sheet, representing the additional obligation due to FOX which was paid in the second quarter of 2013. The \$50.0 million asset is being amortized through the current term of the affiliation agreement ending on December 31, 2017. Approximately \$2.2 million and \$4.4 million of amortization expense has been recorded in the consolidated statement of operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013, respectively. Approximately \$1.1 million of amortization expense has been recorded in the consolidated statement of operations during the three months ended June 30, 2012. In addition, we are required to pay to FOX programming payments under the terms of the affiliation agreements. These payments are recorded in station production expenses as incurred.

Pending Acquisitions

In February 2013, we entered into an agreement to purchase the broadcast assets of eighteen television stations owned by Barrington Broadcasting Group, LLC (Barrington) for \$370.0 million, less amounts to be paid by third parties, and entered into agreements to operate or provide sales services to another six stations. The twenty-four stations are located in fifteen markets. Also, the Company will sell its station WSYT-TV (FOX) and assign its LMA with WNYS-TV (MNT) in Syracuse, NY to a third party, and sell its station in Peoria IL, WYZZ-TV (FOX) to Cunningham due to FCC conflict ownership rules. The transaction is expected to close in the fourth quarter of 2013 subject to the approval of the FCC and customary antitrust clearance.

In April 2013, we entered into a definitive merger agreement with Fisher Communications, Inc. (Fisher) to acquire Fisher in a merger transaction valued at approximately \$373.3 million. Fisher owns and/or operates twenty television stations in eight markets, plus two simulcasts, and four radio stations in the Seattle market. In August 2013, the shareholders of Fisher approved the merger agreement and the transaction closed on August 8, 2013.

In June 2013, we entered into a definitive agreement to purchase the stock and broadcast assets of four television stations owned by TTBG LLC (TTBG) located in three markets for \$115.4 million. Also, the Company will assign its right to purchase the license related assets of two of the stations to Deerfield due to FCC conflict ownership rules. The Company will provide sales and other services to these two Deerfield stations. The transaction is expected to close in the third quarter of 2013 or early in the fourth quarter 2013, subject to approval of the FCC, antitrust clearance, and other customary closing conditions.

In July 2013, we entered into a definitive agreement to purchase the stock of Perpetual Corporation and the equity interest of Charleston Television, LLC, both owned and controlled by the Allbritton family (Allbritton), for an aggregate purchase price of \$985.0 million. The Allbritton stations consist of seven ABC Network affiliates and NewsChannel 8, a 24-hour cable/satellite news network covering the Washington D.C. metropolitan area. The transaction is expected to close in the fourth quarter 2013, subject to approval of the FCC, antitrust clearance, and other customary closing conditions. The Company expects to fund the purchase price at closing through a bank loan and/or by accessing the capital markets. Additionally, to comply with FCC local television ownership rules, we expect to sell the license and certain related assets of existing stations in Birmingham, AL - WABM (MNT) and WTOG (CW), Harrisburg/Lancaster/Lebanon/York, PA - WHP (CBS), and Charleston, SC - WMMP (MNT) and to provide sales and other non-programming support services to each of these stations pursuant to customary shared services and joint sales agreements.

Table of Contents

4. NOTES PAYABLE AND COMMERCIAL BANK FINANCING

6.125% Senior Unsecured Notes, due 2022

Concurrent with entering into an indenture for the 6.125% Notes in October 2012, we also entered into a registration rights agreement requiring us to complete an offer of an exchange of the 6.125% Notes for registered securities with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) by July 8, 2013. We filed a registration statement on Form S-4 with the SEC on April 4, 2013 which became effective on April 16, 2013. An exchange offer was launched on May 23, 2013 to exchange the unregistered 6.125% Notes with the holders for 6.125% Notes registered under the Securities Act of 1933. The exchange offer was completed on June 28, 2013 with 100.0% of the \$500.0 million 6.125% Senior Unsecured Notes due 2022 tendered in the exchange offer.

5.375% Senior Unsecured Notes, due 2021

On April 2, 2013, we issued \$600.0 million of senior unsecured notes, which bear interest at a rate of 5.375% per annum and mature on April 1, 2021 (the 5.375% Notes), pursuant to an indenture dated April 2, 2013 (the 2013 Indenture). The 5.375% Notes were priced at 100% of their par value and interest is payable semi-annually on April 1 and October 1, commencing on October 1, 2013. Prior to April 1, 2016, we may redeem the 5.375% Notes, in whole or in part, at any time or from time to time at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the 5.375% Notes plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date, plus a make-whole premium as set forth in the 2013 Indenture. Beginning on April 1, 2016, we may redeem some or all of the 5.375% Notes at any time or from time to time at a redemption price set forth in the 2013 Indenture. In addition, on or prior to April 1, 2016, we may redeem up to 35% of the 5.375% Notes using proceeds of certain equity offerings. Upon the sale of certain of our assets or certain changes of control, the holders of the 5.375% Notes may require us to repurchase some or all of the notes. The net proceeds from the offering of the 5.375% Notes were used to pay down outstanding indebtedness under our bank credit facility. Concurrent with entering into an indenture for the 5.375% Notes in April 2013, we also entered into a registration rights agreement requiring us to complete an offer of an exchange of the 5.375% Notes for registered securities with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) by December 28, 2013. We filed a registration statement on Form S-4 with the SEC on April 4, 2013, which became effective on April 16, 2013. An exchange offer was launched on May 23, 2013 to exchange the unregistered 5.375% Notes with the holders for 5.375% Notes registered under the Securities Act of 1933. The exchange offer was completed on June 28, 2013 with 100% of the \$600.0 million 5.375% Senior Unsecured Notes due 2021 tendered in the exchange offer.

Bank Credit Agreement

On April 9, 2013, we entered into an amendment and restatement (the Amendment) of our credit agreement (as amended, the Bank Credit Agreement). Pursuant to the Amendment, we refinanced the existing facility and replaced the existing term loans under the facility with a new \$500.0 million term loan A facility (Term Loan A), maturing April 2018 and priced at LIBOR plus 2.25%; and a \$400.0 million term loan B facility (Term Loan B), maturing April 2020 and priced at LIBOR plus 2.25% with a LIBOR floor of 0.75%. In addition, we replaced our existing revolving line of credit with a new \$100.0 million revolving line of credit maturing April 2018 and priced at LIBOR plus 2.25%. The proceeds from the term loans, along with cash on hand and/or a draw under the revolving line of credit, will be used to fund future acquisitions. Due to timing related to the closing and funding requirements of the pending acquisitions, approximately \$445.0 million of the new Term Loan A will be drawn on a delayed basis. We also amended certain terms of the Bank Credit Agreement, including increased uncommitted incremental loan capacity, increased television station acquisition capacity and increased flexibility under the restrictive covenants.

We recognized a loss on extinguishment of the old facility, primarily related to the repayment of the previous term loan B with proceeds from the 5.375% Notes, of \$16.3 million, consisting of deferred financing costs and debt discount. Of the financing costs paid in the second quarter of 2013 related to the amendment, \$7.3 million was capitalized as deferred financing costs and \$4.8 million was charged to interest expense.

5. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The following table reconciles income (numerator) and shares (denominator) used in our computations of diluted earnings per share for the periods presented (in thousands):

Table of Contents

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Income (Numerator)				
Income from continuing operations	\$ 12,956	\$ 30,134	\$ 29,471	\$ 59,259
Income impact of assumed conversion of the 4.875% Notes, net of taxes	45	45	90	90
Income impact of assumed conversion of the 3.0% Notes, net of taxes	26		53	
Net (income) loss attributable to noncontrolling interests included in continuing operations	(233)	(72)	(106)	213
Numerator for diluted earnings per common share from continuing operations available to common shareholders	12,794	30,107	29,508	59,562
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	5,103	(2)	5,458	(53)
Numerator for diluted earnings available to common shareholders	\$ 17,897	\$ 30,105	\$ 34,966	\$ 59,509
Shares (Denominator)				
Weighted-average common shares outstanding	92,083	81,036	86,667	80,944
Dilutive effect of stock settled appreciation rights, restricted stock awards and outstanding stock options	871	4	547	13
Dilutive effect of 4.875% Notes	339	254	339	254
Dilutive effect of 3.0% Notes	311		311	
Weighted-average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	93,604	81,294	87,864	81,211

Potentially dilutive securities representing zero and 1.5 million shares of common stock for the three months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively, and zero and 1.5 million shares of common stock for the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively, were excluded from the computation of diluted earnings per common share for these periods because their effect would have been antidilutive. The decrease in potentially dilutive securities is primarily related to the increase in share price during the quarter ending June 30, 2013.

6. RELATED PERSON TRANSACTIONS

Transactions with our controlling shareholders. David, Frederick, J. Duncan and Robert Smith (collectively, the controlling shareholders) are brothers and hold substantially all of the Class B Common Stock and some of our Class A Common Stock. We engaged in the following transactions with them and/or entities in which they have substantial interests.

Leases. Certain assets used by us and our operating subsidiaries are leased from Cunningham Communications Inc., Keyser Investment Group, Gerstell Development Limited Partnership and Beaver Dam, LLC (entities owned by the controlling shareholders). Lease payments made to these entities were \$1.4 million and \$1.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 and \$2.5 million and \$2.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Edgar Filing: SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP INC - Form 10-Q

Bay TV. In January 1999, we entered into a LMA with Bay TV, which owns the television station WTTA-TV in Tampa / St. Petersburg, Florida market. Each of our controlling shareholders owned a substantial portion of the equity of Bay TV and collectively had controlling interests. Payments made to Bay TV were \$0.4 million for the three months ended June 30, 2012, and \$2.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012.

On December 1, 2012, we purchased substantially all of the assets of Bay TV for \$40.0 million. Our board of directors obtained a fairness opinion on the purchase price from a third party valuation firm. Concurrent with the acquisition, our LMA with Bay TV was terminated.

