

#### COMPANY OVERVIEW

Canfor is a leading integrated forest products company based in Vancouver, British Columbia ("BC") with interests in BC, Alberta, Ontario North and South Carolina, Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi and Arkansas. Canfor produces primarily softwood lumber and also owns a 51.9% interest in Canfor Pulp Products Inc., which is one of the largest global producers of market northern bleached softwood kraft pulp and a leading producer of high performance kraft paper. Canfor shares are traded on The Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol CFP.

### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

		2015		2014
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Sales and income (millions of Canadian dollars)	<b>.</b>	0.005.0	<b>.</b>	0.047./
Sales	\$	3,925.3	\$	3,347.6
Operating income	\$	141.6	\$	329.3
Net income	\$	91.9	\$	221.8
Net income attributable to equity				455.0
shareholders of the Company	\$	24.7	\$	175.2
Per common share (Canadian dollars)				
Net income attributable to equity				
shareholders of the Company	\$	0.18	\$	1.28
Book value	\$	10.02	\$	10.25
Share price				
High	\$	31.89	\$	30.02
Low	\$	15.51	\$	21.75
Close - December 31	\$	20.19	\$	29.64
Financial position (millions of Canadian dollars)				
Working capital	\$	431.8	\$	476.7
Total assets	\$	3,294.6	\$	2,846.8
Net debt	\$	516.7	\$	88.1
Common shareholders' equity	\$	1,330.9	\$	1,387.2
Additional information <sup>1</sup>				
Return on invested capital - consolidated		2.3%		13.3%
Ratio of current assets to current liabilities		1.6:1		2.1:1
Ratio of net debt to capitalization		24.1%		5.1%
Operating income before amortization				
(millions of Canadian dollars)	\$	355.6	\$	511.8
Operating income before amortization margin		9.1%		15.3%
Capital expenditures (millions of Canadian dollars)	\$	240.0	\$	234.3

<sup>(1)</sup> See Definitions of Selected Financial Terms on page 80.





# MESSAGE TO SHAREHOLDERS

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT AND CEO

Canfor continued to execute our business strategy in 2015 through strategic growth, geographical market expansion, increasing our market share of value-added products, and building long-term partnerships with customers.

While the US housing market continued its gradual recovery, the improved demand was dampened by increased supply from Eastern Canada and the US South and additional lumber redirected to the United States as a result of slower growth in China.

There are many reasons to be optimistic about 2016 – healthier inventory levels, growing interest in Canfor's product variety, and our strong customer relationships. We also continue to see positive developments in the United States: increasing housing starts, a record year for retail business in 2015 and rising lumber prices.

Canfor Pulp's successful year resulted from an ongoing focus on operational excellence, solid productivity and the weaker Canadian dollar. Operating rates improved at all of our NBSK mills, resulting in part from capital upgrades and improved equipment reliability.

Canfor's significant expansion in 2015 better positions the company to take advantage of improving lumber markets through a broader product mix, new premium product lines, and additional sources of exceptionally high-quality fibre.

Our 2015 acquisitions included Southern Lumber Company in Mississippi and Anthony Forest Products in Arkansas. We completed the first phase of our acquisition of Beadles and Balfour Lumber Companies in Georgia, representing an initial 55% ownership interest, and the third phase of our agreement to buy Scotch Gulf Lumber, increasing our ownership to 50%. Our acquisition of Scotch Gulf is scheduled to close in July 2016, and Beadles and Balfour will close in January 2017.

Early in 2016, we reached an agreement to purchase Wynndel Box and Lumber in British Columbia, which produces premium boards and customized specialty products, and has access to a high-quality fibre source. We also completed several fibre supply agreements in British Columbia.

We improved Canfor and Canfor Pulp's operational performance by investing \$240 million in capital improvements. Our construction of two pellet plants will enhance utilization of residuals at our Chetwynd and Fort St. John sawmills. We plan to sell the plants' 175,000 tonnes of pellets through long-term contracts. Chetwynd also has an organic rankine cycle generator, which will make it self-sufficient in renewable heat and electricity while producing enough energy to power 1,470 homes annually.

Canfor Pulp's 2015 energy revenues increased 25%, and we expect further increases. In 2015, we completed installation of a 32-MW turbogenerator at Intercontinental Pulp. We're closing in on our target to generate a million megawatt hours – reaching 910,993 MWh in 2015.

Canfor has made capital improvements and installed new equipment to save enough energy to power 825 homes each year. We continue to focus on energy management awareness across our divisions through improved communication of energy efficiency opportunities.

We opened a fully integrated sales office in Seoul to support our pulp, paper and lumber customers in Korea, and we delivered our first shipment of lumber to Indonesia, Southeast Asia's second-largest market.

Through a cooperative sales and marketing agreement called Fibre United, Canfor Pulp and UPM Pulp provide customers with a wide range of products. In its Top 50 Power List for 2015, RISI said Canfor Pulp is "pushing the envelope with a pioneering sales agreement with Finnish-based UPM, Fiber United, covering four major markets".

The Canada-US Softwood Lumber Agreement expired in October 2015, beginning a one-year standstill period. Canfor continues to work with industry and government to advocate for an agreement that will bring certainty to the US-Canada lumber trading relationship. Canfor also continues to advocate for increased market development as a longer-term solution to the trade dispute, and remains a strong supporter of the Softwood Lumber Board, an industry-funded initiative that promotes the benefits and uses of softwood lumber products in construction.

Safety remains our top priority, and I am proud of our employees' exceptional safety performance. Canfor recorded a medical incident rate of 1.90 which exceeded our 2015 goal of 2.0. At 2.12, Canfor Pulp's strong safety performance was their best in 12 years.

Recruitment, retention and talent development are also key priorities for us. For the fourth consecutive year, Canfor and Canfor Pulp were both named one of BC's top employers, largely because of exceptional opportunities for career advancement. In 2015, Canfor launched a training and development framework to provide employees with ever more access to a wide range of training and development opportunities.

We promote the tremendous career opportunities in our industry through community outreach. Last February, Canfor proudly sponsored the Canada Winter Games held in Prince George, and we hosted 500 high school students from across northern BC to attend some events and learn more about the modern forest industry.

We support meaningful collaboration with First Nations whose traditional territories are in our operating areas. In 2015, we signed an agreement with Ktunaxa Nation in the Kootenays region that included a commitment to increase their participation in the forest industry. We also participated in a number of cultural awareness events that equipped our employees with traditional knowledge and uses to consider in our forestry planning.

At Canfor, we know that forest products are a great choice for the environment and were pleased that this message made it to the world stage in 2015 when participants in the COP 21 convention in Paris recognized the essential role forests play in the long-term health of our planet.

This means a lot to our company because Canfor and Canfor Pulp are both world leaders in using and managing forest resources responsibly and sustainably. We maximize the use of fibre in our sawmills, pulp mills and pellet plants – producing quality products for our customers and green energy to power and heat our operations.

In everything we do, we remain focused on our vision to be the global leader in supplying highly valued global customers with diverse, innovative and high-quality wood-based products. I extend my sincere thanks to our Board of Directors, my executive and senior management teams, the employees across all of our operations, and our shareholders.

I look forward to working with you in 2016, and appreciate your contributions to the success of Canfor and Canfor Pulp.



Donald B. Kayne

President and Chief Executive Officer

#### FROM THE CHAIRMAN

In 2015, despite some challenging market conditions, our Board of Directors supported a range of actions that advanced Canfor's goal to be the preferred supplier of high-quality lumber, premium pulp and paper, and green energy.

Canfor's strategic expansion continued in 2015. The past year or so has brought more new business interests into Canfor than at any other time in our history, and we are immensely indebted to all members of the Company's corporate development team who bore responsibility for the various deals that were successfully completed. I think it is particularly noteworthy that the Company targeted the lumber businesses that were acquired. It did so not only because they expand our product mix and offer access to high-quality fibre resources, but because they also share our commitment to quality and customer service.

They include Anthony Forest Products of El Dorado, Arkansas, and the operating assets of Southern Lumber Company in Mississippi. Anthony Forest Products was started by five brothers in 1916, and the fourth generation of the Anthony family is still involved. Southern Lumber was founded in 1983 by two Mississippi entrepreneurs who have nearly 80 years of combined lumber experience between them.

I was honoured to attend an event in Georgia in February 2015 to mark the completion of the first phase of our acquisition of Balfour Lumber Company and Beadles Lumber Company. Early last year, we also finalized the third phase of our agreement to buy Scotch Gulf Lumber of Alabama. The final phase is scheduled to close in July 2016.

Canfor's strategic expansion continues into 2016 with its planned purchase of Wynndel Box and Lumber announced earlier this year.

The foregoing actions, which our Board was pleased to support, allowed our company to grow and diversify its operations, its products and its markets, while expanding the use of leading-edge technology to maintain quality, operational excellence and unsurpassed customer service. I believe that all were made possible because Canfor has honoured the commitments that it made when it made its first investment in the southeastern U.S. in 2006 with the purchase of New South Companies and later made to the owners of Scotch Gulf Lumber in 2013. Canfor has developed an earned reputation for fulfilling its commitments, supporting the businesses it

acquires with additional capital and whatever support they require, but also entrusting to the management and operations teams at businesses we acquire to continue to lead them post-acquisition. I commend our management team, and especially those leading Canfor's businesses in the U.S. South, for the excellence of their integration efforts, which place the interests of Canfor's customers and the people who work for the company first and foremost.

Canfor is proud that the outstanding contributions of our Chairman Emeritus, Peter Bentley, were recognized in May 2015 when he was inducted into the Business Laureates of British Columbia Hall of Fame. At the same ceremony, one of our co founders, the late John Prentice, was inducted as a pioneer laureate for his vision and leadership.

John Prentice and his brother-in-law L.L.G. (Poldi) Bentley started a small furniture and paneling company near Vancouver in 1938 and, within a year, they had 1,000 workers. Peter Bentley, Poldi Bentley's son, was CEO of Canfor from 1975 to 1995. Poldi Bentley was named to the Hall of Fame in 2006.

Canfor continues to follow the vision set by John Prentice and Poldi Bentley. By harnessing change to drive us forward, we have become one of the leading Canadian integrated forest products companies. We have grown and diversified our operations, and solidified our position as the supplier of choice, offering a scale and range of products unmatched by our competition.

I am very proud of the team behind the Canfor brand. They are responsible for the quality, customer service and safety performance the Canfor brand represents.

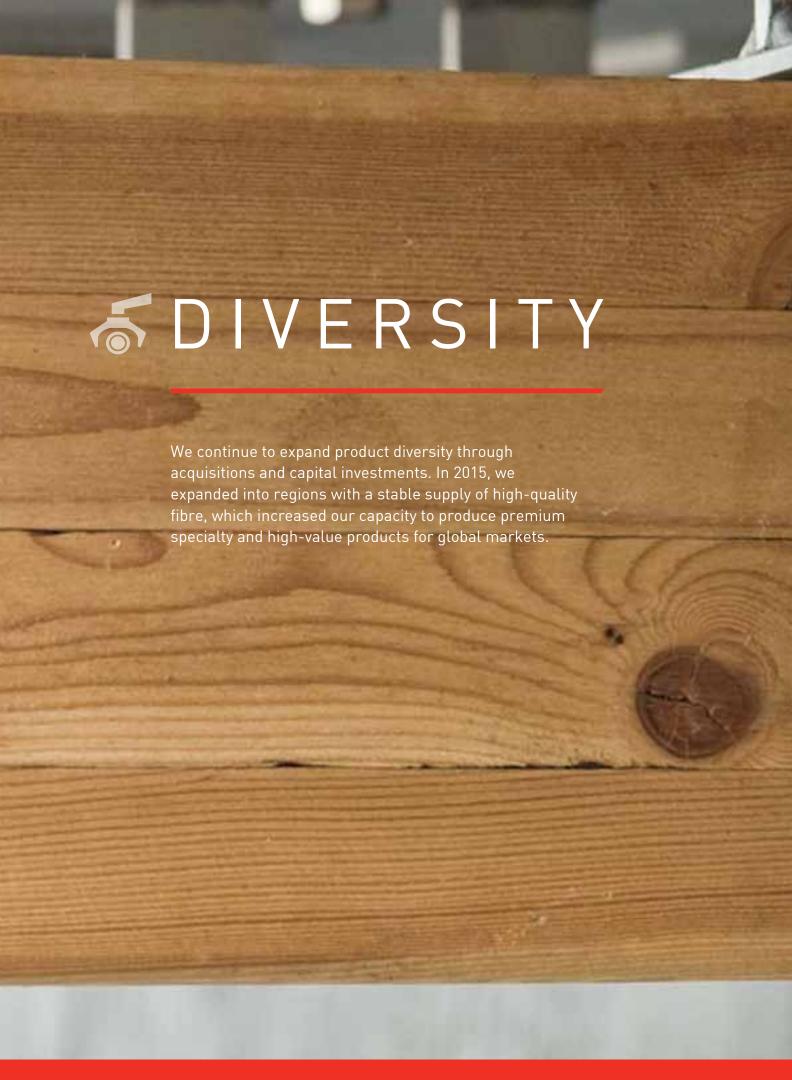
I continue to be grateful to my fellow Board members for their advice and leadership, and to Canfor's senior management who work so well with us.

My sincere thanks to all of our dedicated employees, shareholders, customers and business partners – your ongoing support will ensure Canfor remains successful now and over the long term, which is our fundamental goal.



Michael Korenberg Chairman of the Board







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## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS

This Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") provides a review of Canfor Corporation's ("Canfor" or "the Company") financial performance for the year ended December 31, 2015 relative to the year ended December 31, 2014, and the financial position of the Company at December 31, 2015. It should be read in conjunction with Canfor's Annual Information Form and its audited consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014. The financial information contained in this MD&A has been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"), which is the required reporting framework for Canadian publicly accountable enterprises.

Throughout this discussion, reference is made to Operating Income before Amortization which Canfor considers to be a relevant indicator for measuring trends in the performance of each of its operating segments and the Company's ability to generate funds to meet its debt repayment and capital expenditure requirements. Reference is also made to Adjusted Shareholder Net Income (Loss) (calculated as Shareholder Net income (loss) less specific items affecting comparability with prior periods – for the full calculation, see reconciliation included in the section "Overview of Consolidated Results - 2015 Compared to 2014") and Adjusted Shareholder Net Income (Loss) per Share (calculated as Adjusted Shareholder Net Income (Loss) divided by the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the period). Operating Income before Amortization and Adjusted Shareholder Net Income (Loss) and Adjusted Shareholder Net Income (Loss) per Share are not generally accepted earnings measures and should not be considered as an alternative to net income or cash flows as determined in accordance with IFRS. As there is no standardized method of calculating these measures, Canfor's Operating Income before Amortization, Adjusted Shareholder Net Income (Loss) and Adjusted Shareholder Net Income (Loss) per Share may not be directly comparable with similarly titled measures used by other companies. Reconciliations of Operating Income before Amortization to Operating Income (Loss) and Adjusted

Shareholder Net Income (Loss) to Net Income (Loss) reported in accordance with IFRS are included in this MD&A.

Factors that could impact future operations are also discussed. These factors may be influenced by known and unknown risks and uncertainties that could cause the actual results to be materially different from those stated in this discussion. Factors that could have a material impact on any future oriented statements made herein include, but are not limited to: general economic, market and business conditions; product selling prices; raw material and operating costs; currency exchange rates; interest rates; changes in law and public policy; the outcome of labour and trade disputes; and opportunities available to or pursued by Canfor.

All financial references are in millions of Canadian dollars unless otherwise noted. The information in this report is as at February 17, 2016.

#### FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements in this MD&A constitute "forwardlooking statements" which involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such statements. Words such as "expects", "anticipates", "projects", "intends", "plans", "will", "believes", "seeks", "estimates", "should", "may", "could", and variations of such words and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. These statements are based on management's current expectations and beliefs and actual events or results may differ materially. There are many factors that could cause such actual events or results expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements to differ materially from any future results expressed or implied by such statements. Forward-looking statements are based on current expectations and the Company assumes no obligation to update such information to reflect later events or developments, except as required by law.

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Canfor is a leading Canadian integrated forest products company based in Vancouver, British Columbia ("BC"), involved primarily in the lumber business, with production facilities in BC, Alberta, and the United States ("US"). Canfor also has a 51.9% interest in Canfor Pulp Products Inc. ("CPPI") which is involved in the Pulp and Paper business with production facilities located in BC.

Significant changes to the Company's business in 2015 include the following:

#### LUMBER

On January 2, 2015, Canfor completed the first phase of the purchase of Beadles Lumber Company and Balfour Lumber Company Inc. ("Beadles & Balfour") located in Georgia, representing an initial 55% ownership interest. The aggregate purchase price for Beadles & Balfour is US\$68.0 million, excluding working capital. Beadles and Balfour operate two sawmills in an area with high quality sustainable fibre supply, with one sawmill focused primarily on one-inch lumber products and the other sawmill producing structural lumber, with combined annual

- production capacity of 210 million board feet following capital upgrades and additional shifting. The second phase of the acquisition whereby Canfor will own 100% of Beadles & Balfour is scheduled to close at the beginning of 2017.
- On January 30, 2015, the Company completed the third phase of the purchase of the lumber business of Scotch & Gulf Lumber, LLC ("Scotch Gulf") located in Mobile, Alabama increasing its ownership from 33% to 50%. The final phase, whereby the Company will own 100% of Scotch Gulf, is scheduled to close in July 2016. The lumber business of Scotch Gulf comprises three sawmills located within an area of high-quality fibre supply, with a strong focus on valueadded lumber and a combined annual capacity of 440 million board feet following capital upgrades and additional shifting. The aggregate purchase price for Scotch Gulf is US\$80.0 million, excluding working capital.
- On April 1, 2015, Canfor acquired 100% of Southern Lumber Company Inc., ("Southern Lumber") located in Mississippi for a purchase price, excluding working capital, of US\$48.7 million. Southern Lumber is a large log southern yellow pine dimension mill manufacturing predominately long, wide width lumber. This sawmill is in an area of exceptionally high quality fibre and is well suited for a higher value product line. After reflecting near term capital investments, the operation is expected to have a capacity of 90 million board feet.
- On July 1, 2015, Canfor sold its 33.3% interest in Lakeland Mills Ltd. and Winton Global Lumber Ltd, located in BC, for cash consideration of \$30.0 million.
- On October 30, 2015, Canfor acquired 100% of Anthony Forest Products Company, ("Anthony" or "Anthony Forest Products") for purchase consideration of US\$78.5 million, excluding working capital. Anthony operates six facilities producing lumber, engineered wood and wood chips with a combined annual capacity of 250 million feet equivalent. Anthony owns a sawmill located in Arkansas with annual operating capacity of 150 million board feet, producing premium southern pine lumber. It also owns laminating facilities in Arkansas and Georgia which produce beams, columns and other glulam products with an annual combined capacity of 75 million board feet, operates two chip plants in Louisiana and Texas, and has a 50% joint venture interest in an I-joist plant with annual capacity of 54 million lineal feet. located in Sault Ste. Marie. Ontario.

#### PULP

- On January 30, 2015, the Company completed the sale of its Bleached Chemi-Thermo Mechanical Pulp ("BCTMP") mill ("Taylor pulp mill"), which has production capacity of 220,000 tonnes, to CPPI for cash proceeds of \$12.6 million.
- During 2015, Canfor's ownership of CPPI increased to 51.9% as a result of share purchases from non-controlling shareholders under CPPI's Normal Course Issuer Bid. Further discussion of the Normal Course Issuer Bid is provided in the "Liquidity and Financial Requirements" section of this document.

#### GREEN ENERGY

- CPPI completed a further turbo-generator upgrade at its Intercon pulp mill in the first quarter of 2015, and started selling power in April 2015.
- The Company is in the process of completing the construction of two pellet plants located at the Chetwynd and Fort St. John sawmill sites, in the Northern British Columbia interior (the "pellet plants") in partnership with Pacific BioEnergy Corporation ("Pacific BioEnergy"). Canfor owns an approximate 95% interest in the pellet plants while

Pacific BioEnergy owns the remaining 5% and has an option to increase its ownership interest in the pellet plants up to a total of 25% by January 1, 2018. The Chetwynd pellet plant commenced operations in the fourth quarter of 2015 and the Fort St. John pellet plant is anticipated to begin production in early 2016.

On January 21, 2016, the Company announced that it has agreed to purchase the assets of Wynndel Box and Lumber Ltd., ("Wynndel") located in the Creston Valley of BC. The agreement is expected to close in the second quarter of 2016 and is subject to customary closing conditions.

In the previous year, the Company exited its Eastern Canadian Spruce/Pine/Fir ("SPF") business with the sale of its Daaquam Sawmill for total proceeds of \$25.0 million. The Daaquam sawmill produced approximately 120 million board feet of lumber annually.

As of December 31, 2015, Canfor employed 6,047 people, of which 1,278 are employed by CPPI.

#### LUMBER

Canfor's lumber operations have a current annual production capacity of approximately 5.8 billion board feet of lumber, including 100% of the capacity of the Scotch Gulf and Beadles & Balfour sawmills reflecting near-term capital investments and additional operating shifts. The majority of lumber produced by Canfor from its facilities is construction and specialty grade dimension lumber that ranges in size from one by three inches to two by twelve inches and in lengths from six to twenty-six feet. A significant and increasing proportion of Canfor's lumber production is comprised of specialty products that command premium prices, including Square Edge lumber for the North American market, J-grade lumber for the Japanese market, and machine stress rated ("MSR") lumber used in engineered applications such as roof trusses and floor joists. As a result of its recent acquisitions in the US South, Canfor has expanded its product offering to include high-value engineered wood products, higher-grade MSR lumber, as well as premium oneinch boards.

Canfor's lumber operations also include one finger-joint plant, two lumber treating plants, two glulam plants, three whole-log chipping plants and a trucking division. As outlined above, the Company, in partnership with Pacific BioEnergy, operates a pellet plant at the Chetwynd Sawmill site, with an additional pellet plant at the Fort St. John sawmill site scheduled for completion in early 2016. The lumber business segment also includes a 60% interest in the Houston Pellet Limited Partnership, which has an annual capacity of approximately 217,000 tonnes of wood pellets and a 50% interest in Anthony EACOM Inc., an I-joist producer located in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario with annual capacity of approximately 54 million lineal feet. Subsequent to the 2015 year end, Canfor announced it has agreed to purchase Wynndel. Wynndel has access to exceptionally high-quality fibre and produces premium boards and customized specialty wood products, and has a current annual production capacity of 65 million board feet.

Canfor holds approximately 11 million cubic metres of annual harvesting rights for its solid wood operations under various forest tenures located in the interior region of BC and northern Alberta, and harvests logs from those tenures to supply its interior lumber operations. Any shortfalls in mill requirements are made up with wood purchased from other

tenure holders in those areas. The wood fibre requirements in the US are met through open market purchases from private timberland owners.

Canfor markets lumber products throughout North America and overseas, through its sales offices in Vancouver, Canada, Myrtle Beach, U.S., Mobile, U.S., Tokyo, Japan, Seoul, South Korea and Shanghai, China. In addition to its own production, Canfor also markets lumber produced externally to complement its product line. While a significant proportion of Canfor's product is sold to markets in the United States, the proportion of shipments to offshore markets, particularly China, has risen significantly in recent years. The Company ships substantially all lumber destined for North America by truck and rail, while the vast majority of product sold offshore is transported by container ship.

#### PULP AND PAPER

Canfor's Pulp and Paper segment is comprised of three northern softwood market kraft pulp mills and the Taylor pulp mill, all of which are owned and operated by CPPI in BC. CPPI produces Northern Bleached Softwood Kraft ("NBSK") pulp, BCTMP, and specialty paper. NBSK pulp is primarily a bleached product, although unbleached and semi-bleached grades are also produced at the Prince George pulp and paper mill.

The CPPI mills have the annual capacity to produce over one million tonnes of northern softwood market kraft pulp and approximately 220,000 tonnes of BCTMP. CPPI's paper machine, located at the Prince George pulp and paper mill, has an annual production capacity, at optimum product mix levels, of 140,000 tonnes of kraft paper.

Canfor supplies CPPI with residual wood chips and hog fuel (principally bark) produced at certain of its specified sawmills. Prices paid by CPPI for residual wood chips are based on a pricing formula to reflect market prices and conditions, with hog fuel purchased by CPPI at market prices. CPPI also has fibre supply agreements with third parties to supplement its supply of wood chips and hog fuel.

All pulp produced by CPPI is sold by CPPI's sales offices in Vancouver, Canada, Tokyo, Japan, and Seoul, South Korea, to customers, primarily in North America, Europe and Asia. The significant majority of product sold to North America is shipped by rail, while product sold overseas is transported by container or breakbulk vessels.

#### OTHER OPERATIONS

Canfor also owns an OSB plant ("PolarBoard"), which is currently indefinitely idled, and a plywood plant ("Tackama"), which was permanently closed in December 2011.

#### **BUSINESS STRATEGY**

Canfor's overall business strategy is to be a lumber industry leader with top-quartile margin performance, accomplished through:

- Expanding geographical markets, increasing market share of value-added products and building strong long-term partnerships with valued customers,
- Optimizing the extraction of high-margin products and value from its available fibre sources,
- Attaining world class supply chain performance,
- Achieving and maintaining a low cost structure,
- Maintaining a strong financial position,
- Developing an enterprise-wide culture of safety, innovation and engagement where Canfor is recognized as the preferred employer in its operating regions,
- Capitalizing on attractive growth opportunities, and
- Positioning the Company as a leading supplier of green, environmentally friendly building products.

Canfor is focused on being the preferred supplier of lumber to the building industry around the world, with a particular focus on North America and Asia. The Company is committed to being a major supplier to the retail segment of lumber consumption and expanding its presence in key offshore markets, including China and Japan. This objective includes making higher value structural lumber and specialized products to cater to specific customer requirements.

CPPI's overall business strategy is to be a pulp and paper industry leader with strong financial performance accomplished through:

- Preserving its low-cost operating position,
- Maintaining the premium quality of its products,
- Growing its green energy business,
- Developing an enterprise-wide culture of safety, innovation and engagement where CPPI is recognized as the preferred employer in its operating regions, and
- Capitalizing on attractive growth opportunities.

#### **OVERVIEW OF 2015**

North American lumber demand was relatively balanced in 2015, as the US housing market continued its slow but gradual recovery supported by low mortgage rates, rising home prices and low inventories of new and existing homes for sale. This improving demand and consumption, however, was somewhat outweighed by increased supply to the North American market. This reflected both increased production, notably from Eastern Canada and the US South, and lumber redirected to the US market from China in response to slowing construction activity and increased supply from Russia to China during the year. As a result, average US dollar benchmark lumber prices came under pressure through the year, with low grade products in particular seeing steep declines in the second half of 2015 reflecting the slowdown in the Chinese construction sector. Lumber demand in other offshore markets, such as Japan and Korea, was stable through 2015.

Reflecting the aforementioned factors, the North American benchmark Western SPF 2x4 #2 & Better grade ("#2&Btr") lumber price was down US\$71 per Mfbm, or 20%, compared to 2014, with Canadian producers paying higher export taxes on US-bound lumber shipments through most of 2015 as a result. These impacts were offset in part by a 12 cent, or 14%, weakening of the Canadian dollar relative to its US counterpart in 2015. Eastern Southern Yellow Pine ("SYP") 2x4 #2 lumber prices moved moderately lower on a US dollar basis over the same period, with more pronounced decreases seen for most wider dimension SYP products. Prices for Canfor's value added and specialty lumber products benefited from more stable pricing through 2015.

In 2015, the Company continued to build on its solid reputation as a producer and seller of high-margin lumber products to global markets, retaining its top-quartile margin performance in both Western Canada and the US South. The Company continued to position itself to take advantage of the improving lumber markets as evidenced by the acquisitions of Scotch Gulf in Alabama, Beadles & Balfour in Georgia, Southern Lumber in Mississippi and Anthony Forest Products in Arkansas. Combined, these additional sawmills have expanded Canfor's US South lumber capacity by approximately 890 million board feet, after near-term capital investments and additional shifting. As highlighted earlier, these acquisitions also expand the Company's overall product offering, provide access to new markets and increase exposure to higher-margin value-added products.

In November 2015, due to a lack of economically available fibre supply combined with challenging market conditions in the oil and gas market that it serves, the Company permanently closed its Canal Flats sawmill. This followed the Company's permanent closure of its Quesnel sawmill in March 2014. Also in March 2014, Canfor's exited the Eastern SPF lumber business following the sale of its Daaquam sawmill. Excluding the impact from the Canal Flats, Quesnel and Daaquam sawmills, as well as the recent acquisitions in the US South, the Company saw a solid improvement in productivity during 2015, reflecting the positive impact of capital upgrades and improved operational performance. Lumber production was up 8% compared to 2014 for the most part reflecting the improved productivity, and to a lesser extent, additional operating days in 2015.

The Company's British Columbia lumber operations continued to experience log cost pressures in 2015, principally related to the mountain pine beetle ("MPB") epidemic, with higher logging and hauling rates, purchased wood costs as well as increased road maintenance and construction cost impacts. Compared to the previous year, log costs showed a more modest increase in 2015, which primarily reflected the decline in Western SPF lumber sales realizations and lower diesel prices. The log cost trend in British Columbia contrasted with Canfor's operations in the US South region which, through 2015, continued to benefit from significant volumes of high-quality fibre in close proximity to its sawmills and more muted pressure on log costs.

Overall operating results for the lumber segment were lower in 2015 compared to 2014, principally reflecting the lower Canadian-dollar unit sales realizations, higher unit log costs and the one-time costs associated with the Canal Flats sawmill closure, all of which more than offset improvements in productivity and the positive contribution from the sawmills acquired in the US South in 2015.

For pulp, the significant weakening of the Canadian dollar through 2015 more than offset the impact of increased hardwood pulp supply which added downward pressure to softwood pulp prices during the year. NBSK pulp list prices to North America started the year above US\$1,000 per tonne and trended lower through 2015 to finish the year at US\$940 per tonne. Pulp list prices to China and Europe saw more pronounced declines, down 12% and 8% in 2015, respectively. Global pulp demand was relatively stable in 2015 while global inventory levels were on the high end of the balanced range through most of the year. The lower NBSK pulp prices were more than offset by the weaker Canadian dollar, enabling CPPI to deliver higher year-over-year unit sales realizations.

Operational excellence remained a top priority for CPPI in 2015, with the Company seeing solid productivity progress with increased operating rates at all its NBSK pulp mills, reflecting improved equipment reliability compared to the prior year. Following several capital upgrades over the last few years, operational performance stabilized and fewer operational disruptions were experienced as the mills optimized new equipment and processes. In 2016, Management remains focused on operational excellence and is targeting further operating rate improvements.

CPPI's green energy business continued to grow in 2015 with the turbines at all three NBSK pulp mills now operating and selling power. The last of these at the Intercontinental pulp mill was completed in early 2015 and started selling power in April 2015. Total energy revenues were up approximately 25% from 2014 and further growth is forecast for 2016 as all three turbines operate for a full year.

The Company's paper business also performed well in 2015 following its strong operating performance in the prior year. The weakening of the Canadian dollar in 2015 more than offset somewhat weaker kraft paper US dollar denominated prices during the year resulting in higher kraft paper sales realizations compared to 2014.

Total consolidated operating income was \$141.6 million, down \$187.7 million from operating income of \$329.3 million in 2014, as improved results in the pulp and paper segment were offset by the lower operating earnings in the lumber segment. The Company recorded a consolidated return on invested capital of 2.3%, down 11.0% from 2014, reflecting the challenges faced by the lumber segment in 2015.

The Company was active on the refinancing front in 2015, both extending its operating lines to 2020 and completing US\$200.0 million of strategic financings, while reducing its Canadian-dollar denominated term debt by \$50.0 million during the year (see "Liquidity and Financial Requirements" for more details).

The Company made cash distributions of \$56.8 million to non-controlling shareholders in 2015, up from \$10.2 million in the previous year; these included a special dividend of \$1.125 per common share paid by CPPI in addition to its quarterly dividend of \$0.0625 per common share. The Company and CPPI were also active in repurchasing shares through 2015, purchasing approximately 2.6 million (approximately 1.9% of outstanding shares) and 1.9 million common shares (approximately 2.7% of outstanding shares), respectively, under separate Normal Course Issuer Bids. In the case of CPPI, this resulted in Canfor increasing its ownership of CPPI from 50.5% at December 31, 2014 to 51.9% at December 31, 2015.

The Company maintained its strong balance sheet focus during 2015, applying a disciplined approach to both cash allocation for internal and external capital and growth opportunities, and working capital management. The Company ended the year with consolidated net debt of \$516.7 million and a net debt to capitalization ratio of 24.1%.

A review of the more significant developments in 2015 follows.

#### MARKETS AND PRICING

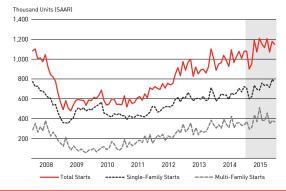
#### (i) SOLID WOOD – SLOW-PACED NORTH AMERICAN HOUSING RECOVERY CONTINUES; OVERSUPPLY RESULTING IN LOWER US-DOLLAR LUMBER PRICES AND EXPORT TAXES PARTLY OFFSET BY WEAKER CANADIAN DOLLAR

The US housing market continued its gradual recovery in 2015 with higher housing starts and increased repair and remodelling spending as well as historically-low home inventory levels which benefitted from slowly improving employment growth, housing affordability and consumer confidence. The Canadian housing market recorded another solid year in 2015, while offshore demand was mixed in 2015. A slowdown in construction activity in China resulted in lower demand, particularly for low grade products, but demand for higher-value dimension lumber products remained robust in key Asia markets.

The effects of a slowing Chinese economy, along with higher exports from Russia into China, together with increased lumber production in various regions of North America, saw proportionately higher lumber volumes being directed to the US market in 2015. This increased supply created downward pressures on US dollar benchmark prices for both Western SPF and SYP products for most of the year.

Total US housing starts were up 11% in 2015 compared to 2014, averaging 1,107,000 starts¹ for the year compared to 1,001,000 in 2014, and reaching the highest levels since 2008 (Chart 1). Both single-family unit and multi-family unit starts were up in 2015, with the increase in multi-family starts (up 12%) slightly outpacing the increase in single-family starts (up 10%) year-over-year. The increase in multifamily unit starts reflected growth in rental markets due to tighter lending regulations subsequent to the US housing downturn, and limited available land in major centres.

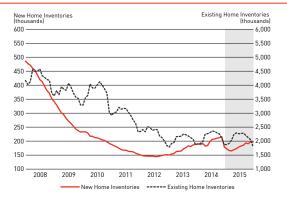
#### CHART 1 - U.S. HOUSING STARTS



Source: US Bureau of the Census

New home inventory levels show a modest upward trend through 2015, while existing home inventory levels decreased towards the end of the year as highlighted in Chart 2 below.

CHART 2 - NEW AND EXISTING HOME INVENTORIES IN U.S.



