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FORM 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT $^{\rm x}$ OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2016

OR

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

For the transition period from ______ to _____

Commission File Number 001-09553

CBS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

04-2949533

(State or other jurisdiction of

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

incorporation or organization)

51 W. 52nd Street, New York, New York 10019 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(212) 975-4321

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

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

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

Large accelerated filer x Accelerated filer o Non-accelerated filer o Smaller reporting company o Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes o No x

Number of shares of common stock outstanding at April 29, 2016:

Class A Common Stock, par value \$.001 per share— 37,726,904

Class B Common Stock, par value \$.001 per share—415,313,216

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PART I – FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements.

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CBS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(Unaudited; in millions, except per share amounts)

Revenues	Three M Ended March 3 2016 \$3,849	31, 2015
Costs and expenses:		
Operating	2,356	2,142
Selling, general and administrative	617	588
Depreciation and amortization	64	68
Other operating items, net	(9)	(19)
Total costs and expenses	3,028	2,779
Operating income	821	721
Interest expense	(100)	(93)
Interest income	7	5
Other items, net	(3)	(23)
Earnings before income taxes and equity in loss of investee companies	725	610
Provision for income taxes	(231)	(203)
Equity in loss of investee companies, net of tax	(21)	(13)
Net earnings	\$473	\$394
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Basic net earnings per common share	\$1.03	\$.79
Diluted net earnings per common share	\$1.02	\$.78
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Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:		
Basic	459	498
Diluted	464	506
Dividends per common share	\$.15	\$.15
See notes to consolidated financial statements.		

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(Unaudited; in millions)

Net earnings

Three Months Ended March 31, 2016 2015 \$473 \$394

Other comprehensive income, net of tax:

Cumulative translation adjustments 1 (3)
Amortization of net actuarial loss and prior service cost 10 9
Total other comprehensive income, net of tax 11 6
Total comprehensive income \$484 \$400

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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CBS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Unaudited; in millions, except per share amounts)

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	At	At
	March 31,	December
	2016	31, 2015
ASSETS		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$411	\$323
Receivables, less allowances of \$63 (2016 and 2015)	3,678	3,628
Programming and other inventory (Note 3)	822	1,271
Prepaid income taxes		101
Prepaid expenses	189	175
Other current assets	434	249
Total current assets	5,534	5,747
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Property and equipment	3,248	3,243
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	1,872	1,838
Net property and equipment	1,376	1,405
Programming and other inventory (Note 3)	2,023	1,957
Goodwill	6,533	6,481
Intangible assets	5,509	5,514
Other assets	2,526	2,661
Total Assets	\$23,501	\$23,765
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$196	\$192
Accrued compensation	193	315
Participants' share and royalties payable	987	1,013
Program rights	520	374
Deferred revenues	205	295
Income taxes payable	68	
Current portion of long-term debt (Note 5)	23	222
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	1,192	1,149
Total current liabilities	3,384	
	-	3,560
Long-term debt (Note 5)	8,226	8,226
Pension and postretirement benefit obligations	1,558	1,575
Deferred income tax liabilities, net	1,562	1,509
Other liabilities	3,220	3,260
Liabilities of discontinued operations	68	72
Commitments and contingencies (Note 9)		
Stockholders' Equity:		
Class A Common stock, par value \$.001 per share; 375 shares authorized;		
38 (2016 and 2015) shares issued		
Class B Common stock, par value \$.001 per share; 5,000 shares authorized;	1	1
827 (2016) and 826 (2015) shares issued	1	1
Additional paid-in capital	43,990	44,055
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Accumulated deficit	(20,045)	(20,518)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss (Note 7)	(759)	(770)
	23,187	22,768
Less treasury stock, at cost; 411 (2016) and 401 (2015) Class B shares	17,704	17,205
Total Stockholders' Equity	5,483	5,563
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$23,501	\$23,765
See notes to consolidated financial statements.		

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CBS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited; in millions)

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Operating Activities:	Three Month Ended March 2016	ns I
Operating Activities: Net earnings	\$473	\$394
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash flow provided by operating activities:		,
Depreciation and amortization	64	68
Stock-based compensation	43	46
Equity in loss of investee companies, net of tax and distributions	22	13
Change in assets and liabilities, net of investing and financing activities	426	(104)
Net cash flow provided by operating activities	1,028	
Investing Activities:	,	
Acquisitions	(50	(1)
Capital expenditures		(17)
Investments in and advances to investee companies	` ′	(39)
Proceeds from dispositions	29	59
Other investing activities	(7	3
Net cash flow (used for) provided by investing activities from continuing operations	(98)	5
Net cash flow used for investing activities from discontinued operations		(3)
Net cash flow (used for) provided by investing activities	(98)	2
Financing Activities:		
Repayments of short-term debt borrowings, net		(616)
Proceeds from issuance of senior notes		1,178
Repayment of senior debentures	(200)) —
Payment of capital lease obligations	(4	(4)
Dividends	(73	(80)
Purchase of Company common stock	(533)	(1,049
Payment of payroll taxes in lieu of issuing shares for stock-based compensation	(46	(82)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	6	80
Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation	8	57
Net cash flow used for financing activities	(842)	(516)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	88	(97)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	323	428
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$411	\$331
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information		
Cash paid for interest	\$158	\$117
Cash paid for income taxes	\$7	\$4
See notes to consolidated financial statements.		

CBS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Tabular dollars in millions, except per share amounts)

1) BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Description of Business-CBS Corporation (together with its consolidated subsidiaries unless the context otherwise requires, the "Company" or "CBS Corp.") is comprised of the following segments: Entertainment (CBS Television, comprised of the CBS Television Network, CBS Television Studios and CBS Global Distribution Group; CBS Interactive and CBS Films), Cable Networks (Showtime Networks, CBS Sports Network and Smithsonian Networks), Publishing (Simon & Schuster) and Local Broadcasting (CBS Television Stations and CBS Radio).

Basis of Presentation-The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements of the Company have been prepared pursuant to the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission. These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the more detailed financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015.

In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited financial statements reflect all adjustments, consisting only of normal and recurring adjustments, necessary for a fair statement of the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the Company for the periods presented. Certain previously reported amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current presentation.

Use of Estimates-The preparation of the Company's financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates, judgments and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amount of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. The Company bases its estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

Other Operating Items, Net-Other operating items, net for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 includes gains from the sales of businesses, and for 2016 also includes a multiyear, retroactive impact of a new operating tax.

Net Earnings per Common Share-Basic net earnings per share ("EPS") is based upon net earnings divided by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted EPS reflects the effect of the assumed exercise of stock options and vesting of restricted stock units ("RSUs") only in the periods in which such effect would have been dilutive. Excluded from the calculation of diluted EPS because their inclusion would have been anti-dilutive, were 8 million and 5 million stock options and RSUs for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

The table below presents a reconciliation of weighted average shares used in the calculation of basic and diluted EPS.

Three Months Ended March 31, 20162015 459 498

Weighted average shares for basic EPS 459 49
Dilutive effect of shares issuable under stock-based 5 8

(in millions)

compensation plans Weighted average shares for diluted EPS 464 506

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Other Liabilities-Other liabilities consist primarily of the noncurrent portion of residual liabilities of previously disposed businesses, participants' share and royalties payable, program rights obligations, deferred compensation and other employee benefit accruals.

Additional Paid-In Capital-For the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, the Company recorded dividends of \$69 million and \$75 million, respectively, as a reduction to additional paid-in capital as the Company had an accumulated deficit balance.

Adoption of New Accounting Standards

Simplifying the Accounting for Measurement Period Adjustments

During the first quarter of 2016, the Company adopted amended Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") guidance which eliminates the requirement to retrospectively account for adjustments to provisional amounts recognized in a business combination when new information is obtained during the measurement period about facts and circumstances that existed as of the acquisition date. Under the amended guidance the acquirer is required to recognize such adjustments in the reporting period in which the adjustment amounts are identified. Such adjustments also include the effect on earnings from any changes in depreciation, amortization, or other income effects resulting from the change to provisional amounts, as if the change occurred at the acquisition date. The amendment also requires disclosure or separate presentation on the face of the income statement of the amount recorded in current-period earnings by line item that would have been recorded in previous reporting periods if the adjustment to the provisional amounts had been recognized as of the acquisition date. The adoption of this guidance did not have an effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

Simplifying Income Statement Presentation by Eliminating the Concept of Extraordinary Items

During the first quarter of 2016, the Company adopted amended FASB guidance which eliminates the concept of extraordinary items. This guidance removes the requirement to assess whether an event or transaction is both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence and to separately present any such items on the statement of operations after income from continuing operations. Rather, such items are required to be presented as a separate component of income from continuing operations or disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The adoption of this guidance did not have an effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

Accounting for Share-Based Payments When the Terms of an Award Provide That a Performance Target Could Be Achieved after the Requisite Service Period

During the first quarter of 2016, the Company adopted FASB guidance on the accounting for stock-based compensation when the terms of an award provide that a performance target that affects vesting could be achieved after the requisite service period. Under this guidance, such performance target should not be reflected in estimating the grant-date fair value of the award. The Company should begin recognizing compensation cost in the period in which it becomes probable that the performance target will be achieved, for the cumulative amount of compensation cost attributable to the period(s) for which the requisite service has already been rendered. The adoption of this guidance did not have an effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

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Recent Pronouncements

Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting

In March 2016, the FASB issued amended guidance which simplifies several aspects of the accounting for employee share-based payment transactions. Under this amended guidance, all excess tax benefits and tax deficiencies will be recognized as income tax expense or benefit in the income statement in the period in which the awards vest or are exercised. In the statement of cash flows, excess tax benefits should be classified with other income tax cash flows in operating activities. The amended guidance also gives the option to make a policy election to account for forfeitures as they occur and increases the threshold for awards that are partially settled in cash to qualify for equity classification. The Company expects that the adoption of this guidance will introduce volatility into the Company's income tax provision, which will be impacted by the timing of employee exercises and changes in the Company's stock price. This guidance is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016, with early adoption permitted.

