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Form 10-Q

(Mark One)

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)  
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2011

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
For the transition period from to .

Commission file number: 001-35120

**CVR PARTNERS, LP**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)  
**2277 Plaza Drive, Suite 500**  
**Sugar Land, Texas**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**56-2677689**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)  
**77479**  
(Zip Code)

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)  
(281) 207-3200

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

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

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

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer  Non-accelerated filer  Smaller reporting company   
(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

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

There were 73,021,992 common units outstanding at November 1, 2011.

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## GLOSSARY OF SELECTED TERMS

The following are definitions of certain terms used in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

**ammonia** — Ammonia is a direct application fertilizer and is primarily used as a building block for other nitrogen products for industrial applications and finished fertilizer products.

**catalyst** — A substance that alters, accelerates, or instigates chemical changes, but is neither produced, consumed nor altered in the process.

**CRLLC** — Coffeyville Resources, LLC, the subsidiary of CVR Energy, Inc. which was our sole limited partner prior to the Offering and now directly owns our general partner and 50,920,000 common units following the Offering.

**common units** — Common units representing limited partner interests of CVR Partners, LP.

**corn belt** — The primary corn producing region of the United States, which includes Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio and Wisconsin.

**CVR Energy** — CVR Energy, Inc., a publicly traded company listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol “CVI,” together with its subsidiaries, but excluding CVR Partners, LP and its subsidiary. Subsequent to the completion of the Offering, CVR Energy indirectly owns our general partner and 50,920,000 common units.

**ethanol** — A clear, colorless, flammable oxygenated hydrocarbon. Ethanol is typically produced chemically from ethylene, or biologically from fermentation of various sugars from carbohydrates found in agricultural crops and cellulosic residues from crops or wood. It is used in the United States as a gasoline octane enhancer and oxygenate.

**farm belt** — Refers to the states of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas and Wisconsin.

**general partner** — CVR GP, LLC, our general partner which, following the Offering, is a wholly-owned subsidiary of CRLLC, and prior to the Offering was our managing general partner and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Coffeyville Acquisition III LLC.

**MMBtu** — One million British thermal units or Btu is a measure of energy. One Btu of heat is required to raise the temperature of one pound of water one degree Fahrenheit.

**offering** — Initial public offering (“IPO”) of CVR Partners, LP common units that closed on April 13, 2011.

**on-stream factor** — Measurement of the reliability of the gasification, ammonia and UAN units, defined as the total number of hours operated by each unit divided by the total number of hours in the reporting period.

**prepaid sales** — Represents customer payments under contracts to guarantee a price and supply of fertilizer in quantities expected to be delivered in the next twelve months. Revenue is not recorded for such sales until the product is considered delivered. Prepaid sales are also referred to as deferred revenue.

**turnaround** — A periodically required standard procedure to inspect, refurbish, repair and maintain the nitrogen fertilizer plant assets. This process involves the shutdown and inspection of major processing units and occurs every two years for the nitrogen fertilizer plant.

**UAN** — An aqueous solution of urea and ammonium nitrate used as a fertilizer.

PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

CVR Partners, LP and Subsidiary  
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	September 30, 2011 (unaudited)	December 31, 2010
(dollars in thousands)		
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 255,514	\$ 42,745
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$64 and \$43, respectively	7,597	5,036
Inventories	25,799	19,830
Prepaid expenses and other current assets including \$353 and \$2,587 from affiliates at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively	2,825	5,557
Total current assets	291,735	73,168
Property, plant, and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	336,071	337,938
Intangible assets, net	38	46
Goodwill	40,969	40,969
Deferred financing cost, net	3,387	—
Other long-term assets, including \$1,406 and \$0 with affiliates at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively	1,579	44
Total assets	<u>\$ 673,779</u>	<u>\$ 452,165</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND PARTNERS' CAPITAL</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable, including \$2,535 and \$3,323 due to affiliates at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively	\$ 15,148	\$ 17,758
Personnel accruals, including \$418 and \$0 with affiliates at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively	2,242	1,848
Deferred revenue	20,550	18,660
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities, including \$513 and \$0 with affiliates at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively	19,097	7,810
Total current liabilities	57,037	46,076
Long-term liabilities:		
Long-term debt, net of current portion	125,000	—
Other long-term liabilities, including \$896 and \$0 with affiliates at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively	2,484	3,886
Total long-term liabilities	127,484	3,886
Commitments and contingencies		
Partners' capital:		
Special general partner's interest, 30,303,000 units issued and outstanding at December 31, 2010	—	397,951
Limited partner's interest, 30,333 units issued and outstanding at December 31, 2010	—	398
Managing general partner's interest	—	3,854
Common unitholders, 73,002,956 units issued and outstanding at September 30, 2011	491,669	—
General partner's interest	1	—
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(2,412)	—
Total partners' capital	489,258	402,203
Total liabilities and partners' capital	<u>\$ 673,779</u>	<u>\$ 452,165</u>

See accompanying notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements.

**CVR Partners, LP and Subsidiary**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
	(unaudited) (in thousands, except per unit data)			
Net sales	\$ 77,203	\$ 46,426	\$ 215,253	\$ 141,057
Operating costs and expenses:				
Cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) — Affiliates	3,642	2,940	7,977	5,086
Cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) — Third parties	7,259	7,854	20,161	22,565
	<u>10,901</u>	<u>10,794</u>	<u>28,138</u>	<u>27,651</u>
Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) — Affiliates	165	471	1,013	1,423
Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) — Third parties	19,918	16,754	64,360	59,309
	<u>20,083</u>	<u>17,225</u>	<u>65,373</u>	<u>60,732</u>
Insurance recovery — business interruption	(490)	—	(3,360)	—
Selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) — Affiliates	3,438	2,391	13,085	6,830
Selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) — Third parties	1,094	930	4,443	1,952
	<u>4,532</u>	<u>3,321</u>	<u>17,528</u>	<u>8,782</u>
Depreciation and amortization	4,663	4,526	13,948	13,862
Total operating costs and expenses	<u>39,689</u>	<u>35,866</u>	<u>121,627</u>	<u>111,027</u>
Operating income	37,514	10,560	93,626	30,030
Other income (expense):				
Interest expense and other financing costs	(1,378)	—	(2,616)	—
Interest income	29	3,033	58	9,619
Other income, net	132	(46)	189	(120)
Total other income (expense)	<u>(1,217)</u>	<u>2,987</u>	<u>(2,369)</u>	<u>9,499</u>
Income before income tax expense	36,297	13,547	91,257	39,529
Income tax expense	12	3	27	35
Net income	<u>\$ 36,285</u>	<u>\$ 13,544</u>	<u>\$ 91,230</u>	<u>\$ 39,494</u>
Net income subsequent to initial public offering	\$ 36,285		\$ 67,134	
Net income per common unit — basic(1)	\$ 0.50		\$ 0.92	
Net income per common unit — diluted(1)	\$ 0.50		\$ 0.92	
Weighted-average common units outstanding:				
Basic	73,003		73,002	
Diluted	73,083		73,065	

(1) Represents net income per common unit since closing the Partnership's initial public offering on April 13, 2011. See Note 5 to the condensed consolidated financial statements.  
See accompanying notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2011	2010
	(unaudited) (in thousands)	
<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>		
Net income	\$ 91,230	\$ 39,494
<b>Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:</b>		
Depreciation and amortization	13,948	13,862
Allowance for doubtful accounts	21	(5)
Amortization of deferred financing costs	458	—
Loss on disposition of fixed assets	631	523
Share-based compensation — Affiliates	6,420	1,279
<b>Change in assets and liabilities:</b>		
Accounts receivable	(2,582)	(1,258)
Inventories	(5,969)	(1,558)
Insurance receivable	(5,880)	—
Business interruption insurance proceeds	3,360	—
Other long-term assets	(1,569)	—
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	2,812	457
Accounts payable	(4,726)	2,616
Deferred revenue	1,890	(2,402)
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	7,184	3,730
Other long-term liabilities	669	(94)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>107,897</u>	<u>56,644</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities:</b>		
Capital expenditures	(10,539)	(3,835)
Insurance proceeds from UAN reactor rupture	2,745	—
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(7,794)</u>	<u>(3,835)</u>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities:</b>		
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	125,000	—
Payment of financing costs	(4,825)	—
Due from affiliate	—	(29,474)
Distributions to affiliates	(297,401)	—
Cash distributions to public unitholders — non-affiliates	(8,988)	—
Purchase of managing general partner incentive distribution rights	(26,000)	—
Proceeds from issuances of common units, net of offering costs	324,880	—
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	<u>112,666</u>	<u>(29,474)</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	212,769	23,335
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	42,745	5,440
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	<u>\$ 255,514</u>	<u>\$ 28,775</u>
<b>Supplemental disclosures:</b>		
Cash paid for income taxes	\$ 20	\$ 35
Cash paid for interest, net of capitalized interest of \$946 and \$0 in 2011 and 2010, respectively	\$ 1,630	\$ —
<b>Non-cash investing activities:</b>		
Accrual of construction in progress additions	\$ 2,116	\$ (467)

See accompanying notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PARTNERS' CAPITAL

	Special General Partners' Interest	Limited Partners' Interest	Managing General Partners' Interest	Common Unit-holders (unaudited)	General Partner Interest	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income/(Loss)	Total
	(In thousands)						
Balance at December 31, 2010	\$ 397,951	\$ 398	\$ 3,854	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 402,203
Conversion of Special General Partners' Interest and Limited Partners' Interest to Common Units	(372,699)	(373)	—	373,072	—	—	—
Issuance of common units to public, net of offering and other costs	—	—	—	324,206	—	—	324,206
Purchase of Managing General Partner Incentive Distribution Rights	—	—	(3,854)	(22,147)	1	—	(26,000)
Cash distributions to affiliates	(53,928)	(54)	—	(243,419)	—	—	(297,401)
Cash distributions to public unitholders	—	—	—	(8,988)	—	—	(8,988)
Issuance of units under LTIP — Affiliates	—	—	—	58	—	—	58
Share-based compensation —							
Affiliates	4,604	5	—	1,753	—	—	6,362
Comprehensive income:							
Net income attributable to the period from January 1, 2011 through April 12, 2011	24,072	24	—	—	—	—	24,096
Net income attributable to the period from April 13, 2011 through September 30, 2011	—	—	—	67,134	—	—	67,134
Net unrealized gains (losses) on interest rate swaps	—	—	—	—	—	(2,412)	(2,412)
Comprehensive income (loss)	24,072	24	—	67,134	—	(2,412)	88,818
Balance at September 30, 2011	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 491,669</u>	<u>\$ 1</u>	<u>\$ (2,412)</u>	<u>\$ 489,258</u>

See accompanying notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements.

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**NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**September 30, 2011**  
**(unaudited)**

**(1) Formation of the Partnership, Organization and Nature of Business**

***Organization***

CVR Partners, LP (referred to as “CVR Partners” or the “Partnership”) is a Delaware limited partnership, formed in June 2007 by CVR Energy, Inc. (together with its subsidiaries, but excluding the Partnership and its subsidiary, “CVR Energy”) to own Coffeyville Resources Nitrogen Fertilizers, LLC (“CRNF”), previously a wholly-owned subsidiary of CVR Energy. CRNF is an independent producer and marketer of upgraded nitrogen fertilizer products sold in North America. CRNF operates a dual-train coke gasifier plant that produces high-purity hydrogen, most of which is subsequently converted to ammonia and upgraded to urea ammonium nitrate (“UAN”).

CRNF produces and distributes nitrogen fertilizer products, which are used primarily by farmers to improve the yield and quality of their crops. CRNF’s principal products are ammonia and UAN. These products are manufactured at CRNF’s facility in Coffeyville, Kansas. CRNF’s product sales are heavily weighted toward UAN and all of its products are sold on a wholesale basis.

In October 2007, CVR Energy, through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Coffeyville Resources, LLC (“CRLLC”), transferred CRNF, which operated CRLLC’s nitrogen fertilizer business, to the Partnership. This transfer was not considered a business combination as it was a transfer of assets among entities under common control and, accordingly, balances were transferred at their historical cost. The Partnership became the sole member of CRNF. In consideration for CRLLC transferring its nitrogen fertilizer business to the Partnership, (1) CRLLC directly acquired 30,333 special LP units, representing a 0.1% limited partner interest in the Partnership, (2) a wholly-owned subsidiary of CRLLC acquired 30,303,000 special GP units, representing a 99.9% general partner interest in the Partnership, and (3) CVR GP, LLC, then owned by CRLLC, acquired a managing general partner interest and incentive distribution rights (“IDRs”) of the Partnership. Immediately prior to CVR Energy’s initial public offering, CVR Energy sold the managing general partner interest (together with the IDRs) to Coffeyville Acquisition III LLC (“CALLC III”), an entity owned by funds affiliated with Goldman, Sachs & Co. (the “Goldman Sachs Funds”) and Kelso & Company, L.P. (the “Kelso Funds”) and members of CVR Energy’s management team, for its fair market value on the date of sale. CVR Energy initially indirectly owned all of the interests in the Partnership (other than the managing general partner interest and the IDRs) and initially was entitled to all cash distributed by the Partnership.

***Initial Public Offering of CVR Partners, LP***

On April 13, 2011, CVR Partners completed its initial public offering (the “Offering”) of 22,080,000 common units priced at \$16.00 per unit (such amount includes common units issued pursuant to the exercise of the underwriters’ over-allotment option). The common units, which are listed on the New York Stock Exchange, began trading on April 8, 2011 under the symbol “UAN.”

The net proceeds to CVR Partners from the Offering (including the net proceeds from the exercise of the underwriter’s over-allotment option) were approximately \$324.2 million, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and offering expenses. The net proceeds from the Offering were used as follows: approximately \$18.4 million was used to make a distribution to CRLLC in satisfaction of the Partnership’s obligation to reimburse CRLLC for certain capital expenditures CRLLC made with respect to the nitrogen fertilizer business prior to October 24, 2007; approximately \$117.1 million was used to make a special distribution to CRLLC in order to, among other things, fund the offer to purchase CRLLC’s senior secured notes required upon consummation of the Offering; approximately \$26.0 million was used to purchase (and subsequently extinguish) the IDRs owned by the general partner; approximately \$4.8 million was used to pay financing fees and associated legal and professional fees resulting from the new credit facility; and the balance

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was used or will be used for general partnership purposes, including approximately \$104.0 million to fund the continuation of the UAN expansion at the nitrogen fertilizer plant.

Immediately prior to the closing of the Offering, the Partnership distributed approximately \$54.0 million of cash on hand to CRLLC. In connection with the Offering, the Partnership's special LP units were converted into common units, the Partnership's special GP units were converted into common units, and the Partnership's special general partner was merged with and into CRLLC, with CRLLC continuing as the surviving entity. Additionally, in conjunction with CVR GP, LLC selling its IDRs to the Partnership, which were then extinguished, CALLC III sold CVR GP, LLC to CRLLC for a nominal amount.

Subsequent to the closing of the Offering, common units held by public security holders represent approximately 30% of all outstanding limited partner interests. CRLLC holds common units approximating 70% of all outstanding limited partner interests.

The general partner manages and operates the Partnership. Common unitholders have only limited voting rights on matters affecting the Partnership. In addition, common unitholders have no right to elect the general partner's directors on an annual or continuing basis.

The Partnership is operated by CVR Energy's senior management team pursuant to a services agreement among CVR Energy, CVR GP, LLC and the Partnership. In October 2007, the Partnership's partners at that time entered into an amended and restated limited partnership agreement setting forth their various rights and responsibilities. The Partnership also entered into a number of agreements with CVR Energy and CVR GP, LLC to regulate certain business relations between the Partnership and the other parties thereto. See Note 16 ("Related Party Transactions") for further discussion. In connection with the Offering, certain of these agreements, including the amended and restated limited partnership agreement, were amended and/or restated. Additionally, in connection with the Offering, the Partnership and CRNF were released from their obligations as guarantors under CRLLC's asset-backed revolving credit facility ("ABL credit facility") and the indentures which govern CRLLC's senior secured notes, as described further in Note 15 ("Commitments and Contingencies").

**(2) Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements of CVR Partners are comprised of the operations of CRNF's nitrogen fertilizer business. The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements were prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") and in accordance with the rules and regulations of the SEC, including Article 3 of Regulation S-X, "General Instructions as to Consolidated Financial Statements."

The condensed consolidated financial statements include certain costs of CVR Energy that it incurred on behalf of the Partnership. These amounts represent certain selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) and direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization). These transactions represent related party transactions and are governed by the amended and restated services agreement originally entered into in October 2007. See Note 16 ("Related Party Transactions") for additional discussion of the services agreement and billing and allocation of certain costs. The amounts charged or allocated to the Partnership are not necessarily indicative of the cost that the Partnership would have incurred had it operated as an independent entity for all periods presented.

In the opinion of the Partnership's management, the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements and related notes reflect all adjustments that are necessary to fairly present the financial position of the Partnership as of September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010 and the results of operations of the Partnership for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, and cash flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010.

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS — (Continued)

The preparation of condensed consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that reflect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and other discharge of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Results of operations and cash flows are not necessarily indicative of the results that will be realized for the year ended December 31, 2011 or any other interim period.

The Partnership has omitted net income per unit for all periods other than the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, because the Partnership operated under a different capital structure prior to the closing of the Offering, and, as a result, the per unit data would not be meaningful to investors. Per unit data for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 is calculated since the closing of the Partnership's Offering on April 13, 2011.

The Partnership has evaluated subsequent events that would require an adjustment to the Partnership's condensed consolidated financial statements or disclosure in the notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements through the date of issuance of the condensed consolidated financial statements.

**(3) Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In May 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2011-04, "*Fair Value Measurements (Topic 820): Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRS*," ("ASU 2011-04"). ASU 2011-04 changes the wording used to describe many of the requirements in U.S. GAAP for measuring fair value and for disclosing information about fair value measurements to ensure consistency between U.S. GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). ASU 2011-04 also expands the disclosures for fair value measurements that are estimated using significant unobservable (Level 3) inputs. This new guidance is to be applied prospectively. ASU 2011-04 will be effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011. Early adoption is not permitted. The Partnership believes that the adoption of this standard will not materially expand its consolidated financial statement footnote disclosures.

In June 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-05, "*Comprehensive Income (ASC Topic 220): Presentation of Comprehensive Income*," ("ASU 2011-05") which amends current comprehensive income guidance. This ASU eliminates the option to present the components of other comprehensive income as part of the statement of shareholders' equity. Instead, the Partnership must report comprehensive income in either a single continuous statement of comprehensive income which contains two sections, net income and other comprehensive income, or in two separate but consecutive statements. ASU 2011-05 will be effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011, with early adoption permitted. The Partnership believes that the adoption of ASU 2011-05 will not have a material impact on the Partnership's condensed consolidated financial statements.

In September 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2011-08, "*Intangibles — Goodwill and Other (Topic 350): Testing Goodwill for Impairment*," ("ASU 2011-08"). ASU 2011-08 permits an entity to make a qualitative assessment of whether it is more likely than not that a reporting unit's fair value is less than its carrying amount before applying the two-step goodwill impairment test. This new guidance is to be applied prospectively. ASU 2011-08 will be effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011, with early adoption permitted. The Partnership believes that the adoption of this standard will not have a material impact on the consolidated financial statements.

**(4) Partners' Capital and Partnership Distributions**

In connection with the Offering that closed on April 13, 2011, the Partnership's special LP units were converted into common units, the Partnership's special GP units were converted into common units, and the

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Partnership's special general partner was merged with and into CRLLC, with CRLLC continuing as the surviving entity. In addition, CVR GP, LLC sold its IDRs to the Partnership and the IDRs were extinguished, and CALLC III sold CVR GP, LLC to CRLLC. Following the Offering, the Partnership has two types of partnership interests outstanding:

- common units; and
- a general partner interest, which is not entitled to any distributions, and which is held by CVR GP, LLC, the general partner.

At September 30, 2011, the Partnership had a total of 73,002,956 common units issued and outstanding, of which 50,920,000 common units were owned by CRLLC, representing approximately 70% of the total Partnership units outstanding.

The board of directors of the general partner has adopted a policy pursuant to which the Partnership will distribute all of the available cash it generates each quarter. Cash distributions will be made to the common unitholders of record on the applicable record date, generally within 45 days after the end of each quarter. See Note 20 ("Subsequent Events") for additional discussion of the cash distributions. Available cash for each quarter will be determined by the board of directors of the general partner following the end of such quarter. Available cash for each quarter will generally equal the Partnership's cash flow from operations for the quarter, less cash needed for maintenance capital expenditures, debt service and other contractual obligations, and reserves for future operating or capital needs that the board of directors of our general partner deems necessary or appropriate. The Partnership also retains the cash on hand associated with prepaid sales at each quarter end for future distributions to common unitholders based upon the recognition into income of the prepaid sales.

In August 2011, the Partnership paid out a cash distribution to the Partnership's unitholders for the second quarter of 2011 (calculated for the period beginning April 13, 2011 through June 30, 2011) in the amount of \$0.407 per unit or \$29.7 million in aggregate.

**(5) Net Income Per Common Unitholder**

The net income per unit figures on the condensed consolidated Statement of Operations are based on the net income of the Partnership after the closing of the Offering on April 13, 2011 through September 30, 2011, since this is the amount of net income that is attributable to the common units.

The Partnership's net income is allocated wholly to the common unitholders as the general partner does not have an economic interest.

Basic and diluted net income per common unitholder is calculated by dividing net income by the weighted-average number of common units outstanding during the period and, when applicable, gives effect to phantom units and unvested common units granted under the CVR Partners, LP Long-Term Incentive Plan ("CVR Partners LTIP"). The common units issued during the period are included on a weighted-average basis for the days in which they were outstanding.

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The following table illustrates the Partnership's calculation of net income per common unitholder (in thousands, except per unit information):

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2011	April 13, 2011 to September 30, 2011
Net income (from close of the Offering on April 13, 2011 to September 30, 2011)	\$ 36,285	\$ 67,134
Net income per common unit, basic	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.92
Net income per common unit, diluted	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.92
Weighted-average common units outstanding, basic	73,003	73,002
Weighted-average common units outstanding, diluted	73,083	73,065

**(6) Cost Classifications**

Cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) includes cost of pet coke expense and freight and distribution expenses. For each of the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, there was \$26,000 in depreciation expense incurred related to the cost of product sold. There were no amounts in depreciation expense incurred for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010.

Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) includes direct costs of labor, maintenance and services, energy and utility costs, property taxes, and environmental compliance costs as well as chemical and catalyst and other direct operating expenses. Direct operating expenses also include allocated non-cash share-based compensation expense from CVR Energy and CALLC III, as discussed in Note 14 ("Share-Based Compensation"). Direct operating expenses exclude depreciation and amortization of approximately \$4.7 million and \$4.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, direct operating expenses exclude depreciation and amortization of approximately \$13.9 million and approximately \$13.9 million, respectively.

Selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) consist primarily of direct and allocated legal, treasury, accounting, marketing, human resources and the cost of maintaining the corporate offices in Texas and Kansas. Selling, general and administrative expenses also include allocated non-cash share-based compensation expense from CVR Energy and CALLC III, as discussed in Note 14 ("Share-Based Compensation"). Selling, general and administrative expenses exclude depreciation and amortization of \$2,000 and \$2,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Selling, general and administrative expenses exclude depreciation and amortization of \$15,000 and \$8,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

**(7) Inventories**

Inventories consist of fertilizer products which are valued at the lower of first-in, first-out ("FIFO") cost, or market. Inventories also include raw materials, catalysts, parts and supplies, which are valued at the lower of moving-average cost, which approximates FIFO, or market. The cost of inventories includes inbound freight costs.

