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\$11,460 previously paid in respect of an aggregate offering price of \$100,000,000 based on the registration fee at the time. \$45,840 included with this filing in respect of the additional \$400,000,000 of common stock being hereby registered.

The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or until the Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Securities and Exchange Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

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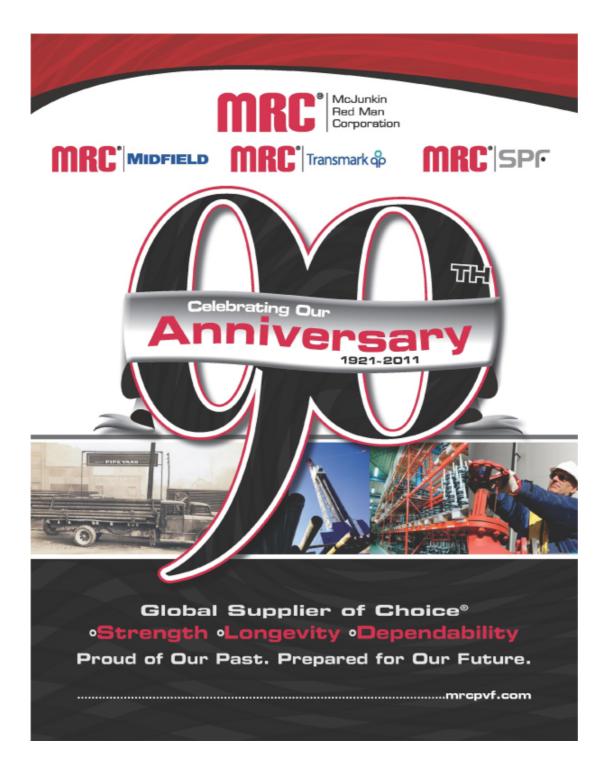


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Through and including , 2012 (the 25th day after the date of this prospectus), all dealers that effect transactions in these securities, whether or not participating in this offering, may be required to deliver a prospectus. This is in addition to a dealer's obligation to deliver a prospectus when acting as an underwriter and with respect to an unsold allotment or subscription.

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This prospectus contains registered and unregistered trademarks and service marks of MRC Global Inc. and its affiliates, as well as trademarks and service marks of third parties. All brand names, trademarks and service marks appearing in this prospectus are the property of their respective holders.

PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

The following prospectus summary contains a summary of basic information contained elsewhere in this prospectus. It does not contain all the information that may be important to you. For a more complete understanding, we encourage you to read this entire prospectus carefully, including the "Risk Factors" section and the financial statements and related notes. Unless otherwise indicated or the context otherwise requires, all references to "the Company", "MRC", "we", "us", and "our" refer to MRC Global Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries.

Our Company

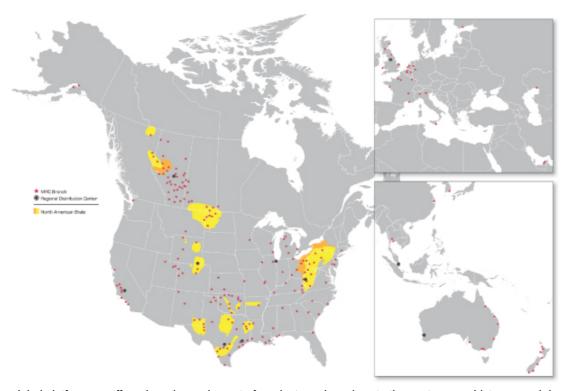
We are the largest global industrial distributor of pipe, valves and fittings ("PVF") and related products and services to the energy industry based on sales and hold the leading position in our industry across each of the upstream, midstream and downstream sectors. We offer more than 150,000 stock keeping units ("SKUs"), including an extensive array of PVF, oilfield supply, automation, instrumentation and other general and specialty industry supply products from over 12,000 suppliers. Through our North American and International segments, we serve more than 12,000 customers through over 400 service locations throughout North America, Europe, Asia and Australasia.

Our PVF and oilfield supplies are used in mission critical process applications that require us to provide a high degree of product knowledge, technical expertise and value added services to our customers. We seek to provide best-in-class service and a one-stop shop for our customers by satisfying the most complex, multi-site needs of many of the largest companies in the energy and industrial sectors as their primary PVF supplier. We provide services such as product testing, manufacturer assessments, multiple daily deliveries, volume purchasing, inventory and zone store management and warehousing, technical support, just-in-time delivery, truck stocking, order consolidation, product tagging and system interfaces customized to customer and supplier specifications for tracking and replenishing inventory, which we believe result in deeply integrated customer relationships. We believe the critical role we play in our customers' supply chain, together with our extensive product offering, broad global presence, customer-linked scalable information systems and efficient distribution capabilities, serve to solidify our long-standing customer relationships and drive our growth. As a result, we have an average relationship of over 20 years with our largest 25 customers.

We believe that growth in PVF and industrial supply spending within the energy industry is likely to continue. Several factors have driven the long-term growth in spending, including underinvestment in North American energy infrastructure, production and capacity constraints, and market expectations of future improvements in the oil, natural gas, refined products, petrochemical and other industrial sectors. In addition, the products we distribute are often used in extreme operating environments, leading to the need for a regular replacement cycle. Approximately two-thirds of our sales are attributable to multi-year maintenance, repair and operations ("MRO") arrangements and nearly three-quarters of our MRO activity is in the form of 3-5 year exclusive or primary supplier contracts. Our average annual retention rate for these contracts since 2000 is 95%. We consider MRO arrangements to be normal, generally repetitive business that primarily addresses the recurring maintenance, repair or operational work to existing energy infrastructure. Project activities, including facility expansions, exploration or new construction projects, are more commonly associated with a customer's capital expenditures budget. Such projects can be more sensitive to global oil and natural gas prices and general economic conditions.

We distribute products globally, including in PVF intensive, rapidly expanding oil and natural gas exploration and production ("E&P") areas such as the Bakken, Barnett, Eagle Ford, Fayetteville, Haynesville, Marcellus, Niobrara and Utica shales in North America. Improved production technology,

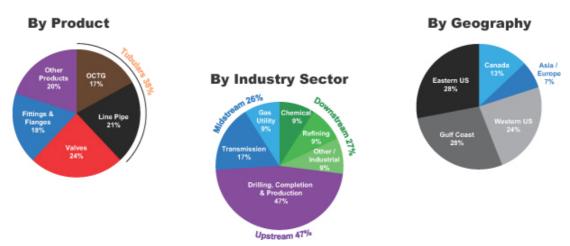
favorable market trends and robust capital expenditure budgets have driven growth in these oil and natural gas production areas which we expect to continue. Furthermore, our Canadian subsidiary Midfield Supply ULC ("MRC Midfield"), one of the two largest Canadian PVF distributors based on sales, provides PVF products to oil and natural gas companies operating primarily in Western Canada, including the Western Canadian Sedimentary Basin, Alberta Oil Sands and heavy oil regions. These regions are still in the early stages of infrastructure investment with numerous companies seeking to facilitate the long-term harvesting of difficult to extract and process crude oil. Beyond North America, our acquisitions of Transmark Fcx Group BV (together with its subsidiaries, "MRC Transmark") and Stainless Pipe and Fittings Australia Pty Ltd. ("MRC SPF") have provided us with a well-established and integrated platform for international growth and further positioned us to be the leading global PVF distributor to the energy industry. The following map illustrates our global presence:



Across our global platform we offer a broad complement of products and services to the upstream, midstream and downstream sectors of the energy industry, as well as other industrial (including general manufacturing, pulp and paper and food and beverage) and other energy (including power generation, mining and mineral processing, liquefied natural gas ("LNG"), coal and alternative energy) sectors. During the year ended December 31, 2011, approximately 47% of our sales were attributable to upstream activities, approximately 26% were attributable to midstream activities and approximately 27% were attributable to downstream and other processing activities, which include the refining, chemical and other industrial and energy sectors. Across these end markets, PVF and oilfield supply products are used in mission critical process applications that require a high degree of technical understanding and product knowledge. We are skilled in nearly every aspect of flow control and automation, including expert knowledge of our key vendors, product specifications and customer

applications. This expertise is recognized by customers as a key differentiator for MRC, and is of critical importance in complex plant environments, where demanding operating conditions and numerous regulatory and safety requirements must be carefully considered and addressed.

Our business is characterized by diversity in the industry sectors and regions we serve and in the products we supply. The following charts summarize our revenue by sector, geography and product, across both our North American and International segments, for the year ended December 31, 2011:



Due to the demanding operating conditions in the energy industry, high costs and safety risks associated with equipment failure, customers prefer highly reliable products and vendors with established qualifications, reputation and experience. As our PVF products typically are mission critical yet represent a fraction of the total cost of the project, our customers often place a premium on service and high reliability given the high cost to them of maintenance or project delays. Our products are typically used in high-volume, high-stress and abrasive applications or in high-pressure, extreme temperature and high-corrosion applications.

With over 400 global service locations servicing the energy and industrial sectors, we are an important link between our more than 12,000 customers and our more than 12,000 suppliers. We add value to our customers and suppliers in a number of ways:

- Ÿ Broad Product Offering and High Customer Service Levels: The breadth and depth of our product offering enables us to provide a high level of service to our energy and industrial customers. Given our global inventory coverage and branch network, we are able to fulfill orders more quickly, including orders for less common and specialty items, and provide our customers with a greater array of value added services than if we operated on a smaller scale or only at a local or regional level. These value added services include multiple daily deliveries, volume purchasing, product testing, manufacturer assessments, inventory management and warehousing, technical support, just-in-time delivery, order consolidation, product tagging and tracking and system interfaces customized to customer and supplier specifications. Globally, we have the capacity to meet the needs of our largest customers in North America, Europe, Asia and Australasia. Thus, our clients can quickly and efficiently source the most suitable products with minimal downtime and low total transaction costs.
- Ÿ **Approved Manufacturer List ("AML") Services:** Our customers rely on us to provide a high level of quality control for their PVF products. We do this by regularly auditing many of our suppliers for quality assurance through our Supplier Registration Process ("SRP"). We use our

resulting Approved Supplier List (the "MRC ASL") to supply products across many of the industries we support, particularly for downstream and midstream customers. Increasingly, many of our customers rely on the MRC ASL and our AML services to help devise and maintain their own approved manufacturer listings. In this manner, we seek to ensure that our customers timely receive reliable and high quality products without incurring additional administrative and procurement expenses. As a valued quality assurance partner of our customers, each year MRC performs many inspections and audits of new sources of supply and existing suppliers. Our suppliers, in turn, look to us as a key partner, which has been important in establishing us as an important link in the supply chain.

Ÿ Customized and Integrated Service Offering: We offer our customers integrated supply services, including product procurement, quality assurance, physical warehousing and inventory management and analysis, using our proprietary information technology ("IT") platform. This is part of an overall strategy to provide a "one stop" solution for PVF purchases across the upstream-midstream-downstream spectrum through integrated supply agreements and MRO contracts. This enables our customers to focus on their core operations, generate cost savings and increase the overall efficiency of their businesses.

Our Industry

We primarily serve the global oil and natural gas industry, generating approximately 90% of our sales from supplying products and various services to customers throughout the energy industry. Given the diverse requirements and various factors that drive the growth of the upstream, midstream and downstream sectors, our sales to each sector or by product may vary over time, though the overall strength of the global energy market and the level of our customers' operating and capital expenditures are typically good indicators of our business activity. In each of 2010 and 2011, as part of the broader global economic recovery, our customers' capital and operating expenditures increased as compared to 2009, although overall oil and natural gas drilling and completion spending still remained below 2006 and 2007 levels. Over the longer term, we expect to continue to see customer spending increase due to a variety of global supply and demand fundamentals, a slowly improving global economy, shale E&P activity and longer term outlooks for oil and natural gas prices.

During the last several years, the global energy industry has experienced a number of favorable supply and demand dynamics that have led our customers to make substantial investments to expand their physical infrastructure and processing capacities. On the demand side, world energy markets are benefiting from:

- Ÿ increased consumption of energy, caused in part by the industrialization of China, India and other countries that are not members of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development ("non-OECD countries");
- Ÿ a slow recovery in economic growth in OECD countries from the severe downturn in 2009 and 2010;
- Ÿ continued global energy infrastructure expansion; and
- Ÿ increased use of natural gas, as opposed to coal, in power generation.

At the same time, global energy supply has been generally constrained due to increasing scarcity of natural resources, declining excess capacity of existing energy assets, geopolitical instability, natural and other unforeseen disasters and more stringent regulatory, safety and environmental standards. These demand and supply dynamics underscore the need for investment in energy infrastructure and increases in global exploration, extraction, production, transportation, refining and processing of energy

inputs. Within the U.S., the energy industry has benefited from technological developments that have enabled more recent significant increases in U.S. oil production and natural gas supply. The U.S. Energy Information Administration ("EIA") expects that U.S. crude oil production, which increased 2.1% in 2010 and 2.1% in 2011, will increase by a further 4.3% in 2012, driven by increased oil-directed drilling activity, particularly in unconventional shale formations. EIA expects that U.S. marketed natural gas production, which increased by 3.5% in 2010 and 7.8% in 2011, will grow further by 2.2% in 2012. Finally, as companies in the energy industry, both in North America and internationally, continue to focus on improving operating efficiencies, they have been increasingly looking to outsource their procurement and related administrative functions to distributors such as MRC.

Our Strengths

Global Market Leader with Worldwide Branch Network and Significant Scale. We are the leading global industrial distributor of PVF and related products to the energy industry based on sales, with nearly twice the sales of our nearest competitor in 2011. We have a significant global presence through a network of over 400 service locations worldwide. This provides us with substantial economies of scale, global reach and product breadth that we believe makes us a more effective competitor. The benefits of our size and international presence include:

- \dot{Y} the ability to act as a single-source supplier to large, multi-national customers operating across the various segments of the global energy industry;
- Ÿ the ability to commit significant financial resources to further develop and invest in our operating infrastructure and provide a strong platform for future expansion;
- Ÿ the ability to secure improved access, service and volume purchasing benefits from our suppliers;
- \dot{Y} the ability to leverage our global inventory coverage to provide greater overall breadth and depth of product offerings;
- \ddot{Y} the ability to attract and retain effective managers and salespeople:
- Y the ability to improve margins from our business model through operating leverage; and
- Ÿ the ability to identify, close and successfully integrate acquisitions.

Our presence and scale have also enabled us to establish an efficient supply chain and logistics platform, allowing us to better serve and integrate with our customers and to further differentiate us from our competitors. In 2011 in North America, we processed on average approximately 157,000 sales orders per month, including on average approximately 737,000 line items with an average revenue per order of \$2,400 and an average revenue per line item of \$500.

Proven Track Record of Successfully Identifying, Executing and Integrating Acquisitions. Growing the scale and scope of our business through selective strategic acquisitions has been a core focus of our management team. We have demonstrated our ability to successfully integrate acquired companies in 26 acquisitions since 2000, collectively representing approximately \$1.8 billion in sales in the respective years of acquisition, in addition to the business combination between McJunkin Corporation and Red Man Pipe & Supply Co. ("Red Man") in October 2007. Our operating scale and integration capabilities have also enabled us to realize important synergies, while minimizing execution risk. Important recent acquisitions include:

- Ÿ OneSteel Piping Systems ("OPS"), a leading PVF distributor, which expanded our footprint in Australia supplying the oil and gas, mining and mineral processing industries;
- Ÿ The Valve Systems and Controls business unit of Curtiss-Wright Flow Control Corporation ("VSC"), which strengthened our overall valve capabilities in the Gulf Coast of the U.S., in July 2011;

- Ÿ MRC SPF, a distributor of stainless steel piping products through its seven locations across Australia as well as Korea, the United Kingdom and the United Arab Emirates, in June 2011:
- Ÿ The South Texas Supply Co. ("South Texas Supply") and Dresser Oil Tools & Supply, which expanded our footprint in the Eagle Ford and Bakken shale regions, in May and August 2010, respectively;
- Ÿ MRC Transmark, a leading distributor of valves and flow control products in Europe, Southeast Asia and Australasia, in October 2009;
- Ÿ LaBarge Pipe & Steel Company ("LaBarge"), a distributor of carbon steel pipe to the North American midstream sector that significantly expanded our line pipe capability, in October 2008;
- Ÿ MRC Midfield, one of the two largest oilfield supply companies in Canada with over 40 branches, in July 2008; and
- Ÿ Midway-Tristate Corporation ("Midway"), an oilfield distributor primarily serving the Rockies and Appalachian regions, in April 2007.

Historically, our operating scale and integration capabilities have enabled us to realize important synergies, while minimizing execution risk. All of our North American acquisitions have been integrated onto a single IT platform, which facilitates more efficient pricing, sourcing and inventory management.

High Level of Integration and MRO Contracts with a Global Energy Customer Base. We have a diversified global customer base with over 12,000 active customers. We serve as the sole or primary supplier in all sectors or in specified sectors or geographies for many of our customers. Our largest 25 customers, with whom we have had relationships for more than 20 years on average, accounted for approximately half of our sales for 2011, while no single customer accounted for more than 6% of our sales during that period. We enjoy fully integrated relationships, including interconnected technology systems and daily communication, with many of our customers, and we provide an extensive range of integrated and outsourced supply services, allowing us to market a "total transaction value" concept as opposed to individual product prices. We provide services such as multiple daily deliveries, zone stores management, valve tagging, truck stocking and significant system support for tracking and replenishing inventory, which we believe results in deeply integrated customer relationships. We sell products to our major customers through multi-year MRO contracts, which are typically renegotiated every three to five years. Although there are typically no guaranteed minimum purchase amounts under these contracts, these MRO customers, representing approximately two-thirds of our 2011 sales with an average annual retention rate of over 95% since 2000, provide a relatively stable revenue stream and help mitigate the effect of industry downturns on our business. During 2011, we signed several new MRO contracts, including contracts with new customers that displace competitors and contracts with existing customers that broaden existing customer relationships.

Business and Geographic Diversification in High-Growth Areas. We are well diversified across the upstream, midstream and downstream operations of the energy industry, as well as through our participation in selected industrial sectors. This diversification affords us some measure of protection in the event of a downturn in any one sector while providing us the ability to offer a "one stop" solution for our integrated energy customers. In our North American operating segment, our more than 175 branch locations are located near major hydrocarbon and refining regions, including rapidly expanding oil and natural gas E&P areas, such as the Bakken, Barnett, Eagle Ford, Fayetteville, Haynesville, Marcellus, Niobrara and Utica shales. In these non-conventional shale areas, a typical well can produce five or more times the revenue for us than a conventional well due to the greater length and the higher quality of pipe and related PVF products we furnish. We estimate that

approximately 29% of our business during the year ended December 31, 2011 was related to activity in the shale areas, and we believe that this percentage will continue to increase as this activity accelerates. In our International operating segment, we have a network of over 30 branch locations throughout Europe, Asia and Australasia in close proximity to major projects in LNG, mining and mineral processing and other high-growth energy and infrastructure development areas. Our geographic diversity enhances our ability to quickly respond to customers worldwide, gives us a strong presence in these high growth areas and reduces our exposure to a downturn in any one region.

For the years ended December 31, 2011, December 31, 2010, and December 31, 2009, the breakdown of our revenue by sector was as follows:

	Year	Year Ended December 31,		
	2011	2010	2009	
Upstream	47%	46%	44%	
Midstream	26%	24%	24%	
Downstream and industrial	27%	30%	32%	
	100%	100%	100%	

Strategic Supplier Relationships. We have extensive relationships with our suppliers and have key supplier relationships dating back in certain instances over 60 years. Approximately 50% of our total purchases for the year ended December 31, 2011 were from our largest 25 suppliers. We believe our customers view us as an industry leader in part due to the formal processes we use to evaluate vendor performance and product quality. We employ individuals who specialize in conducting manufacturer assessments both domestically and internationally and who are certified by the International Registry of Certificated Auditors. Our Supplier Registration Process, which allows us to maintain the MRC ASL, serves as a significant strategic advantage to us in developing, maintaining and institutionalizing key supplier relationships. For our suppliers, inclusion on the MRC ASL represents an opportunity for them to increase their product sales to our customers. The SRP also adds value to our customers, as they collaborate with us regarding specific manufacturer performance, our past experiences with products and the results of our on-site manufacturer assessments. Having a timely, uninterrupted supply of those mission critical products from approved vendors is an essential part of our customers' day-to-day operations, and we work to fulfill that need through our SRP.

IT Platform Focused on Customer Service. Our proprietary, integrated, scalable, customer-linked and highly customized information systems support our business. A wide area network links these systems and our more than 4,000 employees. We operate a single information and operating system ("SIMS") for all of our North American locations and a separate, Oracle-based system for our other international locations (other than those we have recently acquired). This enables real-time access to our business resources, including customer order processing, purchasing and material requests, distribution requirements planning, warehousing and receiving, inventory control and accounting and financial functions. In 2011, we had over 1.6 million electronic data interchange customer transactions (including purchase orders, advance ship notices, electronic funds transfer and internet ordering), compared to less than 700,000 in 2000. We have over 4 million customer part numbers cross referenced and integrated into MRC's IT systems. Significant elements of our systems include firm-wide pricing controls, resulting in disciplined pricing strategies, advanced scanning and customized bar-coding capabilities, allowing for efficient warehousing activities at customer as well as our own locations, and significant levels of customer-specific integrations. We believe that the customized integration of our customers' systems into our own information systems has increased customer retention by reducing our customers' expenses, resulting in switching costs when our customers compare us to alternative sources of supply. Typically, smaller regional and local competitors do not have IT capabilities that are as advanced as ours, which we believe further differentiates us from our competition.

Highly Efficient, Flexible Operating Structure Drives Significant Free Cash Flow Generation. We place a particular emphasis on practicing financial discipline as evidenced by our strong focus on return on net assets ("RONA"), minimal maintenance capital expenditures and high free cash flow generation. Our disciplined cost control, coupled with our active asset management strategies and IT and services capabilities, result in a business model exhibiting a high degree of operating leverage. As is typical with the flexibility associated with a distribution operating model, our variable cost base includes substantially all of our cost of goods sold and a large portion of our operating costs. Furthermore, our total capital expenditures were approximately 0.4% of our sales for the year ended December 31, 2011. This cost structure allows us to adjust effectively to changing industry dynamics. As a result, during periods of decreased sales activity, we typically generate a significant amount of cash as our costs are reduced and working capital contracts. For example, although our sales decreased by 30% in 2009, our cash flow from operations that year increased by over \$640 million.

Experienced and Motivated Management Team. Our executive management team averages approximately 30 years of experience in the oilfield and industrial supply business, the majority of which has been with MRC or its predecessors. Employees own approximately 8% of our Company, including approximately 5% that is owned by executive and senior management, either directly or indirectly through their equity interests in PVF Holdings LLC ("PVF Holdings"), our largest shareholder. We also seek to incentivize and align management with shareholder interests through equity-linked compensation plans. Furthermore, management incentive compensation is based on profitability and RONA targets, which we believe drives accountability and further aligns the organization with our shareholders.

Our Strategy

Our goal is to grow our market position as the largest global industrial distributor of PVF and related products to the energy industry. Our strategy is focused on pursuing growth by increasing market share and growing our business with current customers, expanding into new geographies and sectors, increasing recurring revenues through integrated supply and MRO business, capturing additional high growth project activity, continuing to increase our operational efficiency and making and integrating strategic acquisitions. We seek to extend our current MRO contracts, and bundle certain products, most notably pipe, flanges, fittings and other products ("PFF"), into MRC Transmark's existing customer base and branch network. We also seek to opportunistically add other products and new suppliers, including alloy, chrome, stainless products, gaskets, seals, safety and other industrial supply products, into our existing North American platform. We will also look at future complementary distribution acquisitions that would supplement our PVF leadership position, and we will look at future "bolt-on" acquisitions that broaden our geographic footprint, increase international focus, or expand our product offering to our major customers.

Increase Market Share Organically and Grow Business with Current Customers. We are committed to expanding existing deep relationships with our current customer base while concurrently striving to secure new customers. To accomplish this, we are focused on providing a global "one stop" PVF procurement solution across the upstream, midstream and downstream sectors of the energy industry, maximizing bundling opportunities by leveraging our extensive product offering and increasing our penetration of existing customers' new multi-year projects. Since 2000, we have retained in excess of 95% of our MRO contracts.

The migration of existing customer relationships to sole or primary sourcing arrangements is a core strategic focus. We seek to position ourselves as the sole or primary provider of a broad complement of PVF products and services for a particular customer, often by sector or region, or in certain instances across all of a customer's global upstream, midstream and downstream operations. Several of our largest customers have recently switched to sole or primary sourcing contracts with us.

Additionally, we believe that other significant opportunities exist to expand our deep customer and supplier relationships and thereby increase our market share. There is also a significant opportunity to extend our current North American MRO contracts internationally as well as bundle certain products, most notably PFF, into MRC Transmark's existing customer base, branch network and more valve-focused product platform.

We also aim to increase our penetration of our existing customers' new projects. For example, while we often provide nearly 100% of the PVF products for certain customers under MRO contracts, increased penetration of those customers' new downstream and midstream projects remains a strategic priority.

Increase Recurring Revenues through Integrated Supply and MRO Contracts. We have entered into, and continue to pursue, integrated supply and MRO contracts with certain of our customers. Under these arrangements, we are typically the sole or primary source provider of the upstream, midstream or downstream requirements of our customers. In certain instances, we are the sole or primary source provider for our customers across all the energy sectors or North American geographies within which the customer operates. We will seek to extend these contracts internationally.

In addition, our customers have, over time, increasingly moved toward centralized PVF procurement management at the corporate level rather than at individual local units. These developments are partly due to significant consolidation among our customer base. Sole or primary sourcing arrangements allow customers to focus on their core operations and provide economic benefits by generating immediate savings for the customer through administrative cost and working capital reductions, while providing for increased volumes, more stable revenue streams and longer term visibility for us. We believe we are well positioned to obtain these arrangements due to our leadership position and technical expertise, geographically diverse branch network, breadth of available product lines, value added services and scale in purchasing and existing deep relationships with customers and suppliers.

We also have both exclusive and non-exclusive MRO contracts in place. Our customers are increasing their capital and operating spending, which is being driven by aging infrastructure, increasing regulatory, safety and environmental requirements, the increased utilization of existing facilities and the decreasing quality of energy feedstocks. Our customers benefit from MRO arrangements through lower inventory investment and the reduction of transaction costs associated with the elimination of the bid submission process, and our Company benefits from the recurring revenue stream that occurs with an MRO contract in place. We believe there are additional opportunities to utilize MRO arrangements through our "one-stop" PVF solution, both in North America and globally, for servicing the requirements of our customers. We are actively pursuing such opportunities.

Capitalize on Significant Growth in U.S. Shale Activity. The development of shale oil and gas in the U.S. has been rapid over the past several years. Natural gas is a major source of energy in the U.S., providing about 25% of total U.S. energy according to the Department of Energy. Shale gas, as a percentage of total natural gas production, has, in turn, rapidly increased from less than 2% of total U.S. natural gas production in 2001 to 30% in 2011 and is projected to increase to 49% by 2035 according to the EIA. Over the past ten years, technological advances in directional drilling and fracturing technologies have enabled the production of oil and natural gas products in previously underdeveloped U.S. oil and natural gas shale basins. As a result, unconventional E&P activity in shale regions has accelerated significantly and production levels have increased.

We believe that PVF expenditures for unconventional shale plays can amount to as much as five times that required for comparable conventional plays and have positioned ourselves to benefit from

this increase in unconventional E&P and midstream infrastructure activity by investing in these shale regions. This includes adding new branches, building new distribution centers, increasing inventory, strengthening our supply chain and providing greater local resources, including additional headcount in certain locations.

In addition, we are well positioned to continue to benefit from the more recent marked shift in E&P activity in the U.S. towards oil production. During 2007, approximately one-third of E&P activity in the U.S. consisted of oil drilling and two-thirds consisted of natural gas drilling. During the fourth quarter of 2011, approximately 53% of E&P activity in the U.S. consisted of oil drilling and 47% consisted of natural gas drilling. This is the highest percentage of oil drilling in the U.S. in over two decades. We benefit from this shift, as oil prices are global in nature and are less susceptible to the seasonal variations associated with U.S. natural gas prices. As part of our efforts to continue to participate in the growth in oil E&P activity, we made two acquisitions in 2010, South Texas Supply and Dresser Oil Tools & Supply. These acquisitions position us in two of the most active oil drilling basins in the U.S., the Eagle Ford shale in South Texas and the Bakken shale in North Dakota. We also added branches in these and other active oil E&P areas in 2010 and 2011 and expanded our inventory in the Permian Basin and California, two high activity oil drilling basins where we already had a strong local presence.

Capitalize on Anticipated Midstream MRO Activity. Our major midstream customers face new safety regulations requiring additional inspection and hydro-testing requirements for U.S. pipelines. On January 3, 2012, the Pipeline Safety, Regulatory Certainty, and Job Creation Act of 2011 (the "Pipeline Act") was enacted into law. The Pipeline Act is expected to accelerate PVF testing and replacement as well as require midstream participants to install additional automatic or remote-controlled shut-off valves and excess flow valves in new or replaced transmission pipelines. In addition, approximately 60% of the 178,000 miles of pipeline in the U.S. is over 40 years old. Recent initiatives from several of our major customers suggest a longer term trend towards continued replacement of this aged pipeline infrastructure and related MRO spending. Our acquisition of LaBarge, along with our increased focus and investments in line pipe and its attendant PVF and industrial supply products, uniquely positions us to benefit from increased pipeline replacement and MRO spending in the midstream sector over the next 10 years.

Further Penetrate the Canadian Oil Sands, Particularly the Downstream Sector. The Canadian Oil Sands region and its attendant downstream sector represent long-term growth areas for our Company. The Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers and Energy Resources Conservation Board estimate that Oil Sands capital expenditures increased by approximately 18% in 2010 to \$13 billion and projects that expenditures will increase to approximately \$20 billion by 2016, a compound annual growth rate ("CAGR") of 7.4%, which we believe will generate significant PVF expenditures. While MRC Midfield has historically focused on the upstream and midstream sectors in Canada, we believe that a significant opportunity exists to continue to penetrate the Canadian Oil Sands and downstream industries, which include the upgrader, refinery, petrochemical and other industrial processing sectors. Our sales to the Canadian Oil Sands region and downstream sectors increased by 45% to \$361 million from 2010 to 2011. Additionally, we believe there is also a significant opportunity to penetrate the Canadian Oil Sands extraction sector involving in-situ recovery methods. We have made targeted inventory and facility investments in Canada, including a 74,000 square foot distribution center located near Edmonton and a 16,000 square foot warehouse near Fort McMurray, to address this opportunity. Finally, we also believe that an attractive opportunity exists to more fully penetrate the MRO sector in Canada, particularly in Eastern Canada, including refineries, petrochemical facilities, gas utilities and pulp and paper and other general industrial sectors.