Leases

In February 2016, the FASB issued new guidance on the accounting for leases, which supersedes previous lease guidance. Under this guidance, for all leases with terms in excess of one year, including operating leases, the Company will be required to recognize on its balance sheet a lease liability and a right-of-use asset representing its right to use the underlying asset for the lease term. The new guidance retains a distinction between finance leases and operating leases and the classification criteria is substantially similar to previous guidance. Additionally, the recognition, measurement, and presentation of expenses and cash flows arising from a lease by a lessee have not significantly changed. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of this guidance on its consolidated balance sheets. This guidance is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2018, with early adoption permitted.

Disclosure of Uncertainties about an Entity's Ability to Continue as a Going Concern

In August 2014, the FASB issued guidance which requires management to evaluate, for each interim and annual reporting period, whether there are conditions or events that raise substantial doubt about an entity's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date the financial statements are issued. If management identifies conditions or events that raise substantial doubt, disclosures are required in the financial statements, including any plans that will alleviate the substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern. This guidance, which is effective for the first annual period ending after December 15, 2016, is not expected to have an impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

Revenue from Contracts with Customers

In May 2014, the FASB issued guidance on the recognition of revenues which provides a single, comprehensive revenue recognition model for all contracts with customers and supersedes most existing revenue recognition guidance. The main principle under this guidance is that an entity should recognize revenue at the amount it expects to be entitled to in exchange for the transfer of goods or services to customers. The Company anticipates that this guidance will result in changes to its revenue recognition and is currently assessing the impact. This guidance is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017, with early adoption permitted for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016.

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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2) STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

The following table summarizes the Company's stock-based compensation expense for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015.

	Three	•
	Mont	hs
	Ende	d
	Marc	h 31,
	2016	2015
RSUs	\$36	\$38
Stock options	7	8
Stock-based compensation expense, before income taxes	s43	46
Related tax benefit	(17)	(18)
Stock-based compensation expense, net of tax benefit	\$26	\$28

During the three months ended March 31, 2016, the Company granted 3 million RSUs for CBS Corp. Class B Common Stock with a weighted average per unit grant-date fair value of \$45.74. RSUs granted during the first quarter of 2016 generally vest over a one- to four-year service period. Compensation expense for RSUs is determined based upon the market price of the shares underlying the awards on the date of grant. For certain RSU awards the number of shares an employee earns ranges from 0% to 120% of the target award, based on the outcome of established performance conditions. Compensation expense is recorded based on the probable outcome of the performance conditions. During the three months ended March 31, 2016, the Company also granted 2 million stock options with a weighted average exercise price of \$45.79. Stock options granted during the first quarter of 2016 vest over a four-year service period and expire eight years from the date of grant. Compensation expense for stock options is determined based on the grant date fair value of the award calculated using the Black-Scholes options-pricing model.

Total unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested RSUs at March 31, 2016 was \$286 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 2.7 years. Total unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested stock option awards at March 31, 2016 was \$65 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 2.7 years.

3) PROGRAMMING AND OTHER INVENTORY

	At	At
	March	December
	31, 2016	31, 2015
Acquired program rights	\$1,098	\$ 1,533
Internally produced programming:		
Released	1,542	1,261
In process and other	155	392
Publishing, primarily finished goods	50	42
Total programming and other inventory	2,845	3,228
Less current portion	822	1,271
Total noncurrent programming and other inventory	\$2,023	\$1,957

(Tabular dollars in millions, except per share amounts)

4) RELATED PARTIES

National Amusements, Inc. National Amusements, Inc. ("NAI") is the controlling stockholder of CBS Corp. and Viacom Inc. Mr. Sumner M. Redstone, the controlling stockholder, chairman of the board of directors and chief executive officer of NAI, is the Chairman Emeritus of each of CBS Corp. and Viacom Inc. In addition, Ms. Shari Redstone, Mr. Sumner M. Redstone's daughter, is the president and a director of NAI and the vice chair of the Board of Directors of each of CBS Corp. and Viacom Inc. Mr. David R. Andelman is a director of CBS Corp. and serves as a director of NAI. Mr. Frederic V. Salerno is a director of CBS Corp. and serves as a director of Viacom Inc. At March 31, 2016, NAI directly or indirectly owned approximately 79.5% of CBS Corp.'s voting Class A Common Stock, and owned approximately 8.6% of CBS Corp.'s Class A Common Stock and non-voting Class B Common Stock on a combined basis.

Viacom Inc. As part of its normal course of business, the Company licenses its television content, leases production facilities and sells advertising spots to various subsidiaries of Viacom Inc. Viacom Inc. also distributes certain of the Company's television programs in the home entertainment market. The Company's total revenues from these transactions were \$38 million and \$46 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

The Company places advertisements with and leases production facilities from various subsidiaries of Viacom Inc. The total amounts for these transactions were \$7 million and \$6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

The following table presents the amounts due from Viacom Inc. in the normal course of business as reflected on the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheets. Amounts due to Viacom Inc. were minimal at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015.

At At March 31, December 31, 2016 2015

Receivables \$115 \$115

Other assets (Receivables, noncurrent) 30 38

Total amounts due from Viacom Inc. \$145 \$153

Other Related Parties. The Company has equity interests in two domestic television networks and several international joint ventures for television channels from which the Company earns revenues primarily by selling its television programming. Total revenues earned from sales to these joint ventures were \$32 million and \$48 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively. At March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, total amounts due from these joint ventures were \$46 million and \$48 million, respectively.

The Company, through the normal course of business, is involved in transactions with other related parties that have not been material in any of the periods presented.

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

(Tabular dollars in millions, except per share amounts)

5) BANK FINANCING AND DEBT

The following table sets forth the Company's debt.

	At	At
	March 31,	December 31,
	2016	2015
Senior debt (1.95% - 7.875% due 2016 - 2045) (a)	\$ 8,166	\$ 8,365
Obligations under capital leases	83	83
Total debt	8,249	8,448
Less current portion of long-term debt	23	222
Total long-term debt, net of current portion	\$ 8,226	\$ 8,226

(a) At March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the senior debt balances included (i) a net unamortized discount of \$44 million and \$45 million, respectively, (ii) unamortized deferred financing costs of \$43 million and \$44 million, respectively, and (iii) an increase in the carrying value of the debt relating to previously settled fair value hedges of \$13 million and \$14 million, respectively. The face value of the Company's senior debt was \$8.24 billion and \$8.44 billion at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively.

During January 2016, the Company repaid its \$200 million of outstanding 7.625% senior debentures upon maturity.

Commercial Paper

The Company had no outstanding commercial paper borrowings under its \$2.5 billion commercial paper program at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015.

Credit Facility

At March 31, 2016, the Company had a \$2.5 billion revolving credit facility (the "Credit Facility") which expires in December 2019. The Credit Facility requires the Company to maintain a maximum Consolidated Leverage Ratio of 4.5x at the end of each quarter as further described in the Credit Facility. At March 31, 2016, the Company's Consolidated Leverage Ratio was approximately 2.4x.

The Consolidated Leverage Ratio is the ratio of the Company's indebtedness from continuing operations, adjusted to exclude certain capital lease obligations, at the end of a quarter, to the Company's Consolidated EBITDA for the trailing four consecutive quarters. Consolidated EBITDA is defined in the Credit Facility as operating income plus interest income and before depreciation, amortization and certain other noncash items.

The Credit Facility is used for general corporate purposes. At March 31, 2016, the Company had no borrowings outstanding under the Credit Facility and the remaining availability under the Credit Facility, net of outstanding letters of credit, was \$2.49 billion.

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

Pension

(Tabular dollars in millions, except per share amounts)

6) PENSION AND OTHER POSTRETIREMENT BENEFITS

The components of net periodic cost for the Company's pension and postretirement benefit plans were as follows:

Postretirement

	Benefits		Benefit	S
Three Months Ended March 31,	2016	2015	2016	2015
Components of net periodic cost:				
Service cost	\$8	\$8	\$ —	\$ —
Interest cost	54	52	5	5
Expected return on plan assets	(57)	(65)	_	
Amortization of actuarial loss (gain) (a)	21	20	(5)	(5)
Net periodic cost	\$26	\$15	\$ —	\$ —

(a) Reflects amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) to net earnings.

7) STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

During the first quarter of 2016, the Company repurchased 10.3 million shares of its Class B Common Stock under its share repurchase program for \$500 million. At March 31, 2016, the Company had \$1.50 billion of authorization remaining under its share repurchase program.

During the first quarter of 2016, the Company declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$.15 on its Class A and Class B Common Stock, resulting in total dividends of \$69 million, payable on April 1, 2016.

Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

The following tables summarize the changes in the components of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss).

Net

Cumulative Translation Adjustments	Service	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss
\$ 152		\$ (770)
		1
_	10 (a)	10
1	10	11
\$ 153	\$ (912)	\$ (759)
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(3) — — 9 (3) 9	(a) 9	
	\$ 152 ions 1	Actuarial Cumulative Gain Translation (Loss) Adjustments and Prior Service Cost \$ 152 \$ (922) ions 1

(a) Reflects amortization of net actuarial losses. See Note 6.

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

(Tabular dollars in millions, except per share amounts)

The net actuarial gain (loss) and prior service cost related to pension and other postretirement benefit plans included in other comprehensive income (loss) is net of a tax provision of \$6 million for both the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015.

8) INCOME TAXES

The provision for income taxes represents federal, state and local, and foreign income taxes on earnings before income taxes and equity in loss of investee companies.

The provision for income taxes was \$231 million for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and \$203 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015, reflecting an effective income tax rate of 31.9% and 33.3%, respectively. The lower tax rate for the three months ended March 31, 2016 includes a higher domestic production deduction resulting from the mix of revenues during the period and a lower effective state tax rate.

9) COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Guarantees

The Company has indemnification obligations with respect to letters of credit and surety bonds primarily used as security against non-performance in the normal course of business. At March 31, 2016, the outstanding letters of credit and surety bonds approximated \$110 million and were not recorded on the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

In the course of its business, the Company both provides and receives indemnities which are intended to allocate certain risks associated with business transactions. Similarly, the Company may remain contingently liable for various obligations of a business that has been divested in the event that a third party does not live up to its obligations under an indemnification obligation. The Company records a liability for its indemnification obligations and other contingent liabilities when probable and reasonably estimable.