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Inventories consisted of the following:

	September 30, 2011	December 31, 2010
	(in thousands)	
Finished goods	\$ 8,099	\$ 3,645
Raw materials and precious metals	5,393	4,077
Parts and supplies	12,307	12,108
	<u>\$ 25,799</u>	<u>\$ 19,830</u>

**(8) Prepaid Expenses and Other Current Assets**

Prepaid expenses and other current assets consist of prepayments, non-trade accounts receivable, affiliates' receivables and other general current assets. Prepaid expenses and other current assets were as follows:

	September 30, 2011	December 31, 2010
	(in thousands)	
Accrued interest receivable(1)	\$ —	\$ 2,318
Deferred financing cost	980	2,089
Other	1,845	1,150
	<u>\$ 2,825</u>	<u>\$ 5,557</u>

(1) The "Accrued interest receivable" represents amounts due from CRLLC, a related party, in connection with the due from affiliate balance. As of December 31, 2010, the due from affiliate balance of \$160.0 million was distributed to CRLLC and the special general partner in accordance with their respective percentage interests. Additionally, included in the table above are amounts owed to the Partnership related to activities associated with the feedstock and shared services agreement. See Note 16 ("Related Party Transactions") for additional discussion of amounts owed to the Partnership related to the due from affiliate balance and detail of amounts owed to the Partnership related to the feedstock and shared services agreement.

**(9) Property, Plant, and Equipment**

A summary of costs for property, plant, and equipment is as follows:

	September 30, 2011	December 31, 2010
	(in thousands)	
Land and improvements	\$ 2,553	\$ 2,492
Buildings	815	724
Machinery and equipment	396,818	397,236
Automotive equipment	2,887	391
Furniture and fixtures	261	245
Construction in progress	41,756	32,776
	<u>445,090</u>	<u>433,864</u>
Accumulated depreciation	(109,019)	(95,926)
	<u>\$ 336,071</u>	<u>\$ 337,938</u>

Capitalized interest recognized as a reduction of interest expense for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 totaled approximately \$0.6 million and \$0, respectively. Capitalized interest recognized as a reduction of interest expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 totaled approximately \$0.9 million and \$0, respectively.

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**(10) Accrued Expenses and Other Current Liabilities**

Accrued expenses and other current liabilities were as follows:

	September 30, 2011	(in thousands)	December 31, 2010
Property taxes	\$ 10,588		\$ 7,025
Capital asset and dismantling obligation	5,247		250
Other current liabilities (interest rate swap)	868		—
Accrued interest	720		—
Other accrued expenses and liabilities(1)	1,674		535
	<u>\$ 19,097</u>		<u>\$ 7,810</u>

(1) Other accrued expenses and liabilities include amounts owed by the Partnership to Coffeyville Resources Refining & Marketing, LLC (“CRRM”), a related party, under the feedstock and shared services agreement. See Note 16 (“Related Party Transactions”) for additional discussion of amounts the Partnership owes related to the feedstock and shared services agreement.

**(11) Nitrogen Fertilizer Incident**

On September 30, 2010, the nitrogen fertilizer plant experienced an interruption in operations due to a rupture of a high-pressure UAN vessel. All operations at the nitrogen fertilizer facility were immediately shut down. No one was injured in the incident. Repairs to the facility as a result of the rupture were substantially complete as of December 31, 2010.

Total gross costs recorded as of September 30, 2011 due to the incident were approximately \$11.2 million for repairs and maintenance and other associated costs. Approximately \$0.1 million of these costs was recognized during the three months ended September 30, 2011. Approximately \$0.8 million of these costs was recognized during the nine months ended September 30, 2011. The repairs and maintenance costs incurred are included in direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization). Of the gross costs incurred, approximately \$4.6 million was capitalized.

The Partnership maintains property damage insurance under CVR Energy’s insurance policies which have an associated deductible of \$2.5 million. The Partnership anticipates that substantially all of the repair costs in excess of the \$2.5 million deductible should be covered by insurance. As of September 30, 2011, approximately \$7.0 million of insurance proceeds have been received under the property damage insurance related to this incident. Approximately \$2.5 million of these proceeds were received during the three months ended September 30, 2011. Approximately \$2.7 million of these proceeds were received during the nine months ended September 30, 2011. The remaining \$4.3 million was received during December 2010. The recording of the insurance proceeds resulted in a reduction of direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization).

The insurance policies also provide coverage for interruption to the business, including lost profits, and reimbursement for other expenses and costs the Partnership has incurred relating to the damage and losses suffered for business interruption. This coverage, however, only applies to losses incurred after a business interruption of 45 days. A partial business interruption claim was filed during 2011 resulting in receipt of proceeds totaling \$3.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011. Approximately \$0.5 million was received during the three months ended September 30, 2011, while the remaining \$2.9 million was received in March and April, 2011. The proceeds associated with the business interruption claim are included on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations under Insurance recovery — business interruption.

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**(12) Income Taxes**

CVR Partners is treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Generally, each common unitholder is required to take into account its respective share of CVR Partners' income, gains, loss and deductions. The Partnership is not subject to income taxes, except for a franchise tax in the state of Texas. The income tax liability of the common unitholders is not reflected in the condensed consolidated financial statements of the Partnership.

**(13) Benefit Plans**

CRLLC sponsors and administers a defined-contribution 401(k) plan (the "Plan") for the employees of CRNF. Participants in the Plan may elect to contribute up to 50% of their annual salaries and up to 100% of their annual bonus received pursuant to CVR Energy's income sharing plan. CRNF matches up to 75% of the first 6% of the participant's contribution. Participants in the Plan are immediately vested in their individual contributions. The Plan has a three year vesting schedule for CRNF's matching funds and contains a provision to count service with any predecessor organization. For the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, CRNF's contributions under the Plan were approximately \$0.1 million and \$0.1 million, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, CRNF's contributions under the Plan were approximately \$0.3 million and \$0.3 million, respectively.

**(14) Share-Based Compensation**

Certain employees of CRNF and employees of CVR Energy who perform services for the Partnership under the services agreement with CVR Energy are participants in equity compensation plans of CVR Partners' affiliates. Accordingly, CVR Partners has recorded compensation expense for these plans in accordance with Staff Accounting Bulletin, or SAB Topic 1-B "Allocations of Expenses and Related Disclosures in Financial Statements of Subsidiaries, Divisions or Lesser Business Components of Another Entity" and in accordance with guidance regarding the accounting for share-based compensation granted to employees of an equity method investee. All compensation expense related to these plans for full-time employees of CVR Partners has been allocated 100% to CVR Partners. For employees covered by the services agreement with CVR Energy, the Partnership records share-based compensation relative to the percentage of time spent by each employee providing services to the Partnership as compared to the total calculated share-based compensation by CVR Energy. The Partnership is not responsible for payment of CVR Energy's share-based compensation and all expense amounts are reflected as an increase or decrease to Partners' Capital.

Prior to its initial public offering, CVR Energy was owned by Coffeyville Acquisition LLC ("CALLC"), which was principally owned by the Goldman Sachs Funds, the Kelso Funds and members of CVR Energy's management team. In connection with CVR Energy's initial public offering, CALLC was split into two entities: CALLC and Coffeyville Acquisition II LLC ("CALLC II"). In connection with this split, management's equity interest in CALLC, including both their common units and non-voting override units, were split so that half of management's equity interest was in CALLC and half was in CALLC II.

In February 2011, CALLC and CALLC II sold into the public market 11,759,023 shares and 15,113,254 shares, respectively, of CVR Energy's common stock, pursuant to a registered public offering. As a result of the offering, CALLC II was no longer a stockholder of CVR Energy. Subsequent to CALLC II's divestiture of its ownership interest in CVR Energy, no additional share-based compensation expense will be incurred with respect to override units of CALLC II.

In May 2011, CALLC sold its remaining shares of CVR Energy, pursuant to a registered public offering. As a result of this offering, CALLC was no longer a stockholder of CVR Energy. Subsequent to CALLC's divestiture of its ownership interest in CVR Energy, no additional share-based compensation expense will be incurred with respect to override units of CALLC. The final fair value of the CALLC override units was

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derived based upon the value resulting from the proceeds received associated with CALLC's divestitures of its remaining shares of CVR Energy and attributable to the invested units on that date.

The final fair value of the CALLC III override units was derived based upon the value resulting from the proceeds received by the managing GP upon the purchase of the IDR's by the Partnership. These proceeds were subsequently distributed to the owners of CALLC III which includes the override unitholders. This value was utilized to determine the related compensation expense for the invested units. Subsequent to June 30, 2011, no additional share-based compensation will be incurred with respect to override units of CALLC III due to the complete distribution of the value prior to July 1, 2011. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, the estimated fair value of the override units of CALLC III was determined using a probability-weighted expected return method which utilized CALLC III's cash flow projections, which were considered representative of the nature of interests held by CALLC III in the Partnership.

The following table provides key information for the share-based compensation plans related to the override units of CALLC, CALLC II, and CALLC III.

Award Type	Benchmark Value (per Unit)	Original Awards Issued	Grant Date	Compensation Expense Increase (Decrease) for the Three Months Ended September 30,		Compensation Expense Increase (Decrease) for the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
				2011	2010	2011	2010
				Override Operating Units	\$ 11.31	919,630	June 2005
Override Operating Units	\$ 34.72	72,492	December 2006	—	—	—	1
Override Value Units(a)	\$ 11.31	1,839,265	June 2005	—	309	1,495	640
Override Value Units(b)	\$ 34.72	144,966	December 2006	—	2	225	9
Override Units(c)	\$ 10.00	138,281	October 2007	—	—	—	—
Override Units(d)	\$ 10.00	642,219	February 2008	—	—	143	1
Override Operating Units	\$ 11.31	919,630	Total	\$ —	\$ 311	\$ 1,863	\$ 707

Due to the divestiture of all ownership in CVR Energy by CALLC and CALLC II and due to the purchase of the IDRs from CVR GP, LLC and the distribution to CALLC III, there is no associated unrecognized compensation expense as of September 30, 2011.

**Valuation Assumptions**

As of September 30, 2010, all recipients of these override operating units were fully vested.

Significant assumptions used in the valuation of the Override Value Units (a) and (b) were as follows:

	(a) Override Value Units September 30, 2010	(b) Override Value Units September 30, 2010
Estimated forfeiture rate	None	None
Derived service period	6 years	6 years
CVR Energy's closing stock price	\$ 8.25	\$ 8.25
Estimated weighted-average fair value (per unit)	\$ 8.53	\$ 2.04
Marketability and minority interest discounts	20.0%	20.0%
Volatility	45.4%	45.4%

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(c) *Override Units* — Using a binomial and a probability-weighted expected return method that utilized CALLC III's cash flow projections which includes expected future earnings and the anticipated timing of IDRs, the estimated grant date fair value of the override units was approximately \$3,000. As a non-contributing investor, CVR Energy also recognized income equal to the amount that its interest in the investee's net book value has increased (that is its percentage share of the contributed capital recognized by the investee) as a result of the disproportionate funding of the compensation cost. These units were fully vested at the date of grant.

(d) *Override Units* — Using a probability-weighted expected return method that utilized CALLC III's cash flow projections which includes expected future earnings and the anticipated timing of IDRs, the estimated grant date fair value of the override units was approximately \$3,000. As a non-contributing investor, CVR Energy also recognized income equal to the amount that its interest in the investee's net book value has increased (that is its percentage share of the contributed capital recognized by the investee) as a result of the disproportionate funding of the compensation cost. Of the 642,219 units issued, 109,720 were immediately vested upon issuance and the remaining units were subject to a forfeiture schedule. Significant assumptions used in the valuation were as follows:

	September 30, 2010
Estimated forfeiture rate	None
Derived Service Period	Based on forfeiture schedule
Estimated fair value (per unit)	\$0.08
Marketability and minority interest discount	20.0%
Volatility	59.7%

**Phantom Unit Plans**

CVR Energy, through CRLLC, has two Phantom Unit Appreciation Plans (the "Phantom Unit Plans") whereby directors, employees and service providers were awarded phantom points at the discretion of the board of directors or the compensation committee. Holders of service phantom points had rights to receive distributions when holders of override operating units receive distributions. Holders of performance phantom points had rights to receive distributions when CALLC and CALLC II holders of override value units received distributions.

Compensation expense for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 related to the Phantom Unit Plans was approximately \$0.0 and \$0.3 million, respectively. Compensation expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, related to the Phantom Unit Plans was approximately \$2.0 million and \$0.4 million, respectively.

Due to the divestiture of all ownership of CVR Energy by CALLC and CALLC II, there is no unrecognized compensation expense associated with the Phantom Units Plans at September 30, 2011.

**Long-Term Incentive Plan — CVR Energy**

CVR Energy has a Long-Term Incentive Plan ("CVR Energy LTIP") that permits the grant of options, stock appreciation rights, restricted shares, restricted share units, dividend equivalent rights, share awards and performance awards (including performance share units, performance units and performance based restricted stock). As of September 30, 2011, only restricted shares of CVR Energy common stock and stock options had been granted under the CVR Energy LTIP. Individuals who are eligible to receive awards and grants under the CVR Energy LTIP include CVR Energy's or its subsidiaries' (including CRNF) employees, officers, consultants and directors.

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*Restricted Shares*

Through the CVR Energy LTIP, shares of restricted common stock have been granted to employees of CVR Energy and CRNF. Restricted shares, when granted, are valued at the closing market price of CVR Energy's common stock on the date of issuance and amortized to compensation expense on a straight-line basis over the vesting period of the common stock. These shares generally vest over a three-year period. Assuming the allocation of costs from CVR Energy remains consistent with the allocation percentages in place at September 30, 2011, there was approximately \$1.4 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to restricted shares to be recognized over a weighted-average period of approximately two years. Inclusion of the vesting table is not considered meaningful due to changes in allocation percentages that occur from time to time. The unrecognized compensation expense has been determined by the number of restricted shares and respective allocation percentage for individuals whom, as of September 30, 2011, compensation expense has been allocated to the Partnership.

Compensation expense recorded for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, related to the restricted shares, was approximately \$0.4 million and \$0.1 million, respectively. Compensation expense recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, related to the restricted shares, was approximately \$1.7 million and \$0.1 million, respectively.

***Long-Term Incentive Plan — CVR Partners***

In connection with the Offering, the board of directors of the general partner adopted the CVR Partners' LTIP. Individuals who are eligible to receive awards under the CVR Partners' LTIP include CVR Partners', its subsidiaries' and its parent's employees, officers, consultants and directors. The CVR Partners' LTIP provides for the grant of options, unit appreciation rights, distribution equivalent rights, restricted units, phantom units and other unit-based awards, each in respect of common units. The maximum number of common units issuable under the CVR Partners' LTIP is 5,000,000.

In connection with the Offering, 23,448 phantom units were granted to certain board members of the Partnership's general partner. These phantom unit awards granted to the directors of the general partner are considered non-employee equity-based awards since the directors are not elected by unitholders. These phantom unit director awards were required to be marked-to-market each reporting period until they vested on October 12, 2011.

In June 2011, 50,659 phantom units were granted to an employee of the general partner. These phantom units are expected to vest over three years on the basis of one-third of the award each year. As these phantom awards were made to an employee of the general partner, they are considered non-employee equity-based awards and are required to be marked-to-market each reporting period until they vest.

In June 2011, 2,956 fully vested common units were granted to certain board members of the general partner. The fair value of these awards was calculated using the closing price of the Partnership's common units on the date of grant. This amount was fully expensed at the time of grant.

In August 2011, 12,815 phantom units were granted to an employee of the general partner. These phantom units are expected to vest over three years on the basis of one-third of the award each year. As these phantom awards were made to an employee of the general partner, they are considered non-employee equity-based awards and are required to be marked-to-market each reporting period until they vest.

Compensation expense recorded for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, related to the awards under the CVR Partners' LTIP was approximately \$0.5 million and \$0.0, respectively. Compensation expense recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, related to the awards under the CVR Partners' LTIP was approximately \$0.8 million and \$0.0, respectively. Compensation expense associated with the awards under the CVR Partners' LTIP has been recorded in selling, general and administrative

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expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) — affiliates as the expense has been incurred for the benefit of directors or employees of the general partner.

As of September 30, 2011, there were 4,910,122 common units available for issuance under the CVR Partners' LTIP. Unrecognized compensation expense associated with the unvested phantom units at September 30, 2011 was approximately \$1.3 million.

(15) Commitments and Contingencies

*Leases and Unconditional Purchase Obligations*

The minimum required payments for the operating leases and unconditional purchase obligations are as follows:

	Operating Leases	Unconditional Purchase Obligations(1)
	(in thousands)	
Three months ending December 31, 2011	\$ 1,166	\$ 4,967
Year ending December 31, 2012	5,438	20,942
Year ending December 31, 2013	6,012	21,716
Year ending December 31, 2014	4,343	21,796
Year ending December 31, 2015	3,408	20,399
Thereafter	10,554	194,038
	<u>\$ 30,921</u>	<u>\$ 283,858</u>

(1) The Partnership's purchase obligation for pet coke from CVR Energy has been derived from a calculation of the average pet coke price paid to CVR Energy over the preceding two year period.

CRNF leases railcars and facilities under long-term operating leases. Lease expense for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, totaled approximately \$1.0 million and \$1.1 million, respectively. Lease expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, totaled approximately \$2.9 million and \$3.2 million, respectively. The lease agreements have various remaining terms. Some agreements are renewable, at CRNF's option, for additional periods. It is expected, in the ordinary course of business, that leases will be renewed or replaced as they expire. CRNF entered into a lease agreement, in September 2011, for 150 UAN railcars that will be used in conjunction with the UAN expansion. This agreement is effective November 2012.

CRNF has an agreement with the City of Coffeyville (the "City") pursuant to which it must make a series of future payments for the supply, generation and transmission of electricity and City margin based upon agreed upon rates. This agreement expires on July 1, 2019. Effective August 2008 and through July 2010, the City began charging a higher rate for electricity than what had been agreed to in the contract. CRNF filed a lawsuit to have the contract enforced as written and to recover other damages. CRNF paid the higher rates under protest and subject to the lawsuit in order to obtain the electricity. In August 2010, the lawsuit was settled and CRNF received a return of funds totaling approximately \$4.8 million. This return of funds was recorded in direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) in the Consolidated Statements of Operations during the third quarter of 2010. In connection with the settlement, the electrical services agreement was amended. As a result of the amendment, the annual committed contractual payments are estimated to be approximately \$1.9 million. As of September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, the estimated remaining obligation of CRNF totaled approximately \$15.3 million and \$16.5 million, respectively, through July 1, 2019. These estimates are subject to change based upon CRNF's actual usage.

During 2005, CRNF entered into the Amended and Restated On-Site Product Supply Agreement with Linde, Inc. Pursuant to the agreement, which expires in 2020, CRNF is required to take as available and pay

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approximately \$300,000 per month, which amount is subject to annual inflation adjustments, for the supply of oxygen and nitrogen to the fertilizer operation. Expenses associated with this agreement are included in direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) and for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, totaled approximately \$1.0 million and \$1.0 million, respectively. Expenses associated with this agreement for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, totaled approximately \$3.0 million and \$3.6 million, respectively.

CRNF entered into a sales agreement with Cominco Fertilizer Partnership on November 20, 2007 to purchase equipment and materials which comprise a nitric acid plant. CRNF's obligation related to the execution of the agreement in 2007 for the purchase of the assets was \$3.5 million. On May 25, 2009, CRNF and Cominco amended the contract increasing the liability to approximately \$4.3 million. In consideration of the increased liability, the timeline for removal of the equipment and payment schedule was extended. The amendment sets forth payment milestones based upon the timing of removal of identified assets. The balance of the assets purchased is now anticipated to be removed by February 28, 2012, with final payment due at that time. As of September 30, 2011, approximately \$2.3 million had been paid. Additionally, as of September 30, 2011, approximately \$4.0 million was accrued related to the obligation to dismantle the unit. As of September 30, 2011, the Partnership had accrued a total of approximately \$5.9 million with respect to the nitric acid plant and the related dismantling obligation and was included in accrued expenses and other current liabilities. The related asset amounts are included in construction-in-progress at September 30, 2011.

CRNF entered into a lease agreement effective October 25, 2007 with CVR Energy under which certain office and laboratory space is leased. This lease agreement was amended and restated in connection with the Offering and extended through October 2017. The agreement requires CRNF to pay approximately \$8,400 on the first day of each calendar month during the term of the agreement. See Note 16 ("Related Party Transactions") for further discussion.

On February 22, 2011, CRLLC entered into a \$250.0 million ABL credit facility scheduled to mature in August 2015 that replaced its first priority credit facility which was terminated. At April 13, 2011, CRLLC's senior secured notes had an aggregate principal balance of \$472.5 million. \$247.5 million of the senior secured notes mature on April 1, 2015 and the remaining \$225.0 million of senior secured notes mature on April 1, 2017. The Partnership and CRNF were each released from their obligation as a guarantor or obligor, as applicable, under CRLLC's ABL credit facility, 9.0% First Lien Senior Secured Notes due 2015 and 10.875% Second Lien Senior Secured Notes due 2017, as a result of the closing of the Offering.

**Litigation**

From time to time, the Partnership is involved in various lawsuits arising in the normal course of business, including matters such as those described below under "Environmental, Health, and Safety ("EHS") Matters." Liabilities related to such litigation are recognized when the related costs are probable and can be reasonably estimated. Management believes the Partnership has accrued for losses for which it may ultimately be responsible. It is possible that management's estimates of the outcomes will change within the next year due to uncertainties inherent in litigation and settlement negotiations. In the opinion of management, the ultimate resolution of any other litigation matters is not expected to have a material adverse effect on the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements. There can be no assurance that management's beliefs or opinions with respect to liability for potential litigation matters are accurate.

CRNF received a ten year property tax abatement from Montgomery County, Kansas in connection with the construction of the nitrogen fertilizer plant that expired on December 31, 2007. In connection with the expiration of the abatement, the county reassessed CRNF's nitrogen fertilizer plant and classified the nitrogen fertilizer plant as almost entirely real property instead of almost entirely personal property. The reassessment has resulted in an increase to annual property tax expense for CRNF by an average of approximately \$10.7 million per year for the years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2009, and approximately

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\$11.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. CRNF does not agree with the county's classification of the nitrogen fertilizer plant and is currently disputing it before the Kansas Court of Tax Appeals ("COTA"). However, CRNF has fully accrued and paid for the property taxes the county claims are owed for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008 and has estimated and accrued for property taxes for the first nine months of 2011. These amounts are reflected as a direct operating expense on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations. An evidentiary hearing before COTA occurred during the first quarter of 2011 regarding the property tax claims for the year ended December 31, 2008. CRNF believes that it is possible that COTA may issue a ruling sometime during 2011. However, the timing of a ruling in the case is uncertain, and there can be no assurance that CRNF will receive a ruling in 2011. If CRNF is successful in having the nitrogen fertilizer plant reclassified as personal property, in whole or in part, a portion of the accrued and paid expenses would be refunded to CRNF, which could have a material positive effect on the results of operations. If CRNF is not successful in having the nitrogen fertilizer plant reclassified as personal property, in whole or in part, CRNF expects that it will continue to pay property taxes at elevated rates.

