

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 September 30, 2012

OR

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

For the transition period from _____ to _____.

Commission file number: 001-35120

CVR Partners, LP

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

56-2677689

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

**2277 Plaza Drive, Suite 500
Sugar Land, Texas**

(Address of principal executive
offices)

77479

(Zip Code)

(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 73,046,498 common units outstanding at November 1, 2012.

CVR Partners, LP and Subsidiary

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GLOSSARY OF SELECTED TERMS

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

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

capacity—Capacity is defined as the throughput a process unit is capable of sustaining, either on a calendar or stream day basis. The throughput may be expressed in terms of maximum sustainable, nameplate or economic capacity. The maximum sustainable or nameplate capacities may not be the most economical. The economic capacity is the throughput that generally provides the greatest economic benefit based on considerations such as feedstock costs, product values and downstream unit constraints.

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.

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

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

feedstocks—Petroleum products, such as crude oil and natural gas liquids, that are processed and blended into refined products, such as gasoline, diesel fuel and jet fuel, which are produced by a refinery.

general partner—CVR GP, LLC, our general partner, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Coffeyville Resources.

Initial Public Offering—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 unit.

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.

spot market—A market in which commodities are bought and sold for cash and delivered immediately.

syngas—Synthesized gas—a mixture of gases (largely carbon monoxide and hydrogen) that results from gasifying carbonaceous feedstock such as pet coke.

Throughput—The volume processed through a unit.

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.

wheat belt—The primary wheat producing region of the United States, which includes Oklahoma, Kansas, North Dakota, South Dakota and Texas.

PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CVR PARTNERS, LP AND SUBSIDIARY
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	September 30, 2012 (unaudited)	December 31, 2011
	(dollars in thousands)	
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 180,291	\$ 236,975
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$91 and \$76, respectively	7,937	9,322
Inventories	29,798	23,255
Prepaid expenses and other current assets including \$337 and \$572 from affiliates at September 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively	2,438	2,311
Total current assets	220,464	271,863
Property, plant, and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	387,309	341,495
Intangible assets, net	32	36
Goodwill	40,969	40,969
Deferred financing cost, net	2,443	3,164
Other long-term assets, including \$1,360 and \$1,495 with affiliates at September 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively	2,025	1,782
Total assets	<u>\$ 653,242</u>	<u>\$ 659,309</u>
LIABILITIES AND PARTNERS' CAPITAL		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable, including \$3,638 and \$2,064 due to affiliates at September 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively	\$ 32,429	\$ 15,869
Personnel accruals, including \$1,450 and \$812 with affiliates at September 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively	4,021	2,744
Deferred revenue	10,372	9,019
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities, including \$508 and \$549 with affiliates at September 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively	12,774	14,822
Total current liabilities	59,596	42,454
Long-term liabilities:		
Long-term debt, net of current portion	125,000	125,000
Other long-term liabilities, including \$473 and \$850 with affiliates at September 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively	2,714	2,366
Total long-term liabilities	127,714	127,366
Commitments and contingencies		
Partners' capital:		
Common unitholders, 73,046,498 and 73,030,936 units issued and outstanding at September 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively	468,945	491,876
General partner's interest	1	1
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(3,014)	(2,388)
Total partners' capital	465,932	489,489
Total liabilities and partners' capital	<u>\$ 653,242</u>	<u>\$ 659,309</u>

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

CVR Partners, LP and Subsidiary
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	(unaudited)			
	(in thousands, except per unit data)			
Net sales	\$ 75,013	\$ 77,203	\$ 234,720	\$ 215,253
Operating costs and expenses:				
Cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)—Affiliates	3,229	3,642	8,751	7,977
Cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)—Third parties	8,068	7,259	25,869	20,161
	<u>11,297</u>	<u>10,901</u>	<u>34,620</u>	<u>28,138</u>
Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)—Affiliates	394	165	1,223	1,013
Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)—Third parties	20,669	19,918	65,201	64,360
	<u>21,063</u>	<u>20,083</u>	<u>66,424</u>	<u>65,373</u>
Insurance recovery—business interruption	—	(490)	—	(3,360)
Selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)—Affiliates	3,863	3,438	12,900	13,085
Selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization)—Third parties	1,213	1,094	5,130	4,443
	<u>5,076</u>	<u>4,532</u>	<u>18,030</u>	<u>17,528</u>
Depreciation and amortization	5,230	4,663	15,826	13,948
Total operating costs and expenses	<u>42,666</u>	<u>39,689</u>	<u>134,900</u>	<u>121,627</u>
Operating income	<u>32,347</u>	<u>37,514</u>	<u>99,820</u>	<u>93,626</u>
Other income (expense):				
Interest expense and other financing costs	(850)	(1,378)	(3,073)	(2,616)
Interest income	60	29	158	58
Other income, net	13	132	47	189
Total other income (expense)	<u>(777)</u>	<u>(1,217)</u>	<u>(2,868)</u>	<u>(2,369)</u>
Income before income tax expense	<u>31,570</u>	<u>36,297</u>	<u>96,952</u>	<u>91,257</u>
Income tax expense	13	12	63	27
Net income	<u>\$ 31,557</u>	<u>\$ 36,285</u>	<u>\$ 96,889</u>	<u>\$ 91,230</u>
Net income subsequent to initial public offering (April 13, 2011 through September 30, 2011)		\$ 36,285		\$ 67,134
Net income per common unit—basic (1)	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.50	\$ 1.32	\$ 0.92
Net income per common unit—diluted (1)	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.50	\$ 1.32	\$ 0.92
Weighted-average common units outstanding:				
Basic	73,045	73,003	73,037	73,002
Diluted	73,191	73,083	73,193	73,065

- (1) The Partnership operated under a different capital structure prior to the closing of its Initial Public Offering on April 13, 2011. As a result, the per unit data for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2011 is calculated since the closing of the offering on April 13, 2011. See Note 8 to the condensed consolidated financial statements.

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

CVR PARTNERS, LP AND SUBSIDIARY

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	(unaudited) (in thousands)			
Net income	\$ 31,557	\$ 36,285	\$ 96,889	\$ 91,230
Other comprehensive income (loss):				
Change in fair value of interest rate swap	(370)	(2,554)	(1,331)	(2,554)
Reclass of gain/loss to income on settlement of interest rate swap	240	142	705	142
Other comprehensive income (loss)	(130)	(2,412)	(626)	(2,412)
Total comprehensive income	<u>\$ 31,427</u>	<u>\$ 33,873</u>	<u>\$ 96,263</u>	<u>\$ 88,818</u>

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

CVR PARTNERS, LP AND SUBSIDIARY
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2012	2011
	(unaudited) (in thousands)	
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 96,889	\$ 91,230
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	15,826	13,948
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(15)	21
Amortization of deferred financing costs	721	458
Loss on disposition of fixed assets	7	631
Share-based compensation—Affiliates	4,886	6,420
Share-based compensation	375	—
Change in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	1,400	(2,582)
Inventories	(6,534)	(5,969)
Insurance receivable	(1,026)	(5,880)
Business interruption insurance proceeds	—	3,360
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(133)	(1,569)
Other long-term assets	(243)	2,812
Accounts payable	7,728	(4,726)
Deferred revenue	1,353	1,890
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	3,804	7,184
Other long-term liabilities	(248)	669
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>124,790</u>	<u>107,897</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Capital expenditures	(57,419)	(10,539)
Insurance proceeds from UAN reactor rupture	1,026	2,745
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(56,393)</u>	<u>(7,794)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	—	125,000
Payment of financing costs	—	(4,825)
Distributions to affiliates	(87,124)	(297,401)
Cash distribution to public unitholders—non-affiliates	(37,839)	(8,988)
Purchase of managing general partner incentive distribution rights	—	(26,000)
Proceeds from issuances of common units, net of offering costs	—	324,880
Redemption of common units	(118)	—
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	<u>(125,081)</u>	<u>112,666</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(56,684)	212,769
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	236,975	42,745
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	<u>\$ 180,291</u>	<u>\$ 255,514</u>
Supplemental disclosures:		
Cash paid for income taxes	\$ 35	\$ 20
Cash paid for interest, net of capitalized interest of \$2,147 and \$946 in 2012 and 2011, respectively	\$ 2,684	\$ 1,630
Non-cash investing and financing activities:		
Accrual of construction in progress additions	\$ 4,209	\$ 2,116

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

CVR PARTNERS, LP AND SUBSIDIARY

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PARTNERS' CAPITAL

	Common Units Issued	Amount	General Partner Interest (unaudited)	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income/(Loss)	Total
(in thousands, except unit data)					
Balance at December 31, 2011	73,030,936	\$ 491,876	\$ 1	\$ (2,388)	\$ 489,489
Cash distributions to Affiliates	—	(87,124)	—	—	(87,124)
Cash distributions to Public Unitholders	—	(37,839)	—	—	(37,839)
Share-based compensation—Affiliates	—	4,886	—	—	4,886
Share-based compensation	—	375	—	—	375
Issuance of units under LTIP—Affiliates	21,159	—	—	—	—
Redemption of common units	(5,597)	(118)	—	—	(118)
Net income	—	96,889	—	—	96,889
Net gains (losses) on interest rate swaps	—	—	—	(626)	(626)
Balance at September 30, 2012	<u>73,046,498</u>	<u>\$ 468,945</u>	<u>\$ 1</u>	<u>\$ (3,014)</u>	<u>\$ 465,932</u>

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

CVR PARTNERS, LP AND SUBSIDIARY

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

September 30, 2012

(unaudited)

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

Organization

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

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

In October 2007, CVR Energy, through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Coffeyville Resources, LLC ("CRLLC"), transferred CRNF, which operated CRLLC's nitrogen fertilizer business, to the Partnership. The Partnership became the sole member of CRNF. In consideration for CRLLC transferring its nitrogen fertilizer business to the Partnership, (1) CRLLC directly acquired a 0.1% limited partner interest in the Partnership, (2) a wholly-owned subsidiary of CRLLC acquired a 99.9% general partner interest in the Partnership, and (3) CVR GP, LLC ("CVR GP"), then owned by CRLLC, acquired a managing general partner interest and incentive distribution rights ("IDRs") of the Partnership. Immediately prior to CVR Energy's initial public offering, CVR Energy sold the managing general partner interest (together with the IDRs) to Coffeyville Acquisition III LLC ("CALLC III"), an entity owned by funds affiliated with Goldman, Sachs & Co. (the "Goldman Sachs Funds") and Kelso & Company, L.P. (the "Kelso Funds") and members of CVR Energy's management team, for its fair market value on the date of sale. CVR Energy initially indirectly owned all of the interests in the Partnership (other than the managing general partner interest and the IDRs) and initially was entitled to all cash distributed by the Partnership.

Initial Public Offering of CVR Partners, LP

On April 13, 2011, CVR Partners completed its initial public offering (the "Initial Public Offering") of 22,080,000 common units priced at \$16.00 per unit (such amount includes common units issued pursuant to the exercise of the underwriters' over-allotment option). The common units trade on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "UAN."

The net proceeds to CVR Partners from the Initial Public Offering (including the net proceeds from the exercise of the underwriters' over-allotment option) were approximately \$324.2 million, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and offering expenses. The net proceeds from the Initial Public Offering were used as follows: approximately \$18.4 million was used to make a distribution to CRLLC in satisfaction of the Partnership's obligation to reimburse CRLLC for certain capital expenditures CRLLC made with respect to the nitrogen fertilizer business prior to October 24, 2007; approximately \$117.1 million was used to make a special distribution to CRLLC in order to, among other things, fund the offer to purchase CRLLC's senior secured notes required upon consummation of the Initial Public Offering; approximately \$26.0 million was used to purchase (and

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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(unaudited)

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

subsequently extinguish) the IDRs owned by the general partner; approximately \$4.8 million was used to pay financing fees and associated legal and professional fees resulting from the new credit facility and the balance was used for or will be used for general partnership purposes, including approximately \$100.0 million to fund the continuation of the UAN expansion at the nitrogen fertilizer plant.

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

Shelf Registration Statement

On August 29, 2012, the Partnership's registration statement on Form S-3 (initially filed on August 17, 2012), was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), enabling CRLLC to offer and sell from time to time, in one or more public offerings or direct placements, up to 50,920,000 common units.

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 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 September 30, 2012.

Pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, for a period of sixty days CVR Energy solicited proposals or offers from third parties to acquire CVR Energy. The sixty day period began on May 24, 2012 and ended on July 23, 2012, without any qualifying offers.

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

September 30, 2012

(unaudited)

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

Operation of Partnership

Subsequent to the closing of the Initial Public Offering, common units held by public security holders represented approximately 30% of the Partnership's outstanding common units and CRLLC held approximately 70% of the Partnership's outstanding common units.

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

The Partnership is operated by 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 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 16 ("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. Additionally, in connection with the Initial Public Offering, the Partnership and CRNF were released from their obligations as guarantors under CRLLC's asset-backed revolving credit facility ("ABL credit facility") and the indentures which govern CRLLC's senior secured notes, as described further in Note 17 ("Commitments and Contingencies") of the Partnership's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011.

(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 16 ("Related Party Transactions") for additional discussion of the services agreement and billing and allocation of certain costs. The amounts charged or allocated to the Partnership are not necessarily indicative of the cost that the Partnership would have incurred had it operated as an independent entity.

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 September 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, the results of operations and comprehensive income of the Partnership for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, the cash flows of the Partnership for the nine months ended

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

September 30, 2012

(unaudited)

(2) Basis of Presentation (Continued)

September 30, 2012 and 2011 and the changes in partners' capital for the Partnership for the nine month period ended September 30, 2012.

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, 2012 or any other interim period.

The Partnership operated under a different capital structure prior to the closing of its Initial Public Offering on April 13, 2011. Per unit data for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 is calculated since the closing of the Partnership's offering on April 13, 2011.

The Partnership has evaluated subsequent events that would require an adjustment to the Partnership's condensed consolidated financial statements or disclosure in the notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements through the date of issuance of the condensed consolidated financial statements. See Note 18 ("Subsequent Events").

(3) Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2011-04, "*Fair Value Measurements (Topic 820): Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRS*," ("ASU 2011-04"). ASU 2011-04 changed the wording used to describe many of the requirements in U.S. GAAP for measuring fair value and for disclosing information about fair value measurements to ensure consistency between U.S. GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). ASU 2011-04 also expanded the disclosures for fair value measurements that are estimated using significant unobservable (Level 3) inputs. This new guidance was to be applied prospectively. ASU 2011-04 is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011. The Partnership adopted this standard on January 1, 2012. The adoption of this standard did not impact the condensed consolidated financial statement footnote disclosures.

