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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q
ý QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT
For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2014

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

For the transition period from to
Commission file number 000-20557

THE ANDERSONS, INC.
(Exact name of the registrant as specified in its charter

## OHIO

(State of incorporation or organization)
480 W. Dussel Drive, Maumee, Ohio
(Address of principal executive offices) (419) 893-5050
(Telephone Number)

34-1562374
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
43537
(Zip Code)
(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report.)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes ý No * Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T ( 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files. Yes ý No *
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.
Large accelerated filer
Non-accelerated filer

[^0]Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes " No ý
The registrant had approximately 28.2 million common shares outstanding, no par value, at April 30, 2014.

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## Part I. Financial Information

## Item 1. Financial Statements

The Andersons, Inc.
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets
(Unaudited)(In thousands)

Assets
Current assets:
Cash and cash equivalents \$43,693 \$309,085 \$58,284
Restricted cash
Accounts receivable, net
Inventories (Note 2)
Commodity derivative assets - current
Deferred income taxes
Other current assets
Total current assets
Other assets:
Commodity derivative assets - noncurrent
Goodwill
Other assets, net
Pension assets
Equity method investments
Railcar assets leased to others, net (Note 3)
Property, plant and equipment, net (Note 3)
Total assets

| March 31, | December 31, | March 31, |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2014 | 2013 | 2013 |

652
191,972
$\begin{array}{lll}725,584 & 614,923 & 753,378\end{array}$
119,330 71,319 158,079
9,104 $\quad 4,931 \quad 15,482$
48,214 $\quad 47,188 \quad 63,350$
$1,138,549 \quad 1,221,784 \quad 1,247,050$
1,365 $246 \quad 813$
58,554 58,554 54,387
55,974 59,456 50,148
15,079 14,328 -
232,396 291,109 190,377
363,368 423,693 295,725
237,534 240,621 244,706
386,132 387,458 364,307
\$2,125,583 \$2,273,556 \$2,151,788

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The Andersons, Inc.
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (continued)
(Unaudited)(In thousands)

| March 31, | December 31, | March 31, |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2014 | 2013 | 2013 |

Liabilities and equity
Current liabilities:
Borrowings under short-term line of credit
Accounts payable for grain
Other accounts payable
Customer prepayments and deferred revenue
Commodity derivative liabilities - current
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities
Current maturities of long-term debt (Note 10)
Total current liabilities
Other long-term liabilities
Commodity derivative liabilities - noncurrent
Employee benefit plan obligations
Long-term debt, less current maturities (Note 10)
Deferred income taxes
Total liabilities

| $\$ 226,100$ | $\$-$ | $\$ 292,100$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 183,998 | 592,183 | 183,997 |
| 177,623 | 154,599 | 182,013 |
| 124,981 | 59,304 | 160,191 |
| 32,153 | 63,954 | 50,157 |
| 56,290 | 70,295 | 52,519 |
| 90,760 | 51,998 | 43,052 |
| 891,905 | 992,333 | 964,029 |
| 14,749 | 15,386 | 16,898 |
| 734 | 6,644 | 3,220 |
| 39,989 | 39,477 | 52,927 |
| 306,161 | 375,213 | 412,700 |
| 128,716 | 120,082 | 77,694 |
| $1,382,254$ | $1,549,135$ | $1,527,468$ |

Commitments and contingencies (Note 11)
Shareholders' equity:
Common shares, without par value ( 42,000 shares authorized;
28,797 shares issued)
Preferred shares, without par value ( 1,000 shares authorized; none issued)
Additional paid-in-capital
Treasury shares, at cost ( 378,607 and 713 shares at $3 / 31 / 14$, $12 / 31 / 13$ and $3 / 31 / 13$, respectively)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss
Retained earnings
Total shareholders' equity of The Andersons, Inc.
Noncontrolling interests
Total equity
Total liabilities and equity
See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

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The Andersons, Inc.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income
(Unaudited)(In thousands, except per share data)

|  | Three months ended |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| March 31, |  |$\quad$|  | 2014 | 2013 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Sales and merchandising revenues | $\$ 1,003,294$ | $\$ 1,271,970$ |
| Cost of sales and merchandising revenues | 926,519 | $1,192,697$ |
| Gross profit | 76,775 | 79,273 |
| Operating, administrative and general expenses | 70,985 | 62,008 |
| Interest expense | 6,002 | 6,404 |
| Other income: |  |  |
| Equity in earnings of affiliates, net | 20,501 | 7,804 |
| Other income, net | 19,612 | 2,726 |
| Income before income taxes | 39,901 | 21,391 |
| Income tax provision | 13,872 | 9,079 |
| Net income | 26,029 | 12,312 |
| Net income (loss) attributable to the noncontrolling interests | 3,321 | $(266$ |
| Net income attributable to The Andersons, Inc. | $\$ 22,708$ | $\$ 12,578$ |
| Per common share: | $\$ 0.80$ | $\$ 0.45$ |
| Basic earnings attributable to The Andersons, Inc. common shareholders | $\$ 0.80$ | $\$ 0.45$ |
| Diluted earnings attributable to The Andersons, Inc. common shareholders | $\$ 0.1100$ | $\$ 0.1067$ |
| Dividends paid |  |  |

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The Andersons, Inc.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income
(Unaudited)(In thousands)


See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

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The Andersons, Inc.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
(Unaudited)(In thousands)

|  | Three months ended March 31, |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operating Activities |  |  |  |
| Net income | \$26,029 |  | \$12,312 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash used in operating activities: |  |  |  |
| Depreciation and amortization | 13,856 |  | 14,801 |
| Bad debt expense | 377 |  | 269 |
| Cash distributions in excess of income of unconsolidated affiliates | 45,061 |  | 531 |
| Gain on sale of investments in affiliates | (17,055 | ) | - |
| Gains on sales of railcars and related leases | (10,769 | ) | (9,699 |
| Excess tax benefit from share-based payment arrangement | (1,608 | ) | (55 |
| Deferred income taxes | 6,264 |  | 805 |
| Stock-based compensation expense | 1,462 |  | 768 |
| Other | (2,504 | ) | 102 |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities: |  |  |  |
| Accounts receivable | (19,390 | ) | 11,815 |
| Inventories | (110,661 | ) | 23,299 |
| Commodity derivatives | (86,842 | ) | (34,915 |
| Other assets | (1,730 | ) | (9,534 |
| Accounts payable for grain | (408,185 | ) | (398,656 |
| Other accounts payable and accrued expenses | 67,082 |  | 52,174 |
| Net cash used in operating activities | (498,613 | ) | (335,983 |
| Investing Activities |  |  |  |
| Acquisition of businesses, net of cash acquired | - |  | (3,345 |
| Purchases of railcars | (14,005 | ) | (44,241 |
| Proceeds from sale of railcars | 25,465 |  | 36,144 |
| Purchases of property, plant and equipment | (5,523 | ) | (6,194 |
| Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment | 108 |  | 68 |
| Proceeds from sale of investments in affiliates | 31,457 |  | - |
| Change in restricted cash | (244 | ) | (237 |
| Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities | 37,258 |  | (17,805 |
| Financing Activities |  |  |  |
| Net change in short-term borrowings | 226,100 |  | 267,881 |
| Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt | 3,598 |  | 25,254 |
| Payments of long-term debt | (30,560 | ) | (17,888 |
| Proceeds from sale of treasury shares to employees and directors | 1,499 |  | 1,587 |
| Payments of debt issuance costs | (3,175 | ) | (46 |
| Dividends paid | (3,107 | ) | (2,989 |
| Excess tax benefit from share-based payment arrangement | 1,608 |  | 55 |
| Net cash provided by financing activities | 195,963 |  | 273,854 |
| Decrease in cash and cash equivalents | (265,392 | ) | (79,934 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 309,085 |  | 138,218 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$43,693 |  | \$58,284 |

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|  | Three months ended <br> March 31, |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2014 | 2013 |  |
| Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information <br> Capital project costs incurred but not yet paid | $\$ 4,020$ | $\$ 4,372$ |
| Purchase of capitalized software through seller-financing | $\$ 2,562$ | $\$ 4,294$ |

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The Andersons, Inc.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Equity
(Unaudited)(In thousands, except per share data)

employees and directors, net of income tax of
\$1,530 (214
shares)
Payment of cash in
lieu for stock split $\quad(58 \quad$ (58 )
(187 shares)
Dividends declared

| (\$0.1100 per common share) |  |  |  |  |  |  | (3,126 |  |  | (3,126 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Performance share unit dividend equivalents |  | 134 |  |  |  |  | (134 | ) |  | - |
| Balance at March $31,2014$ | \$96 | \$ 184,474 | \$ 8,750 |  | $(24,157$ |  | \$567,849 |  | \$ 23,817 | \$743,329 |

See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

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The Andersons, Inc.
Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements
(unaudited)

## 1. Basis of Presentation and Consolidation

These Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements include the accounts of The Andersons, Inc. and its wholly owned and controlled subsidiaries (the "Company"). All significant intercompany accounts and transactions are eliminated in consolidation.
Investments in unconsolidated entities in which the Company has significant influence, but not control, are accounted for using the equity method of accounting.
In the opinion of management, all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring items, considered necessary for a fair statement of the results of operations for the periods indicated, have been made. Operating results for the three months ended March 31, 2014 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2014.
The Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet data at December 31, 2013 was derived from audited Consolidated Financial Statements, but does not include all disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. A Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet as of March 31, 2013 has been included as the Company operates in several seasonal industries.
The accompanying unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto included in The Andersons, Inc. Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013 (the "2013 Form 10-K").
On December 19, 2013, the Company's board of directors approved a three-for-two stock split effected in the form of a stock dividend. The split was effective February 18, 2014 and all share, dividend and per share information within this document has been retroactively adjusted to reflect the stock split.
2. Inventories

Major classes of inventories are as follows:

| (in thousands) | March 31, | December 31, | March 31, |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Grain | 2014 | 2013 | 2013 |
| Ethanol and by-products | $\$ 488,492$ | $\$ 432,893$ | $\$ 507,927$ |
| Agricultural fertilizer and supplies | 17,658 | 14,453 | 25,531 |
| Lawn and garden fertilizer and corncob products | 151,144 | 100,593 | 157,882 |
| Retail merchandise | 37,218 | 39,960 | 30,343 |
| Railcar repair parts | 26,205 | 22,505 | 28,097 |
| Other | 4,661 | 4,312 | 3,469 |
|  | 206 | 207 | 129 |
|  | $\$ 725,584$ | $\$ 614,923$ | $\$ 753,378$ |

Inventories on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets at March 31, 2014, December 31, 2013 and March 31, 2013 do not include 5.6 million, 13.3 million and 17.7 million bushels of grain, respectively, held in storage for others. The Company does not have title to the grain and is only liable for any deficiencies in grade or shortage of quantity that may arise during the storage period. Management does not anticipate material losses on any deficiencies.