***Environmental, Health, and Safety ("EHS") Matters***

CRNF is subject to various stringent federal, state, and local EHS rules and regulations. Liabilities related to EHS matters are recognized when the related costs are probable and can be reasonably estimated. Estimates of these costs are based upon currently available facts, existing technology, site-specific costs, and currently enacted laws and regulations. In reporting EHS liabilities, no offset is made for potential recoveries. All liabilities are monitored and adjusted regularly as new facts emerge or changes in law or technology occur.

CRNF owns and operates a facility utilized for the manufacture of nitrogen fertilizers. Therefore, CRNF has exposure to potential EHS liabilities related to past and present EHS conditions at this location.

From time to time, the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") has conducted inspections and issued information requests to CRNF with respect to CRNF's compliance with the Clean Air Act's "Risk Management Program" and the release reporting requirements under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act and the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act. These previous investigations have resulted in the issuance of preliminary findings regarding CRNF's compliance status. In the fourth quarter of 2010, following CRNF's reported release of ammonia from its cooling water system and the rupture of its UAN vessel (which released ammonia and other regulated substances) the EPA conducted its most recent inspection and issued an additional request for information to CRNF. The EPA has not made any formal claims against CRNF and CRNF has not accrued for any liability associated with the investigations or releases.

Management periodically reviews and, as appropriate, revises its environmental accruals. Based on current information and regulatory requirements, management believes that the accruals established for environmental expenditures are adequate.

Environmental expenditures are capitalized when such expenditures are expected to result in future economic benefits. Capital expenditures for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 were approximately \$12,000 and \$0.2 million, respectively. Capital expenditures for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, were approximately \$0.2 million and approximately \$0.4 million, respectively. These expenditures were incurred to improve the environmental compliance and efficiency of the operations. CRNF believes it is in substantial compliance with existing EHS rules and regulations. There can be no assurance that the EHS matters described above or other EHS matters which may develop in the future will not have a material adverse effect on the business, financial condition, or results of operations.

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**(16) Related Party Transactions*****Related Party Agreements***

In connection with the formation of CVR Partners and the initial public offering of CVR Energy in October 2007, CVR Partners and CRNF entered into several agreements with CVR Energy and its subsidiaries to govern the business relationship among CVR Partners, CVR GP, LLC, CRNF, CVR Energy and its subsidiaries. Certain of the agreements described below were amended and restated on April 13, 2011 in connection with the Offering. Amounts owed to CVR Partners and CRNF from CVR Energy and its subsidiaries with respect to these agreements are included in prepaid expenses and other current assets, and other long-term assets on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. Conversely, amounts owed to CVR Energy and its subsidiaries by CVR Partners and CRNF with respect to these agreements are included in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other current liabilities, and other long-term liabilities on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

***Feedstock and Shared Services Agreement***

CRNF entered into a feedstock and shared services agreement with Coffeyville Resources Refining & Marketing ("CRRM") under which the two parties provide feedstock and other services to one another. These feedstocks and services are utilized in the respective production processes of CRRM's refinery and CRNF's nitrogen fertilizer plant.

Pursuant to the feedstock agreement, CRNF and CRRM have the right to transfer excess hydrogen to one another. Sales of hydrogen to CRRM have been reflected as net sales for CVR Partners. Receipts of hydrogen from CRRM have been reflected in cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) for CVR Partners. For the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, there were net sales of approximately \$5.7 million and \$0.0 generated from the sale of hydrogen to CRRM. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, there were net sales of approximately \$11.8 million and \$0.0 generated from the sale of hydrogen to CRRM. CVR Partners recognized approximately \$0.3 million and \$0.6 million of cost of product sold related to the transfer of excess hydrogen from CRRM's refinery for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. CVR Partners also recognized approximately \$1.0 million and \$1.8 million of cost of product sold related to the transfer of excess hydrogen from CRRM's refinery for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. At September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, there were no amounts included in prepaid expenses and other current assets on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets associated with unpaid balances related to hydrogen sales, respectively. At September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, there was approximately \$0.2 million and \$0.0 included in the accounts payable on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets related to the purchase of hydrogen from CRRM.

The agreement provides that both parties must deliver high-pressure steam to one another under certain circumstances. Net reimbursed or (paid) direct operating expenses recorded during the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 were approximately \$(25,000) and \$(25,000), respectively, related to high-pressure steam. Net reimbursed or (paid) direct operating expenses recorded during the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 were approximately \$(0.2) million and \$(8,000), respectively, related to high-pressure steam. Reimbursement or paid amounts for each period on a gross basis were nominal.

CRNF is also obligated to make available to CRRM any nitrogen produced by the Linde air separation plant that is not required for the operation of the nitrogen fertilizer plant, as determined by CRNF in a commercially reasonable manner. Reimbursed direct operating expenses associated with nitrogen for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, were approximately \$0.3 million and \$0.1 million, respectively. Reimbursed direct operating expenses associated with nitrogen for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, were approximately \$1.0 million and \$0.5 million, respectively.

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The agreement also provides that both CRNF and CRRM must deliver instrument air to one another in some circumstances. CRNF must make instrument air available for purchase by CRRM at a minimum flow rate, to the extent produced by the Linde air separation plant and available to CRNF. There were no amounts paid or reimbursed for the three or nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010.

At September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, receivables of approximately \$0.2 million and \$0.3 million, respectively, were included in prepaid expenses and other current assets on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets associated with amounts yet to be received related to components of the feedstock and shared services agreement except amounts related to hydrogen sales and pet coke purchases. At September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, payables of approximately \$0.3 million and \$0.6 million, respectively, were included in accounts payable on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets associated with unpaid balances related to components of the feedstock and shared services agreement, except amounts related to hydrogen sales and pet coke purchases.

The agreement also provides a mechanism pursuant to which CRNF transfers a tail gas stream to CRRM. CRNF receives the benefit of eliminating a waste gas stream and recovers the fuel value of the tail gas system. For the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, there were net sales of approximately \$5,000 and \$0.0 generated from the sale of tail gas to CRRM. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, there were net sales of approximately \$45,000 and \$0, respectively, generated from the sale of tail gas to CRRM.

In April 2011, in connection with the tail gas stream, CRRM installed a pipe between the refinery and the nitrogen fertilizer plant to transfer the tail gas. CRNF has agreed to pay CRRM the cost of installing the pipe over the next three years and in the fourth year provide an additional 15% to cover the cost of capital. At September 30, 2011, an asset of approximately \$0.2 million was included in other current assets and approximately \$1.4 million was included in other non-current assets with an offset liability of approximately \$0.5 million in other current liabilities and approximately \$0.9 million other non-current liabilities in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet.

The agreement has an initial term of 20 years, which will be automatically extended for successive five year renewal periods. Either party may terminate the agreement, effective upon the last day of a term, by giving notice no later than three years prior to a renewal date. The agreement will also be terminable by mutual consent of the parties or if one party breaches the agreement and does not cure within applicable cure periods and the breach materially and adversely affects the ability of the terminating party to operate its facility. Additionally, the agreement may be terminated in some circumstances if substantially all of the operations at the nitrogen fertilizer plant or the refinery are permanently terminated, or if either party is subject to a bankruptcy proceeding or otherwise becomes insolvent.

CRNF also provided finished product tank capacity to CRRM under the agreement. Approximately \$0.1 million was reimbursed by CRRM for the use of tank capacity for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and \$0.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011. This reimbursement was recorded as a reduction to direct operating expenses. No amounts were received in prior periods.

***Coke Supply Agreement***

CRNF entered into a coke supply agreement with CRRM pursuant to which CRRM supplies CRNF with pet coke. This agreement provides that CRRM must deliver to the Partnership, during each calendar year, an annual required amount of pet coke equal to the lesser of (i) 100% of the pet coke produced at CRRM's petroleum refinery or (ii) 500,000 tons of pet coke. CRNF is also obligated to purchase this annual required amount. If during a calendar month CRRM produces more than 41,667 tons of pet coke, then CRNF will have the option to purchase the excess at the purchase price provided for in the agreement. If CRNF declines to exercise this option, CRRM may sell the excess to a third party.

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CRNF obtains most (over 70% on average during the last five years) of the pet coke it needs from CRRM's adjacent crude oil refinery pursuant to the pet coke supply agreement and procures the remainder on the open market. The price CRNF pays pursuant to the pet coke supply agreement is based on the lesser of a pet coke price derived from the price received for UAN, or the UAN-based price, and a pet coke price index. The UAN-based price begins with a pet coke price of \$25 per ton based on a price per ton for UAN (exclusive of transportation cost), or netback price, of \$205 per ton, and adjusts up or down \$0.50 per ton for every \$1.00 change in the netback price. The UAN-based price has a ceiling of \$40 per ton and a floor of \$5 per ton.

Pursuant to the agreement, CRNF will also pay any taxes associated with the sale, purchase, transportation, delivery, storage or consumption of the pet coke. CRNF will be entitled to offset any amount payable for the pet coke against any amount due from CRRM under the feedstock and shared services agreement between the parties.

The agreement has an initial term of 20 years, which will be automatically extended for successive five-year renewal periods. Either party may terminate the agreement by giving notice no later than three years prior to a renewal date. The agreement is also terminable by mutual consent of the parties or if a party breaches the agreement and does not cure within applicable cure periods. Additionally, the agreement may be terminated in some circumstances if substantially all of the operations at the nitrogen fertilizer plant or the refinery are permanently terminated, or if either party is subject to a bankruptcy proceeding or otherwise becomes insolvent.

Costs of pet coke associated with the transfer of pet coke from CRRM to CRNF were approximately \$3.4 million and \$2.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, costs of pet coke associated with the transfer of pet coke from CRRM to CRNF were approximately \$7.0 million and \$3.3 million, respectively. Payables of approximately \$0.9 million and \$0.3 million related to the coke supply agreement were included in accounts payable on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets at September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively.

**Lease Agreement**

CRNF entered into a lease agreement with CRRM under which CRNF leases certain office and laboratory space. For the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, expense incurred related to the use of the office and laboratory space totaled approximately \$25,000 and \$24,000, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, expense incurred related to the use of the office and laboratory space totaled approximately \$76,000 and \$72,000, respectively. There was approximately \$8,000 and \$0.0 unpaid with respect to the lease agreement as of September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. The lease agreement was amended and restated in connection with the Offering. As amended, the agreement expires in October 2017 (but may be terminated at any time during the initial term at CRNF's option upon 180 days' prior written notice). CRNF has the option to renew the lease agreement for up to five additional one-year periods by providing CRRM with notice of renewal at least 60 days prior to the expiration of the then existing term.

**Environmental Agreement**

CRNF entered into an environmental agreement with CRRM that provides for certain indemnification and access rights in connection with environmental matters affecting the refinery and the nitrogen fertilizer plant. Generally, both CRNF and CRRM have agreed to indemnify and defend each other and each other's affiliates against liabilities associated with certain hazardous materials and violations of environmental laws that are a result of or caused by the indemnifying party's actions or business operations. This obligation extends to indemnification for liabilities arising out of off-site disposal of certain hazardous materials. Indemnification

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obligations of the parties will be reduced by applicable amounts recovered by an indemnified party from third parties or from insurance coverage.

The agreement provides for indemnification in the case of contamination or releases of hazardous materials that are present but unknown at the time the agreement is entered into to the extent such contamination or releases are identified in reasonable detail during the period ending five years after the date of the agreement. The agreement further provides for indemnification in the case of contamination or releases which occur subsequent to the date the agreement is entered into.

The term of the agreement is for at least 20 years, or for so long as the feedstock and shared services agreement is in force, whichever is longer.

***Services Agreement***

CVR Partners obtains certain management and other services from CVR Energy pursuant to a services agreement between the Partnership, CVR GP, LLC and CVR Energy. Under this agreement, the Partnership's general partner has engaged CVR Energy to conduct its day-to-day business operations. CVR Energy provides CVR Partners with the following services under the agreement, among others:

- services from CVR Energy's employees in capacities equivalent to the capacities of corporate executive officers, except that those who serve in such capacities under the agreement shall serve the Partnership on a shared, part-time basis only, unless the Partnership and CVR Energy agree otherwise;
- administrative and professional services, including legal, accounting services, human resources, insurance, tax, credit, finance, government affairs and regulatory affairs;
- management of the Partnership's property and the property of its operating subsidiary in the ordinary course of business;
- recommendations on capital raising activities to the board of directors of the Partnership's general partner, including the issuance of debt or equity interests, the entry into credit facilities and other capital market transactions;
- managing or overseeing litigation and administrative or regulatory proceedings, and establishing appropriate insurance policies for the Partnership, and providing safety and environmental advice;
- recommending the payment of distributions; and
- managing or providing advice for other projects as may be agreed by CVR Energy and its general partner from time to time.

As payment for services provided under the agreement, the Partnership, its general partner or CRNF must pay CVR Energy (i) all costs incurred by CVR Energy in connection with the employment of its employees, other than administrative personnel, who provide the Partnership services under the agreement on a full-time basis, but excluding share-based compensation; (ii) a prorated share of costs incurred by CVR Energy in connection with the employment of its employees, including administrative personnel, who provide the Partnership services under the agreement on a part-time basis, but excluding share-based compensation, and such prorated share shall be determined by CVR Energy on a commercially reasonable basis, based on the percentage of total working time that such shared personnel are engaged in performing services for the Partnership; (iii) a prorated share of certain administrative costs, including office costs, services by outside vendors, other sales, general and administrative costs and depreciation and amortization; and (iv) various other administrative costs in accordance with the terms of the agreement, including travel, insurance, legal and audit services, government and public relations and bank charges.

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Either CVR Energy or the Partnership's general partner may temporarily or permanently exclude any particular service from the scope of the agreement upon 180 days' notice. Beginning in April 2012, either CVR Energy or the Partnership's general partner may terminate the agreement upon at least 180 days' notice, but not more than one year's notice. Furthermore, the Partnership's general partner may terminate the agreement immediately if CVR Energy becomes bankrupt or dissolves or commences liquidation or winding-up procedures.

In order to facilitate the carrying out of services under the agreement, CVR Partners and CVR Energy have granted one another certain royalty-free, non-exclusive and non-transferable rights to use one another's intellectual property under certain circumstances.

Net amounts incurred under the services agreement for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 were approximately \$2.5 million and \$2.3 million, respectively. Of these charges, approximately \$2.1 million and \$1.8 million were included in selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization). In addition, \$0.5 million and \$0.5 million, respectively, were included in direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization). Net amounts incurred under the services agreement for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 were approximately \$7.9 million and \$7.3 million, respectively. Of these charges, approximately \$6.4 million and \$5.7 million were included in selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization). In addition, approximately \$1.4 million and \$1.6 million, respectively, were included in direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization). For services performed in connection with the services agreement, the Partnership recognized personnel costs of approximately \$1.1 million and \$0.8 million, respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010. For services performed in connection with the services agreement, the Partnership recognized personnel costs of approximately \$3.7 million and \$2.3 million, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010. At September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, payables of approximately \$1.1 million and \$2.4 million, respectively, were included in accounts payable on the Consolidated Balance Sheets with respect to amounts billed in accordance with the services agreement.

***Limited Partnership Agreement***

In connection with the Offering, CVR GP and CRLLC entered into the second amended and restated agreement of limited partnership of the Partnership, dated April 13, 2011.

The Partnership's general partner manages the Partnership's operations and activities as specified in the partnership agreement. The general partner of the Partnership is managed by its board of directors. CRLLC has the right to select the directors of the general partner. Actions by the general partner that are made in its individual capacity are made by CRLLC as the sole member of the general partner and not by its board of directors. The members of the board of directors of the general partner are not elected by the unitholders and are not subject to re-election on a regular basis in the future. The officers of the general partner manage the day-to-day affairs of the Partnership's business.

The partnership agreement provides that the Partnership will reimburse its general partner for all direct and indirect expenses it incurs or payments it makes on behalf of the Partnership (including salary, bonus, incentive compensation and other amounts paid to any person to perform services for the Partnership or for its general partner in connection with operating the Partnership). The Partnership reimbursed its general partner for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 approximately \$0.5 million and \$0.7 million, respectively, pursuant to the partnership agreement for personnel costs related to the compensation of executives at the general partner who manage the Partnership's business. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010, the partnership did not make any reimbursement payments to its general partner.

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**Due from Affiliate**

CVR Partners historically supplemented CRLLC's working capital needs. CVR Partners had the right to receive such amounts from CRLLC upon request.

On December 31, 2010, the due from affiliate balance was reduced to \$0.0 as a result of the due from affiliate balance of \$160.0 million being distributed by the Partnership to CRLLC and the special general partner. At September 30, 2011 and December 31, 2010, included in prepaid expenses and other current assets on the Consolidated Balance Sheets are receivables of zero and approximately \$2.3 million, respectively, for accrued interest with respect to amounts due from affiliate. For the three months ended September 30, 2011, the Partnership recognized no interest income associated with the due from affiliate balance compared to approximately \$3.0 million, for the three months ended September 30, 2010. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011 the Partnership recognized no interest income associated with the due from affiliate balance compared to approximately \$9.6 million, for the nine months ended September 30, 2010.

**(17) Credit Facility**

Concurrently with the closing of the Offering, on April 13, 2011, CRNF as borrower and CVR Partners as guarantor, entered into a new credit facility with a group of lenders including Goldman Sachs Lending Partners LLC, as administrative and collateral agent. The credit facility includes a term loan facility of \$125.0 million and a revolving credit facility of \$25.0 million with an uncommitted incremental facility of up to \$50.0 million. No amounts were outstanding under the revolving credit facility at September 30, 2011. There is no scheduled amortization and the credit facility matures in April 2016. The credit facility will be used to finance on-going working capital, capital expenditures, letters of credit issuances and general needs of the Partnership. The Partnership, upon the closing of the new credit facility, made a special distribution to CRLLC of approximately \$87.2 million in order to, among other things, fund the offer to purchase CRLLC's senior secured notes required upon consummation of the Offering.

Borrowings under the credit facility bear interest based on a pricing grid determined by the trailing four quarter leverage ratio. The initial pricing for borrowings under the credit facility is the Eurodollar rate plus a margin of 3.75%, or, for base rate loans, the prime rate plus 2.75%, based on the schedule below. Under its terms, the lenders under the credit facility were granted a perfected, first priority security interest (subject to certain customary exceptions) in substantially all of the assets of CVR Partners and CRNF.

Leverage Ratio	Applicable Margin for Base Rate Loans	Applicable Margin for Eurodollar Rate Loans
<sup>3</sup> 3.00:1.00	3.25%	4.25%
<sup>3</sup> 3.00:1.00	3.00%	4.00%
<sup>3</sup> 2.00:1.00	3.00%	4.00%
<sup>3</sup> 2.00:1.00	2.75%	3.75%
<sup>3</sup> 1.00:1.00	2.75%	3.75%
<sup>3</sup> 1.00:1.00	2.50%	3.50%

The credit facility requires CRNF to maintain a minimum interest coverage ratio and a maximum leverage ratio and contains customary covenants for a financing of this type that limit, subject to certain exceptions, the incurrence of additional indebtedness or guarantees, creation of liens on assets, the ability to dispose assets, make restricted payments, investments or acquisitions, enter into sale-leaseback transactions or enter into affiliate transactions. The credit facility provides that the Partnership can make distributions to holders of the Partnership's common units provided the Partnership is in compliance with our leverage ratio and interest coverage ratio covenants on a pro forma basis after giving effect to such distribution and there is no default or event of default under the facility.

As of September 30, 2011, CRNF was in compliance with the covenants of the credit facility.

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In connection with the credit facility, through September 30, 2011, the Partnership has incurred lender and other third party costs of approximately \$4.8 million. The costs associated with the credit facility have been deferred and are being amortized over the term of the credit facility as interest expense using the effective-interest amortization method for the term loan facility and the straight-line method for the revolving credit facility.

**(18) Interest Rate Swap**

On June 30 and July 1, 2011 CRNF entered into two floating-to-fixed interest rate swap agreements for the purpose of hedging the interest rate risk associated with a portion of its \$125 million floating rate term debt which matures in April 2016. The aggregate notional amount covered under these agreements totals \$62.5 million (split evenly between the two agreement dates) and commenced on August 12, 2011 and expires on February 12, 2016. Under the terms of the interest rate swap agreement entered into on June 30, 2011, CRNF receives a floating rate based on three month LIBOR and pay a fixed rate of 1.94%. Under the terms of the interest rate swap agreement entered into on July 1, 2011, CRNF receives a floating rate based on three month LIBOR and pays a fixed rate of 1.975%. Both swap agreements will be settled every 90 days. The effect of these swap agreements is to lock in a fixed rate of interest of approximately 1.96% plus the applicable margin paid to lenders over three month LIBOR as governed by the CRNF credit agreement. At September 30, 2011, the effective rate was approximately 4.86%. The agreements were designated as cash flow hedges at inception and accordingly, the effective portion of the gain or loss on the swap is reported as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) ("AOCI"), and will be reclassified into interest expense when the interest rate swap transaction affects earnings. The ineffective portion of the gain or loss will be recognized immediately in current interest expense. The interest expense re-classified from AOCI into earnings was \$142,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2011.

**(19) Fair Value of Financial Instruments**

The book values of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable and accounts payable are considered to be representative of their respective fair values due to the immediate short — term maturity of these financial instruments. The carrying value of the Partnership's debt approximates fair value.

The fair values of financial instruments are estimated based upon current market conditions and quoted market prices for the same or similar instruments. Management estimates that the carrying value approximates fair value for all of the Partnerships' assets and liabilities that fall under the scope of ASC 825, *Financial Instruments* (ASC825).

Fair value measurements are derived using inputs (assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability) including assumptions about risk. FASB ASC 820 categorizes inputs used in fair value measurements into three broad levels as follows:

- (Level 1) Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- (Level 2) Observable inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1, such as quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, similar assets and liabilities in markets that are not active or can be corroborated by observable market data.
- (Level 3) Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities. This includes valuation techniques that involve significant unobservable inputs.

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The following table sets forth the assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis, by input level, as of September 30, 2011. At December 31, 2010, the Partnership did not have any assets or liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring level.

Location and Description	September 30, 2011			Total
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
	(in thousands)			
Cash equivalents (money market account)	\$ 160,019	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 160,019
Other current assets (marketable securities)	—	—	—	—
Total Assets	\$ 160,019	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 160,019
Other current liabilities (interest rate swap)	—	(868)	—	(868)
Other long-term liabilities (interest rate swap)	—	(1,544)	—	(1,544)
Total Liabilities	\$ —	\$ (2,412)	\$ —	\$ (2,412)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss (interest rate swap)	\$ —	\$ 2,412	\$ —	\$ 2,412

As of September 30, 2011, the only financial assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis are the Partnership's money market accounts and derivative instruments. The carrying value of the Partnership's debt approximates fair value. The Partnership has an interest rate swap that is measured at fair value on a recurring basis using Level 2 inputs (see Note 18 "Interest Rate Swaps"). The Partnership had no transfers of assets or liabilities between any of the above levels during the nine months ended September 30, 2011.

The Partnership's cash and cash equivalent are all Level 1.

The fair values of these interest rate swap instruments are based on discounted cash flow models that incorporate the cash flows of the derivatives, as well as the current LIBOR rate and a forward LIBOR curve, along with other observable market inputs.