Expanding Globally Through Positioning on EPC Projects. Projects are a growing part of our business and represent approximately one-third of our sales. In 2011, 15% of our revenue was derived from infrastructure projects through engineering, procurement and construction ("EPC") firms and 19%

was derived from drilling/production projects. These projects can be either brownfield or greenfield in nature, with the latter representing new construction and the former representing projects that are more refurbishment or replacement in scope. Infrastructure projects are an important part of all the sectors we serve but are typically more active in our downstream and midstream sectors. Due to our strong MRO position in these sectors, we are often our customers' choice for brownfield expansion in these facilities. We are actively looking to increase our participation in new greenfield projects both domestically and internationally by working closely with both end customers and EPC contractors.

Our major customers' capital E&P spending is split approximately 25% in North America and 75% internationally and has recently been increasing. As of December 31, 2011, backlog at several of our largest EPC customers increased by 4.4% as compared to December 31, 2010. Similarly, our volume of new project wins increased significantly in 2011 as compared to 2010. Since 2007, we have increased our focus on projects in the Canadian Oil Sands and since our acquisitions of MRC Transmark in 2009 and MRC SPF in 2011, we have expanded our focus on projects in Europe, Australasia and Southeast Asia. We believe that through our international acquisitions, global sourcing and project execution experience, comprehensive product and service offering and global account management strategies, we will be able to capitalize on the large amount of expected capital expenditure project spending by our customers over the next ten years.

Expand into New Geographies and Adjacent Sectors. We intend to continue to selectively establish new branches to facilitate our expansion into new geographies and enter adjacent sectors where extreme operating environments generate high PVF product replacement rates. We continue to evaluate establishing branches and service and supply centers in select domestic and international regions as well as identifying existing branches for overlap and strategic elimination. We added 11 branches in 2010 and four in 2011 while closing 62 branches over this period. The majority of these closures were due to synergies resulting from our acquisitions, part of our restructuring efforts during the market downturn in 2009 and 2010 or to better position us to capitalize on shale or oil E&P activity.

We believe that an attractive opportunity exists to further expand our International operating segment. We continue to actively evaluate opportunities to selectively establish new branches in order to grow with our existing global customer base or to develop new customer relationships and extend our offering to key international markets, particularly in Asia, Europe, Australasia and the Middle East. We recently acquired the operations and assets of OneSteel Piping Systems (OPS) in Australia. This acquisition, when combined with the acquisitions of MRC Transmark Australia in October 2009, and Perth-based MRC SPF in June 2011, is expected to provide the Company with Australia's largest full-line PVF product offering including carbon steel, stainless steel, and alloy pipe, valves, fittings and flanges to serve both the MRO and project needs of our key customers throughout Australia in the oil and gas, mining and industrial processing sectors. The current installed base of energy infrastructure internationally, including the upstream, midstream and downstream sectors, is significantly larger than in North America, and, as a result, we believe represents an attractive long term opportunity for us. In addition, the increased focus, particularly by foreign, typically government controlled, national energy companies that traditionally have not used distributors for their PVF procurement requirements, on efficiency, cost savings, process improvements and core competencies has also generated potential growth opportunities to add new customers. Since 2006, when 100% of our revenues were generated in the U.S., we have expanded into Canada, Europe, Asia and Australasia. In the year ended December 31, 2011, approximately 20% of our revenues were generated outside the U.S.

We also believe opportunities exist for expansion into new and under-penetrated sectors where PVF products are used in specialized or highly corrosive applications. These sectors include pulp and paper, waterworks, food and beverage and other general industrial sectors, in addition to other energy sectors such as power generation, mining and mineral processing, solar, LNG, coal, nuclear, ethanol and desalinization facilities. We believe our global branch network, comprehensive PVF product

offering, large sales force and reputation for high customer service and technical expertise positions us to participate in the growth in these sectors.

We believe there also remains an opportunity to continue to expand into certain niche and specialty products that complement our current extensive product offering. These products include automated valves, instrumentation, stainless, chrome and high nickel alloy PVF, gaskets, traps and other flow control products and certain other general and specialty industrial supply products.

Pursue Selective Strategic Acquisitions and Investments. We continue to seek opportunities to strengthen our franchise through selective acquisitions and strategic investments. In particular, we will consider investments that enhance our presence in the energy infrastructure sector and enable us to leverage our existing operations, either through acquiring new branches or by acquiring companies offering complementary products or geographic breadth. Our industry remains highly fragmented while our customers and suppliers continue to consolidate. We believe a significant number of small and larger acquisition opportunities remain that offer favorable synergy potential and attractive growth characteristics. We intend to focus on utilizing our global operating scale and integration capabilities to further realize important synergies while minimizing execution risk.

Continued Focus on Operational Efficiency. We strive for continued operational excellence. Our branch managers, regional management and corporate leadership team continually examine branch profitability, working capital management and return on managed assets and utilize this information to optimize global, regional and local strategies, reduce operating costs and maximize cash flow generation. An important part of our strategy is to align management incentives from corporate officers through branch managers on achieving Adjusted EBITDA and RONA targets.

To improve efficiencies and profitability, we work to leverage operational best practices, optimize our vendor relationships, purchasing and inventory levels, and source inventory internationally when appropriate. As part of this strategy, we have integrated our purchasing functions into a central procurement function and believe we have developed strong relationships with vendors that value our international footprint, large sales force and volume purchasing capabilities. Because of this, we are often considered the preferred distribution channel. As we continue to consolidate our vendor relationships, we plan to devote additional resources to assist our customers in identifying products that improve their processes, day-to-day operations and overall operating efficiencies. We believe that offering these value added services maximizes our value to our customers and helps differentiate us from competitors.

The Goldman Sachs Funds

Certain affiliates of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc., including GS Capital Partners V Fund, L.P., GS Capital Partners VI Fund, L.P. and related entities, or the Goldman Sachs Funds, are the majority owners of PVF Holdings, our largest shareholder.

Since 1986, the Goldman Sachs Merchant Banking Division ("GS MBD"), which manages The Goldman Sachs Funds, has raised 16 private equity and principal debt investment funds aggregating over \$78 billion of capital and invested in over 500 companies globally. GS Capital Partners VI is the current private equity vehicle through which Goldman Sachs conducts its large, privately negotiated, corporate equity investment activities. With six offices in five countries around the world, GS MBD is one of the largest managers of private capital globally.

GS MBD has extensive equity investing experience in the energy and industrial distribution sectors, including upstream E&P companies (Bill Barrett Corporation, Cobalt International Energy, Inc. and EF Energy Holdings, L.L.C.), midstream companies (Kinder Morgan, Inc.), downstream companies (CVR Energy, Inc.), power generation companies (Energy Future Holdings Corp., Horizon Wind Energy, LLC, Orion Power Holdings, Inc.), oilfield services companies (CCS Corporation, Ensco International Inc., Expro International Group Holdings Ltd., SEACOR holdings Inc., Sub Sea International, Inc.) and industrial distributors (Ahlsell Sverige AB).

Risk Factors

Our business faces various risks. For example, decreased capital and operating expenditures in the energy industry could lead to decreased demand for our products and services and could therefore have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition. We face other risks including, among others, fluctuations in steel prices, particularly for our tubular product category, volatility of oil and natural gas prices, economic downturns, our lack of long-term contracts with many of our customers and suppliers and the absence of minimum purchase obligations under the long-term customer contracts that we do have. Additionally, we have significant indebtedness. As of December 31, 2011, we had total debt outstanding of \$1,526.7 million, borrowing availability of \$583.7 million under our credit facilities and total liquidity (borrowing capacity plus cash on hand) of \$629.8 million, representing leverage of 4.1x as of December 31, 2011 under the terms of our asset-based revolving credit facility (the "ABL Credit Facility"). Our significant indebtedness could limit our ability to obtain additional financing, our ability to use operating cash flow in other areas of our business, and our ability to compete with other companies that are less leveraged, and could have other negative consequences. See "Risk Factors" for a more detailed discussion of these risks and other risks associated with our business.

MRC Global Inc. was incorporated in Delaware on November 20, 2006. Our principal executive office is located at 2 Houston Center, 909 Fannin, Suite 3100, Houston, Texas 77010. Our telephone number is (877) 294-7574. Our website address is www.mrcpvf.com. Information contained on our website or on other external websites mentioned throughout this prospectus is expressly not incorporated by reference into this prospectus.

The Offering

Issuer

Common stock offered by us

Option to purchase additional shares of common stock from us

Stock from us

Common stock outstanding immediately after the offering

Use of proceeds

Conflicts of Interest

MRC Global Inc.

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We estimate that the net proceeds we will receive from the sale of shares of our common stock in this offering, after deducting underwriter discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us (assuming the shares are sold at the midpoint of the range on the cover of the prospectus), will be approximately million, or million if the underwriters exercise their option to purchase additional shares in full. We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering for general corporate purposes. See "Use of Proceeds".

Because Goldman, Sachs & Co., one of the participating underwriters, beneficially owns in excess of 10% of our issued and outstanding common stock, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") deems Goldman, Sachs & Co. to be our "affiliate" and to have a "conflict of interest" with us within the meaning of FINRA Rule 5121 ("Rule 5121"), as administered by FINRA. Additionally, because we may use more than 5% of the net proceeds from the sale of our common stock to repay indebtedness under our existing ABL Credit Facility owed by us to affiliates of Goldman, Sachs & Co., Barclays Capital Inc., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Wells Fargo Securities, LLC and Raymond James & Associates, FINRA deems these underwriters to have a "conflict of interest" with us within the meaning of Rule 5121, as administered by FINRA. Therefore, this offering will be conducted in accordance with Rule 5121, which requires that a qualified independent underwriter ("QIU"), as defined in Rule 5121, participate in the preparation of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part and perform its usual standard of due diligence with respect thereto. Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated has agreed to act as QIU for this offering. We have agreed to indemnify Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated against certain liabilities incurred in connection with acting as QIU for this offering, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). In accordance with Rule 5121, these underwriters who are deemed to have a "conflict of interest" with us will not sell our common stock to a discretionary account without receiving the written approval from the account holder.

Proposed New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") symbol

"MRC".

Risk Factors

See "Risk Factors" beginning on page 21 of this prospectus for a discussion of factors that you should carefully consider before deciding to invest in shares of our common

stock

The number of shares of common stock to be outstanding after the offering:

Ÿ gives effect to a two-for-one reverse split of our common stock which occurred on February 29, 2012;

Ÿ excludes shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of stock options granted to certain of our employees and directors pursuant to our 2007 Stock Option Plan;

Ÿ excludes shares of non-vested restricted stock awarded to certain of our employees pursuant to our 2007 Restricted Stock Plan; and

Y assumes no exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase up to an additional shares of common stock from us.

The data included in this prospectus regarding the industrial and oilfield PVF distribution industry, including trends in the market and our position and the position of our competitors within this industry, are based on our estimates which have been derived from management's knowledge and experience in the areas in which our business operates, and information obtained from customers, suppliers, trade and business organizations, internal research, publicly available information, industry publications and surveys and other contacts in the areas in which our business operates. We have also cited information compiled by industry publications, governmental agencies and publicly available sources.

Depending on market conditions at the time of pricing of this offering and other considerations, we may sell fewer or more shares than the number set forth on the cover page of this prospectus.

In this prospectus, unless otherwise indicated, foreign currency amounts are converted into U.S. dollar amounts at the exchange rate in effect on December 31, 2011, the last day of our fiscal year. Income statement figures are converted on a monthly basis, using each month's average conversion rate.

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

On January 31, 2007, MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation), an affiliate of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc., acquired a majority of the equity of the entity now known as McJunkin Red Man Corporation (then known as McJunkin Corporation) (the "GS Acquisition"). In this prospectus, the term "Predecessor" refers to McJunkin Corporation and its subsidiaries prior to January 31, 2007 and the term "Successor" refers to the entity now known as MRC Global Inc. and its subsidiaries on and after January 31, 2007. As a result of the change in McJunkin Corporation's basis of accounting in connection with the GS Acquisition, Predecessor's financial statement data for the one month ended January 30, 2007 and earlier periods are not comparable to Successor's financial data for the eleven months ended December 31, 2007 and subsequent periods.

McJunkin Corporation completed a business combination transaction with Red Man (the "Red Man Transaction") on October 31, 2007. At that time, McJunkin Corporation was renamed McJunkin Red Man Corporation. Operating results for the eleven-month period ended December 31, 2007 include the results of MRC Global Inc. for the full period and the results of Red Man for the two months after the business combination on October 31, 2007. Accordingly, our historical results for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008 and the 11 months ended December 31, 2007 are not comparable to McJunkin Corporation's historical results for the one month ended January 30, 2007.

The summary consolidated financial information presented below under the captions Statement of Operations Data and Other Financial Data for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010, 2009 and 2008, and the summary consolidated financial information presented below under the caption Balance Sheet Data as of December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, have been derived from the consolidated financial statements of MRC Global Inc. included elsewhere in this prospectus that Ernst & Young LLP, our independent registered public accounting firm, has audited. The summary consolidated financial information presented below under the captions Statement of Operations Data and Other Financial Data for the one month ended January 30, 2007 and the eleven months ended December 31, 2007, and the summary consolidated financial information presented below under the caption Balance Sheet Data as of December 31, 2009, December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, have been derived from the consolidated financial statements of MRC Global Inc. not included in this prospectus that Ernst & Young LLP has audited.

All information in this prospectus gives effect to the two-for-one reverse split of our common stock which occurred on February 29, 2012.

The historical data presented below has been derived from financial statements that have been prepared using United States generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). This data should be read in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and the consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus.

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	2011	2010 (In mil	2009 lions except ne	2008 or share and sha	2007 are information)		2007			
Statement of Operations Data:		(nons, except pe	i share and sh	are information,	1				
Sales	\$4,832.4	\$3,845.5	\$3,661.9	\$5,255.2	\$ 2,124.9	\$	142.5			
Cost of sales	4,124.2	3,327.0	3,067.4	4,273.1	1,761.9		114.9			
Inventory write-down	_	0.4	46.5	_	_		_			
Gross margin	708.2	518.1	548.0	982.1	363.0		27.6			
Selling, general and administrative expenses	513.6	451.7	411.6	482.1	218.5		15.9			
Goodwill and intangibles impairment charge	_	_	386.1	_	_		_			
Operating income (loss)	194.6	66.4	(249.7)	500.0	144.5		11.7			
Other (expense) income			,							
Interest expense	(136.8)	(139.6)	(116.5)	(84.5)	(61.7)		(0.1)			
Write off of debt issuance costs	(9.5)	_		<u> </u>	<u> </u>		_			
Change in fair value of derivative instruments	7.0	(4.9)	8.9	(6.2)	_		_			
Other, net	0.5	2.9	2.5	(2.6)	(0.8)		(0.4)			
Total other (expense) income	(138.8)	(141.6)	(105.1)	(93.3)	(62.5)		(0.5)			
Income (loss) before income taxes	55.8	(75.2)	(354.8)	406.7	82.0		11.2			
Income taxes	26.8	(23.4)	(15.0)	153.2	32.1		4.6			
Net income (loss)	\$ 29.0	\$ (51.8)	\$ (339.8)	\$ 253.5	\$ 49.9	\$	6.6			
Earnings per share, basic (in thousands)	\$ 0.34	\$ (0.61)	\$ (4.30)	\$ 3.26	\$ 1.44					
Earnings per share, diluted (in thousands)	\$ 0.34	\$ (0.61)	\$ (4.30)	\$ 3.26	\$ 1.44		_			
Weighted average shares, basic	84,417	84,384	79,067	77,646	34,663		_			
Weighted average share, diluted	84,655	84,384	79,067	77,828	34,731		_			
Other Financial Data:										
Net cash provided by (used in) operations	\$ (102.9)	\$ 112.7	\$ 505.5	\$ (137.4)	\$ 110.2	\$	6.6			
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(48.0)	(16.2)	(66.9)	(314.2)	(1,788.9)		(0.2)			
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	140.6	(98.2)	(393.9)	452.0	1,687.2		(8.3)			
Adjusted Gross Margin(1)	849.6	663.2	493.5	1,164.0	400.6		27.9			
Adjusted EBITDA(2)	360.5	224.2	218.5	744.4	344.9		26.0			

			Successor As of December 31,		
Balance Sheet Data:	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 46.1	\$ 56.2	\$ 56.2	\$ 12.1	\$ 10.1
Working capital(3)	1,074.7	842.6	930.2	1,208.0	674.1
Total assets	3,227.7	2,991.2	3,083.2	3,919.7	3,083.8
Total debt(4)	1,526.7	1,360.2	1,452.6	1,748.6	868.4
Stockholders' equity	720.9	689.8	743.9	987.2	1,262.7

- (1) We define Adjusted Gross Margin as sales, less cost of sales, plus depreciation and amortization, plus amortization of intangibles, and plus or minus the impact of our last in, first out ("LIFO") inventory costing methodology. We present Adjusted Gross Margin because we believe it is a useful indicator of our operating performance and facilitates a meaningful comparison to our peers. We believe this for the following reasons:
 - Ÿ Our management uses Adjusted Gross Margin for planning purposes, including the preparation of our annual operating budget and financial projections. This measure is also used to assess the performance of our business.
 - Ÿ Investors use Adjusted Gross Margin to measure a company's operating performance without regard to items, such as depreciation and amortization, and amortization of intangibles, that can vary substantially from company to company depending upon the nature and extent of transactions they have been involved in. Similarly, the impact of the LIFO inventory costing method can cause results to vary substantially from company to company depending upon whether those companies elect to utilize the LIFO method and depending upon which LIFO method they may elect.
 - \ddot{Y} Securities analysts can use Adjusted Gross Margin as a supplemental measure to evaluate overall operating performance of companies.

In particular, we believe that Adjusted Gross Margin is a useful indicator of our operating performance because Adjusted Gross Margin measures our Company's operating performance without regard to acquisition transaction-related amortization expenses.

However, Adjusted Gross Margin does not represent and should not be considered an alternative to gross margin or any other measure of financial performance calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP. Our Adjusted Gross Margin may not be comparable to similar measures that other companies report because other companies may not calculate Adjusted Gross Margin in the same manner as we do. Although we use Adjusted Gross Margin as a measure to assess the operating performance of our business, Adjusted Gross Margin has significant limitations as an analytical tool because it excludes certain material costs. For example, it does not include depreciation and amortization expense. Because we use capital assets, depreciation expense is a significant element of our costs and impacts our ability to generate revenue. In addition, the omission of amortization expense associated with our intangible assets further limits the usefulness of this measure. Furthermore, Adjusted Gross Margin does not account for our LIFO inventory costing methodology and, therefore, to the extent that recently purchased inventory accounts for a relatively large portion of our sales, Adjusted Gross Margin may overstate our operating performance. Because Adjusted Gross Margin does not account for certain expenses, its utility as a measure of our operating performance has material limitations. Because of these limitations, management does not view Adjusted Gross Margin in isolation or as a primary performance measure and also uses other measures, such as net income and sales, to measure operating performance.

The following table reconciles Adjusted Gross Margin to gross margin (in millions):

	Successor											
	Year Ended December 31, 2011	Year Ended December 31, 2010	Year Ended December 31, 2009	Year Ended December 31, 2008	Eleven Months Ended December 31, 2007	One Month Ended January 31, 2007						
Gross margin	\$ 708.2	\$ 518.1	\$ 548.0	\$ 982.1	\$ 363.0	\$ 27.6						
Depreciation and												
amortization	17.0	16.6	14.5	11.3	5.4	0.3						
Amortization of intangibles	50.7	53.9	46.6	44.4	21.9	_						
Increase (decrease) in												
LIFO reserve	73.7	74.6	(115.6)	126.2	10.3							
Adjusted Gross Margin	\$ 849.6	\$ 663.2	\$ 493.5	\$ 1,164.0	\$ 400.6	\$ 27.9						

- (2) We define Adjusted EBITDA as net income plus interest, income taxes, depreciation and amortization, amortization of intangibles, other non-recurring and non-cash charges (such as gains/losses on the early extinguishment of debt, changes in the fair value of derivative instruments and goodwill impairment) and plus or minus the impact of our LIFO inventory costing methodology. We present Adjusted EBITDA because it is an important measure used to determine the interest rate and commitment fee we pay under our ABL Credit Facility. In addition, we believe it is a useful factor indicator of our operating performance. We believe this for the following reasons:
 - Ÿ Our management uses Adjusted EBITDA for planning purposes, including the preparation of our annual operating budget and financial projections, as well as for determining a significant portion of the compensation of our executive officers.
 - Ÿ Adjusted EBITDA is widely used by investors to measure a company's operating performance without regard to items, such as interest expense, income tax expense and depreciation and amortization, that can vary substantially from company depending upon their financing and accounting methods, the book value of their assets, their capital structures and the method by which their assets were acquired.
 - Ÿ Securities analysts use Adjusted EBITDA as a supplemental measure to evaluate the overall operating performance of companies.

In particular, we believe that Adjusted EBITDA is a useful indicator of our operating performance because Adjusted EBITDA measures our Company's operating performance without regard to certain non-recurring, non-cash or transaction-related expenses.

Adjusted EBITDA, however, does not represent and should not be considered as an alternative to net income, cash flow from operations or any other measure of financial performance calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP. Our Adjusted EBITDA may not be comparable to similar measures that other companies report because other companies may not calculate Adjusted EBITDA in the same manner as we do. Although we use Adjusted EBITDA as a measure to assess the operating performance of our business, Adjusted EBITDA has significant limitations as an analytical tool because it excludes certain material costs. For example, it does not include interest expense, which has been a significant element of our costs. Because we use capital assets, depreciation expense is a significant element of our costs and impacts our ability to generate revenue. In addition, the omission of the amortization expense associated with our intangible assets further limits the usefulness of this measure. Adjusted EBITDA also does not include the payment of certain taxes, which is also a significant element

of our operations. Furthermore, Adjusted EBITDA does not account for our LIFO inventory costing methodology, and therefore, to the extent that recently purchased inventory accounts for a relatively large portion of our sales, Adjusted EBITDA may overstate our operating performance. Because Adjusted EBITDA does not account for certain expenses, its utility as a measure of our operating performance has material limitations. Because of these limitations, management does not view Adjusted EBITDA in isolation or as a primary performance measure and also uses other measures, such as net income and sales, to measure operating performance.

The following table reconciles Adjusted EBITDA with our net income (loss), as derived from our financial statements (in millions):

		Successor										Predecessor	
	Year Ende December 2011		Year Ended December 31, 2010		Year Ended December 31, 2009		Year Ended December 31, 2008		Eleven Months Ended December 31, 2007			One Month Ended January 31, 2007	
Net income (loss)	•	0.0	\$	(51.8)	\$	(339.8)	\$	253.5	\$	49.9		\$	6.6
Income tax expense (benefit)		5.8		(23.4)		(15.0)		153.2		32.1			4.6
Interest expense	136	-		139.6		116.5		84.5		61.7			0.1
Write off of debt issuance costs).5		_		_		_		_			_
Depreciation and amortization	17	'.0		16.6		14.5		11.3		5.4			0.3
Amortization of intangibles	50).7		53.9		46.6		44.4		21.9			_
Amortization of Purchase Price													
Accounting	-	_		_		15.7		2.4		_			_
Change in fair value of derivative													
instruments	(7	'.0)		4.9		(8.9)		6.2					_
Closed locations	-	_		(0.7)		1.4		4.4		_			_
Share based compensation expense	{	3.4		3.7		7.8		10.2		3.0			_
Franchise taxes	(.4		0.7		1.4		1.5		_			_
Gain on early extinguishment of debt	_	_		_		(1.3)		_					_
Goodwill and intangibles impairment													
charge	-	_		_		386.1		_		_			_
Inventory write-down	_	_		0.4		46.5		_					_
IT system conversion costs	-	_		_		2.4		1.4		_			_
M&A transaction & integration													
expenses	().5		1.4		17.5		30.4		12.7			_
Midway pre-acquisition contribution	-	_		_		_		_		2.8			1.0
Legal and consulting expenses	Ç	.9		4.2		1.9		0.4					_
Joint venture termination	-	7		_		_		_		_			_
Provision for uncollectible accounts	(.4		(2.0)		1.0		7.7		0.4			_
Red Man pre-acquisition contribution	-	_		_		_		_		142.2			13.1
Severance and related costs	2	1		3.2		4.4		_		_			_
MRC Transmark pre-acquisition													
contribution	_	_		_		38.5		_		_			
LIFO	73	3.7		74.6		(115.6)		126.2		10.3			_
Other non-cash expenses	1	6		(1.1)		(3.1)		6.7		2.5			0.3
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 360).5	\$	224.2	\$	218.5	\$	744.4	\$	344.9		\$	26.0
(3) Working capital is defined as current assets les	ss current liabiliti	es.					-				· ·		

⁽⁴⁾ Includes current portion.

RISK FACTORS

Before investing in the securities offered through this prospectus, you should carefully consider the following risk factors as well as the other information that this prospectus provides. If one or more of these risks or uncertainties actually occurs, they could materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition and operating results. In this prospectus, unless the context expressly requires a different reading, when we state that a factor could "adversely affect us", have a "material adverse effect", "adversely affect our business" and similar expressions, we mean that the factor could materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition and operating results.

Risks Related to Our Business

Decreased capital and other expenditures in the energy industry, which can result from decreased oil and natural gas prices, among other things, can adversely impact our customers' demand for our products and our revenue.

A large portion of our revenue depends upon the level of capital and operating expenditures in the oil and natural gas industry, including capital and other expenditures in connection with exploration, drilling, production, gathering, transportation, refining and processing operations. Demand for the products we distribute and services we provide is particularly sensitive to the level of exploration, development and production activity of, and the corresponding capital and other expenditures by, oil and natural gas companies. A material decline in oil or natural gas prices could depress levels of exploration, development and production activity and, therefore, could lead to a decrease in our customers' capital and other expenditures. If our customers' expenditures decline, our business will suffer.

Volatile oil and gas prices affect demand for our products.

Prices for oil and natural gas are subject to large fluctuations in response to relatively minor changes in the supply of and demand for oil and natural gas, market uncertainty and a variety of other factors that are beyond our control. For example, oil and natural gas prices during much of 2008 were at levels much higher than historical long term averages, and worldwide oil and natural gas drilling and exploration activity during much of 2008 was also at record high levels. Oil and natural gas prices decreased during the second half of 2008 and during 2009. This sustained decline in oil and natural gas prices resulted in decreased capital expenditures in the oil and natural gas industry and had an adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition. Any sustained decrease in capital expenditures in the oil and natural gas industry could have a material adverse effect on us.

Many factors affect the supply of and demand for energy and, therefore, influence oil and natural gas prices, including:

- Ÿ the level of domestic and worldwide oil and natural gas production and inventories;
- Ÿ the level of drilling activity and the availability of attractive oil and natural gas field prospects, which governmental actions may affect, such as regulatory actions or legislation, or other restrictions on drilling, including those related to environmental concerns (e.g., the temporary moratorium on deepwater drilling in the Gulf of Mexico following the Deepwater Horizon drilling rig accident and subsequent oil spill):
- Y the discovery rate of new oil and natural gas reserves and the expected cost of developing new reserves;
- \ddot{Y} the actual cost of finding and producing oil and natural gas;
- Ÿ depletion rates;
- \ddot{Y} domestic and worldwide refinery overcapacity or undercapacity and utilization rates;

- Ÿ the availability of transportation infrastructure and refining capacity;
- Ÿ increases in the cost of products and services that the oil and gas industry uses, such as those that we provide, which may result from increases in the cost of raw materials such as steel;
- Ÿ shifts in end-customer preferences toward fuel efficiency and the use of natural gas;
- Ÿ the economic or political attractiveness of alternative fuels, such as coal, hydrocarbon, wind, solar energy and biomass-based fuels;
- Ÿ increases in oil and natural gas prices or historically high oil and natural gas prices, which could lower demand for oil and natural gas products;
- Y worldwide economic activity including growth in non-OECD countries, including China and India;
- Ÿ interest rates and the cost of capital;
- Ÿ national government policies, including government policies that could nationalize or expropriate oil and natural gas exploration, production, refining or transportation assets;
- Ÿ the ability of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries ("OPEC") to set and maintain production levels and prices for oil;
- \ddot{Y} the impact of armed hostilities, or the threat or perception of armed hostilities;
- Ÿ environmental regulation;
- Ÿ technological advances;
- Ÿ global weather conditions and natural disasters;
- Ÿ currency fluctuations; and
- Ÿ tax policies.

Oil and natural gas prices have been and are expected to remain volatile. This volatility has historically caused oil and natural gas companies to change their strategies and expenditure levels from year to year. We have experienced in the past, and we will likely experience in the future, significant fluctuations in operating results based on these changes. In particular, volatility in the oil and natural gas sectors could adversely affect our business.

General economic conditions may adversely affect our business.

U.S. and global general economic conditions affect many aspects of our business, including demand for the products we distribute and the pricing and availability of supplies. General economic conditions and predictions regarding future economic conditions also affect our forecasts. A decrease in demand for the products we distribute or other adverse effects resulting from an economic downturn may cause us to fail to achieve our anticipated financial results. General economic factors beyond our control that affect our business and customers include interest rates, recession, inflation, deflation, customer credit availability, consumer credit availability, consumer debt levels, performance of housing markets, energy costs, tax rates and policy, unemployment rates, commencement or escalation of war or hostilities, the threat or possibility of war, terrorism or other global or national unrest, political or financial instability, and other matters that influence our customers' spending. Increasing volatility in financial markets may cause these factors to change with a greater degree of frequency or increase in magnitude. In addition, worldwide economic conditions, including those associated with the current European sovereign debt crisis, could have an adverse effect on our business, prospects, operating results, financial condition and cash flows going forward. The global economic downturn in 2009 and 2010 significantly adversely affected our business, results of operations and financial condition. Continued adverse economic conditions would have an adverse effect on us.

We may be unable to compete successfully with other companies in our industry.