Source: National Association of Home Builders

The Canadian housing market remained strong through 2015, with housing starts at 194,000 units² in 2015 in line with 2014 (Chart 3), for the most part reflecting a stable housing market in most regions through the year. The recent decline in oil and other commodity prices, on which the Canadian economy is highly dependent, is anticipated to result in some slowing of the housing market in several regions, notably Alberta, in 2016.

CHART 3 - CANADIAN HOUSING STARTS



Source: Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation

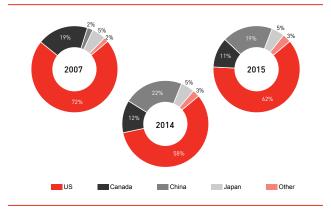
Canfor's lumber shipments to offshore markets showed a modest increase in 2015, with increased shipments to Japan and similar volumes to China compared to 2014 reflecting the Company's strong focus on higher-value lumber products and markets.

The change in the Company's geographical sales mix over the past eight years is highlighted in Chart 4, which shows the continued shift to a more globally balanced distribution of sales in support of strategic growth objectives. The Company's recent growth in the US South has significantly increased Canfor's exposure to the US market while Western SPF lumber sales are projected to remain geographically diversified.

<sup>(1)</sup> U.S. Bureau of the Census

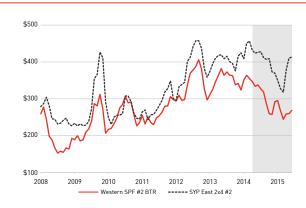
<sup>(2)</sup> Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation ("CMHC")

CHART 4 - CANFOR'S LUMBER SALES VOLUMES BY MARKET



The benchmark Western SPF 2x4 #2&Btr price was lower in 2015, averaging US\$278 per thousand board feet ("Mfbm")³, down US\$71 (or 20%) compared to US\$349 per Mfbm in the prior year. Less pronounced price decreases were seen for most other dimensions. The benchmark Eastern SYP 2x4 #2 lumber price in 2015 averaged US\$382 per Mfbm, down US\$36 (or 9%) from US\$418 per Mfbm in 2014, with more pronounced decreases in most wider dimension SYP products. Prices for Western SPF products trended down during 2015 as the combination of weaker demand in China and oversupply in North America in the fall pushed lumber prices to levels not seen since early 2012, before recovering somewhat towards the end of the year (see Chart 5).

CHART 5 – U.S. WESTERN SPF 2x4 #2&BTR AND SYP EAST #2 LUMBER PRICE COMPARISON



Source: Random Lengths Publications, Inc.

The Canadian dollar continued to weaken against the US dollar in 2015, particularly towards the end of the year, as the US economy gained momentum, in contrast to the Canadian economy which was adversely impacted by sharp declines in many commodity prices. The weakening of the Canadian dollar accelerated towards the end of 2015 and continued into the beginning of 2016. On average the Canadian dollar was at \$0.783<sup>4</sup> per US dollar, 12 cents, or 14%, lower than in 2014, somewhat mitigating the decline in Western SPF benchmark lumber prices.

#### (II) PULP – INCREMENTAL HARDWOOD CAPACITY TRANSLATES INTO DOWNWARD PRESSURE ON PRICING IN 2015 BUT IMPACT MORE THAN OFFSET BY FAVOURABLE CURRENCY MOVEMENTS

Global softwood pulp markets saw downward pressure through 2015 in all regions. While overall global pulp demand was steady, additional hardwood pulp capacity, principally from South America, was absorbed into global markets, particularly China, during the year. Global softwood producer inventories increased in the first quarter of 2015 as producers ran well with limited maintenance downtime, before reversing in the second quarter as many producers took their seasonal maintenance outages. In the second half of 2015, global softwood producer inventory levels remained at the high end of the balanced range.

The benchmark North American NBSK pulp list price averaged US\$972 per tonne<sup>5</sup> in 2015, a decrease of US\$53 per tonne, or 5%, from the prior year. List prices to Europe and China were also under pressure in 2015 down US\$78 and US\$89 per tonne, respectively. As outlined above, more than offsetting the lower pricing was a 14% weaker Canadian dollar resulting in overall improved sales realizations in Canadian dollar terms.

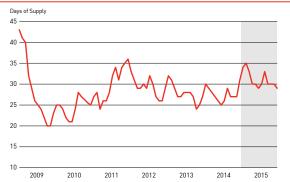
The following charts show the NBSK pulp list price movements in 2015 before taking account of customer discounts and rebates (Chart 6) and the global pulp inventory levels (Chart 7).

CHART 6 - NBSK PULP LIST PRICE DELIVERED TO U.S. - IN US AND CANADIAN DOLLARS



Source: Resource Information Systems Inc.

CHART 7 - WORLD SOFTWOOD PULP INVENTORIES



Source: Pulp and Paper Products Council

<sup>(3)</sup> Random Lengths Publications, Inc.

<sup>(4)</sup> Bank of Canada

<sup>(5)</sup> Resource Information Systems, Inc.

Since the beginning of 2014, CPPI's sales network has represented and co-marketed UPM-Kymmene ("UPM") pulp products in North America and Japan, while UPM's pulp sales network represent and co-market CPPI's products in Europe and China, as part of a strategic sales and marketing cooperation agreement with UPM. This arrangement has been working very well for both parties, allowing both CPPI and UPM to sell a broader offering of pulp products and offering enhanced technical service to customers.

#### SOLID WOOD OPERATIONS

## (i) CONTINUED US SOUTH EXPANSION AND STRATEGIC CAPITAL SPENDING ENHANCING OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE

The Company's confidence in the longer-term prospects of the lumber industry has driven an investment strategy aimed at positioning itself as a top-quartile margin performer in the industry during the lumber market recovery. In support of this objective, the Company has completed several targeted strategic capital initiatives at its sawmills in the last five years, all aimed at enhancing the quality and value offering of products to its customers from a top-tier productivity and cost position. These strategic capital investments are designed to capitalize on the Company's strong fibre position in the BC Interior and the US South. In 2015, the Company completed several major upgrades, most notably at its Polar sawmill, and productivity showed a solid improvement in 2015 compared to the previous year.

In addition to its strategic capital initiatives, the Company has significantly expanded its presence in the US South, as highlighted by its acquisitions of Scotch Gulf, Beadles & Balfour, Southern Lumber and Anthony Forest Products. Scotch Gulf includes three sawmills and a treating plant all of which are located in Alabama and produce primarily structural grade lumber. Beadles & Balfour includes two sawmills located in Georgia with one sawmill focused primarily on 1 inch lumber products and the other sawmill producing structural grade lumber. Southern Lumber owns a single sawmill in Mississippi that produces high-margin lumber in lengths up to 26 feet. Anthony Forest Products operates six facilities including a sawmill and laminating plant in Arkansas, a laminating plant in Georgia, two chip plants and an I-joist plant through a joint venture in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. All of these US South sawmills are favourably located in areas of high-quality fibre supply and, with near-term capital investments and shifting additions, will contribute approximately 890 million board feet of production capacity, taking Canfor's Southern Pine capacity to just over 1.5 billion board feet, or 27% of total lumber capacity. The Company's current US South lumber capacity represents an approximate three-fold increase since 2010.

Excluding acquisitions, capital spending in the lumber segment for 2015 totaled \$161.7 million and included construction of the pellet plants in Chetwynd and Fort St. John, completion of capital projects at the Company's Polar, Mackenzie, Grande Prairie, Houston and Jackson operations, and the acquisition of a forest license in the Kootenay region of Western Canada. In 2014, Canfor implemented a new sales, transportation, supply chain and inventory management Enterprise Resource Planning ("ERP") software system across its entire Canadian operations, and in 2015, implemented its new US South ERP platform at its Southern Pine operations in the Carolinas.

## (ii) STRONG FOCUS ON VALUE ADDED PRODUCTS AND OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE IN THE FACE OF LOG COST PRESSURE IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

In order to achieve top-quartile margin performance, and maximize profitability, the Company continues to focus on the key areas of maximizing product quality and value, tightly controlling unit manufacturing costs and maximizing residual fibre revenues.

#### A. PRODUCT QUALITY / VALUE

Product quality and value are key parts of the Company's focus, with a view to ensuring that valued customers are provided with high quality products and service. Numerous initiatives have been undertaken to ensure continuous improvements in this area, including acquisitions of high-value operations across the US South, capital projects, which are resulting in a higher proportion of higher-value lumber products, and transitioning to harvesting non-Mountain Pine Beetle fibre for use in the BC Interior sawmills.

The Company also has in place, or takes part in, various initiatives designed to promote the benefits of the use of lumber products by developers and end users. This includes initiatives to promote the environmental benefits of using lumber, and also North American industry-wide programs, such as the Softwood Lumber Board, to promote wood as a building product.

#### B. UNIT MANUFACTURING COSTS

The Company remains focused on ensuring strong operational performance at all of its operations, with continuous improvement initiatives complementing and maximizing the benefits from capital upgrades. Compared to the prior year and excluding the impacts of the recently acquired US South operations, year-over-year unit conversion costs decreased as capital-related productivity improvements, energy consumption decreases at certain operations, and a reduction in contractor services outweighed slightly higher labour costs, principally reflecting USW (United Steelworkers) rate increases and increased trades labour costs.

Increased upward pressures on non-quota timber and a continued shift out of the Mountain Pine Beetle dominated log profile over the past several years has resulted in increases to logging, hauling and purchased wood costs in BC operations. Added costs for road building and block development in 2015 have also resulted from this fibre profile shift. The Company's US operations' log costs increased marginally from the prior year, principally reflecting high-quality logs processed at the newly acquired high value operations in the US South.

#### C. RESIDUAL FIBRE REVENUE

Residual fibre revenue for the Company relates principally to the sale of sawmill residual chips to be used in the manufacture of pulp products. Prices for sawmill residual chips are typically based on a pricing formula with a number of inputs, predominantly driven by market prices for pulp products. Increased residual fibre revenue for 2015 reflected the recent acquisitions in the US South, and higher pulp sales realizations.

In addition, the Company continued to focus on extracting maximum value from its other residual fibre sources in 2015, generating relatively stable revenues from the sale of sawdust, shavings and bark. As previously mentioned, the Company is in the process of completing two pellet plants in the northern BC Interior. These pellet plants will be operated in partnership with Pacific BioEnergy, an established pellet plant operator in BC, and will enhance the utilization of Canfor's sawmill residual

fibre in northern BC, providing stable long-term cash flow and contributing to the Company's sustainable value proposition.

In addition, as part of its strategic capital investment focus, the Company now has modern energy systems at the significant majority of its sawmills that make use of other residual fibre products, such as bark hog, which have resulted in reduced energy costs and dependence on fossil fuels.

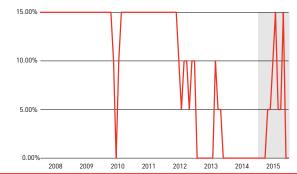
#### (iii) SOFTWOOD LUMBER AGREEMENT

Under the Softwood Lumber Agreement ("SLA") implemented by the federal governments of Canada and the US in 2006, Canadian softwood lumber exporters pay an export tax on lumber shipped to the US when the price of lumber is at or below US\$355 per Mfbm, as determined by the Random Lengths Framing Lumber Composite Price. When the price is at or below US\$355 per Mfbm, the export tax rate ranges between 5% and 15%. In January 2012, the governments of Canada and the US exercised an option to extend the SLA from its original expiry date in 2013 to October 2015.

On October 12, 2015, the SLA expired. No trade actions may be imposed for the importation of softwood lumber from Canada to the US for a period of twelve months following the SLA expiry date (commonly referred to as a "stand-still period"). Canfor will continue to participate in discussions with industry counterparts and support the governments of both countries in working towards a satisfactory resolution before the end of the stand-still period. Further discussion of the SLA agreement may be found under "Softwood Lumber Agreement" in the "Risks and Uncertainties" section of this document.

The average export tax rate on US bound shipments in 2015, up to the SLA expiry date, was 5% resulting in tax payments of approximately \$28.1 million, while no export taxes were paid on US bound shipments in 2014. The following chart shows the average SLA export tax rate in 2015 and the seven years prior (Chart 8), with the rate fluctuating over this period of time in connection with the Random Lengths Framing Lumber Composite Price.

#### CHART 8 - SLA EXPORT TAX



Source: Canada Revenue Agency

## (iv) IMPACTS OF MOUNTAIN BEETLE ("MPB") STILL SIGNIFICANT, BUT COMPANY WELL POSITIONED GOING FORWARD

For more than a decade, the MPB epidemic has been the primary focus for almost all of the Company's Western Canadian operations. Only now has the infestation largely run its course with estimates indicating that pine mortality has reached approximately 55%, where it has been for the last 3 years. Northern Alberta is still experiencing higher levels of attack and anticipates this trend will continue for the next 2 to 4 years. In the most heavily attacked areas in British Columbia, salvage harvesting continues but the harvest profile is gradually shifting from dead pine into green or mixed stands and will do so for another 5 to 7 years as the remaining dead stands are harvested or the quality deteriorates to the point that the stands are no longer viable for sawlog harvest. In these areas, declining timber quality, smaller piece size and blow down are resulting in increased operational costs. This will be offset in the short to medium-term as the harvest moves into mixed species stands.

Recent forecasts have predicted that annual allowable harvest rates in BC could be reduced by more than 30% from current levels. Some reductions have already occurred, such as for the Prince George (16%), Quesnel (24%) and Lakes (38%) Timber Supply Areas. Timber Supply Review processes have recently been completed (or are very close to being complete) in other areas, and have resulted in increases in the annual allowable harvest rates. This includes Tree Farm License 30 in the Prince George region (25% increase), Mackenzie Timber Supply Area (48% increase for 10 years) and Tree Farm License 48 in the Chetwynd area (72% increase for 5 years). Some Northern Alberta harvest rates have been temporarily increased to deal with the rising MPB infestation and additional temporary increases could be made for the same reason in other areas of the province.

In anticipation of these impacts, the Company has taken a number of actions to ensure the viability and competitiveness of its operations. These include the acquisition of the Kootenay area tenure and sawmill operations in 2012, the exchange of timber rights with West Fraser in 2013, the permanent closure of its Quesnel sawmill, and an additional forest license acquired in the Kootenay region of BC in 2015. Also in 2015, the Company entered into a timber investment loan which includes an option to acquire a forest license in the Prince George region of BC. The Company has also been actively working with many First Nations to build business relationships that provide the Company some level of certainty in gaining access to additional fibre. As a result of these initiatives, the Company has minimized its exposure to areas most heavily impacted by the MPB, and the remaining operations are forecast to have sufficient fibre supply through the transition to lower provincial harvest levels and green or mixed species stands. An additional benefit of this is that the Company is very well situated to start moving fibre between some of its traditional operating areas which will allow the Company to continue to meet both species and profile targets for its mills.

In Alberta, the provincial government has implemented short-term actions and a long-term strategy to mitigate the risks associated with the MPB. Included in these are comprehensive detection surveys and removal of individual trees from newly infested stands, as well as a collaborative approach by

government and the forest industry to achieve a 75% reduction in the amount of susceptible pine in Alberta by 2026. The latter has resulted in a 12% increase in the annual allowable cut ("AAC") of the Company's Forest Management Agreement ("FMA") area for a 15 year period. Additionally, the Province of Alberta approved a 103% AAC increase for the Company's quota area in northern Alberta which will enable a shift of a significant portion of the harvest for the Grande Prairie Sawmill into the northern area where the MPB infestation has been most severe. This shift, which is forecast to last for 5-7 years, will result in higher than normal log transportation costs but will mitigate potential impacts to long-term timber supply and ensure the timber is harvested before the quality deteriorates significantly.

#### **CLOSED AND INDEFINITELY IDLED OPERATIONS**

In the fourth quarter of 2015, the Company permanently closed its Canal Flats Sawmill as a result of a lack of economically available fibre supply combined with depressed market conditions in the oil and gas and lumber markets that the operation serves. The closure removed approximately 180 million board feet of Western SPF lumber capacity. In 2015, the Company recorded a related \$19.4 million provision, part of which has been paid in 2015.

In 2014, the Company closed its Quesnel sawmill as a result of limited timber availability in the region following the MPR infestation

In 2011 and 2012, the Company closed, or announced the closing of, three of its operations in response to the continued difficult market conditions for solid wood products, and fibre supply challenges relating to the MPB impact:

- In January 2011, the Clear Lake lumber operation was permanently closed due to weak prices for stud lumber and a lack of economical long-term fibre available to that mill.
- In January 2012 the Rustad Sawmill and Tackama Plywood Plant were permanently closed due to a combination of MPB fibre challenges, the difficult market conditions and the level of capital investment required to make both operations economically viable.

The Company's PolarBoard OSB Plant in Fort Nelson, which was indefinitely idled in mid-2008, remains idled.

#### PULP AND PAPER OPERATIONS

Total NBSK production increased from 2014, reflecting additional operating days and improved operated rates in 2015. NBSK operating rates exceeded target levels and improved by approximately 75 tonnes per day (2%) on average in 2015. Kraft paper production was down somewhat from 2014 reflecting record operating rates in the prior year, but the paper machine still performed at historically high rates. Notwithstanding the depressed BCTMP markets, the Taylor pulp mill operated at or near target rates through most of 2015. Scheduled maintenance outages were completed at all facilities in 2015.

Energy revenues increased in 2015 reflecting a full year of energy output from the Northwood pulp mill turbine and nine months of output from the Intercontinental pulp mill turbine which started selling power at the beginning of April. With all three turbines operating, the Company will be 100% energy self-sufficient and remains on track to deliver its targeted earnings and cash flow for 2016 and beyond.

#### INTEGRATION

The Company continues to build on the successful integration of Canfor and CPPI leadership teams and key business areas that commenced in 2012. Both companies continue to recognize sustainable benefits from further integration and alignment, specifically in the areas of residual fibre management, transportation and logistics. Integration remains a key focus area for Canfor and CPPI, as well as for Canfor Canadian and US South operations, particularly given the growth of the Company's operations in the US and the sale of Canfor's BCTMP Taylor pulp mill to CPPI.

#### **OVERVIEW OF CONSOLIDATED RESULTS - 2015 COMPARED TO 2014**

#### SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND STATISTICS

(millions of Canadian dollars, except for per share amounts)		2015	2014
Sales	\$ 3	,925.3	\$ 3,347.6
Operating income before amortization	\$	355.6	\$ 511.8
Operating income	\$	141.6	\$ 329.3
Foreign exchange loss on long-term debt	\$	(5.9)	\$ -
Loss on derivative financial instruments <sup>6</sup>	\$	(28.1)	\$ (8.9)
Net income	\$	91.9	\$ 221.8
Net income attributable to equity shareholders of Company	\$	24.7	\$ 175.2
Net income per share attributable to equity shareholders of Company,			
basic and diluted	\$	0.18	\$ 1.28
ROIC – Consolidated <sup>7</sup>		2.3%	13.3%
Average exchange rate (US\$/CDN\$)8	\$	0.783	\$ 0.905

- [6] Includes gains (losses) from energy, foreign exchange, lumber and interest rate derivatives (see "Unallocated and Other Items" section for more details).
- (7) Consolidated Return on Invested Capital ("ROIC") is equal to operating income/loss, plus realized gains/losses on derivatives, equity income/loss from joint venture and other income/expense, all net of minority interest, divided by the average invested capital during the year. Invested capital is equal to capital assets, plus long-term investments and net non-cash working capital, all excluding minority interest components.
- [8] Source Bank of Canada (average noon rate for the period).

(millions of Canadian dollars)	2015	2014
Operating income (loss) by segment:		
Lumber	\$ 30.2	\$ 230.7
Pulp and Paper	\$ 144.8	\$ 129.9
Unallocated and Other	\$ (33.4)	\$ (31.3)
Total operating income	\$ 141.6	\$ 329.3
Add: Amortization	\$ 214.0	\$ 182.5
Total operating income before amortization?	\$ 355.6	\$ 511.8
Add (deduct):		
Working capital movements	\$ (66.3)	\$ (73.6)
Defined benefit plan contributions	\$ (5.9)	\$ (29.7)
Income taxes paid, net	\$ (61.3)	\$ (39.5)
Other operating cash flows, net <sup>10</sup>	\$ 32.5	\$ 16.9
Cash from operating activities	\$ 254.6	\$ 385.9
Add (deduct):		
Finance expenses paid	\$ (12.7)	\$ (11.4)
Share purchases	\$ (59.2)	\$ (108.9)
Acquisitions of non-controlling interests	\$ (25.3)	\$ (2.0)
Distributions paid to non-controlling interests	\$ (56.8)	\$ (10.2)
Capital additions, net	\$ (240.0)	\$ (234.3)
Acquisitions	\$ (263.4)	\$ (9.9)
Proceeds from long-term debt	\$ 388.4	\$ 75.0
Repayment of long-term debt	\$ (175.0)	\$ -
Timber investment loan	\$ (30.0)	\$ -
Change in restricted cash <sup>11</sup>	\$ 50.2	\$ (50.2)
Proceeds from sale of Lakeland Winton	\$ 15.0	\$ -
Proceeds from the sale of the Daaquam operation	\$ -	\$ 23.6
Foreign exchange gain on cash and cash equivalents	\$ 13.2	\$ 6.5
Other, net	\$ (9.8)	\$ 11.9
Change in cash / operating loans	\$ (150.8)	\$ 76.0

[9] Amortization includes certain capitalized major maintenance costs.

[10] Further information on operating cash flows can be found in the Company's annual consolidated financial statements.

[11] Change in restricted cash relates to amounts transferred into an escrow bank account for the first phase of the Beadles & Balfour acquisition which closed on January 2, 2015.

#### ANALYSIS OF SPECIFIC ITEMS AFFECTING COMPARABILITY OF SHAREHOLDER NET INCOME

After-tax impact, net of non-controlling interests (millions of Canadian dollars, except for per share amounts)	2015	2014
Shareholder Net Income, as reported	\$ 24.7	\$ 175.2
Gain on investment in Lakeland Mills Ltd. and Winton Global Lumber Ltd. <sup>12</sup>	\$ (6.1)	\$ -
Loss on derivative financial instruments	\$ 17.6	\$ 5.9
Mill closure provisions	\$ 14.4	\$ -
Foreign exchange loss on long-term debt	\$ 5.1	\$ -
Pension plan legislative changes	\$ 2.4	\$ -
Mark-to-market adjustment on Taylor pulp contingent consideration, net <sup>13</sup>	\$ 0.7	\$ -
Mark-to-market adjustment to Canfor-LP OSB sale contingent consideration <sup>14</sup>	\$ -	\$ 9.4
Gain on sale of Daaquam operation	\$ -	\$ (1.6)
Net impact of above items	\$ 34.1	\$ 13.7
Adjusted shareholder net income	\$ 58.8	\$ 188.9
Shareholder net income per share (EPS), as reported	\$ 0.18	\$ 1.28
Net impact of above items per share	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.10
Adjusted shareholder net income per share	\$ 0.43	\$ 1.38

[12] On July 1, 2015, Canfor sold its 33.3% interest in Lakeland Mills Ltd. and Winton Global Lumber Ltd. for \$30.0 million and recorded a \$7.0 million gain before tax.

(13) As part of the sale of the BCTMP Taylor pulp mill to CPPI on January 30, 2015, Canfor could receive contingent consideration based on the Taylor pulp mill's future earnings over a three year period. On the acquisition date, the contingent consideration was valued at \$1.8 million (before-tax) and Canfor recorded an asset and CPPI recorded an offsetting liability for this amount. During the second quarter of 2015, the contingent consideration asset and liability were revalued to nil. The adjustment above reflects the impact to Canfor EPS net of non-controlling interest.

[14] The Company completed the sale of its 50% share of the Canfor-LP OSB Limited Partnership ("Canfor-LP OSB") in the second quarter of 2013. As part of the sale, Canfor may receive additional annual consideration over a 3 year period, starting June 1, 2013, based on Peace Valley OSB's annual adjusted earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization. The estimated fair value of the contingent consideration at December 31, 2015 is nil.

The Company recorded net income attributable to equity shareholders of \$24.7 million, or \$0.18 per share, for the year ended December 31, 2015, a variance of \$150.5 million, or \$1.10 per share, from \$175.2 million, or \$1.28 per share, reported for the year ended December 31, 2014.

After taking account of specific items affecting comparability with prior periods, the Company's 2015 adjusted shareholder net income was \$58.8 million, or \$0.43 per share, down \$130.1 million, or \$0.95 per share, compared to similarly adjusted shareholder net income of \$188.9 million, or \$1.38 per share, for 2014.

Reported operating income for 2015 was \$141.6 million, down \$187.7 million from operating income of \$329.3 million for 2014. Included in operating income in 2015 were unusual expenses of \$22.6 million (before tax). Excluding these items, operating income was down \$165.1 million from 2014,

as improved results in the pulp and paper segment were more than offset by lower operating earnings in the lumber segment. Compared to 2014, lower operating income for 2015 in the lumber segment reflected lower Canadian dollar sales realizations and higher unit log costs, slightly offset by improved productivity and the positive contribution from the Company's acquisitions in the current year. In the pulp and paper segment, operating income reflected higher NBSK sales realizations, improved operating rate and shipment volumes, as well as greater contributions from the Company's recent energy investments and paper business.

A more detailed review of the Company's operational performance and results is provided in the "Operating Results by Business Segment – 2015 compared to 2014" section, which follows this overview of consolidated results.

#### **OPERATING RESULTS BY BUSINESS SEGMENT - 2015 COMPARED TO 2014**

The following discussion of Canfor's operating results relates to the operating segments and the non-segmented items as per the Segmented Information note in the Company's consolidated financial statements.

Canfor's operations include the Lumber and Pulp and Paper segments. The results of the panels business are included in the Unallocated & Other segment

#### LUMBER

#### SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND STATISTICS - LUMBER

Summarized results for the Lumber segment for 2015 and 2014 are as follows:

(millions of Canadian dollars, unless otherwise noted)	2015	2014
Sales	\$ 2,740.1	\$ 2,245.1
Operating income before amortization	\$ 174.3	\$ 345.8
Operating income	\$ 30.2	\$ 230.7
Mill closure provisions	\$ 19.4	\$ -
One-time costs associated with pension legislative changes	\$ 3.2	\$ -
Operating income excluding unusual items	\$ 52.8	\$ 230.7
Capital expenditures	\$ 161.7	\$ 166.6
Average SPF 2x4 #2&Btr lumber price in US\$15	\$ 278	\$ 349
Average SPF price in Cdn\$	\$ 356	\$ 386
Average SYP 2x4 #2 lumber price in US\$16	\$ 382	\$ 418
US housing starts (thousand units) <sup>17</sup>	1,107	1,001
Production – SPF lumber (MMfbm) <sup>18</sup>	3,829.6	3,722.1
Production – SYP lumber (MMfbm) <sup>18</sup>	1,161.9	575.1
Shipments – Canfor-produced SPF lumber (MMfbm) <sup>19</sup>	4,016.1	3,735.9
Shipments – Canfor-produced SYP lumber (MMfbm) <sup>19</sup>	1,196.6	625.0
Shipments – wholesale lumber (MMfbm)	24.0	18.6

- (15) Western Spruce/Pine/Fir, per thousand board feet (Source Random Lengths Publications, Inc.).
- (16) Southern Yellow Pine, Eastside, per thousand board feet (Source Random Lengths Publications, Inc.).
- (17) Source US Census Bureau.
- (18) Excluding production of trim blocks.
- [19] Canfor-produced lumber, including lumber purchased for remanufacture and excluding trim blocks.

#### OVERVIEW

The lumber segment reported operating income of \$30.2 million for 2015, down \$200.5 million from \$230.7 million in 2014. Excluding the impact of the aforementioned Canal Flats closure and pension plan legislative changes, operating income was \$52.8 million in 2015, down \$177.9 million compared to adjusted operating income of \$230.7 million in 2014.

For the most part, the decrease in lumber earnings was attributable to lower overall sales realizations, as the benefit from the 12 cent, or 14%, weaker Canadian dollar was more

than offset by lower SPF and SYP benchmark lumber prices throughout the year. Also impacting the lumber segment were higher log costs in British Columbia reflecting MPB-related cost pressures, higher contractor rates and increased road construction costs, offset in part by lower diesel costs. Higher lumber production compared to 2014 reflected both the Company's recent acquisitions in the US South as well as a solid improvement in productivity, offset in part by the closure of Canal Flats late in the year.

#### MARKETS

Reflecting the US South acquisitions in 2015, Canfor-produced sales volume for 2015 was approximately 5.2 billion board feet, up 852 million board feet, or 20%, from 4.4 billion board feet for 2014, with SPF and SYP making up 77% and 23% of total 2015 sales volumes, respectively. SYP shipments increased by approximately 91%, largely reflecting the recent acquisitions in the US South.

Total US housing starts averaged 1,107,000 units in 2015, an increase of 11% from 2014, and the highest annual average since 2007. The repair and remodeling sector also demonstrated continued modest growth throughout the year, bolstered by a rise in consumer confidence which led to an increase in home improvement projects.

In Canada, lumber consumption was stable in 2015 with housing starts averaging 194,000 units, an increase of 3% from 2014.

Offshore lumber shipments were higher in 2015, with stable shipments to China and shipments to Japan up from 2014. As mentioned, China's economy softened somewhat in the latter part of the year following a slowdown of construction activity, which resulted in excess inventory and significant price pressure for low grade products before recovering somewhat by the end of the year. Consistent with its strategy, the Company increased the volumes of higher-value lumber products and grades through 2015, which reduced exposure to the effects of the low-grade oversupply to China. Lumber demand in other offshore markets, such as Japan and Korea, saw solid improvements in the year.

#### SALES

Lumber segment revenues of over \$2.7 billion for 2015 were up 22% compared to 2014, reflecting increased shipments and the weaker Canadian dollar, offset in part by the lower lumber prices and higher export taxes on US bound shipments from Canada during the year. Total shipments of Canfor-produced lumber were approximately 5.2 billion board feet for the year, up 20% from 4.4 billion board feet shipped in the previous year, mainly reflecting the recent acquisitions in the US South. From an industry perspective, the combination of a weaker Canadian dollar and increased lumber production directed to the US market resulted in Western SPF and SYP lumber prices coming under pressure during the year. The Western SPF lumber 2x4 #2&Btr Random Lengths price averaged US\$278 per Mfbm, a US\$71 per Mfbm, or 20%, decrease over the previous year with lower prices seen across most other dimensions and grades, as highlighted in the following table which shows benchmark Random Lengths prices for selected key grades and widths of Western SPF lumber:

(Average Western SPF US\$ price, per thousand board feet)		2015		2014
2x4 #2&Btr 2x4 #3 2x6 #2&Btr 2x10 #2&Btr	\$ \$ \$	278 209 280 329	\$ \$ \$	349 302 349 378

Prices for SYP products were also lower compared to 2014, with the average Random Length SYP East 2x4 #2 price down US\$36 per Mfbm, or 9%, from 2014 to US\$382 per Mfbm. Similar decreases were seen in most wider dimension SYP products, as highlighted in the following table:

(Average SYP East US\$ price, per thousand board feet)	2015	2014
2x4 #2	\$ 382	\$ 418
2x6 #2	\$ 317	\$ 354
2x8 #2	\$ 298	\$ 352
2x10 #2	\$ 338	\$ 378
2x12 #2	\$ 444	\$ 505

Offshore sales realizations, which also benefitted from the weaker Canadian dollar, decreased slightly compared to 2014 principally reflecting the deeper price declines for China low grade products. Further contributing to the year-over-year decrease in sales realizations was the 5% average export tax rate on US bound shipments from Canada.

Total residual fibre revenue for 2015 was up from the prior year primarily due to the recent acquisitions in the US South, offset in part by the closure of the Canal Flats Sawmill.

#### **EXPORT TAXES**

Under the SLA implemented by the federal governments of Canada and the US in 2006, up until October 12, 2015, Canadian softwood lumber exporters paid an export tax on lumber shipped to the US when the price of lumber was at or below US\$355 per Mfbm, as determined by the Random Lengths Framing Lumber Composite Price ("RLCP") which includes benchmark lumber prices from a variety of lumber species and dimensions across the North American lumber market. The export tax rate was determined monthly, with the monthly price calculated as the four week average of the weekly RLCP available 21 days before the beginning of the month to which it applies. The rate was applied based on the following trigger prices:

Trigger RLCP Price	Tax Rate
Over US\$355	0%
US\$336 - \$355	5%
US\$316 - \$335	10%
US\$315 and under	15%

The SLA also included a "Surge Mechanism", which increased the export tax rate for the month by 50% when the monthly volume of exports from a region exceeded a "Trigger Volume" as defined in the SLA.

The average export tax rate on US bound shipments prior to the expiry of the SLA in mid-October 2015 was 5%, which resulted in tax payments of \$28.1 million, while no export taxes were paid on US bound shipments in 2014. The average RLCP for 2015 was US\$330 per Mfbm, US\$53 lower than 2014. At December 31, 2015, the RLCP was US\$320 per Mfbm.

#### OPERATIONS

Total lumber production for 2015 was 5.0 billion board feet, up approximately 700 million board feet, or 16%, from 2014. Higher lumber production in the current year predominantly reflected the recent acquisitions in the US South, offset by the closure of the Canal Flats sawmill in 2015, the closure of the Quesnel sawmill in 2014 and the sale of the Daaquam sawmill in early 2014. Excluding these, lumber production was up 8% compared to 2014, reflecting a solid improvement in productivity following several major capital upgrades in recent years.

Lumber unit manufacturing costs increased compared to the previous year driven largely by increased upward pressures on non-quota timber and a continued shift out of the Mountain Pine Beetle dominated log profile over the past several years which has resulted in increases to logging, hauling and purchased wood costs in BC operations. Added costs for road building and block development in 2015 have also resulted from this fibre profile shift. The Company's US operations' log costs increased marginally from the prior year, principally reflecting high-quality logs processed at the newly acquired high value operations in the US South.

Compared to the prior year and excluding the impacts of the recently acquired US South operations, unit conversion costs decreased as productivity improvements, energy consumption decreases at various operations, and a reduction in contractor services outweighed slightly higher labour costs.

#### **PULP AND PAPER**

#### SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND STATISTICS - PULP AND PAPER<sup>20</sup>

Summarized results for the Pulp and Paper segment for 2015 and 2014 are as follows:

(millions of Canadian dollars, unless otherwise noted)	2015	2014
Sales	\$ 1,185.2	\$ 1,102.5
Operating income before amortization <sup>21</sup>	\$ 210.2	\$ 194.5
Operating income	\$ 144.8	\$ 129.9
Capital expenditures	\$ 68.3	\$ 58.0
Average pulp price delivered to US - in US\$22	\$ 972	\$ 1,025
Average pulp price in Cdn\$	\$ 1,243	\$ 1,133
Production – pulp (000 mt)	1,235.8	1,200.1
Production – paper (000 mt)	136.8	144.0
Shipments - Canfor-produced pulp (000 mt)	1,242.8	1,175.4
Shipments - paper (000 mt)	133.4	142.5

- [20] Includes 100% of CPPI, which is consolidated in Canfor's operating results. Pulp production and shipment volumes presented are for both NBSK pulp and BCTMP.
- (21) Amortization includes certain capitalized major maintenance costs
- [22] Per tonne, NBSK pulp list price delivered to US (Resource Information Systems, Inc.).