**(20) Subsequent Events**

**Distribution**

On October 27, 2011, the Board of Directors of the Partnership's general partner declared a cash distribution for the third quarter of 2011 to the Partnership's unitholders of \$0.572 per unit. The cash distribution will be paid on November 14, 2011, to unitholders of record at the close of business on November 7, 2011.

**Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations**

The following discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the condensed consolidated financial statements and related notes and with the statistical information and financial data appearing in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2011, as well as the Partnership's prospectus dated April 7, 2011 and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on April 11, 2011. Results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 are not necessarily indicative of results to be attained for any other period.

**Forward-Looking Statements**

This Form 10-Q, including this Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, contains "forward-looking statements" as defined by the SEC. Such statements are those concerning contemplated transactions and strategic plans, expectations and objectives for future operations. These include, without limitation:

- statements, other than statements of historical fact, that address activities, events or developments that we expect, believe or anticipate will or may occur in the future;
- statements relating to future financial performance, future capital sources and other matters; and
- any other statements preceded by, followed by or that include the words "anticipates," "believes," "expects," "plans," "intends," "estimates," "projects," "could," "should," "may," or similar expressions.

Although we believe that our plans, intentions and expectations reflected in or suggested by the forward-looking statements we make in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, including this Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, are reasonable, we can give no assurance that such plans, intentions or expectations will be achieved. These statements are based on assumptions made by us based on our experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions, expected future developments and other factors that we believe are appropriate in the circumstances. Such statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond our control. You are cautioned that any such statements are not guarantees of future performance and actual results or developments may differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements as a result of various factors, including but not limited to those set forth under "Risk Factors" in our Prospectus dated April 7, 2011 and filed with the SEC on April 11, 2011. Such factors include, among others:

- our ability to make cash distributions on the units;
- the volatile nature of our business and the variable nature of our distributions;
- the ability of our general partner to modify or revoke our distribution policy at any time;
- our ability to forecast our future financial condition or results of operations and our future revenues and expenses;
- the cyclical nature of our business;
- adverse weather conditions, including potential floods and other natural disasters;
- the seasonal nature of our business;
- the dependence of our operations on a few third-party suppliers, including providers of transportation services and equipment;
- our reliance on pet coke that we purchase from CVR Energy;
- the supply and price levels of essential raw materials;
- the risk of a material decline in production at our nitrogen fertilizer plant;
- potential operating hazards from accidents, fire, severe weather, floods or other natural disasters;

- the risk associated with governmental policies affecting the agricultural industry;
- competition in the nitrogen fertilizer businesses;
- capital expenditures and potential liabilities arising from environmental laws and regulations;
- existing and proposed environmental laws and regulations, including those relating to climate change, alternative energy or fuel sources, and on the end-use and application of fertilizers;
- new regulations concerning the transportation of hazardous chemicals, risks of terrorism and the security of chemical manufacturing facilities;
- our dependence on significant customers;
- the potential loss of our transportation cost advantage over our competitors;
- our potential inability to successfully implement our business strategies, including the completion of significant capital programs;
- our reliance on CVR Energy's senior management team;
- our ability to continue to license the technology used in our operations;
- restrictions in our debt agreements;
- our limited operating history as a stand-alone company;
- risks relating to our relationships with CVR Energy;
- control of our general partner by CVR Energy;
- the conflicts of interest faced by our senior management team, which operates both us and CVR Energy;
- changes in our treatment as a partnership for U.S. income or state tax purposes; and
- instability and volatility in the capital and credit markets.

All forward-looking statements contained in this Form 10-Q speak only as of the date of this document. We undertake no obligation to update or revise publicly any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances that occur after the date of this Form 10-Q, or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

## Company Overview

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We are a Delaware limited partnership formed by CVR Energy, Inc. to own, operate and grow our nitrogen fertilizer business. Strategically located adjacent to CVR Energy's refinery in Coffeyville, Kansas, our nitrogen fertilizer manufacturing facility is the only operation in North America that utilizes a petroleum coke, or pet coke, gasification process to produce nitrogen fertilizer. Our facility includes a 1,225 ton-per-day ammonia unit, a 2,025 ton-per-day UAN unit, and a gasifier complex having a capacity of 84 million standard cubic feet per day. Our gasifier is a dual-train facility, with each gasifier able to function independently of the other, thereby providing redundancy and improving our reliability. We upgrade a majority of the ammonia we produce to higher margin UAN fertilizer, an aqueous solution of urea and ammonium nitrate that has historically commanded a premium price over ammonia. In 2010, we produced 392,745 tons of ammonia, of which approximately 60% was upgraded into 578,272 tons of UAN. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011, we produced 310,354 tons of ammonia, of which approximately 71% was upgraded into 535,800 tons of UAN.

The primary raw material feedstock used in our nitrogen fertilizer production process is pet coke, which is produced during the crude oil refining process. In contrast, substantially all of our nitrogen fertilizer competitors use natural gas as their primary raw material feedstock. Historically, pet coke has been significantly less expensive than natural gas on a per ton of fertilizer produced basis, and pet coke prices have been more stable when compared to natural gas prices. By using pet coke as the primary raw material feedstock instead of natural gas, we

believe our nitrogen fertilizer business has historically been the lowest cost producer and marketer of ammonia and UAN fertilizers in North America. We currently purchase most of our pet coke from CVR Energy pursuant to a long-term agreement having an initial term that ends in 2027, subject to renewal. During the past five years, over 70% of the pet coke utilized by our plant was produced and supplied by CVR Energy's crude oil refinery.

#### **Initial Public Offering**

On April 13, 2011, we completed the Offering, pursuant to which 22,080,000 common units, representing approximately 30% of limited partner interest in the Partnership, were sold to the public at a price of \$16.00 per common unit. The net proceeds to CVR Partners from the Offering were approximately \$324.2 million, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and offering expenses. The net proceeds from the Offering were used as follows: approximately \$18.4 million was used to make a distribution to CRLLC in satisfaction of the Partnership's obligation to reimburse CRLLC for certain capital expenditures it made on our behalf; approximately \$117.1 million was used to make a special distribution to CRLLC in order to, among other things, fund the offer to purchase CRLLC's senior secured notes required upon consummation of the Offering; approximately \$26.0 million was used to purchase (and subsequently extinguish) the incentive distribution rights, or IDRs, owned by our general partner; approximately \$4.8 million was used to pay financing fees and associated legal and professional fees resulting from our new credit facility; and the balance was used for or will be used for general partnership purposes, including approximately \$104.0 million to fund our UAN expansion.

#### **Major Influences on Results of Operations**

Our earnings and cash flows from operations are primarily affected by the relationship between nitrogen fertilizer product prices, on-stream factors and direct operating expenses. Unlike our competitors, we do not use natural gas as a feedstock and use a minimal amount of natural gas as an energy source in our operations. As a result, volatile swings in natural gas prices have a minimal impact on our results of operations. Instead, CVR Energy's adjacent refinery supplies us with most of the pet coke feedstock we need pursuant to a long-term pet coke supply agreement entered into in October 2007. The price at which our products are ultimately sold depends on numerous factors, including the global supply and demand for nitrogen fertilizer products which, in turn, depends on, among other factors, world grain demand and production levels, changes in world population, the cost and availability of fertilizer transportation infrastructure, weather conditions, the availability of imports, and the extent of government intervention in agriculture markets.

Nitrogen fertilizer prices are also affected by local factors, including local market conditions and the operating levels of competing facilities. An expansion or upgrade of competitors' facilities, international political and economic developments and other factors are likely to continue to play an important role in nitrogen fertilizer industry economics. These factors can impact, among other things, the level of inventories in the market, resulting in price volatility and a reduction in product margins. Moreover, the industry typically experiences seasonal fluctuations in demand for nitrogen fertilizer products.

In addition, the demand for fertilizers is affected by the aggregate crop planting decisions and fertilizer application rate decisions of individual farmers. Individual farmers make planting decisions based largely on the prospective profitability of a harvest, while the specific varieties and amounts of fertilizer they apply depend on factors like crop prices, their current liquidity, soil conditions, weather patterns and the types of crops planted.

Natural gas is the most significant raw material required in our competitors' production of nitrogen fertilizers. Over the past several years, natural gas prices have experienced high levels of price volatility. This pricing and volatility has a direct impact on our competitors' cost of producing nitrogen fertilizer.

In order to assess our operating performance, we calculate plant gate price to determine our operating margin. Plant gate price refers to the unit price of fertilizer, in dollars per ton, offered on a delivered basis, excluding shipment costs.

We and other competitors in the U.S. farm belt share a significant transportation cost advantage when compared to our out-of-region competitors in serving the U.S. farm belt agricultural market. In 2010,

approximately 45% of the corn planted in the United States was grown within a \$35/UAN ton freight train rate of the nitrogen fertilizer plant. We are therefore able to cost-effectively sell substantially all of our products in the higher margin agricultural market, whereas a significant portion of our competitors' revenues is derived from the lower margin industrial market. Our location on Union Pacific's main line increases our transportation cost advantage by lowering the costs of bringing our products to customers, assuming freight rates and pipeline tariffs for U.S. Gulf Coast importers as recently in effect. Our products leave the plant either in trucks for direct shipment to customers or in railcars for destinations located principally on the Union Pacific Railroad and we do not incur any intermediate transfer, storage, barge freight or pipeline freight charges. We estimate that our plant enjoys a transportation cost advantage of approximately \$25 per ton over competitors located in the U.S. Gulf Coast. Selling products to customers within economic rail transportation limits of the nitrogen fertilizer plant and keeping transportation costs low are keys to maintaining profitability.

The value of nitrogen fertilizer products is also an important consideration in understanding our results. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011, we upgraded approximately 71% of our ammonia production into UAN, a product that presently generates a greater value than ammonia. During 2010, we upgraded approximately 60% of our ammonia production into UAN. UAN production is a major contributor to our profitability.

The high fixed cost of our direct operating expense structure also directly affects our profitability. Our facility's pet coke gasification process results in a significantly higher percentage of fixed costs than a natural gas-based fertilizer plant. Major fixed operating expenses include electrical energy, employee labor, maintenance, including contract labor, and outside services. These fixed costs averaged approximately 86% of direct operating expenses over the 24 months ended December 31, 2010.

Our largest raw material expense is pet coke, which we purchase from CVR Energy and third parties. For the three months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, we spent approximately \$5.6 million and \$3.1 million, respectively, for pet coke, which equaled an average cost per ton of \$43 and \$26, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, we spent approximately \$11.6 million and \$6.7 million, respectively, for pet coke, which equaled an average cost per ton of \$30 and \$19, respectively. If pet coke prices rise substantially in the future, we may be unable to increase our prices to recover increased raw material costs, because the price floor for nitrogen fertilizer products is generally correlated with natural gas prices, the primary raw material used by our competitors, and not pet coke prices.

Consistent, safe, and reliable operations at our nitrogen fertilizer plant are critical to our financial performance and results of operations. Unplanned downtime of the plant may result in lost margin opportunity, increased maintenance expense and a temporary increase in working capital investment and related inventory position. The financial impact of planned downtime, such as major turnaround maintenance, is mitigated through a diligent planning process that takes into account margin environment, the availability of resources to perform the needed maintenance, feedstock logistics and other factors. The nitrogen fertilizer plant generally undergoes a facility turnaround every two years. The turnaround typically lasts 13-15 days each turnaround year and costs approximately \$3 million to \$5 million per turnaround. The nitrogen fertilizer plant underwent a turnaround in the fourth quarter of 2010, at a cost of approximately \$3.5 million and the next turnaround is currently scheduled for the fourth quarter of 2012. In connection with the most recent biennial turnaround, the nitrogen fertilizer business also wrote-off approximately \$1.4 million of fixed assets.

#### **Factors Affecting Comparability of Our Financial Results**

Our historical results of operations for the periods presented may not be comparable with prior periods or to our results of operations in the future for the reasons discussed below.

##### ***Publicly Traded Partnership Expenses***

We expect that our general and administrative expenses will increase due to the costs of operating as a publicly traded partnership, including costs associated with SEC reporting requirements, including annual and quarterly reports to unitholders, tax return and Schedule K-1 preparation and distribution, independent auditor

fees, investor relations activities and registrar and transfer agent fees. We estimate that these incremental general and administrative expenses, which also include increased personnel costs, will approximate \$5.5 million per year, excluding the costs associated with the initial implementation of our Sarbanes-Oxley Section 404 internal controls review and testing. Our historical financial statements do not reflect the impact of these expenses, which will affect the comparability of our post-offering results with our financial statements from periods prior to the completion of the Offering.

***September 2010 UAN Vessel Rupture***

On September 30, 2010, our nitrogen fertilizer plant experienced an interruption in operations due to a rupture of a high-pressure UAN vessel. All operations at our nitrogen fertilizer facility were immediately shut down. No one was injured in the incident. Our nitrogen fertilizer facility had previously scheduled a major turnaround to begin on October 5, 2010. To minimize disruption and impact to the production schedule, the turnaround was accelerated. The turnaround was completed on October 29, 2010 with the gasification and ammonia units in operation. The fertilizer facility restarted production of UAN on November 16, 2010 and as of December 31, 2010 repairs to the facility as a result of the rupture were substantially complete. Besides adversely impacting UAN sales in the fourth quarter of 2010, the outage caused us to shift delivery of lower priced tons from the fourth quarter of 2010 to the first and second quarters of 2011.

Total gross costs recorded as of September 30, 2011 due to the incident were approximately \$11.2 million for repairs and maintenance and other associated costs. As of September 30, 2011, approximately \$7.0 million of insurance proceeds have been received related to the property damage insurance claim. Of the costs incurred, approximately \$4.6 million were capitalized. We also recognized income of approximately \$3.4 million during 2011 from insurance proceeds received related to our business interruption policy. Approximately \$0.5 million was received during the third quarter with the remainder received in March and April 2011.

***Fertilizer Plant Property Taxes***

Our nitrogen fertilizer plant received a ten year property tax abatement from Montgomery County, Kansas in connection with its construction that expired on December 31, 2007. In connection with the expiration of the abatement, the county reassessed our nitrogen fertilizer plant and classified the nitrogen fertilizer plant as almost entirely real property instead of almost entirely personal property. The reassessment has resulted in an increase in our annual property tax expense for the plant by an average of approximately \$10.7 million per year for the years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2009, and approximately \$11.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. We do not agree with the county's classification of our nitrogen fertilizer plant and are currently disputing it before the Kansas Court of Tax Appeals, or COTA. However, we have fully accrued and paid for the property tax the county claims we owe for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008. We have estimated and accrued for nine months of property taxes for 2011. This property tax expense is reflected as a direct operating expense in our financial results. An evidentiary hearing before COTA occurred during the first quarter of 2011 regarding our property tax claims for the year ended December 31, 2008. We believe that it is possible that COTA may issue a ruling sometime during 2011. However, the timing of a ruling in the case is uncertain, and there can be no assurance we will receive a ruling in 2011. If we are successful in having the nitrogen fertilizer plant reclassified as personal property, in whole or in part, a portion of the accrued and paid expenses would be refunded to us, which could have a material positive effect on our results of operations. If we are not successful in having the nitrogen fertilizer plant reclassified as personal property, in whole or in part, we expect that we will continue to pay property taxes at elevated rates.

***Distributions to Unitholders***

We intend to make cash distributions of all available cash we generate each quarter, which began with the quarter ended June 30, 2011. Available cash for each quarter will be determined by the board of directors of our general partner following the end of such quarter. Available cash for each quarter will generally equal our cash flow from operations for the quarter, less cash needed for maintenance capital expenditures, debt service and other contractual obligations and reserves for future operating or capital needs that the board of directors of our general partner deems necessary or appropriate. Additionally, the Partnership also retains the cash on

hand associated with prepaid sales at each quarter end for future distributions to common unitholders based upon the recognition into income of the prepaid sales. The board of directors of our general partner may modify our cash distribution policy at any time, and our partnership agreement does not require us to make distributions at all.

***Credit Facility***

On April 13, 2011, CRNF, as borrower, and the Partnership, as guarantor, entered into a new credit facility with a group of lenders. The credit facility includes a term loan facility of \$125.0 million and a revolving credit facility of \$25.0 million with an uncommitted incremental facility of up to \$50.0 million. There is no scheduled amortization and the credit facility matures in April 2016.

In recent historic periods prior to the Offering, we did not incur interest expense. Borrowings under the credit facility bear interest, at the Partnership's option, at either the Eurodollar Rate, plus a margin that ranges from 3.50% to 4.25%, or the Base Rate, plus a margin that ranges from 2.50% to 3.25%. The applicable interest rate margin is determined based on the Partnership's leverage ratio for the trailing four quarters. The average interest rate for the term loan during the three months ended September 30, 2011 was 4.02%. Under its terms, the lenders under the credit facility were granted a perfected, first priority security interest (subject to certain customary exceptions) in substantially all of the assets of the Partnership and CRNF.

***Interest Rate Swap***

Our profitability and cash flows are affected by changes in interest rates, specifically LIBOR and prime rates. The primary purpose of our interest rate risk management activities is to hedge our exposure to changes in interest rates.

On June 30 and July 1, 2011, CRNF entered into two Interest Rate Swap agreements with J. Aron. We have determined that the Interest Rate Swaps do qualify as a hedge for hedge accounting treatment. The Interest Rate Swap agreements commenced on August 12, 2011; therefore, the impact recorded for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 is \$0.1 million in interest expense. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Partnership recorded a decrease in fair market value on the Interest Rate Swap agreements of \$2.4 million, which is unrealized, in accumulated other comprehensive income.

**Results of Operations**

The following tables summarize the financial data and key operating statistics for CVR Partners and our operating subsidiary for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010. The following data should be read in conjunction with our condensed consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included elsewhere in this Form 10-Q. All information in "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial

Condition and Results of Operations,” except for the balance sheet data as of December 31, 2010, is unaudited.

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
(unaudited) (in millions)				
<b>Consolidated Statements of Operations Data</b>				
Net sales	\$ 77.2	\$ 46.4	\$ 215.3	\$ 141.1
Cost of product sold — Affiliates	3.6	2.9	8.0	5.1
Cost of product sold — Third Parties	7.3	7.9	20.2	22.6
	10.9	10.8	28.2	27.7
Direct operating expenses — Affiliates(1)	0.2	0.5	1.0	1.4
Direct operating expenses — Third Parties(1)	19.9	16.7	64.4	59.3
	20.1	17.2	65.4	60.7
Insurance recovery — business interruption	(0.5)	—	(3.4)	—
Selling, general and administrative expenses — Affiliates(1)	3.4	2.4	13.1	6.8
Selling, general and administrative expenses — Third Parties(1)	1.1	0.9	4.5	2.0
	4.5	3.3	17.6	8.8
Depreciation and amortization(2)	4.7	4.5	13.9	13.9
Operating income	\$ 37.5	\$ 10.6	\$ 93.6	\$ 30.0
Interest expense and other financing costs	(1.4)	—	(2.6)	—
Interest income	—	3.0	0.1	9.6
Other income (expense)	0.2	(0.1)	0.1	(0.1)
Total other income (expense)	(1.2)	2.9	(2.4)	9.5
Income before income tax expense	36.3	13.5	91.2	39.5
Income tax expense	—	—	—	—
Net income (loss)(3)	\$ 36.3	\$ 13.5	\$ 91.2	\$ 39.5
Adjusted EBITDA(4)	\$ 43.3	\$ 15.7	\$ 114.0	\$ 45.1
Available cash for distribution(5)	\$ 41.8	—	\$ 71.5	—
<b>Balance Sheet Data</b>				
	As of September 30,		As of December 31,	
	2011	(unaudited)	2010	
	(in millions)			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	255.5	\$	42.7
Working capital	\$	234.7	\$	27.1
Total assets	\$	673.8	\$	452.2
Partners' Capital	\$	489.3	\$	402.2

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
	(unaudited)		(in millions)	
<b>Cash Flow and Other Data</b>				
Net cash flow provided by (used in):				
Operating activities	\$ 57.7	\$ 27.0	\$ 107.9	\$ 56.6
Investing activities	\$ (2.0)	\$ (1.9)	\$ (7.8)	\$ (3.8)
Financing activities	\$ (30.0)	\$ —	\$ 112.7	\$ (29.5)
Capital expenditures for property, plant and equipment	\$ 4.5	\$ 1.9	\$ 10.5	\$ 3.8
Depreciation and amortization	\$ 4.7	\$ 4.5	\$ 13.9	\$ 13.9

- (1) Amounts are shown exclusive of depreciation and amortization.  
(2) Depreciation and amortization is comprised of the following components as excluded from direct operating expenses:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
	(unaudited)		(in millions)	
Depreciation and amortization excluded from direct operating expenses	\$ 4.7	\$ 4.5	\$ 13.9	\$ 13.9
Total depreciation and amortization	\$ 4.7	\$ 4.5	\$ 13.9	\$ 13.9

- (3) The following are certain charges and costs incurred in each of the relevant periods that are meaningful to understanding our net income and in evaluating our performance:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
	(unaudited)		(in millions)	
Share-based compensation expense(a)	\$ 0.9	\$ 0.7	\$ 6.4	\$ 1.3

- (a) Represents the impact of share-based compensation awards allocated from CVR Energy and CALLC III and share-based compensation associated with awards from our LTIP. Subsequent to June 30, 2011, no additional amounts will be allocated to us by CALLC III. We are not responsible for payment of share-based compensation awards allocated from CVR Energy and CALLC III and all such expense amounts are reflected as an increase or decrease to Partners' capital.
- (4) Adjusted EBITDA is defined as net income before income tax expense, net interest (income) expense, depreciation and amortization expense and certain other items management believes affect the comparability of operating results. Adjusted EBITDA is not a recognized term under GAAP and should not be substituted for net income as a measure of performance but should be utilized as a supplemental measure of performance in evaluating our business. Management believes that adjusted EBITDA provides relevant and useful information that enables external users of our financial statements, such as industry analysts, investors, lenders and rating agencies to better understand and evaluate our ongoing operating results and allows for greater transparency in the reviewing of our overall financial, operational and economic performance. Management believes it is appropriate to exclude certain items from EBITDA, such as share-based compensation and major scheduled turnaround expenses because management believes these items affect the comparability of operating results.
- (5) We define available cash for distribution generally as equal to our cash flow from operations for the quarter, less cash needed for maintenance capital expenditures, debt service and other contractual obligations.

and reserves for future operating or capital needs that our board of directors of our general partner deems necessary or appropriate. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011, available cash for distribution is calculated for the period beginning at the closing of the Offering (April 13, 2011 through September 30, 2011). The Partnership also retains the cash on hand associated with prepaid sales at each quarter end for future distribution to common unitholders based upon the recognition into income of the prepaid sales.