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3. Property, Plant and Equipment

The components of property, plant and equipment are as follows:

|  | March 31, | December 31, | March 31, |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| (in thousands) | 2014 | 2013 | 2013 |
| Land | $\$ 21,906$ | $\$ 21,801$ | $\$ 22,637$ |
| Land improvements and leasehold improvements | 67,876 | 67,153 | 64,972 |
| Buildings and storage facilities | 234,109 | 231,976 | 219,500 |
| Machinery and equipment | 309,283 | 308,215 | 290,930 |
| Software | 13,403 | 13,351 | 13,464 |
| Construction in progress | 52,200 | 48,135 | 38,893 |
|  | 698,777 | 690,631 | 650,396 |
| Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization | 312,645 | 303,173 | 286,089 |
|  | $\$ 386,132$ | $\$ 387,458$ | $\$ 364,307$ |

Depreciation expense on property, plant and equipment amounted to $\$ 9.9$ million, $\$ 37.5$ million and $\$ 9.3$ million for the year-to-date periods ended March 31, 2014, December 31, 2013, and March 31, 2013, respectively.

In December 2013, the Company recorded charges totaling $\$ 4.4$ million for asset impairment, primarily due to the write down of asset values in Retail. The Company wrote down the value of these assets to the extent their carrying amounts exceeded fair value. The Company classified the significant assumptions used to determine the fair value of the impaired assets, which were not material, as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy.
Railcar assets leased to others
The components of Railcar assets leased to others are as follows:

| (in thousands) | March 31, | December 31, | March 31, |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Railcar assets leased to others | 2014 | 2013 | 2013 |
| Less: accumulated depreciation | $\$ 316,520$ | $\$ 317,750$ | $\$ 325,633$ |
|  | 78,986 | 77,129 | 80,927 |
|  | $\$ 237,534$ | $\$ 240,621$ | $\$ 244,706$ |

Depreciation expense on railcar assets leased to others amounted to $\$ 3.4$ million, $\$ 14.7$ million and $\$ 3.7$ million for the year-to-date periods ended March 31, 2014, December 31, 2013 and March 31, 2013, respectively.

## 4. Derivatives

The Company's operating results are affected by changes to commodity prices. The Grain and Ethanol businesses have established "unhedged" position limits (the amount of a commodity, either owned or contracted for, that does not have an offsetting derivative contract to lock in the price). To reduce the exposure to market price risk on commodities owned and forward grain and ethanol purchase and sale contracts, the Company enters into exchange traded commodity futures and options contracts and over the counter forward and option contracts with various counterparties. The exchange traded contracts are primarily via the regulated Chicago Mercantile Exchange. The Company's forward purchase and sales contracts are for physical delivery of the commodity in a future period. Contracts to purchase commodities from producers generally relate to the current or future crop years for delivery periods quoted by regulated commodity exchanges. Contracts for the sale of commodities to processors or other commercial consumers generally do not extend beyond one year.

All of these contracts meet the definition of derivatives. While the Company considers its commodity contracts to be effective economic hedges, the Company does not designate or account for its commodity contracts as hedges as defined under current accounting standards. The Company accounts for its commodity derivatives at estimated fair value, the same method it uses to value its grain inventory. The estimated fair value of the commodity derivative contracts that require the receipt or posting of cash collateral is recorded on a net basis (offset against cash collateral
posted or received, also known as margin deposits) within commodity derivative assets or liabilities. Management determines fair value based on exchange-quoted prices and in the case of its forward purchase and sale contracts, estimated fair value is adjusted for differences in local markets and non-performance risk. For contracts for which physical delivery occurs, balance sheet classification is based on estimated delivery

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date. For futures, options and over-the-counter contracts in which physical delivery is not expected to occur but, rather, the contract is expected to be net settled, the Company classifies these contracts as current or noncurrent assets or liabilities, as appropriate, based on the Company's expectations as to when such contracts will be settled.

Realized and unrealized gains and losses in the value of commodity contracts (whether due to changes in commodity prices, changes in performance or credit risk, or due to sale, maturity or extinguishment of the commodity contract) and grain inventories are included in sales and merchandising revenues.

Generally accepted accounting principles permit a party to a master netting arrangement to offset fair value amounts recognized for derivative instruments against the right to reclaim cash collateral or obligation to return cash collateral under the same master netting arrangement. The Company has master netting arrangements for its exchange traded futures and options contracts and certain over-the-counter contracts. When the Company enters into a future, option or an over-the-counter contract, an initial margin deposit may be required by the counterparty. The amount of the margin deposit varies by commodity. If the market price of a future, option or an over-the-counter contract moves in a direction that is adverse to the Company's position, an additional margin deposit, called a maintenance margin, is required. The Company nets, by counterparty, its futures and over-the-counter positions against the cash collateral provided or received. The margin deposit assets and liabilities are included in short-term commodity derivative assets or liabilities, as appropriate, in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.
The following table presents at March 31, 2014, December 31, 2013 and March 31, 2013, a summary of the estimated fair value of the Company's commodity derivative instruments that require cash collateral and the associated cash posted/received as collateral. The net asset or liability positions of these derivatives (net of their cash collateral) are determined on a counterparty-by-counterparty basis and are included within short-term commodity derivative assets (or liabilities) on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets:

|  | March 31, 2014 |  | December 31, 2013 | March 31, 2013 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Net | Net | Net | Net | Net | Net |
|  | derivative | derivative | derivative | derivative | derivative | derivative |
| (in thousands) | asset | liability | asset | liability | asset | liability |
|  | position | position | position | position | position | position |
|  | $\$ 142,791$ | $\$-$ | $\$ 15,480$ | $\$-$ | $\$ 73,033$ | $\$-$ |
| Collateral paid | $(88,498$ | - |  | 31,055 | - | 35,403 |$]-$

Certain of our contracts allow the Company to post items other than cash as collateral. Grain inventory posted as collateral on our derivative contracts are recorded in Inventories on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. There was no inventory posted as collateral as of March 31, 2014. The fair value of inventory posted as collateral was $\$ 0.3$ million, and $\$ 0.7$ million as of December 31, 2013, and March 31, 2013, respectively.

The following table presents, on a gross basis, current and noncurrent commodity derivative assets and liabilities:

## March 31, 2014

|  | Commodity <br> derivative assets <br> (in thousands) | Commodity <br> derivative assets <br> - noncurrent | Commodity <br> derivative <br> liabilities - <br> current | Commodity <br> derivative <br> liabilities - <br> noncurrent | Total |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

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|  | March 31, 2013 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (in thousands) | Commodity derivative assets - current | Commodity derivative assets noncurrent |  | Commodity derivative liabilities current |  | Commodity derivative liabilities noncurrent |  | Total |
| Commodity derivative assets | \$101,833 | \$834 |  | \$3,898 |  | \$19 |  | \$ 106,584 |
| Commodity derivative liabilities | (16,787 | (21 | ) | (54,055 | ) | (3,239 | ) | (74,102 |
| Cash collateral | 73,033 | - |  | - |  | - |  | 73,033 |
| Balance sheet line item totals | \$158,079 | \$813 |  | \$(50,157 | ) | \$(3,220 | ) | \$105,515 |

The gains included in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income and the line items in which they are located for the three months ended March 31, 2014 and 2013 are as follows:
(in thousands)
Gains (losses) on commodity derivatives included in sales and merchandising revenues

Three months ended March 31, 20142013 \$(53,686) \$36,368

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The Company had the following volume of commodity derivative contracts outstanding (on a gross basis) at March 31, 2014, December 31, 2013 and March 31, 2013:

March 31, 2014
Commodity
Non-exchange traded:
Corn
Soybeans
Wheat
Number of bushelsNumber of gallons Number of pounds Number of tons (in thousands) (in thousands) (in thousands) (in thousands)

Oats
Ethanol
Corn oil
Other
Subtotal
274,762

Exchange traded:
Corn
Soybeans
Wheat
Oats
Ethanol
Subtotal
Total

Commodity
Non-exchange traded:
Corn
Soybeans
Wheat
Oats
Ethanol
Corn oil
Other
Subtotal
Exchange traded:

| Corn | 124,420 | - | - | - |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Soybeans | 11,030 | - | - | - |
| Wheat | 23,980 | - | - | - |
| Oats | 6,820 | - | - | - |
| Ethanol | - | 21,630 | - | - |
| Subtotal | 166,250 | 21,630 | - | 89 |
| Total | 409,780 | 200,842 | 25,911 |  |

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| Commodity | Number of bushelsNumber of gallons <br> (in thousands) |  |  | Number of pounds <br> (in thousands) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| (in thousands) |  |  |  |  | | Number of tons |
| :--- |
| (in thousands) |

## 5. Earnings Per Share

Unvested share-based payment awards that contain non-forfeitable rights to dividends are participating securities and are included in the computation of earnings per share pursuant to the two-class method. The two-class method of computing earnings per share is an earnings allocation formula that determines earnings per share for common stock and any participating securities according to dividends declared (whether paid or unpaid) and participation rights in undistributed earnings. The Company's nonvested restricted stock is considered a participating security since the share-based awards contain a non-forfeitable right to dividends irrespective of whether the awards ultimately vest.