Legal Matters

General. On an ongoing basis, the Company vigorously defends itself in numerous lawsuits and proceedings and responds to various investigations and inquiries from federal, state, local and international authorities (collectively, "litigation"). Litigation may be brought against the Company without merit, is inherently uncertain and always difficult to predict. However, based on its understanding and evaluation of the relevant facts and circumstances, the Company believes that the below-described legal matters and other litigation to which it is a party are not likely, in the aggregate, to have a material adverse effect on its results of operations, financial position or cash flows. Under the Separation Agreement between the Company and Viacom Inc., the Company and Viacom Inc. have agreed to defend and indemnify the other in certain litigation in which the Company and/or Viacom Inc. is named.

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Claims Related to Former Businesses: Asbestos. The Company is a defendant in lawsuits claiming various personal injuries related to asbestos and other materials, which allegedly occurred principally as a result of exposure caused by various products manufactured by Westinghouse, a predecessor, generally prior to the early 1970s. Westinghouse was neither a producer nor a manufacturer of asbestos. The Company is typically named as one of a large number of defendants in both state and federal cases. In the majority of asbestos lawsuits, the plaintiffs have not identified which of the Company's products is the basis of a claim. Claims against the Company in which a product has been identified principally relate to exposures allegedly caused by asbestos-containing insulating material in turbines sold for power-generation, industrial and marine use.

Claims are frequently filed and/or settled in groups, which may make the amount and timing of settlements, and the number of pending claims, subject to significant fluctuation from period to period. The Company does not report as pending those claims on inactive, stayed, deferred or similar dockets which some jurisdictions have established for claimants who allege minimal or no impairment. As of March 31, 2016, the Company had pending approximately 35,040 asbestos claims, as compared with approximately 36,030 as of December 31, 2015 and 40,090 as of March 31, 2015. During the first quarter of 2016, the Company received approximately 1,180 new claims and closed or moved to an inactive docket approximately 2,170 claims. The Company reports claims as closed when it becomes aware that a dismissal order has been entered by a court or when the Company has reached agreement with the claimants on the material terms of a settlement. Settlement costs depend on the seriousness of the injuries that form the basis of the claims, the quality of evidence supporting the claims and other factors. In 2015, as the result of an insurance settlement, insurance recoveries exceeded the Company's after tax costs for settlement and defense of asbestos claims by approximately \$5 million. In 2014, the Company's costs for settlement and defense of asbestos claims after insurance and taxes were approximately \$11 million. The Company's costs for settlement and defense of asbestos claims may vary year to year and insurance proceeds are not always recovered in the same period as the insured portion of the expenses.

The Company believes that its reserves and insurance are adequate to cover its asbestos liabilities. This belief is based upon many factors and assumptions, including the number of outstanding claims, estimated average cost per claim, the breakdown of claims by disease type, historic claim filings, costs per claim of resolution and the filing of new claims. While the number of asbestos claims filed against the Company has trended down in the past five to ten years and has remained flat in recent years, it is difficult to predict future asbestos liabilities, as events and circumstances may occur including, among others, the number and types of claims and average cost to resolve such claims, which could affect the Company's estimate of its asbestos liabilities.

Other. The Company from time to time receives claims from federal and state environmental regulatory agencies and other entities asserting that it is or may be liable for environmental cleanup costs and related damages principally relating to historical and predecessor operations of the Company. In addition, the Company from time to time receives personal injury claims including toxic tort and product liability claims (other than asbestos) arising from historical operations of the Company and its predecessors.

10) RESTRUCTURING CHARGES

During the year ended December 31, 2015, in a continued effort to reduce its cost structure, the Company initiated restructuring plans across several of its businesses, primarily for the reorganization of certain business operations. As a result, the Company recorded restructuring charges of \$81 million, reflecting \$48 million of severance costs and \$33 million of costs associated with exiting contractual obligations and other related costs. During the year ended December 31, 2014, the Company recorded restructuring charges of \$26 million reflecting \$17 million of severance costs and \$9 million of costs associated with exiting contractual obligations. As of March 31, 2016, the cumulative

settlements for the 2015 and 2014 restructuring charges were \$67 million, of which \$41 million was for

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severance costs and \$26 million was for costs associated with contractual obligations. The Company expects to substantially utilize its restructuring reserves by the end of 2016.

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	Balance at		2016		Balance			
	Daia	nce at	2010		at			
	Dece	mber 31,	C -441		Mar	ch 3	1,	
	2015		Settleme	ents	201	6		
Entertainment	\$	19	\$ (6)	\$	13		
Local Broadcasting	34		(8)	26			
Corporate	1				1			
Total	\$	54	\$ (14)	\$	40		
	Bala	nce at	2015	20	15		Balar	nce at
	Dece	mber 31,	Characa	C	.41	4	Dece	mber 31,
	2014		Charges	se	mem	ents	2015	
Entertainment	\$	6	\$ 26	\$	(13)	\$	19
Local Broadcasting	10		55	(3	31)	34	
Corporate	2			(1)	1	
Total	\$	18	\$ 81	\$	(45)	\$	54

11) FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The Company's carrying value of financial instruments approximates fair value, except for notes and debentures, which are not recorded at fair value. At March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the carrying value of the Company's senior debt was \$8.17 billion and \$8.37 billion, respectively, and the fair value, which is estimated based on quoted market prices for similar liabilities (Level 2) and includes accrued interest, was \$8.96 billion and \$8.78 billion, respectively.

The Company uses derivative financial instruments primarily to modify its exposure to market risks from fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates. The Company does not use derivative instruments unless there is an underlying exposure and, therefore, the Company does not hold or enter into derivative financial instruments for speculative trading purposes.

Foreign Exchange Contracts

Foreign exchange forward contracts have principally been used to hedge projected cash flows, in currencies such as the British Pound, the Euro, the Canadian Dollar and the Australian Dollar, generally for periods up to 24 months. The Company designates forward contracts used to hedge committed and forecasted foreign currency transactions as cash flow hedges. Gains or losses on the effective portion of designated cash flow hedges are initially recorded in other comprehensive income ("OCI") and reclassified to the statement of operations when the hedged item is recognized. Additionally, the Company enters into non-designated forward contracts to hedge non-U.S. dollar denominated cash flows.

At March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the notional amount of all foreign exchange contracts was \$340 million and \$291 million, respectively.

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Gains (losses) recognized on derivative financial instruments were as follows:

Three Months

Ended March 31,

Financial 2016 2015

Statement Account

Other items, net \$ 13 Non-designated foreign exchange contracts \$ (6)

Designated interest rate swaps (a) \$ 2 \$ — Interest expense

(a) The gain during the three months ended March 31, 2015 related to interest rate swaps that were settled during 2015.

The fair value of the Company's derivative instruments was not material to the Consolidated Balance Sheets for any of the periods presented.

The following tables set forth the Company's assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015. These assets and liabilities have been categorized according to the three-level fair value hierarchy established by the FASB, which prioritizes the inputs used in measuring fair value. Level 1 is based on publicly quoted prices for the asset or liability in active markets. Level 2 is based on inputs that are observable other than quoted market prices in active markets, such as quoted prices for the asset or liability in inactive markets or quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities. Level 3 is based on unobservable inputs reflecting the Company's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability.

Level 1 Level 2 Level 3 Total At March 31, 2016

Assets:

Foreign currency hedges \$ _\$ 9 _\$9 **Total Assets** \$ **-\$** 9 \$ **-\$9**

Liabilities:

Deferred compensation \$ **-\$** 313 \$ -\$313 Foreign currency hedges — 7 7

Total Liabilities \$ 320 \$ \$ -\$320

At December 31, 2015 Level 1 Level 2 Level 3 Total

Assets:

Foreign currency hedges \$ **-\$** 13 \$ **-\$13 Total Assets** \$ **-\$** 13 \$ **-\$13**

Liabilities:

Deferred compensation \$ **-\$** 312 **\$ -\$312** \$ **-\$** 312 **\$ -\$312 Total Liabilities**

The fair value of foreign currency hedges is determined based on the present value of future cash flows using observable inputs including foreign currency exchange rates. The fair value of deferred compensation liabilities is determined based on the fair value of the investments elected by employees.

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12) REPORTABLE SEGMENTS

The following tables set forth the Company's financial performance by reportable segment. The Company's operating segments, which are the same as its reportable segments, have been determined in accordance with the Company's internal management structure, which is organized based upon products and services.

Three Months					
Ended					
March 3	1,				
2016	2015				
\$2,587	\$2,261				
525	539				
145	145				

Local Broadcasting 649 596 Corporate/Eliminations (57) (41

Total Revenues \$3,849 \$3,500

Revenues generated between segments primarily reflect advertising sales and television license fees. These transactions are recorded at market value as if the sales were to third parties and are eliminated in consolidation.

Three Months Ended March 31, 20162015

Intercompany Revenues:

Entertainment \$61 \$40 Local Broadcasting 3 3 Total Intercompany Revenues \$64 \$43

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Revenues: Entertainment

Cable Networks Publishing

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The Company presents operating income (loss) excluding restructuring charges, impairment charges, and other operating items, net, if any, ("Segment Operating Income") as the primary measure of profit and loss for its operating segments in accordance with FASB guidance for segment reporting. The Company believes the presentation of Segment Operating Income is relevant and useful for investors because it allows investors to view segment performance in a manner similar to the primary method used by the Company's management and enhances their ability to understand the Company's operating performance.

Three

	Months
	Ended
	March 31,
	2016 2015
Segment Operating Income (Loss):	
Entertainment	\$449 \$346
Cable Networks	228 251
Publishing	13 12
Local Broadcasting	206 161
Corporate	(84) (68)
Total Segment Operating Income	812 702
Other operating items, net (a)	9 19
Operating income	821 721
Interest expense	(100) (93)
Interest income	7 5
Other items, net	(3) (23)
Earnings before income taxes and equity in loss of investee companies	725 610
Provision for income taxes	(231) (203)
Equity in loss of investee companies, net of tax	(21) (13)
Net earnings	\$473 \$394

(a) Other operating items, net includes gains from the sales of Internet businesses in China for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, and for 2016, also includes a multiyear, retroactive impact of a new operating tax.

