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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## Form 10-Q

(Mark One)

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

For the fiscal period ended March 31, 2013

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** **56-2677689**  
(State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer  
incorporation or organization) Identification No.)

**2277 Plaza Drive, Suite 500**  
**Sugar Land, Texas** **77479**  
(Address of principal executive (Zip Code)  
offices)

**(281) 207-3200**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  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 73,065,143 common units outstanding at April 30, 2013.

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## GLOSSARY OF SELECTED TERMS

The following are definitions of certain terms used in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2013 (this "Report"):

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.
Coffeyville Resources or CRLLC	Coffeyville Resources, LLC, the subsidiary of CVR Energy which directly owns our general partner and 50,920,000 common units, or approximately 70% of our common units.
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," which indirectly owns our general partner and the common units owned by CRLLC.
CVR Refining	CVR Refining, LP, a publicly traded limited partnership listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "CVRR," which currently operates a 115,000 bpd oil refinery in Coffeyville, Kansas, a 70,000 bpd oil refinery in Wynnewood, Oklahoma and ancillary businesses.
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 is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Coffeyville Resources.
Initial Public Offering	The initial public offering of CVR Partners, LP common units that closed on April 13, 2011.
MMbtu	One million British thermal units: a measure of energy. One Btu of heat is required to raise the temperature of one pound of water one degree Fahrenheit.
MSCF	One thousand standard cubic feet, a customary gas measurement.
on-stream	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.

pet coke	Petroleum coke—a coal-like substance that is produced during the refining process.
plant gate price	The unit price of fertilizer, in dollars per ton, offered on a delivered basis, and excluding shipment costs.
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.
ton	One ton is equal to 2,000 pounds.
turnaround	A periodically required standard procedure to refurbish and maintain a facility that involves the shutdown and inspection of major processing units.
UAN	UAN is an aqueous solution of urea and ammonium nitrate used as a fertilizer.

## PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## Item 1. Financial Statements

**CVR Partners, LP and Subsidiaries**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**

	March 31, 2013 (unaudited)	December 31, 2012
	(dollars in thousands)	
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 153,242	\$ 127,848
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$98 and \$84, at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively	11,420	6,805
Inventories	32,224	28,949
Prepaid expenses and other current assets, including \$376 and \$605 from affiliates at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively	2,672	2,446
Total current assets	199,558	166,048
Property, plant, and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	415,379	411,600
Intangible assets, net	29	30
Goodwill	40,969	40,969
Deferred financing costs	1,962	2,200
Other long-term assets, including \$1,272 and \$1,315 with affiliates at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively	2,216	2,107
Total assets	<u>\$ 660,113</u>	<u>\$ 622,954</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND PARTNERS' CAPITAL</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable, including \$3,151 and \$3,220 due to affiliates at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively	\$ 22,107	\$ 34,099
Personnel accruals, including \$601 and \$1,865 with affiliates at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively	2,443	4,931
Deferred revenue	28,604	965
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities, including \$551 and \$553 with affiliates at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively	10,868	9,480
Total current liabilities	64,022	49,475
Long-term liabilities:		
Long-term debt, net of current portion	125,000	125,000
Other long-term liabilities, including \$239 and \$355 with affiliates at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively	1,975	2,286
Total long-term liabilities	126,975	127,286
Commitments and contingencies		
Partners' capital:		
Common unitholders, 73,065,143 units issued and outstanding at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012	471,654	448,943
General partner's interest	1	1
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(2,539)	(2,751)
Total partners' capital	469,116	446,193
Total liabilities and partners' capital	<u>\$ 660,113</u>	<u>\$ 622,954</u>

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

## CVR Partners, LP and Subsidiaries

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
	(unaudited) (in thousands, except per unit data)	
Net sales	\$ 81,411	\$ 78,276
Operating costs and expenses:		
Cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)—Affiliates	3,089	2,990
Cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)—Third parties	7,565	9,608
	<u>10,654</u>	<u>12,598</u>
Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)—Affiliates	1,003	381
Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)—Third parties	21,554	22,456
	<u>22,557</u>	<u>22,837</u>
Selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)— Affiliates	4,219	3,819
Selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)—Third parties	1,411	2,158
	<u>5,630</u>	<u>5,977</u>
Depreciation and amortization	5,767	5,438
Total operating costs and expenses	<u>44,608</u>	<u>46,850</u>
Operating income	36,803	31,426
Other income (expense):		
Interest expense and other financing costs (Note 12)	(1,280)	(1,203)
Interest income	30	33
Other income, net	9	6
Total other income (expense)	<u>(1,241)</u>	<u>(1,164)</u>
Income before income tax expense	35,562	30,262
Income tax expense	9	18
Net income	<u>\$ 35,553</u>	<u>\$ 30,244</u>
Net income per common unit—basic	\$ 0.49	\$ 0.41
Net income per common unit—diluted	\$ 0.49	\$ 0.41
Weighted-average common units outstanding:		
Basic	73,065	73,031
Diluted	73,233	73,196

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

**CVR Partners, LP and Subsidiaries****CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2013	2012
	(unaudited)	
	(in thousands)	
Net income	\$ 35,553	\$ 30,244
Other comprehensive income (loss):		
Change in fair value of interest rate swap	(46)	(235)
Reclass of gain/loss to income on settlement of interest rate swap (Note 12)	258	231
Other comprehensive income (loss)	212	(4)
Total comprehensive income	<u>\$ 35,765</u>	<u>\$ 30,240</u>

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

## CVR Partners, LP and Subsidiaries

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
	(unaudited) (in thousands)	
<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>		
Net income	\$ 35,553	\$ 30,244
<b>Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:</b>		
Depreciation and amortization	5,767	5,438
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(14)	4
Amortization of deferred financing costs	238	238
Loss on disposition of fixed assets	—	7
Share-based compensation—Affiliates	1,186	1,124
Share-based compensation	93	122
<b>Change in assets and liabilities:</b>		
Accounts receivable	(4,601)	3,637
Inventories	(3,275)	1,462
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(229)	(414)
Other long-term assets	(82)	(82)
Accounts payable	(3,497)	3,274
Deferred revenue	27,639	7,004
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	(1,229)	1,944
Other long-term liabilities	(64)	(188)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>57,485</u>	<u>53,814</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities:</b>		
Capital expenditures	(18,063)	(22,274)
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(18,063)</u>	<u>(22,274)</u>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities:</b>		
Distributions to common unitholders—affiliates	(9,776)	(29,941)
Cash distribution to common unitholders—non-affiliates	(4,252)	(13,001)
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>(14,028)</u>	<u>(42,942)</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	25,394	(11,402)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	127,848	236,975
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	<u>\$ 153,242</u>	<u>\$ 225,573</u>
<b>Supplemental disclosures:</b>		
Cash paid for income taxes	\$ 6	\$ —
Cash paid for interest, net of capitalized interest of \$422 and \$545 in 2013 and 2012, respectively	\$ 1,064	\$ 1,300
<b>Non-cash investing and financing activities:</b>		
Accrual of construction in progress additions	\$ (8,495)	\$ (2,970)

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

## CVR Partners, LP and Subsidiaries

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PARTNERS' CAPITAL

	Common Units		General Partner Interest (unaudited)	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income/(Loss)	Total
	Issued	Amount			
	(in thousands, except unit data)				
Balance at December 31, 2012	73,065,143	\$ 448,943	\$ 1	\$ (2,751)	\$ 446,193
Cash distributions to common unitholders—Affiliates	—	(9,776)	—	—	(9,776)
Cash distributions to common unitholders—Non-affiliates	—	(4,252)	—	—	(4,252)
Share-based compensation—Affiliates	—	1,186	—	—	1,186
Net income	—	35,553	—	—	35,553
Net gains (losses) on interest rate swaps	—	—	—	212	212
Balance at March 31, 2013	<u>73,065,143</u>	<u>\$ 471,654</u>	<u>\$ 1</u>	<u>\$ (2,539)</u>	<u>\$ 469,116</u>

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

**CVR Partners, LP and Subsidiaries**

**NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**March 31, 2013**

**(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"). 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.

***CVR Energy Transaction Agreement***

On April 18, 2012, CVR Energy entered into a Transaction Agreement (the "Transaction Agreement") with IEP Energy LLC (the "Offeror"), a majority owned subsidiary of Icahn Enterprises, L.P. ("Icahn Enterprises") and certain other affiliates of Icahn Enterprises, and Carl C. Icahn (collectively with the Offeror, the "Offeror Parties"). Pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, the Offeror offered (the "Offer") to purchase all of the issued and outstanding shares of CVR Energy's common stock (the "Shares") for a price of \$30.00 per Share in cash, without interest, less any applicable withholding taxes, plus one non-transferable contingent cash payment ("CCP") right for each Share which represents the contractual right to receive an additional cash payment per share if a definitive agreement for the sale of CVR Energy is executed on or before August 18, 2013 and such transaction closes.

On May 7, 2012, Offeror Parties announced that control of CVR Energy had been acquired through the Offer. As a result of Shares tendered into the Offer during the initial offering period, the subsequent offering period and subsequent additional purchases, the Offeror owned approximately 82% of the Shares of CVR Energy as of March 31, 2013.

***Operation of Partnership***

Subsequent to the closing of the Partnership's initial public offering in April 2011, (the "Initial Public Offering"), public security holders held approximately 30% of the Partnership's common units and Coffeyville Resources, LLC ("CRLLC"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of CVR Energy, held approximately 70% of the Partnership's common units and the general partner interest.