In June 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-05, "*Comprehensive Income (ASC Topic 220): Presentation of Comprehensive Income*," ("ASU 2011-05") which amended former comprehensive income guidance. This ASU eliminates the option to present the components of other comprehensive income as part of the statement of shareholders' equity. Instead, the Partnership must report comprehensive income in either a single continuous statement of comprehensive income which contains two sections, net income and other comprehensive income, or in two separate but consecutive statements. ASU 2011-05 was effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011 and was to be applied retrospectively. In December 2011, FASB deferred the effective date of the changes in ASU 2011-05 that related to the presentation of reclassification adjustments to again consider whether to present reclassifications out of accumulated other comprehensive income on the face of the financials. This deferral does not impact the other requirements as of ASU 2011-05. The Partnership adopted this standard on January 1, 2012. The adoption of this standard expanded the Partnership's condensed consolidated financial statements and footnote disclosures.

CVR PARTNERS, LP AND SUBSIDIARY

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

September 30, 2012

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(3) Recent Accounting Pronouncements (Continued)

In December 2011, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2011-11 "Balance Sheet (Topic 210): *Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities*" ("ASU 2011-11"), which required new disclosure standards to allow investors to better compare financial statements prepared under U.S. GAAP with financial statements prepared under IFRS. ASU 2011-11 will be effective for annual periods beginning January 1, 2013 and interim periods within those annual periods. The Partnership believes this standard will expand its 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 are participants in equity compensation plans of CVR Partners' affiliates. Accordingly, CVR Partners has recorded compensation expense for these plans in accordance with Staff Accounting Bulletin, or SAB Topic 1-B "*Allocations of Expenses and Related Disclosures in Financial Statements of Subsidiaries, Divisions or Lesser Business Components of Another Entity*" and in accordance with guidance regarding the accounting for share-based compensation granted to employees of an equity method investee. All compensation expense related to these plans for full-time employees of CVR Partners has been allocated 100% to CVR Partners. For employees covered by the services agreement with CVR Energy, the Partnership records share-based compensation relative to the percentage of time spent by each employee providing services to the Partnership as compared to the total calculated share-based compensation by CVR Energy. The Partnership is not responsible for payment of CVR Energy's share-based compensation and all expense amounts are reflected as an increase or decrease to Partners' Capital.

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

In February 2011, CALLC and CALLC II sold into the public market 11,759,023 shares and 15,113,254 shares, respectively, of CVR Energy's common stock, pursuant to a registered public offering. In May 2011, CALLC sold into the public market 7,988,179 shares of CVR Energy, pursuant to a registered public offering.

As a result, CALLC and CALLC II ceased to be stockholders of CVR Energy. Subsequent to CALLC's and CALLC II's divestiture of ownership interest in CVR Energy, no additional share-based compensation expense was incurred with respect to override units and phantom units after each respective divestiture date. The final fair values of the override units of CALLC and CALLC II were derived based upon the values resulting from the proceeds of each entity's respective divestiture of its ownership in CVR Energy. These values were utilized to determine the related compensation expense for the unvested units.

The final fair value of the CALLC III override units was derived based upon the value resulting from the proceeds received by the managing GP upon the purchase of the IDR's by the Partnership.

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(4) Share-Based Compensation (Continued)

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

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

<u>Award Type</u>	<u>Benchmark Value (per Unit)</u>	<u>Original Awards Issued</u>	<u>Grant Date</u>	<u>Compensation Expense for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011 (in thousands)</u>
Override Value Units(a)	\$ 11.31	1,839,265	June 2005	\$ 1,495
Override Value Units(b)	\$ 34.72	144,966	December 2006	225
Override Units(c)	\$ 10.00	642,219	February 2008	143
			Total	\$ 1,863

Due to the divestiture of all ownership in CVR Energy by CALLC and CALLC II and due to the purchase of the IDRs from CVR GP and the distribution of all proceeds to CALLC III, there was no associated unrecognized compensation expense as of September 30, 2012.

Phantom Unit Plans

CVR Energy, through CRLLC, has two Phantom Unit Appreciation Plans (the "Phantom Unit Plans") whereby directors, employees and service providers were awarded phantom points at the discretion of the board of directors or the compensation committee. Holders of service phantom points had rights to receive distributions when holders of override operating units received distributions. Holders of performance phantom points had rights to receive distributions when holders of override value units in CALLC and CALLC II received distributions. There was no compensation expense for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 related to the Phantom Unit Plans. Compensation expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 related to the Phantom Unit Plans was approximately \$0 and \$2.0 million, respectively. Due to the divestiture of all ownership of CVR Energy by CALLC and CALLC II in 2011, there was no unrecognized compensation expense associated with the Phantom Unit Plans at September 30, 2012.

Long-Term Incentive Plan—CVR Energy

CVR Energy has a Long-Term Incentive Plan ("CVR Energy LTIP") that permits the grant of options, stock appreciation rights, restricted shares, restricted share units, dividend equivalent rights, share awards and performance awards (including performance share units, performance units and performance based restricted stock). As of September 30, 2012, only restricted shares of CVR Energy

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common stock and stock options had been granted under the CVR Energy LTIP. Individuals who are eligible to receive awards and grants under the CVR Energy LTIP include CVR Energy's or its subsidiaries' (including CRNF) employees, officers, consultants and directors.

Restricted Shares

Through the CVR Energy LTIP, shares of restricted common stock have been granted to employees of CVR Energy and CRNF. Restricted shares, when granted, are valued at the closing market price of CVR Energy's common stock on the date of issuance and amortized to compensation expense on a straight-line basis over the vesting period of the common stock. These shares generally vest over a three-year period.

The Transaction Agreement, as discussed in Note 1, triggered a modification to the treatment of outstanding restricted stock awarded under the CVR Energy LTIP. Pursuant to the Transaction Agreement, all restricted stock awards that vest in 2012 will vest in accordance with the current vesting terms, but upon vesting will be converted to a cash award in which the recipient will receive the offer price of \$30 per share in cash plus one CCP. For all such awards that vest in accordance with their terms in 2013, 2014 and 2015, the holders of the awards will receive a cash award equal to the lesser of the offer price or the appraised value of the shares at the time of vesting. As a result of the modification, additional share-based compensation of \$1.9 million was incurred to revalue the unvested shares to the fair value upon the date of modification. For awards vesting subsequent to 2012, 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 September 30, 2012, 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 two years. Inclusion of the vesting table is not considered meaningful due to changes in allocation percentages that occur from time to time. The unrecognized compensation expense has been determined by the number of restricted shares and respective allocation percentage for individuals for whom, as of September 30, 2012, compensation expense has been allocated to the Partnership.

Compensation expense recorded for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, related to the restricted shares, was approximately \$0.6 million and \$0.4 million, respectively. Compensation expense recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, related to the restricted shares, was approximately \$3.6 million and \$1.7 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 CVR Partners', its subsidiaries' and its parent's employees, officers, consultants and directors. The CVR Partners LTIP provides for the grant of options, unit appreciation rights, distribution equivalent rights, restricted units, phantom units and other unit-based awards, each in respect of common units. The maximum number of common units issuable under the CVR Partners LTIP is 5,000,000.

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Through the CVR Partners LTIP, phantom and common units have been awarded to employees of the Partnership and the general partner. Phantom unit awards made to employees 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 made to employees of CRNF are valued on the grant date and amortized over the vesting period. These units generally vest over a three year period. As of September 30, 2012, there was approximately \$1.8 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to the units to be recognized over a weighted-average period of two years. Compensation expense recorded for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 related to the units was approximately \$0.6 million and \$0.5 million, respectively. Compensation expense recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 related to the units was approximately \$1.7 million and \$0.8 million, respectively.

A summary of the CVR Partners LTIP activity during the nine months ended September 30, 2012 is presented below:

	Units	Weighted- Average Grant Date Fair Value
	(in thousands)	
Non-vested at January 1, 2012	164,571	\$ 22.99
Granted	—	—
Vested	(21,159)	20.09
Forfeited	—	—
Non-vested at September 30, 2012	<u>143,412</u>	<u>\$ 23.42</u>

(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.

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(5) Inventories (Continued)

Inventories consisted of the following:

	September 30, 2012	December 31, 2011
	(in thousands)	
Finished goods	\$ 6,947	\$ 6,130
Raw materials and precious metals	4,973	4,578
Parts and supplies	17,878	12,547
	<u>\$ 29,798</u>	<u>\$ 23,255</u>

(6) Property, Plant, and Equipment

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

	September 30, 2012	December 31, 2011
	(in thousands)	
Land and improvements	\$ 2,611	\$ 2,563
Buildings and improvements	1,223	815
Machinery and equipment	399,732	397,433
Automotive equipment	356	391
Furniture and fixtures	262	261
Railcars	2,496	2,496
Construction in progress	110,273	51,410
	<u>\$ 516,953</u>	<u>\$ 455,369</u>
Accumulated depreciation	129,644	113,874
Total net, property, plant and equipment	<u>\$ 387,309</u>	<u>\$ 341,495</u>

Capitalized interest recognized as a reduction of interest expense for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 totaled approximately \$0.9 million and \$0.6 million, respectively. Capitalized interest recognized as a reduction of interest expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 totaled approximately \$2.1 million and \$0.9 million, respectively.

(7) Partners' Capital and Partnership Distributions

In connection with the Initial Public Offering that closed on April 13, 2011, the Partnership's special LP units were converted into common units, the Partnership's special GP units were converted into common units, and the Partnership's special general partner was merged with and into CRLLC, with CRLLC continuing as the surviving entity. In addition, CVR GP sold its IDRs to the Partnership and the IDRs were extinguished, and CALLC III sold CVR GP to CRLLC. Following the Initial Public Offering, the Partnership has two types of partnership interests outstanding:

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

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

At September 30, 2012, the Partnership had a total of 73,046,498 common units issued and outstanding, of which 50,920,000 common units were owned by CRLLC, representing approximately 70% of the total Partnership units outstanding.

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

The following is a summary of cash distributions paid to unitholders during 2012 for the respective quarters to which the distributions relate:

	December 31, 2011	March 31, 2012	June 30, 2012	Total 2012 Distributions to Date
	(\$ in millions except per common units amounts)			
Amount paid CRLLC	\$ 29.9	\$ 26.6	\$ 30.5	\$ 87.1
Amounts paid to public unitholders	13.0	11.6	13.3	37.9
Total amount paid	\$ 42.9	\$ 38.2	\$ 43.8	\$ 125.0
Per common unit	\$ 0.588	\$ 0.523	\$ 0.600	\$ 1.711
Common units outstanding	73,030,936	73,030,936	73,043,356	

See Note 18 ("Subsequent Events") concerning distributions declared on October 26, 2012 for the three month period ended September 30, 2012.

(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 number of days 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 September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
Net income(1)	\$ 31,557	\$ 36,285	\$ 96,889	\$ 67,134
Net income per common unit, basic	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.50	\$ 1.32	\$ 0.92
Net income per common unit, diluted	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.50	\$ 1.32	\$ 0.92
Weighted-average common units outstanding, basic	73,045	73,003	73,037	73,002
Weighted-average common units outstanding, diluted	73,191	73,083	73,193	73,065

- (1) The Partnership operated under a different capital structure prior to the closing of its Initial Public Offering on April 13, 2011. Per unit data for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 is calculated since the closing of the Partnership's offering on April 13, 2011.

(9) Cost Classifications

Cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) includes cost of pet coke expense and freight and distribution expenses. Cost of product sold exclude depreciation and amortization of approximately \$25,000 and \$26,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, cost of product sold exclude depreciation and amortization of approximately \$75,000 and \$26,000, respectively.

Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) includes direct costs of labor, maintenance and services, energy and utility costs, property taxes, and environmental compliance costs, as well as chemical and catalyst and other direct operating expenses. Direct operating expenses also include allocated non-cash share-based compensation expense from CVR Energy and CALLC III, as discussed in Note 4 ("Share-Based Compensation"). Direct operating expenses exclude depreciation and amortization of approximately \$5.2 million and \$4.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, direct operating expenses exclude depreciation and amortization of approximately \$15.7 million and \$13.9 million, respectively.

Selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) consist primarily of direct and allocated legal, treasury, accounting, marketing, human resources and the cost of maintaining the corporate offices in Texas and Kansas. Selling, general and administrative expenses also include allocated non-cash share-based compensation expense from CVR Energy and CALLC III, as discussed in Note 4 ("Share-Based Compensation"). Selling, general and administrative expenses exclude depreciation and amortization, which amounts are nominal for all of the periods presented.

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(10) Accrued Expenses and Other Current Liabilities

Accrued expenses and other current liabilities were as follows:

	September 30, 2012	December 31, 2011
	(in thousands)	
Property taxes	\$ 10,533	\$ 7,025
Capital asset and dismantling obligation	—	4,187
Other current liabilities (interest rate swap)	828	905
Accrued interest	552	885
Other accrued expenses and liabilities(1)	861	1,820
	<u>\$ 12,774</u>	<u>\$ 14,822</u>

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

(11) Nitrogen Fertilizer Incident

On September 30, 2010, the nitrogen fertilizer plant experienced an interruption in operations due to a rupture of a high-pressure UAN vessel. Total costs due to the incident were approximately \$11.5 million for repairs and maintenance and other associated costs, of which approximately \$4.7 million was capitalized. Approximately \$0.1 million and \$0.8 million of these costs were recognized during the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively, and are included in direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization). Amounts recognized for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 were not material.

Approximately \$8.0 million of insurance proceeds were received under the property damage insurance claim related to this incident. Approximately \$1.0 million and \$2.5 million of these proceeds were received during the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively. Approximately \$1.0 million and \$2.7 million of these proceeds were received during the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively. The recording of the insurance proceeds resulted in a reduction of direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) when received.

Total proceeds received for insurance indemnity under the business interruption insurance policy related to the incident were approximately \$3.4 million, of which approximately \$0.5 million and \$3.4 million was reported for the three and nine months ending September 30, 2011, respectively. Business interruption insurance proceeds were included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations under Insurance recovery-business interruption.

As of September 30, 2012, all property damage and business interruption claims have been fully settled with all claims closed.