#### OVERVIEW

The Pulp and Paper segment reported operating income of \$144.8 million for 2015, up \$14.9 million from \$129.9 million in 2014. The improvement in operating income compared to 2014 was principally the result of higher Canadian dollar NBSK pulp and paper unit sales realizations, increased NBSK pulp shipments and operating rates as well as higher energy revenues. Partly offsetting these factors were market-driven increases to NBSK pulp fibre costs and challenging BCTMP markets.

#### MARKETS

Global softwood pulp markets saw downward pressure on prices in all regions through 2015. While overall global pulp demand was steady, additional hardwood pulp capacity, principally from South America, was absorbed into global markets, particularly China. Global shipments of bleached softwood kraft pulp were up slightly compared to 2014. Global softwood pulp producer inventories trended as forecast in the first half of 2015, increasing in the first quarter of 2015 with limited industry maintenance downtime; and then falling through the spring maintenance period in the second quarter of 2015. Thereafter, inventories remained at the high end of the balanced range through the second half of 2015.

At the end of December 2015, World 20<sup>23</sup> producers of bleached softwood pulp inventories were at 29 days' supply, remaining within the balanced range due in part to strong shipments towards the end of the year. By comparison, December 2014 inventories were at 31 days' supply. Market conditions are generally considered balanced when inventories are in the 27-30 days of supply range.

[23] World 20 data is based on twenty producing countries representing 80% of world chemical market pulp capacity and is based on information compiled and prepared by the PPPC.

#### SALES

The Company's pulp shipments in 2015 were 1,242,800 tonnes, up approximately 67,400 tonnes, or 6%, from the prior year. The increased shipment volumes largely reflected stronger production volumes in the second half of 2015, and included proportionately higher NBSK pulp shipments to North America and China than 2014. The Company's paper shipments in 2015 were 133,400 tonnes, a decrease of 9,100 tonnes, or 6%, from 2014 primarily the result of lower production levels during 2015.

North American NBSK pulp list prices averaged US\$972 per tonne in 2015, down US\$53, or 5%, from US\$1,025 per tonne while average NBSK pulp list prices to Europe and China saw more pronounced declines in 2015, down US\$78 per tonne and US\$89 per tonne respectively. Despite lower list prices, NBSK pulp unit sale realizations were modestly higher in 2015 largely reflecting the benefit of the 14% weaker Canadian dollar in 2015. BCTMP markets were under pressure for much of 2015 and as a result, US-dollar BCTMP prices trended downward through the year. Revenues in the pulp segment were bolstered by higher energy revenue in 2015 largely reflecting the incremental power production from the Intercontinental pulp mill turbine which started selling power in April 2015. Paper unit sales realizations were significantly higher in 2015 reflecting the favourable impact of the 14% weaker Canadian dollar as well as proportionately higher prime bleached shipments offset by lower US-dollar prices.

#### OPERATIONS

Pulp production, at 1,235,800 tonnes in 2015, up approximately 35,700 tonnes, or 3%, reflecting additional operating days and higher operating rates, particularly in the second half of 2015. 2015 results included maintenance outages at all of the Company's pulp mills with reductions in overall production volumes relatively consistent with the prior year. Paper production in 2015 was 136,800 tonnes, down 7,200 tonnes, or 5%, from 2014 primarily reflecting modestly lower operating rates and an extended maintenance outage in 2015. In the prior year, the Company's paper machine set annual production and operating rate records.

Pulp unit manufacturing costs were up slightly from 2014 principally due to modestly higher fibre costs while unit conversion costs were broadly in line with the prior year. The increase in fibre costs compared to 2014 resulted largely from market-driven increases in delivered sawmill residual chips somewhat offset by lower freight costs and lower prices for whole-log chips in 2015.

Paper unit manufacturing costs were moderately higher compared to 2014, reflecting higher slush pulp costs (linked to higher Canadian dollar market pulp prices) and increased operating supply costs coupled with lower production levels in 2015.

#### UNALLOCATED AND OTHER ITEMS

(millions of Canadian dollars)	2015	2014
Operating loss of Panels operations <sup>24</sup>	\$ (3.4)	\$ (3.9)
Corporate costs	\$ (30.0)	\$ (27.4)
Finance expense, net	\$ (24.9)	\$ (18.2)
Foreign exchange loss on long-term debt	\$ (5.9)	\$ -
Loss on derivative financial instruments	\$ (28.1)	\$ (8.9)
Other income (expense), net	\$ 27.7	\$ (4.2)

[24] The Panels operations include the Company's PolarBoard OSB plant, which is currently indefinitely idled and its Tackama plywood plant, which was closed in January 2012.

#### **CORPORATE COSTS**

Corporate costs, which comprise corporate, head office and general and administrative expenses, were \$30.0 million in 2015, up \$2.6 million from 2014. For the most part, the increase reflected higher legal costs, including those related to acquisitions and the expiry of the SLA.

#### FINANCE INCOME AND EXPENSE

Net finance expense for 2015 was \$24.9 million, up \$6.7 million from 2014. The increase resulted from higher debt levels associated with the strategic financings and acquisitions completed in the year and increased amounts drawn on the Company's operating loans.

## FOREIGN EXCHANGE LOSS ON TRANSLATION OF LONG-TERM DEBT

In 2015, the Company issued US\$100.0 million of senior unsecured notes concurrent with the acquisition of Anthony Forest Products, and entered into an eight-year floating interest rate term loan for US\$100.0 million to further support the Company's growth in the US. As a result of the US dollar denominated debt issued in 2015, the Company recorded a foreign exchange translation loss of \$5.9 million.

#### LOSS ON DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Company uses a variety of derivative financial instruments as partial economic hedges against unfavourable changes in foreign exchange rates, energy costs, lumber prices, pulp prices and interest rates.

In 2015, the Company recorded a net loss of \$28.1 million related to its derivative financial instruments, principally reflecting unrealized losses on foreign exchange collars as a result of the weakening of the Canadian dollar at the close of 2015 relative to the exchange rate at the close of 2014. Further contributing to the net loss were crude oil collars stemming from a sharp decline in oil prices at the end of 2015, with oil prices declining further early in 2016.

The following table summarizes the amounts of the various components for the comparable periods. Additional information on the derivative financial instruments in place at year end can be found in the "Liquidity and Financial Requirements" section, later in this document

(millions of Canadian dollars)	2015	2014
Foreign exchange collars and		
forward contracts	\$ (20.6)	\$ (1.6)
Energy derivatives	\$ (5.4)	\$ (7.8)
Lumber futures	\$ (8.0)	\$ 2.2
Pulp futures	\$ -	\$ (8.0)
Interest rate swaps	\$ (1.3)	\$ (0.9)
	\$ (28.1)	\$ (8.9)

#### OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE), NET

Other income, net in 2015 of \$27.7 million principally reflected a gain of \$20.9 million relating to foreign exchange movements on US dollar denominated cash, receivables and payables of Canadian operations, compared to a gain on foreign exchange in the prior year of \$9.2 million. In 2014, the Company recorded a gain of \$2.2 million related to the sale of the Daaquam operation and an unfavourable fair value adjustment of \$12.8 million related to the Canfor-LP OSB contingent consideration asset, largely reflecting a decrease in OSB prices since the sale in May 2013 and weaker forecast OSB prices over the earn-out period.

#### **INCOME TAX EXPENSE**

The Company recorded an income tax expense of \$18.5 million in 2015, compared to \$76.2 million in 2014, with an overall effective tax rate of 17% (2014 - 26%).

The reconciliation of income taxes calculated at the statutory rate to the actual income tax provision is as follows:

(millions of Canadian dollars)	2015	2014
Net income before income taxes	\$ 110.4	\$ 298.0
Income tax expense at statutory rate		
2015 – 26.0% (2014 – 26.0%)	\$ (28.7)	\$ (77.5)
Add (deduct):		
Non-taxable income related to non-controlling interests	3.9	0.6
Entities with different income tax rates and other tax adjustments	6.6	0.8
Permanent difference from capital gains and losses and other non-deductible items	(0.3)	(0.1)
Income tax expense	\$ (18.5)	\$ (76.2)

#### OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

(millions of Canadian dollars)	2015	2014
Foreign exchange translation differences for foreign operations, net of tax	\$ 72.8	\$ 22.7
Defined benefit actuarial gains (losses), net of tax	21.1	(85.2)
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	\$ 93.9	\$ (62.5)

Canfor measures its accrued benefit obligations and the fair value of plan assets for accounting purposes as at December 31 of each year. Any actuarial gains or losses which arise are recognized immediately by means of a credit or charge through other comprehensive income. For 2015, an after-tax gain of \$21.1 million was recorded to other comprehensive income, which comprised gains on the defined benefit post-employment compensation plans and other non-pension post-employment benefits. The gain associated with the defined benefit postemployment compensation plans largely reflected a higher discount rate used to value the net defined benefit obligation offset in part by unfavourable actuarial experience adjustments, and a lower return on plan assets. The gains related to the other non-pension post-employment benefits largely reflected a higher discount rate used to value the obligation and a reduction in the medical claims cost assumptions, offset in part by unfavourable actuarial experience adjustments. In

2014, an after-tax loss of \$85.2 million was recorded to other comprehensive income, primarily reflecting a lower discount rate used to value the net defined benefit obligation and unfavourable experience adjustments as part of the tri-annual funding valuation for certain defined benefit pension plans, offset in part by a return on plan assets. For more information, see the "Employee Future Benefits" part of the "Critical Accounting Estimates" section later in this report.

In addition, the Company recorded a gain of \$72.8 million to Other Comprehensive Income in 2015 related to foreign exchange differences for foreign operations, resulting from the weakening of the Canadian dollar relative to the US dollar in 2015 and the recent acquisitions in the US South. This compared to a gain of \$22.7 million in 2014 also due to a weakening of the Canadian dollar relative to its US counterpart.

#### SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL POSITION

The following table summarizes Canfor's financial position as at December 31, 2015 and 2014: 2015 2014 (millions of Canadian dollars, except for ratios) 97.5 158.3 Cash and cash equivalents \$ \$ 50.2 Restricted cash Operating working capital 385.0 320.3 Current portion of deferred reforestation (50.7)(52.1) Net working capital 431.8 476.7 Property, plant and equipment 1,445.1 1,216.1 Timber licenses 515.2 5195 241.0 105.0 Goodwill and other intangible assets Retirement benefit surplus 2.7 0.6 Long-term investments and other 98.6 1013 (76.1)Forward purchase liability \$ 2,658.3 \$ 2,419.2 Net assets 456.2 228.6 Long-term debt Retirement benefit obligations 258.6 263.2 Deferred reforestation obligations 61.6 60.0 Other long-term liabilities 20 1 19 6 43.0 Forward purchase liability 191.1 210.2 Deferred income taxes, net Non-controlling interests 296.8 250.4 Equity attributable to shareholders of Company 1,330.9 1,387.2 \$ 2,658.3 2.419.2 Ratio of current assets to current liabilities 1.6:1 2.1:1Net debt to total capitalization 24.1% 5.1%

The ratio of current assets to current liabilities at the end of 2015 was 1.6:1 compared to 2.1:1 at the end of 2014, and reflected the Company's lower cash and cash equivalent balances net of amounts drawn on operating loans at December 31, 2015 compared to December 31, 2014.

The Company's net debt to capitalization was 24.1% at December 31, 2015 (December 31, 2014: 5.1%) primarily reflecting the financing of various acquisitions and strategic capital initiatives, including the new pellet plants in the Northern BC interior during 2015.

#### **CHANGES IN FINANCIAL POSITION**

At the end of 2015, Canfor had \$97.5 million of cash and cash equivalents.		
(millions of Canadian dollars)	2015	2014
Cash generated from (used in)		
Operating activities	\$ 254.6	\$ 385.9
Financing activities	149.4	(64.7)
Investing activities	(478.0)	(258.9)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents, before foreign exchange gain on cash and cash equivalents	\$ (74.0)	\$ 62.3

The changes in the components of these cash flows during 2015 are discussed in the following sections.

#### **OPERATING ACTIVITIES**

For the 2015 year, Canfor generated cash from operations of \$254.6 million, down \$131.3 million from cash generated of \$385.9 million in the previous year. Operating cash flows reflected a decrease in cash earnings and higher income tax payments during 2015, offset by a smaller increase in non-cash working capital balances compared to the previous year. In 2015, the increase in non-cash working capital in part reflected increased shipments towards the end of the year and the impact of the weaker Canadian dollar on translation of US-dollar denominated accounts receivables balances, as well as higher log inventory levels reflecting favourable logging and hauling weather conditions in Western Canada.

#### FINANCING ACTIVITIES

Financing activities in 2015 provided net cash of \$149.4 million compared to net cash used of \$64.7 million in 2014. In 2015, the Company repaid \$175.0 million of its floating interest rate term debt, completed a new \$125.0 million floating interest rate term debt financing, issued US\$100.0 million of senior unsecured notes concurrent with the acquisition of Anthony Forest Products, and also completed an eight-year floating interest rate term loan for US\$100.0 to further support the Company's growth in the US South. In 2014, a \$75.0 million floating rate term debt financing was put in place for the construction of the pellet plants in Fort St. John and Chetwynd and certain other energy projects. Total dividend payments of

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\$56.8 million to non-controlling shareholders in 2015 were up \$46.6 million from \$10.2 million in 2014, principally reflecting a special dividend of \$1.125 per share made to the non-controlling shareholders of CPPI in 2015. At December 31, 2015, the Company had a consolidated amount of \$158.0 million drawn on its operating loan facilities.

Cash used for financing activities also included share purchases under Canfor's and CPPI's Normal Course Issuer Bids. During 2015, Canfor purchased 2,572,420 common shares for \$59.2 million (2014: \$108.9 million) and CPPI purchased 1,877,951 common shares from non-controlling shareholders for \$25.6 million (2014: \$2.0 million). See further discussion of the shares purchased under the Normal Course Issuer Bid in the following "Liquidity and Financial Requirements" section.

#### INVESTING ACTIVITIES

In 2015, the Company used net cash for investing activities of \$478.0 million, compared to \$258.9 million in 2014. Additions to property, plant and equipment totaled \$240.0 million, up \$5.7 million from 2014. In the lumber segment, capital spending of \$161.7 million included construction of the pellet plants in Chetwynd and Fort St. John, completion of major capital projects at the Polar, Mackenzie, Grande Prairie, Houston

and Jackson operations, the acquisition of a forest license in the Kootenay region of Western Canada, and implementation of a major ERP software system in the eastern region of the Company's US South operations. In the pulp and paper segment, capital spending of \$68.3 million related primarily to the Northwood pulp mill scheduled maintenance outage and final payments related to the completion of the Intercontinental pulp mill's turbine upgrade, which commenced selling power under an Electricity Purchase Agreement in the second quarter of 2015.

As previously highlighted, during 2015 Canfor completed the third phase of the purchase of Scotch Gulf, the first phase of the purchase of Beadles & Balfour, as well as the acquisition of Southern Lumber and Anthony Forest Products. Investing activities in 2015 also included cash consideration paid of \$30.0 million related to the timber investment loan made to Conifex Inc. and \$15.0 million received for the first payment related to the sale of the Company's investment in Lakeland Mills Ltd. and Winton Global Lumber Ltd. In 2014, Canfor transferred \$50.2 million into an escrow account in connection with the first phase of the purchase of Beadles & Balfour, which closed on January 2, 2015. In 2014, the Company also completed the sale of its Daaguam Sawmill for proceeds of \$23.6 million.

#### LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

#### OPERATING LOANS

At December 31, 2015, the Company on a consolidated basis had cash of \$97.5 million, \$158.0 million drawn on its operating loans, and an additional \$52.7 million reserved for several standby letters of credit. Total available undrawn operating loans at year end were \$309.0 million.

Excluding CPPI, the Company's bank operating loans at December 31, 2015 totaled \$350.0 million, of which \$158.0 million was drawn, and an additional \$39.7 million reserved for several standby letters of credit, the majority of which related to unregistered pension plans. In 2015, Canfor's principal operating loans, excluding CPPI, were extended to September 28, 2020 and certain financial covenants were removed. Interest is payable on the operating loans at floating rates based on the lenders' Canadian prime rate, bankers acceptances, US dollar base rate or US dollar LIBOR rate, plus a margin that varies with the Company's debt to total capitalization ratio.

At December 31, 2015, CPPI had a \$110.0 million bank loan facility with a maturity date of January 31, 2019 and no amounts drawn and a \$20.0 million energy-related facility with a maturity of June 30, 2016. At December 31, 2015, CPPI had \$13.0 million in standby letters of credit covered under its operating loan facilities.

#### TERM DEBT

During 2015, as outlined above, the Company repaid \$175.0 million of its floating interest rate term debt and completed a new \$125.0 million floating interest rate term debt with the same syndicate of lenders with a maturity of September 28, 2020. In conjunction with the acquisition of Anthony Forest Products Company, the Company priced a US\$100.0 million financing, repayable in three equal tranches on October 2, 2023, October 2, 2024 and the balance due on October 2, 2025. Also

in 2015, the Company entered into a new eight-year floating interest rate term loan for an additional US\$100.0 million to further support growth in the US. Separately, CPPI has \$50.0 million of floating interest rate term debt, repayable in November 2018.

#### **DEBT COVENANTS**

Canfor has certain financial covenants on its debt obligations that stipulate maximum debt to total capitalization ratios. The debt to total capitalization is calculated by dividing total debt by shareholders' equity plus total debt. Debt obligations are held by various entities within the Canfor group and the individual debt agreements specify the entities within the group that are to be included in the covenant calculations.

In circumstances when debt to total capitalization exceeds a threshold, Canfor (excluding CPPI) is subject to an interest coverage ratio that requires a minimum amount of earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization relative to net interest expense. Canfor is not currently subject to this test. The debt held by CPPI is subject to the same debt covenants as Canfor.

Provisions contained in both Canfor and CPPI's long-term borrowing agreements also limit the amount of indebtedness that the Company may incur and the amount of dividends it may pay on its common shares. The amount of dividends the Company is permitted to pay under its long-term borrowing agreements is determined by reference to consolidated net earnings less certain restricted payments.

Management reviews results and forecasts to monitor the Company's compliance with these covenant requirements. Canfor was in compliance with all its debt covenants for the year ended December 31, 2015.

Substantially all borrowings of CPPI (operating loans and long-term debt) are non-recourse to other entities within the Company.

#### NORMAL COURSE ISSUER BID

On March 5, 2015, the Company renewed its normal course issuer bid whereby it can purchase for cancellation up to 6,767,993 common shares or approximately 5% of its issued and outstanding common shares as of February 28, 2015. The renewed normal course issuer bid is set to expire on March 4, 2016. In 2015, Canfor purchased 2,572,420 common shares for \$59.2 million (an average price of \$23.01 per common share), of which \$20.3 million was charged to share capital and \$38.9 million charged to retained earnings. In 2014, Canfor purchased 4,527,600 common shares for \$108.9 million (an average price of \$24.05 per common share), of which \$35.7 million was charged to share capital and \$73.2 million charged to retained earnings. Under a separate normal course issuer bid, CPPI purchased 1,877,951 common shares from non-controlling shareholders for \$25.6 million increasing Canfor's ownership of CPPI from 50.5% at December 31, 2014 to 51.9% at December 31, 2015.

## 2016 PROJECTED CAPITAL SPENDING AND DEBT REPAYMENTS

Based on its current outlook for 2016, assuming no deterioration in market conditions during the year, the Company anticipates it will invest approximately \$230 million in capital projects which will consist primarily of various improvement projects and maintenance of business expenditures, with proportionately more capital being allocated to the Company's growth in its US South lumber business. There are no scheduled long-term debt payments in 2016. Canfor has sufficient liquidity in its cash reserves and operating loans to finance its planned capital expenditures as required during 2016.

#### **DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

As at December 31, 2015, the Company had the following derivatives:

- a. Canfor partly uses Brent oil and Western Texas Intermediate ("WTI") oil contracts as a proxy to hedge its diesel purchases. At December 31, 2015, collars for 141 thousand barrels of WTI oil were in place, which will be settled in 2016 and 2017, with weighted average protection of US\$60.18 per barrel and topside of US\$82.98 per barrel. There were unrealized losses of \$3.8 million on these contracts at the end of the year.
- b. Futures contracts for the sale of lumber with a total notional amount of 8.8 MMfbm. There were no unrealized gains or losses at year end on these contracts.

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	Notional Amount	Average Rate
Lumber	(MMfbm)	(US dollars per Mfbm)
Futures sales contracts		
0 – 12 months	8.8	\$ 264.73

c. Canfor uses interest rate swaps to reduce its exposure to interest rate risk associated with financial obligations bearing variable interest rates. At December 31, 2015, the Company had \$100.0 million in interest rate swaps with fixed interest rates ranging from 1.55% to 1.75% maturing in 2017. There were unrealized losses of \$1.0 million at year end on these swaps.

#### COMMITMENTS AND SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The following table summarizes Canfor's financial contractual obligations at December 31, 2015 for each of the next five years and thereafter:

(millions of Canadian dollars)	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Thereafter	Total
Long-term debt obligations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50.0	\$ -	\$ 129.4	\$ 276.8	\$ 456.2
Operating leases	\$ 11.4	\$ 9.0	\$ 6.7	\$ 3.6	\$ 3.0	\$ 8.2	\$ 41.9
	\$ 11.4	\$ 9.0	\$ 56.7	\$ 3.6	\$ 132.4	\$ 285.0	\$ 498.1

Interest payments include interest of 4.4% on the Company's US\$100.0 million term loan and interest on floating rate debt, which will depend on the lenders' Canadian prime rate or bankers' acceptance rate during the year of payment. Interest payments have been excluded from the above commitments.

Other contractual obligations not included in the table above or highlighted previously are:

- Contractual commitments totaling \$40.6 million, which includes commitments for the construction of property, plant and equipment at the Company's sawmills.
- Purchase obligations and contractual obligations in the normal course of business. For example, purchase obligations of a more substantial dollar amount generally relate to the pulp business and are subject to "force
- majeure" clauses. In these instances, actual volumes purchased may vary significantly from contracted amounts depending on Canfor's requirements in any given year.
- Contractual commitments of US\$86.0 million, excluding working capital and various lease arrangements, relating to the commitment to purchase the remaining 50% of Scotch Gulf and 45% of Beadles & Balfour remain outstanding at December 31, 2015.

- ▶ Deferred reforestation, for which a liability of \$112.3 million has been recorded at December 31, 2015. The reforestation liability is a fluctuating obligation, based on the area harvested. The future cash outflows are a function of the actual costs of silviculture programs and of harvesting and are based on, among other things, the location of the harvesting and the activities necessary to adequately stock harvested areas and achieve a "free-to-grow" state.
- Obligations to pay pension and other post-employment benefits, for which the net liability for accounting purposes at December 31, 2015 was \$255.9 million. As at December 31, 2015, Canfor estimated that it would make total contribution payments of \$15.2 million to its defined benefit plans in 2016.
- CPPI has energy agreements with a BC energy company and electricity transmission provider (the "Energy Agreements") for three of CPPI's mills, with commencement dates ranging from 2006 through 2015. These agreements are for the commitment of electrical load displacement and the sale of incremental power from the CPPI's pulp and paper mills. These Energy Agreements include incentive grants from the BC energy company for capital investments to increase electrical generation capacity, and also call for performance

guarantees to ensure minimum required amounts of electricity are generated, with penalty clauses if they are not met. As part of these commitments, CPPI has entered into standby letters of credit for these guarantees. The standby letters of credit have variable expiry dates, depending on the capital invested and the length of the Energy Agreement involved. As at December 31, 2015 the Company had posted \$11.6 million of standby letters of credit under these agreements, and had no repayment obligations under the terms of any of these agreements.

On January 21, 2016, the Company announced that it has entered into an agreement to purchase the assets of Wynndel for an aggregate purchase price, excluding working capital, of \$30.0 million. Wynndel produces premium boards and customized specialty wood products, and has access to exceptionally high-quality fibre. The acquisition of assets includes a sawmill located in the Creston Valley of BC, with annual production capacity of 65 million board feet, and approximately 65,000 cubic meters of annual harvesting rights in the Kootenay Lake Timber Supply Area. The agreement is expected to close in the second quarter of 2016 and is subject to customary closing conditions.

#### TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

The Company undertakes transactions with various related entities. These transactions are in the normal course of business and are generally on the same terms as those accorded to unrelated third parties, except where noted otherwise. Related party transactions included the purchase of lumber, at market value, from Lakeland Mills Ltd. and Winton Global Lumber Ltd. ("Lakeland Winton") in which Canfor owned a one-third interest in both entities until the Company sold its interest on July 1, 2015. Prior to Canfor's sale of its 33.3% interest in Lakeland Winton, it purchased \$2.0 million in chips and logs in the first half of 2015.

Related party transactions in 2015 also included lease, insurance and other services totaling \$4.8 million provided by subsidiaries owned by the Jim Pattison Group. \$0.5 million is outstanding to the Jim Pattison Group subsidiaries at December 31, 2015.

Canfor has a term loan arrangement with Scotch Gulf. In 2015, the Company completed the third phase of the acquisition, resulting in consolidation of Scotch Gulf.

Additional details on related party transactions are contained in Note 23 to Canfor's 2015 consolidated financial statements.

#### SALE OF TAYLOR PULP MILL

On January 30, 2015, Canfor completed the sale of its BCTMP Taylor pulp mill to CPPI for cash consideration of \$12.6 million including final working capital. The transaction also includes a long-term fibre supply agreement under which Canfor will supply fibre to the Taylor pulp mill at prices approximating fair market value. In addition to the cash consideration paid on the acquisition date, Canfor may also receive additional contingent consideration over a 3 year period, starting January 31, 2015, based on the Taylor pulp mill's annual adjusted operating income before amortization. On the acquisition date, the fair value of the contingent consideration was \$1.8 million. At December 31, 2015, the contingent consideration had a fair value of nil reflecting a reduction in forecast BCTMP prices over the contingent consideration period. CPPI recognized long-term assets acquired net of liabilities assumed of \$2.8 million and net working capital of approximately \$11.6 million.

#### **SELECTED QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

		2	015			20	14	
	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1
Sales and income								
(millions of Canadian dollars)								
Sales	\$1,053.0	\$ 989.9	\$ 952.4	\$ 930.0	\$ 860.4	\$ 838.0	\$ 907.3	\$ 741.9
Operating income	\$ 31.8	8 \$ 8.5	\$ 17.6	\$ 83.7	\$ 62.0	\$ 85.6	\$ 97.3	\$ 84.4
Net income	\$ 19.6	\$ 1.4	\$ 23.9	\$ 47.0	\$ 40.5	\$ 58.2	\$ 64.5	\$ 58.6
Shareholder net income (loss)	\$ 1.6	\$ (17.3)	\$ 11.1	\$ 29.3	\$ 29.9	\$ 45.5	\$ 54.3	\$ 45.5
Per common share (Canadian dollars) Shareholder net income (loss)-								
basic and diluted	\$ 0.01	\$ (0.13)	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.34	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.33
Book value <sup>25</sup>	\$ 10.02		\$ 9.86	\$ 0.22 \$ 9.76	\$ 10.25	\$ 0.34 \$ 10.24	\$ 0.39 \$ 9.75	\$ 10.05
Book value	\$ 10.02	2 ф 10.00	<b>Э</b> 7.00	<b>Ф</b> 7./0	\$ 10.23	Ф 10.24	Ф 7.70	\$ 10.03
Statistics								
Lumber shipments (MMfbm)	1,355	1,343	1,367	1,172	1,092	1,124	1,236	927
Pulp shipments (000 mt)	356	307	292	287	314	291	314	256
Average exchange rate – US\$/Cdn\$	\$ 0.749	\$ 0.764	\$ 0.813	\$ 0.806	\$ 0.881	\$ 0.918	\$ 0.917	\$ 0.906
Average Western SPF								
2x4 #2&Btr lumber price (US\$)	\$ 263	3 \$ 269	\$ 270	\$ 308	\$ 340	\$ 357	\$ 335	\$ 367
Average SYP (East)								
2x4 #2 lumber price (US\$)	\$ 400	\$ 331	\$ 383	\$ 413	\$ 427	\$ 438	\$ 405	\$ 403
Average NBSK pulp list price								
delivered to US (US\$)	\$ 945	5 \$ 967	\$ 980	\$ 995	\$ 1,025	\$ 1,030	\$ 1,030	\$ 1,017

(25) Book value per common share is equal to shareholders' equity at the end of the period, divided by the number of common shares outstanding at the end of the period.

In addition to exposure to changes in product prices and foreign exchange, the Company's financial results are impacted by seasonal factors such as weather and building activity. Adverse weather conditions can cause logging curtailments, which can affect the supply of raw materials to sawmills and pulp mills.

Market demand also varies seasonally to some degree. For example, building activity and repair and renovation work, which affects demand for lumber products, is generally stronger in the spring and summer months. Shipment volumes are affected by these factors as well as by global supply and demand conditions.

	2015					2014			
(millions of Canadian dollars)	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	
Operating income (loss) by segment:									
Lumber	\$ 3.7	\$ (26.9)	\$ 5.1	\$ 48.3	\$ 40.6	\$ 59.6	\$ 74.1	\$ 56.4	
Pulp and Paper	\$ 38.6	\$ 42.3	\$ 20.9	\$ 43.0	\$ 29.4	\$ 33.1	\$ 30.9	\$ 36.5	
Unallocated and Other	\$ (10.5)	\$ (6.9)	\$ (8.4)	\$ (7.6)	\$ (8.0)	\$ (7.1)	\$ (7.7)	\$ (8.5)	
Total operating income	\$ 31.8	\$ 8.5	\$ 17.6	\$ 83.7	\$ 62.0	\$ 85.6	\$ 97.3	\$ 84.4	
Add: Amortization	\$ 59.9	\$ 52.6	\$ 52.2	\$ 49.3	\$ 46.9	\$ 47.1	\$ 44.0	\$ 44.5	
Total operating income									
before amortization <sup>26</sup>	\$ 91.7	\$ 61.1	\$ 69.8	\$ 133.0	\$ 108.9	\$ 132.7	\$ 141.3	\$ 128.9	
Add (deduct):									
Working capital movements	\$ (58.5)	\$ 7.1	\$ 86.3	\$ (101.2)	\$ 11.6	\$ (0.2)	\$ 92.8	\$ (177.8)	
Defined benefit pension plan									
contributions	\$ (6.1)	\$ 2.7	\$ (5.5)	\$ 3.0	\$ (3.9)	\$ (6.4)	\$ (5.9)	\$ (13.5)	
Income taxes paid, net	\$ (2.1)	\$ (25.1)	\$ (12.1)	\$ (22.0)	\$ (3.1)	\$ (15.1)	\$ (9.5)	\$ (11.8)	
Other operating cash flows, net <sup>27</sup>	\$ 9.8	\$ 14.1	\$ (12.0)	\$ 20.6	\$ (0.6)	\$ 5.2	\$ (9.9)	\$ 22.2	
Cash from (used in) operating									
activities	\$ 34.8	\$ 59.9	\$ 126.5	\$ 33.4	\$ 112.9	\$ 116.2	\$ 208.8	\$ (52.0)	
Add (deduct):									
Finance expenses paid	\$ (3.3)	\$ (3.8)	\$ (3.0)	\$ (2.6)	<b>\$</b> (2.7)	\$ (3.3)	\$ (2.6)	\$ (2.8)	
Share purchases	\$ (20.0)	\$ -	\$ (13.2)	\$ (26.0)	\$ -	\$ (1.2)	\$ (105.7)	\$ (2.0)	
Distributions paid to non-controlling									
interests	\$ (4.0)	\$ (43.1)	\$ (6.7)	\$ (3.0)	\$ (2.5)	\$ (2.7)	\$ (2.9)	\$ (2.1)	
Capital additions, net	\$ (83.7)	\$ (61.1)	\$ (49.4)	\$ (45.8)	\$ (54.7)	\$ (63.5)	\$ (63.0)	\$ (53.1)	
Acquisitions	\$ (123.9)	\$ -	\$ (66.4)	\$ (73.1)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Proceeds from long-term debt	\$ 263.4	\$ 125.0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 75.0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Repayment of long-term debt	\$ -	\$ (175.0)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Proceeds received from sale of									
Lakeland Winton	\$ -	\$ 15.0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Timber investment loan	\$ -	\$ (30.0)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Proceeds received from sale of									
Daaquam operation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.7	\$ 22.9	\$ -	
Investment in Scotch & Gulf Lumber,									
LLC	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (9.9)	\$ -	\$ -	
Repayments from Scotch & Gulf									
Lumber, LLC	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4.1	\$ 4.8	\$ 2.7	\$ 2.1	\$ 2.6	
Change in restricted cash <sup>28</sup>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50.2	\$ (50.2)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Foreign exchange gain on									
cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3.2	\$ 2.1	\$ (0.5)	\$ 8.4	\$ 3.8	\$ 3.3	\$ (2.5)	\$ 1.9	
Other, net	\$ (12.7)	\$ (5.2)	\$ (16.6)	\$ (4.7)	\$ 2.5	\$ (5.6)	\$ 1.7	\$ (0.9)	
Change in cash / operating loans	\$ 53.8	\$ (116.2)	\$ (29.3)	\$ (59.1)	\$ 88.9	\$ 36.7	\$ 58.8	\$ (108.4)	

<sup>(26)</sup> Amortization includes certain capitalized major maintenance costs.

#### THREE-YEAR COMPARATIVE REVIEW

(millions of Canadian dollars, except per share amounts)	2015	2014	2013
Sales	\$ 3,925.3	\$ 3,347.6	\$ 3,194.9
Net income	\$ 91.9	\$ 221.8	\$ 250.5
Shareholder net income	\$ 24.7	\$ 175.2	\$ 228.6
Total assets	\$ 3,294.6	\$ 2,846.8	\$ 2,693.3
Term debt	\$ 456.2	\$ 228.6	\$ 153.1
Shareholder net income per share, basic and diluted	\$ 0.18	\$ 1.28	\$ 1.61

 <sup>[27]</sup> Further information on operating cash flows can be found in the Company's annual consolidated financial statements.
 [28] Change in restricted cash relates to amounts transferred into an escrow bank account for the first phase of the Beadles & Balfour acquisition which closed on January 2, 2015.

#### **FOURTH QUARTER RESULTS**

#### **OVERVIEW OF OPERATING RESULTS**

The Company recorded operating income of \$31.8 million and a shareholder net income of \$1.6 million for the fourth guarter of 2015, compared to an operating income of \$8.5 million and shareholder net loss of \$17.3 million in the third quarter of 2015. The shareholder net income per share was \$0.01 per share for the fourth quarter of 2015, compared to a net loss of \$0.13 per share in the third quarter of 2015. Results for the fourth quarter of 2015 included one-time costs before tax of \$3.2 million associated with pension plan legislative changes and a recovery of \$6.2 million related to Western SPF inventory valuation adjustments recorded in the third quarter of 2015. Included in the comparative third quarter of 2015 were costs of \$19.4 million (before tax) related to the announced closure of the Company's Canal Flats sawmill, which ceased operations in November, and the aforementioned \$6.2 million inventory valuation adjustment. Adjusting for these one-time items, operating income was \$28.8

million in the fourth quarter of 2015, down \$5.3 million from adjusted operating income of \$34.1 million in the third quarter of 2015.