Charter Aircraft. From time to time, we charter aircraft owned by certain controlling shareholders. We incurred \$0.2 million and \$0.3 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013, respectively. We incurred \$0.2 million and \$0.3 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2012, respectively.

Cunningham Broadcasting Corporation. As of June 30, 2013, Cunningham was the owner-operator and FCC licensee of: WNUV-TV Baltimore, Maryland; WRGT-TV Dayton, Ohio; WVAH-TV Charleston, West Virginia; WTAT-TV Charleston, South Carolina; WMYA-TV Anderson, South Carolina; WTTE-TV Columbus, Ohio; and WDBB-TV Birmingham, Alabama (collectively, the Cunningham Stations).

Table of Contents

During the first quarter of 2013, the estate of Carolyn C. Smith, a parent of our controlling shareholders, distributed all of the non-voting stock owned by the estate to our controlling shareholders, and a portion was repurchased by Cunningham for \$1.7 million in the aggregate. As of June 30, 2013, our controlling shareholders own approximately 4.4% of the total capital stock of Cunningham, none of which have voting rights. The remaining amount of non-voting stock is owned by trusts established for the benefit of the children of our controlling shareholders. The estate of Mrs. Smith currently owns all of the voting stock. The sale of the voting stock by the estate to an unrelated party is pending approval of the FCC. We have options from the trusts, which grant us the right to acquire, subject to applicable FCC rules and regulations, 100% of the voting and nonvoting stock of Cunningham. We also have options from each of Cunningham's subsidiaries, which are the FCC licensees of the Cunningham stations, which grant us the right to acquire, and grant Cunningham the right to require us to acquire, subject to applicable FCC rules and regulations, 100% of the capital stock or the assets of Cunningham's individual subsidiaries.

In addition to the option agreements, we have LMAs with the Cunningham stations to provide programming, sales and managerial services to the stations. Each of the LMAs has a current term that expires on July 1, 2016 and there are three additional 5-year renewal terms remaining with final expiration on July 1, 2031.

Effective November 5, 2009, we entered into amendments and/or restatements of the following agreements between Cunningham and us: (i) the LMAs, (ii) option agreements to acquire Cunningham stock and (iii) certain acquisition or merger agreements relating to the Cunningham Stations.

Pursuant to the terms of the LMAs, options and other agreements, beginning on January 1, 2010 and ending on July 1, 2012, we were obligated to pay Cunningham the sum of approximately \$29.1 million in 10 quarterly installments of \$2.75 million and one quarterly payment of approximately \$1.6 million, which amounts were used to pay down Cunningham's bank credit facility and which amounts were credited toward the purchase price for each Cunningham station. An additional \$1.2 million was paid on July 1, 2012 and another installment of \$2.75 million was paid on October 1, 2012 as an additional LMA fee and was used to pay off the remaining balance of Cunningham's bank credit facility. The aggregate purchase price of the television stations, which was originally \$78.5 million pursuant to certain acquisition or merger agreements subject to 6% annual increases, was decreased by each payment made by us to Cunningham, through 2012, up to \$29.1 million in the aggregate, pursuant to the foregoing transactions with Cunningham as such payments are made. Beginning on January 1, 2013, we are obligated to pay Cunningham an annual LMA fee for the television stations equal to the greater of (i) 3% of each station's annual net broadcast revenue and (ii) \$5.0 million, of which a portion of this fee will be credited toward the purchase price to the extent of the annual 6% increase. The remaining purchase price as of June 30, 2013 was approximately \$57.1 million.

Additionally, we reimbursed Cunningham for 100% of its operating costs, and paid Cunningham a monthly payment of \$50,000 through December 2012 as an LMA fee.

We made payments to Cunningham under these LMAs and other agreements of \$2.6 million and \$4.0 million for the three months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 respectively, and \$4.5 million and \$7.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. For the three months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, Cunningham's stations provided us with approximately \$26.5 million and \$24.8 million, respectively, and approximately \$51.2 million and \$48.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively, of total revenue. The financial statements for Cunningham are included in our consolidated financial statements for all periods presented. Our Bank Credit Agreement contains certain cross-default provisions with certain material third-party licenses. As of June 30, 2013, Cunningham was the sole material third-party licensee.

Atlantic Automotive. We sold advertising time to and purchased vehicles and related vehicle services from Atlantic Automotive Corporation (Atlantic Automotive), a holding company that owns automobile dealerships and an automobile leasing company. David D. Smith, our President and Chief Executive Officer, has a controlling interest in, and is a member of the Board of Directors of Atlantic Automotive. We received payments for advertising time totaling less than \$0.1 million for each of the three months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, and \$0.1 million for each of the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012.. We paid \$0.4 million and \$0.8 million for vehicles and related vehicle services from Atlantic Automotive for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013, respectively, and paid \$0.4 million and \$0.6 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2012. Additionally, in August 2011, Atlantic Automotive entered into an office lease agreement with Towson City Center, LLC (Towson City Center), a subsidiary of one of our real estate ventures, and began occupying the space in June 2012. Atlantic Automotive paid \$0.2 million and \$0.4 million in rent during the three and six months ended June 30, 2013, respectively. Atlantic Automotive made no rent payments during the six months ended June 30, 2012.

Leased property by real estate ventures. Certain of our real estate ventures have entered into leases with entities owned by David Smith to lease restaurant space. There are leases for three restaurants in a building owned by one of our consolidated real estate ventures in Baltimore, MD. Total rent received under these leases was less than \$0.1 million for each of the three months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012. Total rent received under these leases was less than \$0.1 million for each of the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012. There is also one lease for a restaurant in a building owned by one of our real estate ventures, accounted for under the equity method, in Towson, MD. Annual rent under this lease will be approximately \$0.2 million once the restaurant is opened in 2013.

Table of Contents

Thomas & Libowitz P.A. Basil A. Thomas, a member of our Board of Directors, is the father of Steven A. Thomas, a partner and founder of Thomas & Libowitz, P.A. (Thomas & Libowitz), a law firm providing legal services to us on an ongoing basis. We paid fees of \$0.5 million and \$0.2 million to Thomas & Libowitz for each of the three months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012. For the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, we paid fees of \$1.0 million and \$0.5 million, respectively, to Thomas & Libowitz.

7. SEGMENT DATA

We measure segment performance based on operating income (loss). Excluding discontinued operations our broadcast segment includes stations in 49 markets located predominately in the eastern, mid-western and southern United States. The operating results of WLAI-TV and WLWC-TV, which were sold effective January 1, 2013 and April 1, 2013, respectively, are classified as discontinued operations and are not included in our consolidated results of continuing operations for the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012. Our other operating divisions consist of sign design and fabrication; regional security alarm operating and bulk acquisitions and real estate ventures. All of our other operating divisions are located within the United States. Corporate costs primarily include our costs to operate as a public company and to operate our corporate headquarters location. Our Other Operating Divisions and Corporate are not reportable segments but are included for reconciliation purposes. We had approximately \$171.5 million and \$171.0 million of intercompany loans between the broadcast segment, operating divisions and corporate as of June 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. We had \$5.0 million in intercompany interest expense related to intercompany loans between the broadcast segment, other operating divisions and corporate for the both three months ended June 30, 2013, and 2012, respectively. For the six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, we had \$10.0 million and \$9.9 million, respectively, in intercompany interest expense. Intercompany loans and interest expense are excluded from the tables below. All other intercompany transactions are immaterial.

Financial information for our operating segments are included in the following tables for the periods presented (in thousands):

For the three months ended June 30, 2013	Broadcast	Other Operating Divisions	Corporate	Consolidated
Revenue	\$ 301,316	\$ 12,838	\$	\$ 314,154
Depreciation of property and equipment	14,377	379	349	15,105
Amortization of definite-lived intangible assets and other assets	14,369	1,188		15,557
Amortization of program contract costs and net realizable value adjustments	18,656			18,656
General and administrative overhead expenses	10,230	263	954	11,447
Operating income (loss)	85,312	271	(1,303)	84,280
Interest expense		(808)	(44,657)	(45,465)
Income from equity and cost method investments		(404)		(404)
Assets	2,659,847	96,928	586,618	3,343,393

For the three months ended June 30, 2012	Broadcast	Other Operating Divisions	Corporate	Consolidated
Revenue	\$ 238,925	\$ 12,149	\$	\$ 251,074
Depreciation of property and equipment	11,424	327	383	12,134
Amortization of definite-lived intangible assets and other assets	8,978	1,016		9,994
Amortization of program contract costs and net realizable value adjustments	15,169			15,169

Edgar Filing: SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP INC - Form 10-Q

General and administrative overhead expenses	6,704	304	505	7,513
Operating income (loss)	72,827	(37)	(901)	71,889
Interest expense		(701)	(28,619)	(29,320)
Income from equity and cost method investments		5,148		5,148

Table of Contents

For the six months ended June 30, 2013	Broadcast	Other Operating Divisions	Corporate	Consolidated
Revenue	\$ 572,472	\$ 24,300	\$	\$ 596,772
Depreciation of property and equipment	28,161	848	691	29,700
Amortization of definite-lived intangible assets and other assets	29,238	2,321		31,559
Amortization of program contract costs and net realizable value adjustments	37,517			37,517
General and administrative overhead expenses	20,359	560	1,778	22,697
Operating income (loss)	150,442	(37)	(2,469)	147,936
Interest expense		(1,539)	(81,623)	(83,162)
Income from equity and cost method investments		(1,456)		(1,456)
Assets	2,659,847	96,928	586,618	3,343,393

For the six months ended June 30, 2012	Broadcast	Other Operating Divisions	Corporate	Consolidated
Revenue	\$ 447,351	\$ 26,097	\$	\$ 473,448
Depreciation of property and equipment	19,904	735	766	21,405
Amortization of definite-lived intangible assets and other assets	13,465	2,348		15,813
Amortization of program contract costs and net realizable value adjustments	29,269			29,269
General and administrative overhead expenses	14,608	915	1,357	16,880
Operating income (loss)	134,630	(710)	(2,137)	131,783
Interest expense		(1,555)	(55,152)	(56,707)
Income from equity and cost method investments		6,424		6,424

Table of Contents**8. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS:**

Accounting guidance provides for valuation techniques, such as the market approach (comparable market prices), the income approach (present value of future income or cash flow), and the cost approach (cost to replace the service capacity of an asset or replacement cost). A fair value hierarchy using three broad levels prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The following is a brief description of those three levels:

- *Level 1:* Observable inputs such as quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- *Level 2:* Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. These include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets and quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active.
- *Level 3:* Unobservable inputs that reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions.