We sell products and services in very competitive markets. In some cases, we compete with large oilfield services providers with substantial resources. In other cases, we compete with smaller regional players that may increasingly be willing to provide similar products and services at lower prices. Competitive actions, such as price reductions, improved delivery and other actions, could adversely affect our revenue and earnings. We could experience a material adverse effect to the extent that our competitors are successful in reducing our customers' purchases of products and services from us. Competition could also cause us to lower our prices, which could reduce our margins and profitability.

Demand for the products we distribute could decrease if the manufacturers of those products were to sell a substantial amount of goods directly to end users in the sectors we serve.

Historically, users of PVF and related products have purchased certain amounts of these products through distributors and not directly from manufacturers. If customers were to purchase the products that we sell directly from manufacturers, or if manufacturers sought to increase their efforts to sell directly to end users, we could experience a significant decrease in profitability. These or other developments that remove us from, or limit our role in, the distribution chain, may harm our competitive position in the marketplace and reduce our sales and earnings.

We may experience unexpected supply shortages.

We distribute products from a wide variety of manufacturers and suppliers. Nevertheless, in the future we may have difficulty obtaining the products we need from suppliers and manufacturers as a result of unexpected demand or production difficulties that might extend lead times. Also, products may not be available to us in quantities sufficient to meet our customer demand. Our inability to obtain products from suppliers and manufacturers in sufficient quantities, or at all, could adversely affect our product offerings and our business.

We may experience cost increases from suppliers, which we may be unable to pass on to our customers.

In the future, we may face supply cost increases due to, among other things, unexpected increases in demand for supplies, decreases in production of supplies or increases in the cost of raw materials or transportation. Any inability to pass supply price increases on to our customers could have a material adverse effect on us. For example, we may be unable to pass increased supply costs on to our customers because significant amounts of our sales are derived from stocking program arrangements, contracts and MRO arrangements, which provide our customers time limited price protection, which may obligate us to sell products at a set price for a specific period. In addition, if supply costs increase, our customers may elect to purchase smaller amounts of products or may purchase products from other distributors. While we may be able to work with our customers to reduce the effects of unforeseen price increases because of our relationships with them, we may not be able to reduce the effects of the cost increases. In addition, to the extent that competition leads to reduced purchases of products or services from us or a reduction of our prices, and these reductions occur concurrently with increases in the prices for selected commodities which we use in our operations, including steel, nickel and molybdenum, the adverse effects described above would likely be exacerbated and could result in a prolonged downturn in profitability.

We do not have contracts with most of our suppliers. The loss of a significant supplier would require us to rely more heavily on our other existing suppliers or to develop relationships with new suppliers. Such a loss may have an adverse effect on our product offerings and our business.

Given the nature of our business, and consistent with industry practice, we do not have contracts with most of our suppliers. We generally make our purchases through purchase orders. Therefore,

most of our suppliers have the ability to terminate their relationships with us at any time. Approximately 50% of our total purchases during the year ended December 31, 2011 were from our 25 largest suppliers. Although we believe there are numerous manufacturers with the capacity to supply the products we distribute, the loss of one or more of our major suppliers could have an adverse effect on our product offerings and our business. Such a loss would require us to rely more heavily on our other existing suppliers or develop relationships with new suppliers, which may cause us to pay higher prices for products due to, among other things, a loss of volume discount benefits currently obtained from our major suppliers.

Price reductions by suppliers of products that we sell could cause the value of our inventory to decline. Also, these price reductions could cause our customers to demand lower sales prices for these products, possibly decreasing our margins and profitability on sales to the extent that we purchased our inventory of these products at the higher prices prior to supplier price reductions.

The value of our inventory could decline as a result of manufacturer price reductions with respect to products that we sell. We have been selling the same types of products to our customers for many years and, therefore, do not expect that our inventory will become obsolete. However, there is no assurance that a substantial decline in product prices would not result in a write-down of our inventory value. Such a write-down could have an adverse effect on our financial condition.

Also, decreases in the market prices of products that we sell could cause customers to demand lower sales prices from us. These price reductions could reduce our margins and profitability on sales with respect to the lower-priced products. Reductions in our margins and profitability on sales could have a material adverse effect on us.

A substantial decrease in the price of steel could significantly lower our gross profit or cash flow.

We distribute many products manufactured from steel. As a result, the price and supply of steel can affect our business and, in particular, our tubular product category. When steel prices are lower, the prices that we charge customers for products may decline, which affects our gross profit and cash flow. At times pricing and availability of steel can be volatile due to numerous factors beyond our control, including general domestic and international economic conditions, labor costs, sales levels, competition, consolidation of steel producers, fluctuations in the costs of raw materials necessary to produce steel, steel manufacturers' plant utilization levels and capacities, import duties and tariffs and currency exchange rates. Currently, steel pipe producers in the Western Hemisphere are in the process of adding more than two million tons of welded and seamless production capacity, most of which is due to come on line over the next three years. The increase in capacity could put pressure on the prices we receive for our tubular products. When steel prices decline, customer demands for lower prices and our competitors' responses to those demands could result in lower sale prices and, consequently, lower gross profit or cash flow.

If steel prices rise, we may be unable to pass along the cost increases to our customers.

We maintain inventories of steel products to accommodate the lead time requirements of our customers. Accordingly, we purchase steel products in an effort to maintain our inventory at levels that we believe to be appropriate to satisfy the anticipated needs of our customers based upon historic buying practices, contracts with customers and market conditions. Our commitments to purchase steel products are generally at prevailing market prices in effect at the time we place our orders. If steel prices increase between the time we order steel products and the time of delivery of the products to us, our suppliers may impose surcharges that require us to pay for increases in steel prices during the period. Demand for the products we distribute, the actions of our competitors and other factors will influence whether we will be able to pass on steel cost increases and surcharges to our customers, and we may be unsuccessful in doing so.

We do not have long-term contracts or agreements with many of our customers. The contracts and agreements that we do have generally do not commit our customers to any minimum purchase volume. The loss of a significant customer may have a material adverse effect on us.

Given the nature of our business, and consistent with industry practice, we do not have long-term contracts with many of our customers. In addition, our contracts, including our MRO contracts, generally do not commit our customers to any minimum purchase volume. Therefore, a significant number of our customers, including our MRO customers, may terminate their relationships with us or reduce their purchasing volume at any time. Furthermore, the long-term customer contracts that we do have are generally terminable without cause on short notice. Our 25 largest customers represented approximately half of our sales for the year ended December 31, 2011. The products that we may sell to any particular customer depend in large part on the size of that customer's capital expenditure budget in a particular year and on the results of competitive bids for major projects. Consequently, a customer that accounts for a significant portion of our sales in one fiscal year may represent an immaterial portion of our sales in subsequent fiscal years. The loss of a significant customer, or a substantial decrease in a significant customer's orders, may have an adverse effect on our sales and revenue.

In addition, we are subject to customer audit clauses in many of our multi-year contracts. If we are not able to provide the proper documentation or support for invoices per the contract terms, we may be subject to negotiated settlements with our major customers.

Changes in our customer and product mix could cause our gross margin percentage to fluctuate.

From time to time, we may experience changes in our customer mix or in our product mix. Changes in our customer mix may result from geographic expansion, daily selling activities within current geographic markets and targeted selling activities to new customer segments. Changes in our product mix may result from marketing activities to existing customers and needs communicated to us from existing and prospective customers. If customers begin to require more lower-margin products from us and fewer higher-margin products, our business, results of operations and financial condition may suffer.

Customer credit risks could result in losses.

The concentration of our customers in the energy industry may impact our overall exposure to credit risk as customers may be similarly affected by prolonged changes in economic and industry conditions. Further, laws in some jurisdictions in which we operate could make collection difficult or time consuming. We perform ongoing credit evaluations of our customers and do not generally require collateral in support of our trade receivables. While we maintain reserves for potential credit losses, we cannot assure such reserves will be sufficient to meet write-offs of uncollectible receivables or that our losses from such receivables will be consistent with our expectations.

We may be unable to successfully execute or effectively integrate acquisitions.

One of our key operating strategies is to selectively pursue acquisitions, including large scale acquisitions, in order to continue to grow and increase profitability. However, acquisitions, particularly of a significant scale, involve numerous risks and uncertainties, including intense competition for suitable acquisition targets, the potential unavailability of financial resources necessary to consummate acquisitions in the future, increased leverage due to additional debt financing that may be required to complete an acquisition, dilution of our stockholders' net current book value per share if we issue additional equity securities to finance an acquisition, difficulties in identifying suitable acquisition targets or in completing any transactions identified on sufficiently favorable terms, assumption of undisclosed or unknown liabilities and the need to obtain regulatory or other governmental approvals that may be

necessary to complete acquisitions. In addition, any future acquisitions may entail significant transaction costs and risks associated with entry into new markets. For example, we incurred \$17.5 million in fees and expenses during 2009 related to our acquisition of MRC Transmark.

In addition, even when acquisitions are completed, integration of acquired entities can involve significant difficulties, such as:

- Y failure to achieve cost savings or other financial or operating objectives with respect to an acquisition;
- Ÿ strain on the operational and managerial controls and procedures of our business, and the need to modify systems or to add management resources;
- Ÿ difficulties in the integration and retention of customers or personnel and the integration and effective deployment of operations or technologies;
- \ddot{Y} amortization of acquired assets, which would reduce future reported earnings;
- Ÿ possible adverse short-term effects on our cash flows or operating results;
- \dot{Y} diversion of management's attention from the ongoing operations of our business;
- Ÿ integrating personnel with diverse backgrounds and organizational cultures;
- Ÿ coordinating sales and marketing functions;
- Ÿ failure to obtain and retain key personnel of an acquired business; and
- Ÿ assumption of known or unknown material liabilities or regulatory non-compliance issues.

Failure to manage these acquisition growth risks could have an adverse effect on us. We also agreed to acquire the piping systems business of OneSteel Ltd., and subsequently closed the acquisition in the first quarter of 2012. We may experience any of the risks described herein in closing and integrating the piping systems business of OneSteel Ltd.

Our significant indebtedness may affect our ability to operate our business, and this could have a material adverse effect on us.

We have now and will likely continue to have a significant amount of indebtedness. As of December 31, 2011, we had total debt outstanding of \$1,526.7 million, borrowing availability of \$583.7 million under our credit facilities and total liquidity (borrowing capacity plus cash on hand) of \$629.8 million, representing leverage of 4.1x under the terms of the ABL Credit Facility. We may incur significant additional indebtedness in the future. If new indebtedness is added to our current indebtedness, the risks described below could increase. Our significant level of indebtedness could have important consequences, such as:

- Ÿ limiting our ability to obtain additional financing to fund our working capital, acquisitions, expenditures, debt service requirements or other general corporate purposes;
- Ÿ limiting our ability to use operating cash flow in other areas of our business because we must dedicate a substantial portion of these funds to service debt;
- Ÿ limiting our ability to compete with other companies who are not as highly leveraged;
- Ÿ subjecting us to restrictive financial and operating covenants in the agreements governing our and our subsidiaries' long-term indebtedness;
- Ÿ exposing us to potential events of default (if not cured or waived) under financial and operating covenants contained in our or our subsidiaries' debt instruments that could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition;

- \dot{Y} increasing our vulnerability to a downturn in general economic conditions or in pricing of our products; and
- Y limiting our ability to react to changing market conditions in our industry and in our customers' industries.

In addition, borrowings under our credit facilities bear interest at variable rates. If market interest rates increase, the variable-rate debt will create higher debt service requirements, which could adversely affect our cash flow. Our interest expense for the year ended December 31, 2011 was \$136.8 million.

Our ability to make scheduled debt payments, to refinance our obligations with respect to our indebtedness and to fund capital and non-capital expenditures necessary to maintain the condition of our operating assets, properties and systems software, as well as to provide capacity for the growth of our business, depends on our financial and operating performance, which, in turn, is subject to prevailing economic conditions and financial, business, competitive, legal and other factors. Our business may not generate sufficient cash flow from operations, and future borrowings may not be available to us under our credit facilities in an amount sufficient to enable us to pay our indebtedness or to fund our other liquidity needs. We may seek to sell assets to fund our liquidity needs but may not be able to do so. We may also need to refinance all or a portion of our indebtedness on or before maturity. We may not be able to refinance any of our indebtedness on commercially reasonable terms or at all.

In addition, we are and will be subject to covenants contained in agreements governing our present and future indebtedness. These covenants include and will likely include restrictions on:

- Ÿ certain payments and investments;
- Ÿ the redemption and repurchase of capital stock;
- Ÿ the issuance of stock of subsidiaries;
- Ÿ the granting of liens;
- Ÿ the incurrence of additional indebtedness;
- \ddot{Y} dividend restrictions affecting us and our subsidiaries;
- Ÿ asset sales; and
- $\ddot{\mathrm{Y}}~$ transactions with affiliates and mergers and acquisitions.

They also include financial maintenance covenants which contain financial ratios we must satisfy each quarter. Any failure to comply with these covenants could result in a default under our credit facilities. Upon a default, unless waived, the lenders under our secured credit facilities and 9.50% senior secured notes due December 15, 2016 (the "Notes") would have all remedies available to a secured lender. They could elect to terminate their commitments, cease making further loans, institute foreclosure proceedings against our or our subsidiaries' assets and force us and our subsidiaries into bankruptcy or liquidation.

In addition, any defaults under our credit facilities, our Notes or our other debt could trigger cross defaults under other or future credit agreements and may permit acceleration of our other indebtedness. If our indebtedness is accelerated, we cannot be certain that we will have sufficient funds available to pay the accelerated indebtedness or that we will have the ability to refinance the accelerated indebtedness on terms favorable to us or at all. For a description of our credit facilities and Notes, see "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Liquidity and Capital Resources".

We are a holding company and depend upon our subsidiaries for our cash flow.

We are a holding company. Our subsidiaries conduct all of our operations and own substantially all of our assets. Consequently, our cash flow and our ability to meet our obligations or to pay dividends or make other distributions in the future will depend upon the cash flow of our subsidiaries and our subsidiaries' payment of funds to us in the form of dividends, tax sharing payments or otherwise. In addition, McJunkin Red Man Corporation, our direct subsidiary and the primary obligor under our ABL Credit Facility and our Notes, is also dependent to a significant extent on the cash flow of its subsidiaries to meet its debt service obligations.

The ability of our subsidiaries to make any payments to us will depend on their earnings, the terms of their current and future indebtedness, tax considerations and legal and contractual restrictions on the ability to make distributions. In particular, our subsidiaries' credit facilities currently impose significant limitations on the ability of our subsidiaries to make distributions to us and consequently our ability to pay dividends to our stockholders. Subject to limitations in our credit facilities, our subsidiaries may also enter into additional agreements that contain covenants prohibiting them from distributing or advancing funds or transferring assets to us under certain circumstances, including to pay dividends.

Our subsidiaries are separate and distinct legal entities. Any right that we have to receive any assets of or distributions from any of our subsidiaries upon the bankruptcy, dissolution, liquidation or reorganization, or to realize proceeds from the sale of their assets, will be junior to the claims of that subsidiary's creditors, including trade creditors and holders of debt that the subsidiary issued.

Changes in our credit profile may affect our relationship with our suppliers, which could have a material adverse effect on our liquidity.

Changes in our credit profile may affect the way our suppliers view our ability to make payments and may induce them to shorten the payment terms of their invoices, particularly given our high level of outstanding indebtedness. Given the large dollar amounts and volume of our purchases from suppliers, a change in payment terms may have a material adverse effect on our liquidity and our ability to make payments to our suppliers and, consequently, may have a material adverse effect on us.

If tariffs and duties on imports into the U.S. of line pipe, OCTG or certain of the other products that we sell are lifted, we could have too many of these products in inventory competing against less expensive imports.

U.S. law currently imposes tariffs and duties on imports from certain foreign countries of line pipe and OCTG and, to a lesser extent, on imports of certain other products that we sell. If these tariffs and duties are lifted or reduced or if the level of these imported products otherwise increases, and our U.S. customers accept these imported products, we could be materially and adversely affected to the extent that we would then have higher-cost products in our inventory or increased supplies of these products drive down prices and margins. If prices of these products were to decrease significantly, we might not be able to profitably sell these products, and the value of our inventory would decline. In addition, significant price decreases could result in a significantly longer holding period for some of our inventory.

We are subject to strict environmental, health and safety laws and regulations that may lead to significant liabilities and negatively impact the demand for our products.

We are subject to a variety of federal, state, local, foreign and provincial environmental, health and safety laws, regulations and permitting requirements, including those governing the discharge of pollutants or hazardous substances into the air, soil or water, the generation, handling, use, management, storage and disposal of, or exposure to, hazardous substances and wastes, the responsibility to investigate and clean up contamination and occupational health and safety.

Regulations and courts may impose fines and penalties for non-compliance with applicable environmental, health and safety requirements and the failure to have or to comply with the terms and conditions of required permits. Our failure to comply with applicable environmental, health and safety requirements could result in fines, penalties, enforcement actions, third-party claims for property damage and personal injury, requirements to clean up property or to pay for the costs of cleanup or regulatory or judicial orders requiring corrective measures, including the installation of pollution control equipment or remedial actions.

Certain laws and regulations, such as the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act ("CERCLA" or the "U.S. federal Superfund law") or its state and foreign equivalents, may impose the obligation to investigate and remediate contamination at a facility on current and former owners or operators or on persons who may have sent waste to that facility for disposal. These laws and regulations may impose liability without regard to fault or to the legality of the activities giving rise to the contamination. Although we are not aware of any active litigation against us under the U.S. federal Superfund law or its state or foreign equivalents, contamination has been identified at several of our current and former facilities, and we have incurred and will continue to incur costs to investigate and remediate these conditions.

Moreover, we may incur liabilities in connection with environmental conditions currently unknown to us relating to our existing, prior or future owned or leased sites or operations or those of predecessor companies whose liabilities we may have assumed or acquired. We believe that indemnities contained in certain of our acquisition agreements may cover certain environmental conditions existing at the time of the acquisition, subject to certain terms, limitations and conditions. However, if these indemnification provisions terminate or if the indemnifying parties do not fulfill their indemnification obligations, we may be subject to liability with respect to the environmental matters that those indemnification provisions address.

In addition, environmental, health and safety laws and regulations applicable to our business and the business of our customers, including laws regulating the energy industry, and the interpretation or enforcement of these laws and regulations, are constantly evolving. It is impossible to predict accurately the effect that changes in these laws and regulations, or their interpretation or enforcement, may have on us. Should environmental laws and regulations, or their interpretation or enforcement, become more stringent, our costs, or the costs of our customers, could increase, which may have a material adverse effect on us.

In particular, legislation and regulations limiting emissions of greenhouse gases, including carbon dioxide associated with the burning of fossil fuels, are at various stages of consideration and implementation, at the international, national, regional and state levels. In 2005, the Kyoto Protocol to the 1992 United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, which established a binding set of emission targets for greenhouse gases, became binding on the countries that ratified it. Attention is now focused on the development of a post-2012 international policy framework to guide international action to address climate change when the Kyoto protocol expires in 2012. Certain states and regions have adopted or are considering legislation or regulation imposing overall caps on greenhouse gas emissions from certain facility categories or mandating the increased use of electricity from renewable energy sources. Similar legislation has been proposed at the federal level. In addition, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (the "EPA") has begun to implement regulations that require permits for and reductions in greenhouse gas emissions for certain categories of facilities, the first of which became effective in January 2011. Pursuant to the terms of a settlement agreement, the EPA also intends to finalize greenhouse gas emissions standards, known as New Source Performance Standards ("NSPS"), for power plants in May 2012 and plans to issue such NSPS for refineries in the future. These laws and regulations could negatively impact the market for the products we distribute and, consequently, our business.

In addition, some states have adopted, and other states and the federal government are considering adopting, regulations that could impose more stringent permitting, disclosure, wastewater disposal and well construction requirements on hydraulic fracturing, a practice involving the injection of water containing more limited amounts of certain substances into rock formations (after perforating the formation with explosive charges) to stimulate production of hydrocarbons, particularly natural gas, from shale basin regions. These effective and potential regulations include a variety of well construction, set back, wastewater disposal and disclosure requirements limiting how fracturing can be performed and requiring various degrees of disclosures regarding the contents of chemicals injected into the rock formations, as well as moratoria on all hydraulic fracturing activity. Any increased federal, regional or state regulation of hydraulic fracturing could significantly reduce the demand for our products in the high-growth shale regions of the U.S.

We may not have adequate insurance for potential liabilities, including liabilities arising from litigation.

In the ordinary course of business, we have and in the future may become the subject of various claims, lawsuits and administrative proceedings seeking damages or other remedies concerning our commercial operations, the products we distribute, employees and other matters, including potential claims by individuals alleging exposure to hazardous materials as a result of the products we distribute or our operations. Some of these claims may relate to the activities of businesses that we have acquired, even though these activities may have occurred prior to our acquisition of the businesses. The products we distribute are sold primarily for use in the energy industry, which is subject to inherent risks that could result in death, personal injury, property damage, pollution, release of hazardous substances or loss of production. In addition, defects in the products we distribute could result in death, personal injury, property damage, pollution, release of hazardous substances or damage to equipment and facilities. Actual or claimed defects in the products we distribute may give rise to claims against us for losses and expose us to claims for damages.

We maintain insurance to cover certain of our potential losses, and we are subject to various self-retentions, deductibles and caps under our insurance. It is possible, however, that judgments could be rendered against us in cases in which we would be uninsured and beyond the amounts that we currently have reserved or anticipate incurring for these matters. Even a partially uninsured claim, if successful and of significant size, could have a material adverse effect on us. Furthermore, we may not be able to continue to obtain insurance on commercially reasonable terms in the future, and we may incur losses from interruption of our business that exceed our insurance coverage. Finally, even in cases where we maintain insurance coverage, our insurers may raise various objections and exceptions to coverage that could make uncertain the timing and amount of any possible insurance recovery.

Due to our position as a distributor, we are subject to personal injury, product liability and environmental claims involving allegedly defective products.

Our customers use certain of the products we distribute in potentially hazardous applications that can result in personal injury, product liability and environmental claims. A catastrophic occurrence at a location where end users use the products we distribute may result in us being named as a defendant in lawsuits asserting potentially large claims, even though we did not manufacture the products. Applicable law may render us liable for damages without regard to negligence or fault. In particular, certain environmental laws provide for joint and several and strict liability for remediation of spills and releases of hazardous substances. Certain of these risks are reduced by the fact that we are a distributor of products that third-party manufacturers produce, and, thus, in certain circumstances, we may have third-party warranty or other claims against the manufacturer of products alleged to have been defective. However, there is no assurance that these claims could fully protect us or that the manufacturer would be able financially to provide protection. There is no assurance that our insurance

coverage will be adequate to cover the underlying claims. Our insurance does not provide coverage for all liabilities (including liability for certain events involving pollution or other environmental claims).

We are a defendant in asbestos-related lawsuits. Exposure to these and any future lawsuits could have a material adverse effect on us.

We are a defendant in lawsuits involving approximately 981 claims as of December 31, 2011 alleging, among other things, personal injury, including mesothelioma and other cancers, arising from exposure to asbestos-containing materials included in products that we distributed in the past. Each claim involves allegations of exposure to asbestos-containing materials by a single individual, his or her spouse or family members. The complaints in these lawsuits typically name many other defendants. In the majority of these lawsuits, little or no information is known regarding the nature of the plaintiffs' alleged injuries or their connection with the products we distributed. Based on our experience with asbestos litigation to date, as well as the existence of certain insurance coverage, we do not believe that the outcome of these pending claims will have a material impact on us. However, the potential liability associated with asbestos claims is subject to many uncertainties, including negative trends with respect to settlement payments, dismissal rates and the types of medical conditions alleged in pending or future claims, negative developments in the claims pending against us, the current or future insolvency of co-defendants, adverse changes in relevant laws or the interpretation of those laws and the extent to which insurance will be available to pay for defense costs, judgments or settlements. Further, while we anticipate that additional claims will be filed against us in the future, we are unable to predict with any certainty the number, timing and magnitude of future claims. Therefore, we can give no assurance that pending or future asbestos litigation will not ultimately have a material adverse effect on us. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Contractual Obligations, Commitments and Contingencies—Legal Proceedings" and "Business—Legal Proceedings" for more information.

If we lose any of our key personnel, we may be unable to effectively manage our business or continue our growth.

Our future performance depends to a significant degree upon the continued contributions of our management team and our ability to attract, hire, train and retain qualified managerial, sales and marketing personnel. In particular, we rely on our sales and marketing teams to create innovative ways to generate demand for the products we distribute. The loss or unavailability to us of any member of our management team or a key sales or marketing employee could have a material adverse effect on us to the extent we are unable to timely find adequate replacements. We face competition for these professionals from our competitors, our customers and other companies operating in our industry. We may be unsuccessful in attracting, hiring, training and retaining qualified personnel.

Interruptions in the proper functioning of our information systems could disrupt operations and cause increases in costs or decreases in revenues.

The proper functioning of our information systems is critical to the successful operation of our business. We depend on our IT systems to process orders, track credit risk, manage inventory and monitor accounts receivable collections. Our information systems also allow us to efficiently purchase products from our vendors and ship products to our customers on a timely basis, maintain cost-effective operations and provide superior service to our customers. However, our information systems are vulnerable to natural disasters, power losses, telecommunication failures and other problems. If critical information systems fail or are otherwise unavailable, our ability to procure products to sell, process and ship customer orders, identify business opportunities, maintain proper levels of inventories, collect accounts receivable and pay accounts payable and expenses could be adversely affected. Our ability to integrate our systems with our customers' systems would also be significantly affected. We maintain information systems controls designed to protect against, among other things,

unauthorized program changes and unauthorized access to data on our information systems. If our information systems controls do not function properly, we face increased risks of unexpected errors and unreliable financial data or theft of proprietary Company information.

The loss of third-party transportation providers upon whom we depend, or conditions negatively affecting the transportation industry, could increase our costs or cause a disruption in our operations.

We depend upon third-party transportation providers for delivery of products to our customers. Strikes, slowdowns, transportation disruptions or other conditions in the transportation industry, including, but not limited to, shortages of truck drivers, disruptions in rail service, increases in fuel prices and adverse weather conditions, could increase our costs and disrupt our operations and our ability to service our customers on a timely basis. We cannot predict whether or to what extent increases or anticipated increases in fuel prices may impact our costs or cause a disruption in our operations going forward.

We may need additional capital in the future, and it may not be available on acceptable terms.

We may require more capital in the future to:

- Ÿ fund our operations;
- Y finance investments in equipment and infrastructure needed to maintain and expand our distribution capabilities;
- Ÿ enhance and expand the range of products we offer; and
- Y respond to potential strategic opportunities, such as investments, acquisitions and international expansion.

We can give no assurance that additional financing will be available on terms favorable to us, or at all. The terms of available financing may place limits on our financial and operating flexibility. If adequate funds are not available on acceptable terms, we may be forced to reduce our operations or delay, limit or abandon expansion opportunities. Moreover, even if we are able to continue our operations, the failure to obtain additional financing could reduce our competitiveness.

Adverse weather events or natural disasters could negatively affect our local economies or disrupt our operations.

Certain areas in which we operate are susceptible to adverse weather conditions or natural disasters, such as hurricanes, tornadoes, floods and earthquakes. These events can disrupt our operations, result in damage to our properties and negatively affect the local economies in which we operate. Additionally, we may experience communication disruptions with our customers, vendors and employees. These events can cause physical damage to our branches and require us to close branches. Additionally, our sales order backlog and shipments can experience a temporary decline immediately following these events.

We cannot predict whether or to what extent damage caused by these events will affect our operations or the economies in regions where we operate. These adverse events could result in disruption of our purchasing or distribution capabilities, interruption of our business that exceeds our insurance coverage, our inability to collect from customers and increased operating costs. Our business or results of operations may be adversely affected by these and other negative effects of these events.

We have a substantial amount of goodwill and other intangibles recorded on our balance sheet, partly because of our recent acquisitions and business combination transactions. The amortization of acquired assets will reduce our future reported earnings. Furthermore, if our goodwill or other intangible assets become impaired, we may be required to recognize charges that would reduce our income.

As of December 31, 2011, we had \$1.3 billion of goodwill and other intangibles recorded on our balance sheet. A substantial portion of these intangible assets result from our use of purchase accounting in connection with the acquisitions we have made over the past several years. In accordance with the purchase accounting method, the excess of the cost of an acquisition over the fair value of identifiable tangible and intangible assets is assigned to goodwill. The amortization expense associated with our identifiable intangible assets will have a negative effect on our future reported earnings. Many other companies, including many of our competitors, will not have the significant acquired intangible assets that we have because they have not participated in recent acquisitions and business combination transactions similar to ours. Thus, the amortization of identifiable intangible assets will not negatively affect their reported earnings to the same degree as ours.

Additionally, under GAAP, goodwill and certain other intangible assets are not amortized, but must be reviewed for possible impairment annually, or more often in certain circumstances where events indicate that the asset values are not recoverable. These reviews could result in an earnings charge for the impairment of goodwill, which would reduce our net income even though there would be no impact on our underlying cash flow. For example, we recorded a non-cash impairment charge in the amount of \$386 million during the year ended December 31, 2009. This charge was based on the results of our annual impairment tests for goodwill and intangible assets, which indicated that the book value of these assets exceeded their fair value by this amount.

We face risks associated with conducting business in markets outside of North America.

We currently conduct substantial business in countries outside of North America. In addition, we are evaluating the possibility of establishing distribution networks in certain other foreign countries, particularly in Europe, Asia, the Middle East and South America. We could be materially and adversely affected by economic, legal, political and regulatory developments in the countries in which we do business in the future or in which we expand our business, particularly those countries which have historically experienced a high degree of political or economic instability. Examples of risks inherent in such non-North American activities include:

- Ÿ changes in the political and economic conditions in the countries in which we operate, including civil uprisings and terrorist acts;
- Ÿ unexpected changes in regulatory requirements;
- Ÿ changes in tariffs;
- Ÿ the adoption of foreign or domestic laws limiting exports to or imports from certain foreign countries;
- Ÿ fluctuations in currency exchange rates and the value of the U.S. dollar;
- Ÿ restrictions on repatriation of earnings;
- Ÿ expropriation of property without fair compensation;
- Ÿ governmental actions that result in the deprivation of contract or proprietary rights; and
- Y the acceptance of business practices which are not consistent with or are antithetical to prevailing business practices we are accustomed to in North America including export compliance and anti-bribery practices and governmental sanctions.

If we begin doing business in a foreign country in which we do not presently operate, we may also face difficulties in operations and diversion of management time in connection with establishing our business there.