CVR GP, LLC ("CVR GP" or 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.

**CVR Partners, LP and Subsidiaries**

**NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**March 31, 2013**

**(unaudited)**

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

The Partnership is operated by a combination of the general partner's senior management team and CVR Energy's senior management team pursuant to a services agreement among CVR Energy, CVR GP 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 to regulate certain business relations between the Partnership and the other parties thereto. See Note 15 ("Related Party Transactions") for further discussion. In connection with the Initial Public Offering, certain of these agreements, including the amended and restated limited partnership agreement, were amended and/or restated.

**(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 selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) and direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) that CVR Energy incurred on behalf of the Partnership. These related party transactions are governed by the amended and restated services agreement originally entered into in October 2007. See Note 15 ("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.

In the opinion of the Partnership's management, the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and related notes reflect all adjustments that are necessary to fairly present the financial position of the Partnership as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, the results of operations and comprehensive income of the Partnership for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, the cash flows of the Partnership for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 and the changes in partners' capital for the Partnership for the three month period ended March 31, 2013.

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. 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, 2013 or any other interim period.

**(3) Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In December 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-11, "*Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities*" ("ASU 2011-11"). ASU 2011-11 retains the existing offsetting requirements and enhances

**CVR Partners, LP and Subsidiaries****NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)****March 31, 2013****(unaudited)****(3) Recent Accounting Pronouncements (Continued)**

the disclosure requirements to allow investors to better compare financial statements prepared under U.S. GAAP with those prepared under IFRS. On January 31, 2013, the FASB issued ASU No. 2013-01, "*Clarifying the Scope of Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities*" ("ASU 2013-01"). ASU 2013-01 limits the scope of the new balance sheet offsetting disclosures to derivatives, repurchase agreements and securities lending transactions. Both standards are effective for interim and annual periods beginning January 1, 2013 and have been applied retrospectively. The Partnership adopted these standards as of January 1, 2013. The adoption of these standards did not impact the Partnership's condensed consolidated financial statement footnote disclosures.

In February 2013, the FASB issued ASU No. 2013-02, "*Reporting of Amounts Reclassified Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income*" ("ASU 2013-02"). ASU 2013-02 requires the Partnership to present information about reclassification adjustments from accumulated other comprehensive income in the financial statements in a single footnote or parenthetically on the face of the financial statements based on the source and the income statement line items affected by the reclassification. The standard is effective for interim and annual periods beginning January 1, 2013 and has been applied prospectively. The Partnership adopted this standard as of January 1, 2013. The adoption of this standard expanded the Partnership's condensed consolidated financial statement footnote disclosures.

**(4) 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 participate 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.

***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 March 31, 2013, only grants of restricted stock units under the CVR Energy LTIP remain unvested. 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.

**CVR Partners, LP and Subsidiaries**

**NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

**March 31, 2013**

**(unaudited)**

**(4) Share-Based Compensation (Continued)**

*Restricted Shares*

Through the CVR Energy LTIP, shares of restricted common stock and restricted stock units (collectively "restricted shares") have been granted to employees of CVR Energy and CRNF. Restricted shares, when granted, were historically 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 restricted shares generally vest over a three-year period.

The Transaction Agreement, as described in Note 1 ("Formation of the Partnership, Organization and Nature of Business"), triggered a modification to the treatment of outstanding restricted shares under the CVR Energy LTIP. Pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, all restricted shares scheduled to vest in 2012 were converted to restricted stock units whereby the recipient received cash settlement of the offer price of \$30.00 per share in cash plus one CCP upon vesting. Restricted shares scheduled to vest in 2013, 2014 and 2015 were converted to restricted stock units whereby the awards will be settled in a cash upon vesting in an amount equal to the lesser of the offer price or the fair market value as determined at the most recent valuation date of December 31 of each year. For awards vesting subsequent to 2012, the awards will be remeasured at each subsequent reporting date until they vest.

In December 2012, restricted stock units were granted to certain employees of CVR Energy and its subsidiaries. The non-vested restricted stock units are expected to vest over three years with one-third of the award vesting each year with the exception of awards granted to certain executive officers of CVR Energy which vest over one year. Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive, upon vesting, a cash payment equal to (a) the fair market value of one share of CVR Energy's common stock, plus (b) the cash value of all dividends declared and paid per share of CVR Energy's common stock from the grant date to and including the vesting date. The awards will be remeasured at each subsequent reporting date until they vest.

Assuming the allocation of costs from CVR Energy remains consistent with the allocation percentages in place at March 31, 2013, there was approximately \$1.8 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to restricted shares to be recognized over a weighted-average period of approximately 0.8 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 for whom, as of March 31, 2013, compensation expense has been allocated to the Partnership. Compensation expense recorded for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, related to the restricted shares, was approximately \$0.6 million and \$0.6 million, respectively.

*Long-Term Incentive Plan—CVR Partners*

In connection with the Initial Public Offering, the board of directors of the general partner adopted the CVR Partners, LP Long-Term Incentive Plan ("CVR Partners LTIP"). Individuals who are eligible to receive awards under the CVR Partners LTIP include (1) employees of the Partnership and its subsidiaries and (2) employees of the general partner and to (3) members of the board of directors of the general partner. The CVR Partners LTIP provides for the grant of options, unit appreciation

## CVR Partners, LP and Subsidiaries

## NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

March 31, 2013

(unaudited)

**(4) Share-Based Compensation (Continued)**

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.

Through the CVR Partners LTIP, phantom and common units have been awarded to employees of the Partnership and the general partner and to members of the board of directors of the general partner. Phantom unit awards made to employees and members of the board of directors of the general partner are considered a non-employee equity based award and are required to be marked-to-market each reporting period until they vest. Awards to employees of the Partnership and the general partner vest over a three year period and awards to members of the board of directors of the general partner generally vest immediately on the grant date.

In December 2012, the board of directors of the general partner approved an amendment to modify the terms of certain phantom unit awards previously granted to employees of the Partnership and its subsidiaries. Prior to the amendment, the phantom units, when granted, were valued at the closing market price of the Partnership's common units on the date of issuance and amortized to compensation expense on a straight-line basis over the vesting period of the units.

The amendment triggered a modification to the awards by providing the phantom units would be settled in cash rather than common units of the Partnership. For awards vesting subsequent to the amendment, the awards will be remeasured at each subsequent reporting date until they vest. As a result of the modification of the awards, the classification changed from equity-classified awards to liability-classified awards.

A summary of the common units and phantom units (collectively "Units") activity during the three months ended March 31, 2013 is presented below:

	<u>Units</u>	<u>Weighted-Average Grant Date Fair Value</u>
Non-vested at December 31, 2012	201,812	\$ 23.70
Granted	—	—
Vested	—	—
Forfeited	—	—
Non-vested at March 31, 2013	<u>201,812</u>	<u>\$ 23.70</u>

Unrecognized compensation expense associated with the unvested phantom units at March 31, 2013 was approximately \$3.0 million and is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.36 years. Compensation expense recorded for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 related to the awards under the CVR Partners LTIP was approximately \$0.6 million and \$0.7 million, respectively. Compensation expense related to the awards issued to employees and members of the board of directors of the general partner under the CVR Partners LTIP has been recorded in direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)—affiliates or selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)—affiliates, as applicable. As of March 31, 2013, the Partnership has a liability of \$0.3 million for unvested phantom unit awards related

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**(4) Share-Based Compensation (Continued)**

to employees of the Partnership and its subsidiaries, which is recorded in personnel accruals on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

**(5) 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.

Inventories consisted of the following:

	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
	(in thousands)	
Finished goods	\$ 6,201	\$ 5,234
Raw materials and precious metals	10,293	7,038
Parts and supplies	15,730	16,677
	<u>\$ 32,224</u>	<u>\$ 28,949</u>

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

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

	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
	(in thousands)	
Land and improvements	3,787	\$ 2,611
Buildings and improvements	1,611	1,223
Machinery and equipment	527,691	403,682
Automotive equipment	356	357
Furniture and fixtures	346	343
Railcars	2,496	2,496
Construction in progress	16,397	132,428
	<u>552,684</u>	<u>\$ 543,140</u>
Less: Accumulated depreciation	137,305	131,540
Total net, property, plant and equipment	<u>\$ 415,379</u>	<u>\$ 411,600</u>

Capitalized interest recognized as a reduction of interest expense for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 totaled approximately \$0.4 million and \$0.6 million, respectively.

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

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 the general partner.

At March 31, 2013, the Partnership had a total of 73,065,143 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 Partnership's general partner has adopted a policy for the Partnership to distribute all available cash generated on a quarterly basis. 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. 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 begin with Adjusted EBITDA reduced for cash needed for net interest expense (excluding capitalized interest) and debt service and other contractual obligations, maintenance capital expenditures and, to the extent applicable, major scheduled turnaround expense incurred and reserves for future operating or capital needs that the board of directors of the general partner deems necessary or appropriate, if any. Available cash for distributions may be increased by previously established cash reserves, if any, at the discretion of the board of directors of our general partner.

On February 14, 2013, the Partnership paid out a cash distribution to the Partnership's unitholders of record at the close of business on February 7, 2013 for the fourth quarter of 2012 in the amount of \$0.192 per unit, or \$14.0 million in aggregate.