The carrying value and fair value of our notes and debentures for the periods presented (in thousands):

	As of June 30, 2013		As of December 31, 2012	
	Carrying Value	Fair Value	Carrying Value	Fair Value
Level 2:				
9.25% Senior Second Lien Notes due 2017	\$ 491,297	\$ 531,565	\$ 490,517	\$ 552,500
8.375% Senior Notes due 2018	235,034	257,720	234,853	265,886
6.125% Senior Unsecured Notes due 2022	500,000	502,815	500,000	533,125
5.375% Senior Unsecured Notes due 2021	600,000	576,000		
Term Loan A	55,000	54,897	263,875	262,556
Term Loan B	399,000	397,504	580,850	589,125
Deerfield Bank Credit Facility	25,368	25,594	19,950	19,950

Not included in the table above are the fair values and carrying values for our 4.875% Notes and 3.0% Notes, which we believe their fair values approximate their carrying values based on discounted cash flows using Level 3 inputs described above.

Additionally, Cunningham, one of our consolidated VIEs has investments in marketable securities which are recorded at fair value using Level 1 inputs described above. As of June 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012, \$8.7 million and \$6.4 million, respectively, were included in other assets in our consolidated balance sheets.

9. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

Edgar Filing: SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP INC - Form 10-Q

Sinclair Television Group, Inc. (STG), a wholly-owned subsidiary and the television operating subsidiary of Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc. (SBG), is the primary obligor under the Bank Credit Agreement, the 5.375% Notes, the 6.125% Notes, the 8.375% Notes and the 9.25% Notes. Our Class A Common Stock, Class B Common Stock, the 4.875% Notes and the 3.0% Notes, as of June 30, 2013, were obligations or securities of SBG and not obligations or securities of STG. SBG is a guarantor under the Bank Credit Agreement, the 5.375% Notes, the 6.125% Notes, the 9.25% Notes and the 8.375% Notes. As of June 30, 2013, our consolidated total debt of \$2,449.2 million included \$2,359.0 million of debt related to STG and its subsidiaries of which SBG guaranteed \$2,305.7 million.

SBG, KDSM, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of SBG, and STG's wholly-owned subsidiaries (guarantor subsidiaries), have fully and unconditionally guaranteed, subject to certain customary automatic release provisions, all of STG's obligations. Those guarantees are joint and several. There are certain contractual restrictions on the ability of SBG, STG or KDSM, LLC to obtain funds from their subsidiaries in the form of dividends or loans.

The following condensed consolidating financial statements present the consolidating balance sheets, consolidating statements of operations and comprehensive income and consolidating statements of cash flows of SBG, STG, KDSM, LLC and the guarantor subsidiaries, the direct and indirect non-guarantor subsidiaries of SBG and the eliminations necessary to arrive at our information on a consolidated basis. These statements are presented in accordance with the disclosure requirements under SEC Regulation S-X, Rule 3-10.

Table of Contents**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEET****AS OF JUNE 30, 2013**

(in thousands) (unaudited)

	Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc.	Sinclair Television Group, Inc.	Guarantor Subsidiaries and KDSM, LLC	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Sinclair Consolidated						
Cash	\$	\$	517,227	\$	6,390	\$	27,195	\$	550,812			
Accounts and other receivables		63	432		204,706		6,700		(1,070)	210,831		
Other current assets		(197)	7,395		31,099		8,941		(1,960)	45,278		
Total current assets		(134)	525,054		242,195		42,836		(3,030)	806,921		
Property and equipment, net		5,632	9,964		335,456		114,496		(10,734)	454,814		
Investment in consolidated subsidiaries		340,967	1,703,612		4,179				(2,048,758)			
Restricted cash long-term			33,636		223					33,859		
Other long-term assets		81,472	410,344		58,363		122,514		(473,057)	199,636		
Total other long-term assets		422,439	2,147,592		62,765		122,514		(2,521,815)	233,495		
Goodwill and other intangible assets					1,768,272		166,240		(86,349)	1,848,163		
Total assets	\$	427,937	\$	2,682,610	\$	2,408,688	\$	446,086	\$	(2,621,928)	\$	3,343,393
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	490	\$	41,187	\$	84,735	\$	12,427	\$	(226)	\$	138,613
Current portion of long-term debt		518		4,621		903		13,052				19,094
Current portion of affiliate long-term debt		1,214				964		605		(605)		2,178
Other current liabilities		2,638				57,064		8,377		(1,676)		66,403
Total current liabilities		4,860		45,808		143,666		34,461		(2,507)		226,288
Long-term debt		12,324		2,276,353		36,226		82,777				2,407,680
Affiliate long-term debt		5,633				14,587		277,835		(277,835)		20,220
Other liabilities		26,401		6,476		511,743		115,137		(356,560)		303,197
Total liabilities		49,218		2,328,637		706,222		510,210		(636,902)		2,957,385
Common stock		997				10				(10)		997
Additional paid-in capital		1,088,639		261,323		1,005,263		54,119		(1,320,705)		1,088,639
Accumulated (deficit) earnings		(705,846)		96,103		700,232		(127,425)		(668,910)		(705,846)
Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income		(5,071)		(3,453)		(3,039)		1,893		4,599		(5,071)
Total Sinclair Broadcast Group equity (deficit)		378,719		353,973		1,702,466		(71,413)		(1,985,026)		378,719
Noncontrolling interests in consolidated subsidiaries								7,289				7,289
Total liabilities and equity (deficit)	\$	427,937	\$	2,682,610	\$	2,408,688	\$	446,086	\$	(2,621,928)	\$	3,343,393

Table of Contents**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEET****AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2012**

(in thousands)

	Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc.	Sinclair Television Group, Inc.	Guarantor Subsidiaries and KDSM, LLC	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Sinclair Consolidated						
Cash	\$	\$	7,230	\$	15,436	\$	22,865					
Accounts and other receivables		152	907	175,837	7,622	(622)	183,896					
Other current assets		2,821	2,342	56,522	9,028	(3,383)	67,330					
Assets held for sale				30,357			30,357					
Total current assets		2,973	10,479	262,915	32,086	(4,005)	304,448					
Property and equipment, net		6,315	8,938	321,873	113,454	(10,867)	439,713					
Investment in consolidated subsidiaries			1,636,504	1,956		(1,638,460)						
Restricted cash long term			2	223			225					
Other long-term assets		84,055	375,687	60,114	112,757	(429,862)	202,751					
Total other long-term assets		84,055	2,012,193	62,293	112,757	(2,068,322)	202,976					
Goodwill and other intangible assets				1,706,646	153,961	(78,047)	1,782,560					
Total assets	\$	93,343	\$	2,031,610	\$	2,353,727	\$	412,258	\$	(2,161,241)	\$	2,729,697
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	326	\$	61,165	\$	83,049	\$	9,379	\$	(102)	\$	153,817
Current portion of long-term debt		483	31,113	800	15,226			47,622				
Current portion of affiliate long-term debt		1,102		602	433	(433)		1,704				
Other current liabilities				96,288	8,871	(3,099)		102,060				
Liabilities held for sale				2,397				2,397				
Total current liabilities		1,911	92,278	183,136	33,909	(3,634)		307,600				
Long-term debt		12,502	2,088,586	36,705	73,073			2,210,866				
Affiliate long-term debt		6,303		6,884	267,521	(267,521)		13,187				
Dividends in excess of investment in consolidated subsidiaries		178,869				(178,869)						
Other liabilities		10,708	2,509	491,845	103,007	(309,972)		298,097				
Total liabilities		210,293	2,183,373	718,570	477,510	(759,996)		2,829,750				
Common stock		812		10		(10)		812				
Additional paid-in capital		600,928	(175,973)	1,084,302	64,096	(972,425)		600,928				
Accumulated (deficit) earnings		(713,697)	27,597	553,777	(147,299)	(434,075)		(713,697)				
Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) gain		(4,993)	(3,387)	(2,932)	1,054	5,265		(4,993)				
		(116,950)	(151,763)	1,635,157	(82,149)	(1,401,245)		(116,950)				

Edgar Filing: SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP INC - Form 10-Q

Total Sinclair Broadcast Group shareholders' (deficit) equity										
Noncontrolling interests in consolidated subsidiaries										
						16,897		16,897		
Total liabilities and equity (deficit)										
	\$	93,343	\$	2,031,610	\$	2,353,727	\$	412,258	\$ (2,161,241)	\$ 2,729,697

Table of Contents**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME****FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2013**

(in thousands) (unaudited)

	Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc.	Sinclair Television Group, Inc.	Guarantor Subsidiaries and KDSM, LLC	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Sinclair Consolidated
Net revenue	\$	\$	\$ 297,175	\$ 33,515	\$ (16,536)	\$ 314,154
Program and production		63	87,474	9,031	(10,874)	85,694
Selling, general and administrative	954	10,211	52,151	6,552	(5,124)	64,744
Depreciation, amortization and other operating expenses	348	630	56,004	16,566	5,888	79,436
Total operating expenses	1,302	10,904	195,629	32,149	(10,110)	229,874
Operating (loss) income	(1,302)	(10,904)	101,546	1,366	(6,426)	84,280
Equity in earnings of consolidated subsidiaries	18,227	62,525	(30)		(80,722)	
Interest expense	(389)	(42,758)	(1,224)	(6,302)	5,208	(45,465)
Other income (expense)	1,077	(11,069)	(5,436)	5,163	(5,940)	(16,205)
Total other income (expense)	18,915	8,698	(6,690)	(1,139)	(81,454)	(61,670)
Income tax benefit (provision)	213	22,992	(32,297)	(562)		(9,654)
Income from discontinued operations		5,013	90			5,103
Net income (loss)	17,826	25,799	62,649	(335)	(87,880)	18,059
Net income attributable to the noncontrolling interests				(233)		(233)
Net income (loss) attributable to Sinclair Broadcast Group	\$ 17,826	\$ 25,799	\$ 62,649	\$ (568)	\$ (87,880)	\$ 17,826
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$ 18,020	\$ 25,759	\$ 62,649	\$ (568)	\$ (87,840)	\$ 18,020