We are subject to U.S. and other anti-corruption laws, trade controls, economic sanctions, and similar laws and regulations, including those in the jurisdictions where we operate. Our failure to comply with these laws and regulations could subject us to civil, criminal and administrative penalties and harm our reputation.

Doing business on a worldwide basis requires us to comply with the laws and regulations of the U.S. government and various foreign jurisdictions. These laws and regulations place restrictions on our operations, trade practices, partners and investment decisions. In particular, our operations are subject to U.S. and foreign anti-corruption and trade control laws and regulations, such as the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act ("FCPA"), export controls and economic sanctions programs, including those administered by the U.S. Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC"). As a result of doing business in foreign countries and with foreign partners, we are exposed to a heightened risk of violating anti-corruption and trade control laws and sanctions regulations.

The FCPA prohibits us from providing anything of value to foreign officials for the purposes of obtaining or retaining business or securing any improper business advantage. It also requires us to keep books and records that accurately and fairly reflect the Company's transactions. As part of our business, we may deal with state-owned business enterprises, the employees of which are considered foreign officials for purposes of the FCPA. In addition, the United Kingdom Bribery Act (the "Bribery Act") has been enacted and came into effect on July 1, 2011. The provisions of the Bribery Act extend beyond bribery of foreign public officials and also apply to transactions with individuals that a government does not employ. The provisions of the Bribery Act are also more onerous than the FCPA in a number of other respects, including jurisdiction, non-exemption of facilitation payments and penalties. Some of the international locations in which we operate lack a developed legal system and have higher than normal levels of corruption. Our continued expansion outside the U.S., including in developing countries, and our development of new partnerships and joint venture relationships worldwide, could increase the risk of FCPA, OFAC or Bribery Act violations in the future.

Economic sanctions programs restrict our business dealings with certain sanctioned countries, persons and entities. In addition, because we act as a distributor, we face the risk that our customers might further distribute our products to a sanctioned person or entity, or an ultimate enduser in a sanctioned country, which might subject us to an investigation concerning compliance with OFAC or other sanctions regulations.

Violations of anti-corruption and trade control laws and sanctions regulations are punishable by civil penalties, including fines, denial of export privileges, injunctions, asset seizures, debarment from government contracts and revocations or restrictions of licenses, as well as criminal fines and imprisonment. We have established policies and procedures designed to assist our compliance with applicable U.S. and international anti-corruption and trade control laws and regulations, including the FCPA, the Bribery Act and trade controls and sanctions programs administered by OFAC, and have trained our employees to comply with these laws and regulations. However, there can be no assurance that all of our employees, consultants, agents or other associated persons will not take actions in violation of our policies and these laws and regulations, and that our policies and procedures will effectively prevent us from violating these regulations in every transaction in which we may engage or provide a defense to any alleged violation. In particular, we may be held liable for the actions that our local, strategic or joint venture partners take inside or outside of the United States, even though our partners may not be subject to these laws. Such a violation, even if our policies prohibit it, could have a material adverse effect on our reputation, business, financial condition and results of operations. In addition, various state and municipal governments, universities and other investors maintain

prohibitions or restrictions on investments in companies that do business with sanctioned countries, persons and entities, which could adversely affect the market for our common stock or our other securities.

We face risks associated with international instability and geopolitical developments.

In some countries, there is an increased chance for economic, legal or political changes that may adversely affect the performance of our services, sale of our products or repatriation of our profits. We do not know the impact that these regulatory, geopolitical and other factors may have on our business in the future and any of these factors could adversely affect us.

The requirements of being a public company, including compliance with the reporting requirements of the Exchange Act and the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the NYSE, may strain our resources, increase our costs and distract management, and we may be unable to comply with these requirements in a timely or cost-effective manner.

As a public company, we are subject to the reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and the corporate governance standards of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, or the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, and the NYSE. These requirements may place a strain on our management, systems and resources. The Exchange Act requires us to file annual, quarterly and current reports with respect to our business and financial condition within specified time periods and to prepare proxy statements with respect to our annual meeting of shareholders. The Sarbanes-Oxley Act requires that we maintain effective disclosure controls and procedures and internal controls over financial reporting. The NYSE will require that we comply with various corporate governance requirements. To maintain and improve the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures and internal controls over financial reporting and comply with the Exchange Act and NYSE requirements, significant resources and management oversight will be required. This may divert management's attention from other business concerns, which could have a material adverse effect on us and the price of our common stock.

We also expect that it could be difficult and will be significantly more expensive to obtain directors' and officers' liability insurance, and we may be required to accept reduced policy limits and coverage or incur substantially higher costs to obtain the same or similar coverage. As a result, it may be more difficult for us to attract and retain qualified persons to serve on our board of directors (the "Board") or as executive officers. Advocacy efforts by shareholders and third parties may also prompt even more changes in governance and reporting requirements. We cannot predict or estimate the amount of additional costs we may incur or the timing of these costs.

We will be exposed to risks relating to evaluations of controls required by Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

We are in the process of evaluating our internal controls systems to allow management to report on, and our independent auditors to audit, our internal controls over financial reporting. We will be performing the system and process evaluation and testing (and any necessary remediation) required to comply with the management certification and auditor attestation requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, and will be required to comply with Section 404 in full (including an auditor attestation on management's internal controls report) in our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ending December 31, 2012 (subject to any change in applicable SEC rules). Furthermore, upon completion of this process, we may identify control deficiencies of varying degrees of severity under applicable U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and Public Company Accounting Oversight Board ("PCAOB") rules and regulations that remain unremediated. As a public company, we will be required to report, among other things, control deficiencies that constitute a "material weakness" or changes in internal controls that, or that are reasonably likely to, materially affect internal controls

over financial reporting. A "material weakness" is a significant deficiency or combination of significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that results in a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis.

If we fail to implement the requirements of Section 404 in a timely manner, regulatory authorities such as the SEC or the PCAOB might subject us to sanctions or investigation. If we do not implement improvements to our disclosure controls and procedures or to our internal controls in a timely manner, our independent registered public accounting firm may not be able to certify as to the effectiveness of our internal controls over financial reporting pursuant to an audit of our controls. This may subject us to adverse regulatory consequences or a loss of confidence in the reliability of our financial statements. We could also suffer a loss of confidence in the reliability of our financial statements if our independent registered public accounting firm reports a material weakness in our internal controls, if we do not develop and maintain effective controls and procedures or if we are otherwise unable to deliver timely and reliable financial information. Any loss of confidence in the reliability of our financial statements or other negative reaction to our failure to develop timely or adequate disclosure controls and procedures or internal controls could result in a decline in the price of our common stock. In addition, if we fail to remedy any material weakness, our financial statements may be inaccurate, we may face restricted access to the capital markets and our stock price may be adversely affected.

We are a "controlled company" within the meaning of the NYSE rules and, as a result, will qualify for, and may rely on, exemptions from certain corporate governance requirements.

A company of which more than 50% of the voting power is held by an individual, a group or another company is a "controlled company" within the meaning of the NYSE rules and may elect not to comply with certain corporate governance requirements of the NYSE, including:

- Y the requirement that a majority of the Board consist of independent directors;
- Y the requirement that we have a nominating/corporate governance committee that is composed entirely of independent directors with a written charter addressing the committee's purpose and responsibilities; and
- Ÿ the requirement that we have a compensation committee that is composed entirely of independent directors with a written charter addressing the committee's purpose and responsibilities.

Following this offering, we will rely on all of the exemptions listed above. Accordingly, you will not have the same protections afforded to stockholders of companies that are subject to all of the corporate governance requirements of the NYSE.

The SEC's move toward a single set of international accounting standards could materially impact our results of operations.

The SEC continues to move forward with a convergence to a single set of international accounting standards (such as International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS")). The associated changes in regulatory accounting may negatively impact the way we record revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities. Currently, under IFRS, the LIFO method of valuing inventory is not permitted. If we had ceased valuing our inventory under the LIFO method at December 31, 2011, we would have been required to make tax payments approximating \$136 million over the subsequent four years.

The financial statements presented in this prospectus may not provide an accurate indication of what our future results of operations are likely to be.

Given our recent history of consummating numerous acquisitions, our financial statements may not represent an accurate picture of what our future performance will be. We acquired the remaining

15% majority voting interest in McJunkin Appalachian Oilfield Supply Company ("McJunkin Appalachian") in January 2007; we acquired Midway in April 2007; we entered into a business combination with Red Man in October 2007 (effectively doubling our size); we acquired the remaining approximately 49% noncontrolling interest in MRC Midfield in July 2008; we acquired LaBarge in October 2008; we acquired MRC Transmark in October 2009; we acquired MRC SPF in June 2011; and we acquired the piping systems business of OneSteel Ltd. in March 2012. Our limited combined operating history may make it difficult to forecast our future operating results and financial condition. In particular, because of the significance of the Red Man combination, the financial statements for periods prior to that transaction are not comparable with those after the transaction.

The occurrence of cyber incidents, or a deficiency in our cybersecurity, could negatively impact our business by causing a disruption to our operations, a compromise or corruption of our confidential information or damage to our Company's image, all of which could negatively impact our financial results

A cyber incident is considered to be any adverse event that threatens the confidentiality, integrity or availability of our information resources. More specifically, a cyber incident is an intentional attack or an unintentional event that can include gaining unauthorized access to systems to disrupt operations, corrupt data or steal confidential information. As our reliance on technology has increased, so have the risks posed to our systems, both internal and those we have outsourced. Our three primary risks that could directly result from the occurrence of a cyber incident include operational interruption, damage to our Company's image, and private data exposure. We have implemented solutions, processes, and procedures to help mitigate this risk, but these measures, as well as our organization's increased awareness of our risk of a cyber incident, do not guarantee that our financial results will not be negatively impacted by such an incident.

Risks Related to this Offering and our Common Stock

There is no existing market for our common stock, and we do not know if one will develop to provide you with adequate liquidity. If our stock price fluctuates after this offering, you could lose a significant part of your investment.

Prior to this offering, there has not been a public market for our common stock. If an active trading market does not develop, you may have difficulty selling any of our common stock that you buy. Negotiations among the Company and the underwriters will determine the initial public offering price for the shares, which may not be indicative of prices that will prevail in the open market following this offering. Consequently, you may not be able to sell shares of our common stock at prices equal to or greater than the price you paid in this offering. The market price of our common stock may be influenced by many factors including:

- Ÿ fluctuations in oil and natural gas prices;
- Y the failure of securities analysts to cover our common stock after this offering or changes in analysts' financial estimates;
- Y our or our competitors' announcements of significant contracts or acquisitions or other business developments;
- Ÿ variations in quarterly results of operations;
- Ÿ loss of a large customer or supplier;
- Ÿ U.S. and international general economic conditions;
- Ÿ increased competition;
- Ÿ terrorist acts;

- Ÿ future sales of our common stock or the perception that such sales may occur;
- Ÿ investor perceptions of us and the industries in which our products are used; and
- Ÿ the other factors listed in "Risk Factors".

As a result of these factors, investors in our common stock may not be able to resell their shares at or above the initial offering price. In addition, the stock market in general has experienced extreme price and volume fluctuations that have often been unrelated or disproportionate to the operating performance of companies like us. These broad market and industry factors may significantly reduce the market price of our common stock, regardless of our operating performance.

Following the completion of this offering, certain affiliates of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. will continue to control us and may have conflicts of interest with other stockholders. Conflicts of interest may arise because affiliates of our principal stockholder have continuing agreements and business relationships with us.

Upon completion of this offering, the Goldman Sachs Funds will control % of our outstanding common stock, or % if the underwriters exercise their option in full. As a result, the Goldman Sachs Funds will continue to be able to control the election of our directors, determine our corporate and management policies and determine, without the consent of our other stockholders, the outcome of any corporate transaction or other matter submitted to our stockholders for approval, including potential mergers or acquisitions, asset sales and other significant corporate transactions. The Goldman Sachs Funds will also have sufficient voting power to amend our organizational documents.

Moreover, prior to the completion of this offering we will enter into a governance agreement with PVF Holdings, an affiliate of the Goldman Sachs Funds, that will give it certain rights relating to the nomination of candidates to our board of directors until the time that PVF Holdings first ceases to beneficially own at least 15.0% of the outstanding shares of our common stock. See "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions—Governance Agreement" for a more detailed description of the governance agreement.

Conflicts of interest may arise between our principal stockholder and us. Affiliates of our principal stockholder engage in transactions with our Company. One affiliate of our principal stockholder, Goldman Sachs Lending Partners LLC, is the co-documentation agent and a managing agent for our ABL Credit Facility. See "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions". Further, the Goldman Sachs Funds are in the business of making investments in companies and may, from time to time, acquire and hold interests in businesses that compete directly or indirectly with us, and they may either directly, or through affiliates, also maintain business relationships with companies that may directly compete with us. In general, the Goldman Sachs Funds or their affiliates could pursue business interests or exercise their voting power as stockholders in ways that are detrimental to us but beneficial to themselves or to other companies in which they invest or with whom they have a material relationship. Conflicts of interest could also arise with respect to business opportunities that could be advantageous to the Goldman Sachs Funds and they may pursue acquisition opportunities that may be complementary to our business. As a result, those acquisition opportunities may not be available to us. Under the terms of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation, the Goldman Sachs Funds will have no obligation to offer us corporate opportunities. See "Description of Our Capital Stock—Corporate Opportunities".

As a result of these relationships, the interests of the Goldman Sachs Funds may not coincide with the interests of our Company or other holders of our common stock. So long as the Goldman

Sachs Funds continue to control a significant amount of the outstanding shares of our common stock, the Goldman Sachs Funds will continue to be able to strongly influence or effectively control our decisions, including potential mergers or acquisitions, asset sales and other significant corporate transactions. See "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions".

We do not currently intend to pay dividends in the foreseeable future.

It is uncertain when, if ever, we will declare dividends to our stockholders. We do not currently intend to pay dividends in the foreseeable future. Our ability to pay dividends is constrained by our holding company structure under which we are dependent on our subsidiaries for payments. Additionally, we and our subsidiaries are parties to credit agreements which restrict our ability and their ability to pay dividends. See "Dividend Policy" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Liquidity and Capital Resources". You should not rely on an investment in us if you require dividend income. In the foreseeable future, the only possible return on an investment in us would come from an appreciation of our common stock and there can be no assurance that our common stock will appreciate after this offering.

Shares eligible for future sale may cause the price of our common stock to decline.

Sales of substantial amounts of our common stock in the public market, or the perception that these sales may occur, could cause the market price of our common stock to decline. This could also impair our ability to raise additional capital through the sale of our equity securities. Under our amended and restated certificate of incorporation, we will be authorized to issue up to 500 million shares of common stock, of which shares of common stock (excluding shares of non-vested restricted stock) will be outstanding upon consummation of this offering. Of these shares, the shares of common stock sold in this offering will be freely transferable without restriction or further registration under the Securities Act by persons other than "affiliates", as that term is defined in Rule 144 under the Securities Act. Our principal stockholder, directors and executive officers, who will collectively beneficially own shares following this offering, will enter into lock-up agreements, pursuant to which they will agree, subject to certain exceptions, not to sell or transfer, directly or indirectly, any shares of our common stock for a period of 180 days from the date of this prospectus, subject to extension in certain circumstances. Upon the expiration of these lock-up agreements, all of these shares of common stock will be tradable subject to limitations imposed by Rule 144 under the Securities Act. See "Shares Eligible for Future Sale".

CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus contains forward-looking statements, including, for example, statements about our business strategy, our industry, our future profitability, growth in the industry sectors we serve, our expectations, beliefs, plans, strategies, objectives, prospects and assumptions, and estimates and projections of future activity and trends in the oil and natural gas industry. These forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance. These statements are based on management's expectations that involve a number of business risks and uncertainties, any of which could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in or implied by the forward-looking statements. These statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors, including the factors described under "Risk Factors", that may cause our actual results and performance to be materially different from any future results or performance expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. Such risks and uncertainties include, among other things:

- \ddot{Y} decreases in oil and natural gas prices;
- Ÿ decreases in oil and natural gas industry expenditure levels, which may result from decreased oil and natural gas prices or other factors;
- Y increased usage of alternative fuels, which may negatively affect oil and natural gas industry expenditure levels;
- Ÿ U.S. and international general economic conditions;
- Ÿ our ability to compete successfully with other companies in our industry;
- Ÿ the risk that manufacturers of the products we distribute will sell a substantial amount of goods directly to end users in the industry sectors we serve;
- Ÿ unexpected supply shortages;
- Ÿ cost increases by our suppliers;
- Ÿ our lack of long-term contracts with most of our suppliers;
- Ÿ increases in customer, manufacturer and distributor inventory levels;
- Ÿ suppliers' price reductions of products that we sell, which could cause the value of our inventory to decline;
- Ÿ decreases in steel prices, which could significantly lower our profit;
- Ÿ increases in steel prices, which we may be unable to pass along to our customers, which could significantly lower our profit;
- Ÿ our lack of long-term contracts with many of our customers and our lack of contracts with customers that require minimum purchase volumes;
- Ÿ changes in our customer and product mix;
- Ÿ risks related to our customers' credit;
- Ÿ the potential adverse effects associated with integrating acquisitions into our business and whether these acquisitions will yield their intended benefits;
- $\ddot{\mathrm{Y}}$ the success of our acquisition strategies;
- Ÿ our significant indebtedness;
- \ddot{Y} the dependence on our subsidiaries for cash to meet our debt obligations;
- Ÿ changes in our credit profile;

- Y a decline in demand for certain of the products we distribute if import restrictions on these products are lifted;
- Y environmental, health and safety laws and regulations and the interpretation or implementation thereof;
- Y the sufficiency of our insurance policies to cover losses, including liabilities arising from litigation;
- Ÿ product liability claims against us;
- Ÿ pending or future asbestos-related claims against us;
- Ÿ the potential loss of key personnel;
- Ÿ interruption in the proper functioning of our information systems;
- Ÿ loss of third-party transportation providers;
- Ÿ potential inability to obtain necessary capital;
- Ÿ risks related adverse weather events or natural disasters;
- Ÿ impairment of our goodwill or other intangible assets;
- \dot{Y} changes in tax laws or adverse positions taken by taxing authorities in the countries in which we operate;
- Ÿ adverse changes in political or economic conditions in the countries in which we operate;
- Ÿ exposure to U.S. and international laws and regulations, including the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and the U.K. Bribery Act and other economic sanction programs;
- \dot{Y} potential increases in costs and distraction of management resulting from the requirements of being a publicly reporting company;
- \ddot{Y} risks relating to evaluations of internal controls required by Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act;
- $\ddot{\mathrm{Y}}$ the operation of our Company as a "controlled company"; and
- Ÿ the limited usefulness of our historic financial statements.

Undue reliance should not be placed on our forward-looking statements. Although forward-looking statements reflect our good faith beliefs, reliance should not be placed on forward-looking statements because they involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors, which may cause our actual results, performance or achievements to differ materially from anticipated future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events, changed circumstances or otherwise, except to the extent law requires.

USE OF PROCEEDS

We estimate that the net proceeds we will receive from the sale of shares of our common stock in this offering, after deducting underwriter discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us (assuming the shares are sold at the midpoint of the range on the cover of the prospectus), will be approximately \$\\$ million, or \$\\$ million if the underwriters exercise their option to purchase additional shares in full. A \$1.00 increase (decrease) in the assumed public offering price of \$\\$ per share would increase (decrease) the net proceeds that we will receive from this offering by approximately \$\\$ million, assuming the number of shares offered by us, as set forth on the cover of this prospectus, remains the same and after deducting the underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us. We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering to repay indebtedness under our ABL Credit Facility and for general corporate purposes.

We currently have \$456.4 million outstanding under our ABL Credit Facility. The ABL Credit Facility matures on June 14, 2016. Borrowings under the U.S. tranche bear interest at a rate equal to, at our option, either the adjusted LIBOR rate plus an applicable margin or a U.S. base rate plus an applicable margin. Borrowings under the Canadian tranche bear interest at a rate per annum equal to, at our option, either the adjusted Canadian BA Rate (as defined) plus an applicable margin, a Canadian base rate plus an applicable margin or a Canadian prime rate plus an applicable margin.

DIVIDEND POLICY

Following the completion of this offering, we do not anticipate paying any cash dividends in the foreseeable future. We currently intend to retain future earnings from our business, if any, to finance operations and the expansion of our business. Any future determination to pay cash dividends will be at the discretion of the Board and will be dependent upon our financial condition, results of operations, capital requirements and other factors that the Board deems relevant. In addition, the covenants contained in our subsidiaries' credit facilities limit the ability of our subsidiaries to pay dividends to us, which limits our ability to pay dividends to our stockholders. Our ability to pay dividends is also limited by the covenants contained in our ABL Credit Facility and the indenture governing our Notes (the "Indenture"). Covenants contained in the instruments governing future indebtedness that we or our subsidiaries may incur in the future may further limit our ability to pay dividends. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Liquidity and Capital Resources".

CAPITALIZATION

The following table sets forth our consolidated cash and cash equivalents and capitalization as of December 31, 2011:

Ÿ on an actual basis; and

Ÿ on an as adjusted basis to give effect to the issuance of common stock in this offering and the application of proceeds from the offering as described in "Use of Proceeds" as if each had occurred on December 31, 2011.

You should read this table in conjunction with "Selected Historical Consolidated Financial and Other Data", "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and the consolidated financial statements and related notes that we include elsewhere in this prospectus.

	As of Decen	nber 31, 2011
		<u>As Adjusted</u> n millions)
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 46. <u>1</u>	\$
Total Debt (including current portion):		
9.50% senior secured notes due 2016, net of discount	\$1,031.6	\$
ABL Credit Facility(1)	456.4	
MRC Transmark term loan(2)	30.8	
MRC Transmark factoring facility	7.2	
MRC Transmark revolving credit facility	_	
Other	0.7	
Total debt	1,526.7	
Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share; 400,000,000 shares authorized, 84,427,000 shares issued and outstanding actual; 500,000,000 shares authorized and shares issued and outstanding as		
adjusted(3)	0.8	
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value per share; 150,00,000 shares authorized, no shares issued and outstanding actual; 100,000,000 shares authorized as adjusted, no shares issued and outstanding as adjusted	_	_
Additional paid-in capital	1,283.0	
Retained (deficit)	(536.8)	
Other comprehensive (loss)	(26.1)	
Total equity(4)	720.9	
Total capitalization	\$2,247.6	\$

- As of December 31, 2011, we had availability of \$538.7 million under our ABL Credit Facility.
- As of December 31, 2011, we had availability of \$45.0 million under the MRC Transmark revolving credit facility. (2) (3)
 - The number of shares of common stock outstanding on an actual and as adjusted basis as of December 31, 2011:
 - Ÿ gives effect to the two-for-one reverse split of our common stock which occurred on February 29, 2012:
 - Ÿ excludes shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of stock options granted to certain of our employees pursuant to our 2007 Stock Option Plan; and
 - Ÿ excludes shares of non-vested restricted stock awarded to certain of our employees and directors pursuant to our 2007 Restricted Stock Plan.
- A \$1.00 increase (decrease) in the assumed initial public offering price of \$ per share would increase (decrease) total equity by million, assuming the number of shares offered by us, as set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, remains approximately \$ the same and the underwriters do not exercise their option to purchase additional shares of our common stock, and after deducting the underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses payable by us.

DILUTION

If you invest in our common stock, your interest will be diluted to the extent of the difference between the initial public offering price per share of our common stock and the net tangible book value per share of our common stock after this offering. Dilution results from the fact that the initial public offering price per share of common stock is substantially in excess of the net tangible book value per share of our common stock attributable to the existing shareholders for our presently outstanding shares of common stock. We calculate net tangible book value per share of our common stock by dividing the net tangible book value (total consolidated tangible assets less total consolidated liabilities) by the number of outstanding shares of our common stock (giving effect to the two-for-one reverse split of our common stock which occurred on February 29, 2012).

Our net tangible book value as of December 31, 2011 was a deficit of \$1,612 million, or \$7.26 per share of our common stock, based on 84,427,000 shares of our common stock outstanding immediately prior to the closing of this offering (giving effect to the two-for-one reverse split of our common stock which occurred on February 29, 2012).

After giving effect to the sale of shares of our common stock in this offering, assuming an initial public offering price of \$ per share, less the underwriting discounts and commissions and the estimated offering expenses payable by us, and without taking into account any other changes in the net tangible book value after December 31, 2011, our pro forma net tangible book value at December 31, 2011 would have been a deficit of \$ million, or \$ per share. This represents an immediate increase in net tangible book value of \$ per share of our common stock to the existing shareholders and an immediate dilution in net tangible book value of \$ per share of our common stock, or % of the estimated offering price of \$, to investors purchasing shares of our common stock in this offering. The following table illustrates such per share of our common stock dilution:

Assumed initial public offering price per share	\$
Net tangible book value (deficit) per share before the change attributable to new investors	\$
Increase in net tangible book value per share attributable to new investors	\$
Pro forma net tangible book value (deficit) per share after this offering	\$
Dilution per share to new investors	\$

The following table summarizes, on a pro forma basis as of December 31, 2011, the total number of shares of our common stock purchased from us, the total cash consideration paid to us and the average price per share of our common stock that purchasers of the shares and new investors purchasing shares of our common stock in this offering paid (after giving effect to the two-for-one reverse split of our common stock which occurred on February 29, 2012).

	Shares of our Common Stock Purchased		Total Consideration	Total	
	Number (in millions)	Percent	(Amount) (in millions)	Consideration (Percentage)	Average Price Per Share
Existing holders		 %	\$	 %	\$
New investors(1)		%	\$	%	\$
Total		%	\$	100%	\$

⁽¹⁾ A \$1.00 increase (decrease) in the assumed initial public offering price of \$ per share, which is the midpoint of the price range set forth on the cover page of this prospectus, would increase (decrease) total consideration paid by new investors and total consideration paid by all stockholders by \$ million, assuming the number of shares offered by us, as set forth on the cover page of the prospectus, remains the same.

If the underwriters were to fully exercise the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares of our common stock, the percentage of shares of our common stock held by existing shareholders would be %, and the percentage of shares of our common stock held by new investors would be %.

As of December 31, 2011, there were options outstanding to purchase shares of our common stock, with exercise prices ranging from \$9.62 to \$24.96 per share and a weighted average exercise price of \$17.04 per share (after taking into account the two-for-one reverse split of our common stock which occurred on February 29, 2012). Also, as of December 31, 2011, there were 141,997 shares of unvested restricted stock outstanding (after taking into account the two-for-one reverse split of our common stock which occurred on February 29, 2012). The tables and calculations above assume that those options have not been exercised and the restricted stock has not vested. If these options were exercised at the weighted average exercise price and the restricted stock was fully vested, the additional dilution per share to new investors would be \$

To the extent that we grant options or other equity awards to our employees or directors in the future and the holders of those options or other equity awards exercised, or vest in, them or we issue other shares of our common stock, there will be further dilution to new investors.

SELECTED HISTORICAL CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL AND OTHER DATA

On January 31, 2007, MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation), an affiliate of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc., acquired a majority of the equity of the entity now known as McJunkin Red Man Corporation (then known as McJunkin Corporation) (the "GS Acquisition"). In this prospectus, the term "Predecessor" refers to McJunkin Corporation and its subsidiaries prior to January 31, 2007 and the term "Successor" refers to the entity now known as MRC Global Inc. and its subsidiaries on and after January 31, 2007. As a result of the change in McJunkin Corporation's basis of accounting in connection with the GS Acquisition, Predecessor's financial statement data for the one month ended January 30, 2007 and earlier periods are not comparable to Successor's financial data for the eleven months ended December 31, 2007 and subsequent periods.

McJunkin Corporation completed a business combination transaction with Red Man (the "Red Man Transaction") on October 31, 2007. At that time, McJunkin Corporation was renamed McJunkin Red Man Corporation. Operating results for the eleven-month period ended December 31, 2007 include the results of MRC Global Inc. for the full period and the results of Red Man for the two months after the business combination on October 31, 2007. Accordingly, our historical results for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010, 2009 and 2008 and the 11 months ended December 31, 2007 are not comparable to McJunkin Corporation's historical results for the one month ended January 30, 2007.

The selected consolidated financial information presented below under the captions Statement of Operations Data and Other Financial Data for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010, 2009 and 2008, and the selected consolidated financial information presented below under the caption Balance Sheet Data as of December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, have been derived from the consolidated financial statements of MRC Global Inc. included elsewhere in this prospectus that Ernst & Young LLP, our independent registered public accounting firm, has audited. The selected consolidated financial information presented below under the captions Statement of Operations Data and Other Financial Data for the one month ended January 30, 2007 and the eleven months ended December 31, 2007, and the selected consolidated financial information presented below under the caption Balance Sheet Data as of December 31, 2009, December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, have been derived from the consolidated financial statements of MRC Global Inc. not included in this prospectus that Ernst & Young LLP has audited.

All information in this prospectus gives retroactive effect to the two-for-one reverse split of our common stock which occurred on February 29, 2012.

The selected historical consolidated financial data presented below has been derived from financial statements that have been prepared using accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (in millions, except share and per share amounts). This data should be read in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and the consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus.

	Successor				Predeces	sor	
		Year Ended [December 31,		Eleven Months Ended December 31,	One Mor Ended January	t
	2011	2010	2009(1)	2008	2007	2007	
Statement of Operations Data:	* 4 000 4	*00455	*0.004.0	* 5.055.0			10.5
Sales Cost of sales	\$4,832.4 4,124.2	\$3,845.5 3,327.0	\$3,661.9 3,067.4	\$5,255.2 4,273.1	\$ 2,124.9 1,761.9		42.5 14.9
Inventory write-down	4,124.2	0.4	46.5	4,273.1	1,701.9		
Gross margin	708.2	518.1	548.0	982.1	363.0		27.6
Selling, general and administrative expenses	513.6	451.7	411.6	482.1	218.5		15.9
Goodwill and intangibles impairment charge	_	_	386.1	_	_		_
Operating income (loss)	194.6	66.4	(249.7)	500.0	144.5	1	11.7
Other (expenses) income:			, ,				
Interest expense	(136.8)	(139.6)	(116.5)	(84.5)	(61.7)		(0.1)
Write off of debt issuance costs	(9.5)	(4.0)	_		_		_
Change in fair value of derivatives Other. net	7.0 0.5	(4.9) 2.9	8.9 2.5	(6.2) (2.6)	(0.8)		(0.4)
,	(138.8)	(141.6)	(105.1)	(93.3)	(62.5)		(0.4)
Total other (expense) income							_
Income (loss) before income taxes Income taxes	55.8 26.8	(75.2) (23.4)	(354.8) (15.0)	406.7 153.2	82.0 32.1	_	11.2 4.6
	29.0				49.9		6.6
Net (loss) income	29.0	(51.8)	(339.8)	253.5	49.9		0.0
Earnings (loss) per share amounts:	Φ 0.04	m (0.01)	Φ (4.00)	Φ 0.00			
Basic Diluted	\$ 0.34 \$ 0.34	\$ (0.61) \$ (0.61)	\$ (4.30) \$ (4.30)	\$ 3.26 \$ 3.26	\$ 1.44 \$ 1.44		_
Weighted average shares, basic (in thousands)	84,417	84,384	79,067	77,646	34,663		
Weighted average shares, diluted (in thousands)	84.655	84,384	79,067	77,828	34,731		_
Basic—Class A	_	_	_	_	_	\$ 376	6.70
Diluted—Class A	_	_	_	_	_		6.70
Basic—Class B	_	_	_	_	_		6.70
Diluted—Class B	_	_	_	_	_	\$ 376	6.70
Dividends	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 0.04	\$ 6.10	\$ —		_
Balance Sheet Data:							
Cash	\$ 46.1	\$ 56.2	\$ 56.2	\$ 12.1	\$ 10.1	\$	2.0
Working capital	1,074.7	842.6	930.2	1,208.0	674.1		11.1
Total assets	3,227.7	2,991.2	3,083.2	3,919.7	3,083.8	47	74.2
Total debt	1,526.7 720.9	1,360.2 689.8	1,452.6 743.9	1,748.6 987.2	868.4 1,262.7	2,	4.8 45.2
Stockholders' equity	720.9	009.0	743.9	901.2	1,202.7	22	+3.2
Other Financial Data:							
Adjusted Gross Margin	\$ 849.6	\$ 663.2	\$ 493.5	\$1,164.0	\$ 400.6		27.9
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 360.5	\$ 224.2	\$ 218.5	\$ 744.4	\$ 344.9	\$ 2	26.0
Net cash:			_				
Operating Activities	(102.9)	112.7	505.5	(137.4)	110.2		6.6
Investing Activities	(48.0)	(16.2)	(66.9)	(314.2)	(1,788.9)		(0.2)
Financing Activities	140.6	(98.2)	(393.9)	452.0	1,687.2	I	(8.3)

⁽¹⁾ Includes \$46.5 million inventory write-down and \$386.1 million goodwill and intangibles impairment charge.

We define Adjusted EBITDA as net income plus interest, income taxes, depreciation and amortization, amortization of intangibles, other non-recurring and non-cash charges (such as gains/losses on the early extinguishment of debt, changes in the fair value of derivative instruments and goodwill impairment) and plus or minus the impact of our LIFO inventory costing methodology. We present Adjusted EBITDA because it is an important measure used to determine the interest rate and commitment fee we pay under our ABL Credit Facility. In addition, we believe it is a useful factor indicator of our operating performance. We believe this for the following reasons:

- Ÿ Our management uses Adjusted EBITDA for planning purposes, including the preparation of our annual operating budget and financial projections, as well as for determining a significant portion of the compensation of our executive officers;
- Ÿ Adjusted EBITDA is widely used by investors to measure a company's operating performance without regard to items, such as interest expense, income tax expense and depreciation and amortization, that can vary substantially from company to company depending upon their financing and accounting methods, the book value of their assets, their capital structures and the method by which their assets were acquired; and
- \ddot{Y} Securities analysts use Adjusted EBITDA as a supplemental measure to evaluate the overall operating performance of companies.

In particular, we believe that Adjusted EBITDA is a useful indicator of our operating performance because Adjusted EBITDA measures our Company's operating performance without regard to certain non-recurring, non-cash or transaction-related expenses.

Adjusted EBITDA, however, does not represent and should not be considered as an alternative to net income, cash flow from operations or any other measure of financial performance calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP. Our Adjusted EBITDA may not be comparable to similar measures that other companies report because other companies may not calculate Adjusted EBITDA in the same manner as we do. Although we use Adjusted EBITDA as a measure to assess the operating performance of our business, Adjusted EBITDA has significant limitations as an analytical tool because it excludes certain material costs. For example, it does not include interest expense, which has been a significant element of our costs. Because we use capital assets, depreciation expense is a significant element of our costs and impacts our ability to generate revenue. In addition, the omission of the amortization expense associated with our intangible assets further limits the usefulness of this measure. Adjusted EBITDA also does not include the payment of certain taxes, which is also a significant element of our operations. Furthermore, Adjusted EBITDA does not account for our LIFO inventory costing methodology, and therefore, to the extent that recently purchased inventory accounts for a relatively large portion of our sales, Adjusted EBITDA may overstate our operating performance. Because Adjusted EBITDA does not account for certain expenses, its utility as a measure of our operating performance has material limitations. Because of these limitations, management does not view Adjusted EBITDA in isolation or as a primary performance measure and also uses other measures, such as net income and sales, to measure operating performance.

The following table reconciles Adjusted EBITDA with our net income (loss), as derived from our financial statements (in millions):

			Successor			Predecessor
	Year Ended December 31, 2011	Year Ended December 31, 2010	Year Ended December 31, 2009	Year Ended December 31, 2008	Eleven Months Ended December 31, 2007	One Month Ended January 30, 2007
Net (loss) income	\$ 29.0	\$ (51.8)	\$ (339.8)	\$ 253.5	\$ 49.9	\$ 6.6
Income taxes	26.8	(23.4)	(15.0)	153.2	32.1	4.6
Interest expense	136.8	139.6	116.5	84.5	61.7	0.1
Write off of debt issuance costs	9.5	_		_	_	_
Depreciation and Amortization	17.0	16.6	14.5	11.3	5.4	0.3
Amortization of intangibles	50.7	53.9	46.6	44.4	21.9	_
Amortization of purchase price accounting	_	_	15.7	2.4	-	_
Change in fair value of derivative instruments	(7.0)	4.9	(8.9)	6.2	_	
Closed locations	_	(0.7)	1.4	4.4	_	_
Share based compensation	8.4	3.7	7.8	10.2	3.0	_
Franchise taxes	0.4	0.7	1.4	1.5	_	_
Gain on early extinguishment of debt	_	_	(1.3)	_	-	
Goodwill and intangibles impairment	_	_	386.1	_	-	_
Inventory write-down	_	0.4	46.5	_	_	_
IT system conversion costs	_	_	2.4	1.4	_	_
M&A transaction & integration expenses	0.5	1.4	17.5	30.4	12.7	_
Midway pre-acquisition contribution	_	_	_	_	2.8	1.0
Legal and consulting expenses	9.9	4.2	1.9	0.4	_	_
Joint venture termination	1.7	_	_	_	_	_
Provision for uncollectible accounts	0.4	(2.0)	1.0	7.7	0.4	_
Red Man pre-acquisition Contribution	_	_	_	_	142.2	13.1
Severance and related costs	1.1	3.2	4.4	_	-	
MRC Transmark pre-Acquisition contribution	_	_	38.5	_	-	_
LIFO	73.7	74.6	(115.6)	126.2	10.3	_
Other non-cash expenses	1.6	(1.1)	(3.1)	6.7	2.5	0.3
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 360.5	\$ 224.2	\$ 218.5	\$ 744.4	\$ 344.9	\$ 26.0

We define Adjusted Gross Margin as sales, less cost of sales, plus depreciation and amortization, plus amortization of intangibles, and plus or minus the impact of our LIFO inventory costing methodology. We present Adjusted Gross Margin because we believe it is a useful indicator of our operating performance and facilitates a meaningful comparison to our peers. We believe this for the following reasons:

- Ÿ Our management uses Adjusted Gross Margin for planning purposes, including the preparation of our annual operating budget and financial projections. This measure is also used to assess the performance of our business;
- Y Investors use Adjusted Gross Margin to measure a company's operating performance without regard to items, such as depreciation and amortization, and amortization of intangibles, that can vary substantially from company to company depending upon the nature and extent of transactions they have been involved in. Similarly, the impact of the LIFO inventory costing method can cause results to vary substantially from company to company depending upon whether those companies elect to utilize the LIFO method and depending upon which LIFO method they may elect; and
- Y Securities analysts can use Adjusted Gross Margin as a supplemental measure to evaluate overall operating performance of companies.

In particular, we believe that Adjusted Gross Margin is a useful indicator of our operating performance because Adjusted Gross Margin measures our Company's operating performance without regard to acquisition transaction-related amortization expenses.

However, Adjusted Gross Margin does not represent and should not be considered an alternative to gross margin or any other measure of financial performance calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP. Our Adjusted Gross Margin may not be comparable to similar measures that other companies report because other companies may not calculate Adjusted Gross Margin in the same manner as we do. Although we use Adjusted Gross Margin as a measure to assess the operating performance of our business, Adjusted Gross Margin has significant limitations as an analytical tool because it excludes certain material costs. For example, it does not include depreciation and amortization expense. Because we use capital assets, depreciation expense is a significant element of our costs and impacts our ability to generate revenue. In addition, the omission of amortization expense associated with our intangible assets further limits the usefulness of this measure. Furthermore, Adjusted Gross Margin does not account for our LIFO inventory costing methodology and, therefore, to the extent that recently purchased inventory accounts for a relatively large portion of our sales, Adjusted Gross Margin may overstate our operating performance. Because Adjusted Gross Margin does not account for certain expenses, its utility as a measure of our operating performance has material limitations. Because of these limitations, management does not view Adjusted Gross Margin in isolation or as a primary performance measure and also uses other measures, such as net income and sales, to measure operating performance.

The following table reconciles Adjusted Gross Margin to gross margin (in millions):

	Dece				I, December 31, December 31, December 31,		Dece	en Months Ended ember 31, 2007	One E Janu	ecessor Month nded uary 30, 2007	
Gross margin	\$	708.2	\$	518.1	\$	548.0	\$ 982.1	\$	363.0	\$	27.6
Depreciation and amortization		17.0	•	16.6		14.5	11.3	·	5.4		0.3
Amortization of intangibles		50.7		53.9		46.6	44.4		21.9		_
Increase (decrease) in LIFO reserve		73.7		74.6		(115.6)	126.2		10.3		_
Adjusted Gross Margin	\$	849.6	\$	663.2	\$	493.5	\$ 1,164.0	\$	400.6	\$	27.9

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

You should read the following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations in conjunction with our financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. This discussion and analysis contains forward-looking statements that involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Our actual results may differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of a number of factors, including, but not limited to, those set forth under "Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements" and "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in this prospectus. All references throughout this section (and elsewhere in this prospectus) to amounts available for borrowing under various credit facilities refer to amounts actually available for borrowing after giving effect to any borrowing base limitations imposed by the facility.

Overview

We are the largest global industrial distributor of pipe, valves and fittings (PVF) and related products and services to the energy industry based on sales and hold the leading position in our industry across each of the upstream (exploration, production and extraction of underground oil and natural gas), midstream (gathering and transmission of oil and natural gas, natural gas utilities and the storage and distribution of oil and natural gas) and downstream (crude oil refining, petrochemical processing and general industrials) sectors. Globally, we have two operating segments through which we serve our customers in over 400 service locations. Our North American segment includes over 175 branch locations, six distribution centers in the U.S., one distribution center in Canada, 12 valve automation service centers and over 160 pipe yards located in the most active oil and natural gas regions in North America. Our International segment includes over 30 branch locations throughout Europe, Asia and Australasia with distribution centers in the United Kingdom, Singapore and Australia and 10 automation service centers in Europe and Asia. We offer a wide array of PVF and oilfield supplies encompassing a complete line of products from our global network of suppliers to our more than 12,000 customers. We are diversified by geography, the industry sectors we serve and the products we sell. We seek to provide best-in-class service to our customers by satisfying the most complex, multi-site needs of many of the largest companies in the energy and industrial sectors as their primary PVF supplier. We believe the critical role we play in our customers' supply chain, together with our extensive product offering, broad global presence, customer-linked scalable information systems and efficient distribution capabilities, serve to solidify our long-standing customer relationships and drive our growth. As a result, we have an average relationship of over 20 years with our largest 25 customers.

We have benefited from several growth trends within the energy industry, including high levels of customer expansion and maintenance expenditures and believe that longer-term growth in PVF and industrial supply spending within the energy industry is likely to continue. Several factors have driven the long-term growth in spending, including underinvestment in energy infrastructure, production and capacity constraints, and market expectations of future improvements in the oil, natural gas, refined products, petrochemical and other industrial sectors. In addition, the products we distribute are often used in extreme operating environments, leading to the need for a regular replacement cycle. Approximately two-thirds of our sales are attributable to multi-year MRO arrangements where we have demonstrated an average annual retention rate of over 95% since 2000. We consider MRO arrangements to be normal, generally repetitive business that primarily addresses the recurring maintenance, repair or operational work to existing energy infrastructure. Project activities, including facility expansions or new construction projects, are more commonly associated with a customer's capital expenditures budget and can be more sensitive to global oil and natural gas prices and general economic conditions. We mitigate our exposure to price volatility by limiting the length of any price-protected contracts, and as pricing continues to rebound, we believe that we have the ability to pass price increases on to the marketplace.

Key Drivers of Our Business

Our revenues are predominantly derived from the sale of PVF and other oilfield and industrial supplies to the energy sector in North America, Europe, Asia and Australasia. Our business is therefore dependent upon both the current conditions and future prospects in the energy industry and, in particular, maintenance and expansionary operating and capital expenditures by our customers in the upstream, midstream and downstream sectors of the industry. Long-term growth in spending has been, and we believe will continue to be, driven by several factors, including underinvestment in global energy infrastructure, growth in shale and unconventional exploration and production (E&P) activity, and anticipated strength in the oil, natural gas, refined products, petrochemical and other industrial sectors. The outlook for future oil, natural gas, refined products, petrochemical and other industrial PVF spending is influenced by numerous factors, including the following:

- Ÿ Oil and Natural Gas Prices. Sales of PVF and related products to the oil and natural gas industry constitute a significant portion of our sales. As a result, we depend upon the oil and natural gas industry and its ability and willingness to make maintenance and capital expenditures to explore for, produce and process oil and natural gas and refined products. Oil and natural gas prices, both current and projected, along with the costs necessary to produce oil and gas, impact other drivers of our business, including E&P spending, additions and maintenance to pipeline mileage, refinery utilization and petrochemical and other industrial processing activity.
- Y Steel Prices, Availability and Supply and Demand. Fluctuations in steel prices can lead to volatility in the pricing of the products we distribute, especially carbon steel tubular products, which can influence the buying patterns of our customers. A majority of the products we distribute contain various types of steel. The worldwide supply and demand for these products, or other steel products that we do not supply, impacts the pricing and availability of our products and, ultimately, our sales and operating profitability.
- Y *Economic Conditions.* The demand for the products we distribute is dependent on the general economy, the energy and industrials sectors and other factors. Changes in the general economy or in the energy and industrials sectors (domestically or internationally) can cause demand for the products we distribute to materially change.
- Ÿ Customer, Manufacturer and Distributor Inventory Levels of PVF and Related Products. Customer, manufacturer and distributor inventory levels of PVF and related products can change significantly from period to period. Increases in our customers' inventory levels can have an adverse effect on the demand for the products we distribute when customers draw from their inventory rather than purchase new products. Reduced demand, in turn, would likely result in reduced sales volume and profitability. Increased inventory levels by manufacturers or other distributors can cause an oversupply of PVF and related products in the industry sectors we serve and reduce the prices that we are able to charge for the products we distribute. Reduced prices, in turn, would likely reduce our profitability. Conversely, decreased customer and manufacturer inventory levels may ultimately lead to increased demand for our products and would likely result in increased sales volumes and overall profitability.

Recent Trends and Outlook

The current outlook for activity in our end markets is positive. The period from 2005 to 2008 was a period of steady growth in North American oil and gas drilling and completion spending in our upstream market. Activity peaked in 2008, with oil pricing above \$140 per barrel and natural gas prices above \$14/mcf. Due to the associated record levels of E&P activity, there was a shortage of tubular products to meet the demand, and significant steel price inflation followed as a result. Approximately 40% of our sales and half of our gross profit was in tubular products during 2008 and these sales were

typically at margins in excess of longer term historical levels for this product category. In our downstream/industrial market, 2005 to 2008 was a period of major refinery expansion projects in the U.S. to upgrade Midwestern and Gulf Coast refineries to handle heavier and more sour crude oil from Canada, Venezuela and other international sources. These large projects were in addition to normal "turnaround" and smaller project activity. During 2009 to 2010, as peak crude oil prices negatively impacted refining margins, the global economic recession reduced refined product demand, which resulted in decreased capital spending by our refining customers. In the U.S. petrochemical industry, the high natural gas prices of 2008 reduced investment, as natural gas is a primary cost and feedstock to this industry segment. In 2010 and 2011, increases in natural gas production from the U.S. shale plays led to lower natural gas commodity prices, which helped drive increases in customer spending and activity levels in this sector.

Global energy demand was negatively impacted in 2009 by the "great recession" in the global economy, which directly negatively affected oil and natural gas commodity prices. This resulted in lower spending by our major customers during 2009 and 2010, which, coupled with significant deflation in tubular steel prices, had a material impact on our profitability in 2009 and 2010 as customers renegotiated contracts with drilling contractors, energy service companies, equipment suppliers and distributors. The steep drop in demand, steel price deflation and new lower customer contract pricing along with high-cost inventory purchased in 2008 led to a major de-stocking effort of approximately \$1 billion (including both inventory and outstanding purchase orders) at our Company during 2009, generating over \$500 million in cash flow from operations. In certain instances, sales during this period in our tubular product category carried negative margins, which severely impacted our results during this period. Our non-tubular product lines were impacted to a much lesser degree.

In 2010, our business stabilized, but given continued economic uncertainty and the slow recovery, activity levels remained slow relative to more historical levels. In 2011, commodity oil and natural gas pricing improved, our customers' E&P budgets increased, and product pricing increased as a result of the improvement in PVF demand. In addition, our high-cost tubular inventory was largely sold during 2009 and 2010, and as a result, profitability in 2011 began to improve. Steel inflation and pricing levels currently remain well below 2008 levels, but carbon steel pricing in line pipe has returned to a more normal historic range. OCTG pricing currently remains challenging, and we are rebalancing our product portfolio towards higher margin products, such as valves, fittings, flanges and other industrial products as a result.

During 2011, oil prices remained strong with an average price of approximately \$95 per barrel for West Texas Intermediate ("WTI"), or approximately 19% above the average for 2010. Natural gas prices remained relatively flat at an average price during this period of \$4/Mcf (Henry Hub), although they have declined below \$3/Mcf more recently. Behind the strength of oil prices, in particular, North American drilling activity has increased an estimated 21% in 2011 relative to 2010. We continue to see a shift in rig counts from natural gas to oil, with oil drilling representing over 55% of the total North American rig count during 2011.

Activity levels in the upstream sector remain strong. In the U.S., the average total rig count was up 21% in 2011 as compared to 2010. Continued development within the Marcellus, Eagle Ford and Bakken shale regions primarily drove this increase in rig count. In 2011, we shipped approximately 674,000 tons of energy carbon steel tubular products in the U.S., 20% more tons than in 2010. In Canada, the average total rig count was up 20% in 2011 as compared to 2010. There we have experienced an increase in MRO, particularly in the heavy oil and tar sands regions, which has mitigated the downturn experienced in shallow natural gas drilling elsewhere in Canada.

The midstream sector, which includes gathering, transmission pipeline and natural gas utilities, is currently our fastest growing sector. We generated revenue growth of 33% in 2011 compared to 2010.

New wells coming on line and the continued need for infrastructure within the shale basins has driven this growth. As a result of the shift in E&P activity from natural gas to oil, we have experienced a shift in activity from the natural gas regions of the Barnett, Haynesville, Woodford, and Fayetteville shales to the Bakken, Eagle Ford, Niobrara and Permian shales, which are heavier producing regions for oil and natural gas liquids. Revenue from our gathering and transmission customers increased 40% in 2011 as compared to 2010, while revenue from our natural gas utilities customers increased approximately 28% in 2011 compared to 2010, due to the increasing focus on pipeline integrity work and the need for utilities to repair or replace aging pipeline infrastructure.

Our downstream and other industrials sector performance has improved in 2011 as compared to 2010. However, downstream market participants still appear cautious with respect to major capital spending in refining because of international refining capacity additions, higher crude oil prices and relatively low margins relative to longer term historical levels. We believe there will be increased turnaround activity by our major customers in our U.S. refining end market in 2012 and 2013 due to customers' delays in routine turnaround activity for maintenance and repair. Our chemical and general industrials sector increased approximately 5% in 2011 compared to 2010, due to an increase in general economic activity, and growth in maintenance and capital projects activity. Internationally, where our business is heavily weighted toward the downstream sector, excluding the impact of the acquisition of MRC SPF, we have seen an improvement of 3% in revenues in 2011 as compared to 2010 due to a modest recovery in capital and operating expenditures in Europe during 2011. The impact of the European debt crisis on general economic conditions and the impact on energy consumption and the downstream sector are uncertain.

We determine backlog by the amount of unshipped third-party customer orders, either specific or general in nature (including orders held under pipe programs), which the customer may revise or cancel in certain instances. There can be no assurance that the backlog amounts will be ultimately realized as revenue, or that we will earn a profit on the backlog of orders. Our backlog at December 31, 2011 was \$823 million, including \$693 million in our North American segment and \$130 million in our International segment. In total, this backlog represents year over year growth of 41%, which we believe is a relatively good general indicator of overall activity for MRC.

Results of Operations for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009

Our operating results by segment are as follows (in millions). The results for the year ended December 31, 2009 only include the results of MRC Transmark (which comprises a majority of our International segment) for the two months after the business combination on October 30, 2009. Corporate administrative costs are included in the North American segment.

		Year Ended				
	December 2011	31, December 3 2010	1, December 31, 2009			
Sales:						
North America	\$ 4,502	2.8 \$ 3,589.	9 \$ 3,610.1			
International	329	9. <u>6</u> 255.	6 51.8			
Consolidated	\$ 4,832	2.4 \$ 3,845.	\$ 3,661.9			
Operating Income (Loss):						
North America	\$ 183	3.9 \$ 56.	0 \$ (253.5)			
International	10	0.7 10.	4 3.8			
Consolidated	\$ 194	<u>\$ 66.</u>	\$ (249.7)			

The following table shows key industry indicators for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009:

			Ye	ar Ended		
	Dec	cember 31, 2011	Dec	ember 31, 2010	[December 31, 2009
Average Total Rig Count(1):					' -	
United States		1,875		1,546		1,089
Canada		422		351	_	221
Total North America		2,297		1,897		1,310
International		1,167		1,094	_	997
Total Worldwide		3,464		2,991	=	2,307
Average Oil Rig Count(1):						
United States		984		591		278
Canada		279		199	_	102
Total North America		1,263		790	_	380
Average Natural Gas Rig Count(1):						
United States		888		943		801
Canada		141		148	_	120
Total North America		1,029		1,091	=	921
Average Commodity Prices(2):						
WTI crude oil (per barrel)	\$	94.91	\$	79.48	5	61.95
Brent crude oil (per barrel)	\$	111.26	\$	79.61	\$	61.74
Natural gas (\$/Mcf)	\$	4.00	\$	4.37	5	3.94
Average Monthly Well Permits(3)		5,811		5,317		4,266
3:2:1 Crack Spread(4)	\$	25.40	\$	12.92	9	
PMI Index (as of December 1 of each year)(5)		53.1		57.3		55.8

Source—Baker Hughes (<u>www.bakerhughes.com</u>) (Total rig count includes oil, natural gas and other rigs.) Source—Department of Energy, EIA (<u>www.eia.gov</u>) (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

The breakdown of our sales by sector for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009 was as follows:

		Year Ended December 31,			
	2011	2010	2009		
Upstream	47%	46%	44%		
Midstream	26%	24%	24%		
Downstream and other industrials	27%	30%	32%		
	100%	100%	100%		

Source—RigData (U.S.) Source—Commodity Systems, Inc.

Source—Institute for Supply Management

Year Ended December 31, 2011 Compared to the Year Ended December 31, 2010

For the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010 the following table summarizes our results of operations (in millions):

	Year E December 2011		\$ Change	% Change
Sales:			<u> </u>	
North America	\$4,502.8	\$3,589.9	\$ 912.9	25%
International	329.6	255.6	74.0	29%
Consolidated	\$4,832.4	\$3,845.5	\$ 986.9	26%
Gross margin:				
North America	\$ 613.7	\$ 442.7	\$ 171.0	39%
International	94.5	75.4	19.1	25%
Consolidated	\$ 708.2	\$ 518.1	\$ 190.1	37%
Selling, general and administrative expenses:				
North America	\$ 429.8	\$ 386.7	\$ 43.1	11%
International	83.8	65.0	18.8	29%
Consolidated	<u>\$ 513.6</u>	\$ 451.7	\$ 61.9	14%
Operating income (loss):				
North America	\$ 183.9	\$ 56.0	\$ 127.9	228%
International	10.7	10.4	0.3	3%
Consolidated	\$ 194.6	\$ 66.4	\$ 128.2	193%
Interest expense	(136.8)	(139.6)	2.8	2%
Write off of deferred financing fees	(9.5)	_	(9.5)	N/A
Other, net	7.5	(2.0)	9.5	475%
Income tax benefit (expense)	(26.8)	23.4	(50.2)	(215)%
Net income (loss)	\$ 29.0	<u>\$ (51.8)</u>	\$ 80.8	156%
Adjusted Gross Margin	849.6	663.2	186.4	28%
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 360.5	\$ 224.2	\$ 136.3	61%

Sales. Sales include the revenue recognized from the sales of the products we distribute and services to customers and freight billings to customers, less cash discounts taken by customers in return for their early payment of our invoices to them. Our sales were \$4,832.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 as compared to \$3,845.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2010.

North American Segment—Our North American sales increased \$912.9 million to \$4,502.8 million for 2011 from \$3,589.9 million for 2010. The 25% increase was due to an increase in volume related to the improved business environment, including, in particular, the upstream and midstream sectors, which have been driven by activity levels in the oil and natural gas shale regions in the U.S. as well as the heavy oil and tar sands regions of Canada.

International Segment—Our International sales increased \$74.0 million to \$329.6 million for 2011 from \$255.6 million for 2010. Approximately \$56 million of this increase was due to the acquisition of MRC SPF in June 2011, while the remainder of the increase is due to an improvement in volume in the downstream sector in Europe during 2011.

Gross Margin. Our gross margin was \$708.2 million (14.7% of sales) for the year ended December 31, 2011 as compared to \$518.1 million (13.5% of sales) for the year ended December 31, 2010. The 1.2% improvement in gross margin percentage reflected the growth in sales, relative to certain costs such as depreciation and amortization, amortization of intangibles, and the impact of our LIFO inventory costing methodology, which are not directly related to activity levels and which remained relatively consistent from period to period. Excluding the impact of these items, gross margin percentage improved by 0.4%.

North American Segment—Gross margin for our North American segment increased to \$613.7 million (13.6% of sales) for 2011 from \$442.7 million (12.3% of sales) for 2010. The increase of \$171.0 million was due to an increase in the volume of products sold year over year. The rig count increased 21% for that same period.

International Segment—Gross margin for our International segment increased to \$94.5 million (28.7% of sales) for 2011 from \$75.4 million (29.5% of sales) for 2010, an improvement of \$19.1 million. The increase in gross margin was largely due to the acquisition of MRC SPF in June 2011, while the remainder of the increase is due to an increase in sales, particularly in Europe. The decrease in the gross margin percentage was due to the mix of products changing as a result of the acquisition of MRC SPF.

Certain purchasing costs and warehousing activities (including receiving, inspection, and stocking costs), as well as general warehousing expenses, are included in selling, general and administrative expenses and not in cost of sales. As such, our gross profit may not be comparable to others who may include these expenses as a component of costs of goods sold. Purchasing and warehousing activities costs approximated \$27.3 million and \$25.5 million for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010.

Adjusted Gross Margin. Adjusted Gross Margin increased to \$849.6 million (17.6% of sales) for 2011 from \$663.2 million (17.2% of sales) for 2010, an improvement of \$186.4 million. We define Adjusted Gross Margin as sales, less cost of sales, plus depreciation and amortization, plus amortization of intangibles, and plus or minus the impact of our LIFO inventory costing methodology. We present Adjusted Gross Margin because we believe it is a useful indicator of our operating performance without regard to items, such as amortization of intangibles, that can vary substantially from company to company depending upon the nature and extent of acquisitions they have been involved in. Similarly, the impact of the LIFO inventory costing method can cause results to vary substantially from company depending upon whether they elect to utilize the LIFO method and depending upon which method they may elect. In particular, we believe that Adjusted Gross Margin is a useful indicator of our operating performance because Adjusted Gross Margin measures our Company's operating performance without regard to acquisition transaction-related amortization expenses. We use Adjusted Gross Margin as a key performance indicator in managing our business. We believe that gross margin is the financial measure calculated and presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles that is most directly comparable to Adjusted Gross Margin. The following table reconciles Adjusted Gross Margin with our gross margin, as derived from our financial statements (in millions):

		Year Ended December 31,				
	2011	Percentage of Revenue	2010	Percentage of Revenue		
Gross margin, as reported	\$708.2	14.7%	\$518.1	13.5%		
Depreciation and amortization	17.0	0.4%	16.6	0.4%		
Amortization of intangibles	50.7	1.0%	53.9	1.4%		
Increase in LIFO reserve	73.7	1.5%	74.6	1.9%		
Adjusted Gross Margin	\$849.6	17.6%	\$663.2	17.2%		

Selling, General and Administrative ("SG&A") Expenses. Costs such as salaries, wages, employee benefits, rent, utilities, communications, insurance, fuel and taxes (other than state and federal income taxes) that are necessary to operate our branch and corporate operations are included in selling, general and administrative expenses. Also contained in this category are certain items that are nonoperational in nature, including certain costs of acquiring and integrating other businesses. Our selling, general and administrative expenses were \$513.6 million (10.6% of sales) for the year ended December 31, 2011 as compared to \$451.7 million (11.7% of sales) for the year ended December 31, 2010. The \$61.9 million increase was largely due to additional personnel costs such as overtime and incentives directly related to the overall increase in business activity combined with the impact of the acquisition of MRC SPF, which had SG&A expenses of \$12.3 million.

Operating Income. Operating income was \$194.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, as compared to operating income of \$66.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2010, an improvement of \$128.2 million. This improvement was a result of higher gross margins partially offset by the increase in selling, general and administrative expenses noted above.