Three Months Ended March 31, 20162015

Depreciation and Amortization:

Entertainment \$30 \$32
Cable Networks 6 6
Publishing 1 1
Local Broadcasting 19 21
Corporate 8 8
Total Depreciation and Amortization \$64 \$68

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Three Months Ended March 31, 20162015

Stock-based Compensation:

Entertainment \$15 \$16
Cable Networks 3 3
Publishing 1 1
Local Broadcasting 7 7
Corporate 17 19
Total Stock-based Compensation \$43 \$46

Three Months Ended March 31, 20162015

Capital Expenditures:

Entertainment \$13 \$8
Cable Networks 2 1
Publishing 3 —
Local Broadcasting 11 7
Corporate 9 1
Total Capital Expenditures \$38 \$17

At At

March 31, December 31,

2016 2015

Assets:

Entertainment \$10,888 \$ 10,910 Cable Networks 2,405 2,369 **Publishing** 809 880 **Local Broadcasting** 9,013 9,105 Corporate 361 476 Discontinued operations 25 25 **Total Assets** \$23,501 \$ 23,765

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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13) CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CBS Operations Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company. CBS Operations Inc. has fully and unconditionally guaranteed CBS Corp.'s senior debt securities. The following condensed consolidating financial statements present the results of operations, financial position and cash flows of CBS Corp., CBS Operations Inc., the direct and indirect Non-Guarantor Affiliates of CBS Corp. and CBS Operations Inc., and the eliminations necessary to arrive at the information for the Company on a consolidated basis.

Statement of Operations

	Statement of Operations									
	For the Three Months Ended March 31, 2016									
	CBS Corp.	CBS Operation Inc.	Non- sGuaranto Affiliates	or Elimination	CBS Cor Consolid	p. ated				
Revenues	\$47	\$ 3	\$ 3,799	\$ —	\$ 3,849					
Costs and expenses:										
Operating	17	1	2,338	_	2,356					
Selling, general and administrative	21	66	530		617					
Depreciation and amortization	1	5	58		64					
Other operating items, net		_	(9) —	(9)				
Total costs and expenses	39	72	2,917		3,028					
Operating income (loss)	8	(69)	882		821					
Interest (expense) income, net	(124)	(104)	135		(93)				
Other items, net	(1)	(10)	8		(3)				
Earnings (loss) before income taxes and equity in earnings (loss) of investee companies	(117)	(183)	1,025	_	725					
Benefit (provision) for income taxes	37	59	(327) —	(231)				
Equity in earnings (loss) of investee companies, net of tax	553	260) (813	(21)				
Net earnings	\$473	\$ 136	\$ 677	\$ (813)	\$ 473					
Total comprehensive income	\$484	\$ 140	\$ 679	\$ (819)	\$ 484					

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

	Statement of Operations For the Three Months Ended March 31, 2015									
	CBS Corp.	CBS Operation Inc.	Non- sGuaranto Affiliates	or Eliminatic	CBS Consolid	rp. lated				
Revenues	\$31	\$ 3	\$3,466	\$ —	\$ 3,500					
Costs and expenses:										
Operating	16	1	2,125		2,142					
Selling, general and administrative	12	61	515	_	588					
Depreciation and amortization	1	5	62	_	68					
Other operating items, net		_	(19) —	(19)				
Total costs and expenses	29	67	2,683	_	2,779					
Operating income (loss)	2	(64)	783	_	721					
Interest (expense) income, net	(115)	(98)	125		(88))				
Other items, net	(1)	11	(33)) —	(23)				
Earnings (loss) before income taxes and equity in earnings (loss) of investee companies	(114)	(151)	875	_	610					
Benefit (provision) for income taxes	37	49	(289) —	(203)				
Equity in earnings (loss) of investee companies, net of tax	471	315	(13) (786) (13)				
Net earnings	\$394	\$ 213	\$ 573	\$ (786	\$ 394					
Total comprehensive income	\$400	\$ 220	\$ 580	\$ (800	\$ 400					

	Balance S At March							
	CBS Corp.	CBS Operations Inc.	Non- Guarantor Affiliates	Eliminations	CBS Corp.			
Assets								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$170	\$ 1	\$240	\$ —	\$ 411			
Receivables, net	25	2	3,651		3,678			
Programming and other inventory	4	3	815		822			
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	30	23	599	(29)	623			
Total current assets	229	29	5,305	(29)	5,534			
Property and equipment	45	181	3,022	_	3,248			
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	22	123	1,727	_	1,872			
Net property and equipment	23	58	1,295		1,376			
Programming and other inventory	5	8	2,010	_	2,023			
Goodwill	98	62	6,373	_	6,533			
Intangible assets			5,509		5,509			
Investments in consolidated subsidiaries	43,302	13,036		(56,338)				
Other assets	159	12	2,355		2,526			
Intercompany		2,100	24,847	(26,947				
Total Assets	\$43,816	\$ 15,305	\$47,694	\$ (83,314)	\$ 23,501			
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity								
Accounts payable	\$1	\$ 3	\$192	\$ <i>-</i>	\$ 196			
Participants' share and royalties payable			987	_	987			
Program rights	3	4	513	_	520			
Current portion of long-term debt	7		16	_	23			
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	332	201	1,154	(29)	1,658			
Total current liabilities	343	208	2,862	(29)	3,384			
Long-term debt	8,113		113	_	8,226			
Other liabilities	2,930	248	3,230	_	6,408			
Intercompany	26,947			(26,947	_			
Stockholders' Equity:								
Preferred stock			126	(126				
Common stock	1	123	590	(713	1			
Additional paid-in capital	43,990		60,894		43,990			
Retained earnings (deficit)	(20,045)	15,049	(15,404)	355	(20,045)			
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		8	83	(91)	(759)			
1 /	23,187	15,180	46,289	(61,469	23,187			
Less treasury stock, at cost	17,704	331	4,800	(5,131	17,704			
Total Stockholders' Equity	5,483	14,849	41,489	(56,338	5,483			
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$43,816	\$ 15,305	\$47,694		\$ 23,501			

	Balance Sheet								
	At Decem	nber 31, 201:	5						
	CBS	CBS	Non-		CDC Com				
		Operations	Guarantor	Elimination	CBS Corp. Consolidated				
	Corp.	Inc.	Affiliates		Consondated				
Assets									
Cash and cash equivalents	\$267	\$ 1	\$55	\$ <i>-</i>	\$ 323				
Receivables, net	28	2	3,598		3,628				
Programming and other inventory	3	3	1,265	_	1,271				
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	192	26	337	(30	525				
Total current assets	490	32	5,255	(30	5,747				
Property and equipment	46	180	3,017		3,243				
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	20	118	1,700	_	1,838				
Net property and equipment	26	62	1,317	_	1,405				
Programming and other inventory	6	9	1,942	_	1,957				
Goodwill	98	62	6,321	_	6,481				
Intangible assets	_		5,514	_	5,514				
Investments in consolidated subsidiaries	42,744	12,775		(55,519) —				
Other assets	163	11	2,487		2,661				
Intercompany		2,248	23,988	(26,236) —				
Total Assets	\$43,527	\$ 15,199	\$46,824	\$ (81,785	\$ 23,765				
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity									
Accounts payable	\$1	\$ 4	\$187	\$ <i>-</i>	\$ 192				
Participants' share and royalties payable	_		1,013	_	1,013				
Program rights	4	4	366		374				
Current portion of long-term debt	206	_	16		222				
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	418	230	1,141	(30	1,759				
Total current liabilities	629	238	2,723	(30	3,560				
Long-term debt	8,113		113		8,226				
Other liabilities	2,986	252	3,178		6,416				
Intercompany	26,236		_	(26,236) —				
Stockholders' Equity:									
Preferred stock	_		126	(126) —				
Common stock	1	123	590	(713) 1				
Additional paid-in capital	44,055	_	60,894	(60,894	44,055				
Retained earnings (deficit)	(20,518)	14,913	(16,081)	1,168	(20,518)				
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(770)	4	81	(85) (770				
	22,768	15,040	45,610	(60,650	22,768				
Less treasury stock, at cost	17,205	331	4,800	(5,131	17,205				
Total Stockholders' Equity	5,563	14,709	40,810	(55,519	5,563				
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$43,527	\$ 15,199	\$46,824	\$ (81,785	\$ 23,765				

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	Statement of Cash Flows									
	For the Three Months Ended March 31, 2016									
	CBS			Non-			CBS Corp.	_		
	Corp.		Operation Inc.	ns	Guarant Affiliate		Eliminations	Consolidat		
Net cash flow (used for) provided by operating activities	\$(157	7)	\$ (103)	\$ 1,288		\$ —	-\$ 1,028		
Investing Activities:										
Acquisitions			_		(50)		(50)	
Capital expenditures			(9)	(29)		(38)	
Investments in and advances to investee companies			_		(32)		(32)	
Proceeds from dispositions	(2)	_		31			29		
Other investing activities	(7)	_					(7)	
Net cash flow used for investing activities	(9)	(9)	(80)		(98)	
Financing Activities:										
Repayment of senior debentures	(200)	_					(200)	
Payment of capital lease obligations			_		(4)		(4)	
Dividends	(73)	_					(73)	
Purchase of Company common stock	(533)	_					(533)	
Payment of payroll taxes in lieu of issuing shares for stock-based compensation	(46)					_	(46)	
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	6							6		
Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation	8				_			8		
	907		112		(1,019	`		o		
Increase (decrease) in intercompany payables Not each flow provided by (used for) finencing entivities	907 69		112		(1,019))		(842	`	
Net cash flow provided by (used for) financing activities	(97	`			185)		88)	
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	267)	1		55			323		
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	\$170		\$ 1		\$ 240		<u> </u>	-\$ 411		
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$1/0		φΙ		φ 24 U		φ —	-ф 4 11		

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Net cash flow (used for) provided by operating activities Investing Activities:	\$(117)) \$ (137	<i>)</i> \$	0/1	Ф	→ 417	
Acquisitions			(1)	(1	`
Capital expenditures		(1) () —	(17)
Investments in and advances to investee companies		(1		39) —	(39)
Proceeds from dispositions			,	59 59	, —	59	,
Other investing activities	3		J))	_	3	
Net cash flow provided by (used for) investing activities from	3						
continuing operations	3	(1) 3	3	_	5	
Net cash flow used for investing activities from discontinued	(3	· —	_			(3)
operations	(3	, —					,
Net cash flow (used for) provided by investing activities	_	(1) 3	3	_	2	
Financing Activities:							
Repayments of short-term debt borrowings, net	(616)) —	_			(616)
Proceeds from issuance of senior notes	1,178		_	_	_	1,178	
Payment of capital lease obligations			(4) —	(4)
Dividends	(80) —	_			(80)
Purchase of Company common stock	(1,049)) —	_	_	_	(1,049)
Payment of payroll taxes in lieu of issuing	(82	١				(82	`
shares for stock-based compensation	(02	, —			_	(62)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	80		_	_	_	80	
Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation	57		_	_	_	57	
Increase (decrease) in intercompany payables	729	138	(867) —		
Net cash flow provided by (used for) financing activities	217	138	(871) —	(516)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	100		(197) —	(97)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	63	1	3	664	_	428	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$163	\$ 1	\$	167	\$	-\$ 331	
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Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

(Tabular dollars in millions, except per share amounts)

Management's discussion and analysis of the results of operations and financial condition of CBS Corporation (the "Company" or "CBS Corp.") should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes in the Company's Annual Report filed on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015.