Compared to the fourth quarter of 2014, operating income was down \$30.2 million from \$62.0 million, and shareholder net income was down \$28.3 million from \$29.9 million. The shareholder net income per share was \$0.01 for the fourth quarter of 2015, compared to \$0.22 per share in the fourth quarter of 2014. Adjusting for the costs associated with the pension legislative changes and inventory valuation adjustments in the fourth quarter of 2015 mentioned above, fourth quarter operating income was down \$33.2 million compared to the fourth quarter of 2014.

An overview of the results by business segment for the fourth quarter of 2015 compared to the third quarter of 2015 and fourth quarter of 2014 follows.

#### **LUMBER**

#### SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND STATISTICS - LUMBER

Summarized results for the Lumber segment for the fourth quarter of 2015, third quarter of 2015 and fourth quarter of 2014 were as follows:

	Q4	Q3	Q4
(millions of Canadian dollars, unless otherwise noted)	2015	2015	2014
Sales	\$ 721.8	\$ 695.3	\$ 564.4
Operating income before amortization	\$ 44.8	\$ 8.4	\$ 70.6
Operating income (loss)	\$ 3.7	\$ (26.9)	\$ 40.6
Inventory valuation adjustments	\$ (6.2)	\$ 6.2	\$ -
One-time costs association with pension plan legislative changes	\$ 3.2	\$ -	\$ -
Mill closure provisions	\$ -	\$ 19.4	\$ -
Operating income (loss) excluding impact of inventory valuation adjustments and one-time items	\$ 0.7	\$ (1.3)	\$ 40.6
Average SPF 2x4 #2&Btr lumber price in US\$29	\$ 263	\$ 269	\$ 340
Average SPF price in Cdn\$	\$ 351	\$ 352	\$ 386
Average SYP 2x4 #2 lumber price in US\$30	\$ 400	\$ 331	\$ 427
US housing starts (thousand units SAAR) <sup>31</sup>	1,133	1,158	1,055
Production – SPF lumber (MMfbm) <sup>32</sup>	976.0	926.6	904.9
Production – SYP lumber (MMfbm) <sup>32</sup>	320.7	301.8	137.4
Shipments – Canfor-produced SPF lumber (MMfbm) <sup>33</sup>	1,025.1	1,014.3	937.7
Shipments – Canfor-produced SYP lumber (MMfbm) <sup>33</sup>	321.9	322.7	151.3
Shipments – wholesale lumber (MMfbm)	7.8	6.0	2.5

- [29] Western Spruce/Pine/Fir, per thousand board feet (Source Random Lengths Publications, Inc.).
- (30) Southern Yellow Pine, Eastside, per thousand board feet (Source Random Lengths Publications, Inc.).
- (31) Source US Census Bureau, seasonally adjusted annual rate ("SAAR")
- [32] Excluding production of trim blocks.
- (33) Canfor-produced lumber, including lumber purchased for remanufacture and excluding trim blocks.

#### OVERVIEW

Operating income for the lumber segment was \$3.7 million for the fourth quarter of 2015, an increase of \$30.6 million compared to an operating loss of \$26.9 million in the previous quarter, and down \$36.9 million compared to operating income of \$40.6 million in the same quarter of 2014. Excluding inventory valuation adjustments and one-time costs, the lumber segment's operating income was \$0.7 million, up \$2.0 million from the third quarter of 2015 and down \$39.9 million from the same quarter in 2014.

The increase in adjusted operating income for the lumber segment compared to the immediately preceding quarter principally reflected higher SYP sales realizations and, to a lesser extent, lower unit manufacturing costs at the Company's Western SPF operations. Western SPF unit sales realizations

were broadly in line with the third quarter of 2015 as the benefit of a 2 cent, or 2%, weaker Canadian dollar largely offset lower US dollar Western SPF  $2x4\ \#2\ \&$  Btr benchmark lumber prices in the current quarter. Also impacting Western SPF unit sales realizations were more pronounced price declines in wide dimension products, of which the Company sells proportionately lower volume. Total lumber shipments were up slightly from the prior quarter, while production was up 6% as a combination of more operating days, improved productivity, and the recent addition of the Anthony Forest Products sawmill operation, more than offset the closure of the Canal Flats sawmill in November.

Compared to the fourth quarter of 2014, the decline in operating income in the current quarter principally reflected lower lumber sales realizations as lower US-dollar benchmark lumber prices outweighed the benefit of a 13 cent, or 15%,

weaker Canadian dollar. Total lumber shipments and production were well up from the same quarter in 2014 due mostly to the Company's recent US South acquisitions, improved productivity and additional operating days, which more than offset the closure of the Canal Flats sawmill in the current quarter and certain changes in operating shift configurations.

#### MARKETS

The US housing market continues its slow but gradual recovery, supported by lower mortgage rates, healthy appreciation in home prices and low inventory of new and existing homes for sale. The last quarter of the calendar year typically sees a seasonal slowdown in housing activity in North America but lumber demand and prices remained relatively stable in the U.S. during the fourth quarter of 2015, as solid demand and better-than-expected weather resulted in balanced lumber consumption from all segments of the North American market. Total housing starts averaged 1,133,000 units SAAR, down 2% from the prior quarter and up 7% from the same period in 2014. Single-family starts, which consume a higher proportion of lumber, increased 2% compared to the third quarter of 2015 to 759,000 units SAAR. The repair and remodeling sector also benefited from improving consumer confidence and the more favourable weather conditions, seeing a modest increase in spending over the period.

The lumber market in China showed some modest improvement through the fourth quarter of 2015, with inventory levels at the end of 2015 well down from the previous quarter, while lumber demand in other offshore markets, such as Japan and Korea, also saw improvements in the fourth quarter of 2015.

In Canada, housing starts remained relatively strong, at an average of 196,000 units SAAR in the fourth quarter of 2015, down 7% compared to the previous quarter, principally reflecting seasonally-slower building activity. Compared to the same quarter of 2014, housing starts were up 6%.

#### SALES

Sales for the lumber segment for the fourth quarter of 2015 were \$721.8 million, compared to \$695.3 million in the previous quarter and \$564.4 million for the fourth quarter of 2014. The 4% increase in sales from the prior quarter was mostly related to the recent acquisition of Anthony Forest Products, improved productivity, seasonally higher log sales and slightly higher SYP sales realizations, offset in part by the closure of the Canal Flats sawmill in November. Compared to the fourth quarter of 2014, the increase of \$157.4 million, or 28%, in sales revenue was primarily due to higher SYP sales realizations and lumber shipments related to the Company's recent acquisitions in the US South, increased productivity, and the benefit of a 15% weaker Canadian dollar, which partially offset lower Western SPF lumber US-dollar prices relative to the same quarter in 2014.

Total lumber shipments in the fourth quarter of 2015, at over 1.3 billion board feet, were in line with the previous quarter as the contribution from the recent acquisition of Anthony Forest Products offset the closure of the Canal Flats sawmill in November. Compared to the fourth quarter of 2014, total lumber shipments in the current quarter were up 24%, largely reflecting the Company's recent growth in the US South.

Western SPF lumber sales realizations were in line with the previous quarter, as the benefits of a 2% weaker Canadian dollar and reduced export taxes on US bound shipments following the expiry of the SLA in mid-October were offset by lower average Western SPF lumber prices. The benchmark North American Random Lengths Western SPF 2x4 #2&Btr price was down 2%, or US\$6 per Mfbm, compared to the third quarter of 2015, while prices for low grade products, principally destined for offshore markets, trended upwards from the lows seen in September as excess inventory levels in China returned to more normal levels over the course of the current quarter. Prior to the expiry of the SLA in mid-October, the Company paid export taxes on lumber shipments from Canada to the US in the amount of \$3.3 million, down \$11.0 million from the third quarter of 2015. SYP sales realizations in the fourth quarter of 2015 were up slightly from the third quarter of 2015 with the average Random Lengths SYP East 2x4 #2 price up US\$69 per Mfbm to US\$400 per Mfbm. Less pronounced price increases and, in certain cases, price decreases were seen across wider dimension SYP products.

Compared to the fourth quarter of 2014, Western SPF lumber sales realizations were down, principally reflecting lower benchmark lumber prices, offset in part by the favourable impact of the 13 cents, or 15%, weaker Canadian dollar. The average North American Random Lengths Western SPF 2x4 #2&Btr price was down US\$77 per Mfbm, or 23%, to US\$263 per Mfbm compared to the fourth quarter of 2014. Offshore lumber sales realizations were also lower compared to the fourth quarter of 2014, reflecting weaker US-dollar prices for most grades, particularly low grade products, which more than offset the weaker Canadian dollar. SYP lumber sales realizations were slightly lower, with a higher-value sales mix at the recently acquired US South operations largely offsetting lower benchmark lumber prices.

Total residual fibre revenue in the current quarter was higher compared to both comparable periods, principally due to additional chip sales volumes from the recently acquired US South operations. Log sales were also higher compared to the previous quarter of 2015, reflecting seasonally-higher timber harvesting in Western Canada, and up compared to the fourth quarter of 2014 due largely to the recently acquired US South operations.

#### OPERATIONS

Lumber production, at 1.3 billion board feet, was up 6% from the previous quarter principally reflecting additional operating days and to a lesser extent productivity improvements at the Company's Western Canadian operations, offset in part by the closure of the Company's Canal Flats sawmill. Compared to the fourth quarter of 2014, total lumber production was up 24% reflecting the incremental production from the acquisitions of Scotch Gulf, Beadles & Balfour, Southern Lumber and Anthony Forest Products. Excluding lumber production from the recently acquired US South operations, lumber production was 9% higher reflecting additional operating days and improved productivity, following several capital upgrades, offset in part by the closure of the Canal Flats sawmill and certain changes in operating shift configurations since the same quarter in the prior year.

Unit manufacturing costs in the fourth quarter of 2015 were in line with the prior quarter reflecting improved productivity in Western Canada, offset by seasonally higher energy costs. Compared to the fourth quarter of 2014, unit manufacturing costs were down slightly, primarily reflecting increased productivity following several capital upgrades and shift configuration changes, offset in part by costs associated with the high value US South acquisitions.

#### PULP AND PAPER

#### SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND STATISTICS - PULP AND PAPER34

Summarized results for the Pulp and Paper segment for the fourth quarter of 2015, third quarter of 2015 and fourth quarter of 2014 were as follows:

(millions of Canadian dollars, unless otherwise noted)	Q4 2015	Q3 2015	Q4 2014
Sales	\$ 331.2	\$ 294.6	\$ 296.0
Operating income before amortization <sup>35</sup>	\$ 56.2	\$ 58.6	\$ 45.0
Operating income	\$ 38.6	\$ 42.3	\$ 29.4
Average pulp price delivered to US – US\$36	\$ 945	\$ 967	\$ 1,025
Average price in Cdn\$	\$ 1,262	\$ 1,266	\$ 1,164
Production - pulp (000 mt)	322.5	310.5	295.7
Production - paper (000 mt)	35.8	34.6	36.0
Shipments – Canfor-produced pulp (000 mt)	356.2	307.4	314.0
Shipments – paper (000 mt)	35.4	32.1	35.8

(34) Includes the 100% of CPPI, which is consolidated in Canfor's operating results. Pulp production and shipment volumes presented are for both NBSK pulp and BCTMP.

(35) Amortization includes certain capitalized major maintenance costs

[36] Per tonne, NBSK pulp price delivered to US (RISI).

#### OVERVIEW

Operating income for the pulp and paper segment was \$38.6 million for the fourth quarter of 2015, down \$3.7 million from the third quarter of 2015 and up \$9.2 million from the same quarter in 2014. Results in the fourth quarter of 2015 reflected increased production and shipment volumes as well as higher energy revenues, which largely offset slightly lower sales realizations and costs associated with the scheduled maintenance outage at the Company's Northwood pulp mill in October. The increased pulp production and energy revenue reflected improved operating rates, and, in the case of energy revenue, seasonally higher energy prices.

Pulp and paper segment results were well up from the fourth quarter of 2014 as lower unit manufacturing costs, higher pulp shipments and higher energy revenues more than offset the impact of challenging BCTMP markets in the current quarter. NBSK pulp unit sales realizations were broadly in line with the fourth quarter of 2014 as lower list prices to all regions were offset by the benefit of a significantly weaker Canadian dollar. The Northwood pulp mill completed a maintenance outage in the fourth quarter of 2015. In the comparative fourth quarter of 2014, the Northwood pulp mill also completed a scheduled maintenance outage which resulted in a reduction of market pulp production of 17,000 tonnes. Paper segment results were broadly in line with the fourth quarter of 2014 as higher sales realization as a result of the weaker Canadian dollar were offset by higher unit manufacturing costs in the current quarter mostly due to higher operating supply costs.

#### MARKETS

Global softwood pulp markets weakened somewhat through most of the fourth quarter of 2015, before stabilizing towards the end of the year. Global softwood pulp producer inventory levels remained balanced through the quarter and finished at 29 days of supply at the end of December 2015, decreasing 1 day from the end of September 2015. Market conditions are generally considered balanced when inventories are in the 27-30 days of supply range.

Global shipments of bleached softwood kraft pulp were up from both comparative periods driven primarily by increased shipments to North America and China.

#### SALES

The Company's pulp shipments in the fourth quarter of 2015 totalled 356,200 tonnes, up 48,800 tonnes, or 16%, from the third quarter of 2015 and up 42,200 tonnes, or 13%, from the same quarter in 2014. Higher pulp shipments in the current quarter primarily reflected increased volumes to North America and Asia. Compared to the fourth quarter of 2014, the increase in pulp shipments principally reflected higher production volumes.

The average North American US-dollar NBSK pulp list price, as published by RISI, was down US\$22 per tonne, or 2%, compared to the third guarter of 2015 with more pronounced declines seen in the average European and China NBSK prices. The average China US-dollar NBSK pulp list price was down US\$38 per tonne, or 6%, compared to the third guarter of 2015. NBSK pulp unit sales realizations were slightly lower in the current quarter reflecting these lower prices partly offset by the 2 cent, or 2%, weaker Canadian dollar. BCTMP markets remained challenged in the fourth quarter of 2015, with prices bottoming out after the downward trend seen in the third quarter of 2015. Average BCTMP prices were lower quarter-over-quarter, but the favourable impact of the weaker Canadian dollar offset most of this decline. NBSK pulp unit sales realizations were broadly in line with the fourth quarter of 2014 as lower prices to all regions were offset by the favourable impact of a 13 cent, or 15%, weaker Canadian dollar. The average North American NBSK pulp US-dollar list price was down US\$80 per tonne, or 8%, with discounts showing a moderate increase over the same period; European and China NBSK pulp prices showed more pronounced decreases of US\$118 and US\$115 per tonne, respectively.

Energy revenues were well up from both comparative periods, and for the most part reflected increased power generation and seasonally higher energy prices. Compared to the same quarter in 2014, higher energy revenue also reflected the incremental contribution from the Intercontinental pulp mill turbine which started selling power in April 2015.

Paper unit sales realizations in the fourth quarter of 2015 were down slightly compared to the previous quarter, reflecting lower market prices and proportionately lower shipments to North America partly offset by the weaker Canadian dollar. Compared to the fourth quarter of 2014, paper unit sales realizations were moderately higher reflecting the favourable impact of the weaker Canadian dollar and slightly higher shipments of prime product, which more than offset lower market prices to all regions.

#### OPERATIONS

Pulp production in the current quarter was 322,500 tonnes, up 12,000 tonnes, or 4%, from the third quarter of 2015 and up 26,800 tonnes, or 9%, from the same quarter in 2014. Production in the current quarter reflected higher operating rates and additional operating days offset by the scheduled maintenance outage at the Northwood pulp mill which reduced market pulp production of 20,000 tonnes in October and 6,000 tonnes in the previous quarter. The increase in pulp production compared to the fourth quarter of 2014 reflected the additional operating days and improved productivity. Production in the fourth quarter of 2014 was also impacted by a scheduled maintenance outage at the Northwood pulp mill which reduced market pulp production by 17,000 tonnes.

Overall pulp unit manufacturing costs were slightly higher than the third quarter of 2015 largely reflecting costs associated with the scheduled Northwood maintenance outage

and seasonally higher energy costs, offset by lower fibre costs, related mostly to seasonal and market factors, and improved productivity in the current quarter. Compared to the fourth quarter of 2014, unit manufacturing costs decreased reflecting lower natural gas prices. NBSK pulp fibre costs were broadly in line with the fourth quarter of 2014 as slightly higher delivered costs for sawmill residual chips (linked to Canadian dollar NBSK pulp sales realizations) were offset by a decline in the proportion of higher-cost whole log chips in the current quarter.

Paper production for the fourth quarter of 2015 was 35,800 tonnes, up 1,200 tonnes, or 3%, from the previous quarter, reflecting additional operating days in the current period, and broadly in line with the same quarter in 2014. Unit manufacturing costs were relatively consistent with the previous quarter and moderately higher than the fourth quarter of 2014 reflecting higher operating supply costs partly offset by lower costs for slush pulp.

#### UNALLOCATED AND OTHER ITEMS

	Q4	Q3	Q4
(millions of Canadian dollars)	2015	2015	2014
Operating loss of Panels operations <sup>37</sup>	\$ (0.6)	\$ (1.5)	\$ (0.8)
Corporate costs	\$ (9.9)	\$ (5.4)	\$ (7.2)
Finance expense, net	\$ (7.6)	\$ (6.4)	\$ (4.6)
Foreign exchange loss on long-term debt	\$ (5.9)	\$ -	\$ -
Gain (loss) on derivative financial instruments	\$ 2.1	\$ (14.9)	\$ (7.4)
Other income, net	\$ 3.5	\$ 10.1	\$ 3.1

(37) The Panels operations include the Company's PolarBoard OSB plant, which is currently indefinitely idled and its Tackama plywood plant, which was closed in January 2012.

Corporate costs were \$9.9 million for the fourth quarter of 2015, up \$4.5 million from the previous quarter primarily reflecting increased acquisition and SLA related legal costs and increased share based compensation expense recorded in the fourth quarter. Compared to the fourth quarter of 2014, corporate costs increased \$2.7 million partly reflecting legal costs associated with the Company's recent acquisitions in the US South.

Net finance expense at \$7.6 million for the fourth quarter of 2015 was up \$1.2 million from the previous quarter and up \$3.0 million from the fourth quarter of 2014. The increase reflected higher net interest expense associated with higher debt levels resulting from the US-dollar term debt financing completed at the beginning of the fourth quarter. In the fourth quarter of 2015, the Company recognized a foreign exchange loss

associated with its US-dollar term debt financing completed in October (see further discussion on the term debt financing in the "Liquidity and Financial Requirements" section).

The Company uses a variety of derivative financial instruments as partial economic hedges against unfavourable changes in foreign exchange rates, energy costs, lumber prices, pulp prices and interest rates. In the fourth quarter of 2015, the Company recorded a net gain of \$2.1 million related to its derivatives instruments, principally reflecting realized gains on lumber futures contracts settled during the quarter.

Other income, net of \$3.5 million in the fourth quarter of 2015 principally reflected foreign exchange gains on US dollar denominated working capital resulting from the weakening of the Canadian dollar relative to the US dollar over the course of the quarter.

#### OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

(millions of Canadian dollars)	Q4 2015	Q3 2015	Q4 2014
Foreign exchange translation differences for foreign operations, net of tax  Defined benefit actuarial gains (losses), net of tax	\$ 15.5 (2.0)	\$ 29.2 9.9	\$ 10.9 (46.4)
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	\$ 13.5	\$ 39.1	\$ (35.5)

In the fourth quarter of 2015, the Company recorded an aftertax loss of \$2.0 million related to changes in the valuation of the Company's employee future benefit plans. The loss reflected unfavorable actuarial experience adjustments in both the nonpension and pension plans, and a return on plan assets lower than the discount rate in the pension plans, offset in part by a reduction in medical claims cost assumptions in the nonpension post-employment plans. An after tax gain of \$9.9 million was recorded in the previous quarter reflecting higher discount rates used to value the net defined benefit obligation in part offset by a lower than expected return on plan assets. An after tax loss of \$46.4 million was recorded in the fourth quarter of 2014 principally reflecting a lower discount rate used to value the net defined benefit obligation and actuarial experience adjustments related to certain defined benefit pension plans, offset in part by a return on plan assets. For more information,

see the "Employee Future Benefits" part of the "Critical Accounting Estimates" section later in this report.

In addition, the Company recorded a gain of \$15.5 million in the fourth quarter of 2015 related to foreign exchange differences for foreign operations, resulting from the weakening

of the Canadian dollar relative to the US dollar in 2015. This compared to a gain of \$29.2 million in the previous quarter and a gain of \$10.9 million in the fourth quarter of 2014 also due to a weakening of the Canadian dollar relative to the US counterpart.

#### **CHANGES IN FINANCIAL POSITION**

At the end of 2015, Canfor had \$97.5 million of cash and cash equivalents.			
(millions of Canadian dollars)	Q4 2015	Q3 2015	Q4 2014
Cash generated from (used in)			
Operating activities	\$ 34.8	\$ 59.9	\$ 112.9
Financing activities	183.5	(44.6)	(7.2)
Investing activities	(210.7)	(74.6)	(97.6)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents,			
before foreign exchange gain on cash and cash equivalents	\$ 7.6	\$ (59.3)	\$ 8.1

The changes in the components of these cash flows are discussed in the following sections.

#### OPERATING ACTIVITIES

Canfor generated cash from operations of \$34.8 million in the fourth quarter of 2015, down \$25.1 million compared to the previous quarter reflecting a build in non-cash working capital balances, offset in part by higher cash earnings in the current quarter, and higher income tax payments in the previous quarter. The increase in non-cash working capital in part reflected increased shipments towards the end of the year and the impact of the weaker Canadian dollar on translation of US-dollar denominated accounts receivables balances and seasonally higher log inventory levels, offset in part by lower finished pulp inventory levels.

Compared to the fourth quarter of 2014, operating cash flows were down \$78.1 million reflecting a decrease in cash earnings and a build in non-cash working capital balances. The increase in non-cash working capital in part reflected increased shipments towards the end of the year and the impact of the weaker Canadian dollar on translation of US-dollar denominated accounts receivables balances, as well as higher log inventory levels reflecting favourable logging and hauling weather conditions in Western Canada.

#### FINANCING ACTIVITIES

Financing activities in the fourth quarter of 2015 provided net cash of \$183.5 million compared to net cash used of \$44.6 million in the previous quarter and \$7.2 million in the fourth quarter of 2014. In a refinancing of its Canadian dollar denominated term debt, the Company reduced its term debt by \$50.0 million in the third quarter of 2015 ahead of US\$200.0 million in financings that closed in the fourth quarter of 2015 (see "Liquidity and Financial Requirements" section for more details). In the fourth quarter of 2014, the Company completed a \$75.0 million floating rate term debt financing for the construction of the pellet plants in Fort St. John and Chetwynd and repaid a portion of its operating loan facility. At the end of the fourth quarter of 2015, the Company had a consolidated amount of \$158.0 million drawn on its operating loan facilities, down \$43.0 million compared to the previous quarter and up \$90.0 million compared to the fourth quarter of 2014.

During the current quarter, the Company made cash distributions of \$4.0 million to non-controlling shareholders, down \$39.1 million from the previous quarter, principally reflecting distributions made to the non-controlling shareholders of CPPI for a special dividend that was declared and paid in the third quarter of 2015, and in line with cash distributions paid in the fourth quarter of 2014.

Cash used for financing activities also included share purchases under Canfor's and CPPI's Normal Course Issuer Bids. During the fourth quarter of 2015, Canfor purchased 1,050,120 common shares for \$20.0 million and CPPI purchased 692,985 common shares from non-controlling shareholders for \$9.7 million. Canfor did not purchase any common shares in the comparative quarters, while CPPI purchased 557,401 common shares for \$6.7 million in the third quarter of 2015. See further discussion of the shares purchased under the Normal Course Issuer Bid in the following "Financial Requirements and Liquidity" section.

#### INVESTING ACTIVITIES

Cash used for investing activities was \$210.7 million in the current quarter, compared to \$74.6 million in the previous quarter and \$97.6 million in the same quarter of 2014. Cash used for capital additions was \$83.7 million, up \$22.6 million from the previous quarter and up \$29.0 million in the fourth quarter of 2015. Current quarter capital expenditures included construction costs related to the Company's pellet plants in Chetwynd and Fort St. John, smaller capital projects at both the SYP and Western SPF lumber operations, and the acquisition of a forest license in the Kootenay region of Western Canada. In the pulp and paper segment, capital expenditures primarily related to the scheduled maintenance outage at the Northwood NBSK pulp mill.

Investing activities in the current quarter also included cash consideration paid, net of cash acquired, of \$123.9 million related to the purchase of Anthony Forest Products.

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#### SPECIFIC ITEMS AFFECTING COMPARABILITY

#### SPECIFIC ITEMS AFFECTING COMPARABILITY OF SHAREHOLDER NET INCOME (LOSS)

Factors that impact the comparability of the quarters are noted below:

After-tax impact, net of non-controlling interes [millions of Canadian dollars, except for per sh	mounts)	2015					2014							
	Q4	Q3		Q2		Q1		Q4		Q3		Q2		Q1
Shareholder net income (loss),														
as reported	\$ 1.6	\$ (17.3)	\$	11.1	\$	29.3	\$	29.9	\$	45.5	\$	54.3	\$	45.5
(Gain) loss on derivative financial														
instruments	\$ (1.2)	\$ 9.3	\$	(7.7)	\$	17.2	\$	5.2	\$	0.7	\$	(2.1)	\$	2.1
Foreign exchange loss on														
long-term debt	\$ 5.1	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
One-time costs associated with														
pension plan legislation changes	\$ 2.4	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Mill closure provisions <sup>38</sup>	\$ -	\$ 14.4	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Gain on investment in														
Lakeland Mills Ltd. and														
Winton Global Lumber Ltd. <sup>39</sup>	\$ -	\$ -	\$	(6.1)	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Mark-to-market loss on Taylor pulp														
contingent consideration, net <sup>40</sup>	\$ -	\$ -	\$	0.7	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Mark-to-market adjustment to														
Canfor-LP OSB sale														
contingent consideration	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4.5	\$	4.5	\$	0.4
Gain on sale of Daaquam operation	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(1.6)
Net impact of above items	\$ 6.3	\$ 23.7	\$	(13.1)	\$	17.2	\$	5.2	\$	5.2	\$	2.4	\$	0.9
Adjusted shareholder net income(loss)	\$ 7.9	\$ 6.4	\$	(2.0)	\$	46.5	\$	35.1	\$	50.7	\$	56.7	\$	46.4
Shareholder net income(loss) per														
share (EPS), as reported	\$ 0.01	\$ (0.13)	\$	0.08	\$	0.22	\$	0.22	\$	0.34	\$	0.39	\$	0.33
Net impact of above items per share <sup>41</sup>	\$ 0.05	\$ 0.18	\$	(0.10)	\$	0.13	\$	0.04	\$	0.04	\$	0.02	\$	0.01
Adjusted net income per(loss) share <sup>39</sup>	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.05	\$	(0.02)	\$	0.35	\$	0.26	\$	0.38	\$	0.41	\$	0.34

- (38) During the third quarter of 2015, the Company recorded one-time costs of \$19.4 million (before tax) associated with the announced closure of the Canal Flats sawmill.
- (39) On July 1, 2015, Canfor sold its 33.3% interest in Lakeland Mills Ltd. and Winton Global Lumber Ltd. for \$30.0 million and recognized a \$7.0 million gain (before-tax).

[41] The year-to-date net impact of the adjusting items per share and adjusted net income per share does not equal the sum of the quarterly per share amounts due to rounding.

#### **OUTLOOK**

#### **LUMBER MARKETS**

Looking ahead, the Company is projected to benefit from the continued weakening of the Canadian dollar and its recent growth in the US South. North American lumber demand is forecast to improve with steady demand in both residential construction and the repair and remodeling sectors through the first quarter of 2016. Offshore lumber shipments are projected to be stable with relatively steady volume forecast to both China and Japan over the same period.

#### **PULP AND PAPER MARKETS**

For the month of January 2016, NBSK pulp list prices were unchanged in North America at US\$940 per tonne, while prices to China decreased US\$5 to US\$590 per tonne. For the month of March 2016, the Company has announced a list price of US\$960 per tonne in North America. In the second quarter of 2016, producer inventories are forecast to decline during the industry's traditional spring maintenance period.

The Company has no maintenance outages planned for the first quarter of 2016. Maintenance outages are currently planned at the Northwood and Intercontinental mills in the second quarter of 2016 with a projected 30,000 tonnes of reduced production and at the Prince George mill in the third quarter of 2016 with a projected 4,000 tonnes of reduced production. A maintenance outage at the Taylor pulp mill is scheduled for the fourth quarter of 2016 with a projected 7,000 tonnes of reduced production.

<sup>(40)</sup> As part of the sale of the BCTMP Taylor pulp mill to CPPI on January 30, 2015, Canfor could receive contingent consideration based on the Taylor pulp mill's future earnings over a three year period. On the acquisition date, the contingent consideration was valued at \$1.8 million (before-tax) and Canfor recorded an asset and CPPI recorded an offsetting liability for this amount. During the second quarter of 2015, the contingent consideration asset and liability were revalued to nil. The adjustment above reflects the impact to Canfor EPS net of non-controlling interest.

#### CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts recorded in the financial statements. Management regularly reviews these estimates and assumptions based on currently available information. While it is reasonably possible that circumstances may arise which cause actual results to differ from these estimates, management does not believe it is likely that any such differences will materially affect Canfor's financial position. Unless otherwise indicated the critical accounting estimates discussed affect all of the Company's reportable segments.

#### **EMPLOYEE FUTURE BENEFITS**

Canfor has various defined benefit and defined contribution plans providing both pension and other retirement benefits to most of its salaried employees and certain hourly employees not covered by forest industry union plans. Canfor also provides certain health care benefits and pension bridging benefits to eligible retired employees. The costs and related obligations of the pension and other retirement benefit plans are accrued in accordance with the requirements of IFRS.

Canfor uses independent actuarial firms to perform actuarial valuations of the fair value of pension and other retirement benefit plan obligations. The application of IFRS requires judgments regarding certain assumptions that affect the accrued benefit provisions and related expenses, including the discount rate used to calculate the present value of the obligations, the rate of compensation increase, mortality assumptions, and the assumed health care cost trend rates. Management evaluates these assumptions annually based on experience and the recommendations of its actuarial firms. Changes in these assumptions result in actuarial gains or losses, which are recognized in full in each period with an adjustment through Other Comprehensive Income (Loss).

The actuarial assumptions used in measuring Canfor's benefit plan provisions and benefit costs are as follows:

	December :	December 31, 2015		31, 2014
	Pension Benefit Plans	Other Benefit Plans	Pension Benefit Plans	Other Benefit Plans
Discount rate	4.1%	4.1%	3.9%	3.9%
Rate of compensation increases	3.0%	n/a	3.0%	n/a
Future salary increases	2.5%	n/a	2.5%	n/a
Initial medical cost trend rate	n/a	7.0%	n/a	7.0%
Ultimate medical cost trend rate	n/a	4.5%	n/a	4.5%
Year utimate rate is reached	n/a	2021	n/a	2021

In addition to the significant assumptions listed in the table above, the average life expectancy of a 65 year old at December 31, 2015 is between 20.9 years and 24.0 years (2014 - 20.7 years and 24.0 years). As at December 31, 2015, the weighted average duration of the defined benefit obligation, which reflects the average age of the plan members, is 12.0 years (2014 - 12.4 years). The weighted average duration of the other benefit plans is 14.3 years (2014 - 13.9 years).

Assumed discount rates and medical cost trend rates have a significant effect on the accrued benefit obligation. A one percentage point change in these assumptions would have the following effects on the accrued benefit obligation for 2015:

(millions of Canadian dollars)	1% Ir	1% Increase		ecrease
Pension benefit plans				
Discount rate	\$	(81.6)	\$	102.1
Other benefit plans				
Discount rate	\$	(21.1)	\$	26.3
Initial medical cost trend rate	\$	18.2	\$	(15.3)

See "Liquidity and Financial Requirements" section for further discussion regarding the funding position of Canfor's pension plans.

#### DEFERRED REFORESTATION

Canfor accrues an estimate of its future liability to perform forestry activities, defined to mean those silviculture treatments or activities that are carried out to ensure the establishment of a free-growing stand of young trees, including logging road rehabilitation on its forestry tenures in BC and Alberta. An estimate is recorded in the financial statements based on the number of hectares of timber harvested in the period and the estimated costs of fulfilling Canfor's obligation. Payments in relation to reforestation are expected to occur over periods of up to 15 years (the significant majority occurring in the first seven years) and have been discounted accordingly at risk-free rates ranging from 0.5% to 2.1%. The actual costs that will be incurred in the future may vary based on, among other things, the actual costs at the time of silviculture activities.

#### **DEFERRED TAXES**

In accordance with IFRS, Canfor recognizes deferred income tax assets when it is probable that the deferred income tax assets will be realized. This assumption is based on management's best estimate of future circumstances and events. If these estimates and assumptions are changed in the future, the value of the deferred income tax assets could be reduced or increased, resulting in an income tax expense or recovery. Canfor reevaluates its deferred income tax assets on a regular basis.

#### ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATIONS

Canfor records the estimated fair value of a liability for asset retirement obligations, such as landfill closures, in the period when it is incurred. For CPPI's landfill closure costs, the fair value is determined using estimated closure costs discounted over the estimated useful life. Payments relating to landfill closure costs are expected to occur at periods ranging from 7 to 36 years and have been discounted at risk-free rates ranging from 1.0% to 2.2%. The actual closure costs and periods of payment may differ from the estimates used in determining the year end liability. On initial recognition, the fair value of the liability is added to the carrying amount of the associated asset and amortized over its useful life. The liability is accreted over time through charges to earnings and reduced by actual costs of settlement.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION COSTS**

Costs associated with environmental remediation obligations are accrued and expensed when there exists a present legal or constructive obligation that can be estimated reliably, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. Such accruals are adjusted as further information develops or circumstances change. Costs of future expenditures for environmental remediation obligations are discounted to their present value when the amount and timing of expected cash payments are reliably determinable.

#### IMPAIRMENT OF GOODWILL

Goodwill, which is the excess of the cost of an acquisition over the fair value of the net identifiable assets acquired, is not amortized but is assessed annually for impairment or more frequently if events or circumstances indicate that it may be impaired.