Table of Contents**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME****FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2012**

(in thousands) (unaudited)

	Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc.	Sinclair Television Group, Inc.	Guarantor Subsidiaries and KDSM, LLC	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Sinclair Consolidated
Net revenue	\$	\$	\$ 239,243	\$ 14,141	\$ (2,310)	\$ 251,074
Program and production		5	64,907	83	(2,399)	62,596
Selling, general and administrative	518	11,932	35,854	896	(106)	49,094
Depreciation, amortization and other operating expenses	383	313	54,320	12,617	(138)	67,495
Total operating expenses	901	12,250	155,081	13,596	(2,643)	179,185
Operating (loss) income	(901)	(12,250)	84,162	545	333	71,889
Equity in earnings of consolidated subsidiaries	30,365	54,217			(84,582)	
Interest expense	(318)	(26,953)	(1,185)	(6,055)	5,191	(29,320)
Other income (expense)	723	293	22	4,953	(128)	5,863
Total other income (expense)	30,770	27,557	(1,163)	(1,102)	(79,519)	(23,457)
Income tax benefit (provision)	191	10,417	(27,770)	(1,136)		(18,298)
(Loss) income from discontinued operations		(67)	65			(2)
Net income (loss)	30,060	25,657	55,294	(1,693)	(79,186)	30,132
Net income attributable to the noncontrolling interests				(72)		(72)
Net income (loss) attributable to Sinclair Broadcast Group	\$ 30,060	\$ 25,657	\$ 55,294	\$ (1,765)	\$ (79,186)	\$ 30,060
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$ 30,217	\$ 25,743	\$ 55,294	\$ (1,765)	\$ (79,272)	\$ 30,217

Table of Contents**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME****FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2013**

(in thousands) (unaudited)

	Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc.	Sinclair Television Group, Inc.	Guarantor Subsidiaries and KDSM, LLC	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Sinclair Consolidated
Net revenue	\$	\$	\$ 567,722	\$ 57,432	\$ (28,382)	\$ 596,772
Program and production		95	170,174	14,619	(18,761)	166,127
Selling, general and administrative	1,778	20,128	103,354	12,241	(9,569)	127,932
Depreciation, amortization and other operating expenses	690	929	118,107	31,547	3,504	154,777
Total operating expenses	2,468	21,152	391,635	58,407	(24,826)	448,836
Operating (loss) income	(2,468)	(21,152)	176,087	(975)	(3,556)	147,936
Equity in earnings of consolidated subsidiaries	36,076	109,242	(60)		(145,258)	
Interest expense	(700)	(77,992)	(2,338)	(12,489)	10,357	(83,162)
Other income (expense)	2,033	(3,631)	(12,724)	3,906	(6,384)	(16,800)
Total other income (expense)	37,409	27,619	(15,122)	(8,583)	(141,285)	(99,962)
Income tax (provision) benefit	(118)	30,978	(51,031)	1,668		(18,503)
Income from discontinued operations		4,955	503			5,458
Net income (loss)	34,823	42,400	110,437	(7,890)	(144,841)	34,929
Net income attributable to the noncontrolling interests				(106)		(106)
Net income (loss) attributable to Sinclair Broadcast Group	\$ 34,823	\$ 42,400	\$ 110,437	\$ (7,996)	\$ (144,841)	\$ 34,823
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$ 34,851	\$ 42,322	\$ 110,437	\$ (7,996)	\$ (144,763)	\$ 34,851

Table of Contents**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME****FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2012**

(in thousands) (unaudited)

	Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc.	Sinclair Television Group, Inc.	Guarantor Subsidiaries and KDSM, LLC	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Sinclair Consolidated
Net revenue	\$	\$	\$ 447,989	\$ 29,815	\$ (4,356)	\$ 473,448
Program and production		13	126,392	159	(4,171)	122,393
Selling, general and administrative	1,371	25,563	65,355	2,091	(207)	94,173
Depreciation, amortization and other operating expenses	766	664	96,817	27,128	(276)	125,099
Total operating expenses	2,137	26,240	288,564	29,378	(4,654)	341,665
Operating (loss) income	(2,137)	(26,240)	159,425	437	298	131,783
Equity in earnings of consolidated subsidiaries	60,556	106,078			(166,634)	
Interest expense	(658)	(51,717)	(2,404)	(12,299)	10,371	(56,707)
Other income (expense)	1,323	10	45	6,154	(257)	7,275
Total other income (expense)	61,221	54,371	(2,359)	(6,145)	(156,520)	(49,432)
Income tax benefit (provision)	335	18,542	(49,005)	7,036		(23,092)
(Loss) income from discontinued operations		(134)	81			(53)
Net income (loss)	59,419	46,539	108,142	1,328	(156,222)	59,206
Net loss attributable to the noncontrolling interests				213		213
Net income (loss) attributable to Sinclair Broadcast Group	\$ 59,419	\$ 46,539	\$ 108,142	\$ 1,541	\$ (156,222)	\$ 59,419
Comprehensive income	\$ 59,395	\$ 46,728	\$ 108,142	\$ 1,541	\$ (156,411)	\$ 59,395

Table of Contents**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS****FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2013**

(in thousands) (unaudited)

	Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc.	Sinclair Television Group, Inc.	Guarantor Subsidiaries and KDSM, LLC	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Sinclair Consolidated
NET CASH FLOWS (USED IN) FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ (30,295)	\$ (107,075)	\$ 187,733	\$ 7,027	\$ (4,020)	\$ 53,370
CASH FLOWS (USED IN) FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:						
Acquisition of property and equipment		(1,112)	(14,484)	(1,570)		(17,166)
Payments for acquisitions of television stations			(96,160)			(96,160)
Payments for acquisitions in other operating divisions				(4,650)		(4,650)
Purchase of alarm monitoring contracts				(6,284)		(6,284)
Proceeds from sale of broadcast assets			27,992			27,992
Decrease in restricted cash		(33,634)				(33,634)
Other, net	711		173	12,245	(9,863)	3,266
Net cash flows (used in) from investing activities	711	(34,746)	(82,479)	(259)	(9,863)	(126,636)
CASH FLOWS FROM (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES:						
Proceeds from notes payable, commercial bank financing and capital leases		1,148,500		13,844		1,162,344
Repayments of notes payable, commercial bank financing and capital leases	(234)	(984,755)	(372)	(6,363)		(991,724)
Proceeds from the sale of common stock	472,400					472,400
Dividends paid on Class A and Class B Common Stock	(27,210)		(2)		240	(26,972)
Increase (decrease) in intercompany payables	(416,440)	504,822	(98,340)	(3,685)	13,643	
Other, net	1,068	(16,749)	(349)	1,195		(14,835)
Net cash flows (used in) from financing activities	29,584	651,818	(99,063)	4,991	13,883	601,213
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		509,997	6,191	11,759		527,947
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, beginning of		7,230	199	15,436		22,865

Edgar Filing: SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP INC - Form 10-Q

period

CASH AND CASH

EQUIVALENTS, end of period	\$		\$	517,227	\$	6,390	\$	27,195	\$		\$	550,812
----------------------------	----	--	----	---------	----	-------	----	--------	----	--	----	---------

Table of Contents**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS****FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2012**

(in thousands) (unaudited)

	Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc.	Sinclair Television Group, Inc.	Guarantor Subsidiaries and KDSM, LLC	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Sinclair Consolidated
NET CASH FLOWS (USED IN)						
FROM OPERATING						
ACTIVITIES	\$ 1,450	\$ (50,204)	\$ 119,977	\$ 9,421	\$ (369)	\$ 80,275
CASH FLOWS (USED IN)						
FROM INVESTING						
ACTIVITIES:						
Acquisition of property and equipment		(2,373)	(14,463)	(1,637)		(18,473)
Payments for acquisitions of television stations			(590,887)			(590,887)
Purchase of alarm monitoring contracts				(5,627)		(5,627)
Decrease in restricted cash		58,500				58,500
Other, net	812	(166)	38	(593)		91
Net cash flows (used in) from investing activities	812	55,961	(605,312)	(7,857)		(556,396)
CASH FLOWS FROM (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES:						
Proceeds from notes payable, commercial bank financing and capital leases		537,275		17,859		555,134
Repayments of notes payable, commercial bank financing and capital leases	(202)	(20,164)	(270)	(12,708)		(33,344)
Dividends paid on Class A and Class B Common Stock	(19,461)				257	(19,204)
Payments for deferred financing costs		(6,702)				(6,702)
Increase (decrease) in intercompany payables	17,610	(512,249)	486,505	8,022	112	
Other, net	(209)		(981)	(462)		(1,652)
Net cash flows (used in) from financing activities	(2,262)	(1,840)	485,254	12,711	369	494,232
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		3,917	(81)	14,275		18,111
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, beginning of period		188	313	12,466		12,967
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, end of period	\$	\$ 4,105	\$ 232	\$ 26,741	\$	\$ 31,078

Table of Contents

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

This report includes or incorporates forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act) and the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. We have based these forward-looking statements on our current expectations and projections about future events. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions about us, including, among other things, the following risks:

General risks

- the impact of changes in national and regional economies and credit and capital markets;
- consumer confidence;
- the potential impact of changes in tax law;
- the activities of our competitors;
- terrorist acts of violence or war and other geopolitical events;
- natural disasters that impact our advertisers and our stations;