Overview

Business overview and strategy

The Company operates businesses which span the media and entertainment industries, including the CBS Television Network, cable networks, content production and distribution, television and radio stations, Internet-based businesses, and consumer publishing. The Company's principal strategy is to create and acquire premium content that is widely accepted by audiences and generate both advertising and non-advertising revenues from the distribution of this content on multiple media platforms and to various geographic locations. The Company continues to increase its investment in both Company-owned and acquired premium content to enhance its opportunities for revenue growth, which include exhibiting the Company's content on digital and other platforms through licensing and subscription services, including the Company's owned digital streaming services; expanding the distribution of its content internationally; securing compensation from multichannel video programming distributors ("MVPDs") and television stations affiliated with the CBS Television Network; and further monetizing delayed viewing. The Company believes that its increased investment in premium content will also enable it to stay ahead of changes in the media and entertainment industry, including new distribution platforms and changes in programming packages offered to consumers.

During the first quarter of 2016 the Company announced that it will begin to explore strategic options to separate its radio business.

Operational highlights - First quarter 2016 vs. 2015

Consolidated results of operations			In	crease/(l	Decre	ease)
Three Months Ended March 31,	2016	2015	\$		%	
Revenues	\$3,849	\$3,500	\$	349	10	%
Operating income	\$821	\$721	\$	100	14	%
Adjusted operating income (a)	\$812	\$702	\$	110	16	%
Net earnings	\$473	\$394	\$	79	20	%
Adjusted net earnings (a)	\$474	\$391	\$	83	21	%
Diluted EPS	\$1.02	\$.78	\$.24	31	%
Adjusted diluted EPS (a)	\$1.02	\$.77	\$.25	32	%

(a) See page 29 for reconciliations of adjusted results to the most directly comparable financial measures in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP").

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the Company reported record quarterly profits, reflecting the benefit from the CBS Television Network's broadcast of Super Bowl 50, strong demand for network advertising, and continued growth in affiliate and subscription fees.

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Results of Operations and Financial Condition (Continued) (Tabular dollars in millions, except per share amounts)

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the 10% increase in revenues was driven by 31% growth in advertising revenues, reflecting the broadcast of Super Bowl 50; 12% growth in underlying network advertising; and the broadcast of additional National Football League ("NFL") games on CBS as 2016 included two more regular season Sunday games and one additional playoff game compared to 2015. Affiliate and subscription fee revenues increased 15%, driven by 42% growth in station affiliation fees and retransmission revenues, as well as revenues from new digital distribution platforms. Content licensing and distribution revenues declined 29%, reflecting the timing of domestic and international television licensing sales compared to the first quarter of 2015 which included significant domestic licensing sales of NCIS and CSI.

Operating income grew 14% and diluted earnings per share ("EPS") increased 31% from the first quarter of 2015 primarily driven by the higher revenues. The EPS comparison also benefited from lower weighted average shares outstanding as a result of the Company's ongoing share repurchase program.

The Company generated operating cash flow of \$1.03 billion for the three months ended March 31, 2016 compared with \$417 million for the three months ended March 31, 2015. Free cash flow for the three months ended March 31, 2016 was \$990 million compared with \$400 million for the same prior-year period. These increases were primarily driven by growth in underlying advertising revenues and affiliate and subscription fees. The cash flow increases also reflect the benefit from additional NFL games broadcast on CBS in 2016, including Super Bowl 50, while the related programming rights are paid to the NFL in other periods. Free cash flow is a non-GAAP financial measure. See "Free Cash Flow" on page 39 for a reconciliation of net cash flow provided by (used for) operating activities, the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure, to free cash flow.

Share repurchases

During the first quarter of 2016, the Company repurchased 10.3 million shares of its Class B Common Stock under its share repurchase program for \$500 million. As of March 31, 2016, the Company had \$1.50 billion of authorization remaining on its share repurchase program.

Debt

During January 2016, the Company repaid its \$200 million of outstanding 7.625% senior debentures upon maturity.

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Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Measures

The first quarter of 2016 and 2015 each included discrete items that were not part of the normal course of operations. The following tables present adjusted operating income, adjusted net earnings, and adjusted diluted EPS, which exclude the impact of these discrete items. These adjusted results are non-GAAP financial measures, which are reconciled below to the most directly comparable financial measures in accordance with GAAP. The Company believes that presenting its financial results adjusted for the impact of discrete items is relevant and useful for investors because it allows investors to view performance in a manner similar to the method used by the Company's management and provides a clearer perspective on the underlying performance of the Company.

Three Months Ended March 31, Increase/(Decrease) 2016 2015 \$ % \$821 \$721 \$ 100 14 % Operating income Exclude: Other operating items, net (a) (9) (19) Adjusted operating income \$812 \$702 \$ 110 16 % Three Months Ended March 31, Increase/(Decrease) 2016 2015 \$ % Net earnings \$473 \$394 \$ 79 20 % Exclude: Other operating items, net (net of tax of (5) (3) \$4 million in 2016 and \$16 million in 2015) (a) Write-down of an equity investment 6 Adjusted net earnings \$474 \$391 \$ 83 21 % Three Months Ended March 31, Increase/(Decrease) 2015 \$ 2016 % Diluted EPS \$1.02 \$.78 \$.24 31 % Exclude: Other operating items, net (a) (.01)Write-down of an equity investment .01 Adjusted diluted EPS \$1.02 \$.77 \$.25 32 %

(a) Other operating items, net includes gains from the sales of Internet businesses in China for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, and for 2016, also includes a multiyear, retroactive impact of a new operating tax.

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Consolidated Results of Operations

Three Months Ended March 31, 2016 versus Three Months Ended March 31, 2015 Revenues

Three Months Ended March 31,											
		% of			% of		Increase/(Decrease			ease)	
Revenues by Type	2016	Total		2015	Total		\$		%		
		Rever	nues	-010	Rever	iues	Ψ		, .		
Advertising	\$2,342	61	%	\$1,784	51	%	\$ 558		31	%	
Content licensing and distribution	1729	19		1,028	29		(299)	(29)	
Affiliate and subscription fees	722	19		628	18		94		15		
Other	56	1		60	2		(4)	(7)	
Total Revenues	\$3,849	100	%	\$3,500	100	%	\$ 349		10	%	
Advertising											

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the 31% increase in advertising revenues was driven by additional NFL games broadcast on CBS in 2016 and 12% growth in underlying network advertising as a result of strong demand in the scatter market. The additional NFL games in 2016 included the Super Bowl, which is broadcast on the CBS Television Network once every three years through 2022 under the current contract; two regular season Sunday games; and one playoff game. These increases were partially offset by the impact from the sales of Internet businesses in China during 2015. In the second half of 2016 advertising revenues are expected to benefit from higher political spending associated with the U.S. presidential election. For the second quarter of 2016, advertising revenue comparisons will also be impacted by the absence of the broadcast of the finals of the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship ("NCAA Tournament"), which was broadcast by Turner Broadcasting Systems ("Turner") in 2016. Under the rights agreement with the NCAA, CBS and Turner alternate broadcasting both the semifinals and finals of the NCAA Tournament, with these games being broadcast by CBS in 2017. During March 2016, the Company and Turner extended their rights agreement for the NCAA Tournament with the NCAA, which previously went through 2024, for an additional eight years through 2032.

Content licensing and distribution

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the 29% decrease in content licensing and distribution revenues reflects the timing of domestic and international television licensing sales. The first quarter of 2015 included significant domestic licensing sales of NCIS and CSI and the initial benefit from a significant multiyear licensing agreement with Bell Media in Canada for Showtime original series. For the remainder of 2016, the content and licensing distribution revenue comparison will continue to be impacted by fluctuations resulting from the timing of when Company-owned television series are made available for multiyear licensing agreements. Television license fee revenues are recognized at the beginning of the license period in which programs are made available to the licensee for exhibition.

Affiliate and subscription fees

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the 15% increase in affiliate and subscription fees reflects growth in station affiliation fees, retransmission revenues, and revenues from new digital distribution platforms. The affiliate and subscription fees revenue comparison for the second quarter of 2016 will be impacted by the benefit to 2015 from Showtime Networks' distribution of a significant pay-per-view boxing event. Over the next few years the Company expects to renew a significant portion of its agreements with station affiliates and MVPDs. This, along with the Company's new digital distribution initiatives, including CBS All Access and Showtime's digital streaming

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subscription offering, are expected to result in continued growth in affiliate and subscription fees over the next several years.

International Revenues

The Company generated approximately 11% and 16% of its total revenues from international regions for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Operating Expenses

	Three Months Ended March 31,										
		% of					Increase/(De			ease)	
Operating Expenses by Type	2016	Operat Expen	_	2015	Operat Expen	_	\$		%		
Programming	\$1,113	47	%	\$832	39	%	\$ 281		34	%	
Production	675	29		657	31		18		3		
Participation, distribution and royalty	212	9		302	14		(90)	(30)	
Other	356	15		351	16		5		1		
Total Operating Expenses	\$2,356	100	%	\$2,142	100	%	\$ 214		10	%	

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the 34% increase in programming expenses was primarily driven by increased sports programming costs associated with the previously mentioned additional NFL games broadcast on CBS in 2016, including the broadcast of Super Bowl 50. The Super Bowl is broadcast on CBS once every three years through 2022 under the current contract with the NFL. The higher sports programming costs were partially offset by lower costs for acquired television series as a result of a shift to a higher mix of internally developed television series.