**(8) Net Income Per Common Unit**

The Partnership's net income is allocated wholly to the common units as the general partner does not have an economic interest. Basic and diluted net income per common unit 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 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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**(8) Net Income Per Common Unit (Continued)**

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

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
Net income	\$ 35,553	\$ 30,244
Net income per common unit, basic	\$ 0.49	\$ 0.41
Net income per common unit, diluted	\$ 0.49	\$ 0.41
Weighted-average common units outstanding, basic	73,065	73,031
Weighted-average common units outstanding, diluted	73,233	73,196

**(9) Cost Classifications**

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, as discussed in Note 4 ("Share-Based Compensation"). Direct operating expenses exclude depreciation and amortization of approximately \$5.7 million and \$5.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

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

Accrued expenses and other current liabilities were as follows:

	March 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
	(in thousands)	
Property taxes	\$ 7,795	\$ 7,116
Other current liabilities (interest rate swap)	840	862
Accrued interest	479	500
Other accrued expenses and liabilities(1)	1,754	1,002
	\$ 10,868	\$ 9,480

- (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 15 ("Related Party Transactions") for additional discussion of amounts the Partnership owes related to the feedstock and shared services agreement.

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**(11) Credit Facility**

Concurrently with the closing of the Initial Public Offering, on April 13, 2011, CRNF as borrower and CVR Partners, as guarantor, entered into a 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 March 31, 2013. There is no scheduled amortization and the credit facility matures in April 2016. The revolving credit facility is used to finance on-going working capital, capital expenditures, letters of credit issuances and general needs of the Partnership.

Borrowings under the credit facility bear interest at either a Eurodollar rate or a base rate plus in either case a margin based on a pricing grid determined by the trailing four quarter leverage ratio. The margin for borrowings under the credit facility ranges from 3.50% to 4.25% for Eurodollar loans and 2.50% to 3.25% for base rate loans. Currently, the interest rate is either the Eurodollar rate plus a margin of 3.50% or, for base rate loans, the prime rate plus 2.50%. Under its terms, the lenders under the credit facility were granted a first priority security interest (subject to certain customary exceptions) in substantially all of the assets of CVR Partners and CRNF.

The credit facility requires CVR Partners 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, the creation of liens on assets, and the Partnership's ability to dispose of 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 its 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 March 31, 2013, CRNF was in compliance with the covenants contained in the credit facility.

**(12) 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 \$125.0 million floating rate term debt which matures in April 2016. See Note 11 ("Credit Facility"). The aggregate notional amount covered under these agreements, which commenced on August 12, 2011 and expires on February 12, 2016, totals \$62.5 million (split evenly between the two agreement dates). 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 calculated under the credit facility. At March 31, 2013, the effective rate was approximately 4.58%. The agreements were designated as cash flow hedges at inception and accordingly, the effective portion of the gain or loss on

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**(12) Interest Rate Swap (Continued)**

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 realized loss on the interest rate swap reclassified from AOCI into interest expense and other financing costs on the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations was \$0.3 million and \$0.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

The interest rate swap agreements held by the Nitrogen Fertilizer Partnership also provide for the right to setoff. However, as the interest rate swaps are in a liability position, there are no amounts offset in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012.

**(13) 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.

**(14) Commitments and Contingencies***Leases and Unconditional Purchase Obligations*

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

	Operating Leases	Unconditional Purchase Obligations(1)
	(in thousands)	
Nine months ending December 31, 2013	\$ 4,567	\$ 15,317
Year ending December 31, 2014	4,864	14,337
Year ending December 31, 2015	4,373	13,540
Year ending December 31, 2016	3,960	13,784
Year ending December 31, 2017	2,009	14,032
Thereafter	6,231	105,445
	<u>\$ 26,004</u>	<u>\$ 176,455</u>

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

CRNF leases railcars and facilities under long-term operating leases. Lease expense for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 totalled approximately \$1.4 million and \$1.0 million, respectively. The lease agreements have various remaining terms. Some agreements are renewable, at

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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 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 based upon agreed upon rates. This agreement expires on July 1, 2019.

During 2005, CRNF entered into the Amended and Restated On-Site Product Supply Agreement with The BOC Group, Inc. (as predecessor in interest to Linde LLC). Pursuant to the agreement, which expires in 2020, CRNF is required to take as available and pay 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 March 31, 2013 and 2012 total approximately \$1.0 million and \$1.2 million, respectively.

The Partnership entered into a pet coke supply agreement with HollyFrontier Corporation which became effective on March 1, 2012. The initial term ends in December 2013 and the agreement is subject to renewal. Expenses related to the pet coke supply agreement total approximately \$1.5 million and \$0.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively, which are recorded in cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization).

***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 Partnership's results of operations or financial condition. 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 reclassified and reassessed CRNF's nitrogen fertilizer plant for property tax purposes. The reclassification and reassessment resulted in an increase in CRNF's annual property tax expense by an average of approximately \$10.7 million per year for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2009, \$11.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2010, \$11.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, and \$11.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. CRNF protested the classification and resulting valuation for each of those years to the Kansas Court of Tax Appeals ("COTA"), followed by an appeal to the Kansas Court of Appeals. However, CRNF fully accrued and paid the property taxes the county claimed were owed for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010, 2009 and 2008 and estimated and accrued for property tax for the

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year ended December 31, 2012. The first payment in respect to CRNF's 2012 property taxes was made in December 2012 and the second payment will be made in May 2013.

On February 25, 2013, Montgomery County and CRNF agreed to a settlement for tax years 2009 through 2012, which will lower CRNF's property taxes by about \$10.5 million per year for tax years 2013 through 2016 based on current mill levy rates. In addition, the settlement provides that Montgomery County will support CRNF's application before COTA for a ten year tax exemption for the UAN expansion. Finally, the settlement provides that CRNF will continue its appeal of the 2008 reclassification and reassessment. CRNF has estimated and accrued property taxes for the first quarter of 2013 based on the lower rates resulting from the settlement.

***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.

EHS expenditures are capitalized when such expenditures are expected to result in future economic benefits. EHS capital expenditures for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 were approximately \$0 and \$0.2 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

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**(14) Commitments and Contingencies (Continued)**

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 of the Partnership.

**(15) 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 (including CRRM) that govern the business relations among CVR Partners, its general partner and CRNF on the one hand, and CVR Energy and its subsidiaries, on the other hand. Certain of the agreements described below were amended and restated on April 13, 2011 in connection with the Initial Public 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 Partnership's Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

CVR Refining, LP (the "Refining Partnership"), an affiliate of the Partnership, completed its initial public offering (the "Refining Partnership IPO") on January 23, 2013. Following the Refining Partnership IPO, CVR Energy indirectly owns the general partner of the Refining Partnership and approximately 81% of the Refining Partnership's outstanding common units. Although certain of CVR Energy's subsidiaries that are parties to the related party agreements discussed below were contributed to the Refining Partnership in connection with the Refining Partnership's IPO and are now subsidiaries of the Refining Partnership, the Refining Partnership IPO had no impact on the Partnership's business relations with these subsidiaries.

***Feedstock and Shared Services Agreement***

CRNF entered into a feedstock and shared services agreement with 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 Coffeyville, Kansas refinery and CRNF's nitrogen fertilizer plant.

Pursuant to the feedstock and shared services agreement, CRNF and CRRM have the obligation to transfer excess hydrogen to one another. Net monthly sales of hydrogen to CRRM have been reflected as net sales for CVR Partners. Net monthly 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 March 31, 2013 and 2012, the net sales generated from the sale of hydrogen to CRRM were approximately \$0 and \$5.7 million, respectively. For the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, CVR Partners also recognized \$0.2 million and \$0 of cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) related to the transfer of excess hydrogen from the Coffeyville refinery, respectively. At March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, there were approximately \$0 and \$0.2 million,

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**(15) Related Party Transactions (Continued)**

respectively, of receivables included in prepaid expenses and other current assets on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets associated with unpaid balances related to hydrogen sales.

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 March 31, 2013 and 2012 were \$3,000 and (\$36,000), respectively, related to high-pressure steam. Reimbursements 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 March 31, 2013 and 2012, were approximately \$0.2 million and \$0.5 million, respectively. No amounts were paid by CRNF to CRRM for either of the periods.

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 March 31, 2013 and 2012, there were net sales of approximately \$0.1 million 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 Coffeyville, Kansas refinery and the nitrogen fertilizer plant to transfer the tail gas. CRNF agreed to pay CRRM the cost of installing the pipe over the next three years and, in 2014, provide an additional 15% to cover the cost of capital. At March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, there were assets of approximately \$0.2 million and \$0.2 million included in other current assets, approximately \$1.2 million and \$1.3 million included in other non-current assets, an offset liability of approximately \$0.5 million and \$0.5 million in other current liabilities and approximately \$0.2 million and \$0.4 million of other non-current liabilities in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

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 it. The price for such instrument air is \$18,000 per month, prorated according to the number of days of use per month, subject to certain adjustments, including adjustments to reflect changes in the Partnership's electric bill. To the extent that instrument air is not available from the Linde air separation plant and is available from CRRM, CRRM is required to make instrument air available to the Partnership for purchase at a price of \$18,000 per month, prorated according to the number of days of use per month, subject to certain adjustments, including adjustments to reflect changes in CRRM's electric bill. There were no reimbursed direct operating expenses related to instrument air recorded for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012.

CRNF also provided finished product tank capacity to CRRM under the agreement. Approximately \$0.1 million and \$0.1 million was reimbursed by CRRM for the use of tank capacity for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. This reimbursement was recorded as a reduction to direct operating expenses.

