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FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2015

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: 0-24206

PENN NATIONAL GAMING, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

23-2234473
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

825 Berkshire Blvd., Suite 200

Wyomissing, PA 19610

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

610-373-2400

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name, former address, and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes 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
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Smaller reporting company

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Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

| Title | Outstanding as of July 27, 2015 |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 80,185,538 (includes 134,567 shares of restricted stock) |

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This document contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as believes, estimates, expects, intends, may, will, should, anticipates or the negative or other variation of these or similar words, or by discussions of future events, strategies, or risks and uncertainties. Actual results may vary materially from expectations. Although Penn National Gaming, Inc. (Penn) and its subsidiaries (together with Penn, collectively, the Company) believe that our expectations are based on reasonable assumptions within the bounds of our knowledge of our business, there can be no assurance that actual results will not differ materially from our expectations. Meaningful factors that could cause actual results to differ from expectations include, but are not limited to, risks related to the following: our ability to obtain timely regulatory approvals required to own, develop and/or operate our facilities, or other delays or impediments to completing our planned acquisitions or projects; our ability to secure federal, state and local permits and approvals necessary for our construction projects; construction factors, including delays, unexpected remediation costs, local opposition, organized labor, and increased cost of labor and materials; our ability to maintain agreements with our horsemen, pari-mutuel clerks and other organized labor groups; the passage of state, federal or local legislation (including referenda) that would expand, restrict, further tax, prevent or negatively impact operations in or adjacent to the jurisdictions in which we do or seek to do business (such as a smoking ban at any of our facilities); the effects of local and national economic, credit, capital market, housing, and energy conditions on the economy in general and on the gaming and lodging industries in particular; the activities of our competitors and the rapid emergence of new competitors (traditional, internet and sweepstakes based and taverns); increases in the effective rate of taxation at any of our properties or at the corporate level; our ability to identify attractive acquisition and development opportunities and to agree to terms with, and maintain good relationships with partners/municipalities for such transactions; the costs and risks involved in the pursuit of such opportunities and our ability to complete the acquisition or development of, and achieve the expected returns from, such opportunities; our expectations for the continued availability and cost of capital; the outcome of pending legal proceedings, including the ongoing appeal by the Ohio Roundtable addressing the legality of video lottery terminals in Ohio and litigation surrounding our withdrawal from a gaming project in Western Pennsylvania; changes in accounting standards; the impact of weather; with respect to the proposed Jamul project near San Diego, California, particular risks associated with financing a project of this type, sovereign immunity, local opposition (including several pending lawsuits), and building a complex project on a relatively small parcel; with respect to our Massachusetts project, the ultimate location of the other gaming facilities in the state; with respect to our pending acquisition of Tropicana Las Vegas Hotel and Casino, risks relating to required regulatory approvals and other conditions to closing, higher leverage, the successful integration of the acquisition, our ability to successfully leverage our player database, market conditions affecting the Las Vegas Strip, ongoing litigation, labor relations, future capital expenditures, the risks associated with construction projects (such as delays and unexpected costs) and the availability and cost of capital; with respect to our social and other interactive gaming endeavors, risks related to ultimate profitability, cyber-security, data privacy, intellectual property and legal and regulatory challenges; and other factors as discussed in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014, subsequent Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and Current Reports on Form 8-K as filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company does not intend to update publicly any forward-looking statements except as required by law.

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| | June 30, 2015 (unaudited) | December 31, 2014 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Assets | | |
| Current assets | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 233,118 | \$ 208,673 |
| Receivables, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$2,071 and \$2,004 at June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively | 45,135 | 41,618 |
| Prepaid expenses | 62,185 | 68,947 |
| Deferred income taxes | 50,751 | 55,579 |
| Other current assets | 15,452 | 11,189 |
| Total current assets | 406,641 | 386,006 |
| Property and equipment, net | 835,462 | 769,145 |
| Other assets | | |
| Investment in and advances to unconsolidated affiliates | 173,726 | 179,551 |
| Goodwill | 274,764 | 277,582 |
| Other intangible assets, net | 370,820 | 370,562 |
| Deferred income taxes | 76,135 | 79,067 |
| Advances to the Jamul Tribe | 108,142 | 62,048 |
| Other assets | 79,358 | 87,318 |
| Total other assets | 1,082,945 | 1,056,128 |
| Total assets | \$ 2,325,048 | \$ 2,211,279 |
| Liabilities | | |
| Current liabilities | | |
| Current maturities of long-term debt | \$ 44,015 | \$ 30,853 |
| Accounts payable | 73,393 | 43,136 |
| Accrued expenses | 136,681 | 130,818 |
| Accrued interest | 8,781 | 5,163 |
| Accrued salaries and wages | 86,069 | 84,034 |
| Gaming, pari-mutuel, property, and other taxes | 62,965 | 52,132 |
| Insurance financing | 6,092 | 13,680 |
| Other current liabilities | 73,528 | 75,703 |
| Total current liabilities | 491,524 | 435,519 |
| Long-term liabilities | | |
| Long-term debt, net of current maturities and debt issuance costs | 1,216,908 | 1,204,828 |
| Noncurrent tax liabilities | 9,935 | 8,188 |
| Other noncurrent liabilities | 7,460 | 8,258 |

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| Total long-term liabilities | 1,234,303 | 1,221,274 |
| Shareholders equity | | |
| Series C Preferred stock (\$.01 par value, 18,500 shares authorized, 8,624 shares issued at June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014) | | |
| Common stock (\$.01 par value, 200,000,000 shares authorized, 80,115,538 and 79,161,817 shares issued at June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively) | 795 | 786 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 936,391 | 918,370 |
| Retained deficit | (335,506) | (363,388) |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss | (2,459) | (1,282) |
| Total shareholders equity | 599,221 | 554,486 |
| Total liabilities and shareholders equity | \$ 2,325,048 | \$ 2,211,279 |

See accompanying notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements.

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Penn National Gaming, Inc. and Subsidiaries
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income
(in thousands, except per share data)
(unaudited)

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| | 2015 | 2014 | 2015 | 2014 |
| Revenues | | | | |
| Gaming | \$ 618,919 | \$ 576,158 | \$ 1,210,255 | \$ 1,146,841 |
| Food, beverage and other | 117,421 | 110,574 | 226,184 | 215,444 |
| Management service fee | 2,816 | 3,105 | 4,743 | 5,563 |
| Revenues | 739,156 | 689,837 | 1,441,182 | 1,367,848 |
| Less promotional allowances | (38,200) | (37,691) | (76,088) | (74,622) |
| Net revenues | 700,956 | 652,146 | 1,365,094 | 1,293,226 |
| Operating expenses | | | | |
| Gaming | 313,616 | 284,107 | 608,511 | 570,184 |
| Food, beverage and other | 82,803 | 80,403 | 160,732 | 157,941 |
| General and administrative | 118,572 | 107,898 | 234,641 | 215,637 |
| Rental expense related to Master Lease | 109,519 | 104,613 | 218,364 | 208,922 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 41,752 | 47,183 | 84,674 | 94,549 |
| Impairment losses | | 4,560 | | 4,560 |
| Total operating expenses | 666,262 | 628,764 | 1,306,922 | 1,251,793 |
| Income from operations | 34,694 | 23,382 | 58,172 | 41,433 |
| Other income (expenses) | | | | |
| Interest expense | (12,295) | (10,892) | (24,458) | (22,187) |
| Interest income | 2,443 | 790 | 4,313 | 1,257 |
| Income from unconsolidated affiliates | 4,154 | 1,473 | 8,136 | 3,956 |
| Other | (956) | (1,823) | 2,133 | (192) |
| Total other expenses | (6,654) | (10,452) | (9,876) | (17,166) |
| Income from operations before income taxes | 28,040 | 12,930 | 48,296 | 24,267 |
| Income tax provision | 11,154 | 8,754 | 20,414 | 15,554 |
| Net income | \$ 16,886 | \$ 4,176 | \$ 27,882 | \$ 8,713 |
| Earnings per common share: | | | | |
| Basic earnings per common share | \$ 0.19 | \$ 0.05 | \$ 0.32 | \$ 0.10 |
| Diluted earnings per common share | \$ 0.19 | \$ 0.05 | \$ 0.31 | \$ 0.10 |

See accompanying notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements.

Table of Contents**Penn National Gaming, Inc. and Subsidiaries****Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income****(in thousands) (unaudited)**

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------|
| | 2015 | 2014 | 2015 | 2014 |
| Net income | \$ 16,886 | \$ 4,176 | \$ 27,882 | \$ 8,713 |
| Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax: | | | | |
| Foreign currency translation adjustment during the period | 539 | 619 | (1,177) | (81) |
| Other comprehensive income (loss) | 539 | 619 | (1,177) | (81) |
| Comprehensive income | \$ 17,425 | \$ 4,795 | \$ 26,705 | \$ 8,632 |

See accompanying notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements.

Table of Contents**Penn National Gaming, Inc. and Subsidiaries****Condensed Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity****(in thousands, except share data) (unaudited)**

| | Preferred Stock | | Common Stock | | Additional | Retained | Accumulated Other | Total | | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------|--------------|--------|------------|----------|-------------------|--------------|------------|------------|
| | Shares | Amount | Shares | Amount | Paid-In | Deficit | Comprehensive | Shareholders | | |
| | | | | | Capital | | Loss | Equity | | |
| Balance, December 31, 2013 | 8,624 | \$ | 77,788,393 | \$ | 775 | \$ | 887,556 | \$ (130,314) | \$ 383 | \$ 758,400 |
| Share-based compensation arrangements, net of tax benefits of \$9,591 | | | 839,090 | 6 | 20,715 | | | | | 20,721 |
| Foreign currency translation adjustment | | | | | | | | (81) | | (81) |
| Net income | | | | | | | 8,713 | | | 8,713 |
| Balance, June 30, 2014 | 8,624 | \$ | 78,627,483 | \$ | 781 | \$ | 908,271 | \$ (121,601) | \$ 302 | \$ 787,753 |
| Balance, December 31, 2014 | 8,624 | \$ | 79,161,817 | \$ | 786 | \$ | 918,370 | \$ (363,388) | \$ (1,282) | \$ 554,486 |
| Share-based compensation arrangements, net of tax benefits of \$8,036 | | | 953,721 | 9 | 18,021 | | | | | 18,030 |
| Foreign currency translation adjustment | | | | | | | | (1,177) | | (1,177) |
| Net income | | | | | | | 27,882 | | | 27,882 |
| Balance, June 30, 2015 | 8,624 | \$ | 80,115,538 | \$ | 795 | \$ | 936,391 | \$ (335,506) | \$ (2,459) | \$ 599,221 |

See accompanying notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements.

Table of Contents**Penn National Gaming, Inc. and Subsidiaries****Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows****(in thousands) (unaudited)**

| Six Months Ended June 30, | 2015 | 2014 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Operating activities | | |
| Net income | \$ 27,882 | \$ 8,713 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 84,674 | 94,549 |
| Amortization of items charged to interest expense | 3,008 | 3,022 |
| Accretion of settlement values on long term obligations | 707 | |
| Loss (gain) on sale of fixed assets | 388 | (47) |
| Income from unconsolidated affiliates | (8,136) | (3,956) |
| Distributions of earnings from unconsolidated affiliates | 14,000 | 11,000 |
| Deferred income taxes | 8,805 | (7,401) |
| Charge for stock-based compensation | 4,421 | 5,096 |
| Impairment losses and writedowns | | 7,860 |
| (Increase) decrease, net of businesses acquired | | |
| Accounts receivable | (3,462) | (16,983) |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 2,537 | (5,749) |
| Other assets | 5,750 | 4,303 |
| Increase (decrease), net of businesses acquired | | |
| Accounts payable | 6,633 | 24,115 |
| Accrued expenses | 6,148 | (8,837) |
| Accrued interest | 3,618 | (2,030) |
| Accrued salaries and wages | 2,035 | (6,293) |
| Gaming, pari-mutuel, property and other taxes | 10,833 | 4,009 |
| Income taxes | 5,735 | 1,337 |
| Other current and noncurrent liabilities | (2,973) | 3,467 |
| Other noncurrent tax liabilities | 2,791 | 5,698 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 175,394 | 121,873 |
| Investing activities | | |
| Capital project expenditures, net of reimbursements | (90,324) | (36,041) |
| Capital maintenance expenditures | (30,165) | (44,273) |
| Advances to the Jamul Tribe | (38,452) | (18,856) |
| Proceeds from sale of property and equipment | 375 | 176 |
| Investment in joint ventures | (328) | (1,000) |
| (Increase) decrease in cash in escrow | (4,000) | 18,000 |
| Acquisition of businesses and gaming and other licenses | (248) | (88,185) |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (163,142) | (170,179) |
| Financing activities | | |
| Proceeds from exercise of options | 5,518 | 6,034 |
| Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt, net of issuance costs | 60,000 | |
| Principal payments on long-term debt | (53,773) | (13,866) |
| Proceeds from insurance financing | 885 | 14,816 |
| Payments on insurance financing | (8,473) | (9,965) |
| Tax benefit from stock options exercised | 8,036 | 9,591 |
| Net cash provided by financing activities | 12,193 | 6,610 |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | 24,445 | (41,696) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year | 208,673 | 292,995 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$ 233,118 | \$ 251,299 |

Supplemental disclosure

| | | | | |
|---------------------------------------------------|----|--------|----|--------|
| Interest expense paid, net of amounts capitalized | \$ | 17,114 | \$ | 21,187 |
| Income taxes paid | \$ | 432 | \$ | 3,030 |

See accompanying notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements.

Non-cash transaction: In January 2015, a repayment obligation for a hotel and event center near Hollywood Casino Lawrenceburg was assumed by a subsidiary of the Company, which was financed through a loan with the City of Lawrenceburg Department of Redevelopment. This non-cash transaction increased property and equipment, net and total debt by \$15.3 million. See Note 6 for further detail.