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the 3% increase in production expenses was the result of increased costs associated with the Super Bowl production in 2016 and an increased investment in internally developed television series, partially offset by lower costs associated with the timing of television licensing revenues.

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the 30% decrease in participation, distribution and royalty costs primarily reflects lower participations and residuals associated with the timing of television licensing revenues.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

Three Months Ended March 31,
% of % of Increase/(Decrease)
2016 Revenues 2015 Revenues \$ %

Selling, general and administrative expenses \$ \$617 16 % \$588 17 % \$ 29 5 %

Selling, general and administrative expenses ("SG&A") include expenses incurred for selling and marketing costs, occupancy and back office support. For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the 5% increase in SG&A expenses primarily reflects higher pension and other employee-related costs as well as higher advertising costs associated with the timing of series premieres on Showtime.

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Depreciation and Amortization

Three Months Ended March 31, Increase/(Decrease)

20162015 \$ %

Depreciation and amortization \$64 \$68 \$ (4) (6)%

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the 6% decrease in depreciation and amortization was the result of intangibles and property and equipment that became fully amortized, as well as the sales of Internet businesses in China during 2015.

Other operating items, net

For the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, other operating items, net includes gains from the sales of Internet businesses in China, and for 2016, also includes a multiyear, retroactive impact of a new operating tax.

Interest expense/income

Three Months Ended March 31,

Increase/(Decrease)

2016 2015 \$ %
Interest expense \$(100) \$(93) \$ 7 8 %
Interest income \$7 \$5 \$ 2 40 %

The following table presents the Company's outstanding debt balances, excluding capital leases, and the weighted average interest rate as of March 31, 2016 and 2015:

At March 31,

Weighted Weighted
Average Average

2016 Rate 2015 Rate

Weighted Weighted Average

Average Interest Rate

Total long-term debt \$8,166 4.61 % \$7,619 4.75 %

Other Items, Net

Three Months Ended March 31,

Increase/(Decrease)

2016 2015 \$ %

Other items, net \$(3) \$(23) \$ 20 87 %

Other items, net for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 primarily consists of foreign exchange losses. Provision for Income Taxes

Three Months Ended March 31,

Increase/(Decrease)

2016 2015 \$ % Tax provision \$231 \$203 \$ 28 14 %

Effective tax rate 31.9 % 33.3 %

The provision for income taxes represents federal, state and local, and foreign taxes on earnings before income taxes and equity in loss of investee companies. The lower tax rate for the three months ended March 31, 2016 includes a higher domestic production deduction resulting from the mix of revenues during the period and a lower effective state tax rate.

Equity in Loss of Investee Companies, Net of Tax

Three Months Ended March 31,

Increase/(Decrease)

2016 2015 \$ %

Equity in loss of investee companies, net of tax \$(21) \$(13) \$ 8 62 %

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, equity in loss of investee companies, net of tax includes a \$6 million write-down of an international television joint venture to its fair value.

Net Earnings and Diluted EPS

Three Months Ended March 31,

Increase/(Decrease)

2016 2015 \$ %

Net earnings \$473 \$394 \$ 79 20 %

Diluted EPS \$1.02 \$.78 \$.24 31 %

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the 20% increase in net earnings and the 31% increase in diluted EPS was driven by higher operating income. The increase in diluted EPS also reflects lower weighted average shares outstanding as a result of the Company's ongoing share repurchase program.

Segment Results of Operations

The Company presents operating income (loss) excluding restructuring charges, impairment charges, and other operating items, net, if any, ("Segment Operating Income") as the primary measure of profit and loss for its operating segments in accordance with FASB guidance for segment reporting. The Company believes the presentation of Segment Operating Income is relevant and useful for investors because it allows investors to view segment performance in a manner similar to the primary method used by the Company's management and enhances their ability to understand the Company's operating performance. The reconciliation of Segment Operating Income to the Company's consolidated Net earnings is presented in Note 12 (Reportable Segments) to the consolidated financial statements.

Three Months Ended March 31,								
% of % of In	ncrease/(D	ecrease)						
2016 Total 2015 Total \$	c,	%						
Revenues Revenues Revenues	,	U						
Entertainment \$2,587 67 % \$2,261 65 % \$	326 1	4 %						
Cable Networks 525 14 539 15 (1	14) (3)						
Publishing 145 4 145 4 —								
Local Broadcasting 649 17 596 17 53	3 9)						
Corporate/Eliminations (57) (2) (41) (1) (1	16) (3	39)						
Total Revenues \$3,849 100 % \$3,500 100 % \$	349 1	0 %						

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	Three Months Ended March 31,										
	% of			9	% of						
		Total			7	Γotal					
		Segm	ent		S	Segm	ent	Increas	se/(Decr	ease)
	2016	Opera Incon		2015	, _	Opera ncon		3\$		%	
Segment Operating Income (Loss):											
Entertainment	\$449	55	%	\$346	6	49	%	\$ 103		30	%
Cable Networks	228	28		251		36		(23)	(9)
Publishing	13	2		12		2		1		8	
Local Broadcasting	206	25		161		23		45		28	
Corporate	(84	(10)	(68)	(10)	(16)	(24)
Total Segment Operating Income	812	100	%	702		100	%	110		16	
Other operating items, net	9			19				(10)	(53)
Total Operating Income	\$821			\$721	l			\$ 100		14	%
	Thre	ee Moi	nths]	Endec	l M	I arch	31	,			
			Incr	ease/((De	ecrea	se)				
	201	62015	\$		%						
Depreciation and Amortization:											
Entertainment	\$30	\$ 32	\$ (2	2)	(6)%	6				
Cable Networks	6	6									
Publishing	1	1		-							
Local Broadcasting	19	21	(2)	(10))					
Corporate	8	8		-							
Total Depreciation and Amortization	n \$64	\$ 68	\$ (4	1)	(6)9	%				

Entertainment (CBS Television Network, CBS Television Studios, CBS Global Distribution Group, CBS Interactive and CBS Films)

	Three Months Ended March 31,						
			Increase/	(Decrease)			
	2016	2015	\$	%			
Revenues	\$2,587	\$2,261	\$ 326	14 %			
Segment Operating Income	\$449	\$346	\$ 103	30 %			
Segment Operating Income as a % of revenues	17 %	15 %	n/m	n/m			
Depreciation and amortization	\$30	\$32	\$ (2)	(6)%			
Capital expenditures	\$13	\$8	\$ 5	63 %			
n/m - not meaningful							

Three Months Ended March 31, 2016 and 2015

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the 14% increase in revenues reflects 49% growth in advertising revenues for the CBS Television Network, driven by the broadcast of Super Bowl 50; 12% growth in underlying advertising; and additional NFL games broadcast on CBS, as 2016 included two more regular season Sunday games and one additional playoff game compared to 2015. Additionally, affiliate and subscription fees grew 67% for the first quarter. These increases were partially offset by lower content licensing and distribution revenues due to timing, as the first quarter of 2015 benefited from significant domestic licensing sales of NCIS and CSI. The revenue comparison was also impacted by the sales of Internet businesses in China during 2015.

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the 30% increase in operating income was primarily driven by the aforementioned growth in revenues.

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For the second quarter of 2016, advertising revenue comparisons will also be impacted by the absence of the broadcast of the finals of the NCAA Tournament, which was broadcast by Turner in 2016. Under the rights agreement with the NCAA, CBS and Turner alternate broadcasting both the semifinals and finals of the NCAA Tournament, with these games being broadcast by CBS in 2017. During March 2016, the Company and Turner extended their rights agreement for the NCAA Tournament with the NCAA, which previously went through 2024, for an additional eight years through 2032.

Cable Networks (Showtime Networks, CBS Sports Network and Smithsonian Networks)

	Three Months Ended March 31,						
			Increase/	(Decre	ease)		
	2016	2015	\$	%			
Revenues	\$525	\$539	\$ (14)	(3)%		
Segment Operating Income	\$228	\$251	\$ (23)	(9)%		
Segment Operating Income as a % of revenues	43 %	47 %	n/m	n/m			
Depreciation and amortization	\$6	\$6	\$ —	_	%		
Capital expenditures	\$2	\$1	\$ 1	100	%		

n/m - not meaningful

Three Months Ended March 31, 2016 and 2015

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the 3% decrease in revenues was driven by the timing of international licensing sales of Showtime original series as the first quarter of 2015 included the initial benefit from a significant multiyear licensing agreement with Bell Media in Canada. The decline was partially offset by growth in revenues from new digital distribution platforms. As of March 31, 2016 subscriptions totaled 78 million for Showtime Networks (including Showtime, The Movie Channel and Flix), 55 million for CBS Sports Network and 34 million for Smithsonian Networks.

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the 9% decrease in operating income primarily reflects lower international licensing revenues as well as incremental costs associated with the 2016 series premiere of Billions on Showtime.

Publishing (Simon & Schuster)

	Three Months Ended March 31,						
			Increas	se/(Decr	ease)		
	2016	2015	\$	%			
Revenues	\$145	\$145	\$ —	_	%		
Segment Operating Income	\$13	\$12	\$ 1	8	%		
Segment Operating Income as a % of revenues	9 %	8 %	n/m	n/m			
Depreciation and amortization	\$1	\$1	\$ —		%		
Capital expenditures	\$3	\$ —	\$ 3	n/m			
n/m - not meaningful							

Three Months Ended March 31, 2016 and 2015

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, revenues remained flat. Digital revenues represented 28% of Publishing's total revenues for the first quarter of 2016. Best-selling titles in the first quarter of 2016 included Lady Midnight: The Dark Artifices by Cassandra Clare and As Time Goes By by Mary Higgins Clark.

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For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the \$1 million increase in operating income reflects lower production and selling costs.

Local Broadcasting (CBS Television Stations and CBS Radio)

	Three Months Ended March 31,					
			Increase	/(Decrease)	
	2016	2015	\$	%		
Revenues	\$649	\$596	\$ 53	9 %		
Segment Operating Income	\$206	\$161	\$ 45	28 %		
Segment Operating Income as a % of revenues	32 %	27 %	n/m	n/m		
Depreciation and amortization	\$19	\$21	\$ (2)	(10)%		
Capital expenditures	\$11	\$7	\$ 4	57 %		

n/m - not meaningful

Three Months Ended March 31, 2016 and 2015

For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the 9% increase in revenues was the result of 18% growth at CBS Television Stations, reflecting the broadcast of Super Bowl 50 on CBS, higher political advertising sales, and growth in retransmission revenues. These increases were partially offset by lower radio revenues, which decreased 2%. For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the 28% increase in operating income reflects the revenue growth and

lower expenses, as a result of cost-cutting measures the Company put in place in 2015. In the second half of 2016, local advertising revenues are expected to benefit from higher political spending associated with the U.S. presidential election.