Industry risks

- the business conditions of our advertisers particularly in the automotive and service industries;
- competition with other broadcast television stations, radio stations, multi-channel video programming distributors (MVPDs), internet and broadband content providers and other print and media outlets serving in the same markets;
- availability and cost of programming and the continued volatility of networks and syndicators that provide us with programming content;
- the effects of the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC's) National Broadband Plan and the auctioning and potential reallocation of our broadcasting spectrum;
- the effects of governmental regulation of broadcasting or changes in those regulations and court actions interpreting those regulations, including ownership regulations, indecency regulations, retransmission fee regulations and political or other advertising restrictions;
- labor disputes and legislation and other union activity associated with film, acting, writing and other guilds and professional sports leagues;

Edgar Filing: SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP INC - Form 10-Q

- the broadcasting community's ability to develop a viable mobile digital broadcast television (mobile DTV) strategy and platform and the consumer's appetite for mobile television;
- the operation of low power devices in the broadcast spectrum, which could interfere with our broadcast signals;
- the impact of reverse network compensation payments charged by networks pursuant to their affiliation agreements with broadcasters requiring compensation for network programming;
- the effects of new ratings system technologies including people meters and set-top boxes, and the ability of such technologies to be a reliable standard that can be used by advertisers;
- the impact of new FCC rules requiring broadcast stations to publish, among other information, political advertising rates online;
- changes in the makeup of the population in the areas where stations are located;

Risks specific to us

- the effectiveness of our management;
- our ability to attract and maintain local and national advertising;
- our ability to service our debt obligations and operate our business under restrictions contained in our financing agreements;
- our ability to successfully renegotiate retransmission consent agreements;
- our ability to renew our FCC licenses;
- our ability to obtain FCC approval for the purchase of any future acquisitions, as well as, in certain cases, customary antitrust clearance for any future acquisitions;
- our ability to successfully integrate any acquired businesses;
- our ability to maintain our affiliation and programming service agreements with our networks and program service providers and at renewal, to successfully negotiate these agreements with favorable terms;
- our ability to effectively respond to technology affecting our industry and to increasing competition from other media providers;

Table of Contents

- the popularity of syndicated programming we purchase and network programming that we air;
- the strength of ratings for our local news broadcasts including our news sharing arrangements;
- the successful execution of our multi-channel broadcasting initiatives including mobile DTV;
- our ability to consummate planned acquisitions or to achieve expected synergies; and
- the results of prior year tax audits by taxing authorities.

Other matters set forth in this report and other reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the *Risk Factors* set forth in Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 may also cause actual results in the future to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements. However, additional factors and risks not currently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial may also cause actual results in the future to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements, which speaks only as of the date on which it is made. We undertake no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the forward-looking statements discussed in this report might not occur.

The following table sets forth certain operating data for the periods presented:

STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS DATA

(in thousands, except for per share data) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2013	2012	2013	2012
Statement of Operations Data:				
Net broadcast revenues (a)	\$ 279,270	\$ 217,582	\$ 532,195	\$ 408,470
Revenues realized from station barter arrangements	22,047	21,343	40,277	38,881
Other operating divisions revenues	12,837	12,149	24,300	26,097
Total revenues	314,154	251,074	596,772	473,448
Station production expenses	85,694	62,596	166,127	122,393
Station selling, general and administrative expenses	53,297	41,581	105,235	77,293
Expenses recognized from station barter arrangements	19,382	19,695	35,396	35,819
Amortization of program contract costs and net realizable value adjustments	18,656	15,169	37,517	29,269
Depreciation and amortization expenses (b)	30,662	22,128	61,259	37,218
Other operating divisions expenses	10,736	10,503	20,605	22,793
Corporate general and administrative expenses	11,447	7,513	22,697	16,880
Operating income	84,280	71,889	147,936	131,783

Edgar Filing: SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP INC - Form 10-Q

Interest expense and amortization of debt discount and deferred financing costs	(45,465)	(29,320)	(83,162)	(56,707)
Loss from extinguishment of debt	(16,283)		(16,283)	(335)
Income from equity and cost method investees	(404)	5,148	(1,456)	6,424
Other income, net	482	715	939	1,186
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	22,610	48,432	47,974	82,351
Income tax provision	(9,654)	(18,298)	(18,503)	(23,092)
Income from continuing operations	12,956	30,134	29,471	59,259
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of taxes	5,103	(2)	5,458	(53)
Net income	18,059	30,132	34,929	59,206
Net (income) loss attributable to the noncontrolling interests	(233)	(72)	(106)	213
Net income attributable to Sinclair Broadcast Group	\$ 17,826	\$ 30,060	\$ 34,823	\$ 59,419

Basic and Diluted Earnings Per Common Share Attributable to Sinclair Broadcast Group:

Basic earnings per share from continuing operations	\$ 0.14	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.34	\$ 0.73
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.73
Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations	\$ 0.14	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.34	\$ 0.73
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.73

Table of Contents

	June 30, 2013	December 31, 2012
Balance Sheet Data:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 550,812	\$ 22,865
Total assets	\$ 3,343,393	\$ 2,729,697
Total debt (c)	\$ 2,449,172	\$ 2,273,379
Total equity (deficit)	\$ 386,008	\$ (100,053)

a) Net broadcast revenues are defined as broadcast revenues, net of agency commissions.

b) Depreciation and amortization includes depreciation and amortization of property and equipment and amortization of definite-lived intangible assets and other assets.

c) Total debt is defined as notes payable, capital leases and commercial bank financing, including the current and long-term portions.

The following Management's Discussion and Analysis provides qualitative and quantitative information about our financial performance and condition and should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and the accompanying notes to those statements. This discussion consists of the following sections:

Executive Overview financial events since March 31, 2013.

Results of Operations an analysis of our revenues and expenses for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, including comparisons between quarters and expectations for the three months ended September 30, 2013.

Liquidity and Capital Resources a discussion of our primary sources of liquidity, an analysis of our cash flows from or used in operating activities, investing activities and financing activities and an update of our debt refinancings during the three and six months ended June 30, 2013.

EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW

Second Quarter 2013 Events

Edgar Filing: SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP INC - Form 10-Q

- In April 2013, we issued \$600.0 million aggregate principal amount of Senior Unsecured Notes due 2021 (the Notes). The Notes were priced at 100% of their par value and will bear interest at a rate of 5.375% per annum payable semi-annually on April 1 and October 1, commencing on October 1, 2013. The Notes mature April 1, 2021 and are guaranteed by Sinclair and certain of its subsidiaries. See *Liquidity and Capital Resources* for more information;
- In April 2013, we filed a registration statement on Form S-4 with the SEC to register the 6.125% Senior Unsecured Notes due 2022 (the 6.125% Notes) and the 5.375% Notes. An exchange offer was launched on May 23, 2013 to exchange the unregistered notes for notes registered under the Securities Act of 1933. The exchange offer was completed on June 28, 2013 with 100.0% of the 6.125% Notes and 5.375% Notes tendered;
- In April 2013, we entered into an amendment and restatement of our Bank Credit Agreement. We refinanced our existing facility and replaced the existing term loans under the facility with a new \$500.0 million term loan A facility (Term Loan A), maturing April 2018 and priced at LIBOR plus 2.25%; and a \$400.0 million term loan B facility (Term Loan B), maturing April 2020 and priced at LIBOR plus 2.25% with a LIBOR floor of 0.75%. In addition, Sinclair replaced its existing revolving line of credit with a new \$100.0 million revolving line of credit maturing April 2018 and priced at LIBOR plus 2.25%. This new amendment also provides for increased incremental loan capacity, increased television station acquisition capacity and increased flexibility with restrictive covenants;
- In April 2013, we announced that we will begin broadcasting mobile-capable signals over 10 stations in nine markets over the next six months. Cunningham Broadcasting Corporation, one of our consolidated variable interest entities, currently provides mobile signals on two stations, WSYX-TV and WTTE-TV in Columbus, Ohio;
- In April 2013, our Board of Directors declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.15 per share payable on June 14, 2013, to the holders of record at the close of business on May 31, 2013;
- In April 2013, we commenced a public offering of 18.0 million shares of Class A common stock. The offering was priced at \$27.25 per share on May 1, 2013 and closed on May 7, 2013. Net proceeds of \$472.4 million are intended to fund pending and future potential television station acquisitions and for general corporate purposes;
- Effective May 1, 2013, we completed the acquisition of certain stock and/or broadcast assets of four television stations, located in four markets, owned by Cox Media Group for \$99.0 million, less \$4.3 million of working capital adjustments, and less \$0.4 million paid by Deerfield for the purchase of the license assets of one other station for which we will operate pursuant to shared services and joint sales agreements;
- In June 2013, we entered into a definitive agreement to purchase the stock and broadcast assets of four television stations owned by TTBG LLC (TTBG) located in three markets for \$115.4 million. Also, the Company will assign its right to purchase the license related assets of two of the stations to Deerfield due to FCC conflict ownership rules. The Company

Table of Contents

will provide sales and other services to these two Deerfield stations. The transaction is expected to close in the third quarter of 2013 or early in the fourth quarter 2013, subject to approval of the FCC, antitrust clearance, and other customary closing conditions; and

- In June 2013, we acquired the assets of Dielectric from SPX Corporation, for an immaterial purchase price. Dielectric is the nation's largest manufacturer of broadcast television, radio and wireless antennas, transmission lines, and RF systems.

Other Events

- In July 2013, we entered into a definitive agreement to purchase the stock of Perpetual Corporation and the equity interest of Charleston Television, LLC, both owned and controlled by the Allbritton family (Allbritton), for an aggregate purchase price of \$985.0 million. The Allbritton stations consist of seven ABC network affiliated television stations and NewsChannel 8, a 24-hour cable/satellite news network covering the Washington D.C. metropolitan area. The transaction is expected to close in the fourth quarter 2013, subject to approval of the FCC, antitrust clearance, and other customary closing conditions. The Company expects to fund the purchase price at closing through a bank loan and/or by accessing the capital markets. Additionally, to comply with FCC local television ownership rules, we expect to sell the license and certain related assets of existing stations in Birmingham, AL - WABM (MNT) and WTOG (CW), Harrisburg/Lancaster/Lebanon/York, PA - WHP (CBS), and Charleston, SC - WMMP (MNT) and to provide sales and other non-programming support services to each of these stations pursuant to customary shared services and joint sales agreements.