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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 Coffeyville, Kansas refinery are permanently terminated, or if either party is subject to a bankruptcy proceeding or otherwise becomes insolvent.

At March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, receivables of \$0.2 million and \$0.2 million, respectively, were included in prepaid expenses and other current assets on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets associated for amounts yet to be received related to components of the feedstock and shared services agreement other than amounts related to hydrogen sales and pet coke purchases. At March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, payables of \$0.8 million and \$0.4 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, other than amounts related to hydrogen sales and pet coke purchases.

***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 CRNF during each calendar year an annual required amount of pet coke equal to the lesser of (i) 100 percent of the pet coke produced at CRRM's Coffeyville, Kansas 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.

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.

CRNF will pay any taxes associated with the sale, purchase, transportation, delivery, storage or consumption of the pet coke. CRNF is 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 and will be automatically extended for successive five year renewal periods. Either party may terminate the agreement by giving notice no later than

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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 Coffeyville, Kansas refinery are permanently terminated, or if either party is subject to a bankruptcy proceeding or otherwise becomes insolvent.

Cost of pet coke associated with the transfer of pet coke from CRRM to CRNF was approximately \$2.6 million and \$3.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Payables of \$0.9 million and \$0.6 million related to the coke supply agreement were included in accounts payable on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets at March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively.

***Terminal Operating and Lease Agreement***

On May 4, 2012, CRNF entered into an operating and lease agreement with Coffeyville Resources Terminal, LLC ("CRT"), under which it leases CRT's premises located at Phillipsburg, Kansas which it uses as a UAN terminal. The initial term of the agreement will expire in May 2032, provided, however, that CRNF may terminate the lease at any time during the initial term by providing 180 days prior written notice. In addition, this agreement will automatically renew for successive five-year terms, provided that CRNF may terminate the agreement during any renewal term with at least 180 days written notice. CRNF will pay CRT \$1.00 per year for rent, \$4.00 per ton of UAN placed into the terminal and \$4.00 per ton of UAN taken out of the terminal. For the three months ended March 31, 2013, expense incurred related to the terminal operating and lease agreement totalled approximately \$7,000.

***Lease Agreement***

CRNF entered into a lease agreement with CRRM under which it leases certain office and laboratory space. The initial term of the lease will expire in October 2017, provided, however, that CRNF may terminate the lease at any time during the initial term by providing 180 days prior written notice. In addition, 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. For the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, expense incurred related to the use of the office and laboratory space totalled approximately \$27,000 and \$26,000, respectively. There were no unpaid amounts with respect to the lease agreement as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, respectively.

***Environmental Agreement***

CRNF entered into an environmental agreement with CRRM which provides for certain indemnification and access rights in connection with environmental matters affecting the Coffeyville, Kansas 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

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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 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 were present but unknown at the time the agreement was entered into to the extent such contamination or releases were identified in reasonable detail through October 2012. The agreement further provides for indemnification in the case of contamination or releases which occur subsequent to the execution of the agreement.

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 and CVR Energy. Under this agreement, the Partnership's general partner has engaged CVR Energy to conduct a substantial portion of 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, 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, including acquisitions, as may be agreed by CVR Energy and the Partnership's general partner from time to time.

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**(15) Related Party Transactions (Continued)**

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 or its affiliates 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 or its affiliates 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.

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 and 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 March 31, 2013 and 2012 were approximately \$3.3 million and \$2.6 million, respectively. Of these charges approximately \$2.2 million and \$1.8 million, respectively, are included in selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization). In addition, \$1.1 million and \$0.8 million, respectively, are 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 \$0.9 million and \$0.8 million, respectively, for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012. At March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, payables of \$1.4 million and \$2.2 million, respectively, were included in accounts payable on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets with respect to amounts billed in accordance with the services agreement.

***GP Services Agreement***

The Partnership is party to a GP Services Agreement dated November 29, 2011 between the Partnership, CVR GP and CVR Energy. This agreement allows CVR Energy to engage CVR GP, in its capacity as the Partnership's general partner, to provide CVR Energy with (i) business development and related services and (ii) advice or recommendations for such other projects as may be agreed between the Partnership's general partner and CVR Energy from time to time. As payment for services provided under the agreement, CVR Energy must pay a prorated share of costs incurred by the

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Partnership or its general partner in connection with the employment of the Partnership's employees who provide CVR Energy services on a part-time basis, as determined by the Partnership's general partner on a commercially reasonable basis based on the percentage of total working time that such shared personnel are engaged in performing services for CVR Energy. Pursuant to this GP Services Agreement, one of the Partnership's executive officers has performed business development services for CVR Energy from time to time.

CVR Energy is not required to pay any compensation, salaries, bonuses or benefits to any of the Partnership's general partner's employees who provide services to CVR Energy on a full-time or part-time basis; the Partnership will continue to pay their compensation.

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. The Partnership's general partner also has the right to delegate the performance of some or all of the services to be provided pursuant to the agreement to one of its affiliates or any other person or entity, though such delegation does not relieve the Partnership's general partner from its obligations under the agreement. Either CVR Energy or the Partnership's general partner may terminate the agreement upon at least 180 days', but not more than one year's, notice. Furthermore, CVR Energy may terminate the agreement immediately if the Partnership, or its general partner, become bankrupt, or dissolve and commence liquidation or winding-up.

***Limited Partnership Agreement***

In connection with the Initial Public 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 months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 approximately \$1.0 million and \$0.9 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. At March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, payables of \$0.6 million and \$1.9 million, respectively, were included in accounts payable related to personnel costs on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets with respect to amounts outstanding in accordance with the limited partnership agreement.

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**(15) Related Party Transactions (Continued)**

***Distributions to CRLLC***

The Partnership distributed \$9.8 million and \$29.9 million during the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively, as regular distributions on CRLLC's ownership of common units.

***Railcar Lease Agreement***

Since March 2009, the Partnership has leased 199 railcars from American Railcar Leasing, LLC ("ARL"), a company controlled by Mr. Carl C. Icahn, CVR Energy's majority stockholder. The agreement is scheduled to expire on March 31, 2014. For the three months ended March 31, 2013, \$0.3 million of rent expense was recorded related to this agreement and is included in cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations.

***Registration Rights Agreement***

For the three months ended March 31, 2012, the Partnership recognized approximately \$0.6 million in expenses for the benefit of CRLLC in accordance with CVR Partners' Registration Rights Agreement. This amount included filing fees, printer fees and external accounting and external legal fees incurred in conjunction with the filing of a registration statement.

***Insight Portfolio Group***

Insight Portfolio Group LLC ("Insight Portfolio Group") is an entity formed and controlled by Mr. Icahn in order to maximize the potential buying power of a group of entities with which Mr. Icahn has a relationship in negotiating with a wide range of suppliers of goods, services and tangible and intangible property at negotiated rates. In January 2013, CVR Energy acquired a minority equity interest in Insight Portfolio Group. The Partnership participates in Insight Portfolio Group's buying group through its relationship with CVR Energy. The Partnership may purchase a variety of goods and services as members of the buying group at prices and on terms that management believes would be more favorable than those which would be achieved on a stand-alone basis.

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

In accordance with ASC Topic 820—*Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures* ("ASC 820"), the Partnership utilizes the market approach to measure fair value for its financial assets and liabilities. The market approach uses prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable assets, liabilities or a group of assets or liabilities, such as a business.

ASC 820 utilizes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three broad levels. The following is a brief description of those three levels:

- Level 1—Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities

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## (16) Fair Value of Financial Instruments (Continued)

- Level 2—Other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices in active markets for similar assets or liabilities)
- Level 3—Significant unobservable inputs (including the Partnership's own assumptions in determining the fair value).

The following table sets forth the assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis, by input level, as of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012.

<i>Location and Description</i>	March 31, 2013			Total
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
	(in thousands)			
Cash equivalents (money market account)	\$ 118,258	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 118,258
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>118,258</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>118,258</b>
Other current liabilities (interest rate swap)	—	840	—	840
Other long-term liabilities (interest rate swap)	—	1,699	—	1,699
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2,539</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2,539</b>
Accumulated other comprehensive loss (interest rate swap)	\$ —	\$ 2,539	\$ —	\$ 2,539

<i>Location and Description</i>	December 31, 2012			Total
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
	(in thousands)			
Cash equivalents (money market account)	\$ 118,229	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 118,229
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>118,229</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>118,229</b>
Other current liabilities (interest rate swap)	—	861	—	861
Other long-term liabilities (interest rate swap)	—	1,890	—	1,890
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2,751</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2,751</b>
Accumulated other comprehensive loss (interest rate swap)	\$ —	\$ 2,751	\$ —	\$ 2,751

As of March 31, 2013 and December 31, 2012, 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 12 "Interest Rate Swap"). The Partnership had no transfers of assets or liabilities between any of the above levels during the three months ended March 31, 2013.

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

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**(16) Fair Value of Financial Instruments (Continued)**

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.

**(17) Subsequent Events**

***Distribution***

On April 26, 2013, the Board of Directors of the Partnership's general partner declared a cash distribution for the first quarter of 2013 to the Partnership's unitholders of \$0.610 per unit or \$44.6 million in aggregate. The cash distribution will be paid on May 15, 2013 to unitholders of record at the close of business on May 8, 2013.

## 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 Report, as well as the Partnership's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on March 1, 2013, as amended. Results of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2013 are not necessarily indicative of results to be attained for any other period.