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(12) 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 September 30, 2012. There is no scheduled amortization and the credit facility matures in April 2016. The revolving credit facility will be used to finance on-going working capital, capital expenditures, letters of credit issuances and general needs of the Partnership. The Partnership, upon the closing of the credit facility, made a special distribution to CRLLC of approximately \$87.2 million in order to, among other things, fund the offer to purchase CRLLC's senior secured notes required upon consummation of the Initial Public Offering.

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 September 30, 2012, CRNF was in compliance with the covenants contained in the credit facility.

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

(13) 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 12 ("Credit Facility").

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(13) Interest Rate Swap (Continued)

The aggregate notional amount covered under these agreements totals \$62.5 million (split evenly between the two agreement dates) and commenced on August 12, 2011 and expires on February 12, 2016. Under the terms of the interest rate swap agreement entered into on June 30, 2011, CRNF receives a floating rate based on three month LIBOR and pays a fixed rate of 1.94%. Under the terms of the interest rate swap agreement entered into on July 1, 2011, CRNF receives a floating rate based on three month LIBOR and pays a fixed rate of 1.975%. Both swap agreements will be settled every 90 days. The effect of these swap agreements is to lock in a fixed rate of interest of approximately 1.96% plus the applicable margin paid to lenders over three month LIBOR as calculated under the credit facility. At September 30, 2012, the effective rate was approximately 4.59%. The agreements were designated as cash flow hedges at inception and accordingly, the effective portion of the unrealized 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 realized loss on the interest rate swap reclassified from AOCI into interest expense was \$0.2 million and \$0.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively. The realized loss on the interest rate swap reclassified from AOCI into interest expense was \$0.7 million and \$0.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

(14) 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.

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(15) 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)	
Three months ending December 31, 2012	\$ 1,521	\$ 5,675
Year ending December 31, 2013	6,019	28,882
Year ending December 31, 2014	4,660	23,229
Year ending December 31, 2015	4,181	22,782
Year ending December 31, 2016	3,840	23,317
Thereafter	8,206	207,195
	<u>\$ 28,427</u>	<u>\$ 311,080</u>

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

CRNF leases various equipment and facilities, including railcars, under long-term operating leases which expire on various dates. Lease expense for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 totaled approximately \$1.1 million and \$1.0 million, respectively. Lease expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 totaled approximately \$3.2 million and \$2.9 million, respectively. The lease agreements have various remaining terms. Some agreements are renewable, at CRNF's option, for additional periods. It is expected, in the ordinary course of business, that leases will be renewed or replaced as they expire. Additionally, in the normal course of business, the Partnership has long-term commitments to purchase raw materials, electricity and storage and handling services.

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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 due to uncertainties inherent in litigation and settlement negotiations. In the opinion of management, the ultimate resolution of any 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 reassessed CRNF's nitrogen fertilizer plant and classified the nitrogen fertilizer plant as almost entirely real property instead of almost entirely personal property. The reassessment 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 December 31, 2009, \$11.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2010 and \$11.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. CRNF did not agree with the county's classification of its nitrogen fertilizer plant and protested the classification and resulting valuation for each of those years to the Kansas Court of Tax Appeals, or COTA. However, CRNF has fully accrued and paid the property taxes the county claims are owed for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010, 2009 and 2008 and has estimated and accrued for property tax for the first nine months of 2012. This property tax expense is reflected as a direct operating expense in the financial results. In February, 2011, CRNF tried the 2008 case to COTA and in January 2012, COTA issued its decision holding that CRNF's fertilizer plant was almost entirely real property instead of almost entirely personal property. CRNF disagreed with the ruling and filed a petition for reconsideration with COTA (which was denied) and then filed an appeal to the Kansas Court of Appeals. CRNF is also protesting the valuation of the CRNF fertilizer plant for tax years 2009 through 2012, which cases remain pending before COTA. If CRNF is successful in having the nitrogen fertilizer plant reclassified as personal property, in whole or in part, then a portion of the accrued and paid property tax expenses would be refunded to CRNF, which could have a material positive effect on the results of operations. If CRNF is not successful in having the nitrogen fertilizer plant reclassified as personal property, in whole or in part, then CRNF expects that it will continue to pay property taxes at elevated rates.

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

CRNF is subject to various stringent federal, state, and local EHS rules and regulations. Liabilities related to EHS matters are recognized when the related costs are probable and can be reasonably estimated. Estimates of these costs are based upon currently available facts, existing technology, site-specific costs, and currently enacted laws and regulations. In reporting EHS liabilities, no offset is

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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 September 30, 2012 and 2011 were approximately \$64,000 and \$12,000, respectively. EHS capital expenditures for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 were approximately \$0.3 million 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 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.

(16) Related Party Transactions

Registration Rights Agreement

On August 29, 2012, the Partnership's registration statement on Form S-3 (initially filed on August 17, 2012) was declared effective by the SEC, enabling CRLLC to offer and sell from time to time, in one or more public offerings or direct placements, up to 50,920,000 common units. For the three months ended September 30, 2012, the Partnership recognized approximately \$0.4 million in expenses related to this registration statement 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 the registration statement.

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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. The agreements are described as in effect at September 30, 2012. 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.

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 (hydrogen determined not to be needed to meet the current anticipated operational requirements of the facility transferring the 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 September 30, 2012 and 2011, the net sales generated from the sale of hydrogen to CRRM were approximately \$0.3 million and \$5.7 million, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, the net sales generated from the sale of hydrogen to CRRM were approximately \$6.0 million and \$11.8 million, respectively. For the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, CVR Partners also recognized \$0.1 million and \$ 0.3 million of cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) related to the transfer of excess hydrogen from the refinery, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, CVR Partners also recognized \$0.2 million and \$1.0 million of cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) related to the transfer of excess hydrogen from the refinery, respectively. At September 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, there were approximately \$0 and \$0.1 million, 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. Payables of \$0.1 million and \$0 related to the purchase of hydrogen were included in accounts payable on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets at September 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively.

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The agreement provides that both parties must deliver high-pressure steam to one another under certain circumstances. Net reimbursed or (paid) direct operating expenses recorded during the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 were approximately \$2,000 and \$(25,000), respectively, related to high-pressure steam. Net reimbursed or (paid) direct operating expenses recorded during the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 were approximately \$(42,000) and \$(0.2) million, 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 September 30, 2012 and 2011 were approximately \$0.4 million and \$0.3 million, respectively. Reimbursed direct operating expenses associated with nitrogen for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 were approximately \$1.3 million and \$1.0 million, respectively. No amounts were paid by CRNF to CRRM for any of the years.

The feedstock and shared services 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 stream. For the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, there were net sales of approximately \$23,000 and \$5,000 generated from the sale of tail gas to CRRM. For the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, there were net sales of approximately \$57,000 and \$45,000, 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 has agreed to pay CRRM the cost of installing the pipe over the next three years and to provide an additional 15% to cover the cost of capital in the fourth year. At September 30, 2012, there was an asset of approximately \$0.2 million included in other current assets, approximately \$1.4 million included in other non-current assets, an offset liability of approximately \$0.5 million in other current liabilities and approximately \$0.5 million of other non-current liabilities in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet.

CRNF also provided finished product tank capacity to CRRM under the agreement. Approximately \$0 and \$0.1 million was reimbursed by CRRM for the use of tank capacity for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively. Approximately \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million was reimbursed by CRRM for the use of tank capacity for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively. This reimbursement was recorded as a reduction to direct operating expenses.

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

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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 September 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, receivables of \$0.1 million and \$0.3 million, respectively, were included in prepaid expenses and other current assets on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets associated with amounts yet to be received related to components of the feedstock and shared services agreement other than amounts related to hydrogen sales. At September 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, payables of \$0.3 million and \$0.3 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 the Partnership 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. The pet coke price index refers to a global petroleum publication that contains regional pricing information.

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 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

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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 \$2.5 million and \$3.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, cost of pet coke associated with the transfer of pet coke from CRRM to CRNF was approximately \$7.8 million and \$7.0 million, respectively. Payables of \$0.9 million and \$1.0 million related to the coke supply agreement were included in accounts payable on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets at September 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively.

Terminal Operating and Lease Agreement

On May 4, 2012, CRNF entered into an operating and lease agreement with Coffeyville Resources Terminal, LLC ("CRT"), pursuant to which CRNF leases certain premises from CRT located at Phillipsburg, Kansas to be utilized as a UAN terminal. CRT also operates the terminal on behalf of CRNF. The agreement has an initial term of 20 years and will automatically be extended for successive five year renewal periods; provided, CRNF may terminate the agreement at any time by providing 180 days' prior written notice. CRNF pays 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 both the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, expense incurred related to the terminal agreement totaled approximately \$12,000.

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 September 30, 2012 and 2011, expense incurred related to the use of the office and laboratory space totalled approximately \$26,000 and \$25,000, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, expense incurred related to the use of the office and laboratory space totalled approximately \$78,000 and \$76,000, respectively. There were no unpaid amounts with respect to the lease agreement as of September 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, 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

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hazardous materials and violations of environmental laws that are a result of or caused by the indemnifying party's actions or business operations. This obligation extends to indemnification for liabilities arising out of off-site disposal of certain hazardous materials. Indemnification 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 are 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

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- 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.

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', but not more than one year's notice. Furthermore, the Partnership's general partner may terminate the agreement immediately if CVR Energy becomes bankrupt or dissolves or commences liquidation or winding-up procedures.

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

Net amounts incurred under the services agreement for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 were approximately \$2.4 million and \$2.5 million, respectively. Of these charges approximately \$1.7 million and \$2.1 million, respectively, were included in selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization). In addition, \$0.7 million and \$0.5 million, respectively, are included in direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization). Net amounts incurred under the services agreement for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 were approximately \$7.5 million and \$7.9 million, respectively. Of these charges approximately \$5.2 million and \$6.4 million, respectively, are included in selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization). In addition, \$2.3 million and \$1.4 million, respectively, were included in direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization). For services performed in connection with the services agreement, the Partnership recognized personnel costs of \$0.8 million and \$1.1 million, respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011. For services performed in connection with the services agreement, the Partnership recognized personnel costs of \$2.4 million and \$3.7 million, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011. At September 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, payables

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of \$2.3 million and \$0.7 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 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 executive officers at the general partner 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 by the

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unitholders. 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 incurred for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 approximately \$1.1 million and \$0.5 million, respectively, pursuant to the partnership agreement for personnel costs related to the compensation of executives at the general partner, who manage the Partnership's business. For the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, approximately \$3.0 million and \$0.7 million were incurred related to amounts due for reimbursement, respectively. At September 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, payables of \$1.4 million and \$0.8 million, respectively, were included in personnel accruals related to personnel costs on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets with respect to amounts outstanding in accordance with the limited partnership agreement.

Distributions to CRLLC

The Partnership distributed \$30.5 million and \$87.1 million to CRLLC during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, respectively, as regular distributions on CRLLC's ownership of common units. The Partnership made cash distributions of approximately \$276.7 million to CRLLC prior to and at the time of the Partnership's Initial Public Offering.

Railcar Lease Agreement

Since March 2009, the Partnership has leased 200 railcars from American Railcar Leasing LLC, a company controlled by Mr. Carl Icahn, CVR Energy's majority stockholder. The agreement is scheduled to expire on March 31, 2014. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, \$0.3 million and \$0.8 million, respectively, of rent expense was recorded related to this agreement. These amounts are included in cost of product sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Icahn Sourcing

Icahn Sourcing, LLC ("Icahn Sourcing") is an entity formed and controlled by Carl C. 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. The Partnership is a member of the buying group and, as such, is afforded the opportunity to purchase goods, services and property from vendors with whom Icahn Sourcing has negotiated rates and terms. Icahn Sourcing does not guarantee that the Partnership will purchase any goods, services or property from any such vendors and the Partnership is under no obligation to do so. The Partnership does not pay Icahn Sourcing any fees or other amounts with respect to the buying group arrangement. The Partnership may purchase a variety of goods and services as members of the buying group at prices

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and terms that the Partnership believes would be more favorable than those which could be achieved on a stand-alone basis.

(17) Fair Value of Financial Instruments

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

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

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

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

The following table sets forth the assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis, by input level, as of September 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011.

	September 30, 2012			Total
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
	(in thousands)			
<i>Location and Description</i>				
Cash equivalents (money market account)	\$ 158,180	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 158,180
Other current assets (marketable securities)	—	—	—	—
Total Assets	\$ 158,180	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 158,180
Other current liabilities (interest rate swap)	\$ —	\$ 828	\$ —	\$ 828
Other long-term liabilities (interest rate swap)	\$ —	\$ 2,186	\$ —	\$ 2,186
Total Liabilities	\$ —	\$ 3,014	\$ —	\$ 3,014
Accumulated other comprehensive loss (interest rate swap)	\$ —	\$ 3,014	\$ —	\$ 3,014

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Location and Description	December 31, 2011			Total
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
	(in thousands)			
Cash equivalents (money market account)	\$ 160,030	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 160,030
Other current assets (marketable securities)	—	—	—	—
Total Assets	\$ 160,030	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 160,030
Other current liabilities (interest rate swap)	\$ —	\$ 905	\$ —	\$ 905
Other long-term liabilities (interest rate swap)	\$ —	\$ 1,483	\$ —	\$ 1,483
Total Liabilities	\$ —	\$ 2,388	\$ —	\$ 2,388
Accumulated other comprehensive loss (interest rate swap)	\$ —	\$ 2,388	\$ —	\$ 2,388

As of September 30, 2012 and December 31, 2011, the only financial assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis are the Partnership's money market accounts and derivative instruments. The carrying value of the Partnership's debt approximates fair value. The Partnership has an interest rate swap that is measured at fair value on a recurring basis using Level 2 inputs (see Note 13 "Interest Rate Swap"). The Partnership had no transfers of assets or liabilities between any of the above levels during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012.

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.

(18) Subsequent Events

Distribution

On October 26, 2012, the Board of Directors of the Partnership's general partner declared a cash distribution for the third quarter of 2012 to the Partnership's unitholders of \$0.496 per unit. The cash distribution will be paid on November 14, 2012 to unitholders of record at the close of business on November 7, 2012.