- In August 2013, our Board of Directors declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.15 per share, payable on September 13, 2013, to the holders of record at the close of business on August 30, 2013;

- In April 2013, we entered into a definitive merger agreement with Fisher Communications, Inc. (Fisher) to acquire Fisher in a merger transaction valued at approximately \$373.3 million. Fisher owns twenty television stations in eight markets, plus two simulcasts, and four radio stations in the Seattle market. In August 2013, the shareholders of Fisher approved the merger agreement and the transaction closed on August 8, 2013.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

In general, this discussion is related to the results of our continuing operations, except for discussions regarding our cash flows, which also include the results of our discontinued operations. The results of the acquired stations from Newport Television (Newport) as of December 1, 2012 (acquisition date), Cox Media Group (Cox) as of May 1, 2013 (acquisition date) and six other television stations during the year ended 2012 and 2013 are included in our results of our continuing operations for the three months ended June 30, 2013. Our results of our continuing operations for the six months ended June 30, 2013 include the acquisitions listed above and Freedom as of April 1, 2012 (acquisition date). In 2012, we determined that the operating results of WLAI-TV and WLWC-TV, should be classified as discontinued operations and therefore the results are not included in our consolidated results of continuing operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012. Unless otherwise indicated, references in this discussion and analysis to the second quarter of 2013 and 2012 refer to the three months ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Additionally, any references to the first, third or fourth quarter are to the three months ended March 31, September 30, and December 31, respectively, for the year being discussed. We have one reportable segment, broadcast that is disclosed separately from our other operating divisions and corporate activities.

SEASONALITY/CYCLICALITY

Our operating results are usually subject to seasonal fluctuations. Usually, the second and fourth quarter operating results are higher than first and third quarters because advertising expenditures are increased in anticipation of certain seasonal and holiday spending by consumers.

Our operating results are usually subject to fluctuations from political advertising. In even numbered years, political spending is usually significantly higher than in odd numbered years due to advertising expenditures preceding local and national elections. Additionally, every four years, political spending is usually elevated further due to advertising expenditures preceding the presidential election.

Table of Contents**BROADCAST SEGMENT****Broadcast Revenue**

The following table presents our revenues from continuing operations, net of agency commissions, for the periods presented (in millions):

	For the Three Months Ended June 30,			For the Six Months Ended June 30,		
	2013	2012	Percent Change	2013	2012	Percent Change
Local revenues:						
Non-political	\$ 218.5	\$ 159.1	37.3%	\$ 420.0	\$ 310.4	35.3%
Political	0.2	1.8	(a)	0.2	2.4	(a)
Total local	218.7	160.9	35.9%	420.2	312.8	34.3%
National revenues:						
Non-political	59.3	47.1	25.9%	109.9	83.1	32.3%
Political	1.3	9.6	(a)	2.1	12.6	(a)
Total national	60.6	56.7	6.9%	112.0	95.7	17.0%
Total net broadcast revenues	\$ 279.3	\$ 217.6	28.4%	\$ 532.2	\$ 408.5	30.3%

(a) Political revenue is not comparable from year to year due to cyclicalities of elections. See *Political Revenues* below for more information.

Net broadcast revenues. Net broadcast revenues increased \$61.6 million when comparing the second quarter 2013 to the same period in 2012, of which \$50.0 million was related to stations acquired after the second quarter of 2012. The remaining increase for the three months period, is primarily due to an increase in retransmission revenues from multichannel video programming distributors (MVPD). Advertising revenues, excluding stations acquired after the second quarter of 2012 decreased as a result of lower political revenues. This decrease was partially offset by increases in the automotive, services, retail, furniture, and food-grocery sectors. Excluding the stations acquired after the second quarter of 2012, automotive, which typically is our largest category, represented 24.3% of net time sales for the three months ended June 30, 2013. Net broadcast revenues increased \$123.7 million when compared to the six months ended June 30, 2013 to the same period in 2012, of which \$86.0 million was related to acquired stations not included in the same period in 2012. The remaining increase for the six months period, is primarily due to an increase in retransmission revenues from MVPDs. Advertising revenues, excluding stations acquired after the second quarter of 2012 decreased in the political, schools, and restaurant sectors. These decreases were partially offset by increases in the automotive, direct response, furniture and telecommunications sectors. Excluding the stations acquired after the second quarter of 2012, automotive, which typically is our largest category, represented 24.1% of net time sales for the six months ended June 30, 2013.

From a network affiliation or program service arrangement perspective, the following table sets forth our affiliate percentages of net time sales for the periods presented:

# of	Percent of Net Time Sales for the Three months ended June 30,	Net Time Sales Percent	Percent of Net Time Sales for the Six months ended June 30,	Net Time Sales Percent
------	---	------------------------	---	------------------------

Edgar Filing: SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP INC - Form 10-Q

	Stations (a)	2013	2012	Change	2013	2012	Change
FOX	26	32.9%	37.2%	4.5%	32.9%	39.9%	2.7%
ABC	11	16.9%	19.5%	2.8%	16.7%	18.7%	10.8%
MyNetworkTV	21	11.1%	12.4%	5.2%	11.0%	13.4%	2.8%
The CW	15	10.7%	10.9%	15.7%	10.8%	11.6%	15.4%
CBS	11	21.2%	18.9%	32.7%	22.1%	15.2%	81.9%
NBC	5	5.6%	0.4%	1431.2%	4.9%	0.5%	1114.1%
Digital	(b)	1.3%	0.6%	123.0%	1.3%	0.6%	179.4%
Other	2	0.3%	0.1%	717.3%	0.3%	0.1%	399.0%
Total	91						

(a) During the six months ended June 30, 2013, we acquired or entered into outsourcing agreements to provide certain non-programming related sales, operational and administrative services to 6 stations with the following network affiliation or program service arrangements: FOX (2 stations in the second quarter), NBC (2 stations in the second quarter) and MyNetworkTV (2 station in the second quarter). During 2012, we acquired or entered into outsourcing agreements to provide certain non-programming related sales, operational and administrative services to 20 stations with the following network affiliation or program service arrangements: CBS (five stations in the second quarter and two stations in the fourth quarter), NBC (two stations in the fourth quarter), FOX (four stations in the fourth quarter), ABC (one station in the second quarter and one station in the fourth quarter), CW (one station in the second quarter and two stations in the fourth quarter), MyNetworkTV (one station in the fourth quarter), Other (one station in the fourth quarter). We reclassified the results of operations of WLAI-TV, an ABC station acquired in the second quarter and WLWC-TV, a CW station acquired in the first quarter, as discontinued operations as discussed in *Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies* and therefore the net time sales of WLAI-TV and WLWC-TV are not included in the percentages above and are excluded from the number of stations.

Table of Contents

(b) We broadcast programming from network affiliations or program service arrangements with CBS (rebroadcasted content from other primary channels within the same markets), The CW, MyNetworkTV, This TV, ME TV, LATV, Weather Radar, The Weather Authority Network, Live Well Network, Antenna TV, Bounce Network, The Country Network, Azteca, Telemundo and Estrella on additional channels through our stations' second and third digital signals.

Political Revenues. Political revenues decreased by \$9.9 million to \$1.5 million for the second quarter 2013 when compared to the same period in 2012. For the six months ended June 30, 2013, political revenues decreased by \$12.6 million to \$2.4 million when compared to the same period in 2012. Political revenues are typically higher in election years such as 2012.

Local Revenues. Excluding political revenues, our local broadcast revenues, which include local times sales, retransmission revenues and other local revenues, were up \$59.4 million for the second quarter 2013 when compared to the same period in 2012, of which \$39.4 million was related to the stations acquired after the second quarter of 2012. Excluding political revenues, our local broadcast revenues were up \$109.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2013 compared to the same period in 2012, of which \$67.5 million related to the acquired stations not included in the same period in 2012. The remaining increase, for both the three and six month periods, is primarily due to an increase in retransmission revenues from MVPDs. These increases were partially offset by a decrease in advertising revenues, excluding stations acquired after the first quarter of 2012, due to a decline in advertising revenues from the restaurants, schools and services sectors partially offset by an increase in the automotive sector and a change in networks for the Super Bowl programming from NBC to CBS.

National Revenues. Excluding political revenues, our national broadcast revenues, which include national time sales and other national revenues, were up \$12.2 million for the second quarter 2013 when compared to the same period in 2012, of which \$10.2 million was related to the stations acquired after the second quarter of 2012. For the six months ended June 30, 2013, when compared to the same period in 2012, our national broadcast revenues, excluding political revenues, were up \$26.7 primarily due to the acquired stations not included in the same period in 2012. Advertising revenues, excluding political and excluding stations acquired after the first quarter of 2012, decreased in the services, paid programs and travel / leisure sectors and increased in the media, restaurants, telecommunications and automotive sectors.

Table of Contents**Broadcast Expenses**

The following table presents our significant expense categories in our broadcast segment for the periods presented (in millions):

	For the Three Months Ended June 30,			For the Six Months Ended June 30,		
	2013	2012	Percent Change Increase	2013	2012	Percent Change Increase
Station production expenses	\$ 85.7	\$ 62.6	36.9%	\$ 166.1	\$ 122.4	35.7%
Station selling, general and administrative expenses	\$ 53.3	\$ 41.6	28.1%	\$ 105.2	\$ 77.3	36.1%
Amortization of program contract costs and net realizable value adjustments	\$ 18.7	\$ 15.2	23.0%	\$ 37.5	\$ 29.3	28.0%
Corporate general and administrative expenses	\$ 10.2	\$ 6.7	52.2%	\$ 20.4	\$ 14.6	39.7%
Depreciation and amortization expenses	\$ 28.7	\$ 20.4	40.7%	\$ 57.4	\$ 33.4	71.8%

Station production expenses. Station production expenses increased \$23.1 million during the second quarter of 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012, of which \$15.4 million related to the stations acquired after the second quarter of 2012. Station production expenses increased \$43.7 million during the six months ended June 30, 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012, of which \$36.2 million related to stations not included in the same period in 2012, offset by \$7.8 million in management expenses included in the same period in 2012. The remaining increases for both the three and six month periods are primarily due to an increase in fees pursuant to network affiliation agreements, partially offset by a decrease in rating service fees.