Interest Expense. Our interest expense was \$136.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 as compared to \$139.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2010.

Other Income (Expense). We use derivative instruments to help manage our exposure to interest rate risks and certain foreign currency risks. The change in the fair market value of our derivatives resulted in earnings of \$7.0 million and losses of \$4.9 million during the year ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. In June 2011, we refinanced certain of our credit facilities. As a result of their termination, we wrote off and expensed \$9.5 million in deferred financing costs.

Income Tax (Expense) Benefit. Our income tax expense was \$26.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, as compared to an income tax benefit of \$23.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. Our effective tax rates were 48.0% and 31.1% for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010. These rates generally differ from the federal statutory rate of 35% principally as a result of state income taxes and differing foreign income tax rates. The 2011 effective tax rate of 48.0% includes adjustments made in the fourth quarter of \$4.0 million in deferred income tax expense required to recognize a higher rate at which we expect certain deferred taxes in the Netherlands and Canada to be realized, and an additional \$3.9 million in current income tax expense related to the taxation of our foreign operations primarily caused by a geographic shift in taxable income in different jurisdictions.

Net Income (Loss). Our net income was \$29.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 as compared to a \$51.8 million net loss for the year ended December 31, 2010, an improvement of \$80.8 million.

Adjusted EBITDA. We define Adjusted EBITDA as net income plus interest, income taxes, depreciation and amortization, amortization of intangibles and other non-cash charges (such as gains/losses on the early extinguishment of debt, changes in the fair value of derivative instruments and goodwill impairment) and plus or minus the impact of our LIFO inventory costing methodology. Adjusted EBITDA was \$360.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, as compared to \$224.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. Our Adjusted EBITDA increased \$136.3 million over that period primarily due to the increase in gross margin and other factors noted above.

Adjusted EBITDA is an important measure under our ABL Credit Facility. In addition, we believe it provides investors a helpful measure for comparing our operating performance with the performance of other companies that have different financing and capital structures or tax rates. We believe that net

income (loss) is the financial measure calculated and presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles that is most directly comparable to Adjusted EBITDA. The following table reconciles Adjusted EBITDA with our net income (loss), as derived from our financial statements (in millions):

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		ır Ended
	Deco	ember 31,
		2010
Net income (loss)	\$ 29.0	\$ (51.8)
Income tax (benefit) expense	26.8	(23.4)
Interest expense	136.8	139.6
Write off of debt issuance costs	9.5	_
Depreciation and amortization	17.0	16.6
Amortization of intangibles	50.7	53.9
Change in fair value of derivative instruments	(7.0)	4.9
Share based compensation expense	8.4	3.7
Legal and consulting expenses	9.9	4.2
Joint venture termination	1.7	_
Other non-cash expenses(1)	4.0	1.9
LIFO	73.7	74.6
Adjusted EBITDA	\$360.5	\$224.2

Other non-cash expenses include transaction-related expenses, pre-acquisition EBITDA of MRC SPF and other items added back to net income pursuant to our ABL Credit Facility.

Year Ended December 31, 2010 Compared to the Year Ended December 31, 2009

For the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009, the following table summarizes our results of operations (in millions):

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2010	2009	\$ Change	% Change
Sales:				
North America	\$3,589.9	\$3,610.1	\$ (20.2)	<1%
International	<u>255.6</u>	51.8	203.8	393%
Consolidated	\$3,845.5	\$3,661.9	<u>\$ 183.6</u>	5%
Gross Margin :				
North America	\$ 442.7	\$ 534.1	\$ (91.4)	(17)%
International	75.4	13.9	61.5	442%
Consolidated	\$ 518.1	\$ 548.0	\$ (29.9)	(5)%
Selling, general and administrative expenses:				
North America	\$ 386.7	\$ 400.9	\$ (14.2)	(4)%
International	65.0	10.7	54.3	507%
Consolidated	<u>\$ 451.7</u>	<u>\$ 411.6</u>	\$ 40.1	10%
Goodwill and intangibles impairment charge:				
North America	\$ —	\$ 386.1	\$ (386.1)	(100)%
International				_
Consolidated	\$ —	\$ 386.1	\$(386.1)	(100)%
Operating income (loss):				
North America	\$ 56.0	\$ (253.5)	\$ 309.5	122%
International	10.4	3.8	6.6	174%
Consolidated	\$ 66.4	(249.7)	\$ 316.1	127%
Interest expense	(139.6)	(116.5)	(23.1)	20%
Other, net	(2.0)	11.4	(13.4)	(118)%
Income tax benefit (expense)	23.4	15.0	8.4	56%
Net (loss)	<u>\$ (51.8)</u>	<u>\$ (339.8</u>)	\$ 288.0	85%
Adjusted Gross Margin	\$ 663.2	\$ 493.5	\$ 169.7	34%
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 224.2	\$ 218.5	\$ 5.7	3%

Sales. Our sales were \$3,845.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2010, as compared to \$3,661.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, an increase of 5%.

North American Segment—Although sales were down slightly year-over-year, we started to see signs of an improving economy beginning in the fourth quarter of 2009. The previous year's results included the carryover effect from high average capital and other expenditures during 2008, which was evident in our strong results through the first four months of 2009. As the economic environment in which we operate improved, including the year-over-year growth in rig counts and commodity prices, our sales followed. The fourth quarter of 2010 represented our fifth consecutive quarter of revenue growth. During the year ended December 31, 2010, the U.S. Gross Domestic Product ("GDP") expanded by 2.9%, compared with a 2.6% contraction during the year ended December 31, 2009.

International Segment—Internationally, the inclusion of a full year's results of MRC Transmark, as compared to only two months in 2009 following its acquisition on October 31, 2009, drove the overall

increase we experienced in sales. However, our business environment weakened in 2010 due to reduced capital and other expenditures and project delays by our customers, especially in our downstream sector.

Sales of energy carbon steel tubular products accounted for approximately 38% and 40% of our total sales for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009. The change in sales of our energy carbon steel tubular products from 2009 to 2010 can be attributed to an increase in volumes. Substantially all of our energy carbon steel tubular products are sold in North America. Our valves, fittings, flanges and other products are not as susceptible to significant price fluctuations and pricing was largely consistent with 2009 levels.

We operate in many foreign countries and are subject to foreign currency rate fluctuations. Approximately 20% of our 2010 revenues were generated in domiciles outside of the United States, compared to 12% in 2009 (principally as a result of the acquisition of MRC Transmark at the end of October 2009).

Gross Margin. Our North American gross margin decreased to \$442.7 million (12.3% of sales) in 2010, from \$534.1 million (14.8% of sales) in 2009. During the year ended December 31, 2010, we recognized \$74.6 million in increased cost of sales related to our use of the LIFO method of accounting for inventory costs, compared to a \$115.6 million decrease in cost of sales for the year ended December 31, 2009. Also, during the year ended December 31, 2009, we recognized a \$46.5 million inventory write-down; there was no significant inventory write-down during the year ended December 31, 2010. In addition, during 2011 we continued to liquidate higher cost inventory, from the carryover effect of 2008. These factors resulted in a reduction in our gross margins from 2009 to 2010.

Internationally, our margin remained strong, increasing to 29.5% of sales in 2010 from 26.8% of sales in 2009.

Certain purchasing costs and warehousing activities (including receiving, inspection, and stocking costs), as well as general warehousing expenses, are included in selling, general and administrative expenses and not in cost of sales. As such, our gross profit may not be comparable to others who may include these expenses as a component of costs of goods sold. Purchasing and warehousing activities costs approximated \$25.5 million and \$24.4 million for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009.

Adjusted Gross Margin. Our Adjusted Gross Margin was \$663.2 million (or 17.2% of sales) for the year ended December 31, 2010, as compared to \$493.5 million (or 13.5% of sales) for the year ended December 31, 2009.

The following table reconciles Adjusted Gross Margin to gross margin (in millions):

		Year Ended December 31,			
	2010	Percentage of Revenue	2009	Percentage of Revenue	
Gross margin, as reported	\$518.1	13.5%	\$ 548.0	15.0%	
Depreciation and amortization	16.6	0.4%	14.5	0.4%	
Amortization of intangibles	53.9	1.4%	46.6	1.3%	
Increase in LIFO reserve	74.6	1.9%	(115.6)	(3.2)%	
Adjusted Gross Margin	\$663.2	17.2%	\$ 493.5	13.5%	

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses. Our selling, general and administrative expenses were \$451.7 million (or 11.7% of sales) for the year ended December 31, 2010, as compared to \$411.6 million (or 11.2% of sales) for the year ended December 31, 2009. This increase is attributable to our International operations where SG&A expenses increased \$54.3 million as the result of the inclusion of a full year of expenses of MRC Transmark as compared to only two months of

activity in 2009 following its October 31, 2009 acquisition. Our North American SG&A expenses as a percentage of sales decreased to 10.8% from 11.1%, as we implemented various cost savings initiatives, including reducing employee headcount by 2%, to right size our operations in light of the economic environment we faced.

Goodwill and Intangibles Impairment Charge. During 2009, our earnings progressively decreased due to the reductions in our customers' expenditure programs caused by the global economic recession, reductions in oil and natural gas commodity prices and other factors. These reductions resulted in reduced demand for our products and lower sales prices and margins, which altered our view of our marketplace. Consequently, we revised certain long-term projections for our business, which, in turn, impacted its estimated fair value. We concluded that the carrying value of our North American goodwill and our indefinite lived trade names exceeded their fair value resulting in a non-cash goodwill and intangibles impairment charge in the amount of \$386.1 million during the year ended December 31, 2009. There was no such goodwill and intangibles impairment charge recorded during the year ended December 31, 2010.

Operating Income (Loss). Operating income was \$66.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2010, as compared to an operating loss of \$249.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, an improvement of \$316.1 million. The results of 2009 were negatively impacted by the \$386.1 million non-cash goodwill and intangibles impairment charge, as well as the \$46.5 million non-cash inventory write-down. Excluding these non-cash items, operating income declined by \$116.5 million principally as a result of reduced gross margins from North American operations.

Interest Expense. Our interest expense was \$139.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2010, as compared to \$116.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2009. The increase was due to a higher weighted-average interest rate, including the impact of our interest rate swap agreements and various commitment fees, which increased to 8.5% during 2010 from 6.6% in 2009. The issuance of our Notes in December 2009 and February 2010 had the impact of increasing the interest rate that we pay on \$1.05 billion of debt by approximately 250 basis points. Also, in connection with the amendment to our then-existing principal revolving credit facility, the interest rate and commitment fees on such facility increased by approximately 200 basis points and 12.5 basis points, respectively.

Other Income (Expense). We use derivative instruments to help manage our exposure to interest rate risks and certain foreign currency risks. The change in the fair market value of our derivatives reduced earnings by \$4.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2010 and increased earnings by \$8.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2009.

Income Tax Benefit (Expense). Our income tax benefit was \$23.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2010, as compared to income tax benefit of \$15.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2009. Our effective tax rates were 31.1% for the year ended December 31, 2010 and 4.2% for the year ended December 31, 2009. The 2010 rate differs from the federal statutory rate of 35% principally as a result of the impact of differing foreign income tax rates, which included the establishment of a valuation allowance related to certain foreign net operating loss carryforwards. The 2009 rate differs from the federal statutory rate primarily as a result of our nondeductible goodwill impairment charge.

Net (Loss). Our net loss was \$51.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2010 as compared to \$339.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2009, an improvement of \$288.0 million, primarily as a result of the non-cash \$386.1 million goodwill and intangibles impairment charge and \$46.5 million non-cash inventory write down. Excluding these non-cash items and their related income tax effects, net loss was lower by \$98.9 million principally as a result of reduced gross margins from North American operations recorded in 2009.

Adjusted EBITDA. Adjusted EBITDA was \$224.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2010, as compared to \$218.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2009.

The following table reconciles Adjusted EBITDA with our net income (loss), as derived from our financial statements (in millions):

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2010	2009
Net income (loss)	\$ (51.8)	\$ (339.8)
Income tax (benefit) expense	(23.4)	(15.0)
Interest expense	139.6	116.5
Depreciation and amortization	16.6	14.5
Amortization of intangibles	53.9	46.6
Inventory write-down	0.4	46.5
Change in fair value of derivative instruments	4.9	(8.9)
Goodwill impairment charge	_	386.1
MRC Transmark pre-acquisition contribution	_	38.5
Gain on early extinguishment of debt	_	(1.3)
Amortization of Purchase Price Accounting	_	15.7
Share based compensation expense	3.7	7.8
M&A transaction & integration expenses	1.4	17.5
Legal and consulting expenses	4.2	1.9
Other non-cash expenses(1)	0.1	7.5
LIFO	74.6	(115.6)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 224.2	\$ 218.5

⁽¹⁾ Other non-cash expenses include transaction-related expenses, pre-acquisition EBITDA of MRC SPF, and other items added back to net income pursuant to our ABL Credit Facility.

Financial Condition and Cash Flows

Financial Condition

The following table sets forth selected balance sheet data for the periods indicated below (in millions):

	December 31, 2011	December 31, 2010	December 31, 2009
Inventory	\$ 899.1	\$ 765.4	\$ 871.7
Working capital	1,074.7	842.6	930.2
Long-term debt, including current portion	1,526.7	1,360.2	1,452.6

Starting in 2010, we have been emphasizing a shift in our sales to higher gross margin products. Typically, OCTG (within our energy carbon steel tubular product portfolio) has generated the lowest gross margin. In alignment with this shift in emphasis, we have been re-balancing our inventories. At December 31, 2011, our energy carbon steel tubular products constituted approximately 45% of our inventory balance, down from 56% at the end of 2009. Conversely, our oilfield and natural gas distribution products, which typically generate a higher gross margin, comprised 55% of our inventory at December 31, 2011, up from 44% at the end of 2009.

Our working capital increased 28% from 2010 to 2011, as higher business activity levels drove volume related growth in inventories, accounts receivable and accounts payable, resulting in a \$166.5 million increase in long-term borrowings from 2010 to 2011. We closely monitor our working capital position to ensure that we have the appropriate flexibility for our operations.

Cash Flows

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

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2011	2010	2009
Net cash provided by (used in):	<u> </u>		<u> </u>
Operating activities	\$(102.9)	\$112.7	\$ 505.5
Investing activities	(48.0)	(16.2)	(66.9)
Financing activities	140.6	(98.2)	(393.9)
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ (10.3)</u>	<u>\$ (1.7)</u>	\$ 44.7
Effect of foreign exchange rate on cash	\$ 0.3	\$ 1.7	\$ (0.6)

Operating Activities

Net cash used in operating activities was \$102.9 million in 2011, compared to net cash provided by operating activities of \$112.7 million in 2010. The decrease in net cash used in operations was primarily the result of an increase in working capital required to meet the demands of increased business activity levels. Increased investment in working capital is typical in our business during periods of growth.

Net cash provided by operating activities decreased by \$392.8 million to \$112.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. In 2009, we implemented our inventory reduction plan in response to changing market conditions which contributed to the \$505.5 million of cash provided by operations.

Investing Activities

Net cash used in investing activities was \$48.0 million in 2011, compared to \$16.2 million in 2010. The \$31.8 million increase in cash used in investing activities is primarily due to the acquisitions of MRC SPF and VSC. Our capital expenditures as a percentage of sales was 0.4% in both 2011 and 2010. We believe that this level of capital expenditures is typical for our business.

Net cash used in investing activities decreased by \$50.7 million to \$16.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. In each year, our net cash used primarily related to our acquisition activity. In 2010, \$12.4 million was used to acquire South Texas Supply and Dresser Oil Tools & Supply. In 2009, \$55.5 million was used to acquire MRC Transmark.

Financing Activities

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$140.6 million in 2011, compared to net cash used in financing activities of \$98.2 million used in 2010. These activities generally reflect advances and payments on our revolving credit facilities. In 2011, we advanced \$150.4 million under such facilities in order to fund growth in working capital in addition to the acquisitions of MRC SPF and VSC. By contrast, in 2010 we repaid \$141.9 million under these facilities reflecting our efforts to reduce working capital, particularly inventory, in a weaker business environment.

Net cash used in financing activities decreased by \$295.7 million to \$98.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. The decrease reflected our discipline in managing our working capital and paying down our indebtedness in a difficult business environment.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our primary sources of liquidity consist of cash generated from our operating activities, existing cash balances and borrowings under our existing revolving credit facilities. Our ability to generate sufficient cash flows from our operating activities will continue to be primarily dependent on our sales of products to our customers at margins sufficient to cover our fixed and variable expenses. As of December 31, 2011 and 2010, we had cash equivalents of \$46.1 million and \$56.2 million, respectively. As of December 31, 2011 and 2010, \$41.0 million and \$50.7 million of our cash and cash equivalents was maintained in the accounts of our various foreign subsidiaries and, if such amounts were transferred among countries or repatriated to the U.S., such amounts may be subject to additional tax liabilities, which would be recognized in our financial statements in the period during which such decision was made. We have the intent and ability to permanently reinvest the cash held by our foreign subsidiaries and there are currently no plans that require the repatriation of such amounts.

Our credit facilities consist of a \$1.05 billion North American asset-based revolving credit facility that provides for borrowings of up to \$900 million under a U.S. tranche and CAD\$150 million under a Canadian tranche, a €10 million multi-currency overdraft facility, and a €60 million credit facility at our principal international subsidiary which currently consists of a AUD\$30.3 million term loan facility and a €34.5 million revolving credit facility, with a €20 million sublimit on letters of credit. We maintain these facilities primarily to finance our working capital and operations, as well as pursue certain mergers and acquisitions. As of December 31, 2011, we had \$583.7 million available under these credit facilities, which represented approximately a \$109.0 million increase in availability under similar facilities at December 31, 2010. As noted above, our ability to transfer funds among countries could be hampered by additional tax liabilities imposed as a result of these transfers.

We also have \$1.05 billion of our Notes outstanding. In December 2009, we issued \$1.0 billion of Notes and applied the net proceeds to pay substantially all the outstanding borrowings under our then existing term loan and our junior term loan facilities. In February 2010, we issued an additional \$50 million of Notes and applied the net proceeds to repay amounts outstanding under our U.S. revolving credit facility. See "Corporate Structure" for an explanation of our debt in our capital structure.

Our credit ratings are below "investment grade" and as such could impact both our ability to raise new funds as well as the interest rates on our future borrowings. Our ability to incur additional debt is restricted by our existing obligations. We were in compliance with the covenants contained in the Indenture and various credit facilities as of and during the year ended December 31, 2011.

We believe our sources of liquidity will be sufficient to satisfy the anticipated cash requirements associated with our existing operations for at least the next twelve months. However, our future cash requirements could be higher than we currently expect as a result of various factors. Additionally, our ability to generate sufficient cash from our operating activities depends on our future performance, which is subject to general economic, political, financial, competitive and other factors beyond our control. We may from time to time seek to raise additional debt or equity financing in the public or private markets, based on market conditions. There can be no assurance that we will be able to raise any such financing on terms acceptable to us or at all. We may also seek, from time to time, depending on market conditions, to refinance certain categories of our debt, including our Notes and our debt agreements. We may also, from time to time, seek to repurchase our Notes in the open market or otherwise. Any such transaction would be subject to market conditions, compliance with all of our debt agreements, and various other factors.

Contractual Obligations, Commitments and Contingencies

Contractual Obligations

The following table summarizes our minimum payment obligations as of December 31, 2011 relating to long-term debt, interest payments, capital leases, operating leases, purchase obligations and other long-term liabilities for the periods indicated (in millions):

	Total	2012	2013-2014	2015-2016	More Than 5 Years
Long-term debt(1)	\$1,526.7	\$ —	\$ 38.6	\$1,488.1	\$ —
Interest payments(2)	552.6	114.2	225.3	213.1	_
Interest rate swap	2.2	2.2	_	_	_
Capital leases	3.3	0.5	1.0	0.6	1.2
Operating leases	114.6	31.3	44.8	21.7	16.8
Purchase obligations(3)	617.7	617.7	_	_	_
Other long-term liabilities	14.6				14.6
Total	\$2,831.7	\$765.9	\$ 309.7	\$1,723.5	\$ 32.6

(1) Long-term debt is based on debt outstanding on December 31, 2011.

Interest payments are based on interest rates in effect at December 31, 2011 and assume contractual amortization payments.

(3) Purchase obligations reflect our commitments to purchase PVF products in the ordinary course of business. While our vendors often allow us to cancel these purchase orders without penalty, in certain cases cancellations may subject to cancellation fees or penalties, depending on the terms of the contract.

We historically have been an acquisitive company. We expect to fund future acquisitions primarily with cash flows from (i) borrowings, either the unused portion of our facilities or new debt issuances, (ii) cash provided by operations, or (iii) the issuance of additional equity in connection with such acquisitions.

Description of Our Indebtedness

ABL Credit Facility

In June 2011, McJunkin Red Man Corporation and certain of its subsidiaries entered into an asset-based revolving credit facility with Bank of America, N.A., as agent and a lender (the "Agent") and other lenders from time to time parties to the facility. McJunkin Red Man Corporation is a wholly owned, direct subsidiary of MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation). See "Corporate Structure". The ABL Credit Facility consists of:

- Ÿ a U.S. tranche, under which McJunkin Red Man Corporation and certain of its U.S. subsidiaries (the "U.S. Borrowers") may borrow in U.S. Dollars up to a maximum amount of the lesser of the U.S. Borrowing Base (as defined below) and \$900 million (the "Total U.S. Commitment"), and
- Ÿ a Canadian tranche, under which Midfield Supply LLC, a wholly owned Canadian subsidiary of McJunkin Red Man Corporation, may borrow in Canadian Dollars up to a maximum amount of the lesser of its Canadian Borrowing Base (as defined below) and CAD\$150 million (the "Total Canadian Commitment").

The U.S. Borrowers may use up to \$80 million of the U.S. tranche for letters of credit and up to \$75 million for swingline loans. Subject to certain conditions, McJunkin Red Man Corporation has the power to designate other Canadian subsidiaries as borrowers under the ABL Credit Facility (together

with Midfield Supply LLC, the "Canadian Borrowers"). The Canadian Borrowers may use up to CAD\$20 million of the Canadian tranche for letters of credit and up to CAD\$25 million for swingline loans. The ABL Credit Facility matures on June 14, 2016. We refer to the Canadian Borrowers and the U.S. Borrowers collectively as the "Borrowers" in this "—ABL Credit Facility" description.

Each Canadian Borrower is permitted to make borrowings under the Canadian tranche in Canadian Dollars of up to the maximum amount of the lesser of its Canadian Borrowing Base (calculated separately from the Canadian Borrowing Bases of the other Canadian Borrowers) and the Total Canadian Commitment (less the borrowings of any other Canadian Borrowers). Subject to certain conditions, the Total U.S. Commitment and the Total Canadian Commitment may be increased from time to time up to an amount which, in the aggregate for all such increases, does not exceed \$250 million.

Borrowing Bases. The "U.S. Borrowing Base" will be equal to the sum of:

- Ÿ the book value of eligible accounts receivable of the U.S. Borrowers; plus
- Ÿ the lesser of:
 - Ÿ 70% of the net book value of eligible inventory (adding back the LIFO reserve calculated in accordance with GAAP) of the U.S. Borrowers and
 - Y the net orderly liquidation value of eligible inventory (net of current monthly shrinkage reserve calculated in accordance with GAAP and valued at cost) of the U.S. Borrowers multiplied by the advance rate of 85%;
- Ÿ minus certain reserves.

Each "Canadian Borrowing Base" will be equal to the sum of:

- Ÿ the book value of eligible accounts receivable of the applicable Canadian Borrower; plus
- Ÿ the lesser of:
 - Ÿ 70% of the net book value of eligible inventory (adding back the LIFO reserve calculated in accordance with GAAP) of the applicable Canadian Borrower and
 - Ý the net orderly liquidation value of eligible inventory (net of current monthly shrinkage reserve calculated in accordance with GAAP and valued at cost) of the applicable Canadian Borrower multiplied by the advance rate of 85%;
- Ÿ minus certain reserves.

Guarantees and Security. The U.S. Borrowers guarantee the obligations under the U.S. tranche. The U.S. Borrowers and the Canadian Borrowers guarantee the obligations under the Canadian tranche.

Obligations under the U.S. tranche are secured, subject to certain exceptions, by a first-priority security interest in the accounts receivable and inventory of the U.S. Borrowers. Obligations under the Canadian tranche are secured, subject to certain exceptions, by:

- Ÿ a first-priority security interest in the accounts receivable and inventory of the U.S. Borrowers and the Canadian Borrowers and
- Ÿ a pledge of indebtedness owing to the Canadian Borrowers and capital stock of their wholly owned subsidiaries.

The security interest in accounts receivable and inventory of the U.S. Borrowers ranks prior to the security interest in this collateral, which secures the Notes (as defined below).

Interest Rate and Fees. Borrowings under the U.S. tranche bear interest at a rate per annum equal to, at the U.S. Borrower's option, either:

- Ÿ the adjusted LIBOR rate plus an applicable margin or
- Ÿ a U.S. base rate plus an applicable margin.

Borrowings under the Canadian Tranche bear interest at a rate per annum equal to, at the Canadian Borrower's option, either:

- Ÿ the adjusted Canadian BA Rate (as defined) plus an applicable margin,
- Ÿ a Canadian base rate plus an applicable margin or
- Ÿ a Canadian prime rate plus an applicable margin.

The applicable margin was initially 2.00% for LIBOR and Canadian BA Rate borrowings and 1.00% for the U.S. base rate, Canadian base rate and Canadian prime rate borrowings, in each case subject to a 0.25% step-up or step-down based on a consolidated fixed charge coverage ratio as of the end of the most recent fiscal quarter. The applicable margin for the U.S. base rate, Canadian base rate and Canadian prime rate borrowings will be 100 basis points lower than the applicable margin for LIBOR and Canadian BA Rate borrowings.

In addition to paying interest on outstanding principal under the ABL Credit Facility, the Borrowers are required to pay a commitment fee in respect of unutilized commitments under the ABL Credit Facility, which is equal to 0.375% per annum.

Voluntary Prepayments. The Borrowers may voluntarily prepay the principal of any advance, without penalty or premium, at any time in whole or in part, subject to the payment of certain costs in the case of LIBOR and Canadian BA Rate borrowings.

Restrictive Covenants and Other Matters. The ABL Credit Facility requires the Company and its restricted subsidiaries, on a consolidated basis, to maintain a fixed charge coverage ratio (defined as the ratio of EBITDA to the sum of cash interest, principal payments on indebtedness, unfinanced capital expenditures and accrued income taxes) of at least 1.0 to 1.0 when excess availability is less than or equal to the greater of:

- \ddot{Y} 10% of the total commitments under the ABL Credit Facility; and
- \ddot{Y} \$75 million.

The ABL Credit Facility also contains restrictive covenants (in each case, subject to exclusions) that limit, among other things, the ability of the Borrowers and their restricted subsidiaries to:

- Ÿ create, incur, assume, or suffer to exist, any liens;
- Ÿ create, incur, assume or permit to exist, directly or indirectly, any additional indebtedness;
- Ÿ consolidate, merge, amalgamate, liquidate, wind up, or dissolve themselves;
- \dot{Y} convey, sell, lease, license, assign, transfer or otherwise dispose of the Borrowers' or their restricted subsidiaries' assets;
- Ÿ make certain restricted payments;
- Ÿ make certain investments;
- \ddot{Y} amend or otherwise alter the terms of documents related to certain subordinated indebtedness;
- Ÿ enter into transactions with affiliates; and
- $\ddot{\mathrm{Y}}$ prepay certain subordinated indebtedness.

The ABL Credit Facility also contains other customary restrictive covenants. The covenants are subject to various baskets and materiality thresholds, with many restrictions on the repayment of subordinated indebtedness, restricted payments and investments not being applicable when the Borrowers' excess availability exceeds a certain threshold. The restriction on incurring unsecured indebtedness is not applicable when the Borrowers' and their restricted subsidiaries' total debt to EBITDA ratio is less than or equal to 5.5:1.0, and the restriction on incurring secured indebtedness is not applicable when, among other things, the Borrowers' and their restricted subsidiaries' secured debt to EBITDA ratio is less than or equal to 5.0:1.0.

The ABL Credit Facility contains certain customary representations and warranties, affirmative covenants and events of default, including, among other things, payment defaults, breach of representations and warranties, covenant defaults, cross-defaults to certain indebtedness, certain events of bankruptcy, certain events under ERISA, judgment defaults, actual or asserted failure of any material guaranty or security document supporting the ABL Credit Facility to be in force and effect and change of control. If such an event of default occurs, the Agent under the ABL Credit Facility is entitled to take various actions, including the acceleration of amounts due under the ABL Credit Facility, the termination of all revolver commitments and all other actions that a secured creditor is permitted to take.

Senior Secured Notes

In December 2009, McJunkin Red Man Corporation issued \$1.0 billion of the Notes. We used the proceeds of the offering of the Notes to pay all the outstanding borrowings under our then-existing term loan facility and junior term loan facility. McJunkin Red Man Corporation issued an additional \$50 million of Notes in February 2010. See "Corporate Structure".

The Notes mature on December 15, 2016. Interest accrues at 9.50% per annum and is payable semi-annually in arrears on June 15 and December 15, commencing on June 15, 2010. The Notes are guaranteed on a senior secured basis by MRC Global Inc. and all of the current and future wholly owned domestic subsidiaries of McJunkin Red Man Corporation (other than certain excluded subsidiaries) and any of McJunkin Red Man Corporation's future restricted subsidiaries that guarantee any indebtedness of McJunkin Red Man Corporation or any subsidiary guarantor, including the ABL Credit Facility (the "Subsidiary Guarantors").

Redemption and Repurchase. At any time prior to December 15, 2012 and subject to certain conditions, McJunkin Red Man Corporation may, on any one or more occasions, redeem up to 35% of the aggregate principal amount of Notes issued under the Indenture at a redemption price of 109.50%, plus accrued and unpaid interest, with the cash proceeds of certain qualifying equity offerings. Additionally, at any time prior to December 15, 2012, McJunkin Red Man Corporation may, on any one or more occasions, redeem all or a part of the Notes at a redemption price equal to 100%, plus any accrued and unpaid interest, and plus a make-whole premium. On or after December 15, 2012, McJunkin Red Man Corporation may redeem all or a part of the Notes upon not less than 15 nor more than 60 days' notice, at the redemption prices (expressed as percentages of principal amount) set forth below plus accrued and unpaid interest:

Year_	Percentage
On or after December 15, 2012, but before December 15, 2013	107.125%
On or after December 15, 2013 but before December 15, 2014	104.750%
On or after December 15, 2014 but before December 15, 2015	102.375%
On or after December 15, 2015 and thereafter	100.000%

Upon the occurrence of a change of control as defined under the Indenture, McJunkin Red Man Corporation will be required to make an offer to repurchase each holder's Notes at a repurchase price equal to 101% of their principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of repurchase.