Three months ended
(in thousands, except per common share data)
Net income attributable to The Andersons, Inc.
Less: Distributed and undistributed earnings allocated to nonvested restricted stock
Earnings available to common shareholders
March 31,
20142013
\$22,708 \$12,578

Earnings per share - basic:
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Weighted average shares outstanding - basic } & 28,155\end{array} 27,912$
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Earnings per common share - basic } & \$ 0.80 & \$ 0.45\end{array}$
Earnings per share - diluted:
Weighted average shares outstanding - basic 28,155 27,912
Effect of dilutive awards $\quad 69$
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Weighted average shares outstanding - diluted } & 28,224\end{array} \quad 28,062$
Earnings per common share - diluted
$\$ 0.80 \quad \$ 0.45$
There were no antidilutive stock-based awards outstanding at March 31, 2014 or 2013.

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## 6. Employee Benefit Plans

The following are components of the net periodic benefit cost for the pension and postretirement benefit plans maintained by the Company for the three months ended March 31, 2014 and 2013:

| (in thousands) | Pension Benefits |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | March 31, |  |  |  |
|  | 2014 |  | 2013 |  |
| Service cost | \$43 |  | \$- |  |
| Interest cost | 1,162 |  | 1,065 |  |
| Expected return on plan assets | (1,905 |  | (1,755 | ) |
| Recognized net actuarial loss | 207 |  | 392 |  |
| Benefit income | \$(493 | ) | \$(298 | ) |
|  | Postretirement Benefits |  |  |  |
| (in thousands) | Three months ended |  |  |  |
|  | 2014 |  | 2013 |  |
| Service cost | \$187 |  | \$224 |  |
| Interest cost | 393 |  | 346 |  |
| Amortization of prior service cost | (136 |  | (136 | ) |
| Recognized net actuarial loss | 229 |  | 359 |  |
| Benefit cost | \$673 |  | \$793 |  |

## 7. Segment Information

The Company's operations include six reportable business segments that are distinguished primarily on the basis of products and services offered. The Grain business includes grain merchandising, the operation of terminal grain elevator facilities and the investments in Lansing Trade Group, LLC ("LTG") and the Thompsons Limited joint ventures. The Ethanol business purchases and sells ethanol and also manages the ethanol production facilities organized as limited liability companies, one of which is consolidated and three of which are investments accounted for under the equity method, and also has various service contracts for these investments. Rail operations include the leasing, marketing and fleet management of railcars and locomotives, railcar repair and metal fabrication. The Plant Nutrient business manufactures and distributes agricultural inputs, primarily fertilizer, to dealers and farmers. Turf \& Specialty operations include the production and distribution of turf care and corncob-based products. The Retail business operates large retail stores, a specialty food market, a distribution center and a lawn and garden equipment sales and service facility. Included in "Other" are the corporate level amounts not attributable to an operating segment. The segment information below includes the allocation of expenses shared by one or more operating segments. Although management believes such allocations are reasonable, the operating information does not necessarily reflect how such data might appear if the segments were operated as separate businesses. Inter-segment sales are made at prices comparable to normal, unaffiliated customer sales.

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|  | Three months ended <br> March 31, |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| (in thousands) | 2014 | 2013 |
| Revenues from external customers |  |  |
| Grain | $\$ 583,159$ | $\$ 836,495$ |
| Ethanol | 188,820 | 199,309 |
| Plant Nutrient | 107,630 | 111,902 |
| Rail | 52,302 | 46,364 |
| Turf \& Specialty | 43,725 | 47,187 |
| Retail | 27,658 | 30,713 |
| Total | $\$ 1,003,294$ | $\$ 1,271,970$ |

(in thousands)
Inter-segment sales
Grain \$- \$332

Plant Nutrient 7,697
Rail
Turf \& Specialty
Total
(in thousands)
$109 \quad 104$
$806 \quad 999$

Interest expense (income)
Grain
\$8,282
\$9,132

Ethanol
Plant Nutrient
Rail
Turf \& Specialty
Three months ended
March 31,
Other 112

Total
\$6,002 \$6,404
(in thousands)
Three months ended
March 31,
Equity in earnings (loss) of affiliates, net
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Grain } & \$ 1,884 & \$ 7,910\end{array}$
Ethanol (106
Total
\$20,501 \$7,804

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## 8. Related Party Transactions

Equity Method Investments
The Company, directly or indirectly, holds investments in companies that are accounted for under the equity method.
The Company's equity in these entities is presented at cost plus its accumulated proportional share of income or loss, less any distributions it has received.
On January 22, 2014, the Company entered into an agreement with LTG for a partial redemption of the Company's investment in LTG for $\$ 60$ million. The redemption reduced the Company's interest in LTG from approximately 47.5 percent to approximately 39.2 percent on a fully diluted basis. A portion of the proceeds ( $\$ 28.5$ million) was considered a distribution of earnings and reduced the Company's cost basis in LTG. The difference between the
remaining proceeds of $\$ 31.5$ million and

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the new cost basis of the shares sold, net of deal costs, resulted in a book gain of $\$ 17.1$ million ( $\$ 10.7$ million after tax). This gain was recorded in Other income, net for the three months ended March 31, 2014.
In July 2013, the Company, along with Lansing Trade Group, LLC established joint ventures that acquired $100 \%$ of the stock of Thompsons Limited, including its investment in the related U.S. operating company, for a purchase price of $\$ 152$ million, which included an adjustment for excess working capital. The purchase price included $\$ 48$ million cash paid by the Company, $\$ 40$ million cash paid by LTG, and $\$ 64$ million of external debt at Thompsons Limited. As part of the purchase LTG also contributed a Canadian branch of its business to Thompsons Limited. Each Company owns $50 \%$ of the investment. Thompsons Limited is a grain and food-grade bean handler and agronomy input provider, headquartered in Blenheim, Ontario, and operates 12 locations across Ontario and Minnesota. The Company does not hold a majority of the outstanding shares of the Thompsons Limited joint ventures. All major operating decisions of these joint ventures are made by their Board of Directors, and the Company does not have a majority of the board seats. Due to these factors, the Company does not have control over these joint ventures and accounts for these investments under the equity method of accounting.
The following table presents the Company's investment balance in each of its equity method investees by entity:
(in thousands) March 31, 2014 December 31, 2013 March 31, 2013

The Andersons Albion Ethanol LLC (a) \$31,867 \$40,194 \$31,169
The Andersons Clymers Ethanol LLC (a) 40,412 44,418 32,900
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { The Andersons Marathon Ethanol LLC (a) } & 45,946 & 46,811\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Lansing Trade Group, LLC (b) } \quad \text { 106,028 } & 91,752\end{array}$
Thompsons Limited (c)
Other
Total \$232,396 \$291,109 \$190377
(a) Decrease in LLCs investment balance is due to cash distributions made during the first quarter of 2014, partially offset by strong earnings
(b) Decrease in LTG investment balance is driven by the sale of a portion of the Company's interest in LTG during the first quarter of 2014
(c) Thompsons Limited and related U.S. operating company held by joint ventures

The Company holds a majority interest ( $66 \%$ ) in The Andersons Ethanol Investment LLC ("TAEI"). This consolidated entity holds a 50\% interest in The Andersons Marathon Ethanol LLC ("TAME"). The noncontrolling interest in TAEI is attributed $34 \%$ of the gains and losses of TAME recorded by the Company.
The following table summarizes income (losses) earned from the Company's equity method investments by entity:

|  | \% ownership at <br> (in thousands) | Three months ended <br> March 31, |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| March 31, 2014 | 2014 | 2013 |  |
| The Andersons Albion Ethanol LLC | $53 \%$ | $\$ 4,943$ | $\$ 944$ |
| The Andersons Clymers Ethanol LLC | $38 \%$ | 5,539 | $(219$ |
| The Andersons Marathon Ethanol LLC | $50 \%$ | 8,135 | $(832$, |
| Lansing Trade Group, LLC | $41 \%(a)$ | 2,221 | 7,991 |
| Thompsons Limited (b) | $50 \%$ | $(313$ | - |
| Other | $5 \%-23 \%$ | $(24$ | $(80$ |
| Total |  | $\$ 20,501$ | $\$ 7,804$ |

(a) This does not consider restricted management units which once vested will reduce the ownership percentage by approximately $2 \%$
(b) Thompsons Limited and related U.S. operating company held by joint ventures

Total distributions received from unconsolidated affiliates, excluding proceeds on sale of investments of affiliates, were $\$ 65.6$ million for the three months ended March 31, 2014.

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In the first quarter of 2013, LTG qualified as a significant subsidiary of the Company under the income test. The following table presents the required summarized unaudited financial information of this investment for the three months ended March 31, 2014 and 2013:
(in thousands)

Sales
Gross profit
Income before income taxes
Net income
Net income attributable to LTG
Three months ended

Investment in Debt Securities
The Company owns $100 \%$ of the cumulative convertible preferred shares of Iowa Northern Railway Corporation ("IANR"), which operates a short-line railroad in Iowa. As a result of this investment, the Company has a $49.9 \%$ voting interest in IANR, with the remaining $50.1 \%$ voting interest held by the common shareholders. The preferred shares have certain rights associated with them, including voting, dividends, liquidation, redemption and conversion. Dividends accrue to the Company at a rate of $14 \%$ annually whether or not declared by IANR and are cumulative in nature. The Company can convert its preferred shares into common shares of IANR at any time, but the shares cannot be redeemed until May 2015. This investment is accounted for as "available-for-sale" debt securities in accordance with ASC 320 and is carried at estimated fair value in "Other noncurrent assets" on the Company's Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet. The estimated fair value of the Company's investment in IANR as of March 31, 2014 was $\$ 20.5$ million.
Based on the Company's assessment, IANR is considered a variable interest entity ("VIE"). Since the Company does not possess the power to direct the activities of the VIE that most significantly impact the entity's economic performance, it is not considered to be the primary beneficiary of IANR and therefore does not consolidate IANR. The decisions that most significantly impact the economic performance of IANR are made by IANR's Board of Directors. The Board of Directors has five directors; two directors from the Company, two directors from the common shareholders and one independent director who is elected by unanimous decision of the other four directors. The vote of four of the five directors is required for all key decisions.
The Company's current maximum exposure to loss related to IANR is $\$ 26.5$ million, which represents the Company's investment at fair value plus unpaid accrued dividends to date of $\$ 6.0$ million. The Company does not have any obligation or commitments to provide additional financial support to IANR.
Related Party Transactions
In the ordinary course of business, the Company will enter into related party transactions with each of the investments described above, along with other related parties. The following table sets forth the related party transactions entered into for the time periods presented:

|  | Three months ended <br> March 31, |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| (in thousands) | 2014 | 2013 |
| Sales revenues | $\$ 221,994$ | $\$ 309,705$ |
| Service fee revenues (a) | 5,638 | 5,801 |
| Purchases of product | 155,015 | 161,955 |
| Lease income (b) | 1,664 | 1,552 |
| Labor and benefits reimbursement (c) | 2,868 | 2,643 |
| Other expenses (d) | 486 | 358 |
| Accounts receivable at March 31 (e) | 30,609 | 12,550 |
| Accounts payable at March 31 (f) | 24,454 | 24,967 |

(a)

Service fee revenues include management fee, corn origination fee, ethanol and DDG marketing fees, and other commissions.