### Forward-Looking Statements

This Report, 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 Report, 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 the Partnership's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012. 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;
- the cyclical nature of our business;
- 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 Refining;
- 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 business;
- 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 lack of asset diversification;
- 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 and conflicts of interest they face operating both us and CVR Energy;
- risks relating to our relationships with CVR Energy and CVR Refining;
- control of our general partner by CVR Energy;
- our ability to continue to license the technology used in our operations;
- restrictions in our debt agreements;
- 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 Report speak only as of the date of this document. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances that occur after the date of this Report, or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

## **Partnership Overview**

### **Overview**

We are a Delaware limited partnership formed by CVR Energy to own, operate and grow our nitrogen fertilizer business. Strategically located adjacent to CVR Refining'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.

We produce and distribute nitrogen fertilizer products, which are used primarily by farmers to improve the yield and quality of their crops. Our principal products are ammonia and UAN. These products are manufactured at our facility in Coffeyville, Kansas. Our product sales are heavily weighted toward UAN and all of our products are sold on a wholesale basis.

Our facility includes a 1,225 ton-per-day ammonia unit, a 3,000 ton-per-day UAN unit, and a gasifier complex having a capacity of 84 million standard cubic feet per day of hydrogen. Our gasifier is a dual-train facility, with each gasifier able to function independently of the other, thereby providing redundancy and improving our reliability. With the recent completion of the UAN expansion in February 2013, we now upgrade substantially all of the ammonia we produce to higher margin UAN fertilizer, an aqueous solution of urea and ammonium nitrate which has historically commanded a

premium price over ammonia. In 2012, we produced 390,017 tons of ammonia, of which approximately 68% was upgraded into 643,813 tons of UAN. For the three months ended March 31, 2013, we produced 111,352 tons of ammonia, of which approximately 72% was upgraded into 196,157 tons of UAN.

We will continue to expand our existing asset base and utilize the experience of our and CVR Energy's management teams to execute our growth strategy, which includes expanded production of UAN and acquiring and building additional infrastructure and production assets. A significant two-year plant expansion designed to increase our UAN production capacity by 400,000 tons, or approximately 50%, was completed in February and was operating at full rates at the end of the first quarter. CVR Energy, which indirectly owns our general partner and approximately 70% of our outstanding common units, also indirectly owns the general partner and 81.3% of the common units of CVR Refining, LP. CVR Refining currently operates a 115,000 bpd oil refinery in Coffeyville, Kansas, a 70,000 bpd oil refinery in Wynnewood, Oklahoma, and ancillary businesses.

The primary raw material feedstock utilized 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 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 one of the lower cost producers and marketers of ammonia and UAN fertilizers in North America. We currently purchase most of our pet coke from CVR Refining 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 consumed by our plant was produced and supplied by CVR Refining's Coffeyville, Kansas crude oil refinery.

### **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 Refining'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 last ten years, natural gas prices have significantly decreased. This decrease has substantially lowered 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 2012, approximately 54% of the corn planted in the United States was grown within a \$45 per 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 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 currently incur significant intermediate transfer, storage, barge freight or pipeline freight charges. We estimate that our plant enjoys a transportation cost advantage of approximately \$15 per UAN ton for transportation of UAN 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 three months ended March 31, 2013, we upgraded approximately 72% of our ammonia production into UAN, a product that presently generates greater profit than ammonia. During 2012, we upgraded approximately 68% of our ammonia production into UAN. UAN production is a major contributor to our profitability. Going forward, as a result of the UAN expansion project completion, we expect to upgrade substantially all of our ammonia production into UAN for as long as it makes economic sense to do so.

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 87% of direct operating expenses over the 24 months ended March 31, 2013.

Our largest raw material expense is pet coke, which we purchase from CRRM and third parties. For the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, we spent approximately \$4.0 million and \$5.0 million, respectively, for pet coke, which equaled an average cost per ton of \$31 and \$42, respectively.

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 2012, at a cost of approximately \$4.8 million. The next turnaround is currently scheduled for the fourth quarter of 2014.

## **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.

### ***Fertilizer Plant Property Taxes***

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 reclassified and reassessed CRNF's nitrogen fertilizer plant for property tax purposes. The reclassification and reassessment resulted in an increase in CRNF's annual property tax expense by an average of approximately \$10.7 million per year for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2009, \$11.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2010, \$11.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, and \$11.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. CRNF protested the classification and resulting valuation for each of those years to the Kansas Court of Tax Appeals ("COTA"), followed by an appeal to the Kansas Court of Appeals. However, CRNF fully accrued and paid the property taxes the county claimed were owed for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010, 2009 and 2008 and estimated and accrued for property tax for the year ended December 31, 2012. The first payment in respect to CRNF's 2012 property taxes was made in December 2012 and the second payment will be made in May 2013.

On February 25, 2013, Montgomery County and CRNF agreed to a settlement for tax years 2009 through 2012, which will lower CRNF's property taxes by about \$10.5 million per year for tax years 2013 through 2016 based on current mill levy rates. In addition, the settlement provides that Montgomery County will support CRNF's application before COTA for a ten year tax exemption for the UAN expansion. Finally, the settlement provides that CRNF will continue its appeal of the 2008 reclassification and reassessment. CRNF has estimated and accrued property taxes for the first quarter of 2013 based on the lower rates resulting from the settlement.

## **Results of Operations**

The following tables summarize the financial data and key operating statistics for CVR Partners and our operating subsidiary for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012. The following data should be read in conjunction with our condensed consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included elsewhere in this Report. 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, 2012, is unaudited.

	Three Months Ended		Change from 2012	
	2013	2012	Change	Percent
(in millions, except per unit amount)				
<b>Consolidated Statements of Operations Data</b>				
Net sales	\$ 81.4	\$ 78.3	\$ 3.1	4.0%
Cost of product sold—Affiliates(1)	3.1	3.0	0.1	3.3
Cost of product sold—Third Parties(1)	7.5	9.6	(2.1)	(21.9)
	<u>10.6</u>	<u>12.6</u>	<u>(2.0)</u>	<u>(15.9)</u>
Direct operating expenses—Affiliates(1)	1.0	0.4	0.6	150.0
Direct operating expenses—Third Parties(1)	21.6	22.5	(0.9)	(4.0)
	<u>22.6</u>	<u>22.9</u>	<u>(0.3)</u>	<u>(1.3)</u>
Selling, general and administrative expenses—Affiliates(1)	4.2	3.8	0.4	10.5
Selling, general and administrative expenses—Third Parties(1)	1.4	2.2	(0.8)	(36.4)
	<u>5.6</u>	<u>6.0</u>	<u>(0.4)</u>	<u>(6.7)</u>
Depreciation and amortization(1)	5.8	5.4	0.4	7.4
Operating income	\$ 36.8	\$ 31.4	\$ 5.4	17.2
Interest expense and other financing costs	(1.2)	(1.2)	—	—
Other income (expense)	—	—	—	—
Total other income (expense)	(1.2)	(1.2)	—	—
Income before income tax expense	<u>35.6</u>	<u>30.2</u>	<u>5.4</u>	<u>17.9</u>
Income tax expense	—	—	—	—
Net income	\$ 35.6	\$ 30.2	\$ 5.4	17.9%
EBITDA(2)	\$ 42.6	\$ 36.8	\$ 5.8	15.8%
Adjusted EBITDA(2)	\$ 43.8	\$ 38.0	\$ 5.8	15.3%
Available cash for distribution(3)	\$ 44.6	\$ 38.2		
Reconciliation of net sales (dollars in millions):				
Sales net plant gate	\$ 75.6	\$ 67.9		
Freight in revenue	5.7	4.7		
Hydrogen revenue	0.1	5.7		
Total net sales	<u>\$ 81.4</u>	<u>\$ 78.3</u>		

	As of March 31,	As of December 31,
	2013	2012
(in millions)		
<b>Balance Sheet Data</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 153.2	\$ 127.8
Working capital	135.5	116.6
Total assets	660.1	623.0
Total debt	125.0	125.0
Partners' Capital	469.1	446.2

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
(in millions)		
<b>Cash Flow and Other Data</b>		
Net cash flow provided by (used in):		
Operating activities	\$ 57.5	\$ 53.8
Investing activities	(18.1)	(22.3)
Financing activities	(14.0)	(42.9)
Net cash flow	<u>\$ 25.4</u>	<u>\$ (11.4)</u>
Capital expenditures for property, plant and equipment	<u>\$ 18.1</u>	<u>\$ 22.3</u>

- (1) Amounts are shown exclusive of depreciation and amortization.

Depreciation and amortization is comprised of the following components:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
(in millions)		
Depreciation and amortization excluded from direct operating expenses	<u>\$ 5.7</u>	<u>\$ 5.4</u>

- (2) **EBITDA** is defined as net income before net interest (income) expense, income tax expense, and depreciation and amortization expense, which are items management believes affect the comparability of operating results.

**Adjusted EBITDA** is defined as EBITDA further adjusted for the impact of non-cash share-based compensation, and, where applicable, major scheduled turnaround expense and loss on disposition of assets. We present Adjusted EBITDA because it is a key measure used in material covenants in our credit facility and because it is the starting point for our available cash for distribution. EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are not recognized terms under GAAP and should not be substituted for net income or cash flows from operations. Management believes that EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA enable investors and analysts to better understand our ability to make distributions to our common unitholders and our compliance with the covenants contained in our credit facility. EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA presented by other companies may not be comparable to our presentation, since each company may define these terms differently.

A reconciliation of our net income to EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA is as follows:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
(in millions)		
Net income	\$ 35.6	\$ 30.2
Add:		
Interest expense, net	1.2	1.2
Income tax expense	—	—
Depreciation and amortization	5.8	5.4
EBITDA	<u>42.6</u>	<u>36.8</u>
Add:		
Share-based compensation, non-cash	1.2	1.2
Adjusted EBITDA	<u>\$ 43.8</u>	<u>\$ 38.0</u>

- (3) For the three months ended March 31, 2012, available cash for distribution equaled 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 deemed necessary or appropriate. Cash on hand associated with prepaid sales at March 31, 2012 was also retained for future distribution to common unitholders based upon the recognition into income of the prepaid sales. Beginning with the three months ended March 31, 2013, the board of directors of our general partner adopted an amended policy to calculate available cash for distribution beginning with Adjusted EBITDA reduced for cash needed for net interest expense (excluding capitalized interest) and debt service and other contractual obligations, maintenance capital expenditures and, to the extent applicable, major scheduled turnaround expense incurred and reserves for future operating or capital needs that the board of directors of the general partner deems necessary or appropriate, if any. Available cash for distribution may be increased by previously established cash reserves, if any, at the discretion of the board of directors of our general partner.

**Available cash for distribution** is not a recognized term under GAAP. Available cash should not be considered in isolation or as an alternative to net income or operating income, as a measure of operating performance. In addition, available cash for distribution is not presented as, and should not be considered an alternative to cash flows from operations or as a measure of liquidity. Available cash as reported by the Partnership may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other entities; thereby limiting its usefulness as a comparative measure.

	<u>Three Months Ended</u> <u>March 31, 2013</u> <u>(in millions, except</u> <u>per unit data)</u>
<b>Reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to Available cash for distribution</b>	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 43.8
<b>Adjustments:</b>	
Less:	
Net cash interest expense (excluding capitalized interest) and debt service	(1.1)
Maintenance capital expenditures	(0.6)
Plus:	
Distribution of previously established cash reserves	2.5
Available cash for distribution	<u>\$ 44.6</u>
Available cash for distribution, per unit	<u>\$ 0.610</u>
Common units outstanding	73,065

The tables show selected information about key market indicators and certain operating statistics for our business:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
<b>Key Operating Statistics</b>		
Production (thousand tons):		
Ammonia (gross produced)(1)	111.4	89.3
Ammonia (net available for sale)(1)	30.7	25.0
UAN	196.2	154.6
Pet coke consumed (thousand tons)	129.8	120.5
Pet coke (cost per ton)(2)	\$ 31	\$ 42
Sales (thousand tons):		
Ammonia	27.6	29.9
UAN	194.1	158.3
Product pricing (plant gate) (dollars per ton)(3):		
Ammonia	\$ 663	\$ 613
UAN	295	313
On-stream factors(4):		
Gasification	99.5%	93.3%
Ammonia	98.8%	91.5%
UAN	92.8%	83.6%

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2013	2012
<b>Market Indicators</b>		
Natural gas (dollars per MMBtu)	\$ 3.48	\$ 2.50
Ammonia—Southern Plains (dollars per ton)	\$ 696	\$ 586
UAN—corn belt (dollars per ton)	\$ 378	\$ 343

- (1) Gross tons produced for ammonia represent total ammonia produced, including ammonia that was upgraded into UAN. As a result of the recently completed UAN expansion project, we expect to upgrade substantially all of the ammonia we produce into UAN. Net tons available for sale represent ammonia available for sale that was not upgraded into UAN.
- (2) Our pet coke cost per ton purchased from CVR Refining averaged \$28 and \$40 for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Third-party pet coke prices averaged \$40 and \$45 for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.
- (3) Plant gate price per ton represents net sales less freight revenue and hydrogen revenue divided by product sales volume in tons in the reporting period. Plant gate price per ton is shown in order to provide a pricing measure that is comparable across the fertilizer industry.
- (4) On-stream factor is the total number of hours operated divided by the total number of hours in the reporting period and is included as a measure of operating efficiency. Excluding the impact of the downtime associated with the UAN expansion coming on-line, the on-stream factors for the three months ended March 31, 2013 would have been 99.5% for gasifier, 98.8% for ammonia and 98.3% for UAN.

**Three Months Ended March 31, 2013 Compared to the Three Months Ended March 31, 2012**

**Net Sales.** Net sales were \$81.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 compared to \$78.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012. For the three months ended March 31, 2013, ammonia and UAN made up \$18.7 million and \$62.7 million of our net sales, respectively. This compared to ammonia and UAN net sales of \$18.7 million and \$53.9 million, respectively, for the three months ended March 31, 2012. The increase of \$3.1 million was the result of higher UAN sales volumes (\$12.2 million) and ammonia sales prices (\$1.4 million) partially offset by lower hydrogen sales (\$5.7 million) combined with lower UAN sales prices (\$3.4 million) and decreased ammonia sales volumes (\$1.4 million). The following table demonstrates the impact of sales volumes and pricing for ammonia, UAN and hydrogen for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and March 31, 2012:

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2013			Three Months Ended March 31, 2012			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	27,572	\$ 679	\$ 18.7	29,866	\$ 627	\$ 18.7	(2,294)	\$ —	\$ 1.4	\$ (1.4)
UAN	194,141	\$ 323	\$ 62.7	158,293	\$ 340	\$ 53.9	35,848	\$ 8.8	\$ (3.4)	\$ 12.2
Hydrogen	2,713	\$ 11	\$ —	562,657	\$ 10	\$ 5.7	(559,944)	\$ (5.7)	\$ —	\$ (5.7)

(1) Ammonia and UAN sales volumes are in tons. Hydrogen sales volumes are in MSCF.

(2) Includes freight charges

(3) Sales dollars in millions

The increase in UAN sales volume for the three months ended March 31, 2013 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2012 was primarily attributable to the UAN expansion coming online during the quarter. 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 99.5%, 98.8% and 92.8%, respectively, on-stream for the three months ended March 31, 2013. On-stream rates for the first quarter of 2012 were 93.3%, 91.5% and 83.6%, for the gasification, ammonia and UAN units, respectively.

Plant gate prices are prices at the designated delivery point less any freight cost we absorb to deliver the product. We believe plant gate price is meaningful because we sell products both at our plant gate (sold plant) and delivered to 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 March 31, 2013 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2012 increased 8.3% for ammonia and decreased 5.7% for UAN.

**Cost of Product Sold (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization).** Cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) is primarily comprised of pet coke expense and freight and distribution expenses. Cost of product sold exclusive of depreciation and amortization for the three months ended March 31, 2013 was 10.6 million, compared to \$12.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012. The \$2.0 million decrease resulted from \$2.1 million in lower costs from transactions with third parties offset by higher costs from transactions with affiliates of \$0.1 million. Higher third-party costs during the three months ended March 31, 2012 were the result of additional third-party pet coke purchases during the prior year period as a result of reduced pet coke availability from CVR Refining's adjacent refinery due to downtime associated with their turnaround during the period. The overall \$2.0 million decrease in costs was primarily the result of lower pet coke prices during the three months ended March 31, 2013 as compared to the prior year period.

**Direct Operating Expenses (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization).** Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) include costs associated with the actual operations of our

plant, such as repairs and maintenance, energy and utility costs, property taxes, catalyst and chemical costs, outside services, labor and environmental compliance costs. Nitrogen fertilizer direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) for the three months ended March 31, 2013 were \$22.6 million as compared to \$22.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012. The \$0.3 million decrease resulted from lower property taxes (\$2.7 million), partially offset by higher utilities (\$0.7 million), labor (\$0.6 million) and insurance (\$0.5 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 Coffeyville Resources, on our behalf and billed or allocated to us in accordance with the services agreement. We also reimburse our general partner in accordance with the partnership agreement for expenses it incurs on our behalf. Reimbursed expenses to our general partner are included as selling, general & administrative expenses from affiliates. 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 \$5.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013, as compared to \$6.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012. The decrease of \$0.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 as compared to the three months ended March 31, 2012 was the result of a decrease in costs from transactions with third parties (\$0.8 million) and an increase in costs from transactions with affiliates (\$0.4 million). This variance was primarily the result of decreases in expenses related to outside services (\$0.6 million) and share-based compensation (\$0.1 million) partially offset by increased expenses related to the services agreement (\$0.4 million).

**Operating Income.** Operating income was \$36.8 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013, as compared to operating income of \$31.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012. The increase of \$5.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2013 as compared to the three months ended March 31, 2012 was the result of the increase in UAN sales volumes and ammonia sales prices (\$3.1 million), decreased cost of product sold (\$2.0 million), direct operating costs (\$0.3 million) and selling, general and administrative expenses (\$0.4 million), partially offset by higher depreciation and amortization (\$0.4 million) in 2013.

**Interest Expense.** Interest expense for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 was approximately \$1.2 million. Interest expense for the three months ended March 31, 2013 was attributable to bank interest expense of \$1.1 million on the \$125.0 million term loan facility, \$0.2 million of deferred financing amortization and \$0.3 million of interest expense related to the interest rate swap, partially offset by capitalized interest of \$0.4 million.