Turnaround

The nitrogen fertilizer facility's previously scheduled major turnaround began on October 3, 2012, with ammonia production resuming on October 23, 2012 and UAN production resuming on October 25, 2012. Operating income is impacted negatively by both the expenses associated with the scheduled turnaround and the lost revenue the Partnership would have generated had the nitrogen fertilizer plant not been shut down. Turnaround expenses are recognized as incurred as a component of direct operating expenses. As of September 30, 2012, \$0.2 million of turnaround expenses had been incurred. It is estimated that approximately \$4.7 million of expenses were incurred in October 2012 associated with the turnaround.

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

The following discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the condensed consolidated financial statements and related notes and with the statistical information and financial data appearing in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2012, as well as the Partnership's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011 and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on February 23, 2012. Results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012 are not necessarily indicative of results to be attained for any other period.

Forward-Looking Statements

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

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

Although we believe that our plans, intentions and expectations reflected in or suggested by the forward-looking statements we make in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, including this Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, are reasonable, we can give no assurance that such plans, intentions or expectations will be achieved. These statements are based on assumptions made by us based on our experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions, expected future developments and other factors that we believe are appropriate in the circumstances. Such statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond our control. You are cautioned that any such statements are not guarantees of future performance and actual results or developments may differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements as a result of various factors, including but not limited to those set forth under "Risk Factors" in the Partnership's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011, in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2012 and in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 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;
- adverse weather conditions, including potential floods and other natural disasters;
- the seasonal nature of our business;
- the dependence of our operations on a few third-party suppliers, including providers of transportation services and equipment;
- our reliance on pet coke that we purchase from CVR Energy;

- the supply and price levels of essential raw materials;
- the risk of a material decline in production at our nitrogen fertilizer plant;
- potential operating hazards from accidents, fire, severe weather, floods or other natural disasters;
- the risk associated with governmental policies affecting the agricultural industry;
- competition in the nitrogen fertilizer 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 existing and future regulations related to 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 evaluations of internal controls required by Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act;
- risks relating to our relationships with CVR Energy, including the effect of a change of control at CVR Energy;
- 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 Form 10-Q speak only as of the date of this document. We undertake no obligation to update or revise publicly any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances that occur after the date of this Form 10-Q, or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

Partnership Overview

Overview

We are a Delaware limited partnership formed by CVR Energy, Inc. to own, operate and grow our nitrogen fertilizer business. Strategically located adjacent to CVR Energy's refinery in Coffeyville, Kansas, our nitrogen fertilizer manufacturing facility is the only operation in North America that utilizes a petroleum coke, or pet coke, gasification process to produce nitrogen fertilizer. Our facility includes a 1,225 ton-per-day ammonia unit, a 2,025 ton-per-day UAN unit, and a gasifier complex

having a capacity of 84 million standard cubic feet per day 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. We upgrade a majority of the ammonia we produce to higher margin UAN fertilizer, an aqueous solution of urea and ammonium nitrate that has historically commanded a premium price over ammonia. In 2011, we produced 411,189 tons of ammonia, of which approximately 72% was upgraded into 714,130 tons of UAN. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, we produced 104,161 and 302,339 tons of ammonia, respectively, of which approximately 72% and 70%, respectively, was upgraded into 181,861 and 516,465 tons of UAN, respectively.

We are expanding our existing asset base and utilizing the experience of our and CVR Energy's management teams to execute our growth strategy, which includes expanding 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%, per year, is underway which is anticipated to be completed by January 1, 2013. CVR Energy, a New York Stock Exchange listed company, which indirectly owns our general partner and approximately 70% of our outstanding common units, 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 used in our nitrogen fertilizer production process is pet coke, which is produced during the crude oil refining process. In contrast, substantially all of our nitrogen fertilizer competitors use natural gas as their primary raw material feedstock. Historically, pet coke has been significantly less expensive than natural gas on a per ton of fertilizer produced basis, and pet coke prices have been more stable when compared to natural gas prices. We currently purchase most of our pet coke from CVR Energy pursuant to a long-term agreement having an initial term that ends in 2027, subject to renewal. During the past five years, over 70% of the pet coke utilized by our plant was produced and supplied by CVR Energy's crude oil refinery.

Initial Public Offering

On April 13, 2011, we completed our Initial Public Offering, pursuant to which 22,080,000 common units, representing approximately 30% of the Partnership's common units, were sold to the public at a price of \$16.00 per common unit. The net proceeds to CVR Partners from the Initial Public Offering were approximately \$324.2 million, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and offering expenses. The net proceeds from the Initial Public Offering were used as follows: approximately \$18.4 million was used to make a distribution to CRLLC in satisfaction of the Partnership's obligation to reimburse CRLLC for certain capital expenditures it made on our behalf; approximately \$117.1 million was used to make a special distribution to CRLLC in order to, among other things, fund the offer to purchase CRLLC's senior secured notes required upon consummation of the Initial Public Offering; approximately \$26.0 million was used to purchase (and subsequently extinguish) the incentive distribution rights, or IDRs, owned by our general partner; approximately \$4.8 million was used to pay financing fees and associated legal and professional fees resulting from our new credit facility; and the balance was used for or will be used for general partnership purposes, including approximately \$100.0 million to fund our UAN expansion.

Shelf Registration Statement

On August 29, 2012, the Partnership's registration statement on Form S-3 (initially filed on August 17, 2012), was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), enabling CRLLC to offer and sell from time to time, in one or more public offerings or direct placements, up to 50,920,000 common units.

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 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, the 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 82.0% of the Shares of CVR Energy as of September 30, 2012.

Major Influences on Results of Operations

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

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

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

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

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 2011, approximately 56% of the corn planted in the United States was grown within a \$40/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 currently do not incur significant intermediate transfer, storage, barge freight or pipeline freight charges. We estimate that our plant enjoys a transportation cost advantage of approximately \$25 per ton over competitors located in the U.S. Gulf Coast. Selling products to customers within economic rail transportation limits of the nitrogen fertilizer plant and keeping transportation costs low are keys to maintaining profitability.

The value of nitrogen fertilizer products is also an important consideration in understanding our results. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012, we upgraded approximately 72% and 70%, respectively, of our ammonia production into UAN, a product that presently generates a greater value than ammonia. During 2011, we upgraded approximately 72% of our ammonia production into UAN. UAN production is a major contributor to our profitability.

The high fixed cost of our direct operating expense structure also directly affects our profitability. Our facility's pet coke gasification process results in a significantly higher percentage of fixed costs than a natural gas-based fertilizer plant. Major fixed operating expenses include electrical energy, employee labor, maintenance, including contract labor, and outside services. These fixed costs averaged approximately 87% of direct operating expenses over the 24 months ended September 30, 2012.

Our largest raw material expense is pet coke, which we purchase from CRRM and third parties. For the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, we spent approximately \$3.8 million and \$5.6 million, respectively, for pet coke, which equaled an average cost per ton of \$30 and \$43, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, we spent approximately \$12.9 million and \$11.6 million, respectively, for pet coke, which equaled an average cost per ton of \$34 and \$30, respectively. If pet coke prices rise substantially in the future, we may be unable to increase our prices to recover increased raw material costs, because the price floor for nitrogen fertilizer products is generally correlated with natural gas prices, the primary raw material used by our competitors, and not pet coke prices.

Consistent, safe, and reliable operations at our nitrogen fertilizer plant are critical to our financial performance and results of operations. Unplanned downtime of the plant may result in lost margin opportunity, increased maintenance expense and a temporary increase in working capital investment and related inventory position. The financial impact of planned downtime, such as major turnaround maintenance, is mitigated through a diligent planning process that takes into account margin environment, the availability of resources to perform the needed maintenance, feedstock logistics and other factors. The nitrogen fertilizer plant generally undergoes a facility turnaround every two years. The turnaround generally lasts between 13 and 15 days each turnaround year and costs approximately \$3.0 million to \$5.0 million per turnaround. The nitrogen fertilizer plant underwent a turnaround in the fourth quarter of 2012, as discussed further below.

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.

2012 Turnaround

Our nitrogen fertilizer plant undergoes a planned maintenance turnaround every two years. Turnarounds are a standard procedure that involves a planned shutdown and inspection of our major processing units in order to refurbish, repair and maintain our units as needed. Turnarounds are required to mitigate other unplanned shutdowns that could greatly impact operations if a diligent planned maintenance does not occur as needed. Turnaround expenses are expensed when incurred in direct operating expenses. Operating income is impacted negatively by both the expenses associated with the scheduled turnaround and the lost revenue we would have generated had the nitrogen fertilizer plant not been shut down. The downtime associated with the turnaround will have a significant unfavorable impact to our revenue for the fourth quarter of 2012. We began a turnaround on October 3, 2012, with ammonia production resuming on October 23, 2012 and UAN production resuming on October 25, 2012. The total 2012 turnaround expense is estimated at approximately \$4.9 million, of which \$0.2 million was recognized in the quarter ended September 30, 2012. The remaining turnaround expenses will be recognized in the fourth quarter of 2012.

September 2010 UAN Vessel Rupture

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

Total gross costs related to the incident were approximately \$11.5 million for repairs and maintenance and other associated costs. Of the costs incurred, approximately \$4.7 million were capitalized. Approximately \$8.0 million of insurance proceeds were received related to the property damage insurance claim. The Partnership received approximately \$4.3 million in 2010, approximately \$2.7 million in 2011 and approximately \$1.0 million in 2012 related to the property damage insurance claim. We also recognized income of approximately \$3.4 million during 2011 from insurance proceeds received related to our business interruption policy. As of September 30, 2012, the Partnership had received the final insurance payments under applicable insurance policies and those insurance policy claims are closed.

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 reassessed CRNF's nitrogen fertilizer plant and classified the nitrogen fertilizer plant as almost entirely real property instead of almost entirely personal property. The reassessment 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 December 31, 2009, \$11.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2010 and \$11.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. CRNF did not agree with the county's classification of its nitrogen fertilizer plant and protested the classification and resulting valuation for each of those years to the Kansas Court of Tax Appeals, or COTA. However, CRNF has fully accrued and paid the property taxes the county claims are owed for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010, 2009 and 2008 and has estimated and accrued for property tax for the first nine months of 2012. This property tax expense is reflected as a direct operating expense in the financial results. In February, 2011, CRNF tried the 2008 case to COTA and in January 2012, COTA issued its decision holding that CRNF's fertilizer plant was almost entirely real property instead of almost entirely personal property. CRNF disagreed with the ruling and filed a petition for reconsideration with COTA (which was denied) and then filed an appeal to the Kansas Court of Appeals. CRNF is also protesting the valuation of the CRNF fertilizer plant for tax years 2009 through 2012, which cases remain pending before COTA. If CRNF is successful in having the nitrogen fertilizer plant reclassified as personal property, in whole or in part, then a portion of the

accrued and paid property tax expenses would be refunded to CRNF, which could have a material positive effect on the results of operations. If CRNF is not successful in having the nitrogen fertilizer plant reclassified as personal property, in whole or in part, then CRNF expects that it will continue to pay property taxes at elevated rates.

Distributions to Unitholders

It is our policy to make cash distributions of all available cash we generate each quarter. Available cash for each quarter will be determined by the board of directors of our general partner following the end of such quarter and will generally equal our cash flow from operations for the quarter, less cash needed for maintenance capital expenditures, debt service and other contractual obligations and reserves for future operating or capital needs that the board of directors of our general partner deems necessary or appropriate. Additionally, the Partnership also retains the cash on hand associated with prepaid sales at each quarter end, which is recorded on the balance sheet as deferred revenue, for future distributions to common unitholders as it is recognized into income. The board of directors of our general partner may modify our cash distribution policy at any time, and our partnership agreement does not require us to make distributions at all.

Credit Facility

On April 13, 2011, CRNF, as borrower, and the Partnership, as guarantor, entered into a credit facility with a group of lenders. The credit facility includes a term loan facility of \$125.0 million and a revolving credit facility of \$25.0 million with an uncommitted incremental facility of up to \$50.0 million. There is no scheduled amortization and the credit facility matures in April 2016. The average interest rate for the term loan for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 was 3.94%. See Note 12 to our financial statements for more information regarding the credit facility. In periods prior to the Initial Public Offering, we did not incur interest expense.

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 by using interest rate derivatives to convert some or all of the interest rates we pay for our \$125.0 million of term loan borrowings from a floating rate to a fixed rate.

On June 30 and July 1, 2011, CRNF entered into two Interest Rate Swap agreements with J. Aron; the Interest Rate Swap agreements commenced on August 12, 2011. We have determined that the Interest Rate Swaps qualify as a hedge for hedge accounting treatment. The impact recorded for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 was \$0.2 million and \$0.1 million, respectively, in interest expense. For the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, interest expense was \$0.7 million and \$0.1 million, respectively. For the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 the Partnership recorded a decrease in fair market value on the Interest Rate Swap agreements of \$0.1 million and \$2.4 million, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 the Partnership recorded a decrease in fair market value on the Interest Rate Swap agreements of \$0.6 million and \$2.4 million, respectively.

Results of Operations

The following tables summarize the financial data and key operating statistics for CVR Partners and our operating subsidiary for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011. The following data should be read in conjunction with our condensed consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included elsewhere in this Form 10-Q. All information in "Management's Discussion

and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," except for the balance sheet data as of December 31, 2011, is unaudited.