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(b) Lease income includes the lease of the Company's Albion, Michigan and Clymers, Indiana grain facilities as well as certain railcars to the various ethanol LLCs and IANR.
(c) The Company provides all operational labor to the unconsolidated ethanol LLCs and charges them an amount equal c) to the Company's costs of the related services.
(d) Other expenses include payments to IANR for repair facility rent and use of their railroad reporting mark, payment to LTG for the lease of railcars and other various expenses.
(e) Accounts receivable represents amounts due from related parties for sales of corn, leasing revenue and service fees.
(f) Accounts payable represents amounts due to related parties for purchases of ethanol and other various items.

For the quarters ended March 31, 2014 and 2013, revenues recognized for the sale of ethanol that the Company purchased from the unconsolidated ethanol LLCs were $\$ 144.3$ million and $\$ 145.8$ million, respectively. For the quarters ended March 31, 2014 and 2013, revenues recognized for the sale of corn to the unconsolidated ethanol LLCs under these agreements were $\$ 117.2$ million and $\$ 204.9$ million, respectively.

From time to time, the Company enters into derivative contracts with certain of its related parties for the purchase and sale of corn and ethanol, for similar price risk mitigation purposes and on similar terms as the purchase and sale derivative contracts it enters into with unrelated parties. The fair value of derivative contract assets with related parties for the periods ended March 31, 2014, December 31, 2013 and March 31, 2013 was $\$ 24.0$ million, $\$ 8.9$ million, and $\$ 5.0$ million, respectively. The fair value of derivative contract liabilities with related parties for the periods ended March 31, 2014, December 31, 2013 and March 31, 2013 was $\$ 10.3$ million, $\$ 1.2$ million, and $\$ 0.8$ million, respectively.

## 9. Fair Value Measurements

The following table presents the Company's assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis at March 31, 2014, December 31, 2013 and March 31, 2013:

| (in thousands) | March 31, 2014 |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Assets (liabilities) | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Total |
| Cash equivalents | $\$ 25,821$ | $\$-$ | $\$-$ | $\$ 25,821$ |
| Restricted cash | 652 | - | - | 652 |
| Commodity derivatives, net (a) | 82,626 | 5,182 | - | 87,808 |
| Convertible preferred securities (b) | - | - | 20,530 | 20,530 |
| Other assets and liabilities (c) | 10,960 | $(951$ | $)$ | - |
| Total | $\$ 120,059$ | $\$ 4,231$ | $\$ 20,530$ | $\$ 144,820$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| (in thousands) | December 31, 2013 |  |  |  |
| Assets (liabilities) | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Total |
| Cash equivalents | $\$ 97,751$ | $\$-$ | $\$-$ | $\$ 97,751$ |
| Restricted cash | 408 | - | - | 408 |
| Commodity derivatives, net (a) | 50,777 | $(49,810$ | $)$ | - |
| Convertible preferred securities (b) | - | - | 25,720 | 257 |
| Other assets and liabilities (c) | 10,143 | $(159$ | $)$ | - |
| Total | $\$ 159,079$ | $\$(49,969$ | $)$ | $\$ 25,720$ |

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(in thousands)
Assets (liabilities)
Cash equivalents
Restricted cash
Commodity derivatives, net (a)
Convertible preferred securities (b)
Other assets and liabilities (c)
Total

March 31, 2013

| Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Total |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\$ 49,202$ | $\$-$ | $\$-$ | $\$ 49,202$ |
| 635 | - | - | 635 |
| 110,581 | $(5,066$ | $)$ | 105,515 |
| - | - | 17,710 | 17,710 |
| 8,861 | $(1,784$ | $)$ | 7,077 |
| $\$ 169,279$ | $\$(6,850$ | $)$ | $\$ 17,710$ |$\$ \$ 180,139$

(a)Includes associated cash posted/received as collateral
(b) Recorded in "Other noncurrent assets" on the Company's Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets Included in other assets and liabilities are interest rate and foreign currency derivatives and swaptions (Level 2) and (c) deferred compensation assets (Level 1)

Level 1 commodity derivatives reflect the fair value of the exchanged-traded futures and options contracts that the Company holds, net of the cash collateral that the Company has in its margin account.

The majority of the Company's assets and liabilities measured at fair value are based on the market approach valuation technique. With the market approach, fair value is derived using prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable assets or liabilities.
The Company's net commodity derivatives primarily consist of futures or options contracts via regulated exchanges and contracts with producers or customers under which the future settlement date and bushels (or gallons in the case of ethanol contracts) of commodities to be delivered (primarily wheat, corn, soybeans and ethanol) are fixed and under which the price may or may not be fixed. Depending on the specifics of the individual contracts, the fair value is derived from the futures or options prices on the CME or the New York Mercantile Exchange for similar commodities and delivery dates as well as observable quotes for local basis adjustments (the difference, which is attributable to local market conditions, between the quoted futures price and the local cash price). Because "basis" for a particular commodity and location typically has multiple quoted prices from other agribusinesses in the same geographical vicinity and is used as a common pricing mechanism in the Agribusiness industry, we have concluded that "basis" is a Level 2 fair value input for purposes of the fair value disclosure requirements related to our commodity derivatives. Although nonperformance risk, both of the Company and the counterparty, is present in each of these commodity contracts and is a component of the estimated fair values, based on the Company's historical experience with its producers and customers and the Company's knowledge of their businesses, the Company does not view nonperformance risk to be a significant input to fair value for these commodity contracts.
The Company's convertible preferred securities are measured at fair value using a combination of the income and market approaches. Specifically, the income approach incorporates the use of the Discounted Cash Flow method, whereas the Market Approach incorporates the use of the Guideline Public Company method. Application of the Discounted Cash Flow method requires estimating the annual cash flows that the business enterprise is expected to generate in the future. The assumptions input into this method are estimated annual cash flows for a specified estimation period, the discount rate, and the terminal value at the end of the estimation period. In the Guideline Public Company method, valuation multiples, including total invested capital, are calculated based on financial statements and stock price data from selected guideline publicly traded companies. On an annual basis, a comparative analysis is then performed for factors including, but not limited to size, profitability and growth to determine fair value. A reconciliation of beginning and ending balances for the Company's fair value measurements using Level 3 inputs is as follows:
(in thousands)

| Asset (liability) at December 31, | $\$ 25,720$ | $\$ 17,220$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Unrealized gains included in other comprehensive income | $(5,190$ | $)$ |
| Asset at March 31, | $\$ 20,530$ | $\$ 17,710$ |

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The following table summarizes information about the Company's Level 3 fair value measurements as of March 31, 2014:
Quantitative Information about Level 3 Fair Value Measurements


Fair Value of Financial Instruments
The fair value of the Company's long-term debt is estimated using quoted market prices or discounted future cash flows based on the Company's current incremental borrowing rates for similar types of borrowing arrangements. As such, the Company has concluded that the fair value of long-term debt is considered Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy.
(in thousands)
Fair value of long-term debt, including current maturities
Fair value in excess of carrying value

| March 31, | December 31, |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2014 | 2013 |
| $\$ 400,495$ | $\$ 429,723$ |
| 3,574 | 2,512 |

The fair value of the Company's cash equivalents, accounts receivable and accounts payable approximate their carrying value as they are close to maturity.

## 10. Debt

The Company is party to borrowing arrangements with a syndicate of banks. One such agreement was amended on March 4, 2014 and provides the Company with $\$ 850$ million in lines of credit. The Company can designate up to $\$ 400$ million of borrowings as long-term when the debt is used for long-term purposes such as replacing long-term debt that is maturing, funding the purchase of long-term assets, or increasing permanent working capital when needed. The maturity date for the lines of credit is March 2019. See Note 10 in the Company's 2013 Form 10-K for an additional description of the remaining arrangements. Total borrowing capacity for the Company under all lines of credit is currently at $\$ 878.1$ million, including $\$ 28.1$ million non-recourse debt of The Andersons Denison Ethanol LLC ("TADE"). At March 31, 2014, the Company had a total of $\$ 621.6$ million available for borrowing under its lines of credit. The Company was in compliance with all financial and non-financial covenants as of March 31, 2014. The Company's short-term and long-term debt at March 31, 2014, December 31, 2013 and March 31, 2013 consisted of the following:
(in thousands)
Borrowings under short-term line of credit - nonrecourse
Borrowings under short-term line of credit - recourse
Total borrowings under short-term line of credit
Current maturities of long-term debt - nonrecourse
Current maturities of long-term debt - recourse
Total current maturities of long-term debt Long-term debt, less current maturities - nonrecourse
Long-term debt, less current maturities - recourse
Total long-term debt, less current maturities

| March 31, | December 31, | March 31, |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2014 | 2013 | 2013 |
| $\$-$ | $\$-$ | $\$ 8,400$ |
| 226,100 | - | 283,700 |
| $\$ 226,100$ | $\$-$ | $\$ 292,100$ |
| $\$ 6,012$ | $\$ 6,012$ | $\$ 3,271$ |
| 84,748 | 45,986 | 39,781 |
| $\$ 90,760$ | $\$ 51,998$ | $\$ 43,052$ |
| $\$ 3,288$ | $\$ 4,063$ | $\$ 24,141$ |
| 302,873 | 371,150 | 388,559 |
| $\$ 306,161$ | $\$ 375,213$ | $\$ 412,700$ |