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Penn National Gaming, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

(Unaudited)

1. Organization and Basis of Presentation

Penn National Gaming, Inc. (Penn) and together with its subsidiaries (collectively, the Company) is a diversified, multi-jurisdictional owner and manager of gaming and pari-mutuel properties. As of June 30, 2015, the Company owned, managed, or had ownership interests in twenty-six facilities in the following seventeen jurisdictions: Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Missouri, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, West Virginia and Ontario, Canada.

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with United States (U.S.) generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) for interim financial information and with the instructions for Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete consolidated financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included.

The condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Penn and its subsidiaries. Investment in and advances to unconsolidated affiliates, that do not meet the consolidation criteria of the authoritative guidance for voting interest, controlling interest or variable interest entities (VIE), are accounted for under the equity method. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses for the reporting periods. Actual results could differ from those estimates. For purposes of comparability, certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation.

Operating results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2015. The notes to the consolidated financial statements contained in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014 should be read in conjunction with these condensed consolidated financial statements. The December 31, 2014 financial information has been derived from the Company s audited consolidated financial statements.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Revenue Recognition and Promotional Allowances

Gaming revenue consists mainly of slot and video lottery gaming machine revenue as well as to a lesser extent table game and poker revenue. Gaming revenue is the aggregate net difference between gaming wins and losses, with liabilities recognized for funds deposited by customers before gaming play occurs, for ticket-in, ticket-out coupons in the customers' possession, and for accruals related to the anticipated payout of progressive jackpots. Progressive slot machines, which contain base jackpots that increase at a progressive rate based on the number of coins played, are charged to revenue as the amount of the jackpots increases. Table game revenue is the aggregate of table drop adjusted for the change in aggregate table chip inventory. Table drop is the total dollar amount of the currency, coins, chips, tokens and outstanding markers (credit instruments) that are removed from the live gaming tables.

Food, beverage and other revenue, including racing revenue, is recognized as services are performed. Racing revenue includes the Company's share of pari-mutuel wagering on live races after payment of amounts returned as winning wagers, its share of wagering from import and export simulcasting, and its share of wagering from its off-track wagering facilities.

Revenue from the management service contract for Casino Rama is based upon contracted terms and is recognized when services are performed.

Revenues are recognized net of certain sales incentives in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 605-50, Revenue Recognition - Customer Payments and Incentives. The Company records certain sales incentives and points earned in point-loyalty programs as a reduction of revenue.

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The retail value of accommodations, food and beverage, and other services furnished to guests without charge is included in gross revenues and then deducted as promotional allowances. The estimated cost of providing such promotional allowances is primarily included in food, beverage and other expense.

The amounts included in promotional allowances for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 are as follows:

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|
| | 2015 | 2014 | 2015 | 2014 |
| | (in thousands) | | | |
| Rooms | \$ 8,903 | \$ 8,426 | \$ 17,239 | \$ 16,497 |
| Food and beverage | 27,215 | 26,790 | 54,651 | 53,389 |
| Other | 2,082 | 2,475 | 4,198 | 4,736 |
| Total promotional allowances | \$ 38,200 | \$ 37,691 | \$ 76,088 | \$ 74,622 |

The estimated cost of providing such complimentary services for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 are as follows:

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|
| | 2015 | 2014 | 2015 | 2014 |
| | (in thousands) | | | |
| Rooms | \$ 974 | \$ 891 | \$ 1,909 | \$ 1,758 |
| Food and beverage | 10,657 | 11,247 | 21,486 | 22,215 |
| Other | 873 | 913 | 1,711 | 1,755 |
| Total cost of complimentary services | \$ 12,504 | \$ 13,051 | \$ 25,106 | \$ 25,728 |

Gaming and Racing Taxes

The Company is subject to gaming and pari-mutuel taxes based on gross gaming revenue and pari-mutuel revenue in the jurisdictions in which it operates. The Company primarily recognizes gaming and pari-mutuel tax expense based on the statutorily required percentage of revenue that is required to be paid to state and local jurisdictions in the states where or in which wagering occurs. In certain states in which the Company operates, gaming taxes are based on graduated rates. The Company records gaming tax expense at the Company's estimated effective gaming tax rate for the year, considering estimated taxable gaming revenue and the applicable rates. Such estimates are adjusted each interim period. If gaming tax rates change during the year, such changes are applied prospectively in the determination of gaming tax expense in future interim periods. Finally, the Company recognizes purse expense based on the statutorily required percentage of revenue that is required to be paid out in the form of purses to the winning owners of horse races run at the Company's racetracks in the period in which wagering occurs. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, these expenses, which are recorded primarily within gaming expense in the condensed consolidated statements of income, were \$244.5 million and \$471.6 million, as compared to \$223.2 million and \$442.6 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, respectively.

Rental Expense related to the Master Lease

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As of June 30, 2015, the Company leases from Gaming and Leisure Properties, Inc. (GLPI) real property assets associated with eighteen of the Company's gaming and related facilities used in the Company's operations under a triple net master lease agreement (Master Lease).

The rent structure under the Master Lease, which became effective November 1, 2013, includes a fixed component, a portion of which is subject to an annual escalator of up to 2% if certain rent coverage ratio thresholds are met, and a variable component that is based on the performance of the facilities, which is prospectively adjusted, subject to a floor of zero (i) every five years by an amount equal to 4% of the average change to net revenues of all facilities under the Master Lease (other than Hollywood Casino Columbus and Hollywood Casino Toledo) during the preceding five years, and (ii) monthly by an amount equal to 20% of the change in net revenues of Hollywood Casino Columbus and Hollywood Casino Toledo during the preceding month. In addition, with the openings of Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley Race Course and Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway in the third quarter of 2014, these properties began paying rent subject to the terms of the Master Lease, for which the annual rental obligation is calculated as 10% of the real estate construction costs paid for by GLPI related to these facilities.

The Master Lease is commonly known as a triple-net lease. Accordingly, in addition to rent, the Company is required to pay the following, among other things: (1) all facility maintenance; (2) all insurance required in connection with the leased properties and the business conducted on the leased properties; (3) taxes levied on or with respect to the leased properties (other than taxes on the income of the lessor); and (4) all utilities and other services necessary or appropriate for the leased properties and the business

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conducted on the leased properties. At the Company's option, the Master Lease may be extended for up to four five-year renewal terms beyond the initial fifteen-year term, on the same terms and conditions.

Total rental expense under the Master Lease for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 was \$109.5 million and \$218.4 million, as compared to \$104.6 million and \$208.9 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, respectively.

Long-term asset related to the Jamul Tribe

On April 5, 2013, the Company announced that, subject to final National Indian Gaming Commission approval, it and the Jamul Indian Village of California (the "Jamul Tribe") had entered into definitive agreements to jointly develop a Hollywood Casino branded gaming facility on the Jamul Tribe's trust land in San Diego County, California. The definitive agreements were entered into to: (i) secure the development, management, and branding services of the Company to assist the Jamul Tribe during the pre-development and entitlement phase of the project; (ii) set forth the terms and conditions under which the Company will provide a loan or loans to the Jamul Tribe to fund certain development costs; and (iii) create an exclusive arrangement between the parties.

The Jamul Tribe is a federally recognized Indian Tribe holding a government-to-government relationship with the U.S. through the U.S. Department of the Interior's Bureau of Indian Affairs and possesses certain inherent powers of self-government. The Jamul Tribe is the beneficial owner of approximately six acres of reservation land located within the exterior boundaries of the State of California held by the U.S. in trust for the Jamul Tribe (the "Property"). The Jamul Tribe exercises jurisdiction over the Property pursuant to its powers of self-government and consistent with the resolutions and ordinances of the Jamul Tribe. The arrangement between the Jamul Tribe and the Company provides the Jamul Tribe with the expertise, knowledge and capacity of a proven developer and operator of gaming facilities and provides the Company with the exclusive right to administer and oversee planning, designing, development, construction management, and coordination during the development and construction of the project as well as the management of a gaming facility on the Property.

The proposed \$390 million development project will include a three-story gaming and entertainment facility of approximately 200,000 square feet featuring over 1,700 slot machines, 43 live table games, including poker, multiple restaurants, bars and lounges and a partially enclosed parking structure with over 1,800 spaces. In mid-January 2014, the Company announced the commencement of construction activities at the site and it is anticipated that the facility will open in mid-2016. The Company may, under certain circumstances, provide backstop financing to the Jamul Tribe in connection with the project and, upon opening, will manage and provide branding for the casino. The Company has a conditional loan commitment to the Jamul Tribe (that can be terminated under certain circumstances) for up to \$400 million and anticipates it will fund approximately \$390 million related to this development.

The Company is accounting for the development agreement and related loan commitment letter with the Jamul Tribe as a loan (note receivable) with accrued interest in accordance with ASC 310 Receivables. The loan represents advances made by the Company to the Jamul Tribe for the development and construction of a gaming facility for the Jamul Tribe on reservation land. As such, the Jamul Tribe will own the casino and its related assets and liabilities. San Diego Gaming Ventures, LLC (a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company) is a separate legal entity established to account for the loan and, upon completion of the project and subsequent commencement of gaming operations on the Property, will be the Penn entity which receives management and licensing fees from the Jamul Tribe. The Company has a note receivable with the Jamul Tribe for \$108.1 million and \$62.0 million, which includes accrued interest of \$7.2 million and \$3.3 million, at June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively. Collectability of the note receivable will be derived from the revenues of the casino operations once the project is completed. Based on the Company's current progress with this project, the Company believes collectability of the note is highly certain. However, in the event that the Company's internal projections related to the profitability of this project and/or the timing of the opening are

inaccurate, the Company may be required to record a reserve related to the collectability of this note receivable.

The Company considered whether the arrangement with the Jamul Tribe represents a variable interest that should be accounted for pursuant to the VIE Subsections of ASC 810 Consolidation (ASC 810). The Company noted that the scope and scope exceptions of ASC 810-10-15-12(e) states that a reporting entity shall not consolidate a government organization or financing entity established by a government organization (other than certain financing entities established to circumvent the provisions of the VIE Subsections of ASC 810). Based on the status of the Jamul Tribe as a government organization, the Company believes its arrangement with the Jamul Tribe is not within the scope defined by ASC 810.

Earnings Per Share

The Company calculates earnings per share (EPS) in accordance with ASC 260, Earnings Per Share (ASC 260). Basic EPS is computed by dividing net income applicable to common stock by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding

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during the period. Diluted EPS reflects the additional dilution for all potentially-dilutive securities such as stock options and unvested restricted shares.

At June 30, 2015 and 2014, the Company had outstanding 8,624 shares of Series C Convertible Preferred Stock. The Company determined that both classes of preferred stock qualified as a participating security as defined in ASC 260 since these securities participate in dividends with the Company's common stock. In accordance with ASC 260, a company is required to use the two-class method when computing EPS when a company has a security that qualifies as a participating security. The two-class method is an earnings allocation formula that determines EPS for each class of common stock and participating security according to dividends declared (or accumulated) and participation rights in undistributed earnings. A participating security is included in the computation of basic EPS using the two-class method. Under the two-class method, basic EPS for the Company's common stock is computed by dividing net income applicable to common stock by the weighted-average common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted EPS for the Company's common stock is computed using the more dilutive of the two-class method or the if-converted method.

The following table sets forth the allocation of net income for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 under the two-class method:

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------|---------------------------|----------|
| | 2015 | 2014 | 2015 | 2014 |
| | (in thousands) | | | |
| Net income | \$ 16,886 | \$ 4,176 | \$ 27,882 | \$ 8,713 |
| Net income applicable to preferred stock | 1,648 | 414 | 2,726 | 866 |
| Net income applicable to common stock | \$ 15,238 | \$ 3,762 | \$ 25,156 | \$ 7,847 |

The following table reconciles the weighted-average common shares outstanding used in the calculation of basic EPS to the weighted-average common shares outstanding used in the calculation of diluted EPS for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014:

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------|---------------------------|--------|
| | 2015 | 2014 | 2015 | 2014 |
| | (in thousands) | | | |
| Determination of shares: | | | | |
| Weighted-average common shares outstanding | 79,758 | 78,458 | 79,580 | 78,189 |
| Assumed conversion of dilutive employee stock-based awards | 2,298 | 1,800 | 2,301 | 1,903 |
| Assumed conversion of restricted stock | 49 | 54 | 60 | 97 |
| Diluted weighted-average common shares outstanding before participating security | 82,105 | 80,312 | 81,941 | 80,189 |
| Assumed conversion of preferred stock | 8,624 | 8,624 | 8,624 | 8,624 |
| Diluted weighted-average common shares outstanding | 90,729 | 88,936 | 90,565 | 88,813 |

Options to purchase 1,604,583 shares and 935,147 shares were outstanding during the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, but were not included in the computation of diluted EPS because they were antidilutive.

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The following table presents the calculation of basic EPS for the Company's common stock (in thousands, except per share data):

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------|---------------------------|----------|
| | 2015 | 2014 | 2015 | 2014 |
| Calculation of basic EPS: | | | | |
| Net income applicable to common stock | \$ 15,238 | \$ 3,762 | \$ 25,156 | \$ 7,847 |
| Weighted-average common shares outstanding | 79,758 | 78,458 | 79,580 | 78,189 |
| Basic EPS | \$ 0.19 | \$ 0.05 | \$ 0.32 | \$ 0.10 |

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The following table presents the calculation of diluted EPS for the Company's common stock (in thousands, except per share data):

| | Three months ended June 30, | | Six months ended June 30, | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------|---------------------------|----------|
| | 2015 | 2014 | 2015 | 2014 |
| Calculation of diluted EPS using two-class method: | | | | |
| Net income applicable to common stock | \$ 15,238 | \$ 3,762 | \$ 25,156 | \$ 7,847 |
| Diluted weighted-average common shares outstanding before participating security | 82,105 | 80,312 | 81,941 | 80,189 |
| Diluted EPS | \$ 0.19 | \$ 0.05 | \$ 0.31 | \$ 0.10 |

Stock-Based Compensation

The Company accounts for stock compensation under ASC 718, Compensation-Stock Compensation, which requires the Company to expense the cost of employee services received in exchange for an award of equity instruments based on the grant-date fair value of the award. This expense is recognized ratably over the requisite service period following the date of grant.