	Three Months Ended		Change from 2011	
	September 30, 2012	2011	Change	Percent
(in millions, except per unit amount)				
Consolidated Statements of Operations Data				
Net sales	\$ 75.0	\$ 77.2	\$ (2.2)	(2.8)%
Cost of product sold—Affiliates(1)	3.2	3.6	(0.4)	(11.1)
Cost of product sold—Third Parties(1)	8.1	7.3	0.8	11.0
	<u>11.3</u>	<u>10.9</u>	<u>0.4</u>	<u>3.7</u>
Direct operating expenses—Affiliates(1)	0.4	0.2	0.2	100.0
Direct operating expenses—Third Parties(1)	20.7	19.9	0.8	4.0
	<u>21.1</u>	<u>20.1</u>	<u>1.0</u>	<u>5.0</u>
Insurance recovery—business interruption	—	(0.5)	0.5	(100.0)
Selling, general and administrative expenses—Affiliates(1)	3.9	3.4	0.5	14.7
Selling, general and administrative expenses—Third Parties(1)	1.2	1.1	0.1	9.1
	<u>5.1</u>	<u>4.5</u>	<u>0.6</u>	<u>13.3</u>
Depreciation and amortization(2)	5.2	4.7	0.5	10.6
Operating income	<u>\$ 32.3</u>	<u>\$ 37.5</u>	<u>\$ (5.2)</u>	<u>(13.9)</u>
Interest expense and other financing costs	(0.9)	(1.4)	0.5	(35.7)
Interest income	0.1	—	0.1	—
Other income (expense)	0.1	0.2	(0.1)	(50.0)
Total other income (expense)	<u>(0.7)</u>	<u>(1.2)</u>	<u>0.5</u>	<u>(41.7)</u>
Income before income tax expense	<u>31.6</u>	<u>36.3</u>	<u>(4.7)</u>	<u>(12.9)</u>
Income tax expense	—	—	—	—
Net income	<u>\$ 31.6</u>	<u>\$ 36.3</u>	<u>\$ (4.7)</u>	<u>(12.9)%</u>
EBITDA(3)	<u>\$ 37.6</u>	<u>\$ 42.4</u>	<u>\$ (4.8)</u>	<u>(11.3)%</u>
Adjusted EBITDA(3)	<u>\$ 39.0</u>	<u>\$ 43.3</u>	<u>\$ (4.3)</u>	<u>(9.9)%</u>
Available cash for distribution(4)(5)	<u>\$ 36.2</u>	<u>\$ 41.8</u>		
Reconciliation of net sales (in millions):				
Sales net plant gate	\$ 68.2	\$ 65.5		
Freight in revenue	6.5	6.0		
Hydrogen and other gases revenue	0.3	5.7		
Total net sales	<u>\$ 75.0</u>	<u>\$ 77.2</u>		

	Nine Months Ended September 30,		Change from 2011	
	2012	2011	Change	Percent
(in millions, except per unit amount)				
Consolidated Statements of Operations Data				
Net sales	\$ 234.7	\$ 215.3	\$ 19.4	9.0%
Cost of product sold—Affiliates(1)	8.7	8.0	0.7	8.8
Cost of product sold—Third Parties(1)	25.9	20.2	5.7	28.2
	<u>34.6</u>	<u>28.2</u>	<u>6.4</u>	<u>22.7</u>
Direct operating expenses—Affiliates(1)	1.2	1.0	0.2	20.0
Direct operating expenses—Third Parties(1)	65.2	64.4	0.8	1.2
	<u>66.4</u>	<u>65.4</u>	<u>1.0</u>	<u>1.5</u>
Insurance recovery—business interruption	—	(3.4)	3.4	(100.0)
Selling, general and administrative expenses—Affiliates(1)	12.9	13.1	(0.2)	(1.5)
Selling, general and administrative expenses—Third Parties(1)	5.2	4.5	0.7	15.6
	<u>18.1</u>	<u>17.6</u>	<u>0.5</u>	<u>2.8</u>
Depreciation and amortization(2)	15.8	13.9	1.9	13.7
Operating income	\$ 99.8	\$ 93.6	\$ 6.2	6.6
Interest expense and other financing costs	(3.1)	(2.6)	(0.5)	19.2
Interest income	0.2	0.1	0.1	100.0
Other income (expense)	0.1	0.1	—	—
Total other income (expense)	<u>(2.8)</u>	<u>(2.4)</u>	<u>(0.4)</u>	<u>16.7</u>
Income before income tax expense	97.0	91.2	5.8	6.4
Income tax expense	0.1	—	0.1	—
Net income	\$ 96.9	\$ 91.2	\$ 5.7	6.3%
EBITDA(3)	\$ 115.7	\$ 107.6	\$ 8.1	7.5%
Adjusted EBITDA(3)	\$ 121.1	\$ 114.0	\$ 7.1	6.2%
Available cash for distribution(4)(5)	\$ 118.3	\$ 71.5		
Reconciliation of net sales (in millions):				
Sales net plant gate	\$ 211.1	\$ 187.3		
Freight in revenue	17.6	16.1		
Hydrogen and other gases revenue	6.0	11.9		
Total net sales	<u>\$ 234.7</u>	<u>\$ 215.3</u>		

	As of September 30, 2012	As of December 31, 2011 (audited)
	(in millions)	
Balance Sheet Data		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 180.3	\$ 237.0
Working capital	160.9	229.4
Total assets	653.2	659.3
Total debt	125.0	125.0
Partners' Capital	465.9	489.5

Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
2012	2011	2012	2011

(in millions)

Cash Flow and Other Data

Net cash flow provided by (used in):

Operating activities	\$ 44.9	\$ 57.7	\$ 124.8	\$ 107.9
Investing activities	(17.2)	(2.0)	(56.4)	(7.8)
Financing activities	(43.8)	(30.0)	(125.1)	112.7
Net cash flow	\$ (16.1)	\$ 25.7	\$ (56.7)	\$ 212.8
Capital expenditures	\$ 18.2	\$ 4.5	\$ 57.4	\$ 10.5

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

(2) Depreciation and amortization is comprised of the following components as excluded from direct operating expenses and cost of product sold:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2012	2011	2012	2011

(in millions)

Depreciation and amortization excluded from direct operating expenses	\$ 5.2	\$ 4.7	\$ 15.7	\$ 13.9
Depreciation and amortization excluded from cost of product sold	—	—	0.1	—
Total depreciation and amortization	\$ 5.2	\$ 4.7	\$ 15.8	\$ 13.9

(3) EBITDA is defined as net income before income tax expense, net interest (income) expense and depreciation and amortization expense. Adjusted EBITDA is defined as EBITDA adjusted for the impact of 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. EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are not recognized terms under GAAP and should not be substituted for net income as a measure of our liquidity. Management believes that EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA enable investors and analysts to better understand our liquidity and our compliance with the covenants contained in our credit facility.

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

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2012	2011	2012	2011

(in millions)

Net income	\$ 31.6	\$ 36.3	\$ 96.9	\$ 91.2
Add:				
Interest expense, net	0.8	1.4	2.9	2.5
Income tax expense	—	—	0.1	—
Depreciation and amortization	5.2	4.7	15.8	13.9
EBITDA	37.6	42.4	115.7	107.6
Major scheduled turnaround expense	0.2	—	0.2	—
Share-based compensation	1.2	0.9	5.2	6.4
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 39.0	\$ 43.3	\$ 121.1	\$ 114.0

- (4) We define available cash for distribution generally as our cash flow from operations for the quarter, less cash needed for maintenance capital expenditures, debt service and other contractual obligations, and reserves for future operating or capital needs that the board of directors of our general partner deems necessary or appropriate. The Partnership also retains the cash on hand associated with prepaid sales at each quarter end for future distribution to common unitholders based upon the recognition into income of the prepaid sales.
- (5) Available cash for distribution is reflective of available cash since closing of the Partnership's initial public offering on April 13, 2011.

Below is a table reconciling the available cash for distribution for the three months ended September 30, 2012:

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2012
	(in millions, except per unit data)
Cash flows from operations	\$ 44.9
Adjustments:	
Plus: Deferred revenue balance at June 30, 2012	4.4
Less: Deferred revenue balance at September 30, 2012	(10.4)
Less: Maintenance capital expenditures	(1.6)
Less: Cash reserves for accrued expenses	(2.1)
Plus: Insurance reimbursements for proceeds included in investing activities	1.0
Available cash for distribution	<u>\$ 36.2</u>
Available cash for distribution, per unit	<u>\$ 0.496</u>
Common units outstanding	73,046

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

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	(in millions)			
Key Operating Statistics				
Production (thousand tons):				
Ammonia (gross produced)(1)	104.2	102.7	302.3	310.4
Ammonia (net available for sale)(1)	29.4	25.9	89.3	89.3
UAN	181.9	185.8	516.5	535.8
Petroleum coke consumed (thousand tons)	126.9	131.2	377.7	391.0
Petroleum coke (cost per ton)	\$ 30	\$ 43	\$ 34	\$ 30
Sales (thousand tons):				
Ammonia	30.2	22.6	89.5	83.5
UAN	175.1	179.2	510.5	524.7
Product pricing (plant gate) (dollars per ton)(2):				
Ammonia	\$ 578	\$ 568	\$ 586	\$ 569
UAN	290	294	311	266
On-stream factors(3):				
Gasification	99.1%	99.2%	97.2%	99.5%
Ammonia	98.4%	98.6%	96.0%	98.0%
UAN	96.9%	97.0%	92.4%	95.9%

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
Market Indicators				
Natural gas NYMEX (dollars per MMBtu)	\$ 2.89	\$ 4.06	\$ 2.58	\$ 4.21
Ammonia—Southern Plains (dollars per ton)	\$ 677	\$ 619	\$ 616	\$ 609
UAN—Mid Cornbelt (dollars per ton)	\$ 356	\$ 401	\$ 372	\$ 373

- (1) Gross tons produced for ammonia represent the total ammonia produced, including ammonia produced that was upgraded into UAN. Net tons available for sale represent the ammonia available for sale that was not upgraded into UAN.
- (2) Plant gate sales per ton represent net sales less freight and hydrogen revenue divided by product sales volume in tons in the reporting period. Plant gate pricing per ton is shown in order to provide a pricing measure that is comparable across the fertilizer industry.
- (3) On-stream factor is the total number of hours operated divided by the total number of hours in the reporting period and is a measure of efficiency.

Three Months Ended September 30, 2012 Compared to the Three Months Ended September 30, 2011

Net Sales. Net sales were \$75.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012 compared to \$77.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2011. For the three months ended September 30, 2012, ammonia and UAN made up \$18.1 million and \$56.6 million of our net sales, respectively. This compared to ammonia and UAN net sales of \$13.3 million and \$58.2 million, respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 2011. The decrease of \$2.2 million was the result of lower hydrogen sales combined with decreased UAN volume and price partially offset by higher ammonia sales volumes and prices. The following table demonstrates the impact of sales volumes and pricing for ammonia, UAN and hydrogen for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and September 30, 2011:

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2012			Three Months Ended September 30, 2011			Total Variance		Price Variance (in millions)	Volume Variance (in millions)
	Volume(1)	\$ per ton(2)	Sales \$(3)	Volume(1)	\$ per ton(2)	Sales \$(3)	Volume(1)	Sales \$(3)		
Ammonia	30,197	\$ 601	\$ 18.1	22,606	\$ 589	\$ 13.3	7,591	\$ 4.8	\$ 0.4	\$ 4.4
UAN	175,059	\$ 323	\$ 56.6	179,244	\$ 324	\$ 58.2	(4,185)	\$ (1.6)	\$ (0.2)	\$ (1.4)
Hydrogen	30,809	\$ 9	\$ 0.3	528,593	\$ 11	\$ 5.7	(497,784)	\$ (5.4)	\$ —	\$ (5.4)

- (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 ammonia sales volume for the three months ended September 30, 2012 compared to the three months ended September 30, 2011 was primarily attributable to higher ammonia production resulting from lower hydrogen sales to the refinery. 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 99.1%, 98.4% and 96.9%, respectively, on-stream for the three months ended September 30, 2012. On-stream rates for the third quarter of 2011 were 99.2%, 98.6% and 97.0%, 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 September 30, 2012 compared to the three months ended September 30, 2011 increased 1.8% for ammonia and decreased 1.4% for UAN.

Cost of Product Sold. Cost of product sold is primarily comprised of pet coke expense, freight expense and distribution expense. Cost of product sold for the three months ended September 30, 2012 was \$11.3 million compared to \$10.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2011. The increase of \$0.4 million is the result of higher third-party costs of \$0.8 million associated with higher freight costs, distribution costs, third-party pet coke costs and lower third-party pet coke volumes partially offset by lower affiliate costs of \$0.4 million due to reduced pet coke costs from CVR Energy's refinery.

Direct Operating Expenses (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization). Direct operating expenses include costs associated with the actual operations of our plant, such as repairs and maintenance, energy and utility costs, catalyst and chemical costs, outside services, labor and environmental compliance costs. Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) for the three months ended September 30, 2012 were \$21.1 million as compared to \$20.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2011, due to lower insurance proceeds received for the reactor rupture in 2012.

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. Selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) were \$5.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012, as compared to \$4.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2011. The increase of \$0.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012 over the comparable period in 2011 was primarily attributable to an increase in personnel expense reimbursements to our general partner of \$0.5 million and increases in share-based compensation and variable compensation of \$0.4 million partially offset by \$0.4 million of lower reimbursements under the services agreement to CVR Energy.

Operating Income. Operating income was \$32.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012 as compared to operating income of \$37.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2011. This decrease of \$5.2 million was primarily the result of the decrease in nitrogen fertilizer margin of \$2.6 million associated primarily with lower UAN sales volume, an increase in direct operating costs (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) of \$1.0 million, an increase in selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) of \$0.6 million, an increase in depreciation and amortization of \$0.5 million and a decrease in insurance recovery of \$0.5 million.

Interest Expense. Interest expense for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 was approximately \$0.9 million and \$1.4 million, respectively. Interest expense for the three months ended September 30, 2012 was attributable to bank interest expense of \$1.3 million on the \$125.0 million term loan facility, \$0.3 million of deferred financing amortization and \$0.2 million of interest expense related to the interest rate swap, partially offset by capitalized interest of \$0.9 million.

Income Tax Expense. Income tax expense for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 was immaterial and consisted of amounts payable pursuant to a Texas state franchise tax.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012 Compared to the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011

Net Sales. Net sales were \$234.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 compared to \$215.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011. For the nine months ended September 30, 2012, ammonia and UAN made up \$54.2 million and \$174.5 million of our net sales, respectively. This compared to ammonia and UAN net sales of \$49.0 million and \$154.4 million, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2011. The increase of \$19.4 million was the result of higher average plant gate prices for both ammonia and UAN and higher sales unit volumes for ammonia, partially offset by lower sales unit volumes for UAN and reduced hydrogen sales to CVR Energy's refinery. The following table demonstrates the impact of sales volumes and pricing for ammonia, UAN and hydrogen for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and September 30, 2011:

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2012			Nine Months Ended September 30, 2011			Total Variance		Price Variance (in millions)	Volume Variance
	Volume(1)	\$ per ton(2)	Sales \$(3)	Volume(1)	\$ per ton(2)	Sales \$(3)	Volume(1)	Sales \$(3)		
Ammonia	89,477	\$ 605	\$ 54.2	83,510	\$ 587	\$ 49.0	5,967	\$ 5.2	1.7	\$ 3.5
UAN	510,520	\$ 342	\$ 174.5	524,670	\$ 294	\$ 154.4	(14,150)	\$ 20.1	24.3	\$ (4.2)
Hydrogen	593,466	\$ 10	\$ 6.0	1,159,090	\$ 10	\$ 11.8	(565,624)	\$ (5.8)	(0.1)	\$ (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

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 97.2%, 96.0% and 92.4%, respectively, on-stream for the nine months ended September 30, 2012. On-stream rates for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 were 99.5%, 98.0% and 95.9%, for the gasification, ammonia and UAN units, respectively. Lower on-stream factors were the result of downtime related to repairs for each of the units. This downtime resulted in decreased UAN production and related reduced sales volumes.