The tables below provide an overview of our results of operations, relevant market indicators and key operating statistics:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
	(unaudited) (in millions)			
<b>Key Operating Statistics</b>				
Production (thousand tons):				
Ammonia (gross produced)(1)	102.7	112.6	310.4	322.9
Ammonia (net available for sale)(1)	25.9	41.0	89.3	117.9
UAN	185.8	173.8	535.8	500.5
Pet coke consumed (thousand tons)	131.2	118.6	391.0	351.8
Pet coke (cost per ton)	\$ 43	\$ 26	\$ 30	\$ 19
Sales (thousand tons):				
Ammonia	22.6	33.4	83.5	115.2
UAN	179.2	178.9	524.7	506.9
Total sales	201.8	212.3	608.2	622.1
Product pricing (plant gate) (dollars per ton)(2):				
Ammonia	\$ 568	\$ 317	\$ 569	\$ 305
UAN	\$ 294	\$ 168	\$ 266	\$ 180
On-stream factor(3):				
Gasification	99.2%	99.2%	99.5%	95.8%
Ammonia	98.6%	99.0%	98.0%	94.6%
UAN	97.0%	96.9%	95.9%	92.2%
Reconciliation to net sales (in millions):				
Freight in revenue	\$ 6.0	\$ 5.8	\$ 16.1	\$ 14.6
Hydrogen and other gases revenue	5.7	—	11.9	—
Sales net plant gate	65.5	40.6	187.3	126.5
Total net sales	\$ 77.2	\$ 46.4	\$ 215.3	\$ 141.1

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
	(unaudited)			
<b>Market Indicators</b>				
Natural gas NYMEX (dollars per MMBtu)	\$ 4.06	\$ 4.38	\$ 4.21	\$ 4.52
Ammonia — Southern Plains (dollars per ton)	\$ 619	\$ 465	\$ 609	\$ 385
UAN — Mid Combelt (dollars per ton)	\$ 401	\$ 247	\$ 373	\$ 246

(1) The gross tons produced for ammonia represent the total ammonia produced, including ammonia produced that was upgraded into UAN. The net tons available for sale represent the ammonia available for sale that was not upgraded into UAN.

- (2) Plant gate sales per ton represent net sales less freight and hydrogen revenue divided by product sales volume in tons in the reporting period. Plant gate pricing per ton is shown in order to provide a pricing measure that is comparable across the fertilizer industry.
- (3) On-stream factor is the total number of hours operated divided by the total number of hours in the reporting period.

**Three Months Ended September 30, 2011 Compared to the Three Months Ended September 30, 2010**

**Net Sales.** Net sales were \$77.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to \$46.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2010. For the three months ended September 30, 2011, ammonia and UAN made up \$13.3 million and \$58.2 million of our net sales, respectively. This compared to ammonia and UAN net sales of \$11.4 million and \$35.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2010. The increase of \$30.8 million was the result of both higher average plant gate prices for both ammonia and UAN and greater hydrogen sales to CVR Energy's refinery offset by lower sales unit volumes for ammonia. The following table demonstrates the impact of sales volumes and pricing for ammonia, UAN and hydrogen for the quarters ended September 30, 2011 and September 30, 2010:

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2011			Three Months Ended September 30, 2010			Total Variance		Price Variance	Volume Variance
	Volume(1)	\$ per ton(2)	Sales \$(3)	Volume(1)	\$ per ton (2)	Sales \$(3)	Volume(1)	Sales \$(3)		
Ammonia	22,606	\$589	\$13.3	33,438	\$341	\$11.4	(10,832)	\$ 1.9	\$ 8.3	\$(6.4)
UAN	179,244	\$324	\$58.2	178,949	\$196	\$35.0	295	\$23.2	\$23.0	\$ 0.2
Hydrogen	528,593	\$ 11	\$ 5.7	—	\$ —	\$ —	528,593	\$ 5.7	\$ —	\$ 5.7

- (1) Sales volume in tons
- (2) Includes freight charges
- (3) Sales dollars in millions

The decrease in ammonia sales volume for the three months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the three months ended September 30, 2010 was primarily attributable to our providing hydrogen to CVR Energy's refinery as requested pursuant to the feedstock agreement instead of using this hydrogen to produce ammonia. On-stream factors (total number of hours operated divided by total hours in the reporting period) for the gasification, ammonia and UAN units continue to demonstrate their reliability with the units reporting 99.2%, 98.6% and 97.0%, respectively, on-stream for the three months ended September 30, 2011. On-stream rates for the third quarter of 2010 were 99.2%, 99.0% and 96.9% for the gasification, ammonia and UAN units, respectively.

Plant gate prices are prices FOB the delivery point less any freight cost we absorb to deliver the product. We believe plant gate price is meaningful because we sell products both FOB our plant gate (sold plant) and FOB the customer's designated delivery site (sold delivered) and the percentage of sold plant versus sold delivered can change month to month or quarter-to-quarter. The plant gate price provides a measure that is consistently comparable period to period. Average plant gate prices for the three months ended September 30, 2011 were higher for both ammonia and UAN over the comparable period of 2010, increasing 78.9% and 75.3% respectively. The price increases reflect strong farm belt market conditions.

**Cost of Product Sold.** Cost of product sold is primarily comprised of pet coke expense, freight expense and distribution expense. Cost of product sold for the three months ended September 30, 2011 was \$10.9 million compared to \$10.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2010. The increase of \$0.1 million is the result of, higher affiliate costs of \$0.7 million, offset by lower third party costs of \$0.6 million. Besides decreased costs associated with lower ammonia sales volumes, we experienced an increase in pet coke costs of \$2.5 million (\$1.1 million from transaction with affiliates) and increased freight expense of \$0.1 million partially offset by a decrease in hydrogen costs of \$0.4 million.

**Direct Operating Expenses (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization).** Direct operating expenses include costs associated with the actual operations of our plant, such as repairs and maintenance, energy and

utility costs, catalyst and chemical costs, outside services, labor and environmental compliance costs. Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) for the three months ended September 30, 2011 were \$20.1 million as compared to approximately \$17.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2010. The increase of \$2.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2011 over the comparable period in 2010 was due to a \$3.2 million increase in costs from third parties coupled with a \$0.3 million decrease in direct operating costs from transactions with affiliates. The \$2.9 million increase was primarily the result of the increase in expenses for utilities (\$4.9 million), repairs and maintenance (\$1.1 million), refractory amortization (\$0.2 million), catalyst (\$0.2 million) and chemicals (\$0.2 million), partially offset by the receipt and recognition of \$2.5 million of insurance proceeds for property damage, \$0.9 million increase in other reimbursed expenses and decreases in property taxes (\$0.1 million) and equipment rental (\$0.2 million).

**Selling, General and Administrative Expenses (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization).** Selling, general and administrative expenses include the direct selling, general and administrative expenses of our business as well as certain expenses incurred by our affiliates, CVR Energy and CRLLC on our behalf and billed or allocated to us. Certain of our expenses are subject to the services agreement with CVR Energy and our general partner. Selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) were \$4.5 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2011, as compared to \$3.3 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010. The increase of \$1.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2011 over the comparable period in 2010 was due to a \$1.0 million increase in costs with affiliates coupled with a \$0.2 million increase in costs from transactions from third parties. This variance was primarily the result of increases in share-based compensation expense of \$0.3 million, outside services of \$0.4 million and \$0.8 million of increased expenses related to the services agreement, partially offset by 2010 asset write-offs of \$0.5 million.

**Operating Income.** Operating income was \$37.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2011 as compared to operating income of \$10.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2010. This increase of \$26.9 million was primarily the result of the increase in nitrogen fertilizer margin of \$30.7 million. This favorable increase was partially offset by an increase in selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) of \$1.2 million and direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) of \$2.9 million.

**Interest Expense.** Interest expense for the three months ended September 30, 2011 was approximately \$1.4 million and \$0.0 for the three months ended September 30, 2010. Interest expense for the three months ended September 30, 2011 was primarily attributable to bank interest expense of \$1.3 million on the \$125.0 million term loan facility, \$0.3 million of deferred financing amortization and \$0.1 million of interest expense related to the interest rate swap, partially offset by capitalized interest of \$0.3 million.

**Interest Income.** Interest income was negligible for the quarter ended September 30, 2011, as compared to \$3.0 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2010. Interest income in the third quarter of 2010 was primarily attributable to the amounts owed to us by our affiliate, CRLLC. The due from balance from our affiliates was fully distributed in December 2010 and resulted in no outstanding affiliate balance owed during the third quarter of 2011.

**Income Tax Expense.** Income tax expense for the quarters ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 was immaterial and consisted of amounts payable pursuant to a Texas state franchise tax.

**Net Income.** For the quarter ended September 30, 2011, net income was \$36.3 million as compared to \$13.5 million of net income for the quarter ended September 30, 2010, an increase of \$22.8 million. The increase in net income was primarily due to the increase in pricing, offset by an increase in selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization), an increase in the cost of raw materials, a decrease in interest income and an increase in direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization).

**Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011 Compared to the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010**

**Net Sales.** Net sales were \$215.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to \$141.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011, ammonia and UAN made up \$49.0 million and \$154.4 million of our net sales, respectively. This compared to ammonia and UAN net sales of \$38.0 million and \$103.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. The increase of \$74.2 million was the result of both higher average plant gate prices for both ammonia and UAN, a 3.5% increase in UAN sales unit volumes and greater hydrogen sales to CVR Energy's refinery offset by lower ammonia product sales volume. The following table demonstrates the impact of sales volumes and pricing for ammonia, UAN and hydrogen for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and September 30, 2010:

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011			Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010			Total Variance		Price Variance (in millions)	Volume Variance
	Volume(1)	\$ per ton(2)	Sales \$(3)	Volume(1)	\$ per ton (2)	Sales \$(3)	Volume(1)	Sales \$(3)		
Ammonia	83,510	\$ 587	\$ 49.0	115,230	\$ 330	\$ 38.0	(31,720)	\$ 11.0	\$ 29.6	\$ (18.6)
UAN	524,670	\$ 294	\$ 154.4	506,872	\$ 203	\$ 103.1	17,797	\$ 51.3	\$ 46.1	\$ 5.2
Hydrogen	1,159,090	\$ 10	\$ 11.8	—	\$ —	\$ —	1,159,090	\$ 11.8	\$ —	\$ 11.8

- (1) Sales volume in tons
- (2) Includes freight charges
- (3) Sales dollars in millions

The decrease in ammonia sales volume for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2010 was primarily attributable to the 2010 period having higher than normal volumes after a sluggish fall season in 2009 coupled with decreased ammonia production in the second and third quarters of 2011 due to the exporting of hydrogen to the refinery of CVR Energy instead of producing ammonia. UAN sales volumes increased due to production levels in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 over the same period in 2010 as a result of a plant outage that occurred in 2010. On-stream factors (total number of hours operated divided by total hours in the reporting period) for the gasification, ammonia and UAN units continue to demonstrate their reliability as all increased over the nine months ended September 30, 2010 with the units reporting 99.5%, 98.0% and 95.9%, respectively, on-stream for the nine months ended September 30, 2011. On-stream rates for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 were 95.8%, 94.6% and 92.2% for the gasification, ammonia and UAN units, respectively.

Plant gate prices are prices FOB the delivery point less any freight cost we absorb to deliver the product. We believe plant gate price is meaningful because we sell products both FOB our plant gate (sold plant) and FOB the customer's designated delivery site (sold delivered) and the percentage of sold plant versus sold delivered can change month to month or quarter-to-quarter. The plant gate price provides a measure that is consistently comparable period to period. Average plant gate prices for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 were higher for both ammonia and UAN over the comparable period of 2010, increasing 86.5% and 47.9% respectively. The price increases reflect strong farm belt market conditions. While UAN pricing in the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was higher than last year, it nevertheless was adversely impacted by the outage of a high-pressure UAN vessel that occurred in September 2010. This caused us to shift delivery of lower priced tons from the fourth quarter of 2010 to the first and second quarters of 2011.

The demand for nitrogen fertilizer is affected by the aggregate crop planting decisions and nitrogen fertilizer application rate decisions of individual farmers. Individual farmers make planting decisions based largely on the prospective profitability of a harvest, while the specific varieties and amounts of nitrogen fertilizer they apply depend on factors like crop prices, their current liquidity, soil conditions, weather patterns and the types of crops planted.

**Cost of Product Sold.** Cost of product sold is primarily comprised of pet coke expense, freight expense and distribution expense. Cost of product sold for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was \$28.2 million compared to \$27.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. The increase of \$0.5 million was the result of \$2.9 million of higher costs from transactions with affiliates, offset by

\$2.4 million from lower costs from third parties. Besides increased costs associated with higher UAN sales volumes and a \$1.3 million increase in freight expense, we experienced an increase in pet coke costs of \$4.9 million (\$3.7 million from transaction with affiliates) and a decrease in hydrogen costs of \$0.8 million.

**Direct Operating Expenses (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization).** Direct operating expenses include costs associated with the actual operations of our plant, such as repairs and maintenance, energy and utility costs, catalyst and chemical costs, outside services, labor and environmental compliance costs. Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 were \$65.4 million as compared to \$60.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. The increase of \$4.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 over the comparable period in 2010 was due to a \$5.1 million increase in costs from third parties coupled with a decrease in direct operating costs from transactions with affiliates (\$0.4 million). The \$4.7 million increase was primarily the result of increases in expenses for repairs and maintenance (\$4.4 million), utilities (\$0.4 million), labor (\$0.4 million) and environmental (\$0.3 million). These increases in direct operating expenses were partially offset by the receipt and recognition of \$2.5 million of insurance proceeds for property damage, \$0.9 million increase in other reimbursed expenses for miscellaneous transfers, \$0.5 million increase in sulfur sales to an outside party and decreases in expenses associated with equipment rental (\$0.5 million), insurance (\$0.2 million) and refractory amortization (\$0.2 million).

**Insurance Recovery — Business Interruption.** During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, we recorded and received insurance proceeds under insurance coverage for interruption of business of \$3.4 million related to the September 30, 2010 UAN vessel rupture.

**Selling, General and Administrative Expenses (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization).** Selling, general and administrative expenses include the direct selling, general and administrative expenses of our business as well as certain expenses incurred by our affiliates, CVR Energy and CRLLC on our behalf and billed or allocated to us. Certain of our expenses are subject to the services agreement with CVR Energy and our general partner. Selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) were \$17.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011, as compared to \$8.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. The increase of \$8.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 over the comparable period in 2010 was due to a \$6.3 million increase in costs with affiliates coupled with a \$2.5 million increase in costs from transactions from third parties. This variance was primarily the result of increases in share-based compensation expense of \$4.9 million, outside services of \$2.2 million, and expenses related to the services agreement of \$1.4 million.

**Operating Income.** Operating income was \$93.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 as compared to operating income of \$30.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. This increase of \$63.6 million was primarily the result of the increase in nitrogen fertilizer margins of \$73.7 million coupled with business interruption recoveries recorded of \$3.4 million. These favorable increases were partially offset by an increase in selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) of \$8.8 million and direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) of \$4.7 million.

**Interest Expense.** Interest expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was approximately \$2.6 million and \$0.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. Interest expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was primarily attributable to bank interest expense of \$2.6 million on the \$125.0 million term loan facility, interest rate swap of \$0.1 million and \$0.5 million of deferred financing amortization partially offset by capitalized interest of \$0.6 million.

**Interest Income.** Interest income was negligible for the nine months ended September 30, 2011, as compared to \$9.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. Interest income in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 was primarily attributable to the amounts owed to us by our affiliate, CRLLC. The due from balance from our affiliates was fully distributed in December 2010 and resulted in no outstanding affiliate balance owed during the nine months ended September 30, 2011.

**Income Tax Expense.** Income tax expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010 was immaterial and consisted of amounts payable pursuant to a Texas state franchise tax.

**Net Income.** For the nine months ended September 30, 2011, net income was \$91.2 million as compared to \$39.5 million of net income for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, an increase of \$51.7 million. The increase in net income was primarily due to the increase in pricing, offset by an increase in selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization), an increase in the cost of raw materials, a decrease in interest income and an increase in direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization).

#### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Our principal source of liquidity has historically been cash from operations which includes cash advances from customers resulting from forward sales. Our liquidity was enhanced during the second quarter of 2011 by the receipt of \$324.2 million in net proceeds from our initial public offering after the payment of underwriting discounts and commissions. The net proceeds from the Offering were used as follows: approximately \$18.4 million was used to make a distribution to CRLLC to satisfy our obligation to reimburse it for certain capital expenditures CRLLC made on our behalf; approximately \$117.1 million was used to make a special distribution to CRLLC in order to, among other things, fund the offer to purchase CRLLC's senior secured notes required upon consummation of the Offering; approximately \$26.0 million was used to purchase (and subsequently extinguish) the IDRs owned by our general partner prior to the Offering; approximately \$4.8 million was used to pay financing fees and associated legal and professional fees resulting from our new credit facility and the balance was used or will be used for general partnership purposes, including approximately \$104.0 million to fund the expected capital costs of the continuation of our UAN expansion. In addition, in conjunction with the completion of the Offering, we entered into a new \$125 million term loan and \$25 million revolving credit facility and were removed as a guarantor or obligor, as applicable, under CRLLC's ABL credit facility, 9.0% First Lien Senior Secured Notes due 2015 and 10.875% Second Lien Senior Secured Notes due 2017.

Our principal uses of cash are expected to be operations, distributions to common unitholders, capital expenditures and funding our debt service obligations. We believe that our cash from operations will be adequate to satisfy anticipated commitments for the next twelve months and that the net proceeds from the Offering and borrowings under our credit facility will be adequate to fund our planned capital expenditures, including the UAN expansion, for the next twelve months. However, our future capital expenditures and other cash requirements could be higher than we currently expect as a result of various factors. Additionally, our ability to generate sufficient cash from our operating activities depends on our future performance, which is subject to general economic, political, financial, competitive, and other factors beyond our control.

#### **Cash Balance and Other Liquidity**

As of September 30, 2011, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$255.5 million including \$20.5 million of customer advances. Working capital at September 30, 2011 was \$234.7 million, consisting of \$291.7 million in current assets and \$57.0 million in current liabilities. Working capital at December 31, 2010 was \$27.1 million, consisting of \$73.2 million in current assets and \$46.1 million in current liabilities. As of November 1, 2011, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$265.8 million.

#### **Debt**

As of December 31, 2010, we had no outstanding indebtedness, but we were a guarantor or obligor, as applicable, under CRLLC's credit facility, 9.0% First Lien Senior Secured Notes due 2015 and 10.875% Second Lien Senior Secured Notes due 2017. As a result of the Offering, we were released as a guarantor and/or obligor under CRLLC's credit facility and senior secured notes. In addition, as a result of the Offering, the assets of the fertilizer business no longer constitute collateral for the benefit of the Senior Notes or CRLLC's credit facility.

#### **Credit Facility**

On April 13, 2011 in conjunction with the completion of the Offering, we entered into a new credit facility with a group of lenders including Goldman Sachs Lending Partners LLC, as administrative and

collateral agent. The credit facility includes a term loan facility of \$125.0 million and a revolving credit facility of \$25.0 million with an uncommitted incremental facility of up to \$50.0 million. There is no scheduled amortization and the credit facility matures April 2016. The credit facility will be used to finance on-going working capital, capital projects, letter of credit issuances and general needs of the Partnership.

Borrowings under the credit facility bear interest based on a pricing grid determined by a trailing four quarter leverage ratio. The initial pricing for borrowings under the credit facility is the Eurodollar rate plus a margin of 3.75%, or, for base rate loans, the prime rate plus 2.75%. Under its terms, the lenders under the credit facility were granted a perfected, first priority security interest (subject to certain customary exceptions) in substantially all of the assets of CVR Partners and CRNF. CRNF is the borrower under the credit facility. All obligations under the credit facility are unconditionally guaranteed by CVR Partners and substantially all of our future, direct and indirect, domestic subsidiaries.

The credit facility requires us to maintain (i) a minimum interest coverage ratio (ratio of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA to interest) as of any fiscal quarter of 3.0 to 1.0 and (ii) a maximum leverage ratio (ratio of debt to Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA) of (a) as of any fiscal quarter ended after the closing date and prior to December 31, 2011, 3.50 to 1.0, and (b) as of any fiscal quarter ended on or after December 31, 2011, 3.0 to 1.0 in all cases calculated on a trailing four quarter basis. It also contains customary covenants for a financing of this type that limit, subject to certain exceptions, the incurrence of additional indebtedness or guarantees, creation of liens on assets, the ability to dispose of assets, make restricted payments, investments or acquisitions, enter into sale-lease back transactions or enter into affiliate transactions. The credit facility provides that we can make distributions to holders of our common units providing we are in compliance with our leverage ratio and interest coverage ratio covenants on a pro forma basis after giving effect to any distribution and there is no default or event of default under the credit facility. As of September 30, 2011, CVR Partners was in compliance with the covenants of the credit facility.

The credit facility also contains certain customary representations and warranties, affirmative covenants and events of default, including among other things, payment defaults, breach of representations and warranties, covenant defaults, cross-defaults to certain indebtedness, certain events of bankruptcy, certain events under ERISA, material judgments, actual or asserted failure of any guaranty or security document supporting the new credit facility to be in force and effect, and change of control. An event of default will also be triggered if CVR Energy terminates or violates any of its covenants in any of the intercompany agreements between us and CVR Energy and such action has a material adverse effect on us.

#### ***Interest Rate Swap***

Our profitability and cash flows are affected by changes in interest rates, specifically LIBOR and prime rates. The primary purpose of our interest rate risk management activities is to hedge our exposure to changes in interest rates.

On June 30 and July 1, 2011, CRNF entered into two Interest Rate Swap agreements with J. Aron. We have determined that the Interest Rate Swaps qualify as a hedge for hedge accounting treatment. These Interest Rate Swap agreements commenced on August 12, 2011. The impact recorded for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 is \$0.1 million in interest expense. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011, the Partnership recorded a decrease in fair market value on the Interest Rate Swap agreements of \$2.4 million, which is unrealized in accumulated other comprehensive income.

#### ***Capital Spending***

Our total capital expenditures for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 totaled \$10.5 million. We divide our capital spending needs into two categories: maintenance and growth. Maintenance capital spending includes only non-discretionary maintenance projects and projects required to comply with environmental, health and safety regulations. Growth capital projects generally involve an expansion of existing capacity, improvement in product yields, and/or a reduction in direct operating expenses. Of the \$10.5 million spent for the nine months ended September 30, 2011, \$5.7 million was related to maintenance capital projects and the remainder was related to growth capital projects.

We expect to spend approximately \$45.4 million on capital expenditures in 2011, excluding capitalized interest. Of this amount, approximately \$8.6 million will be spent on maintenance projects and approximately \$0.6 million will be spent on growth projects including \$36.2 million on a UAN expansion project.

With the Partnership closing the Offering on April 13, 2011, we have moved forward with the planned UAN expansion. Inclusive of capital spent prior to the Offering, we anticipate that the total capital spend associated with the UAN expansion will approximate \$135.0 million. As of September 30, 2011, approximately \$35.7 million had been spent, including \$4.8 million which was spent during the nine months ended September 30, 2011. The continuation of the UAN expansion is expected to be funded by proceeds of the Offering and term loan borrowings made by the Partnership. It is anticipated that the UAN expansion will be completed in the first quarter of 2013.

In October 2011, the board of directors of our general partner approved a UAN terminal project that will include the construction of a two million gallon UAN storage tank and related truck and rail car load-out facilities that will be located in Phillipsburg, Kansas. The property that this terminal will be constructed on is owned by an affiliate of the Partnership, Coffeyville Resources Terminal, LLC, who will operate the terminal. The purpose of the UAN terminal is to distribute approximately 20,000 tons of UAN fertilizer annually. The expected cost of this project is approximately \$2.0 million.

Planned capital expenditures for 2011 are subject to change due to unanticipated increases in the cost, scope and completion time for our capital projects. For example, we may experience increases in labor and/or equipment costs necessary to comply with government regulations or to complete projects that sustain or improve the profitability of our nitrogen fertilizer operations.