**Net Income.** For the quarter ended March 31, 2013, net income was 35.6 million as compared to \$30.2 million of net income for the quarter ended March 31, 2012, an increase of \$5.4 million. The increase in net income was primarily due to the higher revenues resulting from increased UAN sales volumes and ammonia prices, a decrease in cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization), and lower selling, general and administrative 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 further enhanced during the second quarter of 2011 by the receipt of approximately \$158.0 million in net proceeds from our Initial Public Offering. In addition, in conjunction with the completion of the Initial Public Offering, we entered into a new \$125.0 million term loan and \$25.0 million revolving credit facility.

Our principal uses of cash are funding our operations, distributions to common unitholders, capital expenditures and funding our debt service obligations. We believe that our cash from operations, remaining proceeds from the Initial Public Offering and available borrowings under our revolving credit facility will be adequate to satisfy anticipated commitments and planned capital expenditures 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. Depending on the needs of our business, contractual limitations and market conditions, we may from time to time seek to issue equity securities, incur additional debt, modify the terms of our existing debt, issue debt securities, or otherwise refinance our existing debt. There can be no assurance that we will seek to do any of the foregoing or that we will be able to do any of the foregoing on terms acceptable to us or at all.

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

As of March 31, 2013, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$153.2 million, including \$28.6 million of customer advances. Working capital at March 31, 2013 was \$135.5 million, consisting of \$199.5 million in current assets and \$64.0 million in current liabilities. Working capital at December 31, 2012 was \$116.6 million, consisting of \$166.1 million in current assets and \$49.5 million in current liabilities. As of April 30, 2013, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$171.6 million.

#### ***Credit Facility***

On April 13, 2011 in conjunction with the completion of our Initial Public Offering, we entered into a 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 in April 2016. The credit facility is 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. Pricing for borrowings under the credit facility is currently the Eurodollar rate plus a margin of 3.50%, or, for base rate loans, the prime rate plus 2.50%. Under its terms, the lenders under the credit facility were granted a first priority security interest (subject to certain customary exceptions) in substantially all of the assets of CVR Partners and CRNF and all of the capital stock of CRNF and each domestic subsidiary owned by CVR Partners or 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.

As of March 31, 2013, no amounts were drawn under the \$25.0 million revolving credit facility.

#### ***Mandatory Prepayments***

We are required to prepay outstanding amounts under our term facility in an amount equal to the net proceeds from the sale of assets or from insurance or condemnation awards related to collateral, in each case subject to certain reinvestment rights. In addition, we are required to prepay outstanding amounts under our term facility with the net proceeds from certain issuances of debt (other than debt permitted to be incurred under our credit facility).

*Voluntary Prepayments/Commitment Reductions*

At any time, we may voluntarily reduce the unutilized portion of the revolving commitment amount, or prepay, in whole or in part, outstanding amounts under our credit facility without premium or penalty other than customary "breakage" costs with respect to Eurodollar rate loans.

*Amortization and Final Maturity*

There is no scheduled amortization under our credit facility. All outstanding amounts under our credit facility are due and payable in full in April 2016.

*Restrictive Covenants and Other Matters*

Our credit facility requires us to maintain (i) a minimum interest coverage ratio (ratio of Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA to interest) as of the end of any fiscal quarter of 3.0 to 1.0 and (ii) a maximum leverage ratio (ratio of debt to Consolidated Adjusted EBITDA) as of the end of any fiscal quarter of 3.0 to 1.0, in both cases calculated on a trailing four quarter basis. In addition, the credit facility includes negative covenants that, subject to significant exceptions, limit our ability to, among other things:

- incur, assume or permit to exist additional indebtedness, guarantees and other contingent obligations;
- incur liens;
- make negative pledges;
- pay dividends or make other distributions;
- make payments to our subsidiary;
- make certain loans and investments;
- consolidate, merge or sell all or substantially all of our assets;
- enter into sale-leaseback transactions; and
- enter into transactions with affiliates.

The credit facility provides that we can make distributions to holders of our common units, but only if 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 facility.

The credit facility 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 credit facility to be in force and effect, and change of control. An event of default will also be triggered if CVR Energy, CVR Refining or any of their subsidiaries (other than us and CRNF) terminates or violates any of its covenants in any of the intercompany agreements between us and CVR Energy, CVR Refining and their subsidiaries (other than us and CRNF) and such action has resulted or could reasonably be expected to result in a material adverse effect on us. If an event of default occurs, the administrative agent under the credit facility would be entitled to take various actions, including the acceleration of amounts due under the credit facility and all actions permitted to be taken by a secured creditor.

As of March 31, 2013, we were in compliance with the covenants under the credit facility.

### ***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 & Company which commenced on August 12, 2011. We have determined that the Interest Rate Swaps qualify for hedge accounting treatment. The impact recorded for the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 was \$0.3 million and \$0.2 million, respectively, in interest expense. For the three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, the Partnership recorded loss of \$46,000 and \$0.2 million, respectively, in the fair market value on the interest rate swaps. The combined fair market value of the interest rate swaps recorded in current and non-current liabilities is \$2.5 million. This amount is unrealized and included in accumulated other comprehensive income.

### ***Capital Spending***

Our total capital expenditures for the three months ended March 31, 2013 totaled \$18.1 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. We also treat maintenance capital spending as a reduction of cash available for distribution to unitholders. Growth capital projects generally involve an expansion of existing capacity, improvement in product yields, and/or a reduction in direct operating expenses. Of the \$18.1 million spent for the three months ended March 31, 2013, \$0.6 million was related to maintenance capital projects and the remainder was related to growth capital projects. Major scheduled turnaround expenses are expensed when incurred.

Including amounts already spent during the three months ended March 31, 2013, we expect to spend in total \$43.0 million to \$53.0 million on capital expenditures for the year ending December 31, 2013, excluding capitalized interest. Of this amount, \$7.0 million to \$9.0 million will be spent on maintenance projects and \$36.0 million to \$44.0 million will be spent on growth projects including approximately \$23.0 million on the UAN expansion project. Proceeds were retained from the Initial Public Offering to fund future growth capital expenditures, including the UAN expansion project.

In February we completed a significant two-year plant expansion designed to increase our UAN production capacity by 400,000 tons, or approximately 50% per year. The expansion was at full operating rates prior to the end of the first quarter. The UAN expansion provides us with the ability to upgrade substantially all of our ammonia production to UAN. We anticipate the total capital spend associated with the UAN expansion will approximate \$130.0 million, excluding capitalized interest. As of March 31, 2013, approximately \$120.2 million had been spent, including \$14.1 million which was spent during the three months ended March 31, 2013.

In January 2013, we completed the UAN terminal project which included the construction of a two million gallon UAN storage tank and related truck and railcar load-out facilities located in Phillipsburg, Kansas. The property on which this terminal was constructed is owned by a subsidiary of CVR Refining, Coffeyville Resources Terminal, LLC, which operates the terminal. The purpose of the UAN terminal is to distribute approximately 20,000 tons of UAN fertilizer annually.

Planned capital expenditures for 2013 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 or equipment costs necessary to comply with government regulations or to complete projects that sustain or improve the profitability of our nitrogen fertilizer plant. Capital spending for our business has been and will be determined by our general partner.

### **Distributions to Unitholders**

Our general partner's current policy is to distribute all of the available cash we generate each quarter. Available cash for each quarter is determined by the board of directors of our general partner following the end of such quarter. Beginning with the first quarter 2013, the board of directors of our general partner has adopted an amended policy to calculate available cash starting with Adjusted EBITDA reduced for cash needed for net interest expense (excluding capitalized interest) and debt service and other contractual obligations, maintenance capital expenditures and, to the extent applicable, major scheduled turnaround expense incurred and reserves for future operating or capital needs that the board of directors of the general partner deems necessary or appropriate, if any. Available cash for distributions may be increased by previously established cash reserves, if any, at the discretion of the board of directors of our general partner. Actual distributions are set by the board of directors of our general partner. 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.

On February 14, 2013, the Partnership paid out a cash distribution to the Partnership's unitholders of record at the close of business on February 7, 2013 for the fourth quarter of 2012 in the amount of \$0.192 per unit, or \$14.0 million in aggregate.

On April 26, 2013, the Board of Directors of the Partnership's general partner declared a cash distribution for the first quarter of 2013 to the Partnership's unitholders of \$0.610 per unit or \$44.6 million in aggregate. The cash distribution will be paid on May 15, 2013 to unitholders of record at the close of business on May 8, 2013.

### **Cash Flows**

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

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>	
	<b>March 31,</b>	
	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>
	<b>(unaudited)</b>	
Net cash provided by (used in):		
Operating activities	\$ 57.5	\$ 53.8
Investing activities	(18.1)	(22.3)
Financing activities	(14.0)	(42.9)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 25.4</u>	<u>\$ (11.4)</u>

#### **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 three months ended March 31, 2013 were \$57.5 million. The positive cash flow from operating activities generated over this period was primarily attributable to net income of \$35.6 million and an increase to other working capital, partially offset by unfavorable impacts to trade working capital. The increase to net income was driven by higher UAN sales volumes associated with the UAN expansion, which was partially offset by a slight decline in overall UAN prices. With respect to other working capital for the three months ended March 31, 2013, the primary sources of cash were a \$27.6 million increase in deferred revenue, partially offset by the decrease to accrued expenses and other current liabilities of \$1.2 million. Deferred revenue represents customer prepaid deposits for the future delivery of our nitrogen fertilizer products. For the three

months ended March 31, 2013, trade working capital decreased our operating cash flow by \$11.4 million and was primarily attributable to an increase in accounts receivable of \$4.6 million, an increase in inventory of \$3.3 million and a decrease in accounts payable of \$3.5 million.