11. Commitments and Contingencies

The Company is party to litigation, or threats thereof, both as defendant and plaintiff with some regularity, although individual cases that are material in size occur infrequently. As a defendant, the Company establishes reserves for claimed amounts that are considered probable, and capable of estimation. If those cases are resolved for lesser amounts, the excess reserves are taken into income and, conversely, if those cases are resolved for larger than the amount the Company has accrued, the Company records additional expense. The Company believes it is unlikely that the results of its current legal proceedings for which it is

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the defendant, even if unfavorable, will be material. As a plaintiff, amounts that are collected can also result in sudden, non-recurring income. Litigation results depend upon a variety of factors, including the availability of evidence, the credibility of witnesses, the performance of counsel, the state of the law, and the impressions of judges and jurors, any of which can be critical in importance, yet difficult, if not impossible, to predict. Consequently, cases currently pending, or future matters, may result in unexpected, and non-recurring losses, or income, from time to time. Finally, litigation results are often subject to judicial reconsideration, appeal and further negotiation by the parties, and as a result, the final impact of a particular judicial decision may be unknown for some time, or may result in continued reserves to account for the potential of such post-verdict actions. In 2013, the Company recorded a $\$ 3.5$ million gain in other income related to the settlement of an early rail lease termination.
The estimated range of loss for all outstanding claims that are considered reasonably possible of occurring is not material. The Company has received, and is cooperating fully with, a request for information from the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("U.S. EPA") regarding the history of our grain and fertilizer facility along the Maumee River in Toledo, Ohio. The U.S. EPA is investigating the possible introduction into the Maumee River of hazardous materials potentially leaching from rouge piles deposited along the riverfront by glass manufacturing operations that existed in the area prior to our initial acquisition of the land in 1960. The Company has on several prior occasions cooperated with local, state and federal regulators to install or improve drainage systems to contain storm water runoff and sewer discharges along our riverfront property to minimize the potential for such leaching. Other area land owners and the successor to the original glass making operations have also been contacted by the U.S. EPA for information. No claim or finding has been asserted thus far.

## 12. Business Acquisitions

There were no business acquisitions completed in the first quarter of 2014.

## Prior Year Business Acquisitions

On December 9, 2013, the Turf and Specialty Group completed the purchase of substantially all of the assets of Cycle Group, Inc. for a purchase price of $\$ 4.2$ million. The operation consists of a modern granulated products facility in Mocksville, North Carolina.

The summarized final purchase price allocation is as follows:
(in thousands)
Inventory \$77
Intangible assets 330
Property, plant and equipment 3,825
Total purchase price \$4,232
Details of the intangible assets acquired are as follows:
(in thousands)
Customer relationships

| Fair | Useful |
| :--- | :--- |
| Value | Life |
| $\$ 150$ | 5 years |
| 55 | 7 years |
| 125 | 5 years |
| $\$ 330$ | 5 years $*$ |

Noncompete agreement
Patents
Total identifiable intangible assets
\$330
5 years *
*weighted average number of years

On August 5, 2013, the Company completed the purchase of substantially all of the assets of Mile Rail, LLC and a sister entity for a purchase price of $\$ 7.8$ million. The operations consist of a railcar repair and cleaning facility headquartered in Kansas City, Missouri, with 2 satellite locations in Nebraska and Indiana.

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The summarized final purchase price allocation is as follows:
(in thousands)
Inventory \$512
Other assets 14
Intangible assets 650
Goodwill 4,167
Property, plant and equipment 2,605
Other liabilities (144
Total purchase price $\quad \$ 7,804$
The goodwill recognized as a result of the Mile Rail acquisition is $\$ 4.2$ million, which is fully deductible for tax purposes, and is included in the Rail segment. The goodwill relates to geography that is complimentary to the Rail Group's existing repair network and from its additional connections to several U.S. Class I railroads, from which we anticipate future growth and capacity to generate gross profit.
Details of the intangible assets acquired are as follows:
(in thousands)
Customer relationships

| Fair | Useful |
| :--- | :--- |
| Value | Life |
| $\$ 400$ | 5 years |
| 250 | 5 years |
| $\$ 650$ | 5 years $*$ |

Total identifiable intangible assets
\$650
5 years *
*weighted average number of years

On December 3, 2012, the Company completed the purchase of a majority of the grain and agronomy assets of Green Plains Grain Company ("GPG"), a subsidiary of Green Plains Renewable Energy, Inc. for a purchase price of $\$ 120.2$ million, which included a $\$ 3.3$ million payable to the acquiree that was outstanding as of December 31, 2012 and paid in January 2013. The various facilities located in Iowa and Tennessee have a combined grain storage capacity of more than 32.0 million bushels and 12,000 tons of nutrient storage.
During the first quarter of 2013, the purchase price allocation for Green Plains Grain Company, which was acquired in the fourth quarter of 2012, was finalized. The measurement period adjustments to the purchase price allocation were the result of additional information obtained since the filing of our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012. December 31, 2012 balances have been revised to include the effect of the adjustment as if the additional information had been available on the acquisition date. Due to these revision of estimates, goodwill increased $\$ 3$ million with the majority of the offset to intangible assets.
The summarized final purchase price allocation is as follows:
(in thousands)
Accounts receivable \$19,174
Inventory 121,983
Property, plant and equipment 57,828
Intangible assets 4,600
Goodwill 33,175
Commodity derivatives 4,701
Other assets 1,775
Accounts payable $\quad(91,001$
Debt assumed $\quad(29,632$
Other liabilities and noncontrolling interests $\quad(2,371$
Total purchase price

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The goodwill recognized as a result of the GPG acquisition is $\$ 33.2$ million, for which the full amount is deductible for tax purposes, and is included in the Grain reportable segment. The goodwill relates to the value of a fully functional business consisting of a successful management team and an experienced and talented work force. Details of the intangible assets acquired are as follows:

| (in thousands) | Fair | Useful |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Supplier relationships | Value | Life |
| Total identifiable intangible assets | $\$ 4,600$ | 3 to 5 years |
| $*$ weighted average number of years | $\$ 4,600$ | 4 years * |

## 13. Income Taxes

For the three months ended March 31, 2014, the income tax effective rate was $34.8 \%$. For the three months ended March 31, 2013, the income tax effective rate was $42.4 \%$. The higher 2013 effective tax rate was due primarily to a correction made with respect to the accounting for the other comprehensive income ("OCI") portion of the Company's retiree health care plan liability and the Medicare Part D subsidy. The 2014 effective tax rate also reflects a benefit associated with income attributable to noncontrolling interests that does not increase tax expense.
The Company's 2013 income tax provision includes deferred tax expense of $\$ 1.4$ million due to a correction of other comprehensive income related to the portion of the Company's retiree health care plan liability and the Medicare Part D subsidy. The correction related to the years 2009 through 2012 and was recorded during the first quarter of 2013. The impact of this error on amounts previously reported was determined to be immaterial to the Consolidated Financial Statements. As a result of the correction of the error, deferred income tax expense for the three months ended March 31, 2013 increased and accumulated other comprehensive loss decreased by $\$ 1.4$ million.

## 14. Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss

The following tables summarize the after-tax components of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) attributable to the Company for the three months ended March 31, 2014 and 2013:
Changes in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss) by Component (a)
For the three months ended March 31, 2014

| (in thousands) | Losses on Cash Flow Hedges |  | Investment in Debt Securities |  | Defined <br> Benefit Plan <br> Items |  | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Beginning Balance | \$(637 | ) | \$7,861 |  | \$(28,405 | ) | \$ 21,181 |  |
| Other comprehensive income (loss) before reclassifications | 69 |  | (3,232 |  | 272 |  | (2,891 |  |
| Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss | - |  | - |  | (85 |  | (85 |  |
| Net current-period other comprehensive income (loss) | 69 |  | (3,232 | ) | 187 |  | (2,976 |  |
| Ending balance | \$(568 | ) | \$4,629 |  | \$(28,218 | ) | \$(24,157 |  |

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Changes in Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss) by Component (a)
For the three months ended March 31, 2013
$\left.\begin{array}{lllllll} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Losses on } \\ \text { Cash Flow }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Investment in } \\ \text { Debt } \\ \text { (in thousands) }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Defined } \\ \text { Benefit Plan }\end{array} & \text { Total } \\ \text { Beginning Balance } & \$(902 & ) & \$ 2,569 & \$(47,046 & ) & \$(45,379\end{array}\right)$
(a) All amounts are net of tax. Amounts in parentheses indicates debits

The following tables show the reclassification adjustments from accumulated other comprehensive income to net income for the three months ended March 31, 2014:
Reclassifications Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (loss) (a)
(in thousands)

Details about Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income Components

Defined Benefit Plan Items
Amortization of prior-service cost

Total reclassifications for the period

For the three months ended March 31, 2014
Amount Reclassified from Affected Line Item in the
Accumulated Other
Comprehensive Income Statement Where Net Income Is Presented
\$(136 ) (b)
) Total before tax
51
\$(85
\$ 85
) Net of tax

Reclassifications Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (loss) (a)
(in thousands)
Details about Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income Components

Defined Benefit Plan Items
Amortization of prior-service cost

Total reclassifications for the period

For the three months ended March 31, 2013
Amount Reclassified from Affected Line Item in the
Accumulated Other Statement Where Net
Comprehensive Income Income Is Presented
\$(136 ) (b)
(136 ) Total before tax
51 Tax expense
\$(85 ) Net of tax
\$(85 ) Net of tax
(a) Amounts in parentheses indicate debits to profit/loss
(b) This accumulated other comprehensive income component is included in the computation of net periodic benefit cost (see Note 6. Employee Benefit Plans footnote for additional details).