The fair value for stock options was estimated at the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model, which requires management to make certain assumptions. The risk-free interest rate was based on the U.S. Treasury spot rate with a term equal to the expected life assumed at the date of grant. Expected volatility was estimated based on the historical volatility of the Company's stock price over a period of 5.45 years, in order to match the expected life of the options at the grant date. Historically, at the grant date, there has been no expected dividend yield assumption since the Company has not paid any cash dividends on its common stock since its initial public offering in May 1994 and since the Company intends to retain all of its earnings to finance the development of its business for the foreseeable future. The weighted-average expected life was based on the contractual term of the stock option and expected employee exercise dates, which was based on the historical and expected exercise behavior of the Company's employees. The Company granted 1,689,357 stock options during the six months ended June 30, 2015.

Stock-based compensation expense for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 was \$2.3 million and \$4.4 million, as compared to \$2.5 million and \$5.1 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, respectively, and is included within the condensed consolidated statements of income under general and administrative expense.

The Company's cash-settled phantom stock unit awards (PSUs), which vest over a period of three to five years, entitle employees and directors to receive cash based on the fair value of the Company's common stock on the vesting date. The PSUs are accounted for as liability awards and are re-measured at fair value each reporting period until they become vested with compensation expense being recognized over the requisite service period in accordance with ASC 718-30, Compensation-Stock Compensation, Awards Classified as Liabilities. The Company had a liability, which is included in accrued salaries and wages within the condensed consolidated balance sheets, associated with its PSUs of \$11.9 million and \$8.2 million at June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively. For PSUs held by Penn employees, there was \$25.2 million of total unrecognized compensation cost at June 30, 2015 that will be recognized over the grants remaining weighted average vesting period of 2.1 years. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, the Company recognized \$5.0 million and \$9.5 million of compensation expense associated with these awards, as compared to \$1.2 million and \$2.6 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2014. The increase was primarily due to the stock price increase for both Penn and GLPI awards held by Penn employees in the current year compared with stock price declines in the prior year. Amounts paid by the Company for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 on these cash-settled awards totaled \$0.1 million and \$5.3 million, as compared to \$0.1 million and \$6.0 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, respectively.

For the Company's stock appreciation rights (SARs), the fair value of the SARs is calculated during each reporting period and estimated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model based on the various inputs discussed below. The Company's SARs, which vest over a period of four years, are accounted for as liability awards since they will be settled in cash. The Company had a liability, which is included in accrued salaries and wages within the condensed consolidated balance sheets, associated with its SARs of \$11.1 million and \$6.3 million at June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively. For SARs held by Penn employees, there was \$10.2 million of total unrecognized compensation cost at June 30, 2015 that will be recognized over the awards remaining weighted average vesting period of 2.84 years. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, the Company recognized \$2.5 million and \$7.1 million of compensation expense associated with these awards, as compared to (\$0.2) million and \$0.1 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, respectively. The increase was primarily due to the stock price increase for both Penn and GLPI awards held by Penn employees in the current year compared with stock price declines in the prior year. Amounts paid by the Company for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 on these cash-settled awards totaled \$0.5 million and \$2.3 million, as compared to \$0.7 million and \$1.2 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, respectively.

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The following are the weighted-average assumptions used in the Black-Scholes option-pricing model at June 30, 2015 and 2014:

| | 2015 | 2014 |
|----------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Risk-free interest rate | 1.75% | 1.68% |
| Expected volatility | 32.52% | 44.80% |
| Dividend yield | | |
| Weighted-average expected life (years) | 5.45 | 5.45 |

Segment Information

The Company's Chief Executive Officer and President, who is the Company's Chief Operating Decision Maker, as that term is defined in ASC 280, Segment Reporting (ASC 280), measures and assesses the Company's business performance based on regional operations of various properties grouped together based primarily on their geographic locations. The Company's reportable segments are: (i) East/Midwest, (ii) West, and (iii) Southern Plains.

The East/Midwest reportable segment consists of the following properties: Hollywood Casino at Charles Town Races, Hollywood Casino Bangor, Hollywood Casino at Penn National Race Course, Hollywood Casino Lawrenceburg, Hollywood Casino Toledo, Hollywood Casino Columbus, Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway, which opened on August 28, 2014, Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley Race Course, which opened on September 17, 2014, and Plainridge Park Casino, which opened on June 24, 2015. It also includes the Company's Casino Rama management service contract.

The West reportable segment consists of the following properties: Zia Park Casino and the M Resort, as well as the Hollywood Casino Jamul San Diego project with the Jamul Indian Village, which the Company anticipates completing in mid-2016. This segment will also include the results of Tropicana Las Vegas Hotel and Casino (Tropicana Las Vegas or Tropicana) once this acquisition is consummated.

The Southern Plains reportable segment consists of the following properties: Hollywood Casino Aurora, Hollywood Casino Joliet, Argosy Casino Alton, Argosy Casino Riverside, Hollywood Casino Tunica, Hollywood Casino Gulf Coast, Boomtown Biloxi, and Hollywood Casino St. Louis, and includes the Company's 50% investment in Kansas Entertainment, LLC (Kansas Entertainment), which owns the Hollywood Casino at Kansas Speedway. On July 30, 2014, the Company closed Argosy Casino Sioux City.

The Other category consists of the Company's standalone racing operations, namely Rosecroft Raceway, Sanford-Orlando Kennel Club, and the Company's joint venture interests in Sam Houston Race Park, Valley Race Park, and Freehold Raceway, as well as the Company's 50% joint venture with the Cordish Companies in New York (which is in the process of being dissolved). If the Company is successful in obtaining gaming operations at these locations, they would be assigned to one of the Company's regional executives and reported in their respective reportable segment. The Other category also includes the Company's corporate overhead operations which does not meet the definition of an operating segment under ASC 280.

See Note 8 for further information with respect to the Company's segments.

Other Comprehensive Income

The Company accounts for comprehensive income in accordance with ASC 220, *Comprehensive Income*, which establishes standards for the reporting and presentation of comprehensive income in the consolidated financial statements. The Company presents comprehensive income in two separate but consecutive statements. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, the only component of accumulated other comprehensive income was foreign currency translation adjustments.

3. New Accounting Pronouncements

In April 2015, the FASB issued revised guidance to simplify the presentation of debt issuance costs in the balance sheet. The revised guidance requires debt issuance costs related to a recognized debt liability be presented in the balance sheet as a direct deduction from the carrying amount of that debt liability, consistent with the existing presentation of debt discounts. The recognition and measurement guidance for debt issuance costs are not affected by this revised guidance, and therefore there is no impact to the statement of income. The revised guidance is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption of this revised guidance is permitted for financial statements that have not been previously issued. An entity should apply the revised guidance on a retrospective basis, wherein the balance sheet of each individual period presented should be adjusted to reflect the period-specific effects of applying the revised guidance. The Company has elected to early adopt the revised guidance and as such debt issuance costs are now presented as a direct reduction of

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long-term debt on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. See Note 6 for further information regarding debt issuance costs.

In February 2015, the FASB issued new consolidation guidance to modify the analysis that a reporting entity must perform to determine whether it should consolidate certain types of legal entities. The main provisions of the new guidance include modifying the evaluation of whether limited partnerships and similar legal entities are VIEs or voting interest entities, the evaluation of fees paid to a decision maker or a service provider as a variable interest, and the effect of fee arrangements and related parties on the primary beneficiary determination, as well as provides a scope exception for certain investment funds. The new guidance is effective for fiscal years, and for interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2015. Early adoption is permitted, including adoption in an interim period. A reporting entity may apply the new guidance using a modified retrospective approach by recording a cumulative-effect adjustment to equity as of the beginning of the fiscal year of adoption. A reporting entity also may apply the new guidance retrospectively. Management is in the process of assessing the impact of the new guidance on existing consolidation conclusions and equity method investments, but does not anticipate any change.

In May 2014, the FASB issued new revenue recognition guidance, which will supersede nearly all existing revenue recognition guidance. The core principle of the guidance is that an entity should recognize revenue when it transfers promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. To achieve the core principle, the new guidance implements a five-step process for customer contract revenue recognition. The guidance also requires enhanced disclosures regarding the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenues and cash flows arising from contracts with customers. This new guidance was originally to be effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016, including interim periods within that reporting period, and early adoption is prohibited. In April 2015, the FASB issued a one-year deferral of the effective date of this new guidance resulting in it now being effective for the Company beginning in fiscal year 2018. Entities can transition to the new guidance either retrospectively or as a cumulative-effect adjustment as of the date of adoption. Management is currently assessing the impact the new revenue recognition guidance will have on the consolidated financial statements.

4. Pending Acquisition

On April 29, 2015, the Company announced that it entered into a definitive agreement to acquire the Tropicana Las Vegas Hotel and Casino for approximately \$360 million. We believe the planned acquisition will fulfill an important long-term strategic objective of establishing a presence on the Las Vegas Strip. The Tropicana is a quality facility situated on 35 acres of land located on the Las Vegas Strip with 1,467 remodeled guest rooms and suites, a 50,000 square foot casino gaming floor featuring 844 slot and video poker machines and 38 table games including blackjack, mini-baccarat, craps and roulette, three full-service restaurants, a 1,200 seat performance theater, a 300 seat comedy club, a nightclub, beach club and 2,950 parking spaces. The transaction is subject to customary closing conditions and regulatory approvals. The purchase price will be funded by revolving commitments under the Company's existing senior secured credit facility and approximately \$280 million of incremental commitments under an amended senior secured credit facility. The acquisition is expected to close later this year, subject to the timing of regulatory approvals and other closing conditions.

5. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment, net, consists of the following:

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| | June 30, 2015 | December 31, 2014 |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| | (in thousands) | |
| Land and improvements | \$ 56,702 | \$ 42,350 |
| Building and improvements | 294,187 | 173,043 |
| Furniture, fixtures, and equipment | 1,259,639 | 1,213,143 |
| Leasehold improvements | 248,447 | 246,047 |
| Construction in progress | 8,820 | 69,367 |
| Total property and equipment | 1,867,795 | 1,743,950 |
| Less accumulated depreciation | (1,032,333) | (974,805) |
| Property and equipment, net | \$ 835,462 | \$ 769,145 |

Property and equipment, net increased by \$66.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 primarily due to the City of Lawrenceburg's conveyance of a hotel and event center near Hollywood Casino Lawrenceburg (see Note 6 for further detail) and

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construction costs for the development of Plainridge Park Casino as well as normal capital maintenance expenditures, all of which were partially offset by depreciation expense for the six months ended June 30, 2015.

Depreciation expense totaled \$41.8 million and \$84.7 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, as compared to \$42.0 million and \$84.0 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, respectively. Interest capitalized in connection with major construction projects was \$1.2 million and \$1.8 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, as compared to \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, respectively.

6. Long-term Debt

Long-term debt, net of current maturities, is as follows:

| | June 30, 2015 | December 31, 2014 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| | (in thousands) | |
| Senior secured credit facility | \$ 813,750 | \$ 807,500 |
| \$300 million 5.875% senior unsecured notes due November 1, 2021 | 300,000 | 300,000 |
| Other long term obligations | 170,196 | 154,189 |
| Capital leases | 177 | 199 |
| | 1,284,123 | 1,261,888 |
| Less current maturities of long-term debt | (44,015) | (30,853) |
| Less discount on senior secured credit facility Term Loan B | (972) | (1,056) |
| Less debt issuance costs, net of accumulated amortization of \$9.7 million and \$6.8 million, respectively | (22,228) | (25,151) |
| | \$ 1,216,908 | \$ 1,204,828 |

The following is a schedule of future minimum repayments of long-term debt as of June 30, 2015 (in thousands, excluding other long-term obligations attributable to the contingent purchase price consideration related to the purchase of Plainridge Racecourse further discussed below):

| | |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Within one year | \$ 44,015 |
| 1-3 years | 126,953 |
| 3-5 years | 478,477 |
| Over 5 years | 614,781 |
| Total minimum payments | \$ 1,264,226 |

Senior Secured Credit Facility

The senior secured credit facility consists of a five year \$500 million revolver, a five year \$500 million Term Loan A facility, and a seven year \$250 million Term Loan B facility. At June 30, 2015, the Company's senior secured credit facility had a gross outstanding balance of \$813.8

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million, consisting of a \$462.5 million Term Loan A facility, a \$246.3 million Term Loan B facility, and \$105.0 million outstanding on the revolving credit facility. Additionally, at June 30, 2015, the Company had conditional obligations under letters of credit issued pursuant to the senior secured credit facility with face amounts aggregating \$22.9 million, resulting in \$372.1 million of available borrowing capacity as of June 30, 2015 under the revolving credit facility.

Other Long Term Obligations

Other long term obligations at June 30, 2015 of \$170.2 million included \$19.9 million for the contingent purchase price consideration related to the purchase of Plainridge Racecourse, \$135.0 million related to the relocation fees for Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway and Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley Race Course, and \$15.3 million related to the repayment obligation of a hotel and event center located near Hollywood Casino Lawrenceburg; all of which are more fully described below.

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Plainridge Racecourse

On April 11, 2014, the Company purchased Plainridge Racecourse in Massachusetts, at which the Company began to operate a slots-only gaming facility on June 24, 2015. The associated option and purchase agreement contained contingent purchase price consideration that is calculated based on the actual earnings over the first ten years of operations following the commencement of gaming. The first payment is due 60 days after the completion of the first four full fiscal quarters of operation following the commencement of gaming, and additional payments are due every year for nine years after the first payment. The fair value of this liability was based on an income approach from the Company's internal earning projections and was discounted at a rate consistent with the risk a third party market participant would require holding the identical instrument as an asset. At each reporting period, the Company assesses the fair value of this obligation and changes in its value are recorded in earnings. The amount included in interest expense related to the change in fair value of this obligation was \$0.3 million and \$0.7 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively.