Corporate

corporate							
	Three Months Ended March 31,						
	Increase/(Decrease						
	2016	2015	\$	%			
Segment Operating Loss	\$(84)	\$(68)	\$ (16)	(24)%		
Depreciation and amortization	\$8	\$8	\$ —		%		
Capital expenditures (a)	\$9	\$1	\$8	n/m			
n/m - not meaningful							

(a) Primarily reflects the timing of capital projects.

Three Months Ended March 31, 2016 and 2015

Corporate expenses include general corporate overhead, unallocated shared company expenses, pension and postretirement benefit costs for plans retained by the Company for previously divested businesses, and intercompany eliminations. For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the increase in corporate expenses of 24% primarily reflects higher pension and other employee-related costs.

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Financial Position

	At	At	Increase	:/(l	Decre	ease)
	March 31,	December 31,	¢		%	
	2016	2015	Ф		70	
Current assets:						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$411	\$ 323	\$ 88		27	%
Receivables, net	3,678	3,628	50		1	
Programming and other inventory (a)	822	1,271	(449)	(35)
Other current assets (b)	434	249	185		74	
All other current assets, net	189	276	(87)	(32)
Total current assets	\$5,534	\$ 5,747	\$ (213)	(4)%

⁽a) The decrease reflects the expensing of prepaid sports program rights.

(b) The increase primarily reflects amounts collectible on behalf of Turner under the rights agreement with the NCAA for the NCAA Tournament. In connection with this agreement, the Company collects all television advertising receivables, including those generated by Turner.

	At	At	Increase/(l	Decrease)
	March 31,	December 31,	¢	%
	2016	2015	Ф	70
Other assets (a)	\$2,526	\$ 2,661	\$ (135)	(5)%

(a) The decrease primarily reflects lower long-term receivables associated with revenues from television licensing agreements.

	At	At	Increase	e/(]	Decre	ease)
	March 31,	December 31,	¢		%	
	2016	2015	Ф		70	
Current liabilities:						
Accounts payable	\$ 196	\$ 192	\$ 4		2	%
Accrued compensation (a)	193	315	(122)	(39)
Program rights (b)	520	374	146		39	
Current portion of long-term debt (c)	23	222	(199)	(90)
All other current liabilities, net	2,452	2,457	(5)	—	
Total current liabilities	\$3,384	\$ 3,560	\$ (176)	(5)%

⁽a) The decrease is primarily due to the timing of payments.

Cash Flows

The changes in cash and cash equivalents were as follows:

	Three Months Ended March 31,					
	2016	2015	Increase/(Dec	rease)		
Cash provided by operating activities	\$1,028	\$417	\$ 611			
Cash (used for) provided by investing activities from:						
Continuing operations	(98) 5	(103)		

⁽b) The increase primarily reflects the timing of payments under the rights agreement with Turner and the NCAA for the NCAA Tournament.

⁽c) The decrease was primarily the result of the repayment of \$200 million of outstanding senior debentures upon maturity in January 2016.

Discontinued operations	_	(3)	3	
Cash (used for) provided by investing activities	(98) 2	(100)
Cash used for financing activities	(842) (516)	(326)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	\$88	\$(97)	\$ 185	

Operating Activities. For the three months ended March 31, 2016, the increase in cash provided by operating activities primarily resulted from growth in underlying advertising revenues and affiliate and subscription fees. The increase also reflects the benefit from additional NFL games broadcast on CBS in 2016, including Super Bowl 50, while the related programming rights are paid to the NFL in other periods.

Three Months

Cash paid for income taxes for the three months ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 was as follows:

	Ended	Months March
Cash taxes included in operating activities	31, 2016 \$15	2015 \$61
Excess tax benefits from the exercise of stock options and vesting of restricted stock units, included in financing activities	(8)	(57)
Cash paid for income taxes Investing Activities	\$7	\$4

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Ended N	March
31,	
2016	2015
\$(50)	\$(1)
(38)	(17)
(32)	(39)
29	59
(7)	3
(98)	5
	(3)
\$(98)	\$2
	Ended M 31, 2016 \$(50) (38) (32) 29 (7) (98)

- (a) The three months ended March 31, 2016, reflects the acquisition of a sports-focused digital media business.
- (b) Primarily reflects the timing of capital projects. Capital expenditures for the full year 2016 are expected to be at a similar level as the prior three years, which ranged from \$193 million to \$212 million.
- (c) Mainly includes the Company's investment in The CW as well as its other domestic and international television joint ventures.
- (d) Primarily reflects sales of Internet businesses in China.

Financing Activities

	Three Months			
	Ended March 31,			
	2016		2015	
Repurchase of CBS Corp. Class B Common Stock	\$(533	3)	\$(1,04	9)
Repayments of short-term debt borrowings, net	_		(616)
Proceeds from issuance of senior notes	_		1,178	
Repayment of senior debentures	(200)		
Dividends	(73)	(80)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	6		80	

All other financing activities, net	(42)	(29)
Cash flow used for financing activities	\$(842)	\$(516)

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Free Cash Flow

Free cash flow is a non-GAAP financial measure. Free cash flow reflects the Company's net cash flow provided by (used for) operating activities before operating cash flow from discontinued operations and less capital expenditures. The Company's calculation of free cash flow includes capital expenditures because investment in capital expenditures is a use of cash that is directly related to the Company's operations. The Company's net cash flow provided by (used for) operating activities is the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure.

Management believes free cash flow provides investors with an important perspective on the cash available to the Company to service debt, make strategic acquisitions and investments, maintain its capital assets, satisfy its tax obligations, and fund ongoing operations and working capital needs. As a result, free cash flow is a significant measure of the Company's ability to generate long-term value. It is useful for investors to know whether this ability is being enhanced or degraded as a result of the Company's operating performance. The Company believes the presentation of free cash flow is relevant and useful for investors because it allows investors to evaluate the cash generated from the Company's underlying operations in a manner similar to the method used by management. Free cash flow is one of several components of incentive compensation targets for certain management personnel. In addition, free cash flow is a primary measure used externally by the Company's investors, analysts and industry peers for purposes of valuation and comparison of the Company's operating performance to other companies in its industry.

As free cash flow is not a measure calculated in accordance with GAAP, free cash flow should not be considered in isolation of, or as a substitute for, either net cash flow provided by (used for) operating activities as a measure of liquidity or net earnings as a measure of operating performance. Free cash flow, as the Company calculates it, may not be comparable to similarly titled measures employed by other companies. In addition, free cash flow as a measure of liquidity has certain limitations, does not necessarily represent funds available for discretionary use and is not necessarily a measure of the Company's ability to fund its cash needs. When comparing free cash flow to net cash flow provided by (used for) operating activities, the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure, users of this financial information should consider the types of events and transactions that are not reflected in free cash flow.

The following table presents a reconciliation of the Company's net cash flow provided by operating activities to free cash flow.

Repurchase of Company Stock and Cash Dividends

During the first quarter of 2016, the Company repurchased 10.3 million shares of its Class B Common Stock under its share repurchase program for \$500 million. At March 31, 2016, the Company had \$1.50 billion of authorization remaining under its share repurchase program. The Company expects to complete the share repurchase program by the end of 2016. This timing is subject to market and business conditions, and remains at the discretion of management. These repurchases are expected to be funded by cash flows from operations and, as appropriate, with short-term borrowings, including commercial paper, and/or the issuance of long-term debt.

During the first quarter of 2016, the Company declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$.15 on its Class A and Class B Common Stock, resulting in total dividends of \$69 million, payable on April 1, 2016.

Capital Structure

The following table sets forth the Company's debt.

	At	At
	March 31,	December 31,
	2016	2015
Senior debt (1.95% – 7.875% due 2016 – 2045)	\$8,166	\$ 8,365
Obligations under capital leases	83	83
Total debt	8,249	8,448
Less current portion of long-term debt	23	222
Total long-term debt, net of current portion	\$8,226	\$ 8,226

(a) At March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, the senior debt balances included (i) a net unamortized discount of \$44 million and \$45 million, respectively, (ii) unamortized deferred financing costs of \$43 million and \$44 million, respectively, and (iii) an increase in the carrying value of the debt relating to previously settled fair value hedges of \$13 million and \$14 million, respectively. The face value of the Company's senior debt was \$8.24 billion and \$8.44 billion at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively.

During January 2016, the Company repaid its \$200 million of outstanding 7.625% senior debentures upon maturity.

Commercial Paper

The Company had no outstanding commercial paper borrowings under its \$2.5 billion commercial paper program at March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015. The Company's commercial paper borrowings fluctuate based on the timing of the Company's cash requirements for its operating, investing and financing needs as well as the cash flows generated to meet these needs.

Credit Facility

At March 31, 2016, the Company had a \$2.5 billion revolving credit facility (the "Credit Facility") which expires in December 2019. The Credit Facility requires the Company to maintain a maximum Consolidated Leverage Ratio of 4.5x at the end of each quarter as further described in the Credit Facility. At March 31, 2016, the Company's Consolidated Leverage Ratio was approximately 2.4x.

The Consolidated Leverage Ratio is the ratio of the Company's indebtedness from continuing operations, adjusted to exclude certain capital lease obligations, at the end of a quarter, to the Company's Consolidated EBITDA for the trailing four consecutive quarters. Consolidated EBITDA is defined in the Credit Facility as operating income plus interest income and before depreciation, amortization and certain other noncash items.