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Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations
Forward Looking Statements
The following "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" contains forward-looking statements which relate to future events or future financial performance and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results, levels of activity, performance or achievements to be materially different from those expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. You are urged to carefully consider these risks and others, including those risk factors listed under Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013 ("2013 Form 10-K"). In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as "may," "anticipates," "believes," "estimates," "predicts," or the negative of these terms or other comparable terminology. These statements are only predictions. Actual events or results may differ materially. These forward-looking statements relate only to events as of the date on which the statements are made and the Company undertakes no obligation, other than any imposed by law, to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates
Our critical accounting policies and critical accounting estimates, as described in our 2013 Form 10-K, have not materially changed during the first quarter of 2014.

## Executive Overview

The agricultural commodity-based business is one in which changes in selling prices generally move in relationship to changes in purchase prices. Therefore, increases or decreases in prices of the agricultural commodities that the business deals in will have a relatively equal impact on sales and cost of sales and a much less significant impact on gross profit. As a result, changes in sales for the period may not necessarily be indicative of the overall performance of the business and more focus should be placed on changes to merchandising revenues and service income. Grain Business
Our Grain business operates grain elevators in various states in the U.S. Corn Belt. In addition to storage, merchandising and grain trading, Grain performs marketing, risk management, and corn origination services to its customers and affiliated ethanol production facilities. Grain is a significant investor in Lansing Trade Group, LLC ("LTG"), an established commodity trading, grain handling and merchandising business with operations throughout the country and with global trading/merchandising offices. On January 22, 2014, we entered into an agreement with LTG for a partial share redemption of our investment in LTG, reducing our interest from approximately 47.5 percent to approximately 39.2 percent on a fully diluted basis.
Grain inventories on hand at March 31, 2014 were 89.4 million bushels, of which 5.6 million bushels were stored for others. This compares to 86.4 million bushels on hand at March 31, 2013, of which 17.7 million bushels were stored for others.
First quarter 2014 results reflect the refilling of the pipeline at both the farm level and commercial level, along with strong exports and difficult weather conditions that provided limited opportunity for space income across the U.S. grain industry. Opportunity for space income has improved slightly in the second quarter and we expect this to continue for the balance of the year. However, it is dependent on the progress of the new crop, which at this time is slightly delayed. Overall, the United States Department of Agriculture estimates corn acreage to be around 92 million acres, down four percent from last year.
Ethanol Business
Our Ethanol business holds investments in four ethanol production facilities organized as separate limited liability companies, three of which are accounted for under the equity method (the "unconsolidated ethanol LLCs") and one that is consolidated, The Andersons Denison Ethanol LLC ("TADE"). The Ethanol business purchases and sells ethanol, offers facility operations, risk management, and ethanol, corn oil and distillers dried grains ("DDG") marketing to the ethanol plants in which it invests in and operates.

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This first quarter reflects strong margins due to several key factors, including reduced industry-wide ethanol production due to natural gas supply, weather and rail logistics. We also saw low levels of U.S. ethanol stocks, a steady increase in US gasoline demand, strong ethanol exports, limited imports, and high DDG prices relative to corn value. At this time, we have locked in positive margins for a majority of planned production in the second and third quarters.

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Ethanol volumes shipped for the three months ended March 31, 2014 and 2013 were as follows:

| (in thousands) | Three months ended |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | March 31, |  |
|  | 2014 | 2013 |
| Ethanol (gallons shipped) (a) | 72,315 | 69,834 |
| E-85 (gallons shipped) | 5,568 | 3,721 |
| Corn Oil (pounds shipped) | 20,363 | 17,247 |
| DDG (tons shipped) (b) | 51 | 60 |

(a) The sales volumes are less than the total produced by the LLCs, as a portion of the volume is sold directly to one of its other investors
(b) The sales volumes are less than the total produced by the LLCs, as the unconsolidated LLCs ship directly to its customers
Plant Nutrient Business
Our Plant Nutrient business is a leading manufacturer, distributor and retailer of agricultural and related plant nutrients and pelleted lime and gypsum products in the U.S. Corn Belt, Florida and Puerto Rico. The Plant Nutrient Group provides warehousing, packaging and manufacturing services to basic manufacturers and other distributors. The business also manufactures and distributes a variety of industrial products throughout the U.S. and Puerto Rico including nitrogen reagents for air pollution control systems used in coal-fired power plants and water treatment products. The major nutrient products sold by the business principally contain nitrogen, phosphate, potassium and sulfur.

Storage capacity at our wholesale nutrient and farm center facilities was approximately 485,000 tons for dry nutrients and approximately 414,000 tons for liquid nutrients at March 31, 2014.
Fertilizer tons sold (including sales and service tons) for the three months ended March 31, 2014 was approximately 0.3 million tons, consistent with those seen in the three months ended March 31, 2013. Volume for the period was lower than anticipated due to the harsh weather experienced during the first quarter 2014, but we expect most of the tonnage will shift into the second quarter. Despite the inclement weather so far in 2014, we do not anticipate a significant decline in planted corn acreage at this time.
Rail Business
Our Rail business buys, sells, leases, rebuilds and repairs various types of used railcars and rail equipment. The business also provides fleet management services to fleet owners. Rail has a diversified fleet of car types (boxcars, gondolas, covered and open top hoppers, tank cars and pressure differential cars) and locomotives.
In the first quarter, Rail had gains on sales of railcars and related leases in the amount of $\$ 10.8$ million compared to $\$ 9.7$ million in the prior year. Railcars and locomotives under management (owned, leased or managed for financial institutions in non-recourse arrangements) at March 31, 2014 were 22,192 compared to 23,508 at March 31, 2013. The average utilization rate (railcars and locomotives under management that are in lease services, exclusive of railcars managed for third party investors) has increased from $84.6 \%$ to $88.4 \%$ for the quarters ended March 31, 2013 and 2014, respectively.
The Rail Group is focused on strategically growing the rail fleet and continues to look for opportunities to open new repair facilities. We also anticipate future business related to mandated modification in the tank car industry.
Turf \& Specialty Business
Turf \& Specialty produces granular fertilizer products for the professional lawn care and golf course markets. It also sells consumer fertilizer and weed and turf pest control products for "do-it-yourself" application to mass merchandisers, small independent retailers and other lawn fertilizer manufacturers and performs contract manufacturing of fertilizer and weed and turf pest control products. These products are distributed throughout the United States and Canada and into Europe and Asia. The turf products industry is highly seasonal, with the majority of sales occurring from early spring to early summer. Turf \& Specialty is also one of a very limited number of processors of corncob-based products in the United States. Corncob-based products are manufactured for a variety of uses including laboratory animal bedding, private-label cat litter, as well as absorbents, blast cleaners, carriers and polishers. Corncob-based
products are sold throughout the year.
Retail Business
Our Retail business includes large retail stores operated as "The Andersons" and a specialty food market operated as "The Andersons Market". It also operates a sales and service facility for outdoor power equipment. The retail concept is More for Your Home $\circledR^{\circledR}$ and the conventional retail stores focus on providing significant product breadth with offerings in home improvement and other mass merchandise categories, as well as specialty foods, wine and indoor and outdoor garden centers.

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The retail business is highly competitive. Our stores compete with a variety of retail merchandisers, including home centers, department and hardware stores, as well as local and national grocers. The Retail Group continues to work on new departments and products to maximize the profitability.
Other
Our "Other" business segment represents corporate functions that provide support and services to the operating segments. The results contained within this segment include expenses and benefits not allocated back to the operating segments, including implementation expenses for our ERP project. We anticipate an increase in expenses throughout the remainder of the year as the first stage of the project implementation commences.

Operating Results
The following discussion focuses on the operating results as shown in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income with a separate discussion by segment. Additional segment information is included in the Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements herein in Note 7. Segment Information.
(in thousands)
Sales and merchandising revenues
Cost of sales and merchandising revenues
Gross profit
Operating, administrative and general expenses
Interest expense
Equity in earnings of affiliates, net
Other income, net
Income before income taxes
Income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests
Income before income taxes attributable to The Andersons, Inc.

Three months ended March 31, 20142013
\$ 1,003,294 \$ 1,271,970
926,519 1,192,697
76,775 79,273
70,985 62,008
6,002 6,404
20,501 7,804
19,612 2,726
39,901 21,391
3,321 (266
\$36,580 \$21,657

Comparison of the three months ended March 31, 2014 with the three months ended March 31, 2013:
Grain Group
(in thousands)
Sales and merchandising revenues
Cost of sales and merchandising revenues
Gross profit
Operating, administrative and general expenses
Interest expense
Equity in earnings of affiliates, net
Other income, net
Income before income taxes
Loss attributable to noncontrolling interest
Income before income taxes attributable to The Andersons, Inc.

Three months ended March 31, 20142013
\$583,159
566,151 811,645
17,008 24,850
23,160 21,183
2,775 3,849
1,884 7,910
18,346 571
11,303 8,299
(3 ) -
$\$ 11,306 \quad \$ 8,299$

Operating results for the Grain Group have improved $\$ 3.0$ million compared to the results of the same period last year. Sales and merchandising revenues decreased $\$ 253.3$ million and is primarily the result of lower grain prices, which decreased almost 30 percent. Cost of sales and merchandising revenues decreased $\$ 245.5$ million compared to the first quarter of 2013 and was also driven by lower prices. Gross profit is down $\$ 7.8$ million over the first quarter of 2013 with over half of the decrease a result of lower basis appreciation in corn and wheat, as well as lower wheat inventory. Basis is defined as the difference between cash price of a commodity in one of the Company's facilities and the
nearest exchange traded futures price.