#### **Distributions to Unitholders**

We intend to make cash distributions of all available cash we generate each quarter. Available cash for each quarter will be determined by the board of directors of our general partner following the end of such quarter. Available cash for each quarter will generally equal our cash flow from operations for the quarter, less cash needed for maintenance capital expenditures, debt service and other contractual obligations and reserves for future operating or capital needs that the board of directors of our general partner deems necessary or appropriate. The Partnership also retains the cash on hand associated with prepaid sales at each quarter end for future distributions to common unitholders based upon the recognition into income of the prepaid sales.

In August 2011, the Partnership paid out a cash distribution to the Partnership's unitholders for the second quarter of 2011 in the amount of \$0.407 per unit or \$29.7 million in aggregate.

On October 27, 2011, the Board of Directors of the Partnership's general partner declared a cash distribution for the third quarter of 2011 to the Partnership's unitholders of \$0.572 per unit. The cash distribution will be paid on November 14, 2011, to unitholders of record at the close of business on November 7, 2011.

#### **Cash Flows**

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

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2011	2010
	(unaudited)	
Net cash provided by (used in):		
Operating activities	\$ 107.9	\$ 56.6
Investing activities	(7.8)	(3.8)
Financing activities	112.7	(29.5)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	\$ 212.8	\$ 23.3

***Cash Flows Provided by Operating Activities***

For purposes of this cash flow discussion, we define trade working capital as accounts receivable, inventory and accounts payable. Other working capital is defined as all other current assets and liabilities except trade working capital.

Net cash flows provided by operating activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was \$107.9 million. The positive cash flow from operating activities generated over this period was primarily attributable to net income of \$91.2 million which was driven by a strong fertilizer price environment, high on-stream factors, and favorable impacts to other working capital. With respect to other working capital for the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the primary sources of cash were an increase in business interruption proceeds of \$3.4 million, a decrease to prepaid expenses of \$2.8 million and a \$1.9 million increase in deferred revenue. Deferred revenue represents customer prepaid deposits for the future delivery of our nitrogen fertilizer products. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011, trade working capital decreased our operating cash flow by \$13.3 million and was primarily attributable to an increase in inventory of \$6.0 million, coupled with a decrease in accounts payable of \$4.7 million and an increase in accounts receivable of \$2.6 million.

Net cash provided by operating activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 was \$56.6 million. This positive cash flow from operating activities was primarily attributable to net income of \$39.5 million and the increase in cash flow from other working capital balances. Trade working capital for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 decreased operating cash flow by \$0.2 million and was attributable to a \$1.6 million increase in inventory and a \$1.2 million increase in accounts receivable mostly offset by a \$2.6 million increase in accounts payable. Cash flow realized from other working capital for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 was \$1.7 million resulting from a \$3.7 million increase in other current liabilities.

***Cash Flows Used in Investing Activities***

Net cash used in investing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was \$7.8 million compared to \$3.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. The increase in capital expenditures to \$10.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was primarily UAN related activity.

***Cash Flows Used in Financing Activities***

Net cash provided by financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was \$112.7 million as compared to net cash used in financing activities of \$29.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. The net cash provided by financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 was attributable to the proceeds from the issuance of the long-term debt of \$125.0 million and the \$324.9 million of proceeds from the Offering, offset by the \$276.7 million distributed to our affiliates, as well as the quarterly cash distribution for the second quarter 2011 paid to the common unitholders in the third quarter of \$29.7 million and the \$26.0 million purchase of our general partners' incentive distribution rights. Cash used in financing activities in the nine months ended September 30, 2010 was entirely attributable to amounts loaned to our affiliate.

**Capital and Commercial Commitments**

In addition to long-term debt, we are required to make payments relating to various types of obligations. The following table summarizes our minimum payments as of September 30, 2011 relating to long-term debt, operating leases, unconditional purchase obligations and other specified capital and commercial commitments for the period following September 30, 2011 and thereafter.

	Payments Due by Period						
	Total	2011	2012	2013 (unaudited) (in millions)	2014	2015	Thereafter
<b>Contractual Obligations</b>							
Long-term debt(1)	\$ 125.0	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 125.0
Operating leases(2)	30.9	1.2	5.4	6.0	4.3	3.4	10.6
Unconditional purchase obligations(3)	51.7	1.5	6.0	6.0	6.1	6.2	25.9
Unconditional purchase obligations with affiliates(4)	232.2	3.5	15.0	15.7	15.7	14.2	168.1
Environmental liabilities(5)	0.1	—	0.1	—	—	—	—
Interest payments(6)	23.1	1.3	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	1.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 463.0</b>	<b>\$ 7.5</b>	<b>\$ 31.6</b>	<b>\$ 32.8</b>	<b>\$ 31.2</b>	<b>\$ 28.9</b>	<b>\$ 331.0</b>

- (1) We entered into a new credit facility in connection with the closing of the Offering. The new credit facility includes a \$125.0 million term loan, which was fully drawn at closing, and a \$25.0 million revolving credit facility, which was undrawn at September 30, 2011. The table assumes no amounts are outstanding under the revolving credit facility.
- (2) We lease various facilities and equipment, primarily railcars, under non-cancelable operating leases for various periods.
- (3) The amount includes commitments under an electric supply agreement with the city of Coffeyville, Kansas and a product supply agreement with Linde.
- (4) The amount includes commitments under our long-term pet coke supply agreement with CVR Energy having an initial term that ends in 2027, subject to renewal. The Partnership's purchase obligation for pet coke from CVR Energy has been derived from a calculation of the average pet coke price paid to CVR Energy over the preceding two year period.
- (5) Represents our estimated remaining costs of remediation to address environmental contamination resulting from a reported release of UAN in 2005 pursuant to the State of Kansas Voluntary Cleanup and Property Redevelopment Program. We have other environmental liabilities which are not contractual obligations but which would be necessary for our continued operations.
- (6) Interest payments are based on the current interest rate at September 30, 2011.

**Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

We had no off-balance sheet arrangements as of September 30, 2011.

**Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In May 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2011-04, "Fair Value Measurements (Topic 820): Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRS," ("ASU 2011-04"). ASU 2011-04 changes the wording used to describe many of the requirements in U.S. GAAP for measuring fair value and for disclosing information about fair value measurements to ensure consistency between U.S. GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). ASU 2011-04 also expands the disclosures for fair value measurements that are estimated using significant unobservable (Level 3) inputs. This new guidance is to be applied prospectively. ASU 2011-04 will be effective for interim and annual periods beginning after

December 15, 2011, with early adoption permitted. We believe that the adoption of this standard will not materially expand our consolidated financial statement footnote disclosures.

In June 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-05, “*Comprehensive Income (ASC Topic 220): Presentation of Comprehensive Income*,” (“ASU 2011-05”) which amends current comprehensive income guidance. This ASU eliminates the option to present the components of other comprehensive income as part of the statement of shareholders’ equity. Instead, we must report comprehensive income in either a single continuous statement of comprehensive income which contains two sections, net income and other comprehensive income, or in two separate but consecutive statements. ASU 2011-05 will be effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011, with early adoption permitted. The adoption of ASU 2011-05 will not have a material impact on our condensed consolidated financial statements.

In September 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-08, “*Intangibles — Goodwill and Other (Topic 350): Testing Goodwill for Impairment*,” (“ASU 2011-08”). ASU 2011-08 permits an entity to make a qualitative assessment of whether it is more likely than not that a reporting unit’s fair value is less than its carrying amount before applying the two-step goodwill impairment test. This new guidance is to be applied prospectively. ASU 2011-08 will be effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011, with early adoption permitted. The Partnership believes that the adoption of this standard will not have a material impact on the consolidated financial statements.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies**

We prepare our condensed consolidated financial statements in accordance with GAAP. In order to apply these principles, management must make judgments, assumptions and estimates based on the best available information at the time. Actual results may differ based on the accuracy of the information utilized and subsequent events. Our accounting policies are described in the notes to our audited financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. Our critical accounting policies, which are described below, could materially affect the amounts recorded in our financial statements.

##### ***Impairment of Long-Lived Assets***

We calculate depreciation and amortization on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the various classes of depreciable assets. When assets are placed in service, we make estimates of what we believe are their reasonable useful lives. We account for impairment of long-lived assets in accordance with ASC 360, *Property, Plant and Equipment — Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets*, or ASC 360. In accordance with ASC 360, we review long-lived assets (excluding goodwill, intangible assets with indefinite lives, and deferred tax assets) for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset to estimated undiscounted future net cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its estimated undiscounted future net cash flows, an impairment charge is recognized for the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds their fair value. Assets to be disposed of are reported at the lower of their carrying value or fair value less cost to sell.

##### ***Goodwill***

To comply with ASC 350, *Intangibles — Goodwill and Other*, or ASC 350, we perform a test for goodwill impairment annually or more frequently in the event we determine that a triggering event has occurred. Goodwill and other intangible accounting standards provide that goodwill and other intangible assets with indefinite lives are not amortized but instead are tested for impairment on an annual basis. In accordance with these standards, we completed our annual test for impairment of goodwill as of November 1, 2010 and determined that goodwill was not impaired.

The annual review of impairment was performed by comparing the carrying value of the partnership to its estimated fair value. The valuation analysis used both income and market approaches as described below:

- ***Income Approach:*** To determine fair value, we discounted the expected future cash flows for the reporting unit utilizing observable market data to the extent available. The discount rate used for the 2010 impairment test was 14.6% representing the estimated weighted-average cost of capital, which

reflects the overall level of inherent risk involved in the reporting unit and the rate of return an outside investor would expect to earn.

- *Market-Based Approach:* To determine the fair value of the reporting unit, we also utilized a market based approach. We used the guideline company method, which focuses on comparing our risk profile and growth prospects to select reasonably similar publicly traded companies.

We assigned an equal weighting of 50% to the result of both the income approach and market based approach based upon the reliability and relevance of the data used in each analysis. This weighting was deemed reasonable as the guideline public companies have a high-level of comparability with the reporting unit and the projections used in the income approach were prepared using current estimates.

#### **Allocation of Costs**

Our condensed consolidated financial statements include an allocation of costs that have been incurred by CVR Energy or CRLLC on our behalf. The allocation of such costs is governed by the services agreement entered into by CVR Energy and us and affiliated companies in October 2007 (and amended in connection with the Offering). The services agreement provides guidance for the treatment of certain general and administrative expenses and certain direct operating expenses incurred on our behalf. Such expenses incurred include, but are not limited to, salaries, benefits, share-based compensation expense, insurance, accounting, tax, legal and technology services. Prior to the services agreement such costs were allocated to us based upon certain assumptions and estimates that were made in order to allocate a reasonable share of such expenses to us, so that the condensed consolidated financial statements reflect substantially all costs of doing business. The authoritative guidance to allocate such costs is set forth in Staff Accounting Bulletin, or SAB Topic 1-B “*Allocations of Expenses and Related Disclosures in Financial Statements of Subsidiaries, Divisions or Lesser Business Components of Another Entity.*”

If shared costs rise, additional general and administrative expenses could be allocated to us, which could be material. In addition, the amounts charged or allocated to us are not necessarily indicative of the cost that we will incur in the future.

#### **Share-Based Compensation**

We have been allocated non-cash share-based compensation expense from CVR Energy and from CALLC III. CVR Energy accounts for share-based compensation in accordance with ASC 718 *Compensation — Stock Compensation*, or ASC 718, as well as guidance regarding the accounting for share-based compensation granted to employees of an equity method investee. In accordance with ASC 718, CVR Energy and CALLC III apply a fair-value based measurement method in accounting for share-based compensation. We recognize the costs of the share-based compensation incurred by CVR Energy and CALLC III on our behalf primarily in selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization), and a corresponding increase or decrease to partners’ capital, as the costs are incurred on our behalf, following the guidance issued by the FASB regarding the accounting for equity instruments that are issued to other than employees for acquiring, or in conjunction with selling goods or services, which require remeasurement at each reporting period through the performance commitment period, or in our case, through the vesting period. Costs are allocated by CVR Energy and CALLC III based upon the percentage of time a CVR Energy employee provides services to us. In the event an individual’s roles and responsibilities change with respect to services provided to us, a reassessment is performed to determine if the allocation percentages should be adjusted. In accordance with the services agreement, we will not be responsible for the payment of cash related to any share-based compensation allocated to us by CVR Energy.

There has been considerable judgment in the significant assumptions used in determining the fair value of the share-based compensation allocated to us from CALLC III and from CVR Energy associated with share-based compensation derived from CALLC and CALLC II override units. There will be no further allocations of share-based compensation expense associated with CALLC III or with share-based compensation related to CALLC and CALLC II override units subsequent to June 30, 2011.

The Partnership’s grant of awards out of its LTIP to employees or directors of its general partner are considered non-employee awards and the awards will be marked — to-market each reporting period until they vest.

**Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk**

We do not currently use derivative financial instruments to manage risks related to changes in prices of commodities (e.g., ammonia, UAN or pet coke). Given that our business is currently based entirely in the United States, we are not directly exposed to foreign currency exchange rate risk. We do not engage in activities that expose us to speculative or non-operating risks, including derivative trading activities. In the opinion of our management, there is no derivative financial instrument that correlates effectively with, and has a trading volume sufficient to hedge, our firm commitments and forecasted commodity purchase or sales transactions. Our management will continue to monitor whether financial derivatives become available which could effectively hedge identified risks and management may in the future elect to use derivative financial instruments consistent with our overall business objectives to avoid unnecessary risk and to limit, to the extent practical, risks associated with our operating activities.

On June 30 and July 1, 2011 CRNF entered into two floating-to-fixed interest rate swap agreements for the purpose of hedging the interest rate risk associated with a portion of its \$125 million floating rate term debt which matures in April 2016. The aggregate notional amount covered under these agreements totals \$62.5 million (split evenly between the two agreement dates) and commenced on August 12, 2011 and expires on February 12, 2016. Under the terms of the interest rate swap agreement entered into on June 30, 2011, CRNF receives a floating rate based on three month LIBOR and pays a fixed rate of 1.94%. Under the terms of the interest rate swap agreement entered into on July 1, 2011, CRNF receives a floating rate based on three month LIBOR and pays a fixed rate of 1.975%. Both swap agreements will be settled every 90 days. The effect of these swap agreements is to lock in a fixed rate of interest of approximately 1.96% plus the applicable margin paid to lenders over three month LIBOR as governed by the CRNF credit agreement. The agreements were designated as cash flow hedges at inception and accordingly, the effective portion of the gain or loss on the swap is reported as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) ("AOCI"), and will be reclassified into interest expense when the interest rate swap transaction affects earnings. The ineffective portion of the gain or loss will be recognized immediately in current interest expense.

**Item 4. Controls and Procedures**

**Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

Our management, under the direction of our Executive Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, evaluated as of September 30, 2011 the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). Based upon and as of the date of that evaluation, our Executive Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective, at a reasonable assurance level, to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports we file and submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported as and when required and is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Executive Chairman, our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. It should be noted that any system of disclosure controls and procedures, however well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, and not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the system are met. In addition, the design of any system of disclosure controls and procedures is based in part upon assumptions about the likelihood of future events. Due to these and other inherent limitations of any such system, there can be no assurance that any design will always succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions.

**Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

There has been no change in our internal control over financial reporting required by Rule 13a-15 of the Exchange Act that occurred during the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2011 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

**Part II. Other Information**

**Item 1. Legal Proceedings**

See Note 15 (“Commitments and Contingencies”) to Part I, Item I of this Form 10-Q, which is incorporated by reference into this Part II, Item 1, for a description of the property tax litigation contained in “Litigation.”

**Item 1A. Risk Factors**

There are no material changes to the risk factors previously disclosed in our Prospectus dated April 7, 2011 and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 11, 2011.

**Item 6. Exhibits**

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Title
10.1*	Employment Agreement, dated as of August 22, 2011, by and between CVR GP, LLC and Randal T. Maffett.
10.2*	Form of CVR Partners, LP Long-Term Incentive Plan Employee Phantom Unit Agreement.
31.1*	Certification of the Executive Chairman pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or 15(d)-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act.
31.2*	Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or 15(d)-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act.
31.3*	Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or 15(d)-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act.
32.1*	Certification of the Executive Chairman pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.2*	Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.3*	Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
101*	The following financial information for CVR Partners, LP’s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2011, filed with the SEC on November 4, 2011, formatted in XBRL (“Extensible Business Reporting Language”) includes: (1) Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, (2) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations, (3) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, (4) Condensed Consolidated Statement of Partners’ Capital and (5) the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited), tagged as blocks of text.**

\* Filed herewith.

\*\* Users of this data are advised pursuant to Rule 406T of Regulation S-T that this interactive data file is deemed not filed or part of a registration statement or prospectus for purposes of sections 11 or 12 of the Securities Act of 1933, is deemed not filed for purposes of section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and is otherwise not subject to liability under these sections.

*PLEASE NOTE:* Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, we have filed or incorporated by reference the agreements referenced above as exhibits to this quarterly report on Form 10-Q. The agreements have been filed to provide investors with information regarding their respective terms. The agreements are not intended to provide any other factual information about the Partnership or its business or operations. In particular, the assertions embodied in any representations, warranties and covenants contained in the agreements may be subject to qualifications with respect to knowledge and materiality different from those applicable to investors and may be qualified by information in confidential disclosure schedules not included with the exhibits. These disclosure schedules may contain information that modifies, qualifies and creates exceptions to the representations, warranties and covenants set forth in the agreements. Moreover, certain representations, warranties and covenants in the agreements may have been used for the purpose of allocating risk between the parties, rather than establishing matters as facts. In addition, information concerning the subject matter of the representations, warranties and covenants may have changed after the date of the respective agreement, which subsequent information may or may not be fully reflected in the Partnership’s public disclosures. Accordingly, investors should not rely on the representations, warranties and covenants in the agreements as characterizations of the actual state of facts about the Partnership or its business or operations on the date hereof.

**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.

**CVR Partners, LP**

**By: CVR GP, LLC, its general partner**

By: /s/ BYRON R. KELLEY  
Chief Executive Officer

November 4, 2011

By: /s/ EDWARD MORGAN  
Chief Financial Officer

November 4, 2011

**EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT**

EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT, dated as of August 22, 2011 (this "Employment Agreement"), by and between **CVR GP, LLC**, a Delaware limited liability company (the "Company"), and **RANDAL T. MAFFETT** (the "Executive").

The Company serves as the general partner of CVR Partners, LP (the "Partnership"), and desires to employ Executive on the terms described in this Employment Agreement.

The parties hereto agree as follows:

**Section 1. Employment.**

1.1. Term. The Company agrees to employ the Executive, and the Executive agrees to be employed by the Company, in each case pursuant to this Employment Agreement. This Employment Agreement will commence effective August 22, 2011 (the "Commencement Date") and continue for an initial term ending on the third (3rd) anniversary of the Commencement Date (the "Initial Term"). Following the Initial Term, this Employment Agreement will automatically renew for successive periods of one (1) year (each, a "Renewal Term"), unless either party hereto gives written notice of nonrenewal to the other party at least thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of the Initial Term or any Renewal Term. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Employment Agreement may be terminated at any time during the Initial Term or any Renewal Term by the termination or resignation of the Executive's employment in accordance with Section 3 hereof. The "Term" of this Employment Agreement is the period of time commencing with the Commencement Date and continuing until the earlier of the (i) expiration of the Initial Term or any Renewal Term following notice of nonrenewal in accordance with this Section 1.1, and (ii) termination or resignation of the Executive's employment in accordance with Section 3 hereof.

1.2. Duties. During the Term, the Executive shall serve as Executive Vice President of Business Development of the Company and such other or additional positions as an officer or director of the Company, and of such direct or indirect affiliates of the Company ("Affiliates"), as the Executive and the board of directors of the Company (the "Board") or its designee shall mutually agree from time to time. In such positions, the Executive shall perform such duties, functions and responsibilities during the Term commensurate with the Executive's positions as reasonably directed by the Board.

1.3. Exclusivity. During the Term, the Executive shall devote substantially all of Executive's working time and attention to the business and affairs of the Partnership, the Company and their respective Affiliates, shall faithfully serve the Partnership, the Company and their respective Affiliates, and shall in all material respects conform to and comply with the lawful and reasonable directions and instructions given to Executive by the Board, or its designee, consistent with Section 1.2 hereof. During the Term, the Executive shall use Executive's best efforts during Executive's working time to promote and serve the interests of the Partnership, the Company and their respective Affiliates and shall not engage in any other business activity, whether or not such activity shall be engaged in for pecuniary profit. The

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provisions of this Section 1.3 shall not be construed to prevent the Executive from (i) investing Executive's personal, private assets as a passive investor in such form or manner as will not require any active services on the part of the Executive in the management or operation of the affairs of the companies, partnerships, or other business entities in which any such passive investments are made; (ii) serving as a member of the board of directors of Nexus Resources, LLC (provided, such service does not conflict with the Executive's duties and obligations to the Partnership and the Company); or (iii) winding down and ceasing the operations of Sendero Asset Management, LLC (a company owned and operated by the Executive), provided that Executive shall be allowed no more than a total of five business days (whether such business days are in or out of the Company offices) to complete such winding down and cessation.

Section 2. Compensation.

2.1. Salary. As compensation for the performance of the Executive's services hereunder, during the Term, the Company shall pay to the Executive a salary at an annual rate of \$275,000 which annual salary shall be prorated for any partial year at the beginning or end of the Term and shall accrue and be payable in accordance with the Company's standard payroll policies, as such salary may be adjusted upward by the Compensation Committee of the Board, in its discretion (as adjusted, the "Base Salary").

2.2. Annual Bonus. For each completed fiscal year occurring during the Term, the Executive shall be eligible to receive an annual cash bonus (the "Annual Bonus"). Commencing with fiscal year 2011, the target Annual Bonus shall be 100% of the Executive's Base Salary as in effect at the beginning of the Term in fiscal year 2011 (which shall be prorated for fiscal year 2011) and at the beginning of each such fiscal year thereafter during the Term, the actual Annual Bonus to be based upon such individual and/or Partnership performance criteria established for each such fiscal year by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of CVR GP, LLC ("CVR GP Compensation Committee"), in its discretion; provided, however, if CVR Energy, Inc. establishes a plan that is intended to provide for the payment of bonuses that constitute "performance-based compensation" ("PIP") within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), the Annual Bonus shall be determined by the CVR GP Compensation Committee in accordance with the PIP. The Annual Bonus, if any, payable to Executive for a fiscal year will be paid by the Company to the Executive on the last scheduled payroll payment date during such fiscal year; provided, however, that if the Annual Bonus is payable pursuant to a PIP, the Annual Bonus shall be paid at such time as is provided in the PIP.

2.3. Signing Bonus. Upon the Commencement Date, the Executive will receive a one-time signing bonus equal to \$25,000 less all applicable withholding taxes, and will be payable in accordance with the Company's standard payroll policies.

2.4. Employee Benefits. During the Term, the Executive and Executive's dependents shall be eligible to participate in such health, insurance, retirement, and other employee benefit plans and programs of the Company as in effect from time to time on the same basis as other senior executives of the Company in accordance with the terms of such plans.

2.5. Paid Time Off. During the Term, the Executive shall be entitled to twenty-five (25) days of paid time off (“PTO”) each year.