Covenants. The Indenture contains covenants that limit the ability of McJunkin Red Man Corporation and its restricted subsidiaries to, among other things, incur additional indebtedness, issue certain preferred stock or disqualified capital stock, create liens, pay dividends or make other restricted payments, make certain payments on debt that is subordinated or secured on a basis junior to the Notes, make investments, sell assets, create restrictions on the payment of dividends or other amounts to McJunkin Red Man Corporation from restricted subsidiaries, consolidate, merge, sell or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of McJunkin Red Man Corporation's assets, enter into transactions with affiliates, and designate subsidiaries as unrestricted subsidiaries.

Collateral. The Notes and the Subsidiary Guarantor guarantees are secured on a senior basis (subject to permitted prior liens), together with any other Notes issued under the Indenture or other debt that is secured equally and ratably with the Notes, subject to certain conditions ("Priority Lien Obligations"), equally and ratably by security interests granted to the collateral trustee in all Notes Priority Collateral (as such term is defined in the Indenture) from time to time owned by McJunkin Red Man Corporation or the Subsidiary Guarantors. The guarantee of MRC Global Inc. of the Notes is not secured. The Notes Priority Collateral generally comprises substantially all of McJunkin Red Man Corporation's and the Subsidiary Guarantors' tangible and intangible assets, other than specified excluded assets.

The Notes and the guarantees by the Subsidiary Guarantors are also secured on a junior basis (subject to the lien to secure the ABL Credit Facility and other permitted prior liens) by security interests granted to the collateral trustee in all ABL Priority Collateral (as such term is defined in the Indenture) that McJunkin Red Man Corporation or the Subsidiary Guarantors owns from time to time. Subject to certain exceptions, the ABL Priority Collateral generally comprises substantially all of McJunkin Red Man Corporation's and the Subsidiary Guarantors' accounts receivable, inventory, general intangibles and other assets relating to the foregoing, deposit and securities accounts, and proceeds and products of the foregoing, other than specified excluded assets. Assets owned by McJunkin Red Man Corporation's non-guarantor subsidiaries and by MRC Global Inc. are not part of the collateral securing the Notes.

MRC Transmark Facility

MRC Transmark and its material subsidiaries (the "MRC Transmark Group") are parties to a €60 million credit facility with HSBC Bank PLC, dated September 17, 2010 (as amended, restated and supplemented from time to time, the "MRC Transmark Facility") which currently consists of a AUD\$30.3 million (USD\$30 million) term loan facility and a €34.5 million (USD\$45 million) revolving credit facility, with a €20 million (USD\$26 million) sublimit on letters of credit. MRC Transmark Holdings UK Limited is also party to a €10 million (USD\$13 million) multi-currency overdraft facility, which was entered into on June 30, 2011. At December 31, 2011, AUD\$30.3 million (USD\$31 million) was outstanding under the MRC Transmark Facility, USD\$45.0 million was available under the MRC Transmark Facility, and the weighted average interest rate on borrowings was 7.17%. At December 31, 2011, €0.2 million (USD\$0.3 million) was outstanding under the multi-currency overdraft facility.

The MRC Transmark Facility reduces by €10 million (USD\$13 million) over its three year term (subject to foreign exchange calculations given its dual currency nature). The multi-currency overdraft facility has a term of one year.

The MRC Transmark Facility bears interest at LIBOR or, in relation to any loan in Euros, EURIBOR, plus an applicable margin. The margin is calculated according to the following table:

Leverage Ratio_	Margin
Less than or equal to 0.75:1	1.50%
Greater than 0.75:1, but less than or equal to 1.00:1	1.75%
Greater than 1.00:1, but less than or equal to 1.50:1	2.00%
Greater than 1.50:1, but less than or equal to 2.00:1	2.25%
Greater than 2.00:1	2.50%

MRC Transmark and its material subsidiaries guarantee the MRC Transmark Facility. Substantially all of the assets of the MRC Transmark Group secure the MRC Transmark Facility.

The MRC Transmark Facility also requires MRC Transmark to ensure (in respect of the MRC Transmark Group):

- \ddot{Y} an interest coverage ratio not less than 3.50:1, and
- \ddot{Y} a leverage ratio not to exceed 2.50:1.

We were in compliance with these covenants as of and for the year ended December 31, 2011.

Other Commitments

In the normal course of business with customers, vendors and others, we are contingently liable for performance under standby letters of credit and bid, performance and surety bonds. We were contingently liable for approximately \$17 million of standby letters of credit, trade guarantees given by bankers and bid, performance and surety bonds at December 31, 2011. Management does not expect any material amounts to be drawn on these instruments.

Legal Proceedings

Asbestos Claims. We are involved in various legal proceedings and claims, both as a plaintiff and a defendant, which arise in the ordinary course of business. These legal proceedings include claims that individuals brought against a large number of defendant entities, including us, seeking damages for injuries that certain products containing asbestos allegedly caused. As of December 31, 2011, we are a defendant in lawsuits involving approximately 981 of these claims. Each claim involves allegations of exposure to asbestos-containing materials by an individual or his or her family members. The complaints typically name many defendants. In a majority of these lawsuits, little or no information is known regarding the nature of the plaintiff's alleged injuries or their connection with products that we distributed. Through December 31, 2011, lawsuits involving 11,831 claims have been brought against us. No asbestos lawsuit has resulted in a judgment against us to date, with the majority being settled, dismissed or otherwise resolved. In total, since the first asbestos claim brought against us in 1984 through December 31, 2011, approximately \$1.8 million has been paid to asbestos claimants in connection with settlements of claims against us without regard to insurance recoveries. Of this amount, approximately \$1.4 million has been paid to settle claims alleging mesothelioma, \$0.4 million for claims alleging lung cancer and \$0.1 million for non-malignant claims. The following chart summarizes, for each year since 2007, the approximate number of pending claims, new claims, settled claims, dismissed claims, and approximate total settlement payments, average settlement amount and total defense costs:

	Claims Pending at End of Period	Claims Filed	Claims Settled	Claims Dismissed	Settlement Payments \$	Average Settlement Amount \$	Defense Costs \$
Fiscal year ended					·	<u> </u>	
December 31, 2007	825	23	3	7	72,500	24,167	218,900
Fiscal year ended							
December 31, 2008	846	43	16	6	295,500	18,469	336,497
Fiscal year ended							
December 31, 2009	905	81	12	10	193,500	16,125	463,213
Fiscal year ended							
December 31, 2010	948	89	28	18	481,000	17,179	604,565
Fiscal year ended							
December 31, 2011	981	96	33	30	571,500	17,318	562,964

As the table above shows, there has been an increase in the number of claims filed since the fiscal year ending December 31, 2007. We believe that this increase is primarily due to an increase in the marketing efforts by personal injury law firms in West Virginia and Pennsylvania. Although we do not know whether this is a trend that will continue in the near term, in the long term, we anticipate that asbestos-related litigation against us will decrease as the incidence of asbestos-related disease in the general U.S. population decreases.

We annually conduct analyses of our asbestos-related litigation to estimate the adequacy of the reserve for pending and probable asbestos-related claims. These analyses consist of separately estimating our reserve with respect to pending claims (both those scheduled for trial and those for which a trial date had not been scheduled), mass filings (including lawsuits brought in West Virginia each involving many, in some cases over a hundred, plaintiffs, which include little information regarding the nature of each plaintiff's claim and historically have rarely resulted in any payments to plaintiff) and

probable future claims. A key element of the analysis is categorizing our claims by the type of disease the plaintiffs allege and developing "benchmark" estimated settlement values for each claim category based on our historical settlement experience. These estimated settlement values are applied to each of our pending individual claims. With respect to pending claims where the disease type is unknown, the outcome is projected based on historic experience. The reserve with respect to mass filings is estimated by determining the number of individual plaintiffs included in the mass filings likely to have claims resulting in settlements based on our historical experience with mass filings. Finally, we estimate the value of probable claims that plaintiffs may assert against us over the next 15 years based on public health estimates of future incidences of certain asbestos-related diseases in the general U.S. population. Estimated settlement values are applied to those projected claims. Our annual assessment, dated September 30, 2011, projected that our payments to asbestos claimants over the next 15 years are estimated to range from \$5 million to \$11 million. Given these estimates and existing insurance coverage that historically has been available to cover substantial portions of our past payments to claimants and defense costs, we believe that our current accruals and associated estimates relating to pending and probable asbestos-related litigation likely to be asserted over the next 15 years are currently adequate. Our belief that our accruals and associated estimates are currently adequate, however, relies on a number of significant assumptions, including:

- Ÿ That our future settlement payments, disease mix and dismissal rates will be materially consistent with historic experience;
- Ÿ That future incidences of asbestos-related diseases in the U.S. will be materially consistent with current public health estimates:
- Ÿ That the rates at which future asbestos-related mesothelioma incidences result in compensable claims filings against us will be materially consistent with its historic experience;
- Ÿ That insurance recoveries for settlement payments and defense costs will be materially consistent with historic experience;
- Ÿ That legal standards (and the interpretation of these standards) applicable to asbestos litigation will not change in material respects;
- \ddot{Y} That there are no materially negative developments in the claims pending against us; and
- $\ddot{\mathrm{Y}}$ That key co-defendants in current and future claims remain solvent.

If any of these assumptions prove to be materially different in light of future developments, liabilities related to asbestos-related litigation may be materially different than amounts accrued or estimated. Further, while we anticipate that additional claims will be filed in the future, we are unable to predict with any certainty the number, timing and magnitude of such future claims.

Also, there is a possibility that resolution of certain legal contingencies for which there are no liabilities recorded could result in a loss. Management is not able to estimate the amount of such loss, if any. However, in our opinion, the ultimate resolution of all pending matters is not expected to have a material effect on our financial position, although it is possible that such resolutions could have a material adverse impact on results of operations in the period of resolution. Further, given the relatively small amounts we have paid in recent periods and our expectations regarding future required payments, we do not believe that the ultimate resolution of these matters for any period will have a material impact on our liquidity in any period on either a short term or long term basis.

Other Legal Claims and Proceedings. From time to time, we have been subject to various claims and involved in legal proceedings incidental to the nature of our businesses. We maintain insurance coverage to reduce financial risk associated with certain of these claims and proceedings. It is not possible to predict the outcome of these claims and proceedings. However, in our opinion, there are no material pending legal proceedings that are likely to have a material effect on our business,

financial condition or results of operations, although it is possible that the resolution of certain actual, threatened or anticipated claims or proceedings could have a material adverse effect on our results of operation in the period of resolution. See also "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Contractual Obligations, Commitments and Contingencies—Legal Proceedings" and "Note 15—Commitments and Contingencies" to the audited consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2011.

Product Claims. From time to time, in the ordinary course of our business, our customers may claim that the products that we distribute are either defective or require repair or replacement under warranties that either we or the manufacturer may provide to the customer. These proceedings are, in the opinion of management, ordinary and routine matters incidental to our normal business. Our purchase orders with our suppliers generally require the manufacturer to indemnify us against any product liability claims, leaving the manufacturer ultimately responsible for these claims. In many cases, state, provincial or foreign law provides protection to distributors for these sorts of claims, shifting the responsibility to the manufacturer. In some cases, we could be required to repair or replace the products for the benefit of our customer and seek our recovery from the manufacturer for our expense. In the opinion of management, the ultimate disposition of these claims and proceedings is not expected to have a material adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows, although it is possible that the resolution of certain actual, threatened or anticipated claims or proceedings could have a material adverse effect on our results of operation in the period of resolution.

NiSource Claim. In the summer of 2010, our customer NiSource, Inc. notified us that certain polyethylene pipe that PolyPipe, Inc. manufactured may be defective. NiSource requested that the Company and PolyPipe repair and replace the allegedly defective pipe and reimburse NiSource for the costs of locating and removing the pipe. When installing the pipe, NiSource did not track where the pipe was installed, so to locate the allegedly defective pipe, NiSource has embarked on a program of "potholing" or digging holes by possible sites where the pipe was used to locate the serial numbers of the pipe that may be defective. This has caused NiSource to test locations far in excess of the locations where the allegedly defective pipe may have been used.

On April 28, 2011, PolyPipe filed a petition in the District Court in Cooke County, Texas against the Company and NiSource seeking, among other things, a declaratory judgment that PolyPipe was not responsible for the costs relating to the NiSource's alleged failure to track and record the installation locations of the pipe and NiSource's expenditures to implement a potential remediation plan including finding the pipe and removing the pipe. On June 1, 2011, the Court entered an order of non-suit, dismissing PolyPipe's claims without prejudice to their re-filing the same claims.

NiSource is in the process of locating where the allegedly defective pipe was used while the parties discuss a possible resolution of their respective claims. NiSource has asserted that the Company and PolyPipe are liable for the costs of finding the allegedly defective pipe. Under its contract with NiSource, the Company is not liable for consequential damages. The Company believes that this applies to damages such as finding the allegedly defective pipe. To the extent that pipe is actually defective, the Company may be liable under its warranty to replace the defective pipe. The Company believes that PolyPipe, as the manufacturer of the pipe, is ultimately liable for any manufacturing defects. The Company believes that the ultimate outcome of NiSource's claim will not be material.

Former Shareholder Litigation. On July 30, 2010, an action was brought against the Company in Delaware Chancery Court by a former shareholder of our predecessor, McJunkin Corporation, on his own behalf and as trustee for a trust, alleging the Company has not fully complied with a contractual obligation to divest of certain non-core assets contained in the December 2006 merger agreement, and seeking damages and equitable relief. We have also received written notice from other former shareholders who similarly claim the Company has not fully complied with that contractual obligation.

On September 28, 2010, we filed a motion to dismiss the action in its entirety. On February 11, 2011, the Court granted our motion to dismiss the claims for equitable relief with prejudice, but denied the motion to dismiss the contractual claims. The Company moved for summary judgment to dismiss the remaining claims, and the plaintiffs moved for summary judgment to uphold their claims, in each case, on October 21, 2011. The Delaware Chancery Court heard oral arguments with respect to the summary judgment motion on February 8, 2012. The parties subsequently reached an agreement whereby the Company agreed to distribute \$1.9 million to the former shareholders (excluding the plaintiffs in the litigation) and both parties have released each other from their respective claims. The final settlement documents were executed by the parties in February 2012.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

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

Critical Accounting Estimates

We prepare our consolidated financial statements in accordance with GAAP. To apply these principles, management must make judgments and assumptions and develop estimates based on the best available information at the time. Actual results may differ based on the accuracy of the information utilized and subsequent events. Our accounting policies are described in the notes to our audited financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. These critical accounting policies could materially affect the amounts recorded in our financial statements. We believe the following describes significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements:

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts: We evaluate the adequacy of the allowance for losses on receivables based upon periodic evaluation of accounts that may have a higher credit risk using information available about the customer and other relevant data. This formal analysis is inherently subjective and requires us to make significant estimates of factors affecting doubtful accounts, including customer-specific information, current economic conditions, volume, growth and composition of the account, and other factors such as financial statements, news reports and published credit ratings. The amount of the allowance for the remainder of the trade balance is not evaluated individually, but is based upon historical loss experience. Because this process is subjective and based on estimates, ultimate losses may differ from those estimates. Receivable balances are written off when we determine that the balance is uncollectible. Subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited to the allowance when received. The provision for losses on receivables is included in SG&A expenses in the accompanying consolidated statements of income. During 2010, we reduced our allowance for doubtful accounts by approximately \$2 million, as the economic conditions in which we, and our customers, operate improved. At December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, the allowance for doubtful accounts was \$4.8 million, \$4.5 million and \$8.8 million, or 0.6%, 0.7% and 1.7% of gross accounts receivable, respectively.

Inventories: Our U.S. inventories are valued at the lower of cost (principally using the LIFO method) or market. We record an estimate each quarter, if necessary, for the expected annual effect of inflation and estimated year-end inventory volume. These estimates are adjusted to actual results determined at year-end. Our inventories that are held outside of the U.S., totaling \$217.4 million and \$140.0 million at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively, were valued at the lower of weighted-average cost or market.

Under the LIFO inventory valuation method, changes in the cost of inventory are recognized in cost of sales in the current period even though these costs may have been incurred at significantly

different values. Since the Company values most of its inventory using the LIFO inventory costing methodology, a rise in inventory costs has a negative effect on operating results, while, conversely, a fall in inventory costs results in a benefit to operating results. In a period of rising prices, cost of sales recognized under LIFO is generally higher than the cash costs incurred to acquire the inventory sold. Conversely, in a period of declining prices, costs of sales recognized under LIFO are generally lower than cash costs of the inventory sold.

The LIFO inventory valuation methodology is not utilized by many of the companies with which we compete, including foreign competitors. As such, our results of operations may not be comparable to those of our competitors during periods of volatile material costs due, in part, to the differences between the LIFO inventory valuation method and other acceptable inventory valuation methods.

During 2008, in addition to an increase in sales volumes, we experienced inflation in the cost of our products of approximately 21% on a weighted average basis. The increase in our tubular products was even more significant, with 2008 inflation of approximately 28%. In 2009, this trend reversed, with our overall product mix experiencing 15% deflation, with tubular products deflating approximately 20%. As a result of lengthening lead times from our manufacturers during mid to late 2008, we continued to receive inventory during the fourth quarter and into the first quarter of 2009 that was ordered to support the greater demand during mid to late 2008. The resulting inventory overstock, coupled with the deflation we experienced, resulted in the cost of our inventory balance being above market value. As a result of our lower-of-cost-or-market assessment, we recorded a \$46.5 million write-down of our inventory during the year ended December 31, 2009. There were no significant write-downs during the years ended December 31, 2010 or 2011.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets: Our long-lived assets consist primarily of amortizable intangible assets, which comprise approximately 16% of our total assets as of December 31, 2011. These assets are recorded at fair value at the date of acquisition and are amortized over their estimated useful lives. We make significant judgments and estimates in both calculating the fair value of these assets, as well as determining their estimated useful lives.

The carrying value of these assets is subject to an impairment test when events or circumstances indicate a possible impairment, we assess recoverability from future operations using an undiscounted cash flow analysis, derived from the lowest appropriate asset group. If the carrying value exceeds the undiscounted cash flows, we would recognize an impairment charge to the extent that the carrying value exceeds the fair value, which is determined based on a discounted cash flow analysis. During 2009, as the key factors affecting our business declined and our profitability progressively declined throughout the year, we determined that an impairment indicator existed and performed an impairment test on our long-lived assets. This test required us to make forecasts of our future operating results, the extent and timing of future cash flows, working capital, profitability and growth trends. We performed our impairment test as of October 27, 2009 which did not result in an impairment charge. During 2010 and 2011, no indicators of impairment existed. While we believe our assumptions and estimates are reasonable, the actual results may differ materially from the projected results.

Goodwill and Other Indefinite-Lived Intangible Assets: Our goodwill and other indefinite-lived intangible assets comprise approximately 26% of our total assets as of December 31, 2011. Goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are tested for impairment annually, each October, or more frequently if circumstances indicate that impairment may exist. Prior to the acquisition of MRC Transmark, which closed on October 30, 2009, we had only one reporting unit. Following the MRC Transmark acquisition, we began evaluating goodwill for impairment at two reporting units that mirror our two reportable segments (North America and International). Within each reporting unit, we have elected to aggregate the component countries and regions into a single reporting unit based on their similar economic characteristics, products, customers, suppliers, methods of distribution and the

manner in which we operate each segment. We perform our annual tests for indications of goodwill impairment as of the end of October of each year, updating on an interim basis should indications of impairment exist.

The goodwill impairment test compares the carrying value of the reporting unit that has the goodwill with the estimated fair value of that reporting unit. If the carrying value is more than the estimated fair value, the second step is performed, whereby we calculate the implied fair value of goodwill by deducting the fair value of all tangible and intangible net assets of the reporting unit from the estimated fair value of the reporting unit. Impairment losses are recognized to the extent that recorded goodwill exceeds implied goodwill. Our impairment methodology uses discounted cash flow and multiples of cash earnings valuation techniques, plus valuation comparisons to similar businesses. These valuation methods require us to make certain assumptions and estimates regarding future operating results, the extent and timing of future cash flows, working capital, sales prices, profitability, discount rates and growth trends. As a result of our impairment test, we recognized a \$309.9 million pretax impairment charge during the year ended December 31, 2009. No such impairment charges were recognized during the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2011 as the estimated fair value of each of our two reporting units substantially exceeded their carrying values. While we believe that such assumptions and estimates are reasonable, the actual results may differ materially from the projected results.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are tested for impairment annually or more frequently if circumstances indicate that impairment may exist. This test compares the carrying value of the indefinite-lived intangible assets with their estimated fair value. If the carrying value is more than the estimated fair value, impairment losses are recognized in amount equal to the excess of the carrying value over the estimated fair value. Our impairment methodology uses discounted cash flow and estimated royalty rate valuation techniques. These valuation methods require us to make certain assumptions and estimates regarding future operating results, sales prices, discount rates and growth trends. As a result of our impairment test, we recognized a \$76.2 million pre-tax impairment charge during the year ended December 31, 2009. No such impairment charges were recognized during the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2011, as the estimated fair value of our indefinite-lived intangible assets substantially exceeded their carrying value. While we believe that such assumptions and estimates are reasonable, the actual results may differ materially from the projected results.

Income Taxes: We use the liability method for determining our income taxes, under which current and deferred tax liabilities and assets are recorded in accordance with enacted tax laws and rates. Under this method, the amounts of deferred tax liabilities and assets at the end of each period are determined using the tax rate expected to be in effect when taxes are actually paid or recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recorded for differences between the financial reporting and tax bases of assets and liabilities using the tax rate expected to be in effect when the taxes will actually be paid or refunds received. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in earnings in the period that includes the enactment date. A valuation allowance to reduce deferred tax assets is established when it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. In determining the need for valuation allowances, we have considered and made judgments and estimates regarding estimated future taxable income and ongoing prudent and feasible tax planning strategies. These estimates and judgments include some degree of uncertainty and changes in these estimates and assumptions could require us to adjust the valuation allowances for our deferred tax assets. The ultimate realization of the deferred tax assets depends on the generation of sufficient taxable income in the applicable taxing jurisdictions.

Our tax provision is based upon our expected taxable income and statutory rates in effect in each country in which we operate. We are subject to the jurisdiction of numerous domestic and foreign tax authorities, as well as to tax agreements and treaties among these governments. Determination of taxable income in any jurisdiction requires the interpretation of the related tax laws and regulations and

the use of estimates and assumptions regarding significant future events such as the amount, timing and character of deductions, permissible revenue recognition methods under the tax law and the sources and character of income and tax credits. Changes in tax laws, regulations, agreements and treaties, foreign currency exchange restrictions or our level of operations or profitability in each taxing jurisdiction could have an impact on the amount of income taxes we provide during any given year.

A tax benefit from an uncertain tax position may be recognized when it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained upon examination, including any related appeals or litigation processes, on the basis of the technical merits. We adjust these liabilities when our judgment changes as a result of the evaluation of new information not previously available. Because of the complexity of some of these uncertainties, the ultimate resolution may result in a payment that is materially different from our current estimate of the tax liabilities. These differences will be reflected as increases or decreases to income tax expense in the period in which the new information is available.

We classify interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax positions as income taxes in our financial statements. We intend to permanently reinvest certain earnings of our foreign subsidiaries in operations outside of the U.S., and accordingly, we have not provided for U.S. income taxes on such earnings.

Recently Issued Accounting Standards

In June 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU No. 2011-05), *Presentation of Comprehensive Income*, an amendment to ASC Topic 220, *Comprehensive Income*. Under this amendment, an entity has the option to present the total of comprehensive income, the components of net income, and the components of other comprehensive income either in a single continuous statement of comprehensive income or in two separate but consecutive statements. The new guidance eliminates the current option to report other comprehensive income and its components in the statement of changes in stockholders' equity. While the new guidance changes the presentation of comprehensive income, there are no changes to the components that are recognized in net income or other comprehensive income under current accounting guidance. The guidance for public entities is effective for fiscal years or interim periods beginning after December 15, 2011 with early adoption permitted. The amendments in this update are to be applied retrospectively.

In December 2011, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update to the above statement (ASU No. 2011-12), *Deferral of the Effective Date for Amendments to the Presentation of Items Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income in Accounting Standards Update No. 2011-05,* an amendment to ASC Topic 220, *Comprehensive Income.* Under this amendment, changes in Update 2011-05 that relate to presentation of reclassification adjustments have been deferred. All other requirements in Update 2011-05 are not affected by this update. The guidance for public entities is effective for fiscal years or interim periods beginning after December 15, 2011 with early adoption permitted. We do not expect the guidance to impact our consolidated financial statements, as it only requires a change in the format of presentation.

In September 2011, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU No. 2011-08), *Testing for Goodwill Impairment*, an amendment to ASC Topic 350, *Intangibles—Goodwill and Other*. Under this amendment, an entity has the option to first assess qualitative factors to determine whether the existence of events or circumstances leads to a determination that it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount. If, after assessing the totality of events or circumstances, an entity determines it is not more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount, then performing the two-step impairment test is unnecessary. The guidance for public entities is effective during interim or annual goodwill impairment tests performed for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2011 with early adoption permitted. We do not believe that ASU No. 2011-08 will have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

Interest Rate Risk

As of December 31, 2011, all of our outstanding term and revolving debt, except for the Notes, was at floating rates. These facilities prescribe the percentage point spreads from U.S. prime, LIBOR, Canadian prime and EURIBOR. Our facilities generally allow us to fix the interest rate, at our option, for a period of 30 to 180 days.

As of December 31, 2011, a 1% increase in the LIBOR rate would result in an increase in our interest expense of approximately \$5.0 million per year if the amounts outstanding under our revolving credit facilities remained the same for an entire year.

The risk inherent in our market risk sensitive instruments and positions is the potential loss from adverse changes in interest rates. Currently, we manage our interest rate risk through the use of floating interest rate debt facilities and interest rate contracts. As of December 31, 2011, we had 100% of our floating interest rate debt hedged with interest rate contracts. Effective March 31, 2009, we entered into a freestanding \$500 million interest rate swap derivative to pay interest at a fixed rate of approximately 1.77% and receive 1-month LIBOR variable interest rate payments monthly through March 31, 2012. We have several additional interest rate swap derivatives, with notional amounts approximating \$19 million in the aggregate. At December 31, 2011, the fair value of our interest rate swap agreements was a liability of approximately \$2.0 million. All of our derivative instruments are freestanding and, accordingly, changes in their fair market value are recorded in earnings. The counterparties to our interest rate swap agreements are major financial institutions.

Foreign Currency Exchange Rates

Our operations outside of the U.S. expose us to foreign currency exchange rate risk, as these transactions are primarily denominated in currencies other than the U.S. dollar, our functional currency. Our exposure to changes in foreign exchange rates is managed primarily through the use of forward foreign exchange contracts. These contracts increase or decrease in value as foreign exchange rates change, protecting the value of the underlying transactions denominated in foreign currencies. All currency contracts are entered into for the sole purpose of hedging existing or anticipated currency exposure; we do not use foreign currency contracts for trading or speculative purposes. The terms of these contracts generally do not exceed one year. We record all changes in the fair market value of forward foreign exchange contracts in income. We recorded losses of \$0.2 million, \$0.6 million and \$0.2 million in the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

Steel Prices

Our business is sensitive to steel prices, which can impact our product pricing, with steel tubular prices generally having the highest degree of sensitivity. While we cannot predict steel prices, we manage this risk by managing our inventory levels, including maintaining sufficient quantity on hand to meet demand, while reducing the risk of overstocking.

BUSINESS

General

We are the largest global industrial distributor of PVF and related products and services to the energy industry based on sales and hold the leading position in our industry across each of the upstream (exploration, production and extraction of underground oil and natural gas), midstream (gathering and transmission of oil and natural gas, natural gas utilities and the storage and distribution of oil and natural gas) and downstream (crude oil refining, petrochemical processing and general industrials) sectors. We offer more than 150,000 SKUs, including an extensive array of PVF, oilfield supply, automation, instrumentation and other general and specialty industry supply products from our over 12,000 suppliers. Through our North American and International segments, we serve our more than 12,000 customers through over 400 service locations throughout North America, Europe, Asia, and Australasia.

Our North American segment includes over 175 branch locations, six distribution centers in the U.S., one distribution center in Canada, 12 valve automation service centers and over 160 pipe yards located in the most active oil and natural gas regions in North America. Our International segment includes over 30 branch locations throughout Europe, Asia and Australasia with distribution centers in each of the United Kingdom, Singapore and Australia and 10 automation service centers in Europe and Asia. We offer a wide array of PVF and oilfield supplies encompassing a complete line of products from our global network of suppliers. We are diversified by geography and the industry sectors we serve and the products we sell.

Our PVF and oilfield supplies are used in mission critical process applications that require us to provide a high degree of product knowledge, technical expertise and comprehensive value added services to our customers. We seek to provide best-in-class service and a one-stop shop for our customers by satisfying the most complex, multi-site needs of many of the largest companies in the energy and industrial sectors as their primary PVF supplier. We provide services such as product testing, manufacturer assessments, multiple daily deliveries, volume purchasing, inventory and zone store management and warehousing, technical support, just-in-time delivery, truck stocking, order consolidation, product tagging and system interfaces customized to customer and supplier specifications for tracking and replenishing inventory, which we believe result in deeply integrated customer relationships. We believe the critical role we play in our customers' supply chain, together with our extensive product offering, broad global presence, customer-linked scalable information systems and efficient distribution capabilities, serve to solidify our long-standing customer relationships and drive our growth. As a result, we have an average relationship of over 20 years with our largest 25 customers.