Station selling, general and administrative expense. Station selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$11.7 million during the second quarter 2013 compared to the same period in 2012, of which \$10.5 million related to the stations acquired after the second quarter of 2012. Station selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$27.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2013 compared to the same period in 2012, of which \$25.5 million related to the acquired stations not included in the same period in 2012. The remaining increases for both the three and six month periods are primarily due to an increase in compensation expense.

We expect station production and station selling, general and administrative expenses in third quarter 2013 to increase compared to second quarter 2013.

Amortization of program contract costs and net realizable value adjustments. The amortization of program contract costs increased \$3.5 million during the second quarter of 2013 compared to the same period in 2012, of which \$2.2 million related to stations acquired after the second quarter of 2012. The amortization of program contract costs increased \$8.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2013 compared to the same period in 2012, of which \$4.9 million related to acquired stations not included in the same period in 2012. The remaining increase is due to higher programming costs, which result in higher contract cost amortization. We expect program contract amortization to increase in third quarter of 2013 compared to second quarter of 2013 due to cyclicalities.

Corporate general and administrative expenses. See explanation under *Corporate and Unallocated Expenses*.

Depreciation and Amortization expenses. Depreciation of property and equipment and amortization of definite-lived intangibles and other assets increased \$8.3 million during the second quarter of 2013 compared to the same period in 2012, which was primarily caused by stations acquired after the second quarter of 2012. Depreciation of property and equipment and amortization of definite-lived intangibles and other assets increased \$24.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2013 compared to the same period in 2012, of which \$17.7 million related to acquired stations not included in the same period in 2012. The remaining increase is due to the extension of certain network affiliation agreements.

OTHER OPERATING DIVISIONS

Triangle Sign & Service, LLC (Triangle), a sign designer / fabricator, Alarm Funding Associates, LLC (Alarm Funding), a regional security alarm operating and bulk acquisition company, real estate ventures and other nominal businesses make up our other operating divisions. Revenues for our other operating divisions increased \$0.7 million to \$12.8 million during the second quarter 2013 compared to \$12.1 million during the same period in 2012. For the six months ended June 30, 2013, revenues for our other operating divisions decreased \$1.8 million to \$24.3 million compared to \$26.1 million during the same period in 2012. Expenses of our other operating divisions include operating expenses, depreciation and amortization and applicable other income (expense)

Table of Contents

items such as interest expense, increased \$0.2 million to \$10.7 million during the second quarter 2013 compared to \$10.5 million during the same period in 2012. For the six months ended June 30, 2013, expenses including other operating divisions expense, depreciation and amortization and applicable other income (expense) items, such as interest expense, decreased \$2.2 million to \$20.6 million compared to \$22.8 million during the same period in 2012. The decreases in both revenue and expenses relate primarily to slight decreases in revenue of several investments in other operating divisions.

Income from Equity and Cost Method Investments. Results of our equity and cost method investments in private investment funds and real estate ventures are included in income from equity and cost method investments in our consolidated statements of operations. During the three months ended June 30, 2013, we recorded a loss of \$0.8 million related to our real estate ventures, and income of \$0.4 million related to certain private investment funds. During the six months ended June 30, 2012, we recorded a loss of \$2.2 million related to our real estate ventures and income of \$0.8 million related to certain private investment funds, partially offset by a \$0.4 million impairment charge related to one of the investments within one of the funds.

CORPORATE AND UNALLOCATED EXPENSES

	For the Three Months Ended June 30,			For the Six Months Ended June 30,		
	2013	2012	Percent Change (Increase/ (Decrease))	2013	2012	Percent Change (Increase/ (Decrease))
Corporate general and administrative expenses	\$ 1.0	\$ 0.5	100%	\$ 1.8	\$ 1.4	28.6%
Interest expense	\$ 44.7	\$ 28.6	56.3%	\$ 81.6	\$ 55.2	47.8%
Loss from extinguishment of debt	\$ 16.3	\$	100.0%	\$ 16.3	\$ (0.3)	547%
Income tax provision	\$ (9.7)	\$ (18.3)	(47.0)%	\$ (18.5)	\$ (23.1)	(19.9)%

Corporate general and administrative expenses. We allocate most of our corporate general and administrative expenses to the broadcast segment. The explanation that follows combines the corporate general and administrative expenses found in the *Broadcast Segment* section with the corporate general and administrative expenses found in this section, *Corporate and Unallocated Expenses*. These results exclude general and administrative costs from our other operating divisions which are included in our discussion of expenses in the *Other Operating Divisions* section.

Corporate general and administrative expenses increased by \$4.0 million and \$6.2 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2013, respectively, when compared to the same periods in 2012. This is primarily due to an increase in transaction costs due to our recent acquisitions, higher compensation costs including an increase in employee incentive / performance bonuses and higher stock-based compensation expense.

We expect corporate general and administrative expenses to decrease slightly in the third quarter of 2013 compared to second quarter of 2013.

Interest expense. Interest expense has increased primarily due to the issuance of \$500 million of 6.125% Notes, in the fourth quarter of 2012, and the issuance of \$600.0 million of 5.375% Notes in the second quarter of 2013, and due to \$4.8 million of non-capitalizable financing costs

Edgar Filing: SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP INC - Form 10-Q

related to the amendment of our credit agreement. See *Liquidity and Capital Resources* for more information.

Loss from extinguishment of debt. During the second quarter of 2013, we recognized a loss on extinguishment of debt of \$16.3 million related to the amendment and restatement of our Bank Credit Agreement. During the six months ended June 30, 2012, we drew down on our incremental borrowing for the Four Points acquisition and wrote off a portion of our deferred financing costs and discount on the Term Loan B, resulting in a loss of \$0.3 million from extinguishment of debt.

Income tax (provision) benefit. The effective tax rate for the three months ended June 30, 2013 including the effects of the noncontrolling interest was a provision of 43.1% as compared to a provision of 37.8% during the same period in 2012. The increase in the effective tax rate for the three months ended June 30, 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012 is primarily due to greater state income tax reserves related to an ongoing audit.

The effective tax rate for the six months ended June 30, 2013 including the effects of the noncontrolling interest was a provision of 38.7% as compared to a provision of 28.0% during the same period in 2012. The increase in the effective tax rate for the six months ended June 30, 2013 as compared to the same period in 2012 is primarily due to a 2012 release of valuation allowance of \$7.7 million related to certain deferred tax assets of Cunningham as the weight of all available evidence supported realization of the deferred tax assets.

Table of Contents**LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES**

As of June 30, 2013, we had \$550.8 million in cash and cash equivalent balances and net working capital of approximately \$582.3 million. Cash generated by our operations and borrowing capacity under the Bank Credit Agreement are used as our primary sources of liquidity. As of June 30, 2013, we had \$100 million of borrowing capacity available on our Revolving Credit Facility.

In May 2013, we issued 18.0 million shares of Class A Common Stock for net proceeds of \$472.4 million. The net proceeds are currently held in cash and cash equivalent balances to be used to fund pending acquisitions in the third quarter 2013.

In April 2013, we issued \$600.0 million of senior unsecured notes with a maturity date of April 1, 2021 that bear interest at a rate of 5.375% per year. The net proceeds were used to pay down outstanding indebtedness under our bank credit facility including outstanding amounts under the revolving credit facility.

In April 2013, we amended and restated our existing bank credit facility and replaced our existing term loans with a new \$500.0 million Term Loan A priced at LIBOR plus 2.25% and due April 2018 and a new \$400.0 million Term Loan B priced at LIBOR plus 2.25% with a 0.75% LIBOR floor due April 2020. We also increased the capacity on our Revolving Credit Facility from \$97.5 million to \$100.0 million. The net proceeds will be used to fund future acquisitions and for general corporate purposes. Due to timing related to the closing and funding of the acquisitions, approximately \$445.0 million of the new Term Loan A will be drawn on a delayed basis.

We anticipate that existing cash and cash equivalents, cash flow from our operations and borrowing capacity under the Revolving Credit Facility and general uncommitted incremental term loan capacity of \$500.0 million will be sufficient to satisfy our debt service obligations, capital expenditure requirements, and working capital needs for the next twelve months. We anticipate raising additional funds for our pending acquisitions. For our long-term liquidity needs, in addition to the sources described above, we may rely upon the issuance of long-term debt, the issuance of equity or other instruments convertible into or exchangeable for equity, or the sale of non-core assets. However, there can be no assurance that additional financing or capital or buyers of our non-core assets will be available, or that the terms of any transactions will be acceptable or advantageous to us.