Ohio Relocation Fees

In June 2013, the Company finalized the terms of its memorandum of understanding with the State of Ohio, which included an agreement by the Company to pay a relocation fee in return for being able to relocate its existing racetracks in Toledo and Grove City to Dayton and Mahoning Valley, respectively. Upon opening of these two racinos in Ohio in the third quarter of 2014, the relocation fee for each new racino was recorded at the present value of the contractual obligation, which was calculated to be \$75 million based on the 5% discount rate included in the agreement. The relocation fee for each facility is payable as follows: \$7.5 million upon the opening of the facility and eighteen semi-annual payments of \$4.8 million beginning one year from the commencement of operations. This obligation is accreted to interest expense at an effective yield of 5.0%. The amount included in interest expense related to this obligation was \$1.7 million and \$3.4 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively.

Event Center

The City of Lawrenceburg Department of Redevelopment recently completed construction of a hotel and event center located less than a mile away from Hollywood Casino Lawrenceburg. Effective in mid-January 2015, by contractual agreement, a repayment obligation for the hotel and event center was assumed by a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company in the amount of \$15.3 million, which was financed through a loan with the City of Lawrenceburg Department of Redevelopment. The Company is obligated to make annual payments on the loan of approximately \$1 million for twenty years beginning January 2016. This obligation is accreted to interest expense at its effective yield of 3.0%. The amount included in interest expense related to this obligation was \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively.

Debt Issuance Costs

As discussed in Note 3, the Company elected to early adopt accounting guidance issued in April 2015 to simplify the presentation of debt issuance costs. This change in accounting principle was implemented retrospectively as of March 31, 2015. Debt issuance costs that are incurred by the Company in connection with the issuance of debt are deferred and amortized to interest expense using the effective interest method over the contractual term of the underlying indebtedness. The Company has reclassified

debt issuance costs as a direct reduction to the related debt obligation on the balance sheet as of December 31, 2014.

Covenants

The Company's senior secured credit facility and \$300 million 5.875% senior unsecured notes require it, among other obligations, to maintain specified financial ratios and to satisfy certain financial tests, including fixed charge coverage, interest coverage, senior leverage and total leverage ratios. In addition, the Company's senior secured credit facility and \$300 million 5.875% senior unsecured notes restrict, among other things, its ability to incur additional indebtedness, incur guarantee obligations, amend debt instruments, pay dividends, create liens on assets, make investments, engage in mergers or consolidations, and otherwise restrict corporate activities.

At June 30, 2015, the Company was in compliance with all required financial covenants.

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The Company is subject to various legal and administrative proceedings relating to personal injuries, employment matters, commercial transactions and other matters arising in the ordinary course of business. The Company does not believe that the final outcome of these matters will have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial position or results of operations. In addition, the Company maintains what it believes is adequate insurance coverage to further mitigate the risks of such proceedings. However, such proceedings can be costly, time consuming and unpredictable and, therefore, no assurance can be given that the final outcome of such proceedings may not materially impact the Company's consolidated financial condition or results of operations. Further, no assurance can be given that the amount or scope of existing insurance coverage will be sufficient to cover losses arising from such matters.

8. Segment Information

The following tables present certain information with respect to the Company's segments. Intersegment revenues between the Company's segments were not material in any of the periods presented below.

| | East/Midwest | West | Southern Plains (in thousands) | Other | Total |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------|------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Three months ended June 30, 2015 | | | | | |
| Net revenues | \$ 417,756 | \$ 63,664 | \$ 213,689 | \$ 5,847 | \$ 700,956 |
| Income (loss) from operations | 27,853 | 7,410 | 26,333 | (26,902) | 34,694 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 27,342 | 2,297 | 10,697 | 1,416 | 41,752 |
| Income (loss) from unconsolidated affiliates | | | 4,401 | (247) | 4,154 |
| Capital expenditures | 60,150 | 2,363 | 8,003 | 1,184 | 71,700 |
| Three months ended June 30, 2014 | | | | | |
| Net revenues | \$ 361,357 | \$ 59,033 | \$ 224,726 | \$ 7,030 | \$ 652,146 |
| Income (loss) from operations | 17,003 | 7,426 | 17,970 | (19,017) | 23,382 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 25,911 | 1,692 | 17,573 | 2,007 | 47,183 |
| Income (loss) from unconsolidated affiliates | | | 2,621 | (1,148) | 1,473 |
| Impairment losses | 4,560 | | | | 4,560 |
| Capital expenditures | 16,988 | 9,617 | 13,990 | 2,678 | 43,273 |
| Six months ended June 30, 2015 | | | | | |
| Net revenues | \$ 804,300 | \$ 126,250 | \$ 423,958 | \$ 10,586 | \$ 1,365,094 |
| Income (loss) from operations | 46,947 | 13,919 | 50,907 | (53,601) | 58,172 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 55,614 | 4,685 | 21,480 | 2,895 | 84,674 |
| Income (loss) from unconsolidated affiliates | | | 8,189 | (53) | 8,136 |
| Capital expenditures | 98,724 | 5,214 | 14,451 | 2,100 | 120,489 |

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Six months ended June 30, 2014

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------------------|----|---------|----|---------|----|---------|----|----------|----|-----------|
| Net revenues | \$ | 710,805 | \$ | 119,953 | \$ | 448,483 | \$ | 13,985 | \$ | 1,293,226 |
| Income (loss) from operations | | 26,605 | | 15,482 | | 39,197 | | (39,851) | | 41,433 |
| Depreciation and amortization | | 52,734 | | 3,241 | | 34,824 | | 3,750 | | 94,549 |
| Income (loss) from unconsolidated affiliates | | | | | | 5,074 | | (1,118) | | 3,956 |
| Impairment losses | | 4,560 | | | | | | | | 4,560 |
| Capital expenditures | | 27,098 | | 16,047 | | 33,333 | | 3,836 | | 80,314 |

Balance sheet at June 30, 2015

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------------------------|--|-----------|--|---------|--|---------|--|---------|--|-----------|
| Total assets | | 1,090,333 | | 332,962 | | 565,278 | | 336,475 | | 2,325,048 |
| Investment in and advances to unconsolidated affiliates | | 91 | | | | 109,658 | | 63,977 | | 173,726 |
| Goodwill and other intangible assets, net | | 264,261 | | 145,198 | | 232,047 | | 4,078 | | 645,584 |

Balance sheet at December 31, 2014

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------------------------|--|---------|--|---------|--|---------|--|---------|--|-----------|
| Total assets | | 990,031 | | 289,026 | | 592,405 | | 339,817 | | 2,211,279 |
| Investment in and advances to unconsolidated affiliates | | 94 | | | | 115,469 | | 63,988 | | 179,551 |
| Goodwill and other intangible assets, net | | 264,147 | | 145,054 | | 234,865 | | 4,078 | | 648,144 |

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9. Income Taxes

At June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the Company had a net deferred tax asset balance of \$126.9 million and \$134.6 million, respectively, within its condensed consolidated balance sheets. The Company accounts for income taxes in accordance with ASC 740, Income Taxes (ASC 740). Under ASC 740, deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on the differences between the financial statement carrying amounts and the tax bases of existing assets and liabilities and are measured at the prevailing enacted tax rates that will be in effect when these differences are settled or realized. ASC 740 also requires that deferred tax assets be reduced by a valuation allowance if it is more-likely-than-not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized.

10. Fair Value Measurements

ASC 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, establishes a hierarchy that prioritizes fair value measurements based on the types of inputs used for the various valuation techniques (market approach, income approach, and cost approach). The levels of the hierarchy are described below:

- Level 1: Observable inputs such as quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; these include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, such as interest rates and yield curves that are observable at commonly quoted intervals.
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs that reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions, as there is little, if any, related market activity.

The Company's assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement requires judgment, and may affect the valuation of assets and liabilities and their placement within the fair value hierarchy.

The following methods and assumptions are used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instruments for which it is practicable to estimate:

Cash and cash equivalents

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The fair value of the Company's cash and cash equivalents approximates the carrying value of the Company's cash and cash equivalents, due to the short maturity of the cash equivalents.

Long-term debt

The fair value of the Company's Term Loan A and B components of its senior secured credit facility and senior unsecured notes is estimated based on quoted prices in active markets and as such is a Level 1 measurement. The fair value of the remainder of the Company's senior secured credit facility approximates its carrying value as it is revolving, variable rate debt and as such is a Level 2 measurement.

Other long term obligations at June 30, 2015 include the contingent purchase price consideration related to the purchase of Plainridge Racecourse, the relocation fees for Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway and Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley Race Course, and the repayment obligation of a hotel and event center located near Hollywood Casino Lawrenceburg. The fair value of the Company's contingent purchase price consideration related to its Plainridge Racecourse acquisition is estimated based on an income approach using a discounted cash flow model and as such is a Level 3 measurement. At each reporting period, the Company assesses the fair value of this obligation and changes in its value are recorded in earnings. The amount included in interest expense related to the change in fair value of this obligation was \$0.3 million and \$0.7 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively. The fair value of the relocation fees for Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway and Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley Race Course approximates its carrying value as the discount rate of 5.0% approximates the market rate of similar debt instruments and as such is a Level 2 measurement. Finally, the fair value of the repayment obligation for the hotel and event center is estimated based on a rate consistent with comparable municipal bonds and as such is a Level 2 measurement. See Note 6 for further details regarding the Company's other long term obligations.

The carrying amounts and estimated fair values by input level of the Company's financial instruments at June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014 are as follows (in thousands):

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| | June 30, 2015 | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|---------|---------|
| | Carrying Amount | Fair Value | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 |
| Financial assets: | | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 233,118 | \$ 233,118 | \$ 233,118 | \$ | \$ |
| Financial liabilities: | | | | | |
| Long-term debt | | | | | |
| Senior secured credit facility | 794,619 | 805,901 | 700,901 | 105,000 | |
| Senior unsecured notes | 295,931 | 300,000 | 300,000 | | |
| Other long-term obligations | 170,196 | 167,575 | | 147,679 | 19,896 |

| | December 31, 2014 | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|---------|---------|
| | Carrying Amount | Fair Value | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 |
| Financial assets: | | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 208,673 | \$ 208,673 | \$ 208,673 | \$ | \$ |
| Financial liabilities: | | | | | |
| Long-term debt | | | | | |
| Senior secured credit facility | 785,683 | 799,556 | 714,556 | 85,000 | |
| Senior unsecured notes | 295,610 | 276,000 | 276,000 | | |
| Other long-term obligations | 154,189 | 154,189 | | 135,000 | 19,189 |

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ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Our Operations

We are a leading, diversified, multi-jurisdictional owner and manager of gaming and pari-mutuel properties. As of June 30, 2015, we owned, managed, or had ownership interests in twenty-six facilities in the following seventeen jurisdictions: Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Missouri, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, West Virginia, and Ontario, Canada. We believe that our portfolio of assets provides us with the benefits of a geographically diversified portfolio of properties that generates significant cash flow from operations.

In 1997, we began our transition from a pari-mutuel company to a diversified gaming company with the acquisition of the Charles Town property and the introduction of video lottery terminals in West Virginia. Since 1997, we have continued to expand our gaming operations through strategic acquisitions, greenfield projects, and property expansions. On June 24, 2015, we opened Plainridge Park Casino, an integrated racing and slots-only gaming facility in Plainville, Massachusetts. On April 28, 2015, we entered into a definitive agreement to acquire Tropicana Las Vegas Hotel and Casino, which acquisition is expected to close later this year, subject to the timing of regulatory approvals and other closing conditions. In addition, we are constructing a gaming facility on the Jamul Indian Village near San Diego, California, which we anticipate completing in mid-2016.

The vast majority of our revenue is gaming revenue, derived primarily from gaming on slot machines (which represented approximately 84% and 83% of our gaming revenue in 2014 and 2013, respectively) and to a lesser extent, table games, which is highly dependent upon the volume and spending levels of customers at our properties. Other revenues are derived from our management service fee from Casino Rama, our hotel, dining, retail, admissions, program sales, concessions and certain other ancillary activities, and our racing operations. Our racing revenue includes our share of pari-mutuel wagering on live races after payment of amounts returned as winning wagers, our share of wagering from import and export simulcasting, and our share of wagering from our off-track wagering facilities.

Key performance indicators related to gaming revenue are slot handle and table game drop (volume indicators) and win or hold percentage. Our typical property slot hold percentage is in the range of 6% to 10% of slot handle, and our typical table game win percentage is in the range of 12% to 27% of table game drop. Slot handle is the gross amount wagered for the period cited. The win or hold percentage is the net amount of gaming wins and losses, with liabilities recognized for accruals related to the anticipated payout of progressive jackpots. Our slot hold percentages have consistently been in the 6% to 10% range over the past several years. Given the stability in our slot hold percentages, we have not experienced significant impacts to earnings from changes in these percentages.

For table games, customers usually purchase cash chips at the gaming tables. The cash and markers (extensions of credit granted to certain credit worthy customers) are deposited in the gaming table's drop box. Table game win is the amount of drop that is retained and recorded as casino gaming revenue, with liabilities recognized for funds deposited by customers before gaming play occurs and for unredeemed gaming chips. As we are focused on regional gaming markets, our table win percentages are fairly stable as the majority of these markets do not regularly experience high-end play, which can lead to volatility in win percentages. Therefore, changes in table game win percentages do not typically have a material impact to our earnings.

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Our properties generate significant operating cash flow, since most of our revenue is cash-based from slot machines, table games, and pari-mutuel wagering. Our business is capital intensive, and we rely on cash flow from our properties to generate operating cash to pay rent to GLPI under the Master Lease, repay debt, fund capital maintenance expenditures, fund new capital projects at existing properties and provide excess cash for future development and acquisitions.

We continue to expand our gaming operations through the implementation and execution of a disciplined capital expenditure program at our existing properties, the pursuit of strategic acquisitions and the development of new gaming properties, particularly in attractive regional markets. Additional information regarding our capital projects is discussed in detail in the section entitled "Liquidity and Capital Resources - Capital Expenditures" below.

Segment Information

The Company's Chief Executive Officer and President, who is the Company's Chief Operating Decision Maker, as that term is defined in ASC 280, measures and assesses the Company's business performance based on regional operations of various properties grouped together based primarily on their geographic locations. The Company's reportable segments are: (i) East/Midwest, (ii) West, and (iii) Southern Plains.

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The East/Midwest reportable segment consists of the following properties: Hollywood Casino at Charles Town Races, Hollywood Casino Bangor, Hollywood Casino at Penn National Race Course, Hollywood Casino Lawrenceburg, Hollywood Casino Toledo, Hollywood Casino Columbus, Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway, which opened on August 28, 2014, Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley Race Course, which opened on September 17, 2014, and Plainridge Park Casino, which opened on June 24, 2015. It also includes the Company's Casino Rama management service contract.

The West reportable segment consists of the following properties: Zia Park Casino and the M Resort, as well as the Hollywood Casino Jamul San Diego project with the Jamul Indian Village, which the Company anticipates completing in mid-2016. This segment will also include the results of Tropicana Las Vegas once the acquisition is consummated.

The Southern Plains reportable segment consists of the following properties: Hollywood Casino Aurora, Hollywood Casino Joliet, Argosy Casino Alton, Argosy Casino Riverside, Hollywood Casino Tunica, Hollywood Casino Gulf Coast, Boomtown Biloxi, and Hollywood Casino St. Louis, and includes the Company's 50% investment in Kansas Entertainment, which owns the Hollywood Casino at Kansas Speedway. On July 30, 2014, the Company closed Argosy Casino Sioux City.

The Other category consists of the Company's standalone racing operations, namely Rosecroft Raceway, Sanford-Orlando Kennel Club, and the Company's joint venture interests in Sam Houston Race Park, Valley Race Park, and Freehold Raceway, as well as the Company's 50% joint venture with the Cordish Companies in New York (which is in the process of being dissolved). If the Company is successful in obtaining gaming operations at these locations, they would be assigned to one of the Company's regional executives and reported in their respective reportable segment. The Other category also includes the Company's corporate overhead operations which does not meet the definition of an operating segment under ASC 280.

Executive Summary

Recently we have begun to see signs of stabilization in spending patterns at the majority of our facilities that have not been impacted by recent new competition, however the expansion of newly constructed gaming facilities continues to impact the overall domestic gaming industry as well as our operating results. We believe that recent economic conditions, including, but not limited to, a weak economic recovery, and higher taxes paid by individuals, have resulted in reduced levels of discretionary consumer spending compared to historical levels. Additionally, the expansion of newly constructed gaming facilities has substantially increased competition in many of our regional markets (including some of our larger facilities).

We operate a geographically diversified portfolio comprised largely of new and well maintained regional gaming facilities. This has allowed us to develop what we believe to be a solid base for future growth opportunities. We have also made investments in joint ventures that we believe may allow us to capitalize on additional gaming opportunities in certain states if legislation or referenda are passed that permit and/or expand gaming in these jurisdictions and we are selected as a licensee. Historically, the Company has been reliant on certain key regional gaming markets (for example, its results from Hollywood Casino at Charles Town Races and Hollywood Casino Lawrenceburg). Over the past several years, the Company has diversified its operations via development of new facilities and acquisitions and anticipates further diversifying its reliance on specific properties in connection with its current development pipeline. For example, we expect that our recent opening in Plainville, Massachusetts is anticipated to significantly increase our ability to generate free cash flow since this property is not part of the Master Lease and as such does not have a rental obligation associated with it.

Financial Highlights:

We reported net revenues and income from operations of \$701.0 million and \$34.7 million, respectively, for the three months ended June 30, 2015, compared to \$652.1 million and \$23.4 million, respectively, for the corresponding period in the prior year and net revenues and income from operations of \$1,365.1 million and \$58.2 million, respectively, for the six months ended June 30, 2015 compared to \$1,293.2 million and \$41.4 million, respectively for the corresponding period in the prior year. The major factors affecting our results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, were:

- The opening of Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway on August 28, 2014 in our East/Midwest segment, which generated \$23.2 million and \$45.7 million of net revenues for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively.
- The opening of Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley Race Course on September 17, 2014 in our East/Midwest segment, which generated \$25.6 million and \$50.4 million of net revenues for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively.

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- The opening of Plainridge Park Casino on June 24, 2015 in our East/Midwest segment, which had increased net revenues of \$6.3 million and \$5.5 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014.
- Competition in our East/Midwest segment for Hollywood Casino Lawrenceburg, namely the opening of a casino in Cincinnati, Ohio in March 2013, as well as more recent openings of a racino at Belterra Park in May 2014 and our own Dayton, Ohio facility in late August 2014.
- Increased competition in our East/Midwest segment from the Baltimore, Maryland market, which includes Maryland Live! and Horseshoe Casino Baltimore, which opened at the end of August 2014.
- The closure of Argosy Casino Sioux City in our Southern Plains segment on July 30, 2014.
- A pre-tax impairment charge of \$4.6 million for Hollywood Casino Lawrenceburg in our East/Midwest segment during the three and six months ended June 30, 2014.
- Higher general and administrative expenses from corporate overhead costs of \$8.3 million and \$14.8 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, compared to the corresponding period in the prior year, primarily due to higher cash-settled stock-based compensation charges of \$6.4 million and \$13.8 million mainly due to stock price increases for Penn and GLPI common stock during 2015 compared to stock price declines in 2014 as well as higher bonus and other accruals during the six months ended June 30, 2015 as compared to the corresponding period in 2014.
- Net income increased by \$12.7 million and \$19.2 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, primarily due to the variances explained above, as well as lower depreciation expense and higher income from unconsolidated affiliates and lower income taxes, partially offset by higher rental expense related to the Master Lease.

Segment Developments:

The following are recent developments that have had or will have an impact on us by segment:

East/Midwest

- In June 2012, we announced that we had filed applications with the Ohio Lottery Commission for Video Lottery Sales Agent Licenses for our Ohio racetracks, Raceway Park and Beulah Park, and with the Ohio State Racing Commission for permission to relocate the racetracks to Dayton and Mahoning Valley, respectively. On May 1, 2013, we received approval from the Ohio Racing Commission for our relocation plans. Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley Race Course, which opened on September 17, 2014, features a one-mile thoroughbred track and approximately 860 video lottery terminals, as well as various restaurants, bars and other amenities. Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway, which opened on August 28, 2014, features a 5/8-mile standardbred track and approximately 980 video lottery terminals, as well as various restaurants, bars and other amenities. See the section entitled "Liquidity and Capital Resources - Capital Expenditures" below for further details.
- Hollywood Casino Lawrenceburg faced increased competition, with the opening of a casino in Cincinnati, Ohio in March 2013, as well as the more recent openings of a racino at Belterra Park in May 2014 and our own Dayton, Ohio facility in late August 2014.
- Hollywood Casino at Charles Town Races faced increased competition from the Baltimore, Maryland market, which includes Maryland Live! and Horseshoe Casino Baltimore, which opened at the end of August 2014. In addition, in December 2013, the license for Prince George's County, Maryland was granted to MGM. The proposed \$1.2 billion casino, which MGM plans to open in the second half of 2016, is anticipated to adversely impact our financial results as it will create additional competition for Hollywood Casino at Charles Town Races.
- On February 28, 2014, the Massachusetts Gaming Commission awarded the Company a Category Two slots-only gaming license for its planned Plainridge Park Casino in Plainville, Massachusetts. On June 24, 2015, the Company opened the facility, which features live harness racing and simulcasting, along with 1,250 gaming devices, various dining and entertainment options, structured and surface parking, and a two story clubhouse with approximately 55,000 square feet.

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West

- On April 5, 2013, we announced that, subject to final National Indian Gaming Commission approval, we and the Jamul Tribe had entered into definitive agreements (including management, development, branding and lending arrangements) to jointly develop a Hollywood Casino branded gaming facility on the Jamul Tribe's trust land in San Diego County, California. The Hollywood Casino Jamul-San Diego facility is located approximately 20 miles east of downtown San Diego. We recently increased the overall construction budget by \$30 million to \$390 million for this state of the art development project which will include a three-story gaming and entertainment facility of approximately 200,000 square feet featuring over 1,700 slot machines, 43 live table games, including poker, multiple restaurants, bars and lounges and a partially enclosed parking structure with over 1,800 spaces. In mid-January 2014, we announced the commencement of construction activities at the site and in June 2015, we announced the "Topping Out" marking the halfway point of construction. It is anticipated that the facility will open in mid-2016. We currently provide financing to the Jamul Tribe in connection with the project and, upon opening, we will manage and provide branding for the casino in exchange for a management fee equal to 30% of the casino's pretax income, a licensing fee of 1.5% of gross gaming revenues for the Hollywood Casino brand, as well as interest on funds advanced by the Company to develop the project.

- On April 29, 2015, we announced that we entered into a definitive agreement to acquire the Tropicana Las Vegas Hotel and Casino for \$360 million. The acquisition is subject to customary closing conditions and regulatory approvals, and is expected to close later this year. The Tropicana Las Vegas Hotel and Casino is situated on 35 acres of land located on the Las Vegas Strip with 1,467 remodeled guest rooms and suites, a 50,000 square foot casino gaming floor featuring 844 slot and video poker machines and 38 table games including blackjack, mini-baccarat, craps and roulette, three full-service restaurants, a 1,200 seat performance theater, a 300 seat comedy club, a nightclub, beach club and 2,950 parking spaces.

Southern Plains

- On July 30, 2014, Argosy Casino Sioux City ceased its operations.

Critical Accounting Estimates

We make certain judgments and use certain estimates and assumptions when applying accounting principles in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements. The nature of the estimates and assumptions are material due to the levels of subjectivity and judgment necessary to account for highly uncertain factors or the susceptibility of such factors to change. We have identified the accounting for long-lived assets, goodwill and other intangible assets, income taxes and litigation, claims and assessments as critical accounting estimates, as they are the most important to our financial statement presentation and require difficult, subjective and complex judgments.

We believe the current assumptions and other considerations used to estimate amounts reflected in our consolidated financial statements are appropriate. However, if actual experience differs from the assumptions and other considerations used in estimating amounts reflected in our consolidated financial statements, the resulting changes could have a material adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations and, in certain situations, could have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial condition.

For further information on our critical accounting estimates, see Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and the notes to our audited consolidated financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014. There has been no material change to these estimates for the six months ended June 30, 2015.

Results of Operations

The following are the most important factors and trends that contribute to our operating performance:

- Most of our properties operate in mature competitive markets. As a result, we expect a majority of our future growth to come from prudent acquisitions of gaming properties (such as our November 2012 acquisition of Harrah's St. Louis gaming and lodging facility from Caesars Entertainment and anticipated acquisition of Tropicana Las Vegas which is expected to close later this year), jurisdictional expansions (such as our June 2015 opening of a slots-only gaming facility in Massachusetts, our planned mid-2016 opening of a Hollywood Casino branded gaming facility on the Jamul Indian Village land in trust which we will manage, the September 2014 opening of Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley Race Course, the August 2014 opening of Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway, the October 2012 opening of Hollywood Casino Columbus, and the May 2012 opening of Hollywood Casino Toledo), expansions of gaming in existing jurisdictions (such as the introduction of table games in

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July 2010 at Hollywood Casino at Charles Town Races and Hollywood Casino at Penn National Race Course, and at Hollywood Casino Bangor in March 2012) and expansions/improvements of existing properties (such as a hotel at Zia Park Casino which opened in August 2014).

- A number of states are currently considering or implementing legislation to legalize or expand gaming. Such legislation presents both potential opportunities to establish new properties (for example, in Massachusetts, where we opened a slots-only gaming facility on June 24, 2015, in Kansas, where we opened a casino through a joint venture in February 2012, and in Ohio, where we opened casinos in Toledo and Columbus in May 2012 and October 2012, respectively, and opened video lottery terminal facilities at two racetracks in Ohio in the third quarter of 2014) and increased competitive threats to business at our existing properties (such as the introduction/expansion of commercial casinos in Kansas, Maryland, Ohio, and potentially Kentucky, Nebraska and Illinois, and the introduction of tavern licenses in several states, most significantly in Illinois).
- The actions of government bodies can affect our operations in a variety of ways. For instance, the continued pressure on governments to balance their budgets could intensify the efforts of state and local governments to raise revenues through increases in gaming taxes and/or property taxes, or via an expansion of gaming. In addition, government bodies may restrict, prevent or negatively impact operations in the jurisdictions in which we do business (such as the implementation of smoking bans).
- The continued demand for, and our emphasis on, slot wagering entertainment at our properties.
- The successful execution of our development and construction activities, as well as the risks associated with the costs, regulatory approval and the timing of these activities.
- The risks related to economic conditions and the effect of such prolonged sluggish conditions on consumer spending for leisure and gaming activities, which may negatively impact our operating results and our ability to continue to access financing at favorable terms.

The consolidated results of operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 are summarized below:

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| | 2015 | 2014 | 2015 | 2014 |
| | (in thousands) | | | |
| Revenues: | | | | |
| Gaming | \$ 618,919 | \$ 576,158 | \$ 1,210,255 | \$ 1,146,841 |
| Food, beverage and other | 117,421 | 110,574 | 226,184 | 215,444 |

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|--------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Management service fee | 2,816 | 3,105 | 4,743 | 5,563 |
| Revenues | 739,156 | 689,837 | 1,441,182 | 1,367,848 |
| Less promotional allowances | (38,200) | (37,691) | (76,088) | (74,622) |
| Net revenues | 700,956 | 652,146 | 1,365,094 | 1,293,226 |
| Operating expenses: | | | | |
| Gaming | 313,616 | 284,107 | 608,511 | 570,184 |
| Food, beverage and other | 82,803 | 80,403 | 160,732 | 157,941 |
| General and administrative | 118,572 | 107,898 | 234,641 | 215,637 |
| Rental expense related to the Master | | | | |
| Lease | 109,519 | 104,613 | 218,364 | 208,922 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 41,752 | 47,183 | 84,674 | 94,549 |
| Impairment Losses | | 4,560 | | 4,560 |
| Total operating expenses | 666,262 | 628,764 | 1,306,922 | 1,251,793 |
| Income from operations | \$ 34,694 | \$ 23,382 | \$ 58,172 | \$ 41,433 |

Certain information regarding our results of operations by segment for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 is summarized below:

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| Three Months Ended June 30, | Net Revenues | | Income (loss) from Operations | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| | 2015 | 2014 | 2015 | 2014 |
| | (in thousands) | | | |
| East/Midwest | \$ 417,756 | \$ 361,357 | \$ 27,853 | \$ 17,003 |
| West | 63,664 | 59,033 | 7,410 | 7,426 |
| Southern Plains | 213,689 | 224,726 | 26,333 | 17,970 |
| Other | 5,847 | 7,030 | (26,902) | (19,017) |
| Total | \$ 700,956 | \$ 652,146 | \$ 34,694 | \$ 23,382 |

| Six Months Ended June 30, | Net Revenues | | Income (loss) from Operations | |
|---------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| | 2015 | 2014 | 2015 | 2014 |
| | (in thousands) | | | |
| East/Midwest | \$ 804,300 | \$ 710,805 | \$ 46,947 | \$ 26,605 |
| West | 126,250 | 119,953 | 13,919 | 15,482 |
| Southern Plains | 423,958 | 448,483 | 50,907 | 39,197 |
| Other | 10,586 | 13,985 | (53,601) | (39,851) |
| Total | \$ 1,365,094 | \$ 1,293,226 | \$ 58,172 | \$ 41,433 |

Adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDAR

Adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDAR are used by management as the primary measure of the Company's operating performance. We define adjusted EBITDA as earnings before interest, taxes, stock compensation, debt extinguishment charges, impairment charges, insurance recoveries and deductible charges, depreciation and amortization, gain or loss on disposal of assets, and other income or expenses. Adjusted EBITDA is also inclusive of income or loss from unconsolidated affiliates, with our share of non-operating items (such as depreciation and amortization) added back for our joint venture in Kansas Entertainment. Adjusted EBITDAR is adjusted EBITDA excluding rent expense associated with our Master Lease agreement with GLPI. Adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDAR have economic substance because they are used by management as a performance measure to analyze the performance of our business, and are especially relevant in evaluating large, long-lived casino projects because they provide a perspective on the current effects of operating decisions separated from the substantial non-operational depreciation charges and financing costs of such projects. We also present adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDAR because they are used by some investors and creditors as an indicator of the strength and performance of ongoing business operations, including our ability to service debt, fund capital expenditures, acquisitions and operations. These calculations are commonly used as a basis for investors, analysts and credit rating agencies to evaluate and compare operating performance and value companies within our industry. In addition, gaming companies have historically reported adjusted EBITDA as a supplement to financial measures in accordance with GAAP. In order to view the operations of their casinos on a more stand-alone basis, gaming companies, including us, have historically excluded from their adjusted EBITDA calculations certain corporate expenses that do not relate to the management of specific casino properties. However, adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDAR are not a measure of performance or liquidity calculated in accordance with GAAP. Adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDAR information is presented as a supplemental disclosure, as management believes that it is a widely used measure of performance in the gaming industry, is the principal basis for the valuation of gaming companies, and that it is considered by many to be a better indicator of the Company's operating results than net income (loss) per GAAP. Management uses adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDAR as the primary measures of the operating performance of its segments, including the evaluation of operating personnel. Adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDAR should not be construed as alternatives to operating income, as indicators of the Company's operating performance, as alternatives to cash flows from operating activities, as measures of liquidity, or as any other measures of performance determined in accordance with GAAP. The Company has significant uses of cash flows, including capital expenditures, interest payments, taxes and debt principal repayments, which are not reflected in adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDAR. It should also be noted that other gaming companies that report adjusted EBITDA information may calculate adjusted EBITDA in a different manner than the Company and therefore, comparability may be limited.

A reconciliation of the Company's net income (loss) per GAAP to adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDAR, as well as the Company's income (loss) from operations per GAAP to adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDAR, is included below. Additionally, a reconciliation of each

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segment's income (loss) from operations to adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDAR is also included below. On a segment level, income (loss) from operations per GAAP, rather than net income (loss) per GAAP, is reconciled to adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDAR due to, among other things, the impracticability of allocating interest expense, interest income, income taxes and certain other items to the Company's segments on a segment by segment basis. Management believes that this

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presentation is more meaningful to investors in evaluating the performance of the Company's segments and is consistent with the reporting of other gaming companies.

The reconciliation of the Company's income from operations per GAAP to adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDAR, as well as the Company's net income per GAAP to adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDAR, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 was as follows (in thousands):

| | Three Months Ended June 30, | | Six Months Ended June 30, | |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| | 2015 | 2014 | 2015 | 2014 |
| Net income | \$ 16,886 | \$ 4,176 | \$ 27,882 | \$ 8,713 |
| Income tax provision | 11,154 | 8,754 | 20,414 | 15,554 |
| Other | 956 | 1,823 | (2,133) | 192 |
| Income from unconsolidated affiliates | (4,154) | (1,473) | (8,136) | (3,956) |
| Interest income | (2,443) | (790) | (4,313) | (1,257) |
| Interest expense | 12,295 | 10,892 | 24,458 | 22,187 |
| Income from operations | \$ 34,694 | \$ 23,382 | \$ 58,172 | \$ 41,433 |
| Loss (gain) on disposal of assets | 234 | 3 | 388 | (47) |
| Impairment Losses | | 4,560 | | 4,560 |
| Charge for stock compensation | 2,337 | 2,517 | 4,421 | 5,096 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 41,752 | 47,183 | 84,674 | 94,549 |
| Income from unconsolidated affiliates | 4,154 | 1,473 | 8,136 | 3,956 |
| Non-operating items for Kansas JV | 2,528 | 2,939 | 5,278 | 5,860 |
| Adjusted EBITDA | 85,699 | 82,057 | 161,069 | 155,407 |
| Rental expense related to Master Lease | 109,519 | 104,613 | 218,364 | 208,922 |
| Adjusted EBITDAR | \$ 195,218 | \$ 186,670 | \$ 379,433 | \$ 364,329 |

The reconciliation of each segment's income (loss) from operations to adjusted EBITDA and adjusted EBITDAR for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 were as follows (in thousands):

| Three months ended June 30, 2015 | East/Midwest | West | Southern Plains | Other | Total |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Income (loss) from operations | \$ 27,853 | \$ 7,410 | \$ 26,333 | \$ (26,902) | \$ 34,694 |
| Charge for stock compensation | | | | 2,337 | 2,337 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 27,342 | 2,297 | 10,697 | 1,416 | 41,752 |
| (Gain) loss on disposal of assets | 78 | 144 | 19 | (7) | 234 |
| Income from unconsolidated affiliates | | | 4,401 | (247) | 4,154 |
| Non-operating items for Kansas JV | | | 2,528 | | 2,528 |
| Adjusted EBITDA | \$ 55,273 | \$ 9,851 | \$ 43,978 | \$ (23,403) | \$ 85,699 |
| Rental expense related to Master Lease | 70,701 | 8,107 | 30,711 | | 109,519 |
| Adjusted EBITDAR | \$ 125,974 | \$ 17,958 | \$ 74,689 | \$ (23,403) | \$ 195,218 |

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| Three months ended June 30, 2014 | East/Midwest | West | Southern Plains | Other | Total |
|-----------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Income (loss) from operations | \$ 17,003 | \$ 7,426 | \$ 17,970 | \$ (19,017) | \$ 23,382 |
| Charge for stock compensation | | | | 2,517 | 2,517 |
| Impairment Losses | 4,560 | | | | 4,560 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 25,911 | 1,692 | 17,573 | 2,007 | 47,183 |
| (Gain) loss on disposal of assets | (30) | | 39 | (6) | 3 |
| Income from unconsolidated affiliates | | | 2,621 | (1,148) | 1,473 |
| Non-operating items for Kansas JV | | | 2,939 | | 2,939 |
| Adjusted EBITDA | \$ 47,444 | \$ 9,118 | \$ 41,142 | \$ (15,647) | \$ 82,057 |
| Rental Expense related to Master Lease | 64,865 | 7,882 | 31,866 | | 104,613 |
| Adjusted EBITDAR | \$ 112,309 | \$ 17,000 | \$ 73,008 | \$ (15,647) | \$ 186,670 |

| Six months ended June 30, 2015 | East/Midwest | West | Southern Plains | Other | Total |
|----------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Income (loss) from operations | \$ 46,947 | \$ 13,919 | \$ 50,907 | \$ (53,601) | \$ 58,172 |
| Charge for stock compensation | | | | 4,421 | 4,421 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 55,614 | 4,685 | 21,480 | 2,895 | 84,674 |
| (Gain) loss on disposal of assets | (44) | 324 | 120 | (12) | 388 |
| Income from unconsolidated affiliates | | | 8,189 | (53) | 8,136 |
| Non-operating items for Kansas JV | | | 5,278 | | 5,278 |
| Adjusted EBITDA | \$ 102,517 | \$ 18,928 | \$ 85,974 | \$ (46,350) | \$ 161,069 |
| Rental expense related to Master Lease | 139,934 | 16,909 | 61,521 | | 218,364 |
| Adjusted EBITDAR | \$ 242,451 | \$ 35,837 | \$ 147,495 | \$ (46,350) | \$ 379,433 |

| Six months ended June 30, 2014 | East/Midwest | West | Southern Plains | Other | Total |
|----------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Income (loss) from operations | \$ 26,605 | \$ 15,482 | \$ 39,197 | \$ (39,851) | \$ 41,433 |
| Charge for stock compensation | | | | 5,096 | 5,096 |
| Impairment Losses | 4,560 | | | | 4,560 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 52,734 | 3,241 | 34,824 | 3,750 | 94,549 |
| (Gain) loss on disposal of assets | (117) | 65 | 17 | (12) | (47) |
| Income from unconsolidated affiliates | | | 5,074 | (1,118) | 3,956 |
| Non-operating items for Kansas JV | | | 5,860 | | 5,860 |
| Adjusted EBITDA | \$ 83,782 | \$ 18,788 | \$ 84,972 | \$ (32,135) | \$ 155,407 |
| Rental Expense related to Master Lease | 130,177 | 16,768 | 61,977 | | 208,922 |
| Adjusted EBITDAR | \$ 213,959 | \$ 35,556 | \$ 146,949 | \$ (32,135) | \$ 364,329 |

Adjusted EBITDAR for our East/Midwest segment increased by \$13.7 million, or 12.2%, and \$28.5 million, or 13.3% for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, primarily due to the openings of Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley Race Course on September 17, 2014 and Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway on August 28, 2014, which together increased adjusted EBITDAR by \$16.9 million and \$31.2 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, compared to the corresponding period in the prior year, improved results from Hollywood Casino Columbus and Hollywood Casino Toledo and a property tax refund received in the first quarter of 2015 for \$2.0 million, which were partially offset by decreased adjusted EBITDAR at Hollywood Casino at Charles Town Races primarily due to competition discussed below, and increased pre-opening costs for Plainridge Park Casino of \$6.2 million and \$7.8 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, compared to the corresponding periods in the prior year.

Adjusted EBITDAR for our Southern Plains segment increased by \$1.7 million, or 2.3%, and \$0.5 million, or 0.4%, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30,

2014, primarily due to increased earnings related to growth in the market share of our joint venture in Kansas Entertainment and cost containment measures at Hollywood Casino Joliet, Hollywood Casino Gulf Coast, Argosy Casino Alton, Hollywood Casino Tunica and Boomtown Biloxi, both of which were partially offset by decreased adjusted EBITDAR at Argosy Casino Sioux City of \$1.4 million and \$5.8 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, compared to the corresponding period in the prior year, due to its closure on July 30, 2014, and decreased adjusted EBITDAR at Hollywood Casino Aurora and Hollywood Casino St. Louis primarily due to additional competition and higher property taxes due to a \$1.2 million property tax settlement in 2014.

Adjusted EBITDAR for our West segment increased by \$1.0 million, or 5.6%, and \$0.3 million, or 0.8%, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, primarily due to improved results from the M Resort and the addition of a new hotel at Zia Park Casino in August of 2014, partially offset by the impact of lower oil prices on this property since the local economy is tied to the oil industry.

Adjusted EBITDAR for Other decreased by \$7.8 million, or 49.6%, and \$14.2 million, or 44.2%, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, primarily due to increased corporate

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overhead costs of \$9.4 million and \$16.9 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, primarily due to higher cash-settled stock-based compensation charges of \$6.4 million and \$13.8 million mainly due to stock price increases for Penn and GLPI common stock during 2015 compared to stock price declines in 2014, as well as increased bonus and other accruals during the three and six months ended June 30, 2015. These amounts were partially offset by \$1.4 million and \$2.6 million of costs associated with the closure of Beulah Park and an unsuccessful bid by a joint venture with the Cordish Companies in New York during the three and six months June 30, 2014, respectively.