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Operating expenses increased $\$ 2.0$ million compared to the same period in 2013, driven primarily by higher labor and benefit costs and utility costs. Interest expense is lower compared to the same period in 2013 due to lower commodity prices resulting in lower inventory values. Equity in earnings of affiliates decreased $\$ 6.0$ million over the same period in 2013, primarily driven by a decreased ownership percentage of the investment in LTG and lower operating results of LTG in the first quarter of 2014. Other income is higher in the current year due to a gain, net of deal costs, recognized from the partial share redemption in our investment in LTG of $\$ 17.1$ million.
Ethanol Group

|  | Three months ended |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| March 31, |  |  |
| (in thousands) | 2014 | 2013 |
| Sales and merchandising and service fee revenues | $\$ 188,820$ | $\$ 199,309$ |
| Cost of sales and merchandising revenues | 181,455 | 194,504 |
| Gross profit | 7,365 | 4,805 |
| Operating, administrative and general expenses | 2,508 | 2,391 |
| Interest expense | 100 | 326 |
| Equity in earnings (loss) of affiliates, net | 18,617 | $(106$ |
| Other income (expense), net | $(226$ | 231 |
| Income before income taxes | 23,148 | 2,213 |
| Income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests | 3,324 | $(266$ |
| Income before income taxes attributable to The Andersons, Inc. | $\$ 19,824$ | $\$ 2,479$ |

Operating results for the Ethanol Group increased $\$ 17.3$ million over the results of the same period last year. Sales and merchandising and service fee revenues decreased $\$ 10.5$ million and is primarily due to a decrease in the average price per gallon of ethanol sold and price per tons of DDG sold, partially offset by an increase in volume for both. The decrease in cost of sales is due to lower corn prices. The increase in gross profit quarter over quarter is attributed to the increase in ethanol demand and the price of ethanol and DDG relative to corn value which contributed to more favorable margins.

Operating expenses and interest expense were comparable to the same period last year. Equity in earnings of affiliates improved $\$ 18.7$ million and relates to improved earnings from our unconsolidated ethanol LLC investments. The ethanol plants' performance was favorably impacted by higher ethanol margins resulting from declining corn costs and higher demand for ethanol.
Plant Nutrient Group
(in thousands)
Sales and merchandising revenues
Cost of sales and merchandising revenues
Gross profit
Operating, administrative and general expenses
Interest expense
Other income (expense), net
Loss before income taxes

| Three months ended |
| :--- |
| March 31, |


| 2014 | 2013 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\$ 107,630$ | $\$ 111,902$ |  |
| 93,555 | 97,953 |  |
| 14,075 | 13,949 |  |
| 14,900 | 13,568 |  |
| 771 | 918 |  |
| 185 | $(25$ | $)$ |
| $\$(1,411$ | $\$(562$ | $)$ |$l$

Operating results for the Plant Nutrient Group decreased $\$ 0.8$ million from the same period last year. Sales and merchandising revenues decreased $\$ 4.3$ million due to a decrease in average price per ton sold, which followed the price of nutrients. This decrease was partially offset by an increase in volume. The decreases in cost of sales and merchandising revenues and gross profit were also driven by lower costs per ton sold.

Operating expenses were up slightly from the same period in 2013, due to increased labor and benefit costs. There were no significant changes in interest expense or other income.

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Rail Group

|  | Three months ended |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | March 31, |  |
| (in thousands) | 2014 | 2013 |
| Sales and merchandising revenues | $\$ 52,302$ | $\$ 46,364$ |
| Cost of sales and merchandising revenues | 30,437 | 27,385 |
| Gross profit | 21,865 | 18,979 |
| Operating, administrative and general expenses | 5,874 | 3,838 |
| Interest expense | 1,656 | 1,513 |
| Other income, net | 710 | 946 |
| Income before income taxes | $\$ 15,045$ | $\$ 14,574$ |

Operating results for the Rail Group increased by $\$ 0.5$ million compared to the results from the same period last year. The increase in revenues was driven by a $\$ 5.8$ million increase in car sales and $\$ 0.7$ million in leasing revenues, partially offset by a decrease in revenues at the repair facilities of $\$ 0.6$ million. The increase in car sales was due to strong demand for all car types. Cost of sales and merchandising revenues increased $\$ 3.1$ million compared to the same period last year primarily as a result of higher volume of car sales.

Rail gross profit increased by $\$ 2.9$ million compared to the first quarter of 2013. While gross profit on car sales increased $\$ 1.1$ million, gross margin percent decreased as a result of the sales mix. Gross profit in the leasing business increased $\$ 2.0$ million and is attributed to improved margins through lower expenses in 2014.

Operating expenses increased $\$ 2.0$ million quarter over quarter primarily due to increased costs of labor and benefits due to recent repair expansion and additional depreciation expense. There were no significant changes in interest expense and other income compared to the same period last year.
Turf \& Specialty Group

|  | Three months ended |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | March 31, |  |
| (in thousands) | 2014 | 2013 |
| Sales and merchandising revenues | $\$ 43,725$ | $\$ 47,187$ |
| Cost of sales and merchandising revenues | 35,250 | 38,169 |
| Gross profit | 8,475 | 9,018 |
| Operating, administrative and general expenses | 6,989 | 4,890 |
| Interest expense | 418 | 402 |
| Other income, net | 307 | 275 |
| Income before income taxes | $\$ 1,375$ | $\$ 4,001$ |

Operating results for the Turf \& Specialty Group decreased $\$ 2.6$ million for the first quarter of 2014 compared to results from the same period last year. Sales and merchandising revenues decreased $\$ 3.5$ million primarily due to a lower margin sales mix that saw a decrease in the average price per ton sold. Consistent with the decrease in revenues, cost of sales and merchandising revenues decreased $\$ 2.9$ million compared to the same period last year and was driven by a lower average cost per ton. Gross profit decreased $\$ 0.5$ million primarily due to a lower margin mix.

Operating expenses increased $\$ 2.1$ million. The largest driver of this increase was labor and benefit costs due to recent acquisitions and additional depreciation expense. The inclement weather caused additional overtime costs to make up a backlog of orders to service our customers. There were no significant fluctuations in interest expense and other income quarter over quarter.

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Retail Group

|  | Three months ended |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| March 31, | 2013 |  |
| (in thousands) | 2014 | $\$ 27,658$ |
| Sales and merchandising revenues | 19,671 | 230,713 |
| Cost of sales and merchandising revenues | 7,987 | 7,672 |
| Gross profit | 10,264 | 10,740 |
| Operating, administrative and general expenses | 170 | 215 |
| Interest expense | 112 | 114 |
| Other income, net | $\$(2,335$ | $\$(3,169$ |

Operating results for the Retail Group improved $\$ 0.8$ million from the same period last year. Sales and merchandising revenues decreased $\$ 3.1$ million. The average sale per customer remained consistent but we saw a decrease in customer count quarter over quarter, caused, in part, by the weather conditions and the closing of the Woodville store in the first quarter of 2013. Cost of sales and merchandising revenues decreased $\$ 3.4$ million and was also driven by lower customer counts. Despite lower volumes, gross profit increased due to the strong margins realized on work wear and winter goods.

Operating expenses were $\$ 0.5$ million lower than the comparable period last year primarily due to lower labor and benefits and lower depreciation expense related to the Woodville store closing and the impairment charge taken in 2013. There were no significant changes in interest expense and other income quarter over quarter.

Other
(in thousands)
Sales and merchandising revenues
Cost of sales and merchandising revenues
Gross profit
Operating, administrative and general expenses
Interest (income) expense
Other income, net
Loss before income taxes
$\left.\begin{array}{ll}\text { Three months ended } \\ \text { March 31, } & \\ 2014 & 2013 \\ \$- & \$- \\ - & - \\ - & 5,398 \\ 7,290 & (819 \\ 112 & 614 \\ 178 & \$(3,965\end{array}\right)$

Net corporate operating loss not allocated to business segments produced a loss of $\$ 7.2$ million for the quarter ended March 31, 2014. Operating expenses were higher in the first quarter of 2014 due to higher incentive and benefit costs. Interest (income) expense increased due to mark-to-market adjustments on interest rate derivative contracts.

Income tax expense of $\$ 13.9$ million was provided at $34.8 \%$. In the first quarter of 2013 , income tax expense of $\$ 9.1$ million was provided at a rate of $42.4 \%$. The higher 2013 effective tax rate was due primarily to a correction made with respect to the accounting for the other comprehensive income ("OCI") portion of the Company's retiree health care plan liability and the Medicare Part D subsidy. The 2014 effective tax rate also reflects a benefit associated with income attributable to noncontrolling interests that does not increase tax expense.

The Company anticipates that its 2014 effective annual rate will be $34.4 \%$. The Company's actual 2013 effective tax rate was $36.0 \%$. The lower effective rate for 2014 is due to increased benefits related to domestic production activities and the 2013 correction made with respect to the accounting for the OCI portion of the Company's retiree health care plan liability and the Medicare Part D subsidy.