An impairment loss is recognized in net income at the amount that the carrying value, including goodwill, of the relevant operating division exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of the unit's fair value less costs to sell and value in use. For Canfor's goodwill (which is allocated to the lumber segment), the fair value of the relevant assets is determined by estimating the future expected discounted cash flows of the unit as a whole on an annual basis, and more often if required. As part of this process, assumptions are made in relation to forecast product prices and exchange rates. Price forecasts are determined with reference to Forest Economic Advisors ("FEA") publications and management estimates. Other significant assumptions include the discount rate. The net present value of the future expected cash flows, which approximates fair value, is compared to the carrying value of the Company's investment in these assets, including goodwill,

Based upon the analysis performed in 2015 the net present value of the estimated future discounted cash flows exceeded the value of the investment, and therefore no impairments to goodwill were required. However, if the US and global economic recovery were to be longer than anticipated in the forecast assumptions, there is a possibility that an impairment of goodwill may be required in future periods.

#### **VALUATION OF LOG AND FINISHED PRODUCT INVENTORIES**

Log and finished product inventories are recorded at the lower of cost and net realizable value. For inventories of solid wood products, the net realizable value is determined by taking into account forecast prices and exchange rates for the period over which the inventories are expected to be sold. Forecast prices are determined using management's estimates as at the year end, and may differ from the actual prices at which the inventories are sold. Inventory write-downs at December 31, 2015 totaled \$0.5 million.

#### ALLOWANCE FOR DOUBTFUL ACCOUNTS

An allowance for doubtful accounts of \$4.5 million has been recorded at December 31, 2015 which reflects management's assessment of risks attached to the collection of receivable balances. While significant bad debts have not been experienced in prior years, the provision is considered appropriate due to several risks still existing which may affect the ability of certain customers to pay amounts owed to the Company.

#### **FUTURE CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

In May 2014, the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") issued IFRS 15, Revenue from Contracts with Customers, which will supersede IAS 18, Revenue, IAS 11, Construction Contracts and related interpretations. The new standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018. The Company is in the process of assessing the impact, if any, on the financial statements of this new standard.

In July 2014, the IASB issued IFRS 9, Financial Instruments. The required adoption date for IFRS 9 is January 1, 2018 and the Company is in the process of assessing the impact, if any, on the financial statements of this new standard.

In January 2016, the IASB issued IFRS 16, *Leases*, which will supersede IAS 17, *Leases* and related interpretations. The required adoption date for IFRS 16 is January 1, 2019 and the Company is in the process of assessing the impact, if any, on the financial statements of this new standard.

#### **RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES**

Risks and uncertainties fall into the general business areas of markets, international commodity prices, competition, currency exchange rates, environmental issues, forest land base, government regulations, public policy and labour disputes, and, for Canadian companies, a history of trade disputes and issues and Aboriginal land claims. The future impact of the various uncertainties and potential risks described in the following paragraphs (together with the risks and uncertainties identified under each of the Company's business segments) cannot be quantified or predicted with certainty. However, Canfor does not foresee unmanageable adverse effects on its business operations from, and believes that it is well positioned to deal with, as such matters arise. The risks and uncertainties are set out in alphabetical order.

#### **ABORIGINAL ISSUES**

Canadian judicial decisions have recognized the continued existence of Aboriginal rights and title to lands continuously and exclusively used or occupied by Aboriginal groups. In June 2014, the Supreme Court of Canada, for the first time, recognized Aboriginal title for the Tsilhqot'in Nation over approximately 1,750 square kilometres of land in central BC ("William decision"). It found that provisions of BC's Forest Act, dealing with the disposition or harvest of Crown timber, no longer applied to timber located on these lands, but also confirmed provincial law can apply on Aboriginal title lands.

While Aboriginal title had previously been assumed to exist over specific, intensively occupied areas such as villages, the William decision marks the first time Canada's highest court has recognized Aboriginal title over a specific piece of land and, in so doing, affirmed a broader territorial use-based approach to Aboriginal title. The decision also further defines what Aboriginal title means and the types of land uses consistent with this form of collective ownership.

Presently, Aboriginal title has not been established by law in any areas overlapping Canfor's tenure areas; however, Aboriginal rights continue to exist over traditional territories, and Canfor cannot assure that this will not affect its timber harvesting rights. Forest harvesting operations are continuing to proceed under these current requirements. The Government of BC delegates procedural aspects of consultation to tenure holders, including Canfor, and Canfor works to establish productive and mutually beneficial relationships with First Nations whose traditional territories overlap Canfor operating areas. The Government of BC has also taken steps to improve certainty and access to timber resources through interim agreements with First Nations that include timber rights. Canfor holds numerous agreements with individual First Nations whereby it manages and/or purchases their timber.

The impacts of the William decision on the timber supply from Crown lands and on Canfor's operations is unknown at this time; and Canfor does not know if the decision will lead to changes in BC laws or policies. However, as issues relating to Aboriginal rights and title continue to develop and be resolved in Canadian courts, Canfor will continue to engage, cooperate and exchange information and views with First Nations and Government to foster good relationships and minimize risks to Canfor's tenures and operational plans.

#### CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

The lumber products industry is capital intensive, and the Company regularly incurs capital expenditures to expand its operations, maintain its equipment, increase its operating efficiency and comply with environmental laws. The Company's total capital expenditures during 2015 were approximately \$240.0 million. The Company anticipates available cash resources and cash generated from operations will be sufficient to fund its operating needs and capital expenditures.

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#### **EMPLOYEE FUTURE BENEFITS**

Canfor has several defined benefit plans, which provide pension and other post-retirement benefits to certain salaried and hourly employees. Pension plan benefits are based on years of service and final average salary (for salaried employees), and flat rate benefit and years of service (for hourly employees). Canfor's other post-retirement benefit plans are non-contributory and include a range of health care and other benefits. Canfor also provides pension bridge benefits to certain eligible former employees.

Cash payments required to fund the pension plan are determined by actuarial valuation completed at least once every three years, with the most recent actuarial valuation for the largest plan completed as of December 31, 2013. Other post-retirement benefit plans are unfunded, and the Company makes payments as required to cover liabilities as they arise.

The funded surplus (deficit) of each defined benefit plan is calculated as the difference between the value of any plan assets and an actuarial estimate of future liabilities. Any deficit in the registered pension plans determined following an actuarial valuation must be funded in accordance with regulatory requirements, normally over 5 or 15 years. Some of the unregistered plans are also partially funded.

Through its pension funding requirements, Canfor is exposed to the risk of fluctuating market values for the securities making up the plan assets, and to changes in prevailing interest rates which determine the discount rate used in calculating the estimated future liabilities. The funding requirements may also change to the extent that other assumptions used are revised, such as inflation rates or mortality assumptions.

For Canfor's pension benefit plans, a one percentage point increase in the discount rate used in calculating the actuarial estimate of future liabilities would reduce the accrued benefit obligation by an estimated \$81.6 million and a one percentage point decrease in the discount rate would increase the accrued benefit obligation by an estimated \$102.1 million. These changes would only impact the Company's funding requirements in years where a new actuarial funding valuation was performed and regulatory approval for a change in funding contributions was obtained.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES**

Canfor's operations are subject to environmental regulation by federal, provincial, state and local authorities, including specific environmental regulations relating to air emissions and pollutants, wastewater (effluent) discharges, solid waste, landfill operations, forestry practices, site remediation and the protection of endangered species and critical habitat. Canfor has incurred, and will continue to incur, capital expenditures and operating costs to comply with environmental laws and regulations. No assurance can be given that changes in these laws and regulations or their application will not have a material adverse effect on Canfor's business, operations, financial condition and operational results. Similarly, no assurance can be given that capital expenditures necessary for future compliance with existing and new environmental laws and regulations could be financed from Canfor's available cash flow. In addition, Canfor may discover currently unknown environmental issues, contamination, or conditions relating to its past or present operations. This may require site or other remediation costs to maintain compliance or correct violations or result in governmental or private claims for damage to person, property or the environment, which could have a material adverse effect on Canfor's business, financial condition and operational results.

Canfor has systems in place to identify, account for and appropriately address potential environmental liabilities. The Company also has governance in place including an Environmental, Health and Safety Committee of the Board, a Corporate Environmental Management Committee including Officers of the Company, and environmental professionals on staff to manage potential risks, issues and liabilities.

Canfor has in place internal policies and procedures under which all its forestry and manufacturing operations are regularly audited for compliance with laws and accepted standards and with its management system requirements. Canfor's woodlands operations employ environmental management systems following the ISO 14001 Environmental Management System Standard. Further, approximately 100% of Canfor's forest tenures in Canada are third-party certified to the Canadian Standards Association ("CSA"), the Forest Stewardship Council ("FSC") or the Sustainable Forestry Initiative ("SFI") sustainable forest management standards. Canfor's operations and its ability to sell its products could be adversely affected if those operations did not, or were perceived by the public as failing to, comply with applicable laws and standards, including responsible environmental and sustainable forestry standards.

On November 25, 2009, the BC Ministry of Environment released the greenhouse gas ("GHG") reporting regulations under the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Act, requiring any facilities emitting more than 10,000 tonnes of CO2e to report 2010 emissions in 2011. In 2015, one of Canfor's sawmills and all of the CPPI pulp mills reported GHG emissions under the BC GHG reporting regulation. GHG emission reporting has been required federally and in Alberta for several years with CPPI's facilities meeting the requirements for federal reporting, though Canfor's wood products facilities have not triggered federal or Alberta reporting thresholds. Under the US Environmental Protection Agency Federal GHG Reporting Rule, facilities emitting more than 25,000 tonnes of CO2e are required to report on their GHG emissions. Canfor's USA facility direct GHG emissions are sufficiently low that they do not trigger the reporting requirement. Carbon policy at federal and provincial levels is under active review and development prior to and following the December 2015 COP21 conference in Paris. The federal government remains committed to a 30% reduction in 2005 levels by 2030 and support the 1.5 degree C global temperature increase threshold. In BC the Climate Leadership Team in November 2015 submitted its report and recommendations to government with public consultation beginning in January 2016 towards release of a New Climate Leadership Plan in spring 2016. The 32 recommendations include potential increases in the existing BC carbon tax but also that the impacts of the increase be mitigated for energy intensive trade exposed industries. Alberta is developing a new strategy on climate change based on November 2015 recommendations put forward by the Alberta Climate Change Advisory Panel. Future Alberta strategy includes phase out of coal based power generation by 2030 and could include a broad based carbon tax. Canfor's BC and Alberta sawmill and biomass cogeneration facility GHG emissions are all well below any foreseeable Regulation thresholds.

At the federal level Environment Canada continues to indicate that the pulp and paper sector will be included in its GHG Regulatory system, currently under development. Canfor Pulp's three Prince George pulp mills are well positioned having already substantially reduced GHG emissions through energy efficiency measures and switching from fossil to carbon dioxide emission neutral biomass fuels.

In the United States carbon policy at the federal and state levels is also uncertain however direct GHG emissions from Canfor's US sawmills are very low, due to the use of biomass fuels for heat energy. The mills are exposed to potential pass through of future electrical utility GHG emission reduction requirements related to electricity purchases.

Canfor is a participant in the carbon offset market in Alberta and British Columbia, selling offset credits tied to its biomass cogeneration facility in Grande Prairie and from biomass heat energy projects recently completed at several mills in BC.

#### FIBRE COST AND AVAILABILITY

The Company's fibre costs are affected by a number of different factors which could have a significant impact on operating results. Lumber market fluctuations and log market speculative bidding can also have a significant impact on both fibre supply and costs. In the interior of BC, the majority of the Company's tenure harvesting continues to advance to the north in an effort to maximize the salvage of pine impacted by the Mountain Pine Beetle epidemic. In other areas where the amount of pine left to be salvaged has significantly declined, tenure harvesting is transitioning back to traditional harvesting patterns and areas. While this has the added benefit of improving the quality of fibre, it also increases transportation, road construction and reforestation costs. These factors also contribute to higher log costs and are anticipated to provide upward pressure on the Company's log costs for the foreseeable future. In addition, the Company's ability to harvest fibre for use in its operations could be adversely impacted by natural events such as forest fires, severe weather conditions or insect infestations. In the event that sufficient volumes of economically viable fibre cannot be provided to an operation, it may be necessary to close that operation for a period of time, or even permanently. Such closures could result in significant costs to the Company. The Company is not insured for loss of standing timber. Canfor has secured its fibre position in Western Canada relative to its existing sawmills and no shortage of supply is anticipated at this time.

### FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND EARNINGS SENSITIVITIES

Demand for forest products, both wood products and pulp and paper, is closely related to global business conditions and tends to be cyclical in nature. Product prices can be subject to volatile change. Canfor, like the majority of the Canadian forest products industry, competes in a global market and the majority of its products are sold in US dollars. Consequently, changes in foreign currency relative to the Canadian dollar can impact Canfor's revenues and earnings.

#### FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

Canfor is exposed to a number of risks as a result of holding financial instruments. These risks include credit risk, liquidity risk and market risk.

Canfor's Risk Management Committee manages risk in accordance with a Board approved Price Risk Management Controls Policy. This policy provides the framework for risk management related to commodity price, foreign exchange, interest rate and counterparty credit risk of Canfor.

#### (A) CREDIT RISK:

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to Canfor if a counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations.

Financial instruments that are subject to credit risk include cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, and long-term investments. Cash and cash equivalents includes cash held through major Canadian and international financial institutions as well as temporary investments with an original maturity date of three months or less.

Canfor utilizes credit insurance to mitigate the risk associated with some of its trade receivables. As at December 31, 2015, approximately 43% (2014 - 55%) of the outstanding trade receivables are covered by credit insurance. Canfor's trade receivable balance at December 31, 2015 is \$196.3 million before an allowance for doubtful accounts of \$4.5 million (2014 - \$95.0 million and \$3.7 million, respectively). At December 31, 2015, approximately 94% (2014 - 99%) of the trade accounts receivable balance was within Canfor's established credit terms.

#### (B) LIQUIDITY RISK:

Liquidity risk is the risk that Canfor will be unable to meet its financial obligations as they come due. Canfor manages liquidity risk through regular cash-flow forecasting in conjunction with an adequate committed operating loan facility.

At December 31, 2015, Canfor had \$158.0 million drawn on its operating loans (2014 - \$68.0 million), and accounts payable and accrued liabilities of \$350.3 million (2014 - \$305.8 million) all of which are due within twelve months of the balance sheet date.

#### (C) MARKET RISK:

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in interest rates, foreign currency, energy and commodity prices.

#### (i) Interest rate risk:

Canfor is exposed to interest rate risk through its current financial assets and financial obligations bearing variable interest rates

Canfor utilizes interest rate swaps to reduce its exposure to interest rate risk associated with financial obligations bearing variable interest rates (see "Derivative Financial Instruments" section later in this document).

As noted earlier in this section (under "Employee Future Benefits"), Canfor is also exposed to interest rate risk in relation to the measurement of the Company's pension liabilities.

#### (ii) Currency risk

Canfor is exposed to foreign exchange risk primarily related to the US dollar, as Canfor's products are sold principally in US dollars. In addition, Canfor holds financial assets and liabilities primarily related to its US entities in US dollars.

A portion of the currency risk associated with US dollar denominated sales is naturally offset by US dollar denominated expenses. Part of the remaining exposure is at times covered by foreign exchange collars that effectively limit the minimum and maximum Canadian dollar recovery related to the sale of those US dollars (see "Derivative Financial Instruments" section later in this document).

#### (iii) Commodity price risk:

Canfor is exposed to commodity price risk related to the sale of lumber, pulp and paper. From time to time, Canfor enters into futures contracts on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange for lumber and forward contracts direct with customers for pulp. Under the Price Risk Management Controls Policy, up to 15% of lumber sales and 1% of pulp sales may be sold in this way.

#### (iv) Energy price risk:

Canfor is exposed to energy price risk relating to purchases of natural gas and diesel oil for use in its operations.

The exposure may be hedged up to 100% through the use of floating to fixed swap contracts or option contracts with maturity dates up to a maximum of three years. In the case of diesel, Canfor uses Brent oil and WTI oil contracts to hedge its exposure (see "Derivative Financial Instruments" section later in this document).

#### **DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

Subject to risk management policies approved by its Board of Directors, Canfor, from time to time, uses derivative instruments, such as forward exchange contracts and option contracts to hedge future movements of exchange rates and interest rates and futures and forward contracts to hedge commodity prices and energy costs. See section "Financial Requirements and Liquidity" for details of Canfor's derivative financial instruments outstanding at year end.

#### **EARNINGS SENSITIVITIES**

Estimates of the sensitivity of Canfor's pre-tax results to currency fluctuations and prices for its principal products, based on 2016 Business Plan forecast production and year end foreign exchange rates, are set out in the following table:

	Impact on annual pre-tax earnings
SPF lumber – US\$10 change per Mfbm <sup>42,43</sup>	\$ 46
SYP lumber – US\$10 change per Mfbm <sup>42,43</sup>	\$ 16
Pulp – US\$10 change per tonne <sup>42,43,44</sup>	\$ 12
Canadian dollar – US\$0.01 change per Canadian do	llar <sup>44,45</sup> \$ 10

- [42] Based on sales of Canfor-produced product, including 100% of the production from Scotch Gulf and Beadles & Balfour and excluding results of Anthony.
- [43] Excluding impacts of exchange rate, freight, discounting, potential change in fibre costs and other deductions.
- (44) Includes 100% of CPPI.
- (45) Represents impact on operating income. Decrease of US\$0.01 per Canadian dollar results in an increase to pre-tax annual earnings and an increase of US\$0.01 per Canadian dollar results in a decrease to pre-tax annual earnings.

#### **GOVERNMENT AND OTHER REGULATIONS**

Canfor is subject to a wide range of general and industryspecific environmental, health and safety, building and product standards and other laws and regulations imposed by federal, provincial and local authorities, including those governing the use, storage, handling, generation, treatment, emission, release, discharge and disposal of certain hazardous materials and wastes, the remediation of contaminated soil and ground water, the use and design values of Canfor's products and the health and safety of employees. Further, certain agreements and contracts relating to the ownership or transfer of forestry tenures and licenses are subject to review by applicable regulatory bodies. If Canfor is unable to extend or renew a material license or permit required by such laws, any transfer is challenged by a regulatory body, or if there is a delay in renewing any material approval, license or permit, Canfor's business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows could be materially adversely affected. Future events such as any changes in these laws and regulations or any change in their interpretation or enforcement, or the discovery of currently unknown conditions, may give rise to additional expenditures or liabilities.

### LABOUR AGREEMENTS AND COMPETITION FOR PROFESSIONAL SKILLED LABOUR

Canfor ratified new five year collective agreements with the USW (United Steelworkers) in late 2013, with terms expiring on June 30, 2018. The Company's collective agreement with the PPWC (Pulp, Paper and Woodworkers of Canada) at its' Mackenzie lumber operation was extended until June 2019 under the same terms and conditions of the USW collective agreement ratified in June 2013. Canfor's collective agreement with Unifor for its Grande Prairie lumber operation was ratified in late 2014 and expires September 30, 2017. In addition, CPPI's collective agreements with the CEP and PPWC have terms expiring on April 30, 2017. Any inability to negotiate acceptable contracts with the unions as they expire could result in a strike or work stoppage by the affected workers and increased operating costs as a result of higher wages or benefits paid to unionized workers

Market conditions may cause shortages of both professional and skilled labour, which could have an adverse impact on the operation and management of Canfor's facilities.

#### MAINTENANCE OBLIGATIONS AND FACILITY DISRUPTIONS

Canfor's manufacturing processes are vulnerable to operational problems that could impair its ability to manufacture its products. Canfor could experience a breakdown in any of its machines, or other important equipment, and from time to time, planned or unplanned maintenance outages that cannot be performed safely or efficiently during operations must be conducted. Such disruptions could cause a significant loss of production, which could have a material adverse effect on Canfor's business, financial condition and operating results.

#### MOUNTAIN PINE BEETLE

As noted earlier in this document (Section (iv) of the Overview of 2015), timber affected by the Mountain Pine Beetle remained the focus for Canfor harvesting activities in BC as it has been for the past decade and will continue to be in 2016 for many of the operations. To ensure that sufficient dead pine is being harvested to sustain the current allowable harvest rates and minimize impacts to the mid-term timber supply, the British Columbia Provincial Government has instituted "partitions" in a number of timber supply areas. These partitions cap the harvest of non-pine species in the short-term, and will be revisited as the availability of merchantable dead pine stands declines. This is currently the case within the Prince George and Morice Timber Supply Areas. The Company maintains a significant focus on salvage harvesting and achieving these partitions where applicable.

The focus on salvage harvesting and achievement of required harvest partitions will have an upward pressure on harvesting costs, as a result of smaller piece sizes, lower volumes per hectare and increasing haul distances. These will be offset somewhat by the transition to green or mixed stands (lower cost and/or higher quality) in some areas as partitions start to be removed or become less constraining and by uplifted harvest levels in others. The impact of the infestation on Canfor's operations continues to be manageable in the short-term and the Company has taken steps to minimize its exposure to reductions in annual allowable harvests and to ensure a sufficient supply for its existing operations.

In Alberta, as a result of proactive industry and government efforts, the Mountain Pine Beetle infestation is still significantly less wide-spread than was experienced through the BC Interior. Detection surveys in 2015 have indicated a declining rate of spread in many areas. The largest and most successful beetle populations are found in the West Central and Northwestern parts of the Province, particularly within the Jasper National Park boundary. An accelerated harvest of susceptible pine on the Canfor FMA area since 2009 in conjunction with government control efforts, has helped contain the spread in this area. On the other hand, pine mortality in areas north of the Peace River, including the Canfor quota area, has been extensive and harvesting objectives are now focused on salvage rather than spread prevention. The significant AAC increase approved for the quota area has maximized the opportunity to harvest infected pine stands before significant reduction in log quality occurs. In addition, the Alberta government has committed funds for the rehabilitation of dead pine stands that have not been harvested due to merchantability limitations. In 2014 Canfor initiated a project on the FMA area under the MPB Rehabilitation Program that resulted in the reforestation of approximately 312 hectares of infested area. This program is continuing in 2016 with treatment and reforestation of an additional 33 hectares. The project includes a significant research component that will help forest practitioners determine optimal rehabilitation treatments in MPB killed stands that have not been subject to commercial harvesting.

#### RESIDUAL FIBRE REVENUES

Wood chips are a residual product of Canfor's lumber manufacturing process and are primarily sold to CPPI. These chips are the principal raw material utilized by CPPI in its pulp manufacturing operations. Canfor has a Chip Supply Agreement with CPPI, which contains a pricing formula that currently results in CPPI paying Canfor a price for wood chips based on pulp markets and CPPI's product mix. In 2015, Canfor provided approximately 61% of CPPI's chip requirements. If market conditions caused CPPI to cease pulp operations for an extended period of time, Canfor would have a limited market for its chip supply and this could affect its ability to run its sawmills economically. Similarly, if lumber market conditions were such that Canfor is unable to provide the current volume of chips to CPPI as a result of sawmill closures, whether temporary or permanent, CPPI's financial results could be materially affected.

Bark hog is a residual product of Canfor's lumber manufacturing process. Bark hog has exhibited increasing value to Canfor over the past several years. It is utilized in Canfor's bark-fueled thermal oil energy systems to dry lumber and is sold predominately to Pulp customers, including CPPI, to be used in the generation of steam to manufacture power and heat.

Currently, sales of sawdust and shavings are made primarily to other customers and the demand is increasing and robust. To enhance fibre utilization in northern BC, Canfor has completed the construction of a pellet plant in Chetwynd, and is completing the construction of a pellet plant in Fort St. John.

#### SOFTWOOD LUMBER AGREEMENT

On October 12, 2015, the Softwood Lumber Agreement expired. The SLA provides a standstill period of one year following the expiry of the SLA during which no trade actions may be imposed for the importation of softwood lumber from Canada to the US. It is uncertain whether a new agreement between the Governments of Canada and the US will be reached. In the event no agreement is reached, there is a significant risk of US trade action being initiated against Canadian lumber producers which could result in the imposition of duties on lumber shipments to the US.

#### STUMPAGE RATES

The BC government introduced a Market Pricing System ("MPS") for the BC Interior on July 1, 2006. On July 1, 2010 the Ministry of Forests and Range (the "Ministry") implemented changes to the interior market pricing system for timber, and from a stumpage distribution perspective, transitioned over two years to a system more sensitive to market forces such as lumber market pricing and competition for supply of logs through the BC Timber Sales (BCTS) program, both of which could have a material impact on stumpage rates and Canfor's business. These changes dealt with issues raised by the MPB epidemic and included the introduction of "stand-as-a-whole" pricing with cruise-based billing for MPB damaged timber. For stands with 35% or more MPB damaged timber a single stumpage rate is established with billing based on the cruise rather than scaling. For these stands, determination of log grades is not necessary. Intended impacts of these changes is increased overall market sensitivity of interior timber pricing and improved utilization of low value material.

Canfor is actively participating in discussions on MPS with the Ministry, which is scheduled for its tenth annual update on July 1, 2016. Canfor will continue to seek to manage and reduce the stumpage costs for its BC Interior operations under the stumpage appraisal system. The near-term imperative is to ensure that the stumpage system accurately reflects the market value of timber and various operating conditions, is responsive to the deteriorating quality of the beetle-impacted fibre, and is based upon an adequate supply of BCTS sales that accurately represents market level activity. Further changes to the BC Interior market driven stumpage system and resultant stumpage rates could have a material impact on Canfor's business.

The Alberta government will be reviewing their provincial stumpage rates (timber dues) and a possible adjustment to the general rate of timber dues could occur sometime in 2016.

#### TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Canfor relies primarily on third parties for transportation of its products, as well as delivery of raw materials, a significant portion of which are transported by railroad, trucks and ships. If any of Canfor's third party transportation providers were to fail to deliver the raw materials or products or distribute them in a timely manner, Canfor may be unable to sell those products at full value, or at all, or unable to manufacture its products in response to customer demand, which could have a material adverse effect on Canfor's financial condition and operating results. In addition, if any of these third parties were to cease operations, suffer labour-related disruptions, or cease doing business with Canfor, the Company's operations or cost structure may be adversely impacted. Transportation services may also be impacted by seasonal factors, which could impact the timely delivery of raw materials and distribution of products to customers and have a resulting material adverse impact on Canfor's financial condition and operating results. As a result of increased government regulation on truck driver work hours and rail capacity constraints access to adequate transportation capacity has at times been strained and could affect Canfor's ability to move its log, lumber and wood chips at market competitive prices.

#### **WOOD DUST MANAGEMENT**

The wood products industry and government regulators continue to make the management of combustible wood dust within sawmill manufacturing facilities a high priority. Specifically, Canfor continues to take extensive steps to mitigate the risks of a combustible dust incident in our facilities, including significant capital investment, a formalized wood dust control program, and extensive employee training. Regulatory agencies across the Province of British Columbia, including WorkSafeBC, BC Safety Authority, and the Office of the Fire Commissioner have implemented various regulatory and inspection initiatives related to wood dust management. Additional regulatory initiatives up to and including stop work conditions within the industry have occurred, and continue to be a possibility.

#### **OUTSTANDING SHARE DATA**

At December 31, 2015 and February 17, 2016, there were 132,804,543 common shares issued and outstanding.

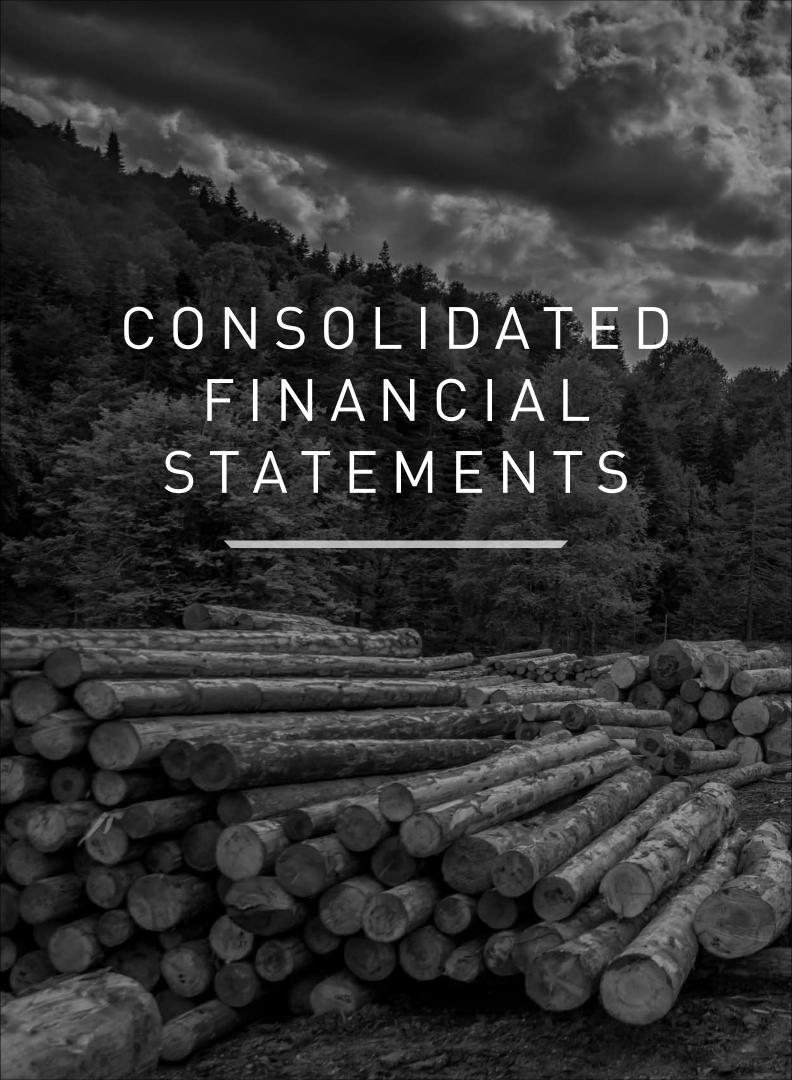
#### DISCLOSURE CONTROLS AND INTERNAL CONTROLS OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

The Company has established disclosure controls and procedures to ensure that information disclosed in this MD&A and the related financial statements was properly recorded, processed, summarized and reported to the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee. The Company's chief executive officer ("CEO") and chief financial officer ("CFO") have evaluated the effectiveness of these disclosure controls and procedures for the year ended December 31, 2015, and have concluded that they are effective. As of December 31, 2015, the scope of the Company's design of disclosure controls and procedures ("DC&P") and internal controls over financial reporting ("ICFR") has been limited to exclude controls, policies and procedures of the Scotch Gulf, Beadles & Balfour, Southern Lumber and Anthony businesses acquired during 2015, as we have not yet completed an evaluation of these controls and procedures

nor designed and implemented any necessary changes. The Company intends to include such controls, policies and procedures within the design of DC&P and ICFR during 2016. The acquisitions accounted for 8.8% and 9.7%, respectively, of the Company's total consolidated sales and net assets in 2015. Additional information about the acquisitions is provided in Note 30 of Canfor's consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended December 31, 2015.

The CEO and CFO acknowledge responsibility for the design of ICFR, and confirm that there were no changes in these controls that occurred during the year ended December 31, 2015 which materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's ICFR. Based upon their evaluation of these controls for the year ended December 31, 2015, the CEO and CFO have concluded that these controls are operating effectively.

Additional information about the Company, including its 2015 Annual Information Form, is available at www.sedar.com or at www.canfor.com.



#### **MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY**

The information and representations in these consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of management and have been approved by the Board of Directors. The consolidated financial statements were prepared by management in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and, where necessary, reflect management's best estimates and judgments at this time. It is reasonably possible that circumstances may arise which cause actual results to differ. Management does not believe it is likely that any differences will be material.

Canfor Corporation maintains systems of internal accounting controls, policies and procedures to provide reasonable assurance as to the reliability of the financial records and the safeguarding of its assets.

The Board of Directors is responsible for ensuring that management fulfills its responsibilities for financial reporting and is ultimately responsible for reviewing and approving the financial statements. The Board carries out these activities primarily through its Audit Committee.

The Audit Committee is comprised of three Directors who are not employees of the Company. The Committee meets periodically throughout the year with management, external auditors and internal auditors to review their respective responsibilities, results of the reviews of internal accounting controls, policies and procedures and financial reporting matters. The external and internal auditors meet separately with the Audit Committee.

The consolidated financial statements have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors. The consolidated financial statements have been audited by KPMG LLP, the external auditors, whose report follows.

February 17, 2016

Don B. Kayne President and

Chief Executive Officer

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Alan Nicholl
Senior Vice-President, Finance
and Chief Financial Officer

#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

#### TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF CANFOR CORPORATION

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Canfor Corporation, which comprise the consolidated balance sheet as at December 31, 2015, the consolidated statement of income, the consolidated statement of other comprehensive income (loss), changes in equity and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes, comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

### MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### **AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITY**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, we

consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### OPINION

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Canfor Corporation as at December 31, 2015, and its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.

#### **COMPARATIVE INFORMATION**

The consolidated financial statements of Canfor Corporation as at and for the year ended December 31, 2014 were audited by another auditor who expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statements on February 4, 2015.