The Credit Facility is used for general corporate purposes. At March 31, 2016, the Company had no borrowings outstanding under the Credit Facility and the remaining availability under the Credit Facility, net of outstanding letters of credit, was \$2.49 billion.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

The Company continually projects anticipated cash requirements for its operating, investing and financing needs as well as cash flows generated from operating activities available to meet these needs. The Company's operating needs include, among other items, commitments for sports programming rights, television and film programming,

talent contracts, operating leases, interest payments, and pension funding obligations. The Company's investing and financing spending includes capital expenditures, share repurchases, dividends and principal payments on its outstanding indebtedness. The Company believes that its operating cash flows; cash and cash equivalents; borrowing capacity under the Credit Facility, which had \$2.49 billion of remaining availability at March 31, 2016; and access to capital markets are sufficient to fund its operating, investing and financing requirements for the next twelve months.

The Company's funding for short-term and long-term obligations will come primarily from cash flows from operating activities. Any additional cash funding requirements are financed with short-term borrowings, including commercial paper, and long-term debt. To the extent that commercial paper is not available to the Company, the existing Credit Facility provides sufficient capacity to satisfy short-term borrowing needs. The Company routinely assesses its capital structure and opportunistically enters into transactions to lower its interest expense, which could result in a charge from the early extinguishment of debt.

Funding for the Company's long-term debt obligations due over the next five years of \$2.10 billion is expected to come from the Company's ability to refinance its debt and cash generated from operating activities.

Legal Matters

General. On an ongoing basis, the Company vigorously defends itself in numerous lawsuits and proceedings and responds to various investigations and inquiries from federal, state, local and international authorities (collectively, "iltigation"). Litigation may be brought against the Company without merit, is inherently uncertain and always difficult to predict. However, based on its understanding and evaluation of the relevant facts and circumstances, the Company believes that the below-described legal matters and other litigation to which it is a party are not likely, in the aggregate, to have a material adverse effect on its results of operations, financial position or cash flows. Under the Separation Agreement between the Company and Viacom Inc., the Company and Viacom Inc. have agreed to defend and indemnify the other in certain litigation in which the Company and/or Viacom Inc. is named.

Claims Related to Former Businesses: Asbestos. The Company is a defendant in lawsuits claiming various personal injuries related to asbestos and other materials, which allegedly occurred principally as a result of exposure caused by various products manufactured by Westinghouse, a predecessor, generally prior to the early 1970s. Westinghouse was neither a producer nor a manufacturer of asbestos. The Company is typically named as one of a large number of defendants in both state and federal cases. In the majority of asbestos lawsuits, the plaintiffs have not identified which of the Company's products is the basis of a claim. Claims against the Company in which a product has been identified principally relate to exposures allegedly caused by asbestos-containing insulating material in turbines sold for power-generation, industrial and marine use.

Claims are frequently filed and/or settled in groups, which may make the amount and timing of settlements, and the number of pending claims, subject to significant fluctuation from period to period. The Company does not report as pending those claims on inactive, stayed, deferred or similar dockets which some jurisdictions have established for claimants who allege minimal or no impairment. As of March 31, 2016, the Company had pending approximately 35,040 asbestos claims, as compared with approximately 36,030 as of December 31, 2015 and 40,090 as of March 31, 2015. During the first quarter of 2016, the Company received approximately 1,180 new claims and closed or moved to an inactive docket approximately 2,170 claims. The Company reports claims as closed when it becomes aware that a dismissal order has been entered by a court or when the Company has reached agreement with the claimants on the material terms of a settlement. Settlement costs depend on the seriousness of the injuries that form the basis of the

claims, the quality of evidence supporting the claims and other factors. In 2015, as the result of an insurance settlement, insurance recoveries exceeded the Company's after tax costs for

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settlement and defense of asbestos claims by approximately \$5 million. In 2014, the Company's costs for settlement and defense of asbestos claims after insurance and taxes were approximately \$11 million. The Company's costs for settlement and defense of asbestos claims may vary year to year and insurance proceeds are not always recovered in the same period as the insured portion of the expenses.

Filings include claims for individuals suffering from mesothelioma, a rare cancer, the risk of which is allegedly increased by exposure to asbestos; lung cancer, a cancer which may be caused by various factors, one of which is alleged to be asbestos exposure; other cancers, and conditions that are substantially less serious, including claims brought on behalf of individuals who are asymptomatic as to an allegedly asbestos-related disease. The predominant number of claims against the Company are non-cancer claims. The Company believes that its reserves and insurance are adequate to cover its asbestos liabilities. This belief is based upon many factors and assumptions, including the number of outstanding claims, estimated average cost per claim, the breakdown of claims by disease type, historic claim filings, costs per claim of resolution and the filing of new claims. While the number of asbestos claims filed against the Company has trended down in the past five to ten years and has remained flat in recent years, it is difficult to predict future asbestos liabilities, as events and circumstances may occur including, among others, the number and types of claims and average cost to resolve such claims, which could affect the Company's estimate of its asbestos liabilities.

Other. The Company from time to time receives claims from federal and state environmental regulatory agencies and other entities asserting that it is or may be liable for environmental cleanup costs and related damages principally relating to historical and predecessor operations of the Company. In addition, the Company from time to time receives personal injury claims including toxic tort and product liability claims (other than asbestos) arising from historical operations of the Company and its predecessors.

Related Parties

See Note 4 to the consolidated financial statements. Recent Pronouncements and Adoption of New Accounting Standards See Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements.

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Critical Accounting Policies

See Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Results of Operations and Financial Condition in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, for a discussion of the Company's critical accounting policies.

Cautionary Statement Concerning Forward-Looking Statements

This quarterly report on Form 10-Q, including "Item 2 - Management's Discussion and Analysis of Results of Operations and Financial Condition," contains both historical and forward looking statements, All statements other than statements of historical fact are, or may be deemed to be, forward looking statements within the meaning of section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These forward looking statements are not based on historical facts, but rather reflect the Company's current expectations concerning future results and events. These forward-looking statements generally can be identified by the use of statements that include phrases such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "plan," "foresee," "likely," "will," "may," " other similar words or phrases. Similarly, statements that describe the Company's objectives, plans or goals are or may be forward looking statements. These forward looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that are difficult to predict and which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of the Company to be different from any future results, performance and achievements expressed or implied by these statements. These risks, uncertainties and other factors include, among others; advertising market conditions generally; changes in the public acceptance of the Company's programming; changes in technology and its effect on competition in the Company's markets; changes in the federal communications laws and regulations; the ability to achieve the separation of the Company's radio business on terms that the Company finds acceptable; the impact of piracy on the Company's products; the impact of consolidation in the market for the Company's programming; the impact of negotiations or the loss of affiliation agreements or retransmission agreements; the impact of union activity, including possible strikes or work stoppages or the Company's inability to negotiate favorable terms for contract renewals; other domestic and global economic, business, competitive and/or regulatory factors affecting the Company's businesses generally; and other factors described in the Company's filings made under the securities laws, including, among others, those set forth under "Item 1A. Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015 and in our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-O. There may be additional risks, uncertainties and factors that the Company does not currently view as material or that are not necessarily known. The forward looking statements included in this document are made as of the date of this document and the Company does not have any obligation to publicly update any forward looking statements to reflect subsequent events or circumstances.

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Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

There have been no significant changes to market risk since reported in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures.

The Company's chief executive officer and chief operating officer have concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this report, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) or 15d-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) were effective, based on the evaluation of these controls and procedures required by Rule 13a-15(b) or 15d-15(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

No change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting occurred during the Company's last fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

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PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1A. Risk Factors.

The following updates the corresponding risk factor included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015.

The Company Could Suffer Losses Due to Asset Impairment Charges for Goodwill, Intangible Assets, FCC Licenses and Programming

As disclosed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015, based on the Company's most recent annual impairment tests for goodwill and FCC licenses performed during the fourth quarter of 2015, the estimated fair value of the Company's CBS Radio reporting unit exceeded its carrying value by less than 1%, the carrying value of FCC licenses in eighteen radio markets was equal to their respective fair values, and the carrying value of FCC licenses in four radio markets was within 10% of their respective estimated fair values. Any downward revisions to the estimated fair value of the CBS Radio reporting unit and/or these FCC licenses could cause the estimated fair value to fall below their respective carrying values, which could result in a noncash impairment charge. Any impairment charge for goodwill and/or FCC licenses could have a material adverse effect on the Company's reported net earnings.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.

Company Purchases of Equity Securities

In November 2010, the Company announced that its Board of Directors approved a program to repurchase \$1.5 billion of the Company's common stock in open market purchases or other types of transactions (including accelerated stock repurchases or privately negotiated transactions). Since then, various increases to such amount have been approved and announced, including most recently a \$3.0 billion increase to the amount available under such program on August 7, 2014. Below is a summary of CBS Corp.'s purchases of its Class B Common Stock during the three months ended March 31, 2016.

(in millions, except per share amounts)	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Per Share	Purchased	Remaining Authorization
January 1, 2016 - January 31, 2016	3.0	\$46.26	3.0	\$ 1,862
February 1, 2016 - February 29, 2016	3.5	\$46.00	3.5	\$ 1,702
March 1, 2016 - March 31, 2016	3.8	\$ 52.93	3.8	\$ 1,502
Total	10.3	\$ 48.63	10.3	\$ 1,502

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Item 6. Exhibits.

Exhibit

Description of Document

- (4) Instruments defining the rights of security holders, including indentures.
 - Amended and Restated Senior Indenture dated as of November 3, 2008 ("2008 Indenture") between CBS Corporation, CBS Operations Inc., and The Bank of New York Mellon, as senior trustee (incorporated by
 - (a) reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 filed by CBS Corporation on November 3, 2008 (Registration No. 333-154962) (File No. 001-09553)).

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The other instruments defining the rights of holders of the long-term debt securities of CBS Corporation and its subsidiaries are omitted pursuant to section (b)(4)(iii)(A) of Item 601 of Regulation S-K. CBS Corporation hereby agrees to furnish copies of these instruments to the Securities and Exchange Commission upon request.

(10) Material Contracts

Employment Agreement dated December 11, 2014 between CBS Corporation and Leslie Moonves (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(o) to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of CBS Corporation for the year ended December 31, 2014) (File No. 001-09553), as amended by a Letter Agreement dated February 24,

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- (12) Statement Regarding Computation of Ratios (filed herewith)
- (31) Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certifications
 - (a) Certification of the Chief Executive Officer of CBS Corporation pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a), or 15d-14(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002 (filed herewith).
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SIGNATURES

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

CBS CORPORATION

(Registrant)

Date: May 4, 2016 /s/ Joseph R. Ianniello

Joseph R. Ianniello Chief Operating Officer

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