We have benefited historically from several growth trends within the energy industry, including high levels of customer expansion and maintenance expenditures. Although these trends were offset in 2009 and 2010 due to adverse economic conditions, we believe that growth in PVF and industrial supply spending within the energy industry is likely to continue. Several factors have driven the long-term growth in spending, including underinvestment in North American energy infrastructure, production and capacity constraints, and market expectations of future improvements in the oil, natural gas, refined products, petrochemical and other industrial sectors. In addition, the products we distribute are often used in extreme operating environments, leading to the need for a regular replacement cycle. Approximately two-thirds of our sales are attributable to multi-year MRO arrangements and nearly three-quarters of our MRO activity is in the form of 3-5 year exclusive or primary supplier contracts. Our average annual retention rate for these contracts since 2000 is 95%. We consider MRO arrangements to be normal, generally repetitive business that primarily addresses the recurring maintenance, repair or operational work to existing energy infrastructure. Project activities, including

facility expansions, exploration or new construction projects, are more commonly associated with a customer's capital expenditures budget. Such projects can be more sensitive to global oil and natural gas prices and general economic conditions. We mitigate our exposure to price volatility by limiting the length of any price-protected contracts, and as pricing continues to rebound, we believe that we have the ability to pass price increases on to the marketplace.

Our business is segregated into two operating segments, one consisting of our North American operations and one consisting of our international operations. These segments represent our business of providing PVF and related products and services to the energy and industrial sectors, across each of the upstream, midstream and downstream sectors. Financial information regarding our reportable segments appears in "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and in Note 13 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in this prospectus.

Our Strengths

Global Market Leader with Worldwide Branch Network and Significant Scale. We are the leading global industrial distributor of PVF and related products to the energy industry based on sales, with nearly twice the sales of our nearest competitor in 2011. We have a significant global presence through a network of over 400 service locations worldwide. This provides us with substantial economies of scale, global reach and product breadth that we believe makes us a more effective competitor. The benefits of our size and international presence include:

- Ÿ the ability to act as a single-source supplier to large, multi-national customers operating across the various segments of the global energy industry;
- Ÿ the ability to commit significant financial resources to further develop and invest in our operating infrastructure and provide a strong platform for future expansion;
- Y the ability to secure improved access, service and volume purchasing benefits from our suppliers;
- Y the ability to leverage our global inventory coverage to provide greater overall breadth and depth of product offerings;
- Ÿ the ability to attract and retain effective managers and salespeople;
- Y the ability to improve margins from our business model through operating leverage; and
- \ddot{Y} the ability to identify, close and successfully integrate acquisitions.

We leverage our global footprint of locations and human capital to increase productivity and efficiency as our business continues to grow. In North America, in particular, we have been able to leverage our extensive infrastructure to meet our customers' supply needs, which includes opening and closing locations and transferring employees to higher growth areas. The following table summarizes our revenue and operating income per location and employee for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010 (dollars in thousands):

				Loca	tions	Average F	leadcount				
				2011	2010	2011	2010				
				408	432	3,805	3,619				
	Sales/Location		:	Sales/Employee	•	Adjust	ted EBITDA/ Lo	cation	Adjus	sted EBITDA/	Employee
2011	2010	Change	2011	2010	Change	2011	2010	Change	2011	2010	Change
\$11 844	\$8.902	33%	\$1.270	\$1.062	20%	\$ 884	\$ 519	70%	\$ 95	\$ 62	53%

Our presence and scale have also enabled us to establish an efficient supply chain and logistics platform, allowing us to better serve and integrate with our customers and to further differentiate us from our competitors. In 2011 in North America, we processed on average approximately 157,000 sales orders per month, including on average approximately 737,000 line items with an average revenue per order of \$2,400 and an average revenue per line item of \$500.

The following chart summarizes our revenue by geography for the year ended December 31, 2011, as adjusted for our acquisition of MRC SPF as though it had occurred on January 1, 2011:

	Year Ended December 31, 2011
United States	80%
Canada	13%
International (includes Europe, Asia and Australasia)	<u> </u>
	100%

Proven Track Record of Successfully Identifying, Executing and Integrating Acquisitions. Growing the scale and scope of our business through selective strategic acquisitions has been a core focus of our management team. We have demonstrated our ability to successfully integrate acquired companies in 26 acquisitions since 2000, collectively representing approximately \$1.8 billion in sales in the respective years of acquisition, in addition to the business combination between McJunkin Corporation and Red Man Pipe & Supply Co. ("Red Man") in October 2007. Our operating scale and integration capabilities have also enabled us to realize important synergies, while minimizing execution risk. Important recent acquisitions include:

- Ÿ OPS, a PVF distributor, which expanded our footprint in Australia;
- Ÿ VSC, which strengthened our overall valve capabilities in the Gulf Coast of the U.S., in July 2011;
- Ÿ MRC SPF, a distributor of stainless steel piping products through its seven locations across Australia as well as Korea, the United Kingdom and the United Arab Emirates, in June 2011;
- Ÿ South Texas Supply and Dresser Oil Tools & Supply, which expanded our footprint in the Eagle Ford and Bakken shale regions, in May and August 2010, respectively;
- Ÿ MRC Transmark, a leading distributor of valves and flow control products in Europe, Southeast Asia and Australasia, in October 2009;
- Ÿ LaBarge, a distributor of carbon steel pipe to the North American midstream sector that significantly expanded our line pipe capability, in October 2008:
- $\ddot{
 m Y}$ MRC Midfield, one of the two largest oilfield supply companies in Canada with over 40 branches, in July 2008; and
- $\ddot{ ext{Y}}$ Midway, an oilfield distributor primarily serving the Rockies and Appalachian regions, in April 2007.

Historically, our operating scale and integration capabilities have enabled us to realize important synergies, while minimizing execution risk. All of our North American acquisitions have been integrated onto a single IT platform, which facilitates more efficient pricing, sourcing and inventory management.

High Level of Integration and MRO Contracts with a Global Energy Customer Base. We have a diversified global customer base with over 12,000 active customers. We serve as the sole or primary supplier in all sectors or in specified sectors or geographies for many of our customers. Our largest 25 customers, with whom we have had relationships for more than 20 years on average, accounted for approximately half of our sales for 2011, while no single customer accounted for more than 6% of our sales during that period. We enjoy fully integrated relationships, including interconnected technology systems and daily communication, with many of our customers, and we provide an extensive range of integrated and outsourced supply services, allowing us to market a "total transaction value" concept as opposed to individual product prices. We provide services such as multiple daily deliveries, zone stores management, valve tagging, truck stocking and significant system support for tracking and replenishing inventory, which we believe results in deeply integrated customer

relationships. We sell products to our major customers through multi-year MRO contracts, which are typically renegotiated every three to five years. Although there are typically no guaranteed minimum purchase amounts under these contracts, these MRO customers, representing approximately two-thirds of our 2011 sales with an average annual retention rate of over 95% since 2000, provide a relatively stable revenue stream and help mitigate the effect of industry downturns on our business. We believe we have been able to retain customers by providing a high level of service and integration and, during 2011, we signed several new MRO contracts, including contracts with new customers that displace competitors and contracts with existing customers that broaden existing customer relationships.

Business and Geographic Diversification in High-Growth Areas. We are well diversified across the upstream, midstream and downstream operations of the energy industry, as well as through our participation in selected industrial sectors. During the year ended December 31, 2011, we generated approximately 47% of our sales in the upstream sector, 26% in the midstream sector and 27% in the downstream, industrial and other energy sectors. This diversification affords us some measure of protection in the event of a downturn in any one sector while providing us the ability to offer a "one stop" solution for our integrated energy customers. Across these end markets, PVF and oilfield supply products are used in mission critical process applications that require a high degree of technical understanding and product knowledge. We are skilled in nearly every aspect of flow control and automation, including expert knowledge of our key venders, product specifications and customer applications. This expertise is recognized by customers as a key differentiator for MRC, and is of critical importance in complex plant environments, where demanding operating conditions and numerous regulatory and safety requirements must be carefully considered and addressed. In our North American operating segment, our more than 175 branch locations are located near major hydrocarbon and refining regions, including rapidly expanding oil and natural gas E&P areas, such as the Bakken, Barnett, Eagle Ford, Fayetteville, Haynesville, Marcellus, Niobrara and Utica shales. In these non-conventional shale areas, a typical well can produce five or more times the revenue for us than a conventional well due to the greater length and the higher quality of pipe and related PVF products we furnish. We estimate that approximately 29% of our business during the year ended December 31, 2011 was related to activity in the shale areas, and we believe that this percentage will continue to increase as this activity accelerates. In our International operating segment, we have a network of over 30 branch locations throughout Europe, Asia and Australasia in close proximity to major projects in LNG, mining and mineral processing and other high-growth energy and infrastructure development areas. Our geographic diversity enhances our ability to quickly respond to customers worldwide, gives us a strong presence in these high growth areas and reduces our exposure to a downturn in any one region.

For the years ended December 31, 2011, December 31, 2010, and December 31, 2009, the breakdown of our revenue by sector was as follows:

		Year Ended			
		December 31,			
	2011	2010	2009		
Upstream	47%	46%	44%		
Midstream	26%	24%	24%		
Downstream and industrial	27%	30%	32%		
	100%	100%	100%		

Strategic Supplier Relationships. We have extensive relationships with our suppliers and have key supplier relationships dating back in certain instances over 60 years. Approximately 50% of our total purchases for the year ended December 31, 2011 were from our largest 25 suppliers. We believe our customers view us as an industry leader in part due to the formal processes we use to

evaluate vendor performance and product quality. We employ individuals who specialize in conducting manufacturer assessments both domestically and internationally and who are certified by the International Registry of Certificated Auditors. Our Supplier Registration Process, which allows us to maintain the MRC ASL, serves as a significant strategic advantage to us in developing, maintaining and institutionalizing key supplier relationships. For our suppliers, inclusion on the MRC ASL represents an opportunity for them to increase their product sales to our customers. The SRP also adds value to our customers, as they collaborate with us regarding specific manufacturer performance, our past experiences with products and the results of our on-site manufacturer assessments. Having a timely, uninterrupted supply of those mission critical products from approved vendors is an essential part of our customers' day-to-day operations, and we work to fulfill that need through our SRP.

IT Platform Focused on Customer Service. Our proprietary, integrated, scalable, customer-linked and highly customized information systems support our business. A wide area network links these systems and our more than 4,000 employees. We operate a SIMS for all of out North American locations and a separate, Oracle-based system for our other international locations (other than those we have recently acquired). This enables real-time access to our business resources, including customer order processing, purchasing and material requests, distribution requirements planning, warehousing and receiving, inventory control and accounting and financial functions. In 2011, we had over 1.6 million electronic data interchange customer transactions (including purchase orders, advance ship notices, electronic funds transfer and internet ordering), compared to less than 700,000 in 2000. Significant elements of our systems include firm-wide pricing controls, resulting in disciplined pricing strategies, advanced scanning and customized bar-coding capabilities, allowing for efficient warehousing activities at customer as well as our own locations, and significant levels of customer-specific integrations. Our bar code technology includes over 400 scanners used for customer zone store management, over 1,200 scanners installed in various warehouses and over 100 custom bar coded labels produced to customer specifications. We believe that the customized integration of our customers' systems into our own information systems has increased customer retention by reducing our customers' expenses, resulting in switching costs when our customers compare us to alternative sources of supply. Typically, smaller regional and local competitors do not have IT capabilities that are as advanced as ours, which we believe further differentiates us from our competition.

Highly Efficient, Flexible Operating Structure Drives Significant Free Cash Flow Generation. We place a particular emphasis on practicing financial discipline as evidenced by our strong focus on RONA, minimal maintenance capital expenditures and high free cash flow generation. Our disciplined cost control, coupled with our active asset management strategies and IT and services capabilities, result in a business model exhibiting a high degree of operating leverage. As is typical with the flexibility associated with a distribution operating model, our variable cost base includes substantially all of our cost of goods sold and a large portion of our operating costs. Furthermore, our total capital expenditures were approximately 0.4% of our sales for the year ended December 31, 2011. This cost structure allows us to adjust effectively to changing industry dynamics. As a result, during periods of decreased sales activity, we typically generate a significant amount of cash as our costs are reduced and working capital contracts. For example, although our sales decreased by 30% in 2009, our cash flow from operations that year increased by over \$640 million.

Experienced and Motivated Management Team. Our executive management team averages approximately 30 years of experience in the oilfield and industrial supply business, the majority of which has been with MRC or its predecessors. Employees own approximately 8% of our Company, including approximately 5% that is owned by executive and senior management, either directly or indirectly through their equity interests in PVF Holdings, our largest shareholder. We also seek to incentivize and align management with shareholder interests through equity-linked compensation plans. Furthermore, management incentive compensation is based on profitability and RONA targets, which we believe drives accountability and further aligns the organization with our shareholders.

Our Strategy

Our goal is to grow our market position as the largest global industrial distributor of PVF and related products to the energy industry. Our strategy is focused on pursuing growth by increasing market share and growing our business with current customers, expanding into new geographies and sectors, increasing recurring revenues through integrated supply and MRO business, capturing additional high growth project activity, continuing to increase our operational efficiency and making and integrating strategic acquisitions. We seek to extend our current MRO contracts, and bundle certain products, most notably PFF, into MRC Transmark's existing customer base and branch network. We also seek to opportunistically add other products and new suppliers, including alloy, chrome, stainless products, gaskets, seals, safety and other industrial supply products, into our existing North American platform. We will also look at future complementary distribution acquisitions that would supplement our PVF leadership position, and we will look at future "bolt-on" acquisitions that broaden our geographic footprint, increase international focus or expand our product offering to our major customers.

Increase Market Share Organically and Grow Business with Current Customers. We are committed to expanding existing deep relationships with our current customer base while concurrently striving to secure new customers. To accomplish this, we are focused on providing a global "one stop" PVF procurement solution across the upstream, midstream and downstream sectors of the energy industry, maximizing bundling opportunities by leveraging our extensive product offering and increasing our penetration of existing customers' new multi-year projects. Since 2000, we have retained in excess of 95% of our MRO contracts.

The migration of existing customer relationships to sole or primary sourcing arrangements is a core strategic focus. We seek to position ourselves as the sole or primary provider of a broad complement of PVF products and services for a particular customer, often by sector or region, or in certain instances across all of a customer's global upstream, midstream and downstream operations. Several of our largest customers have recently switched to sole or primary sourcing contracts with us. Additionally, we believe that other significant opportunities exist to expand our deep customer and supplier relationships and thereby increase our market share. There is also a significant opportunity to extend our current North American MRO contracts internationally as well as bundle certain products, most notably PFF, into MRC Transmark's existing customer base, branch network and more valve-focused product platform.

We also aim to increase our penetration of our existing customers' new projects. For example, while we often provide nearly 100% of the PVF products for certain customers under MRO contracts, increased penetration of those customers' new downstream and midstream projects remains a strategic priority. Initiatives are in place to deepen relationships with engineering and construction firms and to extend our product offering into certain niches.

Increase Recurring Revenues through Integrated Supply and MRO Contracts. We have entered into, and continue to pursue, integrated supply and MRO contracts with certain of our customers. Under these arrangements, we are typically the sole or primary source provider of the upstream, midstream or downstream requirements of our customers. In certain instances, we are the sole or primary source provider for our customers across all the energy sectors or North American geographies within which the customer operates. We will seek to extend these contracts internationally.

In addition, our customers have, over time, increasingly moved toward centralized PVF procurement management at the corporate level rather than at individual local units. These developments are partly due to significant consolidation among our customer base. Sole or primary sourcing arrangements allow customers to focus on their core operations and provide economic benefits by generating immediate savings for the customer through administrative cost and working

capital reductions, while providing for increased volumes, more stable revenue streams and longer term visibility for us. We believe we are well positioned to obtain these arrangements due to our:

- Ÿ leadership position, experience, and technical expertise and reputation for premier customer service operating across all segments of the energy industry;
- Ÿ geographically diverse and strategically located global branch network;
- Ÿ breadth of available product lines, value added services and scale in purchasing; and
- Ÿ existing deep relationships with customers and suppliers.

We also have both exclusive and non-exclusive MRO contracts in place. Our customers are increasing their capital and operating spending, which is being driven by aging infrastructure, increasing regulatory, safety and environmental requirements, the increased utilization of existing facilities and the decreasing quality of energy feedstocks. Our customers benefit from MRO arrangements through lower inventory investment and the reduction of transaction costs associated with the elimination of the bid submission process, and our Company benefits from the recurring revenue stream that occurs with an MRO contract in place. We believe there are additional opportunities to utilize MRO arrangements through our "one-stop" PVF solution, both in North America and globally, for servicing the requirements of our customers. We are actively pursuing such agreements.

We have significantly enhanced our business development efforts by implementing global account management processes more closely aligned with our customers' procurement operations at the national and local level to continue to grow our business. Our global account management strategy is based on aligning key sales executives as single-point MRC contacts servicing the upstream, midstream and downstream requirements of customer accounts that represent the largest percentage of our revenue. As a result in part of this effort, our executive sales force has had success in increasing sales under, and in obtaining new, MRO contracts. We continue to focus on increasing our MRO business both in our North American and International segments.

Capitalize on Significant Growth in U.S. Shale Activity. The development of shale oil and gas in the U.S. has been rapid over the past several years. Natural gas is a major source of energy in the U.S., providing about 25% of total U.S. energy according to the Department of Energy. Shale gas, as a percentage of total natural gas production, has, in turn, rapidly increased from less than 2% of total U.S. natural gas production in 2001 to 30% in 2011 and is projected to increase to 49% by 2035 according to the EIA. Over the past ten years, technological advances in directional drilling and fracturing technologies have enabled the production of oil and natural gas products in previously underdeveloped U.S. oil and natural gas shale basins. As a result, unconventional E&P activity in shale regions has accelerated significantly and production levels have increased.

In 2011, U.S. shale gas production increased 37% from 2010 levels to 7 trillion cubic feet per year. While shale gas drilling and production is still in the early stages in the U.S., over the next 10 to 20 years significant investment will be required to meet shale gas production goals and offset declining production from conventional energy sources. The EIA projects that over the long-term shale gas will provide the largest source of growth in U.S. natural gas supply and will constitute about 49% of total U.S. gas production by 2035, up from 23% in 2010. Relatively low natural gas prices combined with environmental concerns and increasing regulation of the coal industry should lead to increasing conversion of coal-generated power to natural gas-generated power. As our customers are predominantly engaged in natural gas E&P relative to coal, we believe our business will benefit from the continued shift to natural gas-generated power over the next five to ten years.

We believe that PVF expenditures for unconventional shale plays can amount to as much as five times that required for comparable conventional plays and have positioned ourselves to benefit from

this increase in unconventional E&P and midstream infrastructure activity by investing in these shale regions. This includes adding new branches, building new distribution centers, increasing inventory, strengthening our supply chain and providing greater local resources, including additional headcount in certain locations. We have also positioned the Company through regional bolt-on acquisitions in these most active areas, including the recent acquisitions of South Texas Supply in the Eagle Ford shale and Dresser Oil Tools & Supply in the Bakken shale. Finally, we recently completed a new 80,000 square foot distribution center in Cheyenne, WY to serve the Niobrara and Bakken shale basins.

In addition, we are well positioned to continue to benefit from the more recent marked shift in drilling activity in the U.S. towards oil production. During 2007, approximately one-third of E&P activity in the U.S. consisted of oil drilling and two-thirds consisted of natural gas drilling. As of the fourth quarter of 2011, approximately 53% of E&P activity in the U.S. consisted of oil drilling and 47% consisted of natural gas drilling. This is the highest percentage of oil drilling in the U.S. in over two decades. We benefit from this shift, as oil prices are global in nature and thus more impacted by changes in international geopolitical instability, maintain a tighter global supply and demand dynamic and are less susceptible to the seasonal variations associated with U.S. natural gas prices. As part of our efforts to continue to participate in the growth in oil E&P activity, we made two acquisitions in 2010, South Texas Supply and Dresser Oil Tools & Supply. These acquisitions position us in two of the most active oil drilling basins in the U.S., the Eagle Ford shale in South Texas and the Bakken shale in North Dakota. We also added branches in these and other active oil E&P areas in 2010 and 2011 and expanded our inventory in the Permian Basin and in California, two high activity oil drilling basins where we already had a strong local presence.

Capitalize on Anticipated Midstream MRO Activity. Our major midstream customers face new safety regulations requiring additional inspection and hydro-testing requirements for U.S. pipelines. On January 3, 2012, the Pipeline Act was enacted into law. The Pipeline Act is expected to accelerate PVF testing and replacement as well as require midstream participants to install additional automatic or remote-controlled shut-off valves and excess flow valves in new or replaced transmission pipelines. In addition, approximately 60% of the 178,000 miles of pipeline in the U.S. is over 40 years old. Recent initiatives from several of our major customers suggest a longer term trend towards continued replacement of this aged pipeline infrastructure and related MRO spending. Our acquisition of LaBarge, along with our increased focus and investments in line pipe and its attendant PVF and industrial supply products, uniquely positions us to benefit from increased pipeline replacement and MRO spending over the next 10 years.

Further Penetrate the Canadian Oil Sands, Particularly the Downstream Sector. The Canadian Oil Sands region and its attendant downstream sector represent long-term growth areas for our Company. Improvements in mining and mineral processing and in-situ technology are driving significant long-term investment in the area. The Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers and Energy Resources Conservation Board estimates that Oil Sands capital expenditures increased by approximately 18% in 2010 to \$13 billion and projects that expenditures will increase to approximately \$20 billion by 2016, a CAGR of 7.4%, which we believe will generate significant PVF expenditures. While MRC Midfield has historically focused on the upstream and midstream sectors in Canada, we believe that a significant opportunity exists to continue to penetrate the Canadian Oil Sands and downstream industries, which include the upgrader, refinery, petrochemical and other industrial processing sectors. Our sales to the Canadian Oil Sands region and downstream sectors increased by 45% to \$361 million from 2010 to 2011. Additionally, we believe there is also a significant opportunity to penetrate the Canadian Oil Sands extraction sector involving in-situ recovery methods, including SAGD (steam assisted gravity drainage) and CSS (cyclic steam stimulation) techniques used to extract the bitumen. We have made targeted inventory and facility investments in Canada, including a 74,000 square foot distribution center located near Edmonton and a 16,000 square foot warehouse near Fort McMurray, to address this opportunity. Finally, we also believe that an attractive opportunity exists to

more fully penetrate the MRO sector in Canada, particularly in Eastern Canada, including refineries, petrochemical facilities, gas utilities and pulp and paper and other general industrial sectors. We recently opened a branch in Sarnia, Ontario to target these sectors.

Expanding Globally Through Positioning on EPC Projects. Projects are a growing part of our business and represent approximately one-third of our sales. In 2011, 15% of our revenue was derived from infrastructure projects through EPC firms and 19% was derived from drilling/production projects. These projects can be either brownfield or greenfield in nature, with the latter representing new construction and the former representing projects that are more refurbishment or replacement in scope. Infrastructure projects are an important part of all the sectors we serve but are typically more active in our downstream and midstream sectors. Due to our strong MRO position in these sectors, we are often our customers' choice for brownfield expansion in these facilities. We are actively looking to increase our participation in new greenfield projects both domestically and internationally by working closely with both end customers and EPC contractors.

Our major customers' capital E&P spending is split approximately 25% in North America and 75% internationally and has recently been increasing. As of December 31, 2011, backlog at several of our largest EPC customers increased by 4.4% as compared to December 31, 2010. Similarly, our volume of new project wins increased significantly in 2011 as compared to 2010. Since 2007, we have increased our focus on projects in the Canadian Oil Sands and since our acquisitions of MRC Transmark in 2009 and MRC SPF in 2011, we have expanded our focus on projects in Europe, Australasia and Southeast Asia. We believe that through our international acquisitions, global sourcing and project execution experience, comprehensive product and service offering and global account management strategies, we will be able to capitalize on the large amount of expected capital expenditure project spending by our customers over the next ten years.

Expand into New Geographies and Adjacent Sectors. We intend to continue to selectively establish new branches to facilitate our expansion into new geographies and enter adjacent sectors where extreme operating environments generate high PVF product replacement rates. We continue to evaluate establishing branches and service and supply centers in select domestic and international regions as well as identifying existing branches for overlap and strategic elimination. We added 11 branches in 2010 and four in 2011 while closing 62 branches over this period. The majority of these closures were due to synergies resulting from our acquisitions, part of our restructuring efforts during the market downturn in 2009 and 2010 or to better position us to capitalize on shale or oil E&P activity.

We believe that an attractive opportunity exists to further expand our International operating segment. We continue to actively evaluate opportunities to selectively establish new branches in order to grow with our existing global customer base or to develop new customer relationships and extend our offering to key international markets, particularly in Asia, Europe, Australasia and the Middle East. We recently acquired the operations and assets of OneSteel Piping Systems (OPS) in Australia. This acquisition, when combined with the acquisitions of MRC Transmark Australia in October 2009, and Perth-based MRC SPF in June 2011, is expected to provide the Company with Australia's largest full-line PVF product offering including carbon steel, stainless steel, and alloy pipe, valves, fittings and flanges to serve both the MRO and project needs of our key customers throughout Australia in the oil and gas, mining and industrial processing sectors. We also recently expanded our global presence through our acquisition of MRC SPF and opened our first location in Kazakhstan to service a large existing North American customer. The current installed base of energy infrastructure internationally, including the upstream, midstream and downstream sectors, is significantly larger than in North America, and, as a result, we believe represents an attractive long term opportunity for us. In addition, the increased focus, particularly by foreign, typically government controlled, national energy companies that traditionally have not used distributors for their PVF procurement requirements, on efficiency, cost savings, process improvements and core competencies has also generated potential growth opportunities to add new customers. Since 2006, when 100% of our revenues were generated in the

U.S., we have expanded into Canada, Europe, Asia and Australasia. In the year ended December 31, 2011, approximately 20% of our revenues were generated outside the U.S.

We also believe opportunities exist for expansion into new and under-penetrated sectors where PVF products are used in specialized or highly corrosive applications. These sectors include pulp and paper, waterworks, food and beverage and other general industrial sectors, in addition to other energy sectors such as power generation, mining and mineral processing, solar, LNG, coal, nuclear, ethanol and desalinization facilities. We believe our global branch network, comprehensive PVF product offering, large sales force and reputation for high customer service and technical expertise positions us to participate in the growth in these sectors.

We believe there also remains an opportunity to continue to expand into certain niche and specialty products that complement our current extensive product offering. These products include automated valves, instrumentation, stainless, chrome and high nickel alloy PVF, gaskets, traps and other flow control products and certain other general and specialty industrial supply products.

Pursue Selective Strategic Acquisitions and Investments. We continue to seek opportunities to strengthen our franchise through selective acquisitions and strategic investments. In particular, we will consider investments that enhance our presence in the energy infrastructure sector and enable us to leverage our existing operations, either through acquiring new branches or by acquiring companies offering complementary products or geographic breadth. Our industry remains highly fragmented while our customers and suppliers continue to consolidate. We believe a significant number of small and larger acquisition opportunities remain that offer favorable synergy potential and attractive growth characteristics. We intend to focus on utilizing our global operating scale and integration capabilities to further realize important synergies while minimizing execution risk.

Continued Focus on Operational Efficiency. We strive for continued operational excellence. Our branch managers, regional management and corporate leadership team continually examine branch profitability, working capital management and return on managed assets and utilize this information to optimize global, regional and local strategies, reduce operating costs and maximize cash flow generation. An important part of our strategy is to align management incentives from corporate officers through branch managers on achieving Adjusted EBITDA and RONA targets.

In response to past market downturns, our management team focused on several restructuring initiatives to align our cost structure with the level of business activity. These cost saving initiatives included branch consolidations, supplier rationalizations, regional realignments and reductions in corporate overhead, personnel and profit sharing programs. For example, during 2008 and 2009 we streamlined our organization by realigning our eight North American geographic regions into four, merged, converted, reorganized or closed over 47 branches and reduced headcount by 20% in North America as part of this process. Several of the cost saving initiatives were put in place as part of the McJunkin Red Man merger integration plan and thus were not reversed as activity returned to the more normalized levels that we are more recently experiencing.

To improve efficiencies and profitability, we work to leverage operational best practices, optimize our vendor relationships, purchasing and inventory levels, and source inventory internationally when appropriate. As part of this strategy, we have integrated our purchasing functions into a central procurement function and believe we have developed strong relationships with vendors that value our international footprint, large sales force and volume purchasing capabilities. Because of this, we are often considered the preferred distribution channel. As we continue to consolidate our vendor relationships, we plan to devote additional resources to assist our customers in identifying products that improve their processes, day-to-day operations and overall operating efficiencies. We believe that offering these value added services maximizes our value to our customers and helps differentiate us from competitors.

History

McJunkin Corporation was founded in 1921 in Charleston, West Virginia and initially served the local oil and natural gas industry, focusing primarily on the downstream sector. In 1989, McJunkin Corporation broadened its upstream sector presence by merging its oil and natural gas division with Appalachian Pipe & Supply Co. to form McJunkin Appalachian, which was a subsidiary of McJunkin Corporation, but has since been merged with and into McJunkin Red Man Corporation, which focused primarily on upstream oil and natural gas customers.

In April 2007, we acquired Midway, a regional PVF oilfield distributor, primarily serving the upstream Appalachia and Rockies regions. This extended our leadership position in the Appalachia/Marcellus shale region, while adding additional branches in the Rockies.

Red Man was founded in 1976 in Tulsa, Oklahoma and began as a distributor to the upstream sector and subsequently expanded into the midstream and downstream sectors. In 2005, Red Man acquired an approximate 51% voting interest in Canadian oilfield distributor MRC Midfield, giving Red Man a significant presence in the Western Canadian Sedimentary Basin.

In October 2007, McJunkin Corporation and Red Man completed a business combination transaction to form the combined company, McJunkin Red Man Corporation. This transformational merger combined leadership positions in the upstream, midstream and downstream sectors, while creating a "one stop" PVF leader across all sectors with full geographic coverage across North America. Red Man has since been merged with and into McJunkin Red Man Corporation.

In July 2008, we acquired the remaining voting and equity interest in MRC Midfield. Also, in October 2008, we acquired LaBarge. LaBarge is engaged in the sale and distribution of carbon steel pipe (predominately large diameter pipe) for use primarily in the North American midstream energy infrastructure sector. The acquisition of LaBarge expanded our midstream sector leadership, while adding a new product line in large outside diameter pipe.

In October 2009, we acquired MRC Transmark. MRC Transmark is a leading distributor of valves and flow control products in Europe, Southeast Asia and Australasia. MRC Transmark was formed from a series of acquisitions, the most significant being the acquisition of the FCX European and Australasian distribution business in July 2005. The acquisition of MRC Transmark provided geographic expansion internationally, additional downstream diversification and enhanced valve sector leadership.

During 2010, we acquired South Texas Supply and also certain operations and assets of Dresser Oil Tools & Supply. With these two acquisitions, we expanded our footprint in the Eagle Ford and Bakken shale regions, expanding our local presence in two of the emerging active shale basins in North America.