2.6. Business Expenses. The Company shall pay or reimburse the Executive for all commercially reasonable business out-of-pocket expenses that the Executive incurs during the Term in performing Executive’s duties under this Employment Agreement upon presentation of documentation and in accordance with the expense reimbursement policy of the Company in effect from time to time. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary or otherwise, except to the extent any expense or reimbursement described in this Employment Agreement does not constitute a “deferral of compensation” within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code and the Treasury regulations and other guidance issued thereunder, any expense or reimbursement described in this Employment Agreement shall meet the following requirements: (i) the amount of expenses eligible for reimbursement provided to the Executive during any calendar year will not affect the amount of expenses eligible for reimbursement to the Executive in any other calendar year; (ii) the reimbursements for expenses for which the Executive is entitled to be reimbursed shall be made on or before the last day of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the applicable expense is incurred; (iii) the right to payment or reimbursement or in-kind benefits hereunder may not be liquidated or exchanged for any other benefit; and (iv) the reimbursements shall be made pursuant to objectively determinable and nondiscretionary Company policies and procedures regarding such reimbursement of expenses.

Section 3. Employment Termination.

3.1. Termination of Employment. The Company may terminate the Executive’s employment for any reason during the Term, and the Executive may voluntarily resign Executive’s employment for any reason during the Term, in each case (other than a termination by the Company for Cause) at any time upon not less than thirty (30) days’ notice to the other party. Upon the termination or resignation of the Executive’s employment with the Company for any reason (whether during the Term or thereafter), the Executive shall be entitled to any Base Salary earned but unpaid through the date of termination or resignation, any earned but unpaid Annual Bonus for completed fiscal years, any unused accrued PTO and any unreimbursed expenses in accordance with Section 2.6 hereof (collectively, the “Accrued Amounts”).

3.2. Certain Terminations.

(a) Termination by the Company Other Than For Cause or Disability; Resignation by the Executive for Good Reason. If during the Term (i) the Executive’s employment is terminated by the Company other than for Cause or Disability or (ii) the Executive resigns for Good Reason, then in addition to the Accrued Amounts the Executive shall be entitled to the following payments and benefits: (x) the continuation of Executive’s Base Salary at the rate in effect immediately prior to the date of termination or resignation (or, in the case of a resignation for Good Reason, at the rate in effect immediately prior to the occurrence of the event constituting Good Reason, if greater) for a period of twelve (12) months (or, if earlier, until and including the month in which the Executive attains age 70) (the “Severance Period”) and (y) a Pro-Rata Bonus and (z) to the extent permitted pursuant to the applicable plans, the continuation on the same terms as an active employee (including, where applicable, coverage for

the Executive and the Executive's dependents) of medical, dental, vision and life insurance benefits ("Welfare Benefits") the Executive would otherwise be eligible to receive as an active employee of the Company for twelve (12) months or, if earlier, until such time as the Executive becomes eligible for Welfare Benefits from a subsequent employer (the "Welfare Benefit Continuation Period") (collectively, the "Severance Payments"). If the Executive is not permitted to continue participation in the Company's Welfare Benefit plans pursuant to the terms of such plans or pursuant to a determination by the Company's insurance providers or such continued participation in any plan would result in the imposition of an excise tax to the Company pursuant to Section 4980D of the Code, the Company shall use reasonable efforts to obtain individual insurance policies providing the Welfare Benefits to the Executive during the Welfare Benefit Continuation Period, but shall only be required to pay for such policies an amount equal to the amount the Company would have paid had the Executive continued participation in the Company's Welfare Benefits plans; provided, that, if such coverage cannot be obtained, the Company shall pay to the Executive monthly during the Welfare Benefit Continuation Period an amount equal to the amount the Company would have paid had the Executive continued participation in the Company's Welfare Benefits plans. The Company's obligations to make the Severance Payments shall be conditioned upon: (i) the Executive's continued compliance with Executive's obligations under Section 4 of this Employment Agreement and (ii) the Executive's execution, delivery and non-revocation of a valid and enforceable release of claims arising in connection with the Executive's employment and termination or resignation of employment with the Company (the "Release") in a form reasonably acceptable to the Company and the Executive that becomes effective not later than forty-five (45) days after the date of such termination or resignation of employment. In the event that the Executive breaches any of the covenants set forth in Section 4 of this Employment Agreement, the Executive will immediately return to the Company any portion of the Severance Payments that have been paid to the Executive pursuant to this Section 3.2(a). Subject to the foregoing and Section 3.2(e), the Severance Payments will commence to be paid to the Executive on the forty-fifth (45<sup>th</sup>) day following the Executive's termination of employment, except that the Pro-Rata Bonus shall be paid at the time when annual bonuses are paid generally to the Company's senior executives for the year in which the Executive's termination of employment occurs.

(b) Change in Control Termination. If (A) (i) the Executive's employment is terminated by the Company other than for Cause or Disability, or (ii) the Executive resigns for Good Reason, and such termination or resignation described in (i) or (ii) of this Clause (A) occurs within the one (1) year period following a Change in Control, or (B) the Executive's termination or resignation is a Change in Control Related Termination, then, in addition to the Severance Payments described in Section 3.2(a), the Executive shall also be entitled to a payment each month during the Severance Period equal to one-twelfth (1/12<sup>th</sup>) of the target Annual Bonus for the year in which the Executive's termination or resignation occurs (determined without regard to any reduction in Base Salary or target Annual Bonus percentage subsequent to the Change in Control or in connection with the Change in Control Related Termination) and such amounts received pursuant to this Section 3.2(b) shall be deemed to be included in the term Severance Payments for purposes of this Employment Agreement.

(c) Retirement. Upon Retirement, the Executive, whether or not Section 3.2(a) also applies but without duplication of benefits, shall be entitled to (i) a Pro-

Rata Bonus, and (ii) to the extent permitted pursuant to the applicable plans, the continuation on the same terms as an active employee of Welfare Benefits the Executive would otherwise be eligible to receive as an active employee of the Company for twenty-four (24) months following the date of the Executive's Retirement or, if earlier, until such time as the Executive becomes eligible for Welfare Benefits from a subsequent employer and, thereafter, shall be eligible to continue participation in the Company's Welfare Benefits plans, provided that such continued participation shall be entirely at the Executive's expense and shall cease when the Executive becomes eligible for Welfare Benefits from a subsequent employer. Notwithstanding the foregoing, (x) if the Executive is not permitted to continue participation in the Company's Welfare Benefit plans pursuant to the terms of such plans or pursuant to a determination by the Company's insurance providers or such continued participation in any plan would result in the plan being discriminatory within the meaning of Section 4980D of the Code, the Company shall use reasonable efforts to obtain individual insurance policies providing the Welfare Benefits to the Executive for such twenty-four (24) months, but shall only be required to pay for such policies an amount equal to the amount the Company would have paid had the Executive continued participation in the Company's Welfare Benefit plans; provided, that, if such coverage cannot be obtained, the Company shall pay to the Executive monthly for such twenty-four (24) months an amount equal to the amount the Company would have paid had the Executive continued participation in the Company's Welfare Benefits plans and (y) any Welfare Benefits coverage provided pursuant to this Section 3.2(c), whether through the Company's Welfare Benefit plans or through individual insurance policies, shall be supplemental to any benefits for which the Executive becomes eligible under Medicare, whether or not the Executive actually obtains such Medicare coverage. The Pro-Rata Bonus shall be paid at the time when annual bonuses are paid generally to the Company's senior executives for the year in which the Executive's Retirement occurs.

(d) Definitions. For purposes of this Section 3.2, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

(1) A resignation for "Good Reason" shall mean a resignation by the Executive within thirty (30) days following the date on which the Company has engaged in any of the following: (i) the assignment of duties or responsibilities to the Executive that reflect a material diminution of the Executive's position with the Company; (ii) a relocation of the Executive's principal place of employment outside of the greater Houston metropolitan area; or (iii) a reduction in the Executive's Base Salary, other than across-the-board reductions applicable to similarly situated employees of the Company; provided, however, that the Executive must provide the Company with notice promptly following the occurrence of any of the foregoing and at least thirty (30) days to cure.

(2) "Cause" shall mean that the Executive has engaged in any of the following: (i) willful misconduct or breach of fiduciary duty; (ii) intentional failure or refusal to perform reasonably assigned duties after written notice of such willful failure or refusal and the failure or refusal is not corrected within ten (10) business days; (iii) the indictment for, conviction of or entering a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a crime constituting a felony (other than a traffic violation or other offense or violation outside of the course of employment which does not adversely affect the Partnership, the Company or their respective Affiliates or their reputation or the ability of the Executive to perform Executive's

employment-related duties or to represent the Partnership, the Company or their respective Affiliates); provided, however, that (A) if the Executive is terminated for Cause by reason of Executive's indictment pursuant to this clause (iii) and the indictment is subsequently dismissed or withdrawn or the Executive is found to be not guilty in a court of law in connection with such indictment, then the Executive's termination shall be treated for purposes of this Employment Agreement as a termination by the Company other than for Cause, and the Executive will be entitled to receive (without duplication of benefits and to the extent permitted by law and the terms of the then-applicable Welfare Benefits plans) the payments and benefits set forth in Section 3.2(a) and, to the extent either or both are applicable, Section 3.2(b) and Section 3.2(c), following such dismissal, withdrawal or finding, payable in the manner and subject to the conditions set forth in such Sections and (B) if such indictment relates to environmental matters and does not allege that the Executive was directly involved in or directly supervised the action(s) forming the basis of the indictment, Cause shall not be deemed to exist under this Employment Agreement by reason of such indictment until the Executive is convicted or enters a plea of guilty or nolo contendere in connection with such indictment; or (iv) material breach of the Executive's covenants in Section 4 of this Employment Agreement or any material written policy of the Partnership, the Company or any of their respective Affiliates after written notice of such breach and failure by the Executive to correct such breach within ten (10) business days, provided that no notice of, nor opportunity to correct, such breach shall be required hereunder if such breach cannot be cured by the Executive.

(3) "Change in Control" shall have the meaning set forth on Appendix A.

(4) "Change in Control Related Termination" shall mean a termination of the Executive's employment by the Company other than for Cause or Executive's resignation for Good Reason, in each case at any time prior to the date of a Change in Control and (A) the Executive reasonably demonstrates that such termination or the basis for resignation for Good Reason occurred in anticipation of a transaction that, if consummated, would constitute a Change in Control, (B) such termination or the basis for resignation for Good Reason occurred after the Partnership entered into a definitive agreement, the consummation of which would constitute a Change in Control or (C) the Executive reasonably demonstrates that such termination or the basis for resignation for Good Reason was implemented at the request of a third party who has indicated an intention or has taken steps reasonably calculated to effect a Change in Control.

(5) "Disability" shall mean the Executive's inability, due to physical or mental ill health, to perform the essential functions of the Executive's job, with or without a reasonable accommodation, for 180 days during any 365 day period irrespective of whether such days are consecutive.

(6) "Pro-Rata Bonus" shall mean, the product of (A) a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days the Executive is employed by the Company during the year in which the Executive's employment terminates pursuant to Section 3.2(a) or (c) prior to and including the date of the Executive's termination and the denominator of which is 365 and (B)(i) if the Annual Bonus is payable pursuant to a PIP, an amount for that year equal to the Annual Bonus the Executive would have been entitled to receive had his

employment not terminated, based on the actual performance of the Partnership or the Executive, as applicable, for the full year, or (ii) if the Annual Bonus is not payable pursuant to a PIP, the target Annual Bonus for that year.

(7) "**Retirement**" shall mean the Executive's termination or resignation of employment for any reason (other than by the Company for Cause or by reason of the Executive's death) following the date the Executive attains age 62.

(e) **Section 409A.** To the extent applicable, this Employment Agreement shall be interpreted, construed and operated in accordance with Section 409A of the Code and the Treasury regulations and other guidance issued thereunder. If on the date of the Executive's separation from service (as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(h)) with the Company the Executive is a specified employee (as defined in Code Section 409A and Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(i)), no payment constituting the "deferral of compensation" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(b) and after application of the exemptions provided in Treasury Regulation §§1.409A-1(b)(4) and 1.409A-1(b)(9)(iii) shall be made to the Executive at any time prior to the earlier of (a) the expiration of the six (6) month period following the Executive's separation from service or (b) the Executive's death, and any such amounts deferred during such applicable period shall instead be paid in a lump sum to Executive (or, if applicable, Executive's estate) on the first payroll payment date following expiration of such six (6) month period or, if applicable, the Executive's death. For purposes of conforming this Employment Agreement to Section 409A of the Code, the parties agree that any reference to termination of employment, severance from employment, resignation from employment or similar terms shall mean and be interpreted as a "separation from service" as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(h). For purposes of applying Section 409A of the Code to this Employment Agreement (including, without limitation, for purposes of Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-2(b)(2)(iii)), each payment that the Executive may be entitled to receive under this Employment Agreement shall be treated as a separate and distinct payment and shall not collectively be treated as a single payment.

3.3. **Exclusive Remedy.** The foregoing payments upon termination or resignation of the Executive's employment shall constitute the exclusive severance payments due the Executive upon a termination or resignation of Executive's employment under this Employment Agreement.

3.4. **Resignation from All Positions.** Upon the termination or resignation of the Executive's employment with the Company for any reason, the Executive shall be deemed to have resigned, as of the date of such termination or resignation, from and with respect to all positions the Executive then holds as an officer, director, employee and member of the Board of Directors (and any committee thereof) of the Company and any of its Affiliates.

3.5. **Cooperation.** For one (1) year following the termination or resignation of the Executive's employment with the Company for any reason, the Executive agrees to reasonably cooperate with the Company upon reasonable request of the Board and to be reasonably available to the Company with respect to matters arising out of the Executive's services to the Company and its Affiliates, provided, however, such period of cooperation shall be for three (3) years, following any such termination or resignation of Executive's employment

for any reason, with respect to tax matters involving the Company or any of its Affiliates. The Company shall reimburse the Executive for expenses reasonably incurred in connection with such matters as agreed by the Executive and the Board and the Company shall compensate the Executive for such cooperation at an hourly rate based on the Executive's most recent base salary rate assuming two thousand (2,000) working hours per year; provided, that if the Executive is required to spend more than forty (40) hours in any month on Company matters pursuant to this Section 3.5, the Executive and the Board shall mutually agree to an appropriate rate of compensation for the Executive's time over such forty (40) hour threshold.

Section 4. Unauthorized Disclosure; Non-Competition; Non-Solicitation; Proprietary Rights.

4.1. Unauthorized Disclosure. The Executive agrees and understands that in the Executive's position with the Company and any Affiliates, the Executive has been and will be exposed to and has and will receive information relating to the confidential affairs of the Partnership, the Company and their respective Affiliates, including, without limitation, technical information, intellectual property, business and marketing plans, strategies, customer information, software, other information concerning the products, promotions, development, financing, expansion plans, business policies and practices of the Partnership, the Company and their respective Affiliates and other forms of information considered by the Partnership, the Company and their respective Affiliates to be confidential and in the nature of trade secrets (including, without limitation, ideas, research and development, know-how, formulas, technical data, designs, drawings, specifications, customer and supplier lists, pricing and cost information and business and marketing plans and proposals) (collectively, the "Confidential Information"); provided, however, that Confidential Information shall not include information which (i) is or becomes generally available to the public not in violation of this Employment Agreement or any written policy of the Partnership, the Company or their respective Affiliates; or (ii) was in the Executive's possession or knowledge on a non-confidential basis prior to such disclosure. The Executive agrees that at all times during the Executive's employment with the Company and thereafter, the Executive shall not disclose such Confidential Information, either directly or indirectly, to any individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, association, trust or other entity or organization, including a government or political subdivision or an agency or instrumentality thereof (each, for purposes of this Section 4, a "Person") without the prior written consent of the Company and shall not use or attempt to use any such information in any manner other than in connection with Executive's employment with the Company, unless required by law to disclose such information, in which case the Executive shall provide the Company with written notice of such requirement as far in advance of such anticipated disclosure as possible. Executive's confidentiality covenant has no temporal, geographical or territorial restriction. Upon termination or resignation of the Executive's employment with the Company, the Executive shall promptly supply to the Company all property, keys, notes, memoranda, writings, lists, files, reports, customer lists, correspondence, tapes, disks, cards, surveys, maps, logs, machines, technical data and any other tangible product or document which has been produced by, received by or otherwise submitted to the Executive during or prior to the Executive's employment with the Company, and any copies thereof in Executive's (or capable of being reduced to Executive's) possession.

4.2. Non-Competition. By and in consideration of the Company's entering into this Employment Agreement and the payments to be made and benefits to be provided by the Company hereunder, and in further consideration of the Executive's exposure to the Confidential Information of the Partnership, the Company and their respective Affiliates, the Executive agrees that the Executive shall not, during the Term and for a period of twelve (12) months thereafter (the "Restriction Period"), directly or indirectly, own, manage, operate, join, control, be employed by, or participate in the ownership, management, operation or control of, or be connected in any manner with, including, without limitation, holding any position as a stockholder, director, officer, consultant, independent contractor, employee, partner, or investor in, any Restricted Enterprise (as defined below); provided, that in no event shall ownership of one percent (1%) or less of the outstanding securities of any class of any issuer whose securities are registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), standing alone, be prohibited by this Section 4.2, so long as the Executive does not have, or exercise, any rights to manage or operate the business of such issuer other than rights as a stockholder thereof. For purposes of this paragraph, "Restricted Enterprise" shall mean any Person that is actively engaged in any business which is either (i) in competition with the business of the Partnership, the Company or any of their respective Affiliates conducted during the preceding twelve (12) months (or following the Term, the twelve (12) months preceding the last day of the Term), or (ii) proposed to be conducted by the Partnership, the Company or any of their respective Affiliates in the Partnership's, the Company's or their respective Affiliate's business plan as in effect at that time (or following the Term, the business plan as in effect as of the last day of the Term); provided, that (x) with respect to any Person that is actively engaged in the refinery business, a Restricted Enterprise shall only include such a Person that operates or markets in any geographic area in which the Partnership, the Company or any of their respective Affiliates operates or markets with respect to its refinery business and (y) with respect to any Person that is actively engaged in the fertilizer business, a Restricted Enterprise shall only include such a Person that operates or markets in any geographic area in which the Partnership, the Company or any of their respective Affiliates operates or markets with respect to its fertilizer business. During the Restriction Period, upon request of the Company, the Executive shall notify the Company of the Executive's then-current employment status. For the avoidance of doubt, a Restricted Enterprise shall not include any Person or division thereof that is engaged in the business of supplying (but not refining) crude oil or natural gas.

4.3. Non-Solicitation of Employees. During the Restriction Period, the Executive shall not directly or indirectly contact, induce or solicit (or assist any Person to contact, induce or solicit) for employment any person who is, or within twelve (12) months prior to the date of such solicitation was, an employee of the Partnership, the Company or any of their respective Affiliates.

4.4. Non-Solicitation of Customers/Suppliers. During the Restriction Period, the Executive shall not (i) contact, induce or solicit (or assist any Person to contact, induce or solicit) any Person which has a business relationship with the Partnership, the Company or any of their respective Affiliates in order to terminate, curtail or otherwise interfere with such business relationship or (ii) solicit, other than on behalf of the Partnership, the Company or their respective Affiliates, any Person that the Executive knows or should have known (x) is a current customer of the Partnership, the Company or any of their respective Affiliates in any geographic area in which the Partnership, the Company or any of their

respective Affiliates operates or markets or (y) is a Person in any geographic area in which the Partnership, the Company or any of their respective Affiliates operates or markets with respect to which the Partnership, the Company or any of their respective Affiliates has, within the twelve (12) months prior to the date of such solicitation, devoted more than de minimis resources in an effort to cause such Person to become a customer of the Partnership, the Company or any of their respective Affiliates in that geographic area. For the avoidance of doubt, the foregoing does not preclude the Executive from soliciting, outside of the geographic areas in which the Partnership, the Company or any of their respective Affiliates operates or markets, any Person that is a customer or potential customer of the Partnership, the Company or any of their respective Affiliates in the geographic areas in which it operates or markets.

4.5. Extension of Restriction Period. The Restriction Period shall be extended for a period of time equal to any period during which the Executive is in breach of any of Sections 4.2, 4.3 or 4.4 hereof.

4.6. Proprietary Rights. The Executive shall disclose promptly to the Company any and all inventions, discoveries, and improvements (whether or not patentable or registrable under copyright or similar statutes), and all patentable or copyrightable works, initiated, conceived, discovered, reduced to practice, or made by Executive, either alone or in conjunction with others, during the Executive's employment with the Company and related to the business or activities of the Partnership, the Company or their respective Affiliates (the "Developments"). Except to the extent any rights in any Developments constitute a work made for hire under the U.S. Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. § 101 et seq, that are owned ab initio by the Partnership, the Company and/or their respective Affiliates, the Executive assigns all of Executive's right, title and interest in all Developments (including all intellectual property rights therein) to the Company or its nominee without further compensation, including all rights or benefits therefor, including without limitation the right to sue and recover for past and future infringement. The Executive acknowledges that any rights in any developments constituting a work made for hire under the U.S. Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C § 101 et seq. are owned upon creation by the Partnership, the Company and/or their respective Affiliates as the Executive's employer. Whenever requested to do so by the Company, the Executive shall execute any and all applications, assignments or other instruments which the Company shall deem necessary to apply for and obtain trademarks, patents or copyrights of the United States or any foreign country or otherwise protect the interests of the Partnership, the Company and their respective Affiliates therein. These obligations shall continue beyond the end of the Executive's employment with the Company with respect to inventions, discoveries, improvements or copyrightable works initiated, conceived or made by the Executive while employed by the Company, and shall be binding upon the Executive's employers, assigns, executors, administrators and other legal representatives. In connection with Executive's execution of this Employment Agreement, the Executive has informed the Company in writing of any interest in any inventions or intellectual property rights that Executive holds as of the date hereof. If the Company is unable for any reason, after reasonable effort, to obtain the Executive's signature on any document needed in connection with the actions described in this Section 4.6, the Executive hereby irrevocably designates and appoints the Partnership, the Company, their respective Affiliates, and their respective duly authorized officers and agents as the Executive's agent and attorney in fact to act for and in the Executive's behalf to execute, verify and file any such

documents and to do all other lawfully permitted acts to further the purposes of this Section with the same legal force and effect as if executed by the Executive.

4.7. Confidentiality of Agreement. Other than with respect to information required to be disclosed by applicable law, the parties hereto agree not to disclose the terms of this Employment Agreement to any Person; provided the Executive may disclose this Employment Agreement and/or any of its terms to the Executive's immediate family, financial advisors and attorneys. Notwithstanding anything in this Section 4.7 to the contrary, the parties hereto (and each of their respective employees, representatives, or other agents) may disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the transactions contemplated by this Employment Agreement, and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) related to such tax treatment and tax structure; provided that this sentence shall not permit any Person to disclose the name of, or other information that would identify, any party to such transactions or to disclose confidential commercial information regarding such transactions.