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Liquidity and Capital Resources

## Working Capital

At March 31, 2014, we had working capital of $\$ 246.6$ million. The following table presents changes in the components of current assets and current liabilities:
(in thousands)
Current Assets:
Cash and cash equivalents
Restricted cash
Accounts receivable, net
Inventories
Commodity derivative assets - current
Deferred income taxes
Other current assets
Total current assets
Current Liabilities:
Borrowing under short-term line of credit
Accounts payable for grain
Other accounts payable
Customer prepayments and deferred revenue
Commodity derivative liabilities - current
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities
Current maturities of long-term debt
Total current liabilities
Working capital

| March 31, <br> 2014 | March 31, <br> 2013 | Variance |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |  |
| $\$ 43,693$ | $\$ 58,284$ | $\$(14,591$ | $)$ |
| 652 | 635 | 17 |  |
| 191,972 | 197,842 | $(5,870$ | $)$ |
| 725,584 | 753,378 | $(27,794$ | $)$ |
| 119,330 | 158,079 | $(38,749$ | $)$ |
| 9,104 | 15,482 | $(6,378$ | $)$ |
| 48,214 | 63,350 | $(15,136$ | $)$ |
| $1,138,549$ | $1,247,050$ | $(108,501$ | $)$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| 226,100 | 292,100 | $(66,000$ | $)$ |
| 183,998 | 183,997 | 1 |  |
| 177,623 | 182,013 | $(4,390$ | $)$ |
| 124,981 | 160,191 | $(35,210$ | $)$ |
| 32,153 | 50,157 | $(18,004$ | $)$ |
| 56,290 | 52,519 | 3,771 |  |
| 90,760 | 43,052 | 47,708 |  |
| 891,905 | 964,029 | $(72,124$ | $)$ |
| $\$ 246,644$ | $\$ 283,021$ | $\$(36,377$ | $)$ |

In comparison to March 31, 2013, current assets decreased primarily as a result of lower inventory levels due to the nature of mark to market accounting and the impact of a decrease in grain prices. See the discussion below on sources and uses of cash for an understanding of the change in cash from prior year. Accounts receivable is lower in the current year due to lower grain prices and decreased revenues in several other business units. Commodity derivative assets and liabilities have decreased as a result of a significant decrease in grain prices. The decrease in deferred income tax assets is due to a tax deduction that was taken during the second quarter of 2013 related to the cash payment made to Cargill for the marketing agreement that settled in May 2013. Other current assets decreased in 2014 primarily due to the Plant Nutrient Group not needing to enter into as many advance inventory purchases in preparation for the Spring as prices remained stable. Current liabilities decreased primarily due to lower borrowings on the short-term line of credit, which fluctuates with the funding of margin calls on commodity contracts and other working capital needs. Customer prepayments and deferred revenue have decreased significantly, a majority of which is due to the payout of a liability to Cargill for the marketing agreement that was settled in May 2013. These significant decreases were partially offset by increases in accrued expenses and current maturities of long-term debt. Higher accrued expenses and other current liabilities include accrued compensation related to performance incentives and accrued taxes. Current maturities of long-term debt increased due to reclassification of certain notes that are due within the next year.
Sources and Uses of Cash
Operating Activities
Our operating activities used cash of $\$ 498.6$ million in the first three months of 2014 compared to net cash used in operating activities of $\$ 336.0$ million in the first three months of 2013. The most significant use of cash in both periods relates to the significant payout to farmers in January of each year. Other working capital changes, including an increase in inventory, commodity derivatives, and accounts receivable from year-end have contributed to the use of cash. Partially offsetting these uses includes distributions from investments in affiliates. The ethanol LLCs made distributions to us as a result of strong financial performance, and a portion of the proceeds received from LTG as part
of the partial share redemption agreement was a distribution of earnings.
We did not make any tax payments in the first quarter of 2014 due to an overpayment of income taxes in 2013. We expect to make payments totaling approximately $\$ 38.4$ million for the remainder of 2014.

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Investing Activities
Total capital spending for 2014 on property, plant and equipment in our base business, inclusive of information technology spending is expected to be approximately $\$ 94$ million. In addition to spending on conventional property, plant and equipment, we expect to spend $\$ 110$ million for the purchase of railcars, locomotives and related leases and capitalized modifications of railcars. We also expect to offset this amount by proceeds from the sales and dispositions of railcars of $\$ 85$ million. Through March 31, 2014, we invested $\$ 14.0$ million in the purchase of additional railcars, which is more than offset by proceeds from sales of railcars of $\$ 25.5$ million. Additional, we recognized a portion of the proceeds received from LTG as part of the partial share redemption as proceeds from sale of investments.

## Financing Activities

We have a significant amount of committed short-term lines of credit available to finance working capital, primarily inventories, margin calls on commodity contracts and accounts receivable. We are party to a borrowing arrangement with a syndicate of banks that provides a total of $\$ 878.1$ million in borrowings, which includes $\$ 28.1$ million non-recourse debt of The Andersons Denison Ethanol LLC. Of that total, we had $\$ 594.0$ million remaining available for borrowing at March 31, 2014. Peak short-term borrowings to date were $\$ 236.6$ million on March 27, 2014. Typically, our highest borrowing occurs in the Spring due to seasonal inventory requirements in our fertilizer and grain businesses.

We paid $\$ 0.1067$ per common share for the dividends paid in January, April, July and October 2013, and $\$ 0.11$ per common share for the dividends paid in January 2014. On February 28, 2014, we declared a cash dividend of $\$ 0.11$ per common share payable on April 22, 2014 to shareholders of record on April 1, 2014. During the first three months, we granted approximately 156 thousand shares to employees and directors under our equity-based compensation plans. During the first three months of 2013, we did not grant any shares under our equity-based compensation plans.
Certain of our long-term borrowings include covenants that, among other things, impose minimum levels of equity and limitations on additional debt. We are in compliance with all such covenants as of March 31, 2014. In addition, certain of our long-term borrowings are collateralized by first mortgages on various facilities or are collateralized by railcar assets. Our non-recourse long-term debt is collateralized by railcar and ethanol plant assets.
Because we are a significant consumer of short-term debt in peak seasons and the majority of this is variable rate debt, increases in interest rates could have a significant impact on our profitability. In addition, periods of high grain prices and/or unfavorable market conditions could require us to make additional margin deposits on our exchange traded futures contracts. Conversely, in periods of declining prices, we receive a return of cash.
We believe our sources of liquidity will be adequate to fund our operations, capital expenditures and payments of dividends through the next twelve months.
Off-Balance Sheet Transactions
Our Rail Group utilizes leasing arrangements that provide off-balance sheet financing for its activities. We lease railcars from financial intermediaries through sale-leaseback transactions, the majority of which involve operating sale leasebacks. Railcars we own or lease from a financial intermediary are generally leased to a customer under an operating lease. We also arrange non-recourse lease transactions under which we sell railcars or locomotives to a financial intermediary and assign the related operating lease to the financial intermediary on a non-recourse basis. In such arrangements, we generally provide ongoing railcar maintenance and management services for the financial intermediary, and receive a fee for such services. On most of the railcars and locomotives, we hold an option to purchase these assets at the end of the lease.

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The following table describes our railcar and locomotive positions at March 31, 2014:
Method of Control
Owned-railcars available for sale
Owned-railcar assets leased to others
Railcars leased from financial intermediaries
Railcars - non-recourse arrangements
Total Railcars
Financial Statement Units

Locomotive assets leased to others
Locomotives leased from financial intermediaries
On balance sheet - current
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Locomotives - non-recourse arrangements
On balance sheet - non-current 14,480
Off balance sheet
3,916
Off balance sheet
3,738

Total Locomotives
22,146

In addition, we manage 377 railcars for third-party customers or owners for which we receive a fee.
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Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk
For further information, refer to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013. There were no material changes in market risk, specifically commodity and interest rate risk during the quarter ended March 31, 2014.

## Item 4. Controls and Procedures

## Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

The Company maintains disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the Company's Exchange Act reports is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms and that such information is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer ("Certifying Officers"), as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. In designing and evaluating the disclosure controls and procedures, management recognizes that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives, and management is required to apply its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures.
As required by Rule $13 \mathrm{a}-15$ (b) of the Exchange Act, the Company carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report. Based on the results of this evaluation, management concluded that, as of March 31, 2014, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective. Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting
Management concluded that the Company's system of internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2013. As required by Rule 13a-15(d) of the Exchange Act, the Company carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of any change in the Company's internal controls over financial reporting that have materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal controls over financial reporting. There have been no changes in the Company's internal controls over financial reporting during the Company's most recent fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal controls over financial reporting.

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## Part II. Other Information

Item 1. Legal Proceedings
We have received, and are cooperating fully with, a request for information from the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("U.S. EPA") regarding the history of our grain and fertilizer facility along the Maumee River in Toledo, Ohio. The U.S. EPA is investigating the possible introduction into the Maumee River of hazardous materials potentially leaching from rouge piles deposited along the riverfront by glass manufacturing operations that existed in the area prior to our initial acquisition of the land in 1960. We have on several prior occasions cooperated with local, state and federal regulators to install or improve drainage systems to contain storm water runoff and sewer discharges along our riverfront property to minimize the potential for such leaching. Other area land owners and the successor to the original glass making operations have also been contacted by the U.S. EPA for information. No claim or finding has been asserted thus far.
We are also currently subject to various claims and suits arising in the ordinary course of business, which include environmental issues, employment claims, contractual disputes, and defensive counter claims. We accrue liabilities where litigation losses are deemed probable and estimable. We believe it is unlikely that the results of our current legal proceedings, even if unfavorable, will be materially different from what we currently have accrued. There can be no assurance, however, that any claims or suits arising in the future, whether taken individually or in the aggregate, will not have a material adverse effect on our financial condition or results of operations.

Item 1A. Risk Factors
Our operations are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those discussed in this Form 10-Q and could have a material adverse impact on our financial results. These risks can be impacted by factors beyond our control as well as by errors and omissions on our part. The significant factors known to us that could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition or operating results are described in the 2013 10-K (Item 1A).

## Item 5. Other Information

On March 1, 2014, we granted restricted shares ("RSAs") to our officers, directors and other members of management and performance share units (PSUs) valued at $\$ 54.84$ to our officers and other members of management. These grants were made under the Long-Term Performance Compensation Plan. These grants were made as follows to the named executive officers, all officers as a group, directors and all other employees.

|  | RSAs | PSUs |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Michael J. Anderson | 6,700 | 13,400 |
| John J. Granato | 2,000 | 4,000 |
| Harold M. Reed | 3,900 | 7,800 |
| Dennis J. Addis | 1,800 | 3,600 |
| Rasesh H. Shah | 1,475 | 2,950 |
| Executive group | 25,960 | 51,920 |
| Non-executive director group | 11,172 | - |
| Non-executive officer employee group | 22,156 | 44,312 |

On March 4, 2014, the Company, as Borrower, entered into the Fifth Amended and Restated Loan Agreement ("the Agreement") with several financial institutions, including U.S. Bank National Association, acting as Agent. The Agreement provides the Company with $\$ 850$ million borrowing capacity. The foregoing description of the Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Agreement which is filed as exhibit 10.65 of this Current Report.

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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.

Date: May 9, 2014

Date: May 9, 2014

THE ANDERSONS, INC.
(Registrant)

By /s/ Michael J. Anderson
Michael J. Anderson
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

By /s/ John Granato
John Granato
Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

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