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 nine months ended September 30, 2012 were higher for both ammonia and UAN over the comparable period of 2011, increasing 3.0% and 16.7% respectively. The price increases reflect strong farm belt market conditions.

Cost of Product Sold. Cost of product sold is primarily comprised of pet coke expense, freight expense and distribution expense. Cost of product sold for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 was \$34.6 million compared to \$28.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011. The increase of \$6.4 million is the result of higher third-party costs of \$5.7 million associated with increased freight costs and higher third-party pet coke costs, higher affiliate costs of \$0.7 million associated with higher pet coke costs and increased distribution costs of \$1.0 million partially offset by lower hydrogen costs of \$0.8 million.

Direct Operating Expenses (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization). Direct operating expenses include costs associated with the actual operations of our plant, such as repairs and maintenance, energy and utility costs, catalyst and chemical costs, outside services, labor and environmental compliance costs. Direct operating expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 of \$66.4 million were comparable to \$65.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011.

Insurance Recovery—Business Interruption. During the nine months ended September 30, 2011, we recorded insurance proceeds under insurance coverage for interruption of business of \$3.4 million related to the September 30, 2010 UAN vessel rupture. There were no proceeds received in the first nine months of 2012.

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. Selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) were \$18.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012, as compared to \$17.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011. The increase of \$0.5 million is a result of an increase in personnel expense reimbursements to our general partner of \$2.3 million, higher other selling, general and administrative expenses (exclusive of depreciation and amortization) of \$0.4 million and increased public relations costs of \$0.3 million, partially offset by lower share based compensation of \$1.3 million and lower reimbursements under the services agreement to CVR Energy of \$1.2 million.

Operating Income. Operating income was \$99.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 as compared to operating income of \$93.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011. This increase of \$6.2 million was primarily the result of the increase in nitrogen fertilizer margin associated primarily with pricing, partially offset by an increase to the cost of products sold (exclusive of depreciation and amortization), a decrease in insurance recovery of \$3.4 million and increased depreciation and amortization expense of \$1.9 million.

Interest Expense. Interest expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 was \$3.1 million as compared to \$2.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011. The increase of approximately \$0.5 million was primarily attributable to an increase in bank interest expense of \$1.2 million on the \$125.0 million term loan facility and increased interest expense associated with the interest rate swap of approximately \$0.6 million partially offset by increased capitalized interest of \$1.2 million in 2012. The increase in bank interest expense resulted from the Partnership entering into their credit facility on April 13, 2011.

Income Tax Expense. Income tax expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 was immaterial and consisted of amounts payable pursuant to a Texas state franchise tax.

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 after the payment of underwriting discounts and commissions, distributions to CRLLC, payments to purchase (and subsequently extinguish) the IDR's owned by our general partner prior to the Initial Public Offering and financing fees and associated legal and professional fees resulting from our credit facility. 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 will be adequate to satisfy anticipated commitments for the next twelve months and that the net proceeds remaining from our Initial Public Offering and borrowings under our credit facility will be adequate to

fund our planned capital expenditures, including the UAN expansion, for the next twelve months. However, our future capital expenditures and other cash requirements could be higher than we currently expect as a result of various factors. Additionally, our ability to generate sufficient cash from our operating activities depends on our future performance, which is subject to general economic, political, financial, competitive, and other factors beyond our control. 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 September 30, 2012, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$180.3 million, including \$10.4 million of customer advances. Working capital at September 30, 2012 was \$160.9 million, consisting of \$220.5 million in current assets and \$59.6 million in current liabilities. Working capital at December 31, 2011 was \$229.4 million, consisting of \$271.9 million in current assets and \$42.5 million in current liabilities. As of October 31, 2012, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$172.0 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 April 2016. The credit facility will be used to finance on-going working capital, capital projects, letter of credit issuances and general needs of the Partnership.

Borrowings under the credit facility bear interest based on a pricing grid determined by a trailing four quarter leverage ratio. 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 September 30, 2012, 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, breaches 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 or any of its subsidiaries (other than us and CRNF) terminates or violates any of its covenants in any of the intercompany agreements between us and CVR Energy and its subsidiaries (other than us and CRNF) and such action has resulted or could be reasonably 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 September 30, 2012, 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. We have determined that the Interest Rate Swaps qualify as a hedge for hedge accounting treatment. These Interest Rate Swap agreements commenced August 12, 2011. The impact recorded for the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011 is \$0.2 million and \$0.1 million, respectively, in interest expense. Approximately \$0.7 million and \$0.1 million in interest expense was recorded for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively. For the three months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, the Partnership recorded losses of \$0.1 million and \$2.4 million, respectively, in the fair market value on the interest rate swaps. For the nine months ended September 30, 2012 and 2011, the Partnership recorded losses of \$0.6 million and \$2.4 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 as of September 30, 2012 is \$3.0 million. This amount is unrealized and included in accumulated other comprehensive income.

Capital Spending

Our total capital expenditures for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 totaled \$57.4 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 \$57.4 million spent for the nine months ended September 30, 2012, \$3.1 million was related to maintenance capital projects and the remainder was related to growth capital projects. Major scheduled turnaround expenses are expensed when incurred.

We expect to spend \$90.0 million to \$105.0 million on capital expenditures in 2012, excluding capitalized interest. Of this amount, \$6.5 million to \$8.0 million will be spent on maintenance projects and \$85.0 million to \$95.0 million will be spent on growth projects including \$75.0 million to \$80.0 million on the UAN expansion project.

Using a portion of the proceeds of our Initial Public Offering and our term loan borrowings, we moved forward with our UAN expansion project, which will allow us the flexibility to upgrade all of our ammonia production to UAN. Inclusive of capital spent prior to our Initial Public Offering, we now anticipate that the total capital spend associated with the UAN expansion will approximate \$125.0 million. As of September 30, 2012, approximately \$92.8 million had been spent, including \$49.2 million which was spent during the nine months ended September 30, 2012. It is anticipated that the UAN expansion will be completed by January 1, 2013.

In October 2011, the board of directors of our general partner approved a UAN terminal project for the construction of a two million gallon UAN storage tank and related truck and rail car load-out facilities located in Phillipsburg, Kansas. The property that this terminal was constructed on is owned by a subsidiary of CVR Energy, Coffeyville Resources Terminal, LLC, who operates the terminal. The purpose of the UAN terminal is to distribute approximately 20,000 tons of UAN fertilizer annually. The UAN terminal is substantially complete and is currently operational at an estimated cost of approximately \$1.9 million.

Planned capital expenditures for 2012 are subject to change due to unanticipated increases in the cost, scope and completion time for our capital projects. For example, we may experience increases in labor and/or equipment costs necessary to comply with government regulations or to complete projects that sustain or improve the profitability of our nitrogen fertilizer operations.

Distributions to Unitholders

Our general partner's current policy is to distribute all of the available cash we generate on a quarterly basis. Available cash for each quarter is determined by the board of directors of our general partner following the end of such quarter. Available cash for each quarter generally equals our cash flow from operations for the quarter, less cash needed for maintenance capital expenditures, debt service and other contractual obligations and reserves for future operating or capital needs that the board of directors of our general partner deems necessary or appropriate. The Partnership also retains the cash on hand associated with prepaid sales at each quarter end for future distributions to common unitholders based upon the recognition into income of the prepaid sales. The partnership agreement does not require the Partnership to make any distributions, and the board of directors of our general partner could change our distribution policy at any time, including reducing the amount or frequency of distributions we make or eliminating all distributions.

The Partnership did not make quarterly distributions to unitholders prior to the closing of the Initial Public Offering.

The following is a summary of cash distributions paid to unitholders during 2012 for the respective quarters to which the distributions relate:

	December 31, 2011	March 31, 2012	June 30, 2012	September 30, 2012 YTD
	(\$ in millions except per common units amounts)			
Amount paid CRLLC	\$ 29.9	\$ 26.6	\$ 30.5	\$ 87.1
Amounts paid to public unitholders	13.0	11.6	13.3	37.9
Total amount paid	\$ 42.9	\$ 38.2	\$ 43.8	\$ 125.0
Per common unit	\$ 0.588	\$ 0.523	\$ 0.600	\$ 1.711
Common units outstanding	73,030,936	73,030,936	73,043,356	

On October 26, 2012, the Board of Directors of the Partnership's general partner declared a cash distribution for the third quarter of 2012 to the Partnership's unitholders of \$0.496 per unit. The cash distribution will be paid on November 14, 2012 to unitholders of record at the close of business on November 7, 2012.

2012 Turnaround

The nitrogen fertilizer facility's previously scheduled major turnaround began on October 3, 2012, with ammonia production resuming on October 23, 2012 and UAN production resuming on October 25, 2012. The turnaround cost was approximately \$4.9 million, which was funded from operating cash flow. Operating income and cash flows in the fourth quarter will be negatively impacted by both the operating expenses and the lost revenues that we would have generated had the nitrogen fertilizer plant not been shut down.

Cash Flows

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

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2012	2011
	(unaudited)	
Net cash provided by (used in):		
Operating activities	\$ 124.8	\$ 107.9
Investing activities	(56.4)	(7.8)
Financing activities	(125.1)	112.7
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ (56.7)</u>	<u>\$ 212.8</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 nine months ended September 30, 2012 was \$124.8 million. The positive cash flow from operating activities generated over this period was primarily attributable to net income of \$96.9 million which was driven by a strong fertilizer price environment and favorable impacts to working capital. With respect to other working capital for the nine months ended September 30, 2012, the primary sources of cash were an increase to accrued expenses and other current liabilities of \$3.8 million and an increase in deferred revenue of \$1.4 million. Deferred revenue represents customer prepaid deposits for the future delivery of our nitrogen fertilizer products. For the nine months ended September 30, 2012, trade working capital increased our operating cash flow by \$2.6 million and was primarily attributable to an increase in accounts payable of \$7.7 million, an increase in inventory of \$6.5 million and a decrease in accounts receivable of \$1.4 million.

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

Cash Flows Used in Investing Activities

Net cash used in investing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 was \$56.4 million compared to \$7.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2011. The increase in capital expenditures to \$57.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 was primarily associated with the UAN expansion. For the nine months ended September, 2012 and 2011, capital expenditures were partially offset by approximately \$1.0 million and \$2.7 million, respectively, of insurance proceeds received in connection with the rupture of the high-pressure UAN vessel.

Cash Flows Used in Financing Activities

Net cash flows used in financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 was \$125.1 million, compared to net cash flows from financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 of \$112.7 million. The net cash used in financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2012 was primarily attributable to quarterly cash distributions. For the nine months ended September 30, 2011, the net cash provided was attributable to the proceeds from the issuance of the long-term debt of \$125.0 million and the \$324.9 million of proceeds from the Initial Public Offering, offset by the \$276.7 million distributed to our affiliates, as well as the quarterly cash distribution for the second quarter 2011 paid to the common unitholders in the third quarter of \$29.7 million and the \$26.0 million purchase of our general partner's incentive distribution rights.

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 September 30, 2012 relating to long-term debt, operating leases, unconditional purchase obligations and other specified capital and commercial commitments for the period following September 30, 2012 and thereafter.

	Payments Due by Period						
	Total	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Thereafter
	(unaudited) (in millions)						
Contractual Obligations							
Long-term debt(1)	\$ 125.0	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 125.0	\$ —
Operating leases(2)	28.4	1.5	6.0	4.7	4.2	3.8	8.2
Unconditional purchase obligations(3)	55.3	3.0	12.0	6.3	6.3	6.4	21.3
Unconditional purchase obligations with affiliates(4)	255.8	2.7	16.8	17.0	16.5	16.9	185.9
Interest payments(5)	16.9	1.2	4.8	4.8	4.8	1.3	—
Total	\$ 481.4	\$ 8.4	\$ 39.6	\$ 32.8	\$ 31.8	\$ 153.4	\$ 215.4

- (1) We entered into a credit facility in connection with the closing of the Initial Public Offering. The credit facility includes a \$125.0 million term loan, which was fully drawn at closing, and a \$25.0 million revolving credit facility, which was undrawn at September 30, 2012. The table assumes no amounts are outstanding under the revolving credit facility.
- (2) We lease various facilities and equipment, primarily railcars, under non-cancelable operating leases for various periods.
- (3) The amount includes commitments under an electric supply agreement with the city of Coffeyville, Kansas, 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 amount includes commitments under our long-term pet coke supply agreement with CVR Energy having an initial term that ends in 2027, subject to renewal. The Partnership's purchase obligation for pet coke from CVR Energy has been derived from a calculation of the average pet coke price paid to CVR Energy over the preceding two year period.
- (5) Interest payments are based on the current interest rate at September 30, 2012.

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 May 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2011-04, "*Fair Value Measurements (Topic 820): Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRS*," ("ASU 2011-04"). ASU 2011-04 changed the wording used to describe many of the requirements in U.S. GAAP for measuring fair value and for disclosing information about fair value measurements to ensure consistency between U.S. GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). ASU 2011-04 also expanded the disclosures for fair value measurements that are estimated using significant unobservable (Level 3) inputs. This new guidance was to be applied prospectively. The provisions of ASU 2011-04 were effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011. We adopted this standard as of January 1, 2012. The adoption of this standard did not impact the condensed consolidated financial statement footnote disclosures.

In June 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-05, "*Comprehensive Income (ASC Topic 220): Presentation of Comprehensive Income*," ("ASU 2011-05") which amended former comprehensive income guidance. This ASU eliminates the option to present the components of other comprehensive income as part of the statement of stockholders' equity. Instead, we must report comprehensive income in either a single continuous statement of comprehensive income which contains two sections, net income and other comprehensive income, or in two separate but consecutive statements. ASU 2011-05 was effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 2011 and was to be applied retrospectively. In December 2011, FASB issued ASU 2011-11, which deferred the effective date of the changes in ASU 2011-05 that related to the presentation of reclassification adjustments to again consider whether to present the effects of reclassifications out of accumulated other comprehensive income on the face of the financials. This deferral does not impact the other requirements as of ASU 2011-05. We adopted this standard as of January 1, 2012. The adoption of this standard expanded the condensed consolidated financial statements and footnote disclosures.

In December 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-11, "*Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities*" ("ASU 2011-11") which required new disclosure standards to allow investors to better compare financial statements prepared under U.S. GAAP with financial statements prepared under IFRS. This new guidance is to be applied retrospectively. ASU 2011-11 will be effective for interim and annual periods beginning January 1, 2013. We believe this standard will expand the Partnership's 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, 2011. 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 million floating rate term debt which matures in April 2016. The aggregate notional amount covered under these agreements totals \$62.5 million (split evenly between the two agreement dates) and commenced on August 12, 2011 and expires on February 12, 2016. Under the terms of the interest rate swap agreement entered into on June 30, 2011, CRNF receives a floating rate based on three month LIBOR and pays a fixed rate of 1.94%. Under the terms of the interest rate swap agreement entered into on July 1, 2011, CRNF receives a floating rate based on three month LIBOR and pays a fixed rate of 1.975%. Both swap agreements will be settled every 90 days. The effect of these swap

agreements is to lock in a fixed rate of interest of approximately 1.96% plus the applicable margin paid to lenders over three month LIBOR calculated under the credit facility. 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 hedged 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 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 income from operations 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

Our management, under the direction of our Executive Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, evaluated as of September 30, 2012, the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). Based upon and as of the date of that evaluation, our Executive Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective, at a reasonable assurance level, to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports we file and submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported as and when required and is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Executive Chairman, our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. It should be noted that any system of disclosure controls and procedures, however well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, and not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the system are met. In addition, the design of any system of disclosure controls and procedures is based in part upon assumptions about the likelihood of future events. Due to these and other inherent limitations of any such system, there can be no assurance that any design will always succeed in achieving its stated goals under all potential future conditions.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There has been no 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 September 30, 2012 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

Part II. Other Information

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

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

Item 1A. Risk Factors

There 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, 2011, our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2012 and our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2012.

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

The table below sets forth information regarding repurchases of our common units during the nine months ended September 30, 2012. These represent common units that employees and directors elected to surrender to the Company to satisfy certain minimum tax withholding and other tax obligations upon the vesting of units. The Company does not consider this to be a unit buyback program.

<u>Period</u>	<u>Total Number of Units Purchased</u>	<u>Average Price Paid per Unit</u>	<u>Total Number of Units Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs</u>	<u>Maximum Number (or Approximate Dollar Value) of Units that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs</u>
June 1, 2012 to June 30, 2012	4,467	\$ 20.01	—	—
July 1, 2012 to July 31, 2012	—	—	—	—
August 1, 2012 to August 31, 2012	1,130	\$ 25.45	—	—
September 1, 2012 to September 30, 2012	—	—	—	—
Total	5,597	\$ 21.11	—	—

Item 6. Exhibits

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Exhibit Title</u>
10.1*	Third Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of July 27, 2012, between CVR Energy, Inc. and Susan M. Ball.
31.1*	Certification of the Executive Chairman pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or 15(d)-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act.
31.2*	Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or 15(d)-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act.
31.3*	Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or 15(d)-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act.
32.1*	Certification of the Executive Chairman pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.2*	Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.3*	Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
101*	The following financial information for CVR Partners, LP's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2012, filed with the SEC on November 6, 2012, 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.

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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.

**THIRD AMENDED AND RESTATED
EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT**

THIRD AMENDED AND RESTATED EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT, dated as of July 27, 2012 (the "Employment Agreement"), by and between **CVR ENERGY, INC.**, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and **SUSAN M. BALL** (the "Executive").

The Company and the Executive entered into an employment agreement dated October 23, 2007, as amended by an amendment to such employment agreement dated March 5, 2009 as further amended by a second amendment to such employment agreement dated October 9, 2009 (as amended, the "Original Agreement"), an amended and restated employment agreement dated January 1, 2010 (the "Amended and Restated Agreement"), and a second amended and restated employment agreement dated January 1, 2011 (the "Second Amended and Restated Agreement").

The Company and the Executive desire to amend and restate the Second Amended and Restated Employment Agreement in its entirety as provided for herein.

In consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein and other valid consideration the sufficiency of which is acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

Section 1. Employment.

1.1. Term. The Company agrees to employ the Executive, and the Executive agrees to be employed by the Company, in each case pursuant to this Employment Agreement, for a period commencing on August 7, 2012 (the "Commencement Date") and ending on the earlier of (i) the third (3rd) anniversary of the Commencement Date and (ii) the termination or resignation of the Executive's employment in accordance with Section 3 hereof (the "Term").

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

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

Executive's personal, private assets as a passive investor in such form or manner as will not require any active services on the part of the Executive in the management or operation of the affairs of the companies, partnerships, or other business entities in which any such passive investments are made.

Section 2. Compensation.

2.1. Salary. As compensation for the performance of the Executive's services hereunder, during the Term, the Company shall pay to the Executive a salary at an annual rate of \$350,000 which annual salary shall be prorated for any partial year at the beginning or end of the Term and shall accrue and be payable in accordance with the Company's standard payroll policies, as such salary may be adjusted upward by the Compensation Committee of the Board in its discretion (as adjusted, the "Base Salary").

2.2. Annual Bonus. For each completed fiscal year occurring during the Term, the Executive shall be eligible to receive an annual cash bonus (the "Annual Bonus"). For fiscal year 2012, the target Annual Bonus shall be equal to (i) 70% of the Executive's Base Salary of \$235,000, prorated for the portion of the year that the Executive served as Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer and (ii) 100% of the Executive's Base Salary of \$350,000, prorated for the portion of the year that the Executive served as Chief Financial Officer, in each case such proration based on the number of days that the Executive served in each position. Commencing with fiscal year 2013, the target Annual Bonus shall be 100% of the Executive's Base Salary as in effect at the beginning of fiscal year 2013 and at the beginning of each such fiscal year thereafter during the Term, the actual Annual Bonus to be based upon such individual and/or Company performance criteria established for each such fiscal year by the Compensation Committee of the Board. The Annual Bonus, if any, payable to Executive for a fiscal year will be paid by the Company to the Executive pursuant to the Company's Performance Incentive Plan.

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

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

2.5. Business Expenses. The Company shall pay or reimburse the Executive for all commercially reasonable business out-of-pocket expenses that the Executive incurs during the Term in performing Executive's duties under this Employment Agreement upon presentation of documentation and in accordance with the expense reimbursement policy of the Company as approved by the Board and in effect from time to time. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary or otherwise, except to the extent any expense or reimbursement described in this Employment Agreement does not constitute a "deferral of compensation" within the meaning of Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and the Treasury regulations and other guidance issued thereunder, any expense or reimbursement described in this Employment Agreement shall meet the following requirements:

(i) the amount of expenses eligible for reimbursement provided to the Executive during any calendar year will not affect the amount of expenses eligible for reimbursement to the Executive in any other calendar year; (ii) the reimbursements for expenses for which the Executive is entitled to be reimbursed shall be made on or before the last day of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the applicable expense is incurred; (iii) the right to payment or reimbursement or in-kind benefits hereunder may not be liquidated or exchanged for any other benefit; and (iv) the reimbursements shall be made pursuant to objectively determinable and nondiscretionary Company policies and procedures regarding such reimbursement of expenses.

Section 3. Employment Termination.

3.1. Termination of Employment. The Company may terminate the Executive's employment for any reason during the Term, and the Executive may voluntarily resign Executive's employment for any reason during the Term, in each case (other than a termination by the Company for Cause) at any time upon not less than thirty (30) days' notice to the other party. Upon the termination or resignation of the Executive's employment with the Company for any reason (whether during the Term or thereafter), the Executive shall be entitled to any Base Salary earned but unpaid through the date of termination or resignation, any earned but unpaid Annual Bonus for completed fiscal years, any unused accrued PTO and any unreimbursed expenses in accordance with Section 2.5 hereof (collectively, the "Accrued Amounts").

3.2. Certain Terminations.

(a) Termination by the Company Other Than For Cause or Disability; Resignation by the Executive for Good Reason. If during the Term (i) the Executive's employment is terminated by the Company other than for Cause or Disability or (ii) the Executive resigns for Good Reason, then in addition to the Accrued Amounts the Executive shall be entitled to the following payments and benefits: (x) the continuation of Executive's Base Salary at the rate in effect immediately prior to the date of termination or resignation (or, in the case of a resignation for Good Reason, at the rate in effect immediately prior to the occurrence of the event constituting Good Reason, if greater) for a period of twelve (12) months (or, if earlier, until and including the month in which the Executive attains age 70) (the "Severance Period") and (y) a Pro-Rata Bonus and (z) to the extent permitted pursuant to the applicable plans, the continuation on the same terms as an active employee (including, where applicable, coverage for the Executive and the Executive's dependents) of medical, dental, vision and life insurance benefits ("Welfare Benefits") the Executive would otherwise be eligible to receive as an active employee of the Company for twelve (12) months or, if earlier, until such time as the Executive becomes eligible for Welfare Benefits from a subsequent employer (the "Welfare Benefit Continuation Period") (such payments, collectively, the "Severance Payments"). If the Executive is not permitted to continue participation in the Company's Welfare Benefit plans pursuant to the terms of such plans or pursuant to a determination by the Company's insurance providers or such continued participation in the plan would result in the imposition of an excise tax to the Company pursuant to Section 4980D of the Code, the Company shall use reasonable efforts to obtain individual insurance policies providing the Welfare Benefits to the Executive during the Welfare Benefit Continuation Period and, if applicable, the Additional Welfare Benefit Continuation Period (as defined below), but shall only be required to pay for such policies an

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amount equal to the amount the Company would have paid had the Executive continued participation in the Company's Welfare Benefits plans; provided, that, if such coverage cannot be obtained, the Company shall pay to the Executive monthly during the Welfare Benefit Continuation Period and, if applicable, the Additional Welfare Benefit Continuation Period, an amount equal to the amount the Company would have paid had the Executive continued participation in the Company's Welfare Benefits plans. The Company's obligations to make the Severance Payments shall be conditioned upon: (i) the Executive's continued compliance with Executive's obligations under Section 4 of this Employment Agreement and (ii) the Executive's execution, delivery and non-revocation of a valid and enforceable release of claims arising in connection with the Executive's employment and termination or resignation of employment with the Company (the "Release") in a form reasonably acceptable to the Company and the Executive that becomes effective not later than forty-five (45) days after the date of such termination or resignation of employment. In the event that the Executive breaches any of the covenants set forth in Section 4 of this Employment Agreement, the Executive will immediately return to the Company any portion of the Severance Payments that have been paid to the Executive pursuant to this Section 3.2(a). Subject to the foregoing and Section 3.2(e), the Severance Payments will commence to be paid to the Executive on the forty-fifth (45th) day following the Executive's termination of employment, except that the Pro-Rata Bonus shall be paid at the time when annual bonuses are paid generally to the Company's senior executives for the year in which the Executive's termination of employment occurs.

(b) Change in Control Termination. If (A) (i) the Executive's employment is terminated by the Company other than for Cause or Disability, or (ii) the Executive resigns for Good Reason, and such termination or resignation described in (i) or (ii) of this Clause (A) occurs within the one (1) year period following a Change in Control, or (B) the Executive's termination or resignation is a Change in Control Related Termination, then, in addition to the Severance Payments described in Section 3.2(a), the Executive shall also be entitled to (I) the continuation of Executive's Base Salary at the rate in effect immediately prior to the date of termination or resignation (determined without regard to any reduction in Base Salary subsequent to the Change in Control or in connection with the Change in Control Related Termination) for a period of twelve (12) months (or, if earlier, until and including the month in which the Executive attains age 70) commencing on the one (1) year anniversary of the date of termination or resignation (the "Additional Severance Period"), (II) a payment each month during the Severance Period and the Additional Severance Period equal to one-twelfth (1/12th) of the target Annual Bonus for the year in which the Executive's termination or resignation occurs (determined without regard to any reduction in Base Salary or target Annual Bonus percentage subsequent to the Change in Control or in connection with the Change in Control Related Termination) and (III) the continuation of the Welfare Benefits for the twelve (12) month period commencing on the one (1) year anniversary of the date of termination or resignation or, if earlier, until such time as the Executive becomes eligible for Welfare Benefits from a subsequent employer (the "Additional Welfare Benefit Continuation Period"). Amounts received pursuant to this Section 3.2(b) shall be deemed to be included in the term Severance Payments for purposes of this Employment Agreement.

(c) Retirement. Upon Retirement, the Executive, whether or not Section 3.2(a) also applies but without duplication of benefits, shall be entitled to (i) a Pro-Rata Bonus, (ii) to the extent permitted pursuant to the applicable plans, the continuation on the

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

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

(1) A resignation for "Good Reason" shall mean a resignation by the Executive within thirty (30) days following the date on which the Company has engaged in any of the following: (i) the assignment of duties or responsibilities to the Executive that reflect a material diminution of the Executive's position with the Company; (ii) a relocation of the Executive's principal place of employment that increases the Executive's commute by more than fifty (50) miles; or (iii) a reduction in the Executive's Base Salary, other than across-the-board reductions applicable to similarly situated employees of the Company; provided, however, that the Executive must provide the Company with notice promptly following the occurrence of any of the foregoing and at least thirty (30) days to cure.

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

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

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

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

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

(6) "Pro-Rata Bonus" shall mean, the product of (A) a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days the Executive is employed by the Company during the year in which the Executive's employment terminates pursuant to Section 3.2(a) or (c) prior to and including the date of the Executive's termination and the denominator of which is 365 and (B) an amount for that year equal to the Annual Bonus the Executive would have been entitled to receive had her employment not terminated, based on the actual performance of the Company or the Executive, as applicable, for the full year.

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

(e) Section 409A. To the extent applicable, this Employment Agreement shall be interpreted, construed and operated in accordance with Section 409A of the Code and the Treasury regulations and other guidance issued thereunder. If on the date of the Executive's

separation from service (as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(h)) with the Company the Executive is a specified employee (as defined in Code Section 409A and Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(i)), no payment constituting the “deferral of compensation” within the meaning of Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(b) and after application of the exemptions provided in Treasury Regulation §§1.409A-1(b)(4) and 1.409A-1(b)(9)(iii) shall be made to Executive at any time during the six (6) month period following the Executive’s separation from service, and any such amounts deferred such six (6) months shall instead be paid in a lump sum on the first payroll payment date following expiration of such six (6) month period. For purposes of conforming this Employment Agreement to Section 409A of the Code, the parties agree that any reference to termination of employment, severance from employment, resignation from employment or similar terms shall mean and be interpreted as a “separation from service” as defined in Treasury Regulation §1.409A-1(h).

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

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

3.5. Cooperation. For one (1) year following the termination or resignation of the Executive’s employment with the Company for any reason, the Executive agrees to reasonably cooperate with the Company upon reasonable request of the Board and to be reasonably available to the Company with respect to matters arising out of the Executive’s services to the Company and its Affiliates, provided, however, such period of cooperation shall be for three (3) years, following any such termination or resignation of Executive’s employment for any reason, with respect to tax matters involving the Company or any of its Affiliates. The Company shall reimburse the Executive for expenses reasonably incurred in connection with such matters as agreed by the Executive and the Board and the Company shall compensate the Executive for such cooperation at an hourly rate based on the Executive’s most recent base salary rate assuming two thousand (2,000) working hours per year; provided, that if the Executive is required to spend more than forty (40) hours in any month on Company matters pursuant to this Section 3.5, the Executive and the Board shall mutually agree to an appropriate rate of compensation for the Executive’s time over such forty (40) hour threshold.

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

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

4.2. Non-Competition. By and in consideration of the Company’s entering into this Employment Agreement and the payments to be made and benefits to be provided by the Company hereunder, and in further consideration of the Executive’s exposure to the Confidential Information of the Company and its Affiliates, the Executive agrees that the Executive shall not, during the Term and for a period of twelve (12) months thereafter (the “Restriction Period”), directly or indirectly, own, manage, operate, join, control, be employed by, or participate in the ownership, management, operation or control of, or be connected in any manner with, including, without limitation, holding any position as a stockholder, director, officer, consultant, independent contractor, employee, partner, or investor in, any Restricted Enterprise (as defined below); provided, that in no event shall ownership of one percent (1%) or less of the outstanding securities of any class of any issuer whose securities are registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), standing alone, be

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prohibited by this Section 4.2, so long as the Executive does not have, or exercise, any rights to manage or operate the business of such issuer other than rights as a stockholder thereof. For purposes of this paragraph, “Restricted Enterprise” shall mean any Person that is actively engaged in any business which is either (i) in competition with the business of the Company or any of its Affiliates conducted during the preceding twelve (12) months (or following the Term, the twelve (12) months preceding the last day of the Term), or (ii) proposed to be conducted by the Company or any of its Affiliates in the Company’s or Affiliate’s business plan as in effect at that time (or following the Term, the business plan as in effect as of the last day of the Term); provided, that (x) with respect to any Person that is actively engaged in the refinery business, a Restricted Enterprise shall only include such a Person that operates or markets in any geographic area in which the Company or any of its Affiliates operates or markets with respect to its refinery business and (y) with respect to any Person that is actively engaged in the fertilizer business, a Restricted Enterprise shall only include such a Person that operates or markets in any geographic area in which the Company or any of its Affiliates operates or markets with respect to its fertilizer business. During the Restriction Period, upon request of the Company,

the Executive shall notify the Company of the Executive's then-current employment status. For the avoidance of doubt, a Restricted Enterprise shall not include any Person or division thereof that is engaged in the business of supplying (but not refining) crude oil or natural gas.

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

4.4. Non-Solicitation of Customers/Suppliers. During the Restriction Period, the Executive shall not (i) contact, induce or solicit (or assist any Person to contact, induce or solicit) any Person which has a business relationship with the Company or of any of its Affiliates in order to terminate, curtail or otherwise interfere with such business relationship or (ii) solicit, other than on behalf of the Company and its Affiliates, any Person that the Executive knows or should have known (x) is a current customer of the Company or any of its Affiliates in any geographic area in which the Company or any of its Affiliates operates or markets or (y) is a Person in any geographic area in which the Company or any of its Affiliates operates or markets with respect to which the Company or any of its Affiliates has, within the twelve (12) months prior to the date of such solicitation, devoted more than de minimis resources in an effort to cause such Person to become a customer of the Company or any of its Affiliates in that geographic area. For the avoidance of doubt, the foregoing does not preclude the Executive from soliciting, outside of the geographic areas in which the Company or any of its Affiliates operates or markets, any Person that is a customer or potential customer of the Company or any of its Affiliates in the geographic areas in which it operates or markets.

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

4.6. Proprietary Rights. The Executive shall disclose promptly to the Company any and all inventions, discoveries, and improvements (whether or not patentable or registrable under copyright or similar statutes), and all patentable or copyrightable works,

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initiated, conceived, discovered, reduced to practice, or made by Executive, either alone or in conjunction with others, during the Executive's employment with the Company and related to the business or activities of the Company and its Affiliates (the "Developments"). Except to the extent any rights in any Developments constitute a work made for hire under the U.S. Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. § 101 et seq. that are owned ab initio by the Company and/or its applicable Affiliates, the Executive assigns all of Executive's right, title and interest in all Developments (including all intellectual property rights therein) to the Company or its nominee without further compensation, including all rights or benefits therefor, including without limitation the right to sue and recover for past and future infringement. The Executive acknowledges that any rights in any developments constituting a work made for hire under the U.S. Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C § 101 et seq. are owned upon creation by the Company and/or its applicable Affiliates as the Executive's employer. Whenever requested to do so by the Company, the Executive shall execute any and all applications, assignments or other instruments which the Company shall deem necessary to apply for and obtain trademarks, patents or copyrights of the United States or any foreign country or otherwise protect the interests of the Company and its Affiliates therein. These obligations shall continue beyond the end of the Executive's employment with the Company with respect to inventions, discoveries, improvements or copyrightable works initiated, conceived or made by the Executive while employed by the Company, and shall be binding upon the Executive's employers, assigns, executors, administrators and other legal representatives. In connection with Executive's execution of this Employment Agreement, the Executive has informed the Company in writing of any interest in any inventions or intellectual property rights that Executive holds as of the date hereof. If the Company is unable for any reason, after reasonable effort, to obtain the Executive's signature on any document needed in connection with the actions described in this Section 4.6, the Executive hereby irrevocably designates and appoints the Company, its Affiliates, and their duly authorized officers and agents as the Executive's agent and attorney in fact to act for and in the Executive's behalf to execute, verify and file any such documents and to do all other lawfully permitted acts to further the purposes of this Section with the same legal force and effect as if executed by the Executive.

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

4.8. Remedies. The Executive agrees that any breach of the terms of this Section 4 would result in irreparable injury and damage to the Company and its Affiliates for which the Company and its Affiliates would have no adequate remedy at law; the Executive therefore also agrees that in the event of said breach or any threat of breach, the Company and its Affiliates shall be entitled to an immediate injunction and restraining order to prevent such

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breach and/or threatened breach and/or continued breach by the Executive and/or any and all Persons acting for and/or with the Executive, without having to prove damages, in addition to any other remedies to which the Company and its Affiliates may be entitled at law or in equity, including, without limitation, the obligation of the Executive to return any Severance Payments made by the Company to the Company. The terms of this paragraph shall not prevent the Company or its Affiliates from pursuing any other available remedies for any breach or threatened breach hereof, including, without limitation, the recovery of damages from the Executive. The Executive and the Company further agree that the provisions of the covenants contained in this Section 4 are reasonable and necessary to protect the businesses of the Company and its Affiliates because of the Executive's access to Confidential Information and Executive's material participation in the operation of such businesses.

Section 5. Representation.

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

Section 6. Withholding.

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

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

7.1. Payment Reduction. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Employment Agreement to the contrary, (i) to the extent that any payment or distribution of any type to or for the Executive by the Company, any affiliate of the Company, any Person who acquires ownership or effective control of the Company or ownership of a substantial portion of the Company's assets (within the meaning of Section 280G of the Code and the regulations thereunder), or any affiliate of such Person, whether paid or payable or distributed or distributable pursuant to the terms of this Employment Agreement or otherwise (the "Payments") constitute "parachute payments" (within the meaning of Section 280G of the Code), and if (ii) such aggregate would, if reduced by all federal, state and local taxes applicable thereto, including the excise tax imposed under Section 4999 of the Code (the "Excise Tax"), be less than the amount the Executive would receive, after all taxes, if the Executive received aggregate Payments equal (as valued under Section 280G of the Code) to only three times the Executive's "base amount" (within the meaning of Section 280G of the Code), less \$1.00, then (iii) such Payments shall be reduced (but not below zero) if and to the extent necessary so that no Payments to be made or benefit to be provided to the Executive shall be subject to the Excise Tax; provided, however, that the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to obtain shareholder approval of the Payments provided for in this Employment Agreement in a manner intended to satisfy requirements of the "shareholder approval" exception to Section 280G of the Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder, such that payment may be made to the

Executive of such Payments without the application of an Excise Tax. If the Payments are so reduced, the Company shall reduce or eliminate the Payments (x) by first reducing or eliminating the portion of the Payments which are not payable in cash (other than that portion of the Payments subject to clause (z) hereof), (y) then by reducing or eliminating cash payments (other than that portion of the Payments subject to clause (z) hereof) and (z) then by reducing or eliminating the portion of the Payments (whether payable in cash or not payable in cash) to which Treasury Regulation § 1.280G-1 Q/A 24(c) (or successor thereto) applies, in each case in reverse order beginning with payments or benefits which are to be paid the farthest in time.

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

Section 8. Miscellaneous.

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

8.2. Fees and Expenses. The Company shall pay all legal fees and related expenses (including the costs of experts, evidence and counsel) incurred by the Executive as a result of (i) the termination of the Executive's employment by the Company or the resignation by the Executive for Good Reason (including all such fees and expenses, if any, incurred in contesting, defending or disputing the basis for any such termination or resignation of employment) or (b) the Executive seeking to obtain or enforce any right or benefit provided by this Employment Agreement; provided, that, if it is determined that the Executive's termination

of employment was for Cause, the Executive shall not be entitled to any payment or reimbursement pursuant to this Section 8.2.

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

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

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

8.6. Notices. Unless otherwise provided herein, all notices, requests, demands, claims and other communications provided for under the terms of this Employment Agreement shall be in writing. Any notice, request, demand, claim or other communication hereunder shall be sent by (i) personal delivery (including receipted courier service) or overnight delivery service, (ii) facsimile during normal business hours, with confirmation of

receipt, to the number indicated, (iii) reputable commercial overnight delivery service courier or (iv) registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid and addressed to the intended recipient as set forth below:

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

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

If to the Executive: Susan M. Ball
10 East Cambridge Circle Dr., Suite 250
Kansas City, KS 66103
Facsimile: (913) 982-5652

All such notices, requests, consents and other communications shall be deemed to have been given when received. Any party may change its facsimile number or its address to

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which notices, requests, demands, claims and other communications hereunder are to be delivered by giving the other parties hereto notice in the manner then set forth.

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

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

8.9. Entire Agreement. From and after the Commencement Date, this Employment Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties hereto, and supersedes all prior representations, agreements and understandings (including any prior course of dealings), both written and oral, relating to any employment of the Executive by the Company or any of its Affiliates including, without limitation, the Original Agreement, the Amended and Restated Agreement and the Second Amended and Restated Agreement.

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

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

8.12. General Interpretive Principles. The name assigned this Employment Agreement and headings of the sections, paragraphs, subparagraphs, clauses and subclauses of this Employment Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not in any way affect the meaning or interpretation of any of the provisions hereof. Words of inclusion shall not be construed as terms of limitation herein, so that references to “include”, “includes”

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and “including” shall not be limiting and shall be regarded as references to non-exclusive and non-characterizing illustrations.

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

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

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

CVR ENERGY, INC.

/s/ Susan M. Ball

SUSAN M. BALL

By: /s/ John J. Lipinski

Name: John J. Lipinski
Title: Chief Executive Officer and President

[Signature Page to Employment Agreement]

APPENDIX A

For all times until and including May 3, 2012, "Change in Control" means the occurrence of any of the following:

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

(b) The consummation of:

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

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

(B) the individuals who were members of the Board immediately prior to the execution of the agreement providing for such Merger constitute at least a majority of the members of the board of directors of (1) the Surviving Corporation, if there is no Parent Corporation, or (2) if there is one or more than one Parent Corporation, the ultimate Parent Corporation; and

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

Surviving Corporation, if there is no Parent Corporation, or (y) if there is one or more than one Parent Corporation, the ultimate Parent Corporation.

(ii) A complete liquidation or dissolution of the Company; or

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

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

For purposes of this definition, the term “Shares” means the common stock, par value \$.01 per share, of the Company and any other securities into which such shares are changed or for which such shares are exchanged.

From and after May 4, 2013, “Change of Control” means at any time any “person” or “group” (as such terms are used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”)) other than Icahn Enterprises L.P. and/or its Affiliates shall become the “beneficial owner” (as defined in Rules 13(d)-3 and 13(d)-5 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the aggregate outstanding common stock of the Company.

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

I, John J. Lipinski, certify that:

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

By: /s/ JOHN J. LIPINSKI

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

Date: November 6, 2012

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[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](#)

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

I, Byron R. Kelley, certify that:

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

By: /s/ BYRON R. KELLEY

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

Date: November 6, 2012

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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](#)

**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) for the registrant and have:
 - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiary, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - c) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officers and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

By: /s/ SUSAN M. BALL

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

Date: November 6, 2012

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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](#)

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

In connection with the filing of the Quarterly Report of CVR Partners, LP, a Delaware partnership (the "Partnership") on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2012, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, John J. Lipinski, Executive Chairman of CVR GP, LLC, the general partner of the Partnership, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to the best of my knowledge and belief:

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

By: /s/ JOHN J. LIPINSKI

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

Dated: November 6, 2012

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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](#)

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

In connection with the filing of the Quarterly Report of CVR Partners, LP, a Delaware partnership (the "Partnership") on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2012, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Byron R. Kelley, Chief Executive Officer of CVR GP, LLC, the general partner of the Partnership, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to the best of my knowledge and belief:

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

By: /s/ BYRON R. KELLEY

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

Dated: November 6, 2012

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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](#)

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

In connection with the filing of the Quarterly Report of CVR Partners, LP, a Delaware partnership (the "Partnership") on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2012, 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

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

Dated: November 6, 2012

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