February 17, 2016

LPMG LLP

KPMG LLP

Chartered Accountants
Vancouver, British Columbia

## **CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**

(millions of Canadian dollars)	As at December 31, 2015	As at December 31, 2014
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 97.5	\$ 158.3
Restricted cash (Note 30)	Ψ //.s	50.2
Accounts receivable - Trade	191.8	91.3
- Other	61.1	38.8
Inventories (Note 5)	587.2	517.7
Prepaid expenses and other assets	53.2	46.3
Total current assets	990.8	902.6
Property, plant and equipment (Note 6)	1,445.1	1,216.1
Timber licenses (Note 7)	515.2	519.5
Goodwill and other intangible assets (Note 8)	241.0	105.0
Retirement benefit surplus (Note 13)	2.7	0.6
Long-term investments and other (Note 9)	98.6	101.3
Deferred income taxes, net (Note 21)	1.2	1.7
Total assets	\$ 3,294.6	\$ 2,846.8
Total assets	Ψ 0,274.0	Ψ 2,040.0
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Operating loans (Note 11)	\$ 158.0	\$ 68.0
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 10)	350.3	305.8
Current portion of deferred reforestation obligations (Note 14)	50.7	52.1
Forward purchase liability (Note 30)	76.1	-
Total current liabilities	635.1	425.9
Long-term debt (Note 12)	456.2	228.6
Retirement benefit obligations (Note 13)	258.6	263.2
Deferred reforestation obligations (Note 14)	61.6	60.0
Other long-term liabilities	20.1	19.6
Forward purchase liability (Note 30)	43.0	-
Deferred income taxes, net (Note 21)	192.3	211.9
Total liabilities	\$ 1,666.9	\$ 1,209.2
EQUITY		
Share capital (Note 17)	\$ 1.047.7	\$ 1.068.0
Contributed surplus and other equity	(74.5)	31.9
Retained earnings	257.7	260.1
Accumulated foreign exchange translation of foreign operations	100.0	27.2
Total equity attributable to equity shareholders of the Company	1,330.9	1,387.2
Non-controlling interests (Note 18)	296.8	250.4
Total equity	\$ 1,627.7	\$ 1.637.6
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 1,827.7	\$ 2,846.8

Commitments (Notes 25, 30 & 32) & Subsequent Events (Note 32)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD

Director, R.S. Smith

Director, M.J. Korenberg

## **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME**

Year ended December 31 (millions of Canadian dollars, except per share data)	2015	2014
Sales	\$ 3,925.3	\$ 3,347.6
Costs and expenses		
Manufacturing and product costs	2,780.8	2,201.9
Freight and other distribution costs	646.9	548.6
Export taxes	28.1	-
Amortization	214.0	182.5
Selling and administration costs	89.8	78.5
Restructuring, mill closure and severance costs (Note 16)	24.7	6.8
	3,784.3	3,018.3
Equity income (Note 9)	0.6	-
Operating income	141.6	329.3
Finance expense, net [Note 20]	(24.9)	(18.2)
Foreign exchange loss on long-term debt	(5.9)	-
Loss on derivative financial instruments (Note 27)	(28.1)	(8.9)
Other income (expense), net	27.7	(4.2)
Net income before income taxes	110.4	298.0
Income tax expense (Note 21)	(18.5)	(76.2)
Net income	\$ 91.9	\$ 221.8
Net income attributable to:		
Equity shareholders of the Company	\$ 24.7	\$ 175.2
Non-controlling interests (Note 18)	67.2	46.6
Net income	\$ 91.9	\$ 221.8
Net income per common share: [in Canadian dollars]		
Attributable to equity shareholders of the Company		
- Basic and diluted (Note 17)	\$ 0.18	\$ 1.28

 $The \ accompanying \ notes \ are \ an \ integral \ part \ of \ these \ consolidated \ financial \ statements.$ 

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS) AND CHANGES IN EQUITY

Year ended December 31 (millions of Canadian dollars)		2015		2014
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)				
Net income	\$	91.9	\$	221.8
Other comprehensive income (loss)	Ψ	/1./	Ψ	221.0
Items that will not be recycled through net income:				
Defined benefit plan actuarial gains (losses) (Note 13)		28.4		(115.7)
Income tax recovery (expense) on defined benefit actuarial gains (losses) (Note 21)		(7.3)		30.5
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Items that may be recycled through net income:		21.1		(03.2)
Foreign exchange translation of foreign operations, net of tax		72.8		22.7
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax		93.9		(62.5)
	\$	185.8	\$	159.3
Total comprehensive income	Ф	100.0	Ф	107.3
Total comprehensive income attributable to:				
Equity shareholders of the Company	\$	115.9	\$	122.2
Non-controlling interests (Note 18)	•	69.9	Ψ	37.1
Total comprehensive income	\$	185.8	\$	159.3
Total comprehensive medine	Ψ	100.0	Ψ	107.0
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY				
Share capital				
Balance at beginning of year	\$	1,068.0	\$	1,103.7
Share purchases (Note 17)		(20.3)		(35.7)
Balance at end of year (Note 17)	\$	1,047.7	\$	1,068.0
Contributed surplus and other equity				
Balance at beginning of year	\$	31.9	\$	31.9
Forward purchase liabilities related to acquisitions (Note 30)	Ψ	(106.4)	Ψ	31.7
Balance at end of year	\$	(74.5)	\$	31.9
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Retained earnings				
Balance at beginning of year	\$	260.1	\$	234.2
Net income attributable to equity shareholders of the Company		24.7		175.2
Defined benefit plan actuarial gains (losses), net of tax		18.4		(75.7)
Share purchases (Note 17)		(38.9)		(73.2)
Acquisition of non-controlling interests (Note 17)		(6.6)		(0.4)
Balance at end of year	\$	257.7	\$	260.1
Accumulated foreign exchange translation				
Balance at beginning of year	\$	27.2	\$	4.5
Foreign exchange translation of foreign operations, net of tax		72.8		22.7
Balance at end of year	\$	100.0	\$	27.2
Total equity attributable to equity holders of the Company	\$	1,330.9	\$	1,387.2
Non-controlling interests				
Balance at beginning of year	\$	250.4	\$	223.1
Net income attributable to non-controlling interests		67.2		46.6
Defined benefit plan actuarial gains (losses) attributable to non-controlling interests, net of taxes		2.7		(9.5)
Distributions to non-controlling interests		(56.8)		(10.2)
Acquisition of non-controlling interests (Note 17)		(19.0)		(1.6)
Non-controlling interests arising on acquisitions (Note 30)		52.3		2.0
Balance at end of year (Note 18)	\$	296.8	\$	250.4
Total equity	\$	1,627.7	\$	1,637.6

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

Year ended December 31 (millions of Canadian dollars)	2015	2014
Cash generated from (used in):		
Operating activities		
Net income	\$ 91.9	\$ 221.8
Items not affecting cash:		
Amortization	214.0	182.5
Income tax expense	18.5	76.2
Long-term portion of deferred reforestation obligations	(2.0)	(10.9)
Foreign exchange loss on long-term debt	5.9	-
Changes in mark-to-market value of derivative financial instruments	(4.1)	9.1
Employee future benefits	16.8	12.4
Finance expense, net	24.9	18.2
Mill closure provisions	19.4	-
Other, net	2.8	19.4
Defined benefit plan contributions, net	(5.9)	(29.7)
Income taxes paid, net	(61.3)	(39.5)
	320.9	459.5
Net change in non-cash working capital (Note 22)	(66.3)	(73.6)
	254.6	385.9
Financing activities		
Change in operating bank loans (Note 11)	90.0	(7.2)
Proceeds from long-term debt (Note 12)	388.4	75.0
Repayment of long-term debt (Note 12)	(175.0)	-
Finance expenses paid	(12.7)	(11.4)
Share purchases (Note 17)	(59.2)	(108.9)
Acquisition of non-controlling interests (Note 17)	(25.3)	(2.0)
Cash distributions paid to non-controlling interests	(56.8)	(10.2)
	149.4	(64.7)
Investing activities		
Additions to property, plant and equipment, timber and intangible assets, net	(240.0)	(234.3)
Acquisitions (Note 30)	(263.4)	(9.9)
Timber investment loan (Note 9)	(30.0)	-
Proceeds received on sale of Lakeland Winton (Note 9)	15.0	-
Change in restricted cash (Note 30)	50.2	(50.2)
Proceeds received on sale of Daaquam sawmill (Note 28)	-	23.6
Other, net	(9.8)	11.9
	(478.0)	(258.9)
Foreign exchange gain on cash and cash equivalents	13.2	6.5
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents*	(8.08)	68.8
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year*	158.3	89.5
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year*	\$ 97.5	\$ 158.3

 $<sup>{}^{*}\</sup>text{Cash}$  and cash equivalents include cash on hand less unpresented cheques.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

## NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 (millions of Canadian dollars unless otherwise noted)

#### 1. REPORTING ENTITY

Canfor Corporation is a company incorporated and domiciled in Canada and listed on The Toronto Stock Exchange. The address of the Company's registered office is 100-1700 West 75th Avenue, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, V6P 6G2. The consolidated financial statements of the Company as at and for the year ended December 31, 2015 comprise the Company and its subsidiaries (together referred to as "Canfor" or "the Company") and the Company's interests in associates and jointly controlled entities.

Canfor is an integrated forest products company with facilities in Canada and the United States ("US"). The Company produces softwood lumber, pulp and paper products, remanufactured lumber products, engineered wood products, wood pellets and energy.

#### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

#### STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The consolidated financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB").

The consolidated financial statements were authorized for issue by the Board of Directors on February 17, 2016.

#### **BASIS OF MEASUREMENT**

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, except for the following material items:

- Financial instruments classified as fair value through profit and loss are measured at fair value;
- Equity investments are initially recognized at cost and subsequently increased or decreased to recognize the inventor's share of the investee's equity;
- Asset retirement obligations and deferred reforestation obligations are measured at the discounted value of expected future cash flows; and
- The retirement benefit surplus and obligation related to the defined benefit pension plans is the net of the accrued benefit obligation and the fair value of the plan assets.

#### **USE OF ESTIMATES AND JUDGMENTS**

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRS requires management to make

judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Canfor regularly reviews its estimates and assumptions; however, it is possible that circumstances may arise which may cause actual results to differ from management estimates, and these differences could be material. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

Information about the significant areas of estimation uncertainty and critical judgments in applying accounting policies that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognized in the consolidated financial statements is included in the applicable notes:

- ▶ Note 6 Property, Plant and Equipment;
- Note 7 Timber Licenses;
- Note 8 Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets;
- Note 9 Long-Term Investments and Other;
- Note 13 Employee Future Benefits;
- Note 14 Deferred Reforestation Obligations;
- Note 15 Asset Retirement Obligations;
- Note 16 Restructuring, Mill Closure and Severance Costs;
- Note 21 Income Taxes; and
- Note 30 Acquisition.

#### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been applied to the financial information presented.

#### **BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION**

Subsidiaries are entities controlled by the Company. Control exists when Canfor is able to govern the financial and operating activities of those other entities to generate returns for the Company. Inter-company transactions, balances and unrealized gains and losses on transactions between different entities

within the Company are eliminated. Significant subsidiaries include Canadian Forest Products Ltd. and New South Companies, Inc. ("New South"), which are wholly owned, and Canfor Pulp Products Inc. ("CPPI"), which is 51.9% owned. During 2015, the Company completed the third phase of the purchase of the lumber business of Scotch & Gulf Lumber, LLC ("Scotch Gulf"), increasing its ownership to 50% and completed the first phase of the purchase of the lumber business of Beadles Lumber Company & Balfour Lumber Company Inc.

("Beadles & Balfour"), representing an initial 55% ownership interest. Canfor is scheduled to acquire the remaining 50% of Scotch Gulf in July 2016 and the remaining 45% of Beadles & Balfour in January 2017. In 2015, Canfor also acquired Southern Lumber Company Inc. ("Southern Lumber") and Anthony Forest Products Company ("Anthony"), which are wholly owned.

Associates are those entities in which Canfor exercises significant influence, but not control, over financial and operating policies. Unless circumstances indicate otherwise, significant influence is presumed to exist when Canfor holds between 20 and 50 percent of the voting power of another entity. Associates are accounted for using the equity method and are recognized initially at cost. The consolidated financial statements include Canfor's share of the post-acquisition income and expenses and equity movement of these equity accounted investees.

Joint ventures are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. As part of the acquisition of Anthony, Canfor acquired a 50% interest in Anthony EACOM Inc., a joint venture that owns and operates an I-joist facility located in Sault St. Marie, Ontario (Note 9).

#### **BUSINESS COMBINATIONS**

Business combinations are accounted for using the acquisition method as at the acquisition date. Canfor measures goodwill at the acquisition date as the fair value of the consideration transferred including any non-controlling interest less the fair value of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed. When the excess is negative, a bargain purchase gain is recognized immediately in net income. Transaction costs in connection with business combinations are expensed as incurred.

#### CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in bank accounts and highly liquid money market instruments with maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition, and are valued at cost, which approximates market value. Cash is presented net of unpresented cheques. When the amount of unpresented cheques is greater than the amount of cash, the net amount is presented as cheques issued in excess of cash on hand. Interest is earned at variable rates dependent on the amount, credit quality and term of the Company's deposit.

#### FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

#### NON-DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Non-derivative financial instruments comprise investments in equity securities, trade and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents, loans and advances, and trade and other payables. Non-derivative financial instruments are recognized initially at fair value plus, for instruments not at fair value through net income, any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, non-derivative financial instruments are measured as described below:

Financial assets at fair value through net income - An instrument is classified at fair value through net income if it is held for trading or is designated as such upon initial recognition. Financial instruments at fair value through net income are measured at fair value, and changes therein are recognized in the statements of income, with attributable transaction costs being recognized in net income when incurred.

Available for sale financial assets - Available for sale financial assets are non-derivatives that are either designated in this category or not classified in any other categories. These are measured at fair value through other comprehensive income.

Loans and receivables - Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. These are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses. The effective interest method is used to spread the total costs of or income from a financial instrument over the life of the instrument. Financial assets included within this category for Canfor are trade and other receivables, and cash and cash equivalents.

Other liabilities - All of Canfor's financial liabilities are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method.

#### DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Canfor uses derivative financial instruments in the normal course of its operations as a means to manage its foreign exchange, interest rate, lumber and pulp price and energy price risk. Canfor's policy is not to utilize derivative financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes.

Canfor's derivative financial instruments are not designated as hedges for accounting purposes. Consequently, such derivatives for which hedge accounting is not applied are carried on the balance sheet at fair value, with changes in fair value (realized and unrealized) being recognized in the statements of income as 'Gain (loss) on derivative financial instruments'.

The fair value of the derivatives is determined with reference to period end market trading prices for derivatives with comparable characteristics.

#### **INVENTORIES**

Inventories include logs, lumber, engineered wood products, pulp, kraft paper, chips, and materials and supplies. These are measured at the lower of cost and net realizable value. The cost of inventories is based on the weighted average cost principle, and includes raw materials, direct labour, other direct costs and related production overheads (based on normal operating capacity). Net realizable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less estimated costs of completion and selling expenses.

#### PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Items of property, plant and equipment are measured at cost less accumulated amortization and impairment losses.

Cost includes expenditures which are directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. The cost of self-constructed assets includes the cost of materials and direct labour, borrowing costs (as applicable), and any other costs directly attributable to bringing assets to be used in the manner intended by management.

The cost of replacing a major component of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognized in the carrying amount of the item if it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied within the part will flow to Canfor and its cost can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of the replaced component is removed. The costs of the day-to-day servicing of property, plant and equipment are recognized in net income as incurred.

Amortization is recognized in net income on a straightline basis over the estimated useful lives of each component of an item of property, plant and equipment, as set out in the table below. Land is not amortized. The significant majority of Canfor's amortization expense for property, plant and equipment relates to manufacturing and product costs.

Amortization methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each reporting date. The following rates have been applied to Canfor's capital assets:

Buildings	5 to 50 years
Pulp and kraft paper machinery and equipment	20 years
Sawmill machinery and equipment	5 to 15 years
Logging machinery and equipment	4 to 20 years
Logging roads and bridges	5 to 25 years
Mobile and other equipment	5 years

#### **TIMBER LICENSES**

Timber licenses include tree farm licenses, forest licenses and timber licenses with the Provinces of British Columbia and Alberta. Timber licenses are carried at cost less accumulated amortization. Renewable licenses are amortized using the straight-line method over 50 years, while non-renewable licenses are amortized over the period of the license.

#### OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

#### GOODWILL

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of a business acquisition over the fair value of Canfor's share of the net identifiable assets of the acquired subsidiary at the date of acquisition. Goodwill is tested annually for impairment and carried at cost less any accumulated impairment losses.

#### **CUSTOMER AGREEMENTS**

Canfor's customer agreements were acquired as part of the purchase of New South, and were recognized at fair value at the acquisition date. The customer agreements have a finite useful life and are carried at cost less accumulated amortization, which is recorded on a straight-line basis over 10 years.

#### COMPUTER SOFTWARE

Software development costs relate to major software systems purchased or developed by the Company. These costs are amortized on a straight-line basis over periods not exceeding five years.

#### **GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE**

Government assistance relating to the acquisition of property, plant and equipment is recorded as a reduction of the cost of the asset to which it relates, with any amortization calculated on the net amount. Government grants related to income are recognized as income or a reimbursement of costs on a systematic basis over the periods necessary to match them with the related costs which they were intended to compensate.

#### ASSET IMPAIRMENT

Canfor's property, plant and equipment, timber licenses and other intangible assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable.

An impairment loss is recognized in net income at the amount the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use. For the purposes of

assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash inflows that are largely independent of cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets (cash-generating units or "CGU").

Non-financial assets, other than goodwill, for which an impairment was recorded in a prior period are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at each reporting date. When an impairment loss is reversed, the increased carrying amount of the asset cannot exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of amortization) had no impairment loss been recognized in prior years.

For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill is allocated to the Company's operating divisions which represent the lowest level within the Company at which the goodwill is monitored for internal management purposes.

Financial assets are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is evidence indicating they are impaired. A financial asset is considered to be impaired if objective evidence indicates that one or more events have had a negative impact on estimated future cash flows from that asset. An impairment loss in respect of a financial asset measured at amortized cost is calculated as the difference between its carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the original effective interest rate. All impairment losses are recognized in net income.

#### **EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

#### **DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLANS**

A defined contribution plan is a post-employment benefit plan under which an entity makes contributions to a separate entity and has no legal or constructive obligation to pay further amounts. Obligations for contributions to defined contribution pension plans are recognized as an employee benefit expense when they are earned.

For hourly employees covered by industry union defined contribution pension plans, the statements of income are charged with the Company's contributions required under the collective agreements.

#### DEFINED BENEFIT PLANS

A defined benefit plan is a post-employment benefit plan other than a defined contribution plan. Canfor has various defined benefit plans that provide both pension and other retirement benefits to most of its salaried employees and certain hourly employees not covered by forest industry union plans. Canfor also provides certain health care benefits and pension bridging benefits to eligible retired employees.

The surplus and obligation recognized in the balance sheet in respect of a defined benefit pension plan is the net of the accrued benefit obligation and the fair value of the plan assets. The accrued benefit obligation, the related service cost and, where applicable, the past service cost is determined separately for each defined benefit pension plan based on actuarial determinations using the projected unit credit method. Under the projected unit credit method, the accrued benefit obligation is calculated as the present value of each member's prospective benefits earned in respect of credited service prior to the valuation date and the related service cost is calculated as the present value of the benefits the member is assumed to earn for credited service in the ensuing year. The actuarial assumptions used in these calculations, such as salary escalation and health

care inflation, are based upon best estimates selected by Canfor. The discount rate assumptions are based on the yield at the reporting date on high quality corporate bonds that have maturity dates approximating the terms of Canfor's obligations.

Actuarial gains and losses can arise from differences between actual and expected outcomes or changes in the actuarial assumptions. Actuarial gains and losses, including the return on plan assets, are recognized in other comprehensive income on a quarterly basis and in the period in which they occur.

#### **PROVISIONS**

Canfor recognizes a provision if, as a result of a past event, it has a present legal or constructive obligation that can be estimated reliably, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. The provision recorded is management's best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the present obligation at the end of the reporting period. Provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the liability. The expense arising from the unwinding of the discount due to the passage of time is recorded as a finance cost. The main classes of provision recognized by Canfor are as follows:

#### ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATIONS

Canfor recognizes a liability for asset retirement obligations in the period in which they are incurred. The site restoration costs are capitalized as part of the cost of the related item of property, plant and equipment and amortized on a basis consistent with the expected useful life of the related asset. Asset retirement obligations are discounted at the risk-free rate in effect at the balance sheet date.

#### DEFERRED REFORESTATION OBLIGATIONS

Forestry legislation in British Columbia and Alberta requires Canfor to incur the cost of reforestation of its forest, timber and tree farm licenses and forest management agreements. Accordingly, Canfor records a liability for the costs of reforestation in the period in which the timber is harvested. In periods subsequent to the initial measurement, changes in the liability resulting from the passage of time and revisions to management's estimates are recognized in net income as they occur. Deferred reforestation obligations are discounted at the risk-free rate in effect at the balance sheet date.

#### RESTRUCTURING

A provision for restructuring is recognized when Canfor has approved a detailed and formal restructuring plan, which may include the indefinite or permanent closure of one of its operations, and the restructuring either has commenced or has been announced publicly. Provisions are not recognized for future operating costs.

#### SHARE-BASED COMPENSATION

Canfor has one share-based compensation plan, as described in Note 19. Compensation expense is recognized for Canfor's Deferred Share Unit ("DSU") Plans when the DSUs are granted, with a corresponding increase to liabilities. The liability is remeasured at each reporting date and at settlement date, with any changes in the fair value of the liability recognized as compensation expense in net income. The fair value of the DSUs is determined with reference to the market price of Canfor's shares as at the date of valuation.

#### REVENUE RECOGNITION

Canfor's revenues are derived from the sale of lumber, engineered wood products, pulp, kraft paper, residual fibre, logs and energy. Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable net of applicable sales taxes, returns, rebates and discounts and after eliminating sales within the Company. Revenue is recognized when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer, recovery of the consideration is probable, the associated costs and possible returns of the goods can be estimated reliably, there is no continuing management involvement with the goods, and the amounts of revenue can be measured reliably.

Amounts charged to customers for shipping and handling are recognized as revenue, and shipping and handling costs incurred by Canfor are reported as a component of freight and other distribution costs. Lumber export taxes are recorded as a component of operating income.

#### **INCOME TAXES**

Income tax expense comprises current and deferred tax. Current and deferred taxes are recognized in net income except to the extent that they relate to items recognized directly in equity or in other comprehensive income.

Current tax is the expected tax payable or receivable on the taxable income or loss for the period, using the tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous periods.

Canfor recognizes deferred income tax in respect of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. Deferred income tax is measured at tax rates expected to be applied to the temporary differences when they reverse, based on the laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date.

A deferred income tax asset is recognized for unused tax losses, tax credits and deductible temporary differences, to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which they can be utilized. Deferred income tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realized.

Investment tax credits are credited to manufacturing and product costs in the period in which it becomes reasonably assured that the Company is entitled to them. Unused investment tax credits are recorded as other current or longterm assets in the Company's balance sheet, depending upon when the benefit is expected to be received.

#### FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION

Items included in the financial statements of each of the Company's entities are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (the "functional currency"). The consolidated financial statements are presented in Canadian dollars, which is the Company's functional currency.

The majority of Canfor's sales are denominated in foreign currencies, principally the US dollar. Transactions in foreign

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currencies are translated to the functional currencies of the respective entities at exchange rates on the dates of transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the reporting date are translated to the functional currency at the exchange rate on that date. Foreign currency differences arising on translation are recognized in net income.

The assets and liabilities of foreign operations, including goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on acquisition, are translated to the Canadian dollar at exchange rates on the reporting date. The income and expenses of foreign operations are translated to the Canadian dollar at exchange rates on the transaction dates. Foreign exchange differences are recognized in other comprehensive income, and recorded to the accumulated foreign exchange translation account. Canfor's foreign operations include New South, Scotch Gulf, Beadles & Balfour, Southern Lumber and Anthony, and all entities owned or partly owned by these entities.

#### SEGMENT REPORTING

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the chief operating decision-maker. Segment results reported to the chief operating decision-maker include items directly attributable to a segment as well as those that can be allocated on a reasonable basis. Unallocated items mainly comprise interest bearing liabilities, head office expenses, and income tax assets and liabilities. Segment capital expenditure is the total cost incurred during the period to acquire property, plant and equipment, timber licenses and intangible assets, other than goodwill.

#### 4. ACCOUNTING STANDARDS ISSUED AND NOT APPLIED

In May 2014, the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") issued IFRS 15, Revenue from Contracts with Customers, which will supersede IAS 18, Revenue, IAS 11, Construction Contracts and related interpretations. The new standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2018. The Company is in the process of assessing the impact, if any, on the financial statements of this new standard.

In July 2014, the IASB issued IFRS 9, Financial Instruments. The required adoption date for IFRS 9 is January 1, 2018 and the

Company is in the process of assessing the impact, if any, on the financial statements of this new standard.

In January 2016, the IASB issued IFRS 16, *Leases*, which will supersede IAS 17, *Leases* and related interpretations. The required adoption date for IFRS 16 is January 1, 2019 and the Company is in the process of assessing the impact, if any, on the financial statements of this new standard.

#### 5. INVENTORIES

(millions of Canadian dollars)	As at December 31, 2015	As at December 31, 2014
Logs	\$ 169.1	\$ 122.6
Finished products	285.4	281.0
Residual fibre	20.8	10.3
Processing materials and supplies	111.9	103.8
	\$ 587.2	<b>\$</b> 517.7

The above inventory balances are stated after inventory write-downs from cost to net realizable value. Write-downs at December 31, 2015 totaled \$0.5 million (December 31, 2014 - nil).

For the year ended December 31, 2015, costs of raw materials, consumables and finished products recognized as manufacturing and product costs amounted to \$1,353.1 million (2014 - \$1,038.8 million).

#### **6. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT**

(millions of Canadian dollars)	Land	Pulp and kraft paper mills	Solid Wood plants <sup>2</sup>	ass	Logging sets and other uipment	Total
Cost						
Balance at January 1, 2014	\$ 46.8	\$ 1,509.1	\$ 1,493.2	\$	199.4	\$ 3,248.5
Additions <sup>1</sup>	-	59.5	139.7		25.1	224.3
Disposals	(3.3)	(10.7)	(109.1)		(1.2)	(124.3)
Effect of movements in exchange rates	1.6	-	13.9		-	15.5
Balance at December 31, 2014	\$ 45.1	\$ 1,557.9	\$ 1,537.7	\$	223.3	\$ 3,364.0
Additions <sup>1</sup>	-	70.1	134.1		19.8	224.0
Acquisitions (Note 30)	4.1	-	165.9		0.7	170.7
Disposals	(1.7)	(42.7)	(88.6)		(14.1)	(147.1)
Effect of movements in exchange rates	4.0	-	54.6		0.2	58.8
Balance at December 31, 2015	\$ 51.5	\$ 1,585.3	\$ 1,803.7	\$	229.9	\$ 3,670.4
Amortization and impairment losses						
Balance at January 1, 2014	\$ (7.0)	\$ (985.0)	\$ (929.8)	\$	(174.8)	\$ (2,096.6)
Amortization for the year	-	(64.0)	(94.1)		(5.0)	(163.1)
Disposals	3.0	10.0	106.7		0.8	120.5
Effect of movements in exchange rates	-	-	(8.7)		-	(8.7)
Balance at December 31, 2014	\$ (4.0)	\$ (1,039.0)	\$ (925.9)	\$	(179.0)	\$ (2,147.9)
Amortization for the year	-	(64.8)	(118.5)		(7.6)	(190.9)
Disposals	1.5	42.0	86.0		13.2	142.7
Impairment losses	-	-	(4.6)		-	(4.6)
Effect of movements in exchange rates	-	-	(24.6)		-	(24.6)
Balance at December 31, 2015	\$ (2.5)	\$ (1,061.8)	\$ (987.6)	\$	(173.4)	\$ (2,225.3)
Carrying amounts						
At January 1, 2014	\$ 39.8	\$ 524.1	\$ 563.4	\$	24.6	\$ 1,151.9
At December 31, 2014	\$ 41.1	\$ 518.9	\$ 611.8	\$	44.3	\$ 1,216.1
At December 31, 2015	\$ 49.0	\$ 523.5	\$ 816.1	\$	56.5	\$ 1,445.1

- [1] Net of capital expenditures by CPPI that are financed by government grants.
- [2] Solid Wood plants include those sawmills, pellet plants, engineered wood products plants, chip plants, plywood and oriented strand board plants that are consolidated on a line-by-line basis.

Included in the above are assets under construction in the amount of \$48.6 million (2014 - \$82.3 million), which as at December 31, 2015 have not been amortized.

#### 7. TIMBER LICENSES

(millions of Canadian dollars)	
Cost	
Balance at January 1, 2014	\$ 824.3
Additions	-
Disposals	-
Balance at December 31, 2014	824.3
Additions	11.1
Disposals	-
Balance at December 31, 2015	\$ 835.4
Amortization and impairment losses	
Balance at January 1, 2014	\$ (289.7)
Amortization for the year	(15.1)
Disposals	-
Balance at December 31, 2014	(304.8
Amortization for the year	(15.4)
Disposals	-
Balance at December 31, 2015	\$ (320.2
Carrying amounts	
At January 1, 2014	\$ 534.6
At December 31, 2014	\$ 519.5
At December 31, 2015	\$ 515.2

Additions of \$11.1 million during 2015 related to the acquisition of a renewable forest license in the Kootenays of British Columbia.

#### 8. GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

			Other	<b>.</b>
(millions of Canadian dollars)	GC	odwill	Assets	Total
Cost				
Balance at January 1, 2014	\$	74.4	\$ 64.1	\$ 138.5
Additions		-	9.7	9.7
Disposals		-	(0.5)	(0.5)
Effect of movement in exchange rates		6.8	2.5	9.3
Balance at December 31, 2014	\$	81.2	\$ 75.8	\$ 157.0
Additions		-	9.2	9.2
Acquisitions (Note 30)		108.2	0.3	108.5
Disposals		-	(0.8)	(0.8)
Effect of movement in exchange rates		26.1	6.3	32.4
Balance at December 31, 2015	\$	215.5	\$ 90.8	\$ 306.3
Amortization				
Balance at January 1, 2014	\$	-	\$ (45.0)	\$ (45.0)
Amortization for the year		-	(5.1)	(5.1)
Disposals		-	0.2	0.2
Effect of movement in exchange rates		-	(2.1)	(2.1)
Balance at December 31, 2014	\$	-	\$ (52.0)	\$ (52.0)
Amortization for the year		-	(8.0)	(8.0)
Effect of movement in exchange rates		-	(5.3)	(5.3)
Balance at December 31, 2015	\$	-	\$ (65.3)	\$ (65.3)
Carrying amounts				
At January 1, 2014	\$	74.4	\$ 19.1	\$ 93.5
At December 31, 2014	\$	81.2	\$ 23.8	\$ 105.0
At December 31, 2015	\$	215.5	\$ 25.5	\$ 241.0

Goodwill relates to Canfor's US subsidiaries (New South, Scotch Gulf, Beadles & Balfour, Southern Lumber, and Anthony) and is denominated in US dollars. Goodwill is allocated separately to each acquired business and tested at that level for impairment purposes. The recoverable amount of the goodwill is determined for each past acquisition based on an assessment of the value in use that is estimated using a discounted cash flow model.

As part of the goodwill impairment assessment, assumptions are made in relation to forecast prices and exchange rates. Key assumptions used in the cash flow models

included forecast prices and foreign exchange rates which the Company's management determined with reference to external publications. A pre-tax discount rate of 11.0% and cost inflation rate of 2.0% were used for the purpose of the calculation in 2015 consistent with the calculation in 2014. The net present value of the future expected cash flows is compared to the carrying value of the Company's investment in these assets, including goodwill, at year end.

Based upon management's analysis, no impairment of goodwill was required in 2015 or 2014.

#### 9. LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS AND OTHER

(millions of Canadian dollars)	As at December 31, 2015	As at December 31, 2014
Investments	\$ 16.2	\$ 64.4
Conifex timber investment loan	30.5	-
Equity investment in Anthony EACOM Inc.	16.2	-
Lakeland Winton receivable	15.0	-
Term loan to Scotch Gulf (Note 30)	-	23.2
Other deposits, loans and advances	20.7	13.7
	\$ 98.6	\$ 101.3

On January 30, 2015 Canfor was deemed to have control of Scotch Gulf (Note 30). The acquisition method of accounting was applied on the acquisition date of January 30, 2015 and the equity investment in Scotch Gulf recorded in Long-Term Investments and Other was derecognised. The term loan between Canfor and Scotch Gulf was eliminated on consolidation of Scotch Gulf.

On July 1, 2015, the Company sold its 33.3% investment in Lakeland Mills Ltd. and Winton Global Lumber Ltd. ("Lakeland

Winton") to Robert Stewart Holdings Ltd. for consideration of \$30.0 million and recorded a gain of \$7.0 million in Other Income. The first installment of \$15.0 million was received on July 1, 2015 and the second installment for \$15.0 million is scheduled to be received on July 1, 2017 and is recorded as a receivable under Long-Term Investments and Other.

During 2015, the Company completed an investment agreement with Conifex Inc. ("Conifex"), a subsidiary of Conifex Timber Inc. As part of the agreement, Conifex issued a five-year

senior secured note payable to Canfor in the amount of \$30.0 million, secured by a forest license located in British Columbia with 200,000 cubic metres of annual allowable cut. Subsequent to December 31, 2015, Canfor exercised its option to convert the loan into an ownership interest in the forest license.

As part of the acquisition of Anthony, which was completed on October 30, 2015, Canfor acquired a 50% interest in Anthony

EACOM Inc., which owns an I-joist facility in Sault St. Marie, Ontario. Canfor's investment in Anthony EACOM Inc. is classified as a joint venture and is accounted for using the equity method of accounting. Since the acquisition, the Company's share of the joint venture's sales was \$3.8 million and net income was \$0.6 million. At December 31, 2015, the carrying value of the equity investment is \$16.2 million.

#### 10. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES

(millions of Canadian dollars)	Decen	As at ober 31, 2015	Decem	As at ober 31, 2014
Trade payables and accrued liabilities	\$	201.1	\$	170.6
Accrued payroll and related liabilities		103.9		84.3
Restructuring, mill closure and severance costs		11.5		8.3
Income taxes payable		-		15.1
Other		33.8		27.5
	\$	350.3	\$	305.8

#### 11. OPERATING LOANS

(millions of Canadian dollars)	As at December 31, 2015	Decer	As at mber 31, 2014
Canfor (excluding CPPI)			
Available Operating Loans:			
Operating loan facility - Canfor	\$ 350.0	\$	350.0
Facility for letters of credit - Canfor	39.7		37.5
Total operating loans - Canfor	389.7		387.5
Operating loan drawn	(158.0)		(68.0)
Letters of credit	[39.7]		(13.8)
Total available operating loans - Canfor (excluding CPPI)	\$ 192.0	\$	305.7
CPPI			
Available Operating Loans:			
Operating loan facility	\$ 110.0	\$	110.0
Facility for letters of credit related to energy agreements	20.0		20.0
Total operating loans - CPPI	130.0		130.0
Operating loan drawn	-		-
Energy letters of credit	[13.0]		(12.2)
Total available operating loans - CPPI	\$ 117.0	\$	117.8
Consolidated:			
Total operating loans	\$ 519.7	\$	517.5
Total available operating loans	\$ 309.0	\$	423.5

In 2015, Canfor's principal operating loans, excluding CPPI, were extended to September 28, 2020 and certain financial covenants were removed. Interest is payable on the operating loans at floating rates based on the lenders' Canadian prime rate, bankers acceptances, US dollar base rate or US dollar LIBOR rate, plus a margin that varies with the Company's debt to total capitalization ratio.

CPPI extended the maturity date on its operating loan facility to January 31, 2019 and also removed certain financial covenants in 2015. The terms of CPPI's operating loan facility also include interest payable at floating rates that vary depending on the ratio of debt to total capitalization and is based on lenders' Canadian prime rate, bankers acceptances, US dollar base rate or US dollar LIBOR rate, plus a margin.

Both Canfor's and CPPI's operating loan facilities have certain financial covenants, including maximum debt to total

capitalization ratios. In 2015, with the extension of both operating facilities, the financial covenants were modified to exclude minimum net worth covenants based on shareholders' equity.

Canfor (excluding CPPI) has a separate facility to cover letters of credit. At December 31, 2015, \$36.0 million of letters of credit are covered under this facility with the balance of \$3.7 million covered under Canfor's general operating loan facility.

CPPI has a separate facility to cover letters of credit. During 2015, CPPI extended the maturity on this facility to June 30, 2016. At December 31, 2015, \$9.4 million of letters of credit are covered under this facility with the balance of \$3.6 million covered under CPPI's general operating loan facility.