Sources and Uses of Cash

The following table sets forth our cash flows for the periods presented (in millions):

	For the Three Months Ended June 30,				For the Six Months Ended June 30,			
	2013		2012		2013		2012	
Net cash flows from operating activities	\$	3.7	\$	12.8	\$	53.4	\$	80.3
Cash flows (used in) from investing activities:								

Edgar Filing: SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP INC - Form 10-Q

Acquisition of property and equipment	\$	(9.7)	\$	(11.7)	\$	(17.2)	\$	(18.5)
Payments for acquisition of television stations		(96.2)		(385.3)		(96.2)		(590.9)
Payments for acquisitions in other operating divisions		(4.7)				(4.7)		
Purchase of alarm monitoring contracts		(4.3)		(2.6)		(6.3)		(5.7)
Proceeds from sale of broadcast assets		13.7				28.0		
(Increase) decrease in restricted cash		(8.7)		38.5		(33.6)		58.5
Other, net		(1.8)		5.7		3.4		0.2
Net cash flows used in from investing activities	\$	(111.7)	\$	(355.4)	\$	(126.6)	\$	(556.4)
Cash flows from (used in) financing activities:								
Proceeds from notes payable, commercial bank financing and capital leases	\$	1,061.2	\$	370.7	\$	1,162.4	\$	555.1
Repayments of notes payable, commercial bank financing and capital leases		(879.1)		(9.8)		(991.7)		(33.3)
Proceeds from the sale of common stock		472.4				472.4		
Dividends paid on Class A and Class B Common Stock		(14.9)		(9.6)		(27.0)		(19.2)
Other, net		(6.6)		(4.6)		(14.9)		(8.4)
Net cash flows from financing activities	\$	633.0	\$	346.7	\$	601.2	\$	494.2

Operating Activities

Net cash flows from operating activities increased during the second quarter 2013 compared to the same period in 2012. This is primarily due to lower interest payments, a decrease in tax payments, and receipt of more cash from customers, net of cash payments to vendors, offset by higher program payments.

Table of Contents

Net cash flows from operating activities decreased during the six months ended June 30, 2013 compared to the same period in 2012. During 2013, we paid higher interest and program payments, as well as an increase in tax payments, partially offset by the receipt of more cash from customers, net of cash payments to vendors.

Investing Activities

Net cash flows used in investing activities decreased during the second quarter of 2013 compared to the same period in 2012. This decrease is primarily due to \$385.3 million in payments for acquisitions of television stations from Freedom in the second quarter of 2012, compared to the \$96.2 million in payments for acquisitions of television stations from Cox in the second quarter of 2013. In the second quarter 2013, we paid escrow deposits of \$11.5 million related to the pending acquisitions of TTBG. During the second quarter 2013, \$5.0 million of restricted cash was used to fund the acquisition of the Cox stations. In second quarter 2012, \$38.5 million of restricted cash was used to fund the acquisition of the Freedom stations. This decrease was partially offset by proceeds from the sale of the assets of WLWC-TV.

Net cash flows used in investing activities decreased during the six months ended June 30, 2013 compared to the same period in 2012. This decrease is primarily due to \$590.9 million in payments for acquisitions of television stations from Four Points and Freedom during 2012, compared to the \$96.2 million in payments for acquisitions of television stations from Cox in the second quarter of 2013. During 2013, we paid escrow deposits of \$33.6 million primarily relating to the pending acquisitions of Barrington, and TTBG. During 2013, \$5.0 million of unrestricted cash was funded and used to fund the acquisition of the Cox stations. During 2012, \$58.5 million of restricted cash was used to fund the acquisition of the Four Points and Freedom stations. This decrease was partially offset by proceeds from the sale of the assets of WLAJ-TV and WLWC-TV.

Financing Activities

Net cash flows from financing activities increased in the second quarter 2013 compared to the same period in 2012. During the second quarter 2013, we issued \$600.0 million of 5.375% notes, drew \$55.0 million of a new Term Loan A, drew \$500.0 million of a new Term Loan B, and issued 18.0 million shares of Class A Common Stock for \$472.4 million. In the second quarter of 2012, we drew \$157.5 million of incremental Term Loan A and \$192.5 million of incremental Term Loan B to fund the asset acquisition of television stations from Freedom. During the second quarter of 2013, a higher quarterly stock dividend was paid of \$0.15 per share compared to \$0.12 per share during the same period in 2012.

Net cash flows from financing activities increased during the six months ended June 30, 2013 compared to the same period in 2012. During 2013, we issued \$600.0 million of senior unsecured notes, drew \$55.0 million of a new Term Loan A, drew \$500.0 million of a new Term Loan B, and issued 18.0 million shares of Class A Common Stock for net proceeds of \$472.4 million. In the second quarter of 2012, we drew \$530.0 million of incremental loans to fund the acquisition of television stations from Four Points and Freedom. During the six months ended June 30, 2013, a higher quarterly stock dividend was paid of \$0.30 per share compared to \$0.24 per share during the same period in 2012.

In April 2013, our Board of Directors declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.15 per share. Future dividends on our common shares, if any, will be at the discretion of our Board of Directors and will depend on several factors including our results of operations, cash requirements and surplus, financial condition, covenant restrictions and other factors that the Board of Directors may deem relevant.

CONTRACTUAL CASH OBLIGATIONS

As of June 30, 2013, there were no material changes to our contractual cash obligations.

As discussed in *Liquidity and Capital Resources*, in April 2013, we issued \$600.0 million of senior unsecured notes with a maturity date of April 1, 2021 that bear interest at a rate of 5.375% per year. The net proceeds were used to pay down outstanding indebtedness under our bank credit facility including outstanding amounts under the revolving credit facility. Also in April 2013, we amended and restated our existing bank credit facility and replaced our existing term loans with a new \$500.0 million Term Loan A priced at LIBOR plus 2.25% and due April 2018 and a new \$400.0 million Term Loan B priced at LIBOR plus 2.25% with a 0.75% LIBOR floor due April 2020. We also increased the capacity on our Revolving Credit Facility from \$97.5 million to \$100.0 million. The net proceeds will be used to fund pending acquisitions and for general corporate purposes. Due to timing related to the closing and funding of the acquisitions, approximately \$445.0 million of the new Term Loan A will be drawn on a delayed basis.

As discussed in the *Other Events* section of the *Executive Overview*, we have entered into asset and stock purchase agreements with an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$1,843.7 million, less amounts to be paid by third parties and working capital adjustments. We expect these acquisitions to close in the third and fourth quarters of 2013.

Table of Contents

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Other than the foregoing, there have been no material changes from the quantitative and qualitative discussion about market risk previously disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures and Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Our management, under the supervision and with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, evaluated the design and effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures and our internal control over financial reporting as of June 30, 2013.

The term disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act, means controls and other procedures of a company that are designed to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by a company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms. Disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by a company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to the company's management, including its principal executive and principal financial officers, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Management recognizes that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving their objectives and management necessarily applies its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures.

The term internal control over financial reporting, as defined in Rules 13a-15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act, means a process designed by, or under the supervision of our Chief Executive and Chief Financial Officers and effected by our Board of Directors, management and other personnel, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and includes those policies and procedures that:

- pertain to the maintenance of records that in reasonable detail accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and disposition of our assets;
- provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP and that our receipts and expenditures are being made in accordance with authorizations of management or our Board of Directors; and
- provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of our assets that could have a material adverse effect on our financial statements.

Assessment of Effectiveness of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Based on the evaluation of our disclosure controls and procedures as of June 30, 2013, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that, as of such date, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at the reasonable assurance level.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act) during the quarter ended June 30, 2013, that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

Limitations on the Effectiveness of Controls

Management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, do not expect that our disclosure controls and procedures or our internal control over financial reporting will prevent all errors and all fraud. A control system, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Further, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, within our company have been detected. These inherent limitations include the realities that judgments in decision-making can be faulty and that breakdowns can occur because of simple error or mistake. Additionally, controls can be circumvented by the individual acts of some persons, by collusion of two or more people, or by management's override of the control. The design of any system of controls also is based in part upon certain

Table of Contents

assumptions about the likelihood of future events and there can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions; over time, controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate. Because of the inherent limitations in a cost-effective control system, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

We are party to lawsuits and claims from time to time in the ordinary course of business. Actions currently pending are in various preliminary stages and no judgments or decisions have been rendered by hearing boards or courts in connection with such actions. After reviewing developments to date with legal counsel, our management is of the opinion that the outcome of our pending and threatened matters will not have a material adverse effect on our consolidated balance sheets, consolidated statements of operations or consolidated statements of cash flows.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

There have been no material changes to the Risk Factors contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012.

ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

None.

ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None.

ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

None.

ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

Table of Contents

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

Exhibit Number	Description
10.1	Employment Agreement for Steven J. Pruett, Chief Operating Officer of Chesapeake Television, Inc., dated as of April 1, 2013 (Incorporated by reference from Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2013.)
10.2	Fifth Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of April 9, 2013, by and among Sinclair Television Group, Inc., the guarantors party thereto, JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent, and the lenders party thereto. (Incorporated by reference from Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on April 12, 2013.)
31.1	Certification by David D. Smith, as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc., pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. § 7241).
31.2	Certification by David B. Amy, as Chief Financial Officer of Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc., pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. § 7241).
32.1	Certification by David D. Smith, as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc., pursuant to Rule 13a-14(b) of the Exchange Act and § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (18 U.S.C § 1350).
32.2	Certification by David B. Amy, as Chief Financial Officer of Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc., pursuant to Rule 13a-14(b) of the Exchange Act and § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (18 U.S.C § 1350).
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase

[Table of Contents](#)

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report on Form 10-Q to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized on the 9th day of August 2013.

SINCLAIR BROADCAST GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ David R. Bochenek
David R. Bochenek
Vice President/Chief Accounting Officer
(Authorized Officer and Chief Accounting Officer)

Table of Contents

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Description
10.1	Employment Agreement for Steven J. Pruett, Chief Operating Officer of Chesapeake Television, Inc., dated as of April 1, 2013 (Incorporated by reference from Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2013.)
10.2	Fifth Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of April 9, 2013, by and among Sinclair Television Group, Inc., the guarantors party thereto, JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent, and the lenders party thereto. (Incorporated by reference from Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on April 12, 2013.)
31.1	Certification by David D. Smith, as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc., pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. § 7241).
31.2	Certification by David B. Amy, as Chief Financial Officer of Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc., pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. § 7241).
32.1	Certification by David D. Smith, as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc., pursuant to Rule 13a-14(b) of the Exchange Act and § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (18 U.S.C § 1350).
32.2	Certification by David B. Amy, as Chief Financial Officer of Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc., pursuant to Rule 13a-14(b) of the Exchange Act and § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (18 U.S.C § 1350).
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase