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PROSPECTUS

LinnCo, LLC

30,250,000 Common Shares

Representing Limited Liability Company Interests

This is the initial public offering of common shares (shares) representing limited liability company interests in LinnCo, LLC (LinnCo), a class of equity with indirect voting rights in LINN Energy, LLC (LINN). We are offering 30,250,000 shares in this offering. We are a recently formed limited liability company that has elected to be treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes. We will use the net proceeds from this offering to acquire a number of units representing limited liability company interests (units) in LINN equal to the number of shares sold in this offering.

No public market currently exists for our shares. Our shares have been approved for listing on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol LNCO.

LinnCo s only assets, both immediately after this offering and in the future, will be LINN units, which we will own on a one-for-one basis for each of our shares outstanding, and cash reserves for future tax obligations. LINN units are listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol LINE. The last reported sale price of LINN units on NASDAQ on October 11, 2012 was \$40.01 per unit.

Investing in our shares involves risks. Please read <u>Risk Factors</u> beginning on page 30 of this prospectus.

These risks include the following:

Because our only assets will be LINN units, our cash flow and our ability to pay dividends on our shares are completely dependent upon the ability of LINN to make distributions to its unitholders.

We will incur corporate income tax liabilities on income allocated to us by LINN with respect to LINN units we own, which may be substantial.

An active trading market for our shares may not develop, and even if such a market does develop, the market price of our shares may be less than the price you paid for your shares and less than the market price of the LINN units.

Our shareholders will only be able to indirectly vote on matters on which LINN unitholders are entitled to vote, and our shareholders are not entitled to vote to elect our directors. Therefore, you will only be able to indirectly influence the management and board of directors of LINN, and you will not be able to directly influence or change our management or board of directors.

Your shares are subject to certain call rights that could require you to involuntarily sell your shares at a time or price that may be undesirable.

Our limited liability company agreement limits the fiduciary duties owed by our officers and directors to our shareholders, and LINN s limited liability company agreement limits the fiduciary duties owed by LINN s directors to its unitholders, including us.

	Per Share	Total
Price to the public	\$ 36.500	\$ 1,104,125,000
Underwriting discounts and commissions(1)	\$ 1.505	\$ 45,526,250
Proceeds to us	\$ 34.995	\$ 1,058,598,750

(1) Excludes a structuring fee equal to 0.375% of the gross proceeds of this offering, up to a cap of \$5,000,000, payable to Barclays Capital Inc. We have granted the underwriters an option for a period of 30 days to purchase up to an additional 4,537,500 shares on the same terms and conditions set forth above.

Affiliates of certain of the underwriters in this offering are lenders under LINN s revolving credit facility and, accordingly, if LINN elects to use the proceeds it receives from LinnCo to repay debt outstanding under that facility, those lenders would indirectly receive a portion of the net proceeds from this offering. Please read Underwriting (Conflicts of Interest).

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any other regulatory body has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed on the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

Barclays, on behalf of the underwriters, expects to deliver the shares on or about October 17, 2012.

Barclays Citigroup RBC Capital Markets

Wells Fargo Securities

BofA Merrill Lynch Credit Suisse Raymond James UBS Investment Bank

Goldman, Sachs & Co. J.P. Morgan

Baird BMO Capital Markets Credit Agricole CIB

CIBC Scotiabank / Howard Weil Mitsubishi UFJ Securities

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You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus or in any free writing prospectus we may authorize to be delivered to you. We have not, and the underwriters have not, authorized anyone to provide you with different information. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. We are not, and the underwriters are not, making an offer to sell these securities in any jurisdiction where an offer or sale is not permitted. You should assume that the information appearing in this prospectus is accurate as of the date on the front cover of this prospectus. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since that date.

The market data and certain other statistical information used throughout this prospectus are based on independent industry publications, government publications or other published independent sources. Some data is also based on our good faith estimates.

PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary highlights information contained elsewhere in this prospectus. It does not contain all of the information you should consider before buying shares in this offering. Therefore, you should read this entire prospectus carefully, including the risks discussed in the section titled Risk Factors beginning on page 30 and the historical financial statements of Linn Energy, LLC (LINN) and the notes to those financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. This prospectus also contains important information about LINN, including information about its businesses and financial and operating data, all of which you should read carefully before buying shares in this offering. Unless indicated otherwise, the information presented in this prospectus assumes that the underwriters do not exercise their option to purchase additional shares. We include a glossary of some of the terms used in this prospectus as Appendix A.

DeGolyer and MacNaughton, independent petroleum engineers, provided the estimates of LINN s proved oil and natural gas reserves as of December 31, 2009, 2010 and 2011 as well as estimates of proved reserves associated with the Green River Acquisition, East Texas Acquisition, Anadarko Joint Venture and the Hugoton Acquisition (each as defined below). All other reserve information included herein is based on internal estimates. As used herein, Pro Forma Proved Reserves represent the sum of (i) LINN s estimated proved reserves as of December 31, 2011 and (ii) the estimated proved reserves acquired in the 2012 Acquisitions (as defined below). For information regarding the dates and commodity prices at which reserve information for the 2012 Acquisitions was calculated, see the table on page 4. As used in this prospectus, the term LinnCo and the terms we, our, us and similar terms refer to LinnCo, LLC, unless the context otherwise requires. In addition, the term LINN refers to Linn Energy, LLC. As used in this prospectus, the term shares refers to common shares representing limited liability company interests in LinnCo and units refers to units representing limited liability company interests in LINN.

Overview

LinnCo

We are a recently formed Delaware limited liability company that has elected to be treated as a corporation for United States (U.S.) federal income tax purposes. Our sole purpose is to own LINN units and we expect to have no assets or operations other than those related to our interest in LINN. As a result, our financial condition and results of operations will depend entirely upon the performance of LINN. We will use the net proceeds from this offering to acquire a number of LINN units equal to the number of LinnCo shares sold in this offering.

At the closing of this offering, we will own one LINN unit for each of our outstanding shares, and our limited liability company agreement requires that we maintain a one-to-one ratio between the number of our shares outstanding and the number of LINN units we own. When LINN makes distributions on the units, we will pay a dividend on our shares of the cash we receive in respect of our LINN units, net of reserves for income taxes payable by us. For each of the periods ending December 31, 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015, we estimate that our income tax liability will be between 2% and 5% of the cash distributed to us. On July 24, 2012, LINN declared a regular quarterly cash distribution of \$0.725 per unit, or \$2.90 per unit on an annualized basis. Accordingly, if LINN were to maintain its current annualized distribution of \$2.90 per unit through 2015, the amount reserved to pay income taxes of LinnCo is estimated to be between \$0.06 and \$0.15 per share for each of the periods ending December 31, 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015. For example, we currently estimate that, for the period ending December 31, 2013, our dividend will be \$2.84 per share on an annualized basis.

Like shareholders of a corporation, our shareholders will receive a Form 1099-DIV and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax, as well as any applicable state or local income tax, on taxable dividends received by them. We estimate that for each of the periods ending December 31, 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015, you will

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recognize an amount of taxable dividend income that will be between 0% and 60% of the cash dividends paid to you during each such period. The excess of the cash dividends that you receive over your taxable dividend income during each such period will reduce your tax basis in your shares, or will be taxable as capital gain to the extent they exceed your tax basis in your shares. Our shareholders will not report our items of income, gain, loss and deduction, nor will they receive a Schedule K-1. Our shareholders also will not be subject to state income tax filings in the various states in which LINN conducts operations as a result of owning our shares. Please read Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences for additional details.

We will submit to a vote of our shareholders any matter submitted by LINN to a vote of its unitholders, including any election of LINN s directors. We will vote LINN units that we hold in the same manner as the owners of our shares vote (or refrain from voting) their shares on those matters. In addition, our shareholders will be entitled to vote on certain fundamental matters affecting LinnCo. Our shareholders will not be entitled to vote to elect our board of directors. The sole voting share that is entitled to vote to elect our board of directors is owned by LINN. Our initial board of directors will be identical to LINN s board of directors, and our initial officers will be the individuals who serve as officers of LINN. Please see Description of the Limited Liability Company Agreements Our Limited Liability Company Agreement for a detailed description of these matters.

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LINN

LINN is one of the largest publicly traded, U.S.-focused, independent oil and natural gas companies and is the largest publicly traded upstream oil and natural gas company that is treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes. LINN is focused on the development and acquisition of long-life oil and natural gas properties, which complement its asset profile in various producing basins within the U.S. LINN s properties are currently located in eight operating regions in the U.S.:

Mid-Continent, which includes properties in Oklahoma, Louisiana and the eastern portion of the Texas Panhandle (including the Granite Wash and Cleveland horizontal plays);

Hugoton Basin, which includes properties located primarily in Kansas and the Shallow Texas Panhandle;

Green River Basin, which includes properties located in southwest Wyoming;

Permian Basin, which includes areas in west Texas and southeast New Mexico;

Michigan/Illinois, which includes the Antrim Shale formation in the northern part of Michigan and oil properties in southern Illinois;

California, which includes the Brea Olinda Field of the Los Angeles Basin;

Williston/Powder River Basin, which includes the Bakken formation in North Dakota and the Powder River Basin in Wyoming; and

East Texas, which includes properties located in east Texas.

LINN s total proved reserves at December 31, 2011 were 3.4 Tcfe, of which approximately 34% were oil, 50% were natural gas and 16% were NGL. Approximately 60% of LINN s total proved reserves were classified as proved developed, with a total standardized measure of discounted future net cash flows of \$6.6 billion. At December 31, 2011, LINN operated 7,759, or 69%, of its 11,230 gross productive wells and had an average proved reserve-life index of approximately 22 years, based on LINN s total proved reserves at December 31, 2011 and annualized production for the three months ended December 31, 2011.

On July 31, 2012, LINN completed the acquisition of certain oil and natural gas properties located in the Green River Basin area of southwest Wyoming (the Green River Acquisition) for total consideration of approximately \$990 million. The Green River Acquisition included approximately 806 Bcfe of proved reserves as of the acquisition date.

On May 1, 2012, LINN completed the acquisition of certain oil and natural gas properties located in east Texas (the East Texas Acquisition) for total consideration of approximately \$168 million. On March 30, 2012, LINN completed the acquisition of certain oil and natural gas properties located in the Hugoton Basin area of southwestern Kansas (the Hugoton Acquisition) for total consideration of approximately \$1.17 billion. On April 3, 2012, LINN entered into a joint venture agreement (the Anadarko Joint Venture) with an affiliate of Anadarko Petroleum Corporation (Anadarko) whereby LINN will participate as a partner in the Ç@nhanced oil recovery development of the Salt Creek field, located in the Powder River Basin of Wyoming. As part of this joint venture, Anadarko assigned LINN 23% of its interest in the field in exchange for future funding by LINN of \$400 million of Anadarko s development costs. See Recent Developments. Giving effect to the East Texas Acquisition, the Hugoton Acquisition, the Anadarko Joint Venture and the Green River Acquisition, LINN s pro forma proved reserves are approximately 5.1 Tcfe, of which approximately 25% are oil, 55% are natural gas and 20% are NGL, with approximately 66% proved developed.

LINN generated adjusted EBITDA of approximately \$998 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 and \$621 million for the six months ended June 30, 2012. See Non-GAAP Financial Measures for a

reconciliation of adjusted EBITDA to net income (loss). For 2012, LINN estimates its total capital expenditures, excluding acquisitions, will be approximately \$1.1 billion, including approximately \$1.05 billion related to its oil and natural gas capital program. This estimate is under continuous review and is subject to ongoing adjustments. LINN expects to fund these capital expenditures primarily with cash flow from operations and borrowings under LINN s revolving credit facility.

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to LINN s proved reserves at December 31, 2011 and Pro Forma Proved Reserves and average daily production for the six months ended June 30, 2012:

Region	Proved Reserves At December 31, 2011 (Bcfe)(1)	Proved Reserves 2012 Acquisitions (Bcfe)(1)	Pro Forma Proved Reserves (Bcfe)(1)	Pro Forma % Oil and NGL	Pro Forma % Proved Developed	Average Daily Production For The Six Months Ended June 30, 2012 (MMcfe/d)
Mid-Continent	1,860	24	1,884	41%	53%	290
Hugoton Basin(2)	380	701	1,081	47%	87%	95
Green River Basin(3)		806	806	27%	53%	
Permian Basin	527		527	79%	56%	84
Michigan/Illinois	317		317	4%	91%	35
California	193		193	93%	93%	13
Williston/Powder River						
Basin(2)	93	96	189	92%	63%	25
East Texas(4)		110	110	3%	100%	8
Total	3,370	1,737	5,107	45%	66%	550

- (1) Except as otherwise noted, proved reserves for oil and natural gas assets were calculated on December 31, 2011, the reserve report date, and use a price of \$4.12/MMBtu for natural gas and \$95.84/Bbl for oil, which represent the unweighted average of the first-day-of-the-month prices for each of the twelve months immediately preceding December 31, 2011.
- (2) Pro forma proved reserves for the Hugoton Acquisition (in the Hugoton Basin region) and the Anadarko Joint Venture (in the Williston/Powder River Basin region) were calculated using a price of \$3.73/MMBtu for natural gas and \$98.02/Bbl for oil, which represent the unweighted average of the first-day-of-the-month prices for each of the twelve months ending March 1, 2012, the most recent twelve-month period prior to the closing of each of those transactions.
- (3) Pro forma proved reserves for the Green River Acquisition (in the Green River Basin region) were calculated using a price of \$3.02/MMBtu for natural gas and \$94.81/Bbl for oil, which represents the unweighted average of the first-day-of-the-month prices for each of the twelve months ending July 1, 2012, the most recent twelve-month period prior to the closing of the Green River Acquisition.
- (4) Pro forma proved reserves for the East Texas Acquisition were calculated using a price of \$3.54/MMBtu for natural gas and \$97.65/Bbl for oil, which represent the unweighted average of the first-day-of-the-month prices for each of the twelve months ending April 1, 2012, the most recent twelve-month period prior to the closing of the East Texas Acquisition.

LINN was formed as a Delaware limited liability company in March 2003 by Michael C. Linn, Quantum Energy Partners and non-affiliated equity investors with an aggregate equity investment of \$16 million. In January 2006, LINN completed its \$261 million initial public offering. Since its initial public offering, LINN has successfully executed on its strategy, and substantially grown its asset base and distributions on its units. LINN has increased its quarterly cash distribution by approximately 81% from \$0.40 per unit, or \$1.60 per unit on an annualized basis, at the time of its initial public offering, to \$0.725 per unit, or \$2.90 per unit on an annualized basis, as of July 24, 2012, the most recent declaration date. At the time of its initial public offering, LINN s assets consisted primarily of oil and natural gas properties in the Appalachian Basin, mainly in Pennsylvania, West Virginia, New York and Virginia (subsequently sold in 2008) with proved reserves of approximately 190 Bcfe as of

September 30, 2005 and average daily production of approximately 13 MMcfe/d for the three months ended September 30, 2005. Since then, LINN has successfully grown and diversified its asset base to include properties across eight operating regions with total Pro Forma Proved Reserves of approximately 5.1 Tcfe and average daily production for the six months ended June 30, 2012 of approximately 550 MMcfe/d.

Business Strategy

LINN s primary goal is to provide stability and growth of distributions for the long-term benefit of its unitholders. The following is a summary of the key elements of LINN s business strategy:

Grow through acquisition of long-life, high quality properties;

Efficiently operate and develop acquired properties; and

Reduce cash flow volatility through hedging. LINN s business strategy is discussed in more detail below.

Grow Through Acquisition of Long-Life, High Quality Properties. LINN sacquisition program targets oil and natural gas properties that it believes will be financially accretive and offer stable, long-life, and high quality production with relatively predictable decline curves, as well as lower-risk development opportunities. LINN evaluates acquisitions based on decline profile, reserve life, operational efficiency, field cash flow, development costs and rate of return. As part of this strategy, LINN continually seeks to optimize its asset portfolio, which may include the divestiture of non-core assets. This allows LINN to redeploy capital into projects to develop lower-risk, long-life and low-decline properties that are better suited to its business strategy.

Since January 1, 2007, LINN has completed 39 acquisitions of oil and natural gas properties and related gathering and pipeline assets, acquiring proved reserves totaling approximately 4.5 Tcfe at the date of acquisition, at an average aggregate cost of approximately \$2.02 per Mcfe.

LINN continually evaluates potential acquisition opportunities that would further its strategic objectives and engages from time to time in discussions with potential sellers. Assets acquired in one or more of such transactions may have a material effect on LINN s business, financial condition and results of operations.

Efficiently Operate and Develop Acquired Properties. LINN has centralized the operation of its acquired properties into defined operating regions to minimize operating costs and maximize production and capital efficiency. LINN maintains a large inventory of drilling and optimization projects within each operating region to achieve organic growth from its capital development program. LINN generally seeks to be the operator of its properties so that it can develop drilling programs and optimization projects that not only replace production, but add value through reserve and production growth and future operational synergies. LINN s development program is focused on lower-risk, repeatable drilling opportunities to maintain and/or grow cash flow. Many of the wells are completed in multiple producing zones with commingled production and long economic lives. In addition, LINN s experienced workforce and scalable infrastructure facilitate the efficient development of its properties.

Reduce Cash Flow Volatility Through Hedging. LINN seeks to hedge a significant portion of its forecasted production to reduce exposure to fluctuations in the prices of oil and natural gas and provide long-term cash flow predictability to pay distributions, service debt and manage its business. By removing a significant portion of the price volatility associated with future production, LINN expects to mitigate, but not eliminate, the potential effects of variability in cash flow from operations due to fluctuations in commodity prices.

These commodity hedging transactions are primarily in the form of swap contracts and put options that are designed to provide a fixed price (swap contracts) or fixed price floor with the opportunity for upside (put options) that LINN will receive as compared to floating market prices. As of June 30, 2012, LINN had derivative contracts in place for 2012 through 2017 at average prices ranging from a low of \$89.10 per Bbl to a high of \$97.26 per Bbl for oil and from a low of \$4.48 per MMBtu to a high of \$5.29 per MMBtu for natural gas. Additionally, LINN has derivative contracts in place covering a substantial portion of its natural gas basis exposure to Panhandle, MichCon and Permian differentials through 2015 and Houston Ship Channel and NWPL Rockies differentials through 2016 and its timing risk exposure on Mid-Continent, Hugoton Basin and Permian Basin oil sales through 2017.

In addition, LINN may from time to time enter into derivative contracts in the form of interest rate swaps to minimize the effects of fluctuations in interest rates. Currently, LINN has no outstanding interest rate swaps.

Competitive Strengths

LINN believes the following strengths provide significant competitive advantages:

Large and High Quality Asset Base with a Long Reserve Life. LINN s reserve base is characterized by lower geologic risk and well-established production histories and exhibits low production decline rates. Based on LINN s total proved reserves at December 31, 2011, and annualized production for the three months ended December 31, 2011, LINN had an average reserve-life index of approximately 22 years. LINN s Pro Forma Proved Reserves are also diversified by product with approximately 25% oil, 55% natural gas and 20% natural gas liquids (NGL), with approximately 66% classified as proved developed.

Significant Inventory of Lower-Risk Development Opportunities. LINN has a significant inventory of projects in its core areas that it believes will support its development activity. At December 31, 2011, LINN had approximately 6,450 identified drilling locations, of which approximately 2,300 were proved undeveloped drilling locations and the remainder were unproved drilling locations. During the year ended December 31, 2011, LINN drilled a total of 294 gross wells with an approximate 99% success rate.

Significant Scale of Operations. As of June 1, 2012, LINN had interests in approximately 15,000 gross productive wells (approximately 71% operated) and approximately 1.8 million net acres across seven regions in the U.S. The Mid-Continent, Hugoton Basin and Permian Basin regions account for approximately 68% of LINN s Pro Forma Proved Reserves. The scale of operations allows LINN to benefit from economies of scale in both drilling and production operations and capitalize on acquired technical knowledge to lower production costs and maintain a high success rate on its drilling program. Furthermore, LINN owns integrated gathering and transportation infrastructure in the Mid-Continent and Hugoton Basin regions, which improves LINN s cost structure.

Multi-Year Organic Growth Opportunities. In addition to growth through acquisitions, LINN s asset base provides significant opportunities to grow production organically. Key drivers of LINN s organic growth potential include its properties in the Granite Wash play in the Mid-Continent region and the Wolfberry trend in the Permian Basin region. LINN has approximately 95,000 net acres in the Granite Wash play, which covers a trend extending from the Texas Panhandle eastward into southwestern Oklahoma. The Granite Wash play is characterized by liquids-rich multi-layer reservoirs which provide for attractive horizontal development opportunities. Since the inception of LINN s horizontal drilling program in the Granite Wash in 2009, LINN has increased production to approximately 137 MMcfe/d (43% liquids). As of March 31, 2012, LINN had identified more than 600 horizontal drilling locations in the Granite Wash and multiple vertical infill drilling locations, representing a 10-plus year drilling inventory. LINN is also evaluating several oil-bearing intervals in the Texas Panhandle including the Hogshooter, Lansing, Cleveland and Tonkawa formations. As a result of technical mapping, LINN has already identified approximately 50 additional well locations in the Hogshooter interval. In