As at December 31, 2015, the Company and CPPI are in compliance with all covenants relating to their operating loans. Substantially all borrowings of CPPI (operating loans and long-term debt) are non-recourse to other entities within the Company.

Canfor has the following long-term debt, all of which is unsecured:

#### SUMMARY OF LONG-TERM DEBT

(millions of Canadian dollars)	As at December 31, 2015	Decen	As at nber 31, 2014
Privately placed senior notes			
Canfor Corporation			
CAD\$125.0 million, floating interest, repayable September 28, 2020	\$ 125.0	\$	-
US\$100.0 million, floating interest, repayable September 28, 2023	138.4		-
US\$100.0 million, fixed interest of 4.40%, repayable in three tranches on			
October 2023, 2024 and 2025	138.4		-
CAD\$100.0 million, floating interest, repayable February 13, 2017	-		100.0
CAD\$75.0 million, floating interest, repayable November 14, 2019	-		75.0
Other <sup>3</sup>	4.4		3.6
Canfor Pulp Products Inc.			
CAD\$50.0 million, floating interest, repayable November 5, 2018	50.0		50.0
	\$ 456.2	\$	228.6

(3) Amount relates to net financing for specific capital projects at Canfor's US sawmills.

During the year, the Company repaid \$175.0 million of its floating interest rate term debt and completed a new \$125.0 million floating interest rate term debt financing with the same syndicate of lenders with a maturity of September 28, 2020. The term debt financing was completed to rebalance the Company's debt levels prior to the completion of the US-dollar financings described below. Consistent with the Company's principal operating loan facility, interest is payable on the \$125.0 million term debt based on the lenders' Canadian prime rate, bankers acceptances, US dollar base rate or US dollar LIBOR rate, plus a margin that varies with the Company's debt to total capitalization ratio.

On October 2, 2015, the Company issued US\$100.0 million of senior unsecured notes, bearing interest at 4.40%. The notes mature in three tranches with US\$33.3 million due on each of October 2, 2023 and October 2, 2024 with the balance due on October 2, 2025.

On September 28, 2015, the Company entered into a new eight-year floating interest rate term loan for US\$100.0 million to further support its growth in the US. The debt is repayable on September 28, 2023 with interest payable based on LIBOR plus a margin.

All borrowings of the Company feature similar financial covenants, including a maximum debt to total capitalization ratio.

As at December 31, 2015, the Company and CPPI are in compliance with all covenants relating to their long-term debt.

#### FAIR VALUE OF TOTAL LONG-TERM DEBT

At December 31, 2015, the fair value of the Company's long-term debt is \$448.1 million (2014 - \$228.6 million).

#### 13. EMPLOYEE FUTURE BENEFITS

The Company has several funded and unfunded defined benefit pension plans, as well as defined contribution plans, that provide pension, other retirement and post-employment benefits to substantially all salaried employees and certain hourly employees. The defined benefit pension plans are based on years of service and final average salary. Canfor's other post-retirement benefit plans are non-contributory and include a range of health care and other benefits. Canfor also provides pension bridge benefits to certain eligible former employees.

Total cash payments for employee future benefits, net of withdrawals, for 2015 were \$37.1 million (2014 - \$56.2 million), consisting of cash contributed by Canfor to its funded pension plans, cash payments directly to beneficiaries for its unfunded other benefit plans, cash contributed to its defined contribution plans, and cash contributed to forest industry union defined benefit plans.

#### **DEFINED BENEFIT PLANS**

Canfor measures its accrued benefit obligations and the fair value of plan assets for accounting purposes as at December 31 of each year.

As at December 31, 2015, Canfor has three registered defined benefit pension plans for which actuarial valuations are performed every three years. The largest pension plan underwent an actuarial valuation for funding purposes as of December 31, 2013. The next actuarial valuation for funding purposes is currently scheduled for December 31, 2016. In addition, Canfor has a non-contributory plan that provides certain non-pension post-retirement benefits to its members. The non-contributory plan underwent an actuarial valuation for funding purposes in 2013, and is currently undergoing an actuarial valuation as at December 31, 2015, which will be completed in 2016.

Information about Canfor's defined benefit plans, in aggregate, is as follows:

#### FAIR MARKET VALUE OF PLAN ASSETS

	2015					20	4	
(millions of Canadian dollars)	Pension Benefit Plans		Other Benefit Plans		Pension Benefit Plans		Other Benefit Plans	
Beginning of year	\$	707.7	\$	-	\$	669.7	\$	-
Interest income on plan assets		27.0		-		32.1		-
Return on plan assets greater than discount rate		2.0		-		25.8		-
Employer contributions		17.4		5.2		23.6		5.2
Employee contributions		0.5		-		0.5		-
Benefit payments		(46.0)		(5.2)		(42.2)		(5.2)
Withdrawals		(18.6)		-		-		-
Administration expenses		(0.7)		-		(1.8)		-
End of year	\$	689.3	\$	-	\$	707.7	\$	-

Plan assets consist of the following:	As at December 31, 2015	As at December 31, 2014
Asset category	Percentage	of Plan Assets
Equity securities	22%	21%
Debt securities	77%	77%
Cash and cash equivalents and other	1%	2%
	100%	100%

#### ACCRUED BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS

	2015							
(millions of Canadian dollars)	Benefit Ben		Other Pension Benefit Benefit Plans Plans		Benefit	Othe Benef Plan		
Beginning of year	\$ 787.4	\$	177.5	\$	671.9	\$	154.3	
Current service cost	9.5		3.5		9.3		2.7	
Interest cost	29.9		6.7		31.3		7.2	
Employee contributions	0.5		-		0.5		-	
Benefit payments	(46.0)		(5.2)		(42.2)		(5.2)	
Plan amendments	3.2		-		-		_	
Actuarial loss (gain)	(11.3)		(16.2)		116.6		18.9	
Other	-		(1.1)		-		(0.4)	
End of year	\$ 773.2	\$	165.2	\$	787.4	\$	177.5	

Of the defined benefit plan obligations of \$773.2 million (2014 - \$787.4 million), \$701.3 million (2014 - \$758.4 million) relates to plans that are wholly or partly funded and \$71.9 million (2014 - \$29.0 million) relates to plans that are wholly unfunded. At December 31, 2015, certain liabilities for pension benefit plans were secured by a letter of credit in the amount of \$36.9 million (2014 - \$9.3 million). The total obligation for the other benefit plans of \$165.2 million (2014 - \$177.5 million) is unfunded.

#### RECONCILIATION OF FUNDED STATUS OF BENEFIT PLANS TO AMOUNTS RECORDED IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

		December	31, 2	December 31, 2015				31, 2014	
(millions of Canadian dollars)	Pension Other Benefit Benefit Plans Plans			Pension Benefit Plans		Other Benefit Plans			
Fair market value of plans assets	\$	689.3	\$	-	\$	707.7	\$	-	
Accrued benefit obligations		(773.2)		(165.2)		(787.4)		(177.5)	
Funded status of plans – deficit	\$	(83.9)	\$	(165.2)	\$	(79.7)	\$	(177.5)	
Other pension plans		(6.8)		-		(5.4)		-	
Total accrued benefit liability, net	\$	(90.7)	\$	(165.2)	\$	(85.1)	\$	(177.5)	

The net accrued benefit liability is included in Canfor's balance sheet as follows:

	December 31, 2015			December			2014	
(millions of Canadian dollars)		Benefit Be		Other Benefit Plans	ſ	Pension Benefit Plans		Other Benefit Plans
Retirement benefit surplus	\$ 2.7		\$	-	\$	0.6	\$	_
Retirement benefit obligations		(93.4)		(165.2)		(85.7)		(177.5)
Total accrued benefit liability, net	\$	(90.7)	\$	(165.2)	\$	(85.1)	\$	(177.5)

At December 31, 2015, certain post-employment defined benefit pension plans are in a surplus position reflecting the return on plan assets, actuarial gains and employer contributions to the pension plans during 2015. The plans with a net retirement surplus have been classified as non-current assets on the balance sheet.

#### COMPONENTS OF PENSION COST

The following table shows the before tax impact on net income and other comprehensive income of the Company's pension and other defined benefit plans:

	20	15		2014				
(millions of Canadian dollars)	Pension Benefit Plans	E	Other Benefit Plans		ension Benefit Plans	E	Other Benefit Plans	
Recognized in net income								
Current service cost	\$ 9.5	\$	3.5	\$	9.3	\$	2.7	
Administration expenses	1.4		-		0.8		-	
Interest cost	2.9		6.7		(8.0)		7.2	
Plan amendments	3.2		-		-		-	
Other	-		(1.1)		-		(0.4)	
Total included in net income	\$ 17.0	\$	9.1	\$	9.3	\$	9.5	
Recognized in other comprehensive income								
Actuarial loss (gain) – experience	\$ 6.0	\$	5.0	\$	21.5	\$	(1.0)	
Actuarial loss – demographic assumptions	-		-		15.7		4.1	
Actuarial loss (gain) – financial assumptions	(17.3)		(21.2)		79.4		15.8	
Return on plan assets greater than discount rate	(2.0)		-		(25.8)		-	
Administrative costs greater (less) than expected	(0.7)		-		1.0		-	
Other	-		1.8		-		5.0	
Total included in other comprehensive income	\$ (14.0)	\$	(14.4)	\$	91.8	\$	23.9	

#### SIGNIFICANT ASSUMPTIONS

The actuarial assumptions used in measuring Canfor's benefit plan provisions and benefit costs are as follows:

	December 3	31, 2015	December	31, 2014
	Pension Benefit Plans	Other Benefit Plans	Pension Benefit Plans	Other Benefit Plans
Discount rate	4.1%	4.1%	3.9%	3.9%
Rate of compensation increases	3.0%	n/a	3.0%	n/a
Future salary increases	2.5%	n/a	2.5%	n/a
Initial medical cost trend rate	n/a	7.0%	n/a	7.0%
Ultimate medical cost trend rate	n/a	4.5%	n/a	4.5%
Year ultimate rate is reached	n/a	2021	n/a	2021

In addition to the significant assumptions listed in the table above, the average life expectancy of a 65 year old at December 31, 2015 is between 20.9 years and 24.0 years [2014 - 20.7 years and 24.0 years]. As at December 31, 2015, the weighted average duration of the defined benefit obligation, which reflects the average age of the plan members, is 12.0 years [2014 - 12.4 years]. The weighted average duration of the other benefit plans is 14.3 years [2014 - 13.9 years].

#### SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS

Assumed discount rates and medical cost trend rates have a significant effect on the accrued benefit obligation. A one percentage point change in these assumptions would have the following effects on the accrued benefit obligation for 2015:

(millions of Canadian dollars)	In	1% crease	De	1% crease
Pension benefit plans				
Discount rate	\$	(81.6)	\$	102.1
Other benefit plans				
Discount rate	\$	(21.1)	\$	26.3
Initial medical cost trend rate	\$	18.2	\$	(15.3)

As at December 31, 2015, Canfor estimated that it will make contribution payments of \$15.2 million to its defined benefit plans in 2016 based on the last actuarial valuation for funding purposes.

#### **DEFINED CONTRIBUTION AND OTHER PLANS**

The total expense recognized in 2015 for Canfor's defined contribution plans was \$10.2 million (2014 - \$6.7 million).

Canfor contributes to various forest industry union defined benefit pension plans providing both pension and other retirement benefits. These plans are accounted for as defined contribution plans. Contributions to these plans, not included in the expense for defined contribution plans above, amounted to \$21.9 million in 2015 (2014 - \$20.7 million).

#### 14. DEFERRED REFORESTATION OBLIGATIONS

The following table provides a reconciliation of the deferred reforestation obligations as at December 31, 2015 and 2014:

(millions of Canadian dollars)	2015	2014
Reforestation obligations at beginning of year	\$ 112.1	\$ 113.9
Expense for year	44.1	37.2
Accretion expense	0.8	1.2
Additions	3.8	-
Changes in estimates	0.3	2.8
Paid during the year	(48.8)	(43.0)
Reforestation obligations at end of year	\$ 112.3	\$ 112.1
Less: current portion	(50.7)	(52.1)
Long-term portion	\$ 61.6	\$ 60.0

The total undiscounted amount of the estimated cash flows required to settle the obligations at December 31, 2015 is \$115.1 million (2014 - \$116.1 million) with payments spread over 15 years. Due to the general long-term nature of the liability, the most significant area of uncertainty in estimating the provision is the future costs that will be incurred. The estimated cash

flows have been adjusted for inflation and discounted using risk-free rates ranging from 0.5% to 2.1% at December 31, 2015.

Additions of \$3.8 million during 2015 related to the deferred reforestation obligation assumed by Canfor on the acquisition of a forest license in the Kootenays.

#### 15. ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATIONS

The following table provides a reconciliation of the asset retirement obligations as at December 31, 2015 and 2014:

(millions of Canadian dollars)	2015	2014
Asset retirement obligations at beginning of year	\$ 7.4	\$ 6.5
Accretion expense	0.1	0.1
Changes in estimates	0.5	0.8
Asset retirement obligations at end of year	\$ 8.0	\$ 7.4

Canfor's asset retirement obligations include \$5.5 million in relation to landfill closure costs at CPPI. This obligation represents estimated undiscounted future payments of \$9.3 million to remediate landfills at the operations at the end of their useful lives. The payments are expected to occur at periods ranging from 7 to 36 years and have been discounted at risk-free rates ranging from 1.0% to 2.2%.

Canfor has certain assets that have indeterminable retirement dates and, therefore, there is an indeterminate settlement date for the related asset retirement obligations. As a result, no asset retirement obligations are recorded for these

assets. These assets include wastewater and effluent ponds that will have to be drained once the related operating facility is closed and storage sites for which removal of chemicals, fuels and other related materials will be required once the related operating facility is closed. When the retirement dates of these assets become determinable and an estimate of fair value can be made, an asset retirement obligation will be recorded.

It is possible that changes in future conditions could require a material change in the recognized amount of the asset retirement obligations. The asset retirement obligations balance is included in other long-term liabilities on the balance sheet.

#### 16. RESTRUCTURING, MILL CLOSURE AND SEVERANCE COSTS

Restructuring, mill closure and severance costs represent costs associated with the indefinite or permanent closures of facilities and staff reductions. The expense for the year ended December 31, 2015 amounted to \$24.7 million (2014 - \$6.8 million). The 2015

expense in the lumber segment principally related to closure costs at the Canal Flats sawmill, which was permanently closed in November 2015.

The following table provides a breakdown of the restructuring, mill closure and severance costs by business segment:

(millions of Canadian dollars)	2015	2014
Lumber	\$ 21.4	\$ 3.6
Pulp & Paper	-	-
Unallocated and Other	3.3	3.2
	\$ 24.7	\$ 6.8

The following table provides a reconciliation of the restructuring, mill closure and severance liability for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014:

(millions of Canadian dollars)	2015	2014
Accrued liability at beginning of year	\$ 8.7	\$ 24.6
Costs accrued in the year	19.8	-
Paid during the year	(14.8)	(15.9)
Accrued liability at end of year	\$ 13.7	\$ 8.7

At December 31, 2015, \$2.2 million of the restructuring, mill closure and severance liability is non-current (2014 - \$0.4 million).

#### 17. SHARE CAPITAL

#### **AUTHORIZED**

10,000,000 preferred shares, with a par value of \$25 each 1,000,000,000 common shares without par value

#### **ISSUED AND FULLY PAID**

	201	5	201	4
(millions of Canadian dollars, except number of shares)	Number of Shares	Amount	Number of Shares	Amount
Common shares at beginning of year	135,376,993	\$ 1,068.0	139,904,593	\$ 1,103.7
Shares purchased	(2,572,420)	(20.3)	(4,527,600)	(35.7)
Common shares at end of year	132,804,573	\$ 1,047.7	135,376,993	\$ 1,068.0

The holders of common shares are entitled to vote at all meetings of shareholders of the Company, except meetings at which only holders of preferred shares would be entitled to vote. The common shareholders are entitled to receive dividends as and when declared on the common shares. The holders of preferred shares are not generally entitled to receive notice of, or to attend or vote at, general meetings of shareholders of the Company. Preferred shareholders are entitled to preference over the common shares with respect to payment of dividends and upon any distribution of assets in the event of liquidation, dissolution and winding-up of the Company. The Company does not have any preferred shares outstanding.

Basic net income per share is calculated by dividing the net income available to common shareholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. The weighted average number of common shares outstanding for 2015 was 134,068,255 (2014 - 137,293,281), and reflected shares purchased under the Company's Normal Course Issuer Bid.

#### NORMAL COURSE ISSUER BID

On March 5, 2015, the Company renewed its normal course issuer bid whereby it can purchase for cancellation up to 6,767,993 common shares or approximately 5% of its issued and outstanding common shares as of February 28, 2015. The renewed normal course issuer bid is set to expire on March 4, 2016. In 2015, Canfor purchased 2,572,420 common shares for \$59.2 million (an average price of \$23.01 per common share), of which \$20.3 million was charged to share capital and \$38.9 million charged to retained earnings. Under a separate normal course issuer bid, CPPI purchased common shares from noncontrolling shareholders increasing Canfor's ownership of CPPI from 50.5% at December 31, 2014 to 51.9% at December 31, 2015.

In 2014, under a previous normal course issuer bid, Canfor purchased 4,527,600 common shares for \$108.9 million (an average price of \$24.05 per common share), of which \$35.7 million was charged to share capital and \$73.2 million charged to retained earnings.

#### 18. NON-CONTROLLING INTERESTS

The following table summarizes the non-controlling financial information for the Company's lumber operations and CPPI before intercompany eliminations:

Summarized Balance Sheet: Amounts presented below represent non-controlling % (millions of Canadian dollars)		As	at De	cember 3	1, 2015	i	Decen	As at nber 31, 2014
	1	_umber⁴		CPPI <sup>5</sup>		Total		CPPI <sup>5</sup>
Current assets	\$	31.7	\$	148.3	\$	180.0	\$	149.7
Non-current assets		57.7		256.5		314.2		259.8
Total assets	\$	89.4	\$	404.8	\$	494.2	\$	409.5
Current liabilities	\$	20.8	\$	69.4	\$	90.2	\$	61.0
Non-current liabilities		2.6		104.6		107.2		106.2
Total liabilities	\$	23.4	\$	174.0	\$	197.4	\$	167.2
Total equity	\$	66.0	\$	230.8	\$	296.8	\$	242.3
Total liabilities and equity	\$	89.4	\$	404.8	\$	494.2	\$	409.5

Summarized Statements of Income and Other Comprehensive Income:  Amounts presented below represent non-controlling %  [millions of Canadian dollars]  Year Ended December 31, 2015						15	 r ended nber 31, 2014
	L	.umber⁴		CPPI⁵		Total	CPPI <sup>5</sup>
Sales	\$	154.7	\$	574.5	\$	729.2	\$ 486.0
Net income		15.1		52.1		67.2	44.4
Other comprehensive income		-		2.7		2.7	(9.5)
Total comprehensive income	\$	15.1	\$	54.8	\$	69.9	\$ 34.9
Dividends paid to non-controlling interest	\$	9.6	\$	47.2	\$	56.8	\$ 8.3

Summarized Statements of Cash Flow:								Year	rended
Amounts presented below represent non-controlling %								Decem	nber 31,
(millions of Canadian dollars)  Year Ended December 3				(ottars) Year Ended December 31, 2015					
		Lu	ımber⁴		CPPI <sup>5</sup>		Total		CPPI <sup>5</sup>
Cash flows from operating activities		\$	22.1	\$	70.0	\$	92.1	\$	75.9
Cash flows from financing activities		\$	(7.8)	\$	(59.9)	\$	(67.7)	\$	[16.2]
Cash flows from investing activities		\$	(9.3)	\$	(38.6)	\$	(47.9)	\$	(28.4)

<sup>[4]</sup> Lumber non-controlling interest includes non-controlling interest related to Scotch Gulf (50%), Beadles & Balfour (45%), Houston Pellet Limited Partnership (40%), and the Fort St. John and Chetwynd pellet plants (5%).

#### 19. SHARE-BASED COMPENSATION

The value of the Company's DSUs, when redeemed, is equal to the market value of the shares on the redemption date, including the value of dividends paid on the Company's common shares, if any, as if they had been reinvested in additional DSUs on each payment date. The DSUs may only be redeemed upon a director's retirement from the Company, its subsidiaries or any affiliated entity. Effective July 27, 2011, the Board determined

to cease the issuance of DSUs for non-employee directors. The total recovery recorded in relation to the DSUs for 2015 was \$1.0 million due to the revaluation of existing units (2014 - expense of \$0.9 million). The value of outstanding DSUs at December 31, 2015 is \$2.2 million (2014 - \$3.3 million).

<sup>[5]</sup> In 2015, CPPI purchased shares from non-controlling CPPI shareholders under a normal course issuer bid increasing Canfor's ownership of CPPI from 50.5% at December 31, 2014 to 51.9% at December 31, 2015 with CPPI's non-controlling interest decreasing by a corresponding amount throughout 2015. Amounts at and for the year ending December 31, 2014 exclude non-controlling interest information related to the Company's Houston Pellet Limited Partnership.

#### 20. FINANCE EXPENSE, NET

(millions of Canadian dollars)	2015	2014
Interest expense on borrowings	\$ (15.4)	\$ (11.8)
Interest expense on retirement benefit obligations, net	(9.8)	(6.4)
Interest income	1.3	1.3
Other	(1.0)	(1.3)
Finance expense, net	\$ (24.9)	\$ (18.2)

For the year ended December 31, 2015, net finance expense related substantially to interest expense on term debt, net

interest expense on retirement benefit obligations and interest expense related to the Company's operating loan facility.

#### 21. INCOME TAXES

The components of income tax expense are as follows:		
(millions of Canadian dollars)	2015	2014
Current	\$ (32.6)	\$ (50.4)
Deferred	14.1	(25.8)
Income tax expense	\$ (18.5)	\$ [76.2]

The reconciliation of income taxes calculated at the statutory rate to the actual income tax provision is as follows:

(millions of Canadian dollars)	2015	2014
Income tax expense at statutory rate 2015 - 26.0% (2014 - 26.0%)	\$ (28.7)	\$ (77.5)
Add (deduct):		
Entities with different income tax rates and other tax adjustments	6.6	0.8
Non-taxable income related to non-controlling interests	3.9	0.6
Permanent difference from capital gains and losses and other non-deductible items	(0.3)	(0.1)
Income tax expense	\$ (18.5)	\$ (76.2)

In addition to the amounts recorded to net income, a tax expense of \$7.3 million was recorded to other comprehensive income for the year ended December 31, 2015 (2014 - recovery of \$30.5 million) in relation to actuarial gains on defined benefit employee compensation plans. Also included in other comprehensive income for the year is tax expense of \$6.0 million related to foreign exchange differences on translation of investments in foreign operations (2014 - expense of \$2.4 million).

The tax effects of the significant components of temporary differences that give rise to deferred income tax assets and liabilities are as follows:

		As at		As at
(millions of Canadian dollars)	Decer	nber 31, 2015	Decen	nber 31, 2014
Deferred income tax assets				
Accruals not currently deductible	\$	42.9	\$	38.6
Loss carryforwards	•	18.0	· ·	6.4
Retirement benefit obligations		61.8		65.5
Goodwill and other intangible assets, net		28.8		-
Other		6.3		5.8
	\$	157.8	\$	116.3
Deferred income tax liabilities				
Depreciable capital assets	\$	(332.3)	\$	(310.2)
Other intangible assets		-		(4.8)
Other		(16.6)		(11.5)
	\$	(348.9)	\$	(326.5)
Total deferred income taxes, net	\$	(191.1)	\$	(210.2)
Less: Entities in a net deferred tax asset position		1.2		1.7
Deferred income taxes liability, net	\$	(192.3)	\$	(211.9)

Deferred income tax assets are recognized for tax loss carry-forwards to the extent that the realization of the related tax benefit through future taxable profits is probable. This assumption is based on management's best estimate of future circumstances and events. If these estimates and assumptions changed in the future, the value of the deferred income tax assets could be reduced, resulting in an income tax expense.

#### 22. NET CHANGE IN NON-CASH WORKING CAPITAL

[millions of Canadian dollars]	2015	2014
Accounts receivable	\$ (76.7)	\$ 24.2
Inventories	(22.9)	(64.0)
Prepaid expenses and other assets	10.6	(15.8)
Accounts payable, accrued liabilities and current portion of deferred reforestation obligations	22.7	(18.0)
Net increase in non-cash working capital	\$ (66.3)	\$ (73.6)

#### 23. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Canfor undertakes transactions with various related entities. These transactions are in the normal course of business and are generally on the same terms as those accorded to unrelated third parties, except where noted otherwise.

The Company purchases chips, lumber and logs from Lakeland Winton. Prior to Canfor's sale of its 33.3% interest in Lakeland Winton, it purchased \$2.0 million in chips and logs (2014 - \$1.6 million).

Canfor has a term loan arrangement with Scotch Gulf. In 2015, the Company completed the third phase of the acquisition, resulting in consolidation of Scotch Gulf (Note 30). In the prior year, as at December 31, 2014, \$23.2 million was outstanding on the term loan.

#### **KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL**

Key management includes members of the Board of Directors and the Senior Executive management team. The compensation expense for key management for services is as follows:

(millions of Canadian dollars)	2015	2014
Short-term benefits	\$ 7.3	\$ 7.4
Post-employment benefits	0.2	0.6
Termination benefits	0.7	-
Share-based payments	(1.0)	0.9
	\$ 7.2	\$ 8.9

Short-term benefits for members of the Board of Directors include an annual retainer as well as attendance fees.

#### OTHER RELATED PARTIES

During 2015, Canfor made contributions to certain post-employment benefit plans for the benefit of Canfor employees. Note 13 Employee Future Benefits contains further details.

The Jim Pattison Group is Canfor's largest shareholder. During 2015, subsidiaries owned by the Jim Pattison Group provided lease, insurance and other services to Canfor at market rates totalling \$4.8 million (2014 - \$2.0 million) with \$0.5 million outstanding at December 31, 2015 (2014 - nil).

#### 24. SEGMENT INFORMATION

Canfor has two reportable segments, as described below, which offer different products and are managed separately because they require different production processes and marketing strategies. The following summary describes the operations of each of the Company's reportable segments:

- Lumber Includes logging operations, and manufacture and sale of various grades, widths and lengths of lumber, engineered wood products, wood chips and wood pellets; and
- Pulp and Paper Includes purchase of residual fibre, and production and sale of pulp and paper products, including Northern Bleached Softwood Kraft ("NBSK") and Bleached Chemi-Thermo Mechanical Pulp ("BCTMP") as well as energy revenues. This segment includes 100% of CPPI.

Sales between segments are accounted for at prices that approximate fair value. These include sales of residual fibre from the lumber segment to the pulp and paper segment for use in the pulp production process.

Information regarding the operations of each reportable segment is included in the table below. The accounting policies of the reportable segments are the same as described in Note 3.

The Company's interest-bearing liabilities are not considered to be segment liabilities but rather are managed centrally by the treasury function. Other liabilities are not split by segment for the purposes of allocating resources and assessing performance.

The Company's panels business does not meet the criteria to be reported fully as separate segments and is included in Unallocated & Other below.

(millions of Canadian dollars)	Lumber	Pulp & Paper	Unallocated & Other	Elimination Adjustment	Cons	solidated
Year ended December 31, 2015						
Sales to external customers	\$ 2,740.1	1,185.2	-	-	\$	3,925.3
Sales to other segments	\$ 168.2	-	-	(168.2)	\$	-
Operating income (loss)	\$ 30.2	144.8	(33.4)	-	\$	141.6
Amortization	\$ 144.1	65.4	4.5	-	\$	214.0
Capital expenditures <sup>6</sup>	\$ 161.7	68.3	10.0	-	\$	240.0
Identifiable assets	\$ 2,259.9	823.9	210.8	-	\$	3,294.6
Year ended December 31, 2014						
Sales to external customers	\$ 2,245.1	1,102.5	-	-	\$	3,347.6
Sales to other segments	\$ 148.0	-	-	(148.0)	\$	-
Operating income (loss)	\$ 230.7	129.9	(31.3)	-	\$	329.3
Amortization	\$ 115.1	64.6	2.8	-	\$	182.5
Capital expenditures <sup>6</sup>	\$ 166.6	58.0	9.7	-	\$	234.3
Identifiable assets	\$ 1,856.7	768.1	222.0	-	\$	2,846.8

<sup>(6)</sup> Capital expenditures represent cash paid for capital assets during the periods. Pulp & Paper includes capital expenditures by CPPI that were partially financed by government grants. Capital expenditures for the year ended December 31, 2015 exclude the assets purchased as part of the acquisitions of Scotch Gulf, Beadles & Balfour, Southern Lumber and Anthony (Note 30).

#### GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

Canfor operates manufacturing facilities in both Canada and the US. Canfor's products are marketed worldwide, with sales made to customers in a number of different countries. In presenting information on the basis of geographical location, sales is based on the geographical location of customers and assets are based on the geographical location of the assets.

(millions of Canadian dollars)	2015	2014
Sales by location of customer		
Canada	\$ 468.3	\$ 432.4
Asia	1,222.8	1,165.7
United States	2,076.9	1,582.9
Europe	97.0	109.6
Other	60.3	57.0
	\$ 3,925.3	\$ 3,347.6

(millions of Canadian dollars)	As at December 31, 2015	As at December 31, 2014
Capital assets and goodwill by location		
Canada	\$ 1,666.0	\$ 1,651.3
United States	509.7	165.4
Asia and Other	0.1	0.1
	\$ 2,175.8	\$ 1,816.8

#### 25. COMMITMENTS

At the end of the year, Canfor had contractual commitments primarily for the acquisition and construction of property, plant and equipment for \$40.6 million (2014 - \$71.1 million). The majority of these commitments are expected to be settled over the following year. At December 31, 2015, Canfor also has a commitment to purchase the remaining 50% of Scotch

Gulf and 45% of Beadles & Balfour for a cumulative amount of US\$86.0 million excluding working capital and various lease arrangements (Note 30).

In addition, Canfor has committed to operating leases for property, plant and equipment with future minimum lease payments under these operating leases as follows:

(millions of Canadian dollars)	As at December 31, 2015	As at December 31, 2014
Within one year	\$ 11.4	\$ 8.6
Between one and five years	22.3	17.5
After five years	8.2	7.9
Total	\$ 41.9	\$ 34.0

During the year ended December 31, 2015, \$16.3 million (2014 - \$13.6 million) was recognized as an expense for operating leases.

#### 26. FINANCIAL RISK AND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

#### FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

Canfor is exposed to a number of risks as a result of holding financial instruments. These risks include credit risk, liquidity risk and market risk.

Canfor's Risk Management Committee manages risk in accordance with a Board approved Price Risk Management Controls Policy. This policy provides the framework for risk management related to commodity price, foreign exchange, interest rate and counterparty credit risk of Canfor.

#### CREDIT RISK:

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to Canfor if a counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations.

Financial instruments that are subject to credit risk include cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, and long-term investments. Cash and cash equivalents includes cash held through major Canadian and international financial institutions as well as temporary investments with an original maturity date of three months or less. The cash and cash equivalents balance at December 31, 2015 is \$97.5 million (2014 - \$158.3 million).

Canfor utilizes credit insurance to mitigate the risk associated with some of its trade receivables. As at December 31, 2015, approximately 43% (2014 - 55%) of the outstanding trade receivables are covered by credit insurance. Canfor's trade receivable balance at December 31, 2015 is \$196.3 million before an allowance for doubtful accounts of \$4.5 million (2014 - \$95.0 million and \$3.7 million, respectively). At December 31, 2015, approximately 94% (2014 - 99%) of the trade accounts receivable balance are within Canfor's established credit terms.

#### LIQUIDITY RISK:

Liquidity risk is the risk that Canfor will be unable to meet its financial obligations as they come due. Canfor manages liquidity risk through regular cash-flow forecasting in conjunction with an adequate committed operating loan facility.

At December 31, 2015, Canfor has \$158.0 million drawn on its operating loans (2014 - \$68.0 million), and accounts payable and accrued liabilities of \$350.3 million (2014 - \$305.8 million) all of which are due within twelve months of the balance sheet date.

#### MARKET RISK:

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in interest rates, foreign currency, energy and commodity prices.

#### (i) INTEREST RATE RISK:

Canfor is exposed to interest rate risk through its current financial assets and financial obligations bearing variable interest rates.

Canfor utilizes interest rate swaps to reduce its exposure to interest rate risk associated with financial obligations bearing variable interest rates. At December 31, 2015, Canfor has \$100.0 million (2014 - \$135.0 million) in fixed interest rate swaps with interest ranging from 1.55% to 1.75% and maturing in 2017.

#### (ii) CURRENCY RISK:

Canfor is exposed to foreign exchange risk primarily related to the US dollar, as Canfor's products are sold principally in US dollars. In addition, Canfor holds financial assets and liabilities primarily related to its US entities in US dollars.

An increase (decrease) in the value of the Canadian dollar by US\$0.01 would result in a pre-tax: (i) loss (gain) of approximately \$1.9 million in relation to working capital balances denominated in US dollars at year end (including cash, accounts receivable and accounts payable); and a (ii) gain (loss) of approximately \$1.9 million in relation to long-term debt denominated in US dollars at year end.

A portion of the currency risk associated with US dollar denominated sales is naturally offset by US dollar denominated expenses. A portion of the remaining exposure is reduced by foreign exchange collar contracts that effectively limit the minimum and maximum Canadian dollar recovery related to the sale of those US dollars.

Canfor had the following foreign exchange derivatives at December 31, 2015 and 2014:

	As at December 31, 2015			As	As at December 31, 2014			
	Notion Amou		Exc	hange Rates		lotional Amount	Exchange Rates	
US Dollar Collars	(millions US dolla			(protection/ topside per dollar)				
0-12 months	\$	-	\$	-	\$	260.0	\$1.11/\$1.22	
US Dollar Forward Contracts	(millions US dolla			ange of rates, r dollar)	(millions of US dollars)		(range of rates, per dollar)	
0-12 months	\$	-	\$	-	\$	4.5	\$1.16	

#### (iii) COMMODITY PRICE RISK:

Canfor is exposed to commodity price risk principally related to sale of lumber, pulp and paper. From time to time, Canfor enters into futures contracts on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange

for lumber and forward contracts direct with customers or on commodity exchanges for pulp. Under the Price Risk Management Controls Policy, up to 15% of lumber sales and 1% of pulp sales may be sold in this way.

Canfor had the following lumber futures contracts at December 31, 2015 and 2014:

	As at Deceml	ber 31, 2015	As at Decem	mber 31, 2014			
	Notional Amount	Notional Average		Average Rate			
Lumber	(MMfbm)		(MMfbm)	(US dollars per Mfbm)			
Future Sales Contracts 0-12 months	8.8	\$264.73	26.2	\$ 320.50			

An increase (decrease) in the futures market price of lumber of US\$10 per Mfbm would result in a pre-tax gain (loss) of approximately \$0.1 million in relation to the lumber futures held at year end.

#### (iv) ENERGY PRICE RISK:

Canfor is exposed to energy price risk relating to purchases of natural gas and diesel oil for use in its operations.