4.8. Remedies. The Executive agrees that any breach of the terms of this Section 4 would result in irreparable injury and damage to the Partnership, the Company and their respective Affiliates for which the Partnership, the Company and their respective Affiliates would have no adequate remedy at law; the Executive therefore also agrees that in the event of said breach or any threat of breach, the Partnership, the Company and their respective Affiliates shall be entitled to an immediate injunction and restraining order to prevent such breach and/or threatened breach and/or continued breach by the Executive and/or any and all Persons acting for and/or with the Executive, without having to prove damages, in addition to any other remedies to which the Partnership, the Company and their respective Affiliates may be entitled at law or in equity, including, without limitation, the obligation of the Executive to return any Severance Payments made by the Company to the Company. The terms of this paragraph shall not prevent the Partnership, the Company or their respective Affiliates from pursuing any other available remedies for any breach or threatened breach hereof, including, without limitation, the recovery of damages from the Executive. The Executive and the Company further agree that the provisions of the covenants contained in this Section 4 are reasonable and necessary to protect the businesses of the Partnership, the Company and their respective Affiliates because of the Executive's access to Confidential Information and Executive's material participation in the operation of such businesses.

Section 5. Representation.

The Executive represents and warrants that (i) Executive is not subject to any contract, arrangement, policy or understanding, or to any statute, governmental rule or regulation, that in any way limits Executive's ability to enter into and fully perform Executive's obligations under this Employment Agreement and (ii) Executive is not otherwise unable to enter into and fully perform Executive's obligations under this Employment Agreement.

Section 6. Withholding.

All amounts paid to the Executive under this Employment Agreement during or following the Term shall be subject to withholding and other employment taxes imposed by applicable law.

Section 7. Effect of Section 280G of the Code.

7.1. Payment Reduction. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Employment Agreement to the contrary, (i) to the extent that any payment or distribution of any type to or for the Executive by the Company, any affiliate of the Company, any Person who acquires ownership or effective control of the Company or ownership of a substantial portion of the Company's assets (within the meaning of Section 280G of the Code and the regulations thereunder), or any affiliate of such Person, whether paid or payable or distributed or distributable pursuant to the terms of this Employment Agreement or otherwise (the "Payments") constitute "parachute payments" (within the meaning of Section 280G of the Code), and if (ii) such aggregate would, if reduced by all federal, state and local taxes applicable thereto, including the excise tax imposed under Section 4999 of the Code (the "Excise Tax"), be less than the amount the Executive would receive, after all taxes, if the Executive received aggregate Payments equal (as valued under Section 280G of the Code) to only three times the Executive's "base amount" (within the meaning of Section 280G of the Code), less \$1.00, then (iii) such Payments shall be reduced (but not below zero) if and to the extent necessary so that no Payments to be made or benefit to be provided to the Executive shall be subject to the Excise Tax; provided, however, that the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to obtain shareholder approval of the Payments provided for in this Employment Agreement in a manner intended to satisfy requirements of the "shareholder approval" exception to Section 280G of the Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder, such that payment may be made to the Executive of such Payments without the application of an Excise Tax. If the Payments are so reduced, the Company shall reduce or eliminate the Payments (x) by first reducing or eliminating the portion of the Payments which are not payable in cash (other than that portion of the Payments subject to clause (z) hereof), (y) then by reducing or eliminating cash payments (other than that portion of the Payments subject to clause (z) hereof) and (z) then by reducing or eliminating the portion of the Payments (whether payable in cash or not payable in cash) to which Treasury Regulation § 1.280G-1 Q/A 24(c) (or successor thereto) applies, in each case in reverse order beginning with payments or benefits which are to be paid the farthest in time.

7.2. Determination of Amount of Reduction (if any). The determination of whether the Payments shall be reduced as provided in Section 7.1 hereof and the amount of such reduction shall be made at the Company's expense by an accounting firm selected by the Company from among the four (4) largest accounting firms in the United States (the "Accounting Firm"). The Accounting Firm shall provide its determination (the "Determination"), together with detailed supporting calculations and documentation, to the Company and the Executive within ten (10) days after the Executive's final day of employment, which Determination, absent manifest error, shall be binding, final and conclusive upon the Company and the Executive. If the Accounting Firm determines that no Excise Tax is payable by the Executive with respect to the Payments, it shall furnish the Executive with an opinion reasonably acceptable to the Executive that no Excise Tax will be imposed with respect to any

such payments. If the Accounting Firm determines that Excise Tax is payable by the Executive with respect to the Payments, it shall furnish the Executive with an opinion reasonably acceptable to the Executive that no Excise Tax will be imposed with respect to any payments after the reductions contemplated by Section 7.1 hereof.

Section 8. Miscellaneous.

8.1. Amendments and Waivers. This Employment Agreement and any of the provisions hereof may be amended, waived (either generally or in a particular instance and either retroactively or prospectively), modified or supplemented, in whole or in part, only by written agreement signed by the parties hereto; provided, that, the observance of any provision of this Employment Agreement may be waived in writing by the party that will lose the benefit of such provision as a result of such waiver. The waiver by any party hereto of a breach of any provision of this Employment Agreement shall not operate or be construed as a further or continuing waiver of such breach or as a waiver of any other or subsequent breach, except as otherwise explicitly provided for in such waiver. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, no failure on the part of any party to exercise, and no delay in exercising, any right, power or remedy hereunder, or otherwise available in respect hereof at law or in equity, shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of such right, power or remedy by such party preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or remedy.

8.2. Indemnification. To the extent provided in the Company's Certificate of Formation or Limited Liability Company Agreement, as in effect from time to time, and subject to any separate agreement (if any) between the Company and the Executive or between the Partnership and the Executive regarding indemnification, the Company shall indemnify the Executive for losses or damages incurred by the Executive as a result of causes of action arising from the Executive's performance of duties for the benefit of the Partnership or the Company, whether or not the claim is asserted during the Term.

8.3. Assignment. This Employment Agreement, and the Executive's rights and obligations hereunder, may not be assigned by the Executive, and any purported assignment by the Executive in violation hereof shall be null and void.

8.4. Payments Following Executive's Death. Any Accrued Amounts payable to the Executive pursuant to this Employment Agreement that remain unpaid at the Executive's death shall be paid to the Executive's estate.

8.5. Notices. Unless otherwise provided herein, all notices, requests, demands, claims and other communications provided for under the terms of this Employment Agreement shall be in writing. Any notice, request, demand, claim or other communication hereunder shall be sent by (i) personal delivery (including receipted courier service) or overnight delivery service, (ii) facsimile during normal business hours, with confirmation of receipt, to the number indicated, (iii) reputable commercial overnight delivery service courier or (iv) registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid and addressed to the intended recipient as set forth below:

If to the Company: CVR GP, LLC  
10 E. Cambridge Circle, Suite 250  
Kansas City, KS 66103  
Attention: General Counsel  
Facsimile: (913) 982-5651

with a copy to: Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP  
One New York Plaza  
New York, NY 10004  
Attention: Donald P. Carleen, Esq.  
Facsimile: (212) 859-4000

If to the Executive: Randal T. Maffett  
800 Rockmead, Suite 136  
Kingswood, Texas 77339  
Facsimile: (281) 713-8913

All such notices, requests, consents and other communications shall be deemed to have been given when received. Any party may change its facsimile number or its address to which notices, requests, demands, claims and other communications hereunder are to be delivered by giving the other parties hereto notice in the manner then set forth.

8.6. **Governing Law.** This Employment Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with, and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto shall be governed by, the laws of the State of Texas, without giving effect to the conflicts of law principles thereof. Each of the parties hereto irrevocably and unconditionally consents to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of Texas (collectively, the "Selected Courts") for any action or proceeding relating to this Employment Agreement, agrees not to commence any action or proceeding relating thereto except in the Selected Courts, and waives any forum or venue objections to the Selected Courts.

8.7. **Severability.** Whenever possible, each provision or portion of any provision of this Employment Agreement, including those contained in Section 4 hereof, will be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law but the invalidity or unenforceability of any provision or portion of any provision of this Employment Agreement in any jurisdiction shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remainder of this Employment Agreement in that jurisdiction or the validity or enforceability of this Employment Agreement, including that provision or portion of any provision, in any other jurisdiction. In addition, should a court or arbitrator determine that any provision or portion of any provision of this Employment Agreement, including those contained in Section 4 hereof, is not reasonable or valid, either in period of time, geographical area, or otherwise, the parties hereto agree that such provision should be interpreted and enforced to the maximum extent which such court or arbitrator deems reasonable or valid.

8.8. **Entire Agreement.** From and after the Commencement Date, this Employment Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties hereto, and supersedes all prior representations, agreements and understandings (including any prior course

of dealings), both written and oral, relating to any employment of the Executive by the Company or any of its Affiliates.

8.9. Counterparts. This Employment Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

8.10. Binding Effect. This Employment Agreement shall inure to the benefit of, and be binding on, the successors and assigns of each of the parties, including, without limitation, the Executive's heirs and the personal representatives of the Executive's estate and any successor to all or substantially all of the business and/or assets of the Company.

8.11. General Interpretive Principles. The name assigned this Employment Agreement and headings of the sections, paragraphs, subparagraphs, clauses and subclauses of this Employment Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not in any way affect the meaning or interpretation of any of the provisions hereof. Words of inclusion shall not be construed as terms of limitation herein, so that references to "include", "includes" and "including" shall not be limiting and shall be regarded as references to non-exclusive and non-characterizing illustrations.

8.12. Mitigation. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Employment Agreement, (a) the Executive will have no obligation to mitigate damages for any breach or termination of this Employment Agreement by the Company, whether by seeking employment or otherwise and (b) except for Welfare Benefits provided pursuant to Section 3.2(a) or Section 3.2(b), the amount of any payment or benefit due the Executive after the date of such breach or termination will not be reduced or offset by any payment or benefit that the Executive may receive from any other source.

8.13. Company Actions. Any actions, approvals, decisions, or determinations to be made by the Company under this Employment Agreement shall be made by the Company's Board, except as otherwise expressly provided herein. For purposes of any references herein to the Board's designee, any such reference shall be deemed to include such officers, or committees of the Board, as the Board may expressly designate from time to time for such purpose.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Employment Agreement as of the date first written above.

**CVR GP, LLC**

/s/ Randal T. Maffett  
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**RANDAL T. MAFFETT**

By: /s/ Byron R. Kelley  
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Name: Byron R. Kelley  
Title: Chief Executive Officer and President

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## APPENDIX A

“Change in Control” means the occurrence of any of the following:

(a) CVR Energy, Inc. (“CVR”) and its wholly owned subsidiaries ceasing to own, beneficially and of record, outstanding equity interests in the Company representing more than 50% of each of the aggregate ordinary voting power (or, if the Company shall be a partnership, of the general partner interests) and the aggregate equity value represented by the issued and outstanding equity interests in the Company;

(b) The failure by the Company to be the sole general partner of and to own, beneficially and of record, 100% of the general partner interests in the Partnership;

(c) An acquisition (other than directly from CVR) of any voting securities of CVR (the “Voting Securities”) by any “Person” (as the term “person” is used for purposes of Section 13(d) or 14(d) of the Exchange Act), immediately after which such Person has “Beneficial Ownership” (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act) of more than thirty percent (30%) of (i) the then-outstanding Shares or (ii) the combined voting power of CVR’s then-outstanding Voting Securities; provided, however, that in determining whether a Change in Control has occurred pursuant to this paragraph (c), the acquisition of Shares or Voting Securities in a Non-Control Acquisition (as hereinafter defined) shall not constitute a Change in Control. A “Non-Control Acquisition” shall mean an acquisition by (i) an employee benefit plan (or a trust forming a part thereof) maintained by (A) CVR or (B) any corporation or other Person the majority of the voting power, voting equity securities or equity interest of which is owned, directly or indirectly, by CVR (for purposes of this definition, a “Related Entity”), (ii) CVR or any Related Entity, or (iii) any Person in connection with a Non-Control Transaction (as hereinafter defined); or

(d) The consummation of:

(i) A merger, consolidation or reorganization (x) with or into CVR or (y) in which securities of CVR are issued (a “Merger”), unless such Merger is a “Non-Control Transaction.” A “Non-Control Transaction” shall mean a Merger in which:

(A) the shareholders of CVR immediately before such Merger own directly or indirectly immediately following such Merger at least a majority of the combined voting power of the outstanding voting securities of (1) the corporation resulting from such Merger (the “Surviving Corporation”), if fifty percent (50%) or more of the combined voting power of the then outstanding voting securities of the Surviving Corporation is not Beneficially Owned, directly or indirectly, by another Person (a “Parent Corporation”) or (2) if there is one or more than one Parent Corporation, the ultimate Parent Corporation;

(B) the individuals who were members of the Board immediately prior to the execution of the agreement providing for such Merger constitute at least a majority of the members of the board of directors of (1) the Surviving Corporation, if there is no Parent

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Corporation, or (2) if there is one or more than one Parent Corporation, the ultimate Parent Corporation; and

(C) no Person other than (1) CVR or another corporation that is a party to the agreement of Merger, (2) any Related Entity, (3) any employee benefit plan (or any trust forming a part thereof) that, immediately prior to the Merger, was maintained by CVR or any Related Entity, or (4) any Person who, immediately prior to the Merger, had Beneficial Ownership of thirty percent (30%) or more of the then outstanding Shares or Voting Securities, has Beneficial Ownership, directly or indirectly, of thirty percent (30%) or more of the combined voting power of the outstanding voting securities or common stock of (x) the Surviving Corporation, if there is no Parent Corporation, or (y) if there is one or more than one Parent Corporation, the ultimate Parent Corporation.

(ii) A complete liquidation or dissolution of CVR; or

(iii) The sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of CVR and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole to any Person (other than (x) a transfer to a Related Entity or (y) the distribution to CVR's shareholders of the stock of a Related Entity or any other assets).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Change in Control shall not be deemed to occur solely because any Person (the "Subject Person") acquired Beneficial Ownership of more than the permitted amount of the then outstanding Shares or Voting Securities as a result of the acquisition of Shares or Voting Securities by CVR which, by reducing the number of Shares or Voting Securities then outstanding, increases the proportional number of shares Beneficially Owned by the Subject Persons; provided that if a Change in Control would occur (but for the operation of this sentence) as a result of the acquisition of Shares or Voting Securities by CVR and, after such share acquisition by CVR, the Subject Person becomes the Beneficial Owner of any additional Shares or Voting Securities and such Beneficial Ownership increases the percentage of the then outstanding Shares or Voting Securities Beneficially Owned by the Subject Person, then a Change in Control shall occur.

For purposes of this definition: (i) "Shares" means the common stock, par value \$.01 per share, of CVR and any other securities into which such shares are changed or for which such shares are exchanged.

FORM OF  
CVR PARTNERS, LP  
LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN  
EMPLOYEE PHANTOM UNIT AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT (this "Agreement"), made as of the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ (the "Grant Date"), between CVR Partners, LP, a Delaware limited partnership (the "Partnership"), and \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Grantee").

WHEREAS, the board of directors of CVR GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "General Partner"), has adopted the CVR Partners, LP Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan") in order to provide an additional incentive to certain of the Partnership's and its Subsidiaries' and Parents' employees, officers, consultants and directors; and

WHEREAS, the Committee responsible for administration of the Plan has determined to grant Phantom Units to the Grantee as provided herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Grant of Phantom Units.

1.1 The Partnership hereby grants to the Grantee, and the Grantee hereby accepts from the Partnership, \_\_\_\_\_ Phantom Units on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement. Subject to the terms of this Agreement, each Phantom Unit represents the right of the Grantee to receive, if such Phantom Unit becomes vested, one (1) Unit on the date specified in Section 4. The issuance of Units upon vesting shall be subject to the Grantee's prior execution of and becoming a party to the Agreement of Limited Partnership of CVR Partners, LP, as may be amended from time to time, and as in effect at the time of such issuance. Further, any Units delivered to the Grantee in respect of the Phantom Units shall remain subject to the unit retention guidelines included in the Corporate Governance Guidelines of the Partnership, as in effect on the date of the award.

1.2 This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with and consistent with, and subject to, the provisions of the Plan (the provisions of which are incorporated herein by reference). Except as otherwise expressly set forth herein, the capitalized terms used in this Agreement shall have the same definitions as set forth in the Plan.

2. Vesting Date.

The Phantom Units shall vest, with respect to thirty-three and one-third percent (33 — 1/3%) of the total number of Phantom Units granted hereunder, on each of the first three anniversaries of the Grant Date (each such date, a "Vesting Date"), provided the Grantee continues to serve as an employee of the Partnership or its Subsidiaries or Parents on the applicable Vesting Date.



3. Termination of Employment.

(a) In the event of the Grantee's termination of employment with the Partnership or one of its Subsidiaries or Parents prior to any Vesting Date by reason of his or her death, Disability or Retirement, any Phantom Units that have not vested shall become immediately vested.

(b) If (i) the Grantee's employment is terminated by the Partnership or one of its Subsidiaries or Parents other than for Cause or Disability within the one (1) year period following a Change in Control, (ii) the Grantee resigns from employment with the Partnership or one of its Subsidiaries or Parents for Good Reason within the one (1) year period following a Change in Control or (iii) the Grantee's termination or resignation is a Change in Control Related Termination (as defined in the employment agreement between the Grantee and the General Partner), then any Phantom Units that have not vested shall become immediately vested.

(c) Any Phantom Units that do not become vested in connection with the Grantee's termination of employment in accordance with Sections 3(a) or (b) of this Agreement shall be forfeited immediately upon the Grantee's termination of employment.

(d) To the extent any payments provided for under this Agreement are treated as "nonqualified deferred compensation" subject to Section 409A of the Code, (i) this Agreement shall be interpreted, construed and operated in accordance with Section 409A of the Code and the Treasury regulations and other guidance issued thereunder, (ii) if on the date of the Grantee's separation from service (as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(h)) with the Partnership or its Subsidiaries or Parents the Grantee is a specified employee (as defined Section 409A of the Code and Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(i)), no payment constituting the "deferral of compensation" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(b) and after application of the exemptions provided in Treasury Regulation §§1.409A-1(b)(4) and 1.409A-1(b)(9)(iii) shall be made to the Grantee at any time prior to the earlier of (A) the expiration of the six (6) month period following the Grantee's separation from service or (B) the Executive's death, and any such amounts deferred during such applicable period shall instead be paid in a lump sum to the Grantee (or, if applicable, to the Grantee's estate) on the first payroll payment date following expiration of such six (6) month period or, if applicable, the Grantee's death, and (iii) for purposes of conforming this Agreement to Section 409A of the Code, any reference to termination of employment, severance from employment, resignation from employment or similar terms shall mean and be interpreted as a "separation from service" as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(h).

4. Payment Date.

Within thirty (30) days following (i) each Vesting Date, or (ii) if, prior to any Vesting Date, the Grantee's termination of employment with the Partnership or its Subsidiaries or Parents under circumstances described in Section 3(a) or (b), the date of such termination of employment, the Partnership will deliver to the Grantee the Units underlying the Phantom Units that become vested pursuant to Section 2 or 3 of this Agreement.

5. Non-transferability.

The Phantom Units may not be sold, transferred or otherwise disposed of and may not be pledged or otherwise hypothecated.

6. No Right to Continued Employment.

Nothing in this Agreement or the Plan shall be interpreted or construed to confer upon the Grantee any right with respect to continuance of employment by the Partnership or any of its Subsidiaries or Parents, nor shall this Agreement or the Plan interfere in any way with the right of the Partnership and its Subsidiaries and Parents to terminate the Grantee's employment therewith at any time.

7. Withholding of Taxes.

The Grantee shall pay to the Partnership, or the Partnership and the Grantee shall agree on such other arrangements necessary for the Grantee to pay, the applicable federal, state and local income taxes required by law to be withheld (the "Withholding Taxes"), if any, upon the vesting of the Phantom Units and delivery of the Units. The Partnership shall have the right to deduct from any payment of cash to the Grantee any amount equal to the Withholding Taxes in satisfaction of the Grantee's obligation to pay Withholding Taxes.

8. Grantee Bound by the Plan.

The Grantee hereby acknowledges receipt of a copy of the Plan and agrees to be bound by all the terms and provisions thereof.

9. Modification of Agreement.

This Agreement may be modified, amended, suspended or terminated, and any terms or conditions may be waived, but only by a written instrument executed by the parties hereto. No waiver by either party hereto of any breach by the other party hereto of any provision of this Agreement to be performed by such other party shall be deemed a waiver of similar or dissimilar provisions at the time or at any prior or subsequent time.

10. Severability.

Should any provision of this Agreement be held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable or invalid for any reason, the remaining provisions of this Agreement shall not be affected by such holding and shall continue in full force in accordance with their terms.

11. Governing Law.

The validity, interpretation, construction and performance of this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Delaware without giving effect to the conflicts of laws principles thereof.

12. Successors in Interest.

This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon any successor to the Partnership. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of the Grantee's beneficiaries, heirs, executors, administrators, successors and legal representatives. All obligations imposed upon the Grantee and all rights granted to the Partnership under this Agreement shall be final, binding and conclusive upon the Grantee's beneficiaries, heirs, executors, administrators, successors and legal representatives.

13. Resolution of Disputes.

Any dispute or disagreement which may arise under, or as a result of, or in any way relate to, the interpretation, construction or application of this Agreement shall be determined by the Committee. Any determination made hereunder shall be final, binding and conclusive on the Grantee and the Partnership for all purposes.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been executed as of the date first written above.

CVR PARTNERS, LP  
By: CVR GP, LLC, its general partner

GRANTEE

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By:  
Title:

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Name:

**Certification of Executive Chairman Pursuant to  
Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
As Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

I, John J. Lipinski, certify that:

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

By: /s/ John J. Lipinski  
John J. Lipinski  
Executive Chairman  
of CVR GP, LLC,  
the general partner of CVR Partners, LP

Date: November 4, 2011

**Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to  
Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
As Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

I, Byron R. Kelley, certify that:

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

By: /s/ Byron R. Kelley  
Byron R. Kelley  
Chief Executive Officer  
of CVR GP, LLC,  
the general partner of CVR Partners, LP

Date: November 4, 2011

**Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to  
Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
As Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

I, Edward Morgan, certify that:

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

By: /s/ Edward Morgan  
Edward Morgan  
Chief Financial Officer  
of CVR GP, LLC,  
the general partner of CVR Partners, LP

Date: November 4, 2011

**Certification of the Executive Chairman**  
**Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

In connection with the filing of the Quarterly Report of CVR Partners, LP, a Delaware partnership (the "Partnership") on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2011, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, John J. Lipinski, Executive Chairman of CVR GP, LLC, the general partner of the Partnership, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Partnership as of the dates and for the periods expressed in the Report.

By: /s/ John J. Lipinski  
John J. Lipinski  
Executive Chairman  
of CVR GP, LLC,  
the general partner of CVR Partners, LP

Dated: November 4, 2011

**Certification of the Chief Executive Officer**  
**Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

In connection with the filing of the Quarterly Report of CVR Partners, LP, a Delaware partnership (the "Partnership") on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2011, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Byron R. Kelley, Chief Executive Officer of CVR GP, LLC, the general partner of the Partnership, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Partnership as of the dates and for the periods expressed in the Report.

By: /s/ Byron R. Kelley  
Byron R. Kelley  
Chief Executive Officer  
of CVR GP, LLC,  
the general partner of CVR Partners, LP

Dated: November 4, 2011

**Certification of the Chief Financial Officer**  
**Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

In connection with the filing of the Quarterly Report of CVR Partners, LP, a Delaware partnership (the "Partnership") on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2011, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Edward Morgan, Chief Financial Officer of CVR GP, LLC, the general partner of the Partnership, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Partnership as of the dates and for the periods expressed in the Report.

By: /s/ Edward Morgan  
Edward Morgan  
Chief Financial Officer  
of CVR GP, LLC,  
the general partner of CVR Partners, LP

Dated: November 4, 2011