Net cash flows provided by operating activities for the three months ended March 31, 2012 was \$53.8 million. The positive cash flow from operating activities generated over this period was primarily attributable to net income of \$30.2 million which was driven by a strong fertilizer price environment and favorable impacts to working capital. For the three months ended March 31, 2012, trade working capital increased our operating cash flow by \$8.3 million and was primarily attributable to an increase in accounts payable of \$3.2 million, a decrease in accounts receivable of \$3.6 million and a decrease in inventory of \$1.5 million. With respect to other working capital for the three months ended March 31, 2012, the primary sources of cash were an increase in deferred revenue of \$7.0 million and an increase to accrued expenses and other current liabilities of \$1.9 million. Deferred revenue represents customer prepaid deposits for the future delivery of our nitrogen fertilizer products.

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

Net cash used in investing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2013 was \$18.1 million compared to \$22.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012. For the three months ended March 31, 2013, net cash used in investing activities consisted entirely of capital expenditures primarily associated with the UAN expansion of \$14.1 million.

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

Net cash flows used in financing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2013 were \$14.0 million, compared to net cash flows used in financing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2012 of \$42.9 million. The net cash used in financing activities for three months ended March 31, 2013 and 2012 was attributable to quarterly cash distributions.

### **Capital and Commercial Commitments**

We are required to make payments relating to various types of obligations. The following table summarizes our minimum payments as of March 31, 2013 relating to long-term debt, operating leases, unconditional purchase obligations and other specified capital and commercial commitments for the period following March 31, 2013 and thereafter.

	Payments Due by Period						
	Total	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Thereafter
	(unaudited) (in millions)						
<b>Contractual Obligations</b>							
Long-term debt(1)	\$ 125.0	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 125.0	\$ —	\$ —
Operating leases(2)	26.0	4.5	4.9	4.4	4.0	2.0	6.2
Unconditional purchase obligations(3)	39.4	7.9	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.7	13.0
Unconditional purchase obligations with affiliates(4)	137.1	7.4	9.7	8.9	9.2	9.4	92.5
Interest payments(5)	14.3	3.6	4.7	4.7	1.3	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 341.8</b>	<b>\$ 23.4</b>	<b>\$ 23.9</b>	<b>\$ 22.6</b>	<b>\$ 144.1</b>	<b>\$ 16.1</b>	<b>\$ 111.7</b>

- (1) We entered into a credit facility during 2011. The credit facility included a \$125.0 million term loan and a \$25.0 million revolving credit facility. As of March 31, 2013, no amounts were 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, a product supply agreement with Linde and a pet coke supply agreement with HollyFrontier Corporation. The agreement with HollyFrontier Corporation has an initial term that ends in 2013 and is subject to renewal.
- (4) The amounts include commitments under our long-term pet coke supply agreement with CRRM, a wholly-owned subsidiary of CVR Refining, having an initial term that ends in 2027, subject to renewal. The Partnership's purchase obligations for pet coke from CRRM have been derived from a calculation of the average pet coke price paid to CRRM over the preceding two year period.
- (5) Interest payments are based on the current interest rate at March 31, 2013.

#### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

We do not have any off-balance sheet arrangements as defined within the rules and regulations of the SEC.

#### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In December 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-11, "*Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities*" ("ASU 2011-11"). ASU 2011-11 retains the existing offsetting requirements and enhances the disclosure requirements to allow investors to better compare financial statements prepared under U.S. GAAP with those prepared under IFRS. On January 31, 2013, the FASB issued ASU No. 2013-01, "*Clarifying the Scope of Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities*" ("ASU 2013-01"). ASU 2013-01 limits the scope of the new balance sheet offsetting disclosures to derivatives, repurchase agreements and securities lending transactions. Both standards are effective for interim and annual periods beginning January 1, 2013 and will be applied retrospectively. We adopted these standards as of January 1, 2013. The adoption of these standards did not impact our condensed consolidated financial statement footnote disclosures.

In February 2013, the FASB issued ASU No. 2013-02, "*Reporting of Amounts Reclassified Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income*" ("ASU 2013-02"). ASU 2013-02 requires us to present information about reclassification adjustments from accumulated other comprehensive income in the financial statements in a single footnote or parenthetically on the face of the financial statements based on the source and the income statement line items affected by the reclassification. The standard is effective for interim and annual periods beginning January 1, 2013 and will be applied prospectively. We adopted this standard as of January 1, 2013. The adoption of this standard expanded our condensed consolidated financial statement footnote disclosures.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies**

Our critical accounting policies are disclosed in the "Critical Accounting Policies" section of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012. No modifications have been made to our critical accounting policies.

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

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

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 \$125.0 million floating rate term debt which matures in April 2016. The aggregate notional amount covered under these agreements, which commenced on August 12, 2011 and expire on February 12, 2016, totals \$62.5 million (split evenly between the two agreement dates). 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.

The Partnership still has exposure to interest rate risk on 50% of its \$125.0 million floating rate term debt. A 1% increase over the Eurodollar floor spread of 3.5%, as specified in the credit agreement, would increase interest cost to the Partnership by approximately \$625,000 on an annualized basis, thus decreasing net income by the same amount.

#### **Commodity Price, Foreign Currency Exchange and Non-Operating Risks**

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.

#### **Item 4. Controls and Procedures**

##### ***Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures***

As of March 31, 2013, we have evaluated, under the direction of our Executive Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(e). There are inherent limitations to the effectiveness of any system of disclosure controls and procedures, including the possibility of human error and the circumvention or overriding of the controls and procedures. Accordingly, even effective disclosure controls and procedures can only provide reasonable assurance of achieving their control objectives. 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 to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to the Partnership's management, including our Executive Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and 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 material change in our internal control over financial reporting required by Rule 13a-15 of the Exchange Act that occurred during the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2013 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 14 ("Commitments and Contingencies") to Part I, Item I of this Report, 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 have been no material changes from the risk factors previously disclosed in the "Risk Factors" section of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012.

### Item 6. Exhibits

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Exhibit Title</u>
10.1*	Amendment to Third Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of March 11, 2013, by and between CVR Energy, Inc. and John J. Lipinski.
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 March 31, 2013, filed with the SEC on May 2, 2013, formatted in XBRL ("Extensible Business Reporting Language") includes: (1) Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, (2) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations, (3) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss), (4) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, (5) Condensed Consolidated Statement of Partners' Capital and (6) the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited), tagged in detail.**

\* 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.





**AMENDMENT TO  
THIRD AMENDED AND RESTATED  
EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT**

This AMENDMENT TO THIRD AMENDED AND RESTATED EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT (this "Amendment") is made and entered into as of March 11, 2013, by and between **CVR ENERGY, INC.**, a Delaware corporation (the "Company") and **JOHN J. LIPINSKI** (the "Executive").

The Company and the Executive are parties to a Third Amended and Restated Employment Agreement dated as of January 1, 2011 (the "Employment Agreement"). The parties hereto desire to amend the Employment Agreement as provided herein.

1. Exclusivity. The last sentence of Section 1.3 of the Employment Agreement is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

"The provisions of this Section 1.3 shall not be construed to prevent 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 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 on the board of directors of one or more companies, provided such service does not conflict with the Executive's duties and obligations to the Company and such service is approved by the chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company; or (iii) serving on the board of directors for Thumbs Up Enterprises Limited and its affiliated companies."

2. Ratify Agreement. Except as expressly amended hereby, the Agreement will remain unamended and in full force and effect in accordance with its terms. The amendments provided herein will be limited precisely as drafted and will not constitute an amendment of any other term, condition or provision of the Agreement.

3. Cross References. References in the Agreement to "Agreement", "hereof", "herein", and words of similar import are deemed to be a reference to the Agreement as amended by this Amendment.

4. Counterparts. This Amendment may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which will be deemed to be an original and all of which constitute one agreement that is binding upon each of the parties, notwithstanding that all parties are not signatories to the same counterpart.

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The parties have executed this Amendment as of the date first written above.

**CVR ENERGY, INC.**

By: /s/ Stanley A. Riemann

Name: Stanley A. Riemann

Title: Chief Operating Officer

/s/ John J. Lipinski

John J. Lipinski

[Signature Page for Amendment to Third Amended and Restated Employment Agreement]

**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)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)), 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 subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) 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
  - d) 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

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John J. Lipinski  
*Executive Chairman of CVR GP, LLC,  
the general partner of CVR Partners, LP*

Date: May 2, 2013

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**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)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)), 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 subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) 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
  - d) 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

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

Date: May 2, 2013

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**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, Susan M. Ball, 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)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)), 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 subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) 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
  - d) 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/ SUSAN M. BALL

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Susan M. Ball  
*Chief Financial Officer of CVR GP, LLC,  
the general partner of CVR Partners, LP*

Date: May 2, 2013

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**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 March 31, 2013, 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

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John J. Lipinski  
*Executive Chairman of CVR GP, LLC,  
the general partner of CVR Partners, LP*

Dated: May 2, 2013

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**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 March 31, 2013, 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

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Byron R. Kelley  
*Chief Executive Officer of CVR GP, LLC,  
the general partner of CVR Partners, LP*

Dated: May 2, 2013

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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 March 31, 2013, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Susan M. Ball, 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/ SUSAN M. BALL

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Susan M. Ball  
*Chief Financial Officer of CVR GP, LLC,  
the general partner of CVR Partners, LP*

May 2, 2013

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