The exposure is hedged up to 100% through the use of floating to fixed swap contracts or option contracts with maturity dates up to a maximum of three years. In the case of diesel, Canfor uses Brent oil and Western Texas Intermediate oil ("WTI") contracts to hedge its exposure.

At December 31, 2015, the Company has 141 thousand barrels of WTI oil collars, which will be settled in 2016 and 2017, with weighted average protection of US\$60.18 per barrel and topside of US\$82.98 per barrel.

At December 31, 2014, the Company had 453 thousand barrels of WTI oil collars, with weighted average protection of US\$70.38 per barrel and topside of US\$90.00 per barrel.

#### **CAPITAL MANAGEMENT**

Canfor's objectives when managing capital are to maintain a strong balance sheet and a globally competitive cost structure that ensure adequate liquidity to maintain and develop the business throughout the commodity price cycle.

Canfor's capital is comprised of net debt and shareholders' equity:

(millions of Canadian dollars)	As at December 31, 2015	As at December 31, 2014
Total debt (including operating loans)	\$ 614.2	\$ 296.6
Less: Cash and cash equivalents (including restricted cash)	97.5	208.5
Net debt	\$ 516.7	\$ 88.1
Total equity	1,627.7	1,637.6
	\$ 2,144.4	\$ 1,725.7

The Company has certain financial covenants in its debt obligations, including a maximum debt to total capitalization ratio that is calculated by dividing total debt by shareholders' equity plus total debt. Debt obligations are held by various entities within the Canfor group and the individual debt agreements specify the entities within the group that are to be included in the covenant calculations.

Canfor's strategy is to ensure it remains in compliance with all of its existing debt covenants, so as to ensure continuous access to capital. Canfor was in compliance with all its debt covenants for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014.

The Company manages its capital structure through rigorous planning, budgeting and forecasting processes, and ongoing management of operations, investments and capital expenditures. In 2015, to meet Canfor's operating, growth and return on invested capital objectives, the Company's management of capital comprised share purchases, strategic acquisitions, investment in the Company's operations, development of energy and residual fibre-related assets and sustainable working capital reduction initiatives. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries are subject to externally imposed capital requirements.

#### **27. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

Canfor's cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, other deposits, loans and advances, operating loans, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, and long-term debt are measured at amortized cost subsequent to initial measurement.

Derivative instruments are measured at fair value. IFRS 13, Fair Value Measurement, requires classification of financial instruments within a hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to fair value measurement.

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are:

- Level 1 Unadjusted 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;
- Level 3 Inputs that are not based on observable market data.

The following table summarizes Canfor's financial instruments measured at fair value at December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, and shows the level within the fair value hierarchy in which they have been classified:

(millions of Canadian dollars)	Fair Value Hierarchy Level	Decem	As at ober 31, 2015	Decen	As at ober 31, 2014
Financial assets measured at fair value					
Investments - held for trading	Level 1	\$	17.2	\$	4.5
Derivative financial instruments - held for trading	Level 2		-		0.3
Royalty receivable - available for sale	Level 3		0.2		2.9
		\$	17.4	\$	7.7
Financial liabilities measured at fair value					
Derivative financial instruments - held for trading	Level 2		4.8		9.1
		\$	4.8	\$	9.1

The Company invests in equity and debt securities, which are traded in an active market and valued using closing prices on the measurement date with gains or losses recognized through comprehensive income.

The royalty receivable relates to the sale of the operating assets of the Howe Sound Pulp and Paper Limited Partnership in October 2010, and is measured at fair value at each reporting period and is presented in Other Accounts Receivable on the consolidated balance sheet. The fair value of the royalty receivable is determined by discounting future expected cash flows based on energy price assumptions and future sales volume assumptions. The royalty agreement expired in September 2015, and the amount outstanding at December 31, 2015 represents the remaining payment to Canfor under the agreement.

The Company uses a variety of derivative financial instruments to reduce its exposure to risks associated with fluctuations in foreign exchange rates, lumber prices, pulp prices, energy costs and floating interest rates on long-term debt

At December 31, 2015, the fair value of derivative financial instruments is a net liability of \$4.8 million (December 31, 2014 - net liability of \$8.8 million). The fair value of these financial instruments was determined based on prevailing market rates for instruments with similar characteristics.

The following table summarizes the gain (loss) on derivative financial instruments for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014:

(millions of Canadian dollars)	2015	2014
Foreign exchange collars and forward contracts	\$ (20.6)	\$ (1.6)
Energy derivatives	(5.4)	(7.8)
Lumber futures	(0.8)	2.2
Pulp futures	-	(0.8)
Interest rate swaps	(1.3)	(0.9)
Loss on derivative financial instruments	\$ (28.1)	\$ (8.9)

The following table summarizes the fair value of the derivative financial instruments included in the balance sheets at December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014:

(millions of Canadian dollars)	Decembe	As at er 31, 2015	Decem	As at ober 31, 2014
Foreign exchange collars and forward contracts	\$	-	\$	(0.6)
Energy derivatives		(3.8)		(7.9)
Lumber futures		-		0.3
Pulp futures		-		-
Interest rate swaps		(1.0)		(0.6)
Total asset (liability), net		(4.8)		(8.8)
Less: current portion asset (liability), net		(3.6)		(7.4)
Long-term liability, net	\$	(1.2)	\$	(1.4)

There were no transfers between fair value hierarchy levels during 2015 or 2014.

#### 28. SALE OF DAAQUAM OPERATION

On March 28, 2014, the Company completed the sale of its Daaquam operation. Total gross proceeds related to the disposition of the Daaquam operation were \$25.0 million. A pre-tax gain of \$2.2 million was recorded in the first quarter of 2014 in Other Income.

#### 29. SALE OF TAYLOR PULP MILL

On January 30, 2015, Canfor completed the sale of its BCTMP Taylor Pulp Mill to CPPI for cash proceeds of \$12.6 million including working capital. The transaction also includes a long-term fibre supply agreement under which Canfor will supply fibre to the Taylor Pulp Mill at prices that approximate fair market value. In addition to the cash proceeds, Canfor may also receive contingent consideration over a three-year period, starting January 31, 2015, based on the Taylor Pulp Mill's annual adjusted

operating income before amortization. The fair value of the contingent consideration was nil at December 31, 2015 reflecting a reduction in forecast BCTMP prices over the contingent consideration period. CPPI recognized long-term assets acquired net of liabilities assumed of approximately \$2.8 million and net working capital of approximately \$11.6 million. From CPPI's perspective, the acquisition has been accounted for in accordance with IFRS 3 Business Combinations.

#### **30. ACQUISITIONS**

During 2015, Canfor acquired four forest product companies located in the Southern US. Below is a summary of the acquisitions and the consideration paid:

	Ownership as at	Consideration		
[millions of Canadian dollars]  Company	December 31, 2015	Acquisition Date	Paid to Date	
Scotch & Gulf Lumber Company	50%	January 30, 2015	\$ 69.9	
Beadles & Balfour LLC	55%	January 2, 2015	51.6	
Southern Lumber Company	100%	April 1, 2015	65.6	
Anthony Forest Products Company	100%	October 30, 2015	126.8	
Total consideration paid to date			\$ 313.9	

With the completion of these acquisitions, Canfor has acquired seven sawmills, two laminating facilities, two chip plants and one treating facility located in the US South, with facilities in Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas. In addition, Canfor acquired a 50% interest in an I-joist facility located in Ontario, Canada. The acquisitions of Scotch Gulf and Beadles & Balfour are phased acquisitions and will be 100% owned in July 2016 and January 2017, respectively. Canfor has recorded a forward purchase liability of \$76.1 million for the final step of the Scotch Gulf phased acquisition and \$43.0 million for the final step

of the Beadles & Balfour phased acquisition. Canfor elected to calculate the non-controlling interest related to Scotch Gulf and Beadles & Balfour as the non-controlling share of the fair value of the net identifiable assets at the acquisition date for each of Scotch Gulf and Beadles & Balfour.

Each of these transactions has been accounted for in accordance with IFRS 3, *Business Combinations*. The following summarizes the consideration paid and recognized amounts of assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the acquisition dates:

Cash	\$ 3.9
Non-cash working capital, net	67.5
Property, plant & equipment and intangible assets	171.0
Equity investment	16.6
Total net identifiable assets	\$ 259.0
Non-controlling interests	(73.4)
Goodwill	108.2
Deferred tax asset, net	20.1
Total consideration	\$ 313.9

The goodwill related to the acquisitions is expected to be tax deductible over 15 years. Of the total \$108.2 million of goodwill recorded on the acquisition dates, \$5.5 million related to Scotch Gulf, \$17.9 million related to Beadles & Balfour, \$47.3 million related to Southern Lumber and \$37.5 million related to Anthony. The goodwill arising from the acquisitions is attributable to the premium products produced, expected future income and cash-flow projections, access to new markets in North America and the ability to diversify Canfor's product offering. The deferred tax balance, which relates to Scotch Gulf and Beadles & Balfour, consists of a \$32.7 million deferred

tax asset related to goodwill and a \$12.6 million deferred tax liability related to property, plant and equipment.

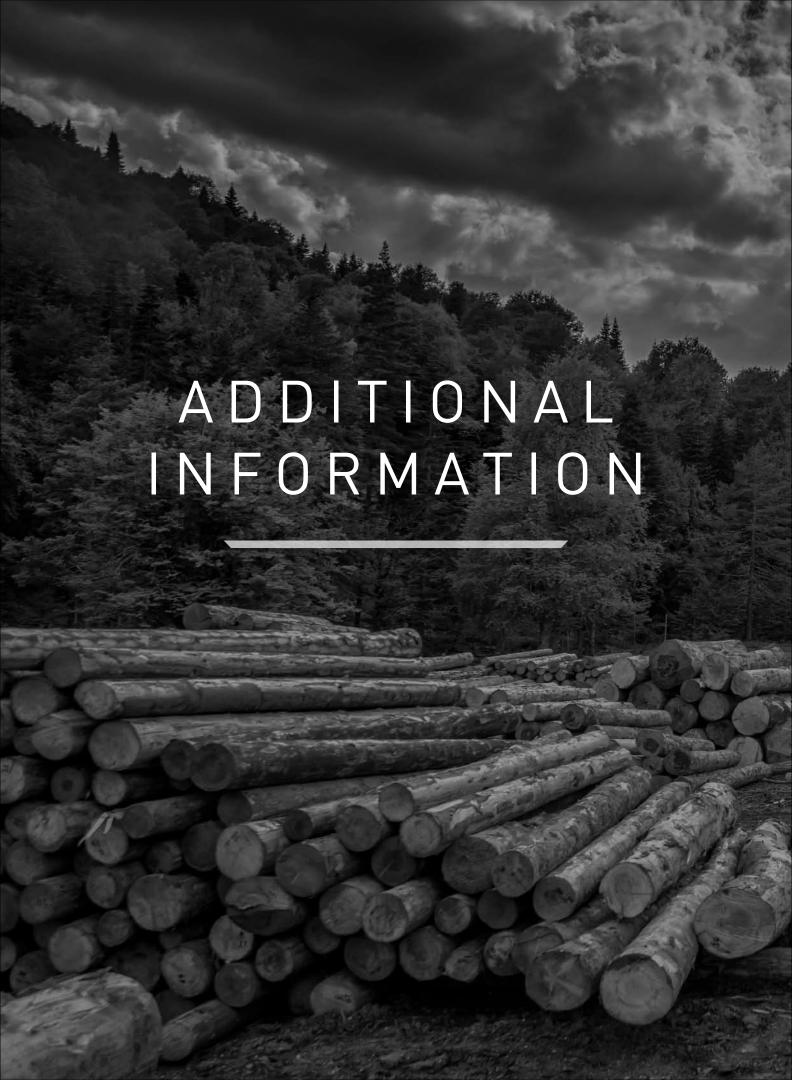
If the above acquisitions had occurred on January 1, 2015, management estimates that the acquired mills would have increased total sales by \$165.0 million and net income by \$16.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. Acquisition-related costs of \$4.2 million, principally relating to external legal fees and due diligence costs, have been included in selling and administration costs when incurred. The results are recorded in the lumber segment.

#### 31. SOFTWOOD LUMBER AGREEMENT

On October 12, 2015, the Softwood Lumber Agreement ("SLA") expired. The SLA provides a standstill period of one year following expiry during which no trade actions may be imposed for the importation of softwood lumber from Canada to the US. It is uncertain whether a new agreement between the Governments of Canada and the US will be reached.

#### **32. SUBSEQUENT EVENT**

Subsequent to year end, on January 21, 2016, Canfor agreed to purchase the assets of Wynndel Box and Lumber Ltd. located in the Creston Valley of British Columbia for an aggregate purchase price, excluding working capital, of \$30.0 million. The acquisition is projected to be completed in the second quarter of 2016 and is subject to customary closing conditions.



## SUMMARY OF CONSOLIDATED PRODUCTION AND SHIPMENTS

Kraft paper - 000 mt

(unaudited)					
PRODUCTION					
2015	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Year
Lumber SPF – MMfbm	966.0	961.0	926.6	976.0	3,829.6
Lumber SYP - MMfbm	234.5	304.9	301.8	320.7	1,161.9
Pulp - 000 mt	308.2	294.6	310.5	322.5	1,235.8
Kraft paper – 000 mt	35.4	31.0	34.6	35.8	136.8
2014	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Year
Lumber SPF - MMfbm	978.1	930.2	908.9	904.9	3,722.1
Lumber SYP – MMfbm	139.1	151.5	147.1	137.4	575.1
Pulp - 000 mt	310.4	288.7	305.3	295.7	1,200.1
Kraft paper – 000 mt	36.7	35.4	35.9	36.0	144.0
SHIPMENTS					
2015	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Year
2015 Lumber – MMfbm	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Year
	1st Qtr 930.6	2nd Qtr 1,046.1	3rd Qtr 1,014.3	4th Qtr 1,025.1	Year 4,016.1
Lumber – MMfbm					
Lumber – MMfbm Canfor produced SPF	930.6	1,046.1	1,014.3	1,025.1	4,016.1
Lumber – MMfbm Canfor produced SPF Canfor produced SYP	930.6 236.4	1,046.1 315.6	1,014.3 322.7	1,025.1 321.9	4,016.1 1,196.6
Lumber – MMfbm Canfor produced SPF Canfor produced SYP Purchased from other wholesale producers	930.6 236.4 5.4	1,046.1 315.6 4.8	1,014.3 322.7 6.0	1,025.1 321.9 7.8	4,016.1 1,196.6 24.0
Lumber – MMfbm Canfor produced SPF Canfor produced SYP Purchased from other wholesale producers Total Lumber - MMfbm	930.6 236.4 5.4 1,172.4	1,046.1 315.6 4.8 1,366.5	1,014.3 322.7 6.0 1,343.0	1,025.1 321.9 7.8 1,354.8	4,016.1 1,196.6 24.0 5,236.7
Lumber – MMfbm Canfor produced SPF Canfor produced SYP Purchased from other wholesale producers Total Lumber - MMfbm Pulp – 000 mt	930.6 236.4 5.4 1,172.4 287.3	1,046.1 315.6 4.8 1,366.5 291.9	1,014.3 322.7 6.0 1,343.0 307.4	1,025.1 321.9 7.8 1,354.8 356.2	4,016.1 1,196.6 24.0 5,236.7 1,242.8
Lumber - MMfbm Canfor produced SPF Canfor produced SYP Purchased from other wholesale producers Total Lumber - MMfbm Pulp - 000 mt Kraft paper - 000 mt	930.6 236.4 5.4 1,172.4 287.3 32.1	1,046.1 315.6 4.8 1,366.5 291.9 33.8	1,014.3 322.7 6.0 1,343.0 307.4 32.1	1,025.1 321.9 7.8 1,354.8 356.2 35.4	4,016.1 1,196.6 24.0 5,236.7 1,242.8 133.4
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Lumber - MMfbm Canfor produced SPF Canfor produced SYP Purchased from other wholesale producers Total Lumber - MMfbm Pulp - 000 mt Kraft paper - 000 mt  2014 Lumber - MMfbm Canfor produced SPF Canfor produced SYP	930.6 236.4 5.4 1,172.4 287.3 32.1 1st Qtr	1,046.1 315.6 4.8 1,366.5 291.9 33.8 2nd Qtr 1,062.6 168.3	1,014.3 322.7 6.0 1,343.0 307.4 32.1 3rd Qtr	1,025.1 321.9 7.8 1,354.8 356.2 35.4 4th Qtr	4,016.1 1,196.6 24.0 5,236.7 1,242.8 133.4 Year 3,735.9 625.0

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## 2015 SELECTED QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Manufacturing and product costs					4th Qtr		Year
Manufacturing and product costs Freight and other distribution costs Export taxes Amortization Selling and administration costs Restructuring, mill closure and severance costs							
Freight and other distribution costs  Export taxes  Amortization  Selling and administration costs  Restructuring, mill closure and severance costs	930.0	\$ 952.4	\$	989.9	\$ 1,053.0	\$	3,925.3
Freight and other distribution costs  Export taxes  Amortization  Selling and administration costs  Restructuring, mill closure and severance costs	625.8	 690.2	•	709.1	 755.7	•	2,780.8
Export taxes Amortization Selling and administration costs Restructuring, mill closure and severance costs	146.2	159.3		165.3	176.1		646.9
Selling and administration costs Restructuring, mill closure and severance costs	-	10.5		14.3	3.3		28.1
Restructuring, mill closure and severance costs	49.3	52.2		52.6	59.9		214.0
<u>.</u>	22.3	21.7		20.0	25.8		89.8
Equity income	2.7	0.9		20.1	1.0		24.7
	-	-		-	0.6		0.6
Operating income	83.7	17.6		8.5	31.8		141.6
Finance expense, net	(5.3)	(5.6)		(6.4)	(7.6)		(24.9)
Foreign exchange loss on long-term debt	-	-		-	(5.9)		(5.9)
Gain (loss) on derivative financial instruments	(28.0)	12.7		(14.9)	2.1		(28.1)
Other income, net	10.8	3.3		10.1	3.5		27.7
Net income (loss) before income taxes	61.2	28.0		(2.7)	23.9		110.4
Income tax recovery (expense)	(14.2)	(4.1)		4.1	(4.3)		(18.5)
Net income \$	47.0	\$ 23.9	\$	1.4	\$ 19.6	\$	91.9
Net income attributable to:							
Equity shareholders of the Company \$	29.3	\$ 11.1	\$	(17.3)	\$ 1.6	\$	24.7
Non-controlling interests	17.7	12.8		18.7	18.0		67.2
\$	47.0	\$ 23.9	\$	1.4	\$ 19.6	\$	91.9
Net income per common share: (Canadian dollars)							
Attributable to equity shareholders of the Company							
- Basic and diluted \$	0.22	\$ 0.08	\$	(0.13)	\$ 0.01	\$	0.18
Cash generated from (used in) (millions of Canadian dollars)	00.4	407.5		F0.0	04.0		054 (
Operating activities \$	33.4	\$ 126.5	\$	59.9	\$ 34.8	\$	254.6
Financing activities	_			(50.0)	0/0.4		010.4
Long-term debt	- (26.0)	-		(50.0)	263.4		213.4
Share purchases Other	107.7	(13.2) (58.0)		- 5.4	(20.0) (59.9)		(59.2) (4.8)
Uther	81.7	(71.2)		(44.6)	183.5		149.4
Investing activities	01.7	(71.2)		(44.0)	103.3		147.4
Property, plant and equipment, timber and intangible assets	(45.8)	(49.4)		(61.1)	(83.7)		(240.0)
Acquisitions	(73.1)	(66.4)		(01.1)	(123.9)		(240.0)
Other	51.3	(9.3)		- (13.5)	(3.1)		25.4
Other	(67.6)	(125.1)		(74.6)	(210.7)		(478.0)
Foreign exchange gain (loss) on cash and cash equivalents	8.4	(0.5)		2.1	3.2		13.2
i or eigh exchange gant (1000) on cash and cash equivalents	0.4	(0.0)		2.1	3.2		13.2
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents \$	55.9	\$ (70.3)	\$	(57.2)	\$ 10.8	\$	(60.8)

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## 2014 SELECTED QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

(unaudited)		1st Qtr		2nd Qtr		3rd Qtr		4th Qtr		Year
Sales and income (millions of Canadian dollars)										
Sales	\$	741.9	\$	907.3	\$	838.0	\$	860.4	\$	3,347.6
Manufacturing and product costs		478.7		587.0		544.4		591.8		2,201.9
Freight and other distribution costs		113.8		156.4		140.7		137.7		548.6
Amortization		44.5		44.0		47.1		46.9		182.5
Selling and administration costs		18.3		20.7		19.0		20.5		78.5
Restructuring, mill closure and severance costs		2.2		1.9		1.2		1.5		6.8
Operating income		84.4		97.3		85.6		62.0		329.3
Finance expense, net		(4.4)		(4.4)		(4.8)		(4.6)		(18.2)
Gain (loss) on derivative financial instruments		(3.5)		3.1		(1.1)		(7.4)		(8.9)
Other income (expense), net		3.3		(10.8)		0.2		3.1		(4.2)
Net income before income taxes		79.8		85.2		79.9		53.1		298.0
Income tax expense		(21.2)		(20.7)		(21.7)		(12.6)		(76.2)
Net income	\$	58.6	\$	64.5	\$	58.2	\$	40.5	\$	221.8
Net income attributable to:										
Equity shareholders of the Company	\$	45.5	\$	54.3	\$	45.5	\$	29.9	\$	175.2
Non-controlling interests	•	13.1	-	10.2	•	12.7	-	10.6	-	46.6
	\$	58.6	\$	64.5	\$	58.2	\$	40.5	\$	221.8
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Net income per common share: (Canadian dollars)										
Attributable to equity shareholders of the Company - Basic and diluted	\$	0.33	\$	0.00	\$	0.04	\$	0.22	\$	1.00
- Basic and diluted	<b></b>	0.33	<b></b>	0.39	<b></b>	0.34	<b></b>	0.22	<b></b>	1.28
Cash generated from (used in) (millions of Canadian dollars)										
Operating activities	\$	(52.0)	\$	208.8	\$	116.2	\$	112.9	\$	385.9
Financing activities										
Long-term debt		-		-		-		75.0		75.0
Share purchases		(2.0)		(105.7)		(1.2)		-		(108.9)
Other		101.9		(44.5)		(6.0)		(82.2)		(30.8)
		99.9		(150.2)		(7.2)		(7.2)		(64.7)
Investing activities										
Property, plant and equipment, timber and intangible assets		(53.1)		(63.0)		(63.5)		(54.7)		(234.3)
Proceeds on sale of Daaquam Sawmill		-		22.9		0.7		-		23.6
Acquisitions		-		-		(9.9)		-		(9.9)
Other		1.7		3.8		(0.9)		(42.9)		(38.3)
		(51.4)		(36.3)		(73.6)		(97.6)		(258.9)
Foreign exchange gain (loss) on cash and cash equivalents		1.9		(2.5)		3.3		3.8		6.5

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## **FIVE-YEAR COMPARATIVE REVIEW**

	2015	2014		2013	2012	2011
Sales and income (millions of Canadian dollars)						
Sales	\$ 3,925.3	\$ 3,347.6	\$	3,194.9	\$ 2,642.8	\$ 2,421.4
Manufacturing and product costs	2,780.8	2,201.9		2,036.8	1,777.6	1,627.5
Freight and other distribution costs	646.9	548.6		540.4	491.8	467.9
Export taxes	28.1	-		9.2	45.5	39.9
Amortization	214.0	182.5		186.2	177.1	169.3
Asset Impairments	-	-		-	-	9.2
Selling and administration costs	89.8	78.5		67.9	61.0	57.4
Restructuring, mill closure and severance costs	24.7	6.8		23.1	18.5	38.3
Equity income	0.6	-		-	-	-
Operating income	141.6	329.3		331.3	71.3	11.9
Finance expense, net	(24.9)	(18.2)		(27.9)	(33.8)	(26.0
Foreign exchange gain (loss) on long-term debt and investments, net	(5.9)			(8.9)	4.7	(5.0
Gain (loss) on derivative financial instruments	(28.1)	(8.9)		4.4	(0.8)	3.5
Gain on sale of Canfor-LP OSB joint venture	· ·	` -		38.3	-	_
Other income (expense), net	27.7	(4.2)		1.5	6.6	5.9
Net income (loss) before income taxes	110.4	298.0		338.7	48.0	(9.7
Income tax recovery (expense)	(18.5)	(76.2)		(88.2)	(12.4)	20.5
Net income	\$ 91.9	\$ 221.8	\$	250.5	\$ 35.6	\$ 10.8
Net income (loss) attributable to:						
Equity shareholders of the Company	\$ 24.7	\$ 175.2	\$	228.6	\$ 26.4	\$ (56.6
Non-controlling interests	67.2	46.6		21.9	9.2	67.4
	\$ 91.9	\$ 221.8	\$	250.5	\$ 35.6	\$ 10.8
Per common share (Canadian dollars)						
Net income (loss) attributable to equity shareholders of the Company						
- Basic and diluted	\$ 0.18	\$ 1.28	\$	1.61	\$ 0.18	\$ (0.40
Book value per share at year end	\$ 10.02	\$ 10.25	\$	9.82	\$ 7.79	\$ 7.90
Balance Sheet (millions of Canadian dollars)						
Working capital, net	\$ 431.8	\$ 476.7	\$	311.9	\$ 166.1	\$ 195.4
Property, plant and equipment	1,445.1	1,216.1		1,151.9	1,081.7	1,139.2
Timber licenses	515.2	519.5		534.6	554.6	530.1
Goodwill and other intangible assets	241.0	105.0		93.5	80.4	83.0
Retirement benefit surplus	2.7	0.6		42.2	1.4	-
Long term investments and other	98.6	101.3		112.5	43.2	62.8
Deferred income taxes, net	1.2	1.7		6.2	39.3	18.1
Current portion of forward purchase liability	(76.1)	-		-	-	-
Total assets less current liabilities	\$ 2,659.5	\$ 2,420.9	\$	2,252.8	\$ 1,966.7	\$ 2,028.6
Long term debt	\$ 456.2	\$ 228.6	\$	153.1	\$ 100.0	\$ 188.1
Retirement benefit obligations	258.6	263.2	-	200.5	311.7	298.3
Deferred reforestation obligations	61.6	60.0		69.8	78.4	65.0
Other long-term liabilities	20.1	19.6		14.9	13.6	13.8
Forward purchase liability	43.0	_		-	_	-
Deferred income taxes, net	192.3	211.9		217.1	151.1	103.3
Non-controlling interests	296.8	250.4		223.1	199.4	232.8
Equity attributable to shareholders of the Company	1,330.9	1,387.2		1,374.3	1,112.5	1,127.3
	\$ 2,659.5	\$ 2,420.9	\$	2,252.8	\$ 1,966.7	\$ 2,028.6
Additions to property, plant and equipment, timber and						
intangible assets (millions of Canadian dollars)	\$ 240.0	\$ 234.3	\$	237.3	\$ 201.6	\$ 312.3

## **FIVE-YEAR COMPARATIVE REVIEW**

	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Cash generated from (used in) [millions of Canadian dollars]					
Operating activities	\$ 254.6	\$ 385.9	\$ 486.4	\$ 117.8	\$ 163.3
Financing activities					
Long term debt	213.4	75.0	(139.8)	50.1	(81.9)
Share purchases	(59.2)	(108.9)	(60.0)	-	-
Cash distributions paid to non-controlling interest	(56.8)	(10.2)	(9.3)	(15.9)	(91.0)
Other	52.0	(20.6)	27.7	7.8	(18.5)
	149.4	(64.7)	(181.4)	42.0	(191.4)
Investing activities					
Property, plant and equipment, timber and intangible assets	(240.0)	(234.3)	(237.3)	(201.6)	(312.3)
Acquisitions	(263.4)	(9.9)	(29.5)	(65.6)	-
Proceeds from Green Transformation Program	-	-	-	19.7	75.6
Proceeds on sale of Daaquam operation	-	23.6	-	-	-
Proceeds on sale of Canfor-LP OSB joint venture	-	-	77.9	-	-
Changes in long-term investments	-	-	-	12.9	29.8
Other	25.4	(38.3)	(13.4)	31.5	3.9
	(478.0)	(258.9)	(202.3)	(203.1)	(203.0)
Foreign exchange gain (loss) on cash and cash equivalents	13.2	6.5	3.9	(0.4)	(0.3)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	\$ (60.8)	\$ 68.8	\$ 106.6	\$ (43.7)	\$ (231.4)
<u> </u>					
Financial statistics					
Operating income before amortization	\$ 355.6	\$ 511.8	\$ 517.5	\$ 248.4	\$ 181.2
Return on invested capital	2.3%	13.3%	17.8%	3.7%	(3.4)%
Ratio of current assets to current liabilities	1.6:1	2.1:1	1.7:1	1.3:1	1.5:1
Ratio of net debt to capitalization	24%	5%	8%	20%	13%
Production statistics					
Lumber SPF – MMfbm	3,829.6	3,722.1	4,058.1	3,714.1	2,995.4
Lumber SYP- MMfbm	1,161.9	575.1	526.3	466.3	419.4
Oriented strand board - MMsf 3/8" basis	_	_	_	284.1	270.4
Pulp - 000 mt	1,235.8	1,200.1	1,192.9	1,169.9	1,200.0
Kraft paper – 000 mt	136.8	144.0	134.7	130.2	136.5
Sales by product line		/40/	4004	E (0)	450/
Lumber - Canfor produced	61%	61%	62%	56%	47%
Pulp and kraft paper	30	32	31	34	43
Lumber – other producers	0	0	1	1	3
Oriented strand board	0	0	0	3	2
Miscellaneous	9 100%	7 100%	100%	100%	5 100%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Sales by location of customer					
United States	53%	47%	44%	42%	39%
Asia	31	35	37	36	40
Canada	12	13	14	16	12
Europe	2	3	4	5	7
Other	2	2	1	1	2
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

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### **DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS**

#### **DIRECTORS**

The names, principal occupations and municipalities of residence of the Directors of the Company as at December 31, 2015 are as below. For more information visit www.canfor.com

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Chairman
Canfor Corporation

West Vancouver, British Columbia

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Conrad A. Pinette (2)(4)(5)

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Corporate Director West Vancouver, British Columbia

William W. Stinson [1][2][4][5]

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Westshore Terminals Investment Corp.
Vancouver. British Columbia

#### **OFFICERS**

The names and municipalities of residence of the officers and Chairman Emeritus of the Company and the offices held by each of them as at December 31, 2015 are as below. For more information visit www.canfor.com

#### Peter J.G. Bentlev

Chairman Emeritus Vancouver, British Columbia

#### Michael J. Korenberg

Chairman

West Vancouver, British Columbia

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#### **Bob Hayes**

Vice President, Transportation, Procurement and Distribution Delta, British Columbia

#### Rick Wilson

Vice President, Corporate Development and Strategic Capital Surrey, British Columbia

The term of office of each Director expires on the date of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company.

<sup>[1]</sup> Member of the Audit Committee, which reviews the Company's financial statements, the scope and results of the external auditor's work, the adequacy of internal accounting and audit programs and compliance with accounting and reporting standards.

<sup>(2)</sup> Member of the Joint Management Resources and Compensation Committee, which oversees compensation policies approved by the Board and to make recommendations to the Board regarding executive compensation.

<sup>[3]</sup> Member of the Joint Corporate Governance Committee, which ensures that the Company through its Board of Directors sustains an effective approach to corporate governance.

<sup>[4]</sup> Member of the Joint Environmental, Health and Safety Committee, which develops, reviews and makes recommendations on matters related to the Company's environmental, health and safety policies, and monitors compliance with those policies and with government regulation.

<sup>(5)</sup> Member of the Joint Capital Expenditure Committee, which reviews proposed capital expenditures.

### **MAP OF OPERATIONS**

#### **WESTERN CANADA**

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#### PRINCE GEORGE, BC



#### **SOUTHERN USA**



#### **SOLID WOOD**

Chetwynd, BC1	Elko, BC11
Fort St John, BC2	Prince George, BC12
Grande Prairie, AB 3	Graham, NC
Houston, BC 4	Conway, SC14
Isle Pierre, BC 5	Camden, SC 15
Mackenzie, BC 6	Darlington, SC 16
Plateau, BC7	Marion, SC 17
Polar, BC8	Thomasville, GA [3] 18
Radium, BC9	Moultrie, GA [3] 19
Vavenby, BC 10	Mobile, AL <sup>(2)</sup> 20

Fulton, AL (2)	21
Jackson, AL <sup>[2]</sup> 2	22
Hermanville, MS	23

Arkansas, AR . . . . . . . . 24

#### PULP & PAPER

Taylor <sup>(1)</sup> , BC	. 25
Intercontinental $^{\mbox{\scriptsize [1]}}$ , BC	. 26
Northwood <sup>[1]</sup> , BC	. 27
Prince George [1] BC	28

#### **ENGINEERED WOOD PRODUCTS**

El Doradao, AR	29
Washington, GA	30

#### OTHER

J.D. Little Forest Ctr., BC 31

Canfor Pulp Products Inc. - 51.9% ownership at December 31, 2015
 Scotch & Gulf Lumber, LLC - 50% ownership at December 31, 2015

<sup>(3)</sup> Beadles & Balfour LLC - 55% ownership at December 31, 2015

### **DEFINITIONS AND INFORMATION**

#### **MILL OPERATIONS**

	2015 Production	Capacity <sup>3</sup>
LUMBER (MMfbm)		
Total SPF	3,830	4,235
Total SYP	1,162	1,555
Total Lumber	4,992	5,790
PULP (000 tonnes)		
Canfor Pulp Products Inc.1	1,215	
Taylor Pulp <sup>2</sup>	21	
Total Pulp	1,236	1,285
KRAFT PAPER (000 tonnes)		
Canfor Pulp Products Inc.1	137	140

- (1) Partly owned includes 100% of production.
- Taylor Pulp was 100% owned by Canfor until January 30, 2015. Figure relates to production at the Taylor Pulp Mill prior to its sale to Canfor Pulp Products Inc. on January 30, 2015.
- Capacity figures above include 100% of the capacity of Scotch Gulf and Beadles

#### **DEFINITIONS OF SELECTED FINANCIAL TERMS**

Book Value per Common Share is the shareholders' equity at the end of the year, divided by the number of common shares outstanding at the end of the year.

Net Debt is total debt less cash and cash equivalents and temporary investments.

Net Income (Loss) per Common Share is calculated as described in Note 17 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Return on Invested Capital is equal to operating income (loss), plus realized gains (losses) on derivatives and other income (expense), divided by the average invested capital during the year. Invested capital is equal to capital assets, plus long-term investments and net non-cash working capital, all excluding minority interest components.

Working Capital is total current assets (including cash and cash equivalents) less total current liabilities.

#### **CORPORATE AND SHAREHOLDER INFORMATION**

#### Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of Canfor Corporation will be held at the Prince George Playhouse at 2833 Recreation Place, Prince George, BC, on Wednesday, April 27, 2016 at 1:00 pm.

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