Revenues

Revenues for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 were as follows (in thousands):

| Three Months Ended June 30, | 2015 | 2014 | Variance | Percentage Variance |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|---------------------|
| Gaming | \$ 618,919 | \$ 576,158 | \$ 42,761 | 7.4% |
| Food, beverage and other | 117,421 | 110,574 | 6,847 | 6.2% |
| Management service fee | 2,816 | 3,105 | (289) | -9.3% |
| Revenues | 739,156 | 689,837 | 49,319 | 7.1% |
| Less promotional allowances | (38,200) | (37,691) | (509) | 1.4% |
| Net revenues | \$ 700,956 | \$ 652,146 | \$ 48,810 | 7.5% |

| Six Months Ended June 30, | 2015 | 2014 | Variance | Percentage Variance |
|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|---------------------|
| Gaming | \$ 1,210,255 | \$ 1,146,841 | \$ 63,414 | 5.5% |
| Food, beverage and other | 226,184 | 215,444 | 10,740 | 5.0% |
| Management service fee | 4,743 | 5,563 | (820) | -14.7% |
| Revenues | 1,441,182 | 1,367,848 | 73,334 | 5.4% |
| Less promotional allowances | (76,088) | (74,622) | (1,466) | 2.0% |
| Net revenues | \$ 1,365,094 | \$ 1,293,226 | \$ 71,868 | 5.6% |

In our business, revenue is driven by discretionary consumer spending, which has been impacted by a slow economic recovery that has resulted in declines in the labor force participation rate, higher taxes, and increased stock market and commodity price volatility. The expansion of newly constructed gaming facilities has also increased competition in many regional markets (including at some of our key facilities). However, recently we have seen signs of stabilization at the majority of our properties and have seen low single digit increases in customer spending.

We have no certain mechanism for determining why consumers choose to spend more or less money at our properties from period to period and as such cannot quantify a dollar amount for each factor that impacts our customers' spending behaviors. However, based on our experience, we can generally offer some insight into the factors that we believe were likely to account for such changes. In instances where we believe one factor may have had a significantly greater impact than the other factors, we have noted that as well. However, in all instances, such insights are based only on our reasonable judgment and professional experience, and no assurance can be given as to the accuracy of our judgments.

The retail value of accommodations, food and beverage, and other services furnished to guests without charge is included in gross revenues and then deducted as promotional allowances. Our promotional allowance levels are determined based on various factors such as our marketing plans, competitive factors, economic conditions, and regulations.

Gaming revenue

Gaming revenue increased by \$42.8 million, or 7.4%, and \$63.4 million, or 5.5%, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, primarily due to the variances explained below.

Gaming revenue for our East/Midwest segment increased by \$51.7 million, or 16.0%, and \$86.3 million, or 13.5%, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, primarily due to the openings of Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley Race Course on September 17, 2014, Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway on August 28, 2014 and Plainridge Park Casino on June 24, 2015, which together generated \$51.0 million and \$93.9 million of gaming revenue for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, which was partially offset by decreased gaming revenue at Hollywood Casino Lawrenceburg primarily due to the continued impact of competition in Ohio, namely the opening of a

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casino in Cincinnati in March 2013 and the openings of a racino at Belterra Park in May 2014 and our own Dayton, Ohio facility in August 2014, and at Hollywood Casino at Charles Town Races primarily due to increased competition from the Baltimore Maryland market, which includes Maryland Live! and Horseshoe Casino Baltimore, which opened at the end of August 2014.

Gaming revenue for our Southern Plains segment decreased by \$11.6 million, or 5.6%, and \$25.8 million, or 6.2%, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, primarily due to the closure of Argosy Casino Sioux City on July 30, 2014, which had gaming revenue of \$10.7 million and \$22.4 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, respectively, and decreased gaming revenue at Hollywood Casino Aurora, Hollywood Casino Gulf Coast and Boomtown Biloxi primarily due to competition.

Operating Expenses

Operating expenses for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 were as follows (in thousands):

| Three Months Ended June 30, | 2015 | 2014 | Variance | Percentage Variance |
|----------------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------------------|
| Gaming | \$ 313,616 | \$ 284,107 | \$ 29,509 | 10.4% |
| Food, beverage and other | 82,803 | 80,403 | 2,400 | 3.0% |
| General and administrative | 118,572 | 107,898 | 10,674 | 9.9% |
| Rental expense related to Master Lease | 109,519 | 104,613 | 4,906 | 4.7% |
| Depreciation and amortization | 41,752 | 47,183 | (5,431) | -11.5% |
| Impairment losses | | 4,560 | (4,560) | -100.0% |
| Total operating expenses | \$ 666,262 | \$ 628,764 | \$ 37,498 | 6.0% |

| Six Months Ended June 30, | 2015 | 2014 | Variance | Percentage Variance |
|----------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|------------------------|
| Gaming | \$ 608,511 | \$ 570,184 | \$ 38,327 | 6.7% |
| Food, beverage and other | 160,732 | 157,941 | 2,791 | 1.8% |
| General and administrative | 234,641 | 215,637 | 19,004 | 8.8% |
| Rental expense related to Master Lease | 218,364 | 208,922 | 9,442 | 4.5% |
| Depreciation and amortization | 84,674 | 94,549 | (9,875) | -10.4% |
| Impairment losses | | 4,560 | (4,560) | -100.0% |
| Total operating expenses | \$ 1,306,922 | \$ 1,251,793 | \$ 55,129 | 4.4% |

Gaming expense

Gaming expense increased by \$29.5 million, or 10.4%, and \$38.3 million, or 6.7%, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, primarily due to the variances explained below.

Gaming expense for our East/Midwest segment increased by \$30.1 million, or 17.0%, and \$45.2 million, or 12.7%, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, primarily due to expenses of \$23.0 million and

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\$45.3 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, from the openings of Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley Race Course on September 17, 2014 and Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway on August 28, 2014. Additionally, the segment incurred higher pre-opening expenses related to Plainridge Park Casino of \$6.2 million and \$7.8 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, compared to the corresponding periods in the prior year which were partially offset by a decrease in gaming taxes resulting from decreased taxable gaming revenue discussed above at Hollywood Casino Lawrenceburg.

Gaming expense for our Southern Plains segment decreased by \$3.2 million, or 3.6%, and \$10.4 million, or 6.0%, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, primarily due to the closure of Argosy Casino Sioux City on July 30, 2014, which had \$4.7 million and \$9.7 million of gaming expense for the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, respectively, partially offset by higher payroll and benefits and marketing expenses at Hollywood Casino Joliet and Hollywood Casino St. Louis.

General and administrative expenses

General and administrative expenses include items such as compliance, facility maintenance, utilities, property and liability insurance, surveillance and security, and certain housekeeping services, as well as all expenses for administrative departments such as

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accounting, purchasing, human resources, legal and internal audit. General and administrative expenses also include lobbying expenses.

General and administrative expenses increased by \$10.7 million, or 9.9%, and \$19.0 million, or 8.8%, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, primarily due to the variances explained below.

General and administrative expenses for Other increased by \$7.4 million, or 38.3%, and \$13.3 million and 33.2%, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, as compared to the corresponding period in the prior year. This resulted from increased corporate overhead costs of \$8.3 million and \$14.8 million for the three and six months ending June 30, 2015, respectively, primarily due to higher cash-settled stock-based compensation charges of \$6.4 million and \$13.8 million mainly due to stock price increases for Penn and GLPI common stock during 2015 compared to stock price declines in 2014 as well as higher bonus and other accruals during the six months ended June 30, 2015 as compared to the corresponding period in 2014.

General and administrative expenses for our East/Midwest segment increased by \$8.3 million, or 22.3%, and \$12.3 million, or 16.1%, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, primarily due to the openings of Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley Race Course on September 17, 2014, Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway on August 28, 2014 and Plainridge Park Casino on June 24, 2015, partially offset by a property tax refund received in the first quarter of 2015 for \$2.0 million.

General and administrative expenses for our Southern Plains segment decreased by \$6.2 million, or 14.4%, and \$8.1 million, or 9.8%, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, primarily due to the closure of Argosy Casino Sioux City on July 30, 2014, which had \$4.1 million and \$6.1 million of general and administrative expenses for the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, respectively, and cost containment measures at Hollywood Casino Gulf Coast and Boomtown Biloxi.

Rental expense related to the Master Lease

Rental expense related to the Master Lease increased by \$4.9 million, or 4.7%, and \$9.4 million, or 4.5%, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, primarily due to the third quarter 2014 openings of Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley Race Course and Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway, and an increase in variable rent attributable to Hollywood Casino Columbus and Hollywood Casino Toledo due to their higher net revenues during the current year, partially offset by a decrease in rent that was attributable to the closure of Argosy Casino Sioux City on July 30, 2014. The forecasted coverage ratio for year two of the Master Lease is estimated to be 1.82 which would result in an annual rent escalation of \$3.9 million out of a maximum of approximately \$5.0 million beginning November 1, 2015.

The Company allocates the rental obligation to the leased properties on a monthly basis based on their proportionate share of the total EBITDAR generated by the leased properties (with the exception of Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley Race Course and Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway for which the annual rental obligation is calculated as ten percent of the real estate construction costs paid for by GLPI related to these facilities). Additionally, the variable rent component attributable to our Hollywood Casino properties in Columbus and Toledo, Ohio (which is reassessed on a monthly basis) are allocated directly to these two properties.

Depreciation and amortization expense

Depreciation and amortization expense decreased by \$5.4 million, or 11.5%, and \$9.9 million, or 10.4%, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, primarily due to the closure of Argosy Casino Sioux City on July 30, 2014, which had \$4.9 million and \$9.9 million of depreciation expense for the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, respectively. Additionally, we recorded lower depreciation expense at Hollywood Casino Lawrenceburg primarily due to assets purchased for the 2009 expansion being fully depreciated in July 2014 and decreased depreciation expense at Hollywood Casino at Penn National Race Course primarily due to assets purchased for the 2008 opening being fully depreciated in February 2015, which were partially offset by the openings of Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley Race Course and Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway in the third quarter of 2014 and Plainridge Park Casino in the second quarter 2015.

Impairment losses

During the three months ended June 30, 2014, the Company recorded a pre-tax impairment charge of \$4.6 million (\$2.8 million, net of taxes) in our East/Midwest segment to write-down certain idle assets to an estimated salvage value.

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Other income (expenses) for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 were as follows (in thousands):

| Three Months Ended June 30, | 2015 | 2014 | Variance | Percentage Variance |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| Interest expense | \$ (12,295) | \$ (10,892) | \$ (1,403) | 12.9% |
| Interest income | 2,443 | 790 | 1,653 | 209.2% |
| Income from unconsolidated affiliates | 4,154 | 1,473 | 2,681 | 182.0% |
| Other | (956) | (1,823) | 867 | -47.6% |
| Total other expenses | \$ (6,654) | \$ (10,452) | \$ 3,798 | -36.3% |
| Six Months Ended June 30, | 2015 | 2014 | Variance | Variance |
| Interest expense | \$ (24,458) | \$ (22,187) | \$ (2,271) | 10.2% |
| Interest income | 4,313 | 1,257 | 3,056 | 243.1% |
| Income from unconsolidated affiliates | 8,136 | 3,956 | 4,180 | 105.7% |
| Other | 2,133 | (192) | 2,325 | -1210.9% |
| Total other expenses | \$ (9,876) | \$ (17,166) | \$ 7,290 | -42.5% |

Interest expense

Interest expense increased by \$1.4 million and \$2.3 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, primarily due to \$1.7 million and \$3.4 million during the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, for the accretion of the relocation fees associated with our two racinos in Ohio, both of which opened in the third quarter of 2014, (See Note 6 to the condensed consolidated financial statements), partially offset by higher capitalized interest and lower interest rates on the Term Loan A portion of the senior secured credit facility for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, compared to the corresponding periods in the prior year.

Interest income

Interest income increased by \$1.7 million and \$3.1 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, primarily due to higher interest accrued on the note receivable with the Jamul Tribe (see Note 2 to the condensed consolidated financial statements for further details).

Income from unconsolidated affiliates

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Income from unconsolidated affiliates increased by \$2.7 million and \$4.2 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, primarily due to increased earnings related to our joint venture in Kansas Entertainment primarily due to growth in its market share as the property continues to improve its efficiency from its February 2012 opening.

Other

Other increased by \$0.9 million and \$2.3 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 respectively, as compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, primarily due to increased foreign currency translation gains for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, compared to the corresponding period in the prior year.

Taxes

The Company's effective tax rate (income taxes as a percentage of income from operations before income taxes) was 39.8% and 42.3% for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, primarily due to the year-over-year increase in pre-tax earnings that had a favorable impact to our effective rate as well as a decrease in reserves recorded for unrecognized tax positions compared to the three and six months ended June 30, 2014.

The Company's annual effective tax rate can vary from period to period depending on, among other factors, the geographic and business mix of our earnings and the level of our tax credits. Certain of these and other factors, including our history and projections of pre-tax earnings, are taken into account in assessing our ability to realize our net deferred tax assets (see Note 9 to the condensed consolidated financial statements).

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Liquidity and Capital Resources

Historically and prospectively, our primary sources of liquidity and capital resources have been and will be cash flow from operations, borrowings from banks and proceeds from the issuance of debt and equity securities.

Net cash provided by operating activities totaled \$175.4 million and \$121.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. The increase in net cash provided by operating activities of \$53.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015, compared to the corresponding period in the prior year, was comprised primarily of an increase in cash receipts from customers of \$94.0 million, offset by an increase in cash paid to suppliers and vendors of \$42.0 million. The increase in cash receipts collected from our customers for the six months ended June 30, 2015 compared to the prior year was primarily due to the openings of Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley Race Course on September 17, 2014 and Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway on August 28, 2014, partially offset by the closure of Argosy Casino Sioux City on July 30, 2014. The increase in cash paid to suppliers and vendors for the six months ended June 30, 2015 compared to the prior year was primarily due to the openings of Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley Race Course on September 17, 2014, Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway on August 28, 2014 and Plainridge Park Casino on June 24, 2015, which were partially offset by the closure of Argosy Casino Sioux City on July 30, 2014.