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the Permian Basin region, LINN owns 31,000 net acres in the Wolfberry trend (targeting the liquids-rich Spraberry and Wolfcamp zones). The Wolfberry trend offers significant growth potential driven primarily by infill drilling and downspacing. Since entering the Permian Basin in the fall of 2009, LINN has increased production to approximately 14,800 Boepd as of the first quarter of 2012 through a combination of organic development and acquisitions. LINN estimates that it has a four-year drilling inventory with approximately 400 future drilling locations in the Wolfberry trend.

High Percentage of Production Hedged. Currently, LINN hedges its production with swap contracts and put options to minimize its cash flow volatility while maintaining optionality for future upward movement in commodity prices. Swap contracts provide a fixed price and put options provide a fixed price floor with opportunity for upside that LINN will receive as compared to floating market prices. Based on current production estimates, LINN is approximately 100% hedged on expected natural gas production through 2017 and 100% hedged on expected oil production through 2016.

High Percentage of Operated Properties. For the year ended December 31, 2011, approximately 82% of LINN s production came from wells over which it had operating control. Maintaining control of its properties allows LINN to use its technical and operational expertise to manage overhead, production, drilling costs and capital expenditures and to control the timing of development activities.

Competitive Cost of Capital and Financial Flexibility. Unlike many master limited partnerships, LINN does not have any incentive distribution rights, or IDRs, that entitle the IDR holders to increasing percentages of cash distributions as unit distributions grow. LINN believes that its lack of IDRs provides it with a lower cost of equity, thereby enhancing its ability to compete for future acquisitions.

Additionally, LINN has regularly and successfully raised significant capital throughout different financial cycles. Since LINN s initial public offering in January 2006, it has raised approximately \$5.0 billion in follow-on equity offerings and approximately \$5.4 billion in debt offerings. Furthermore, as of July 25, 2012, LINN s revolving credit facility had a \$3.5 billion borrowing base, subject to a maximum commitment of \$3 billion. LINN believes this financial flexibility and access to the capital markets provides LINN with a substantial competitive advantage in consummating acquisitions.

Recent Developments

Acquisitions

Green River Acquisition. On July 31, 2012, LINN completed the Green River Acquisition for total consideration of approximately \$990 million. The Green River Acquisition included approximately 806 Bcfe of proved reserves as of the acquisition date.

East Texas Acquisition. On May 1, 2012, LINN completed the East Texas Acquisition for total consideration of approximately \$168 million. The properties acquired in east Texas include (1) proved reserves of approximately 110 Bcfe, all of which are proved developed producing; (2) approximately 430 producing wells on approximately 19,800 contiguous acres; and (3) average daily production of approximately 24 MMcfe/d (97% natural gas).

Hugoton Acquisition. On March 30, 2012, LINN completed the Hugoton Acquisition for total consideration of approximately \$1.17 billion. The properties acquired in the Hugoton Acquisition included: (1) proved reserves of approximately 701 Bcfe, of which 100% is proved developed; (2) approximately 2,400 producing wells with average daily production of approximately 110 MMcfe/d, of which approximately 63% is natural gas and 37% is NGL; (3) approximately 800 future drilling locations; and (4) the JayHawk Natural Gas Processing Plant, which processes substantially all of the production from the acquired properties, with 450 MMcf/d of processing capacity.

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Joint Venture

Anadarko Joint Venture. On April 3, 2012, LINN entered into the Anadarko Joint Venture, whereby LINN will participate as a partner in the CO₂-enhanced oil recovery development of the Salt Creek field, located in the Powder River Basin of Wyoming. Anadarko assigned LINN 23% of its interest in the field in exchange for future funding by LINN of \$400 million of Anadarko s development costs. LINN expects to invest a total of \$600 million in the joint venture over the next three to six years, which includes the \$400 million of Anadarko s costs and \$200 million net to LINN s assigned interest. Anadarko has been utilizing CQto develop this field since 2004. The acquisition included approximately 16 MMBoe (96 Bcfe) of proved reserves as of the agreement date.

The acquisitions and joint venture described above are referred to in this prospectus as the 2012 Acquisitions.

Questions and A