Net cash used in investing activities totaled \$163.1 million and \$170.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. The decrease in net cash used in investing activities of \$7.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015, compared to the corresponding period in the prior year, was primarily due to our Massachusetts gaming license payment of \$25.0 million in March 2014, the acquisition of Plainridge Racecourse in April 2014 for \$42.0 million, \$20 million in gaming license fees related to the new Ohio racinos and decreased capital maintenance expenditures of \$14.1 million, all of which were partially offset by increased capital project expenditures of \$54.3 million primarily due to the development of Plainridge Park Casino, which opened in June 2015, advances to the Jamul Tribe of \$19.6 million, and cash in escrow of \$4.0 million related to the pending acquisition of Tropicana Las Vegas compared to a return of cash escrow in the first quarter of 2014 of \$18.0 million.

Net cash provided by financing activities totaled \$12.2 million and \$6.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. The increase in net cash provided by financing activities of \$5.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015, compared to the corresponding period in the prior year, was primarily due to higher net borrowings on our long-term debt of \$20.1 million, partially offset by lower proceeds from insurance financing of \$13.9 million.

Capital Expenditures

Capital expenditures are accounted for as either capital project or capital maintenance (replacement) expenditures. Capital project expenditures are for fixed asset additions that expand an existing facility or create a new facility. Capital maintenance expenditures are expenditures to replace existing fixed assets with a useful life greater than one year that are obsolete, worn out or no longer cost effective to repair.

The following table summarizes our expected capital project expenditures by segment for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015, and actual expenditures for the six months ended June 30, 2015 (excluding licensing fees and net of reimbursements). The table below should not be utilized to predict future expected capital project expenditures subsequent to 2015.

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| Property | Expected for Year Ending December 31, 2015 | Expenditures for Six Months Ended June 30, 2015 (in millions) | Balance to Expend in 2015 |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| East/Midwest | \$ 130.7 | \$ 88.5 | \$ 42.2 |
| West | 0.6 | 0.6 | |
| Southern Plains | 1.4 | 1.2 | 0.2 |
| Total | \$ 132.7 | \$ 90.3 | \$ 42.4 |

On February 28, 2014, the Massachusetts Gaming Commission awarded the Company a Category Two slots-only gaming license, and on June 24, 2015, the Company opened Plainridge Park Casino in Plainville, Massachusetts. Plainridge Park Casino is a \$250 million (which is inclusive of a \$25 million increase to our original budget principally due to our decision to purchase rather than lease certain games and equipment) fully integrated racing and gaming facility featuring live harness racing and simulcasting with 1,250 gaming devices, various dining and entertainment options, structured and surface parking, and a two story clubhouse with approximately 55,000 square feet. As of June 30, 2015, total cumulative costs were \$220.1 million, which includes a \$25 million gaming license fee, which was paid in March 2014, and the acquisition of Plainridge Racecourse for \$42.4 million, which was paid in April 2014.

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Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley Race Course, with a \$161 million budget, inclusive of a \$75 million relocation fee and \$50 million license fee, opened on September 17, 2014. Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway, with a \$165 million budget, inclusive of a \$75 million relocation fee and \$50 million license fee, opened on August 28, 2014. The \$75 million relocation fee for each Ohio racetrack is based on the present value of the contractual obligation, of which \$7.5 million was paid upon opening, with 18 additional semi-annual payments of \$4.8 million due beginning one year after opening. For the license fee for each Ohio racetrack, we paid \$10 million in the second quarter of 2014 as well as \$15 million upon opening and will pay the remaining license fee of \$25 million on the one year anniversary of the commencement of gaming. As of June 30, 2015, Penn has incurred cumulative costs of \$71.8 million and \$64.0 million for the Mahoning Valley facility and the Dayton facility, respectively, which includes the payments made to date for the relocation fee and license fee previously mentioned. As part of the spin-off transaction that was effective November 1, 2013, GLPI was responsible for certain real estate related construction costs for the Mahoning Valley facility and the Dayton facility, and as such, these facilities are now subject to the Master Lease.

During the six months ended June 30, 2015, we spent \$30.2 million for capital maintenance expenditures, with \$10.2 million at our East/Midwest segment, \$4.6 million at our West segment, \$13.3 million at our Southern Plains segment, and \$2.1 million for Other. The majority of the capital maintenance expenditures were for slot machines and slot machine equipment.

Cash generated from operations and cash available under the revolving credit facility portion of our senior secured credit facility funded our capital projects, capital maintenance expenditures and the Jamul Tribe project in 2015 to date.

Jamul Tribe

A note receivable to the Jamul Tribe, which totaled \$108.1 million at June 30, 2015, is accounted for as a loan and as such is not included in the capital expenditures table presented above. The budget for this development project recently increased by \$30 million to \$390 million. We are also exploring other financing options to provide more permanent, lower cost terms for the Jamul Tribe. We expect the project to be completed in mid-2016 which will include the construction of a three-story gaming and entertainment facility of approximately 200,000 square feet featuring over 1,700 slot machines, 43 live table games, including poker, multiple restaurants, bars and lounges and a partially enclosed parking structure with over 1,800 spaces.

Senior Secured Credit Facility

The senior secured credit facility consists of a five year \$500 million revolver, a five year \$500 million Term Loan A facility, and a seven year \$250 million Term Loan B facility. At June 30, 2015, the Company's senior secured credit facility had a gross outstanding balance of \$813.8 million, consisting of a \$462.5 million Term Loan A facility, a \$246.3 million Term Loan B facility, and \$105.0 million outstanding on the revolving credit facility. Additionally, at June 30, 2015, the Company had conditional obligations under letters of credit issued pursuant to the senior secured credit facility with face amounts aggregating \$22.9 million, resulting in \$372.1 million of available borrowing capacity as of June 30, 2015 under the revolving credit facility.

Other Long Term Obligations

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Other long term obligations at June 30, 2015 of \$170.2 million included \$19.9 million for the contingent purchase price consideration related to the purchase of Plainridge Racecourse, \$135.0 million related to the relocation fees for Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway and Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley Race Course, and \$15.3 million related to the repayment obligation of a hotel and event center located near Hollywood Casino Lawrenceburg; all of which are more fully described below.

On April 11, 2014, the Company purchased Plainridge Racecourse in Massachusetts, and opened an integrated racing and slots-only gaming facility on June 24, 2015. The associated option and purchase agreement contained contingent purchase price consideration that is calculated based on the actual earnings over the first ten years of operations following the commencement of gaming. The first payment is due 60 days after the completion of the first four full fiscal quarters of operation following the commencement of gaming, and additional payments are due every year for nine years after the first payment. The fair value of this liability was based on an income approach from the Company's internal earning projections and was discounted at a rate consistent with the risk a third party market participant would require holding the identical instrument as an asset. At each reporting period, the Company assesses the fair value of this obligation and changes in its value are recorded in earnings. The amount included in interest expense related to the accretion of this obligation was \$0.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015.

In June 2013, the Company finalized the terms of its memorandum of understanding with the State of Ohio, which included an agreement by the Company to pay a relocation fee in return for being able to relocate its existing racetracks in Toledo and Grove City to Dayton and Mahoning Valley, respectively. Upon opening of these two racinos in Ohio in the third quarter of 2014, the relocation fee for each new racino was recorded at the present value of the contractual obligation, which was calculated to be

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\$75 million based on the 5% discount rate included in the agreement. The relocation fee for each facility is payable as follows: \$7.5 million upon the opening of the facility and eighteen semi-annual payments of \$4.8 million beginning one year from the commencement of operations. This obligation is accreted to interest expense at an effective yield of 5.0%. The amount included in interest expense related to this obligation was \$3.4 million for the six months ended June, 2015.

The City of Lawrenceburg Department of Redevelopment recently completed construction of a hotel and event center located less than a mile away from Hollywood Casino Lawrenceburg. Effective in mid January 2015, by contractual agreement, a repayment obligation for the hotel and event center was assumed by one of our wholly-owned subsidiaries in the amount of \$15.3 million, which was financed through a loan with the City of Lawrenceburg Department of Redevelopment. The Company is obligated to make annual payments on the loan of approximately \$1 million for twenty years beginning January 2016. This obligation is accreted to interest expense at its effective yield of 3.0%. The amount included in interest expense related to this obligation was \$0.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015.

Covenants

Our senior secured credit facility and \$300 million 5.875% senior unsecured notes require us, among other obligations, to maintain specified financial ratios and to satisfy certain financial tests, including fixed charge coverage, interest coverage, senior leverage and total leverage ratios. In addition, the Company's senior secured credit facility and \$300 million 5.875% senior unsecured notes restrict, among other things, its ability to incur additional indebtedness, incur guarantee obligations, amend debt instruments, pay dividends, create liens on assets, make investments, engage in mergers or consolidations, and otherwise restrict corporate activities.

At June 30, 2015, we were in compliance with all required financial covenants.

Outlook

The spin-off transaction with GLPI will continue to have a material impact on our results of operations, capital structure and management. For a discussion of these impacts, see "Spin-Off of Real Estate Assets through a Real Estate Investment Trust" and "Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014. Based on our current level of operations, we believe that cash generated from operations and cash on hand, together with amounts available under our senior secured credit facility, will be adequate to meet our anticipated rental obligation, debt service requirements, capital expenditures and working capital needs for the foreseeable future. However, we cannot be certain that our business will generate sufficient cash flow from operations, that our anticipated earnings projections will be realized, or that future borrowings will be available under our senior secured credit facility or otherwise will be available to enable us to service our indebtedness, including the senior secured credit facility and the \$300 million 5.875% senior unsecured notes, to retire or redeem the \$300 million 5.875% senior unsecured notes when required or to make anticipated capital expenditures. In addition, we expect a majority of our future growth to come from acquisitions of gaming properties at reasonable valuations, greenfield projects, jurisdictional expansions and property expansion in under-penetrated markets. On April 29, 2015, we announced our agreement to acquire Tropicana Las Vegas for a purchase price of \$360 million. The purchase price will be funded by revolving commitments under our existing senior secured credit facility and additional loans and revolving commitments under an amended senior secured credit facility that we estimate will total approximately \$280 million. The acquisition is expected to close later this year, subject to the timing of regulatory approvals and other closing conditions. If we consummate other significant acquisitions in the future or undertake any significant property expansions, our cash requirements may increase significantly and we may need to make additional borrowings or complete equity or debt financings to meet these requirements. Our future operating performance and our ability to service or refinance our debt will be subject to future economic conditions and to financial, business and other factors, many of which are beyond our control. See "Risk Factors - Risks Related to Our Capital Structure" in the

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Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014 for a discussion of the risk related to our capital structure.

We have historically maintained a capital structure comprising a mix of equity and debt financing. We vary our leverage to pursue opportunities in the marketplace and in an effort to maximize our enterprise value for our shareholders. We expect to meet our debt obligations as they come due through internally generated funds from operations and/or refinancing them through the debt or equity markets prior to their maturity.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

The table below provides information at June 30, 2015 about our financial instruments that are sensitive to changes in interest rates. For debt obligations, the table presents notional amounts maturing during the period and the related weighted-average interest rates by maturity dates. Notional amounts are used to calculate the contractual payments to be exchanged by maturity date and the weighted-average interest rates are based on implied forward LIBOR rates at June 30, 2015.

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| | 07/01/15 - 06/30/16 | 07/01/16 - 06/30/17 | 07/01/17 - 06/30/18 | 07/01/18 - 06/30/19 | 07/01/19 - 06/30/20 | Thereafter | Total | Fair Value 06/30/15 |
|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|
| (in thousands) | | | | | | | | |
| Long-term debt: | | | | | | | | |
| Fixed rate | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ 300,000 | \$ 300,000 | \$ 300,000 |
| Average interest rate | | | | | | 5.88% | | |
| Variable rate | \$ 33,750 | \$ 46,250 | \$ 52,500 | \$ 445,000 | \$ 2,500 | \$ 233,750 | \$ 813,750 | \$ 805,901 |
| Average interest rate (1) | 4.00% | 4.15% | 4.23% | 4.32% | 5.14% | 4.37% | | |

(1) Estimated rate, reflective of forward LIBOR plus the spread over LIBOR applicable to variable-rate borrowing.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**Evaluation of Controls and Procedures**

The Company's management, under the supervision and with the participation of our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, has evaluated the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures, as such term is defined under Rule 13a-15(e) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), as of June 30, 2015, which is the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. In designing and evaluating the disclosure controls and procedures, management recognized that any controls and procedures, no matter how well-designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives, and management was required to apply its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures. Based on this evaluation, our principal executive officer and principal financial officer concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of June 30, 2015 to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in reports we file or submit under the Exchange Act is (i) recorded, processed, summarized, evaluated and reported, as applicable, within the time periods specified in the United States Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms and (ii) accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including the Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There were no changes that occurred during the fiscal quarter covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q that have materially affected, or are reasonable likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1 LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Information in response to this Item is incorporated by reference to the information set forth in Note 7: Commitments and Contingencies in the Notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements in Part I of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

ITEM 1A RISK FACTORS

We are not aware of any material changes to the risk factors described in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014.

ITEM 2 UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

| | Total Number of Shares Purchased (1) | Average Price Paid per Share | Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Program | Maximum Dollar Value of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Program |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| April 1, 2015 - April 30, 2015 | 46 | \$ 16.77 | N/A | N/A |
| May 1, 2015 - May 31, 2015 | | | N/A | N/A |
| June 1, 2015 - June 30, 2015 | 23 | 16.78 | N/A | N/A |

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(1) The shares repurchased in the table above represent repurchases of shares from employees who surrendered a portion of their shares received through the Company's stock-based compensation plans to cover their associated minimum income tax withholding obligations.

ITEM 3 DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None.

ITEM 4 MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

ITEM 5 OTHER INFORMATION

Not applicable.

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ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

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| 101 | Interactive data files pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T: (i) the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets at June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, (ii) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, (iii) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, (iv) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, (v) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 and (vi) the notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, tagged as blocks of text. |

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SIGNATURES

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

PENN NATIONAL GAMING, INC.

August 6, 2015

By:

/s/ Timothy J. Wilmott
Timothy J. Wilmott
Chief Executive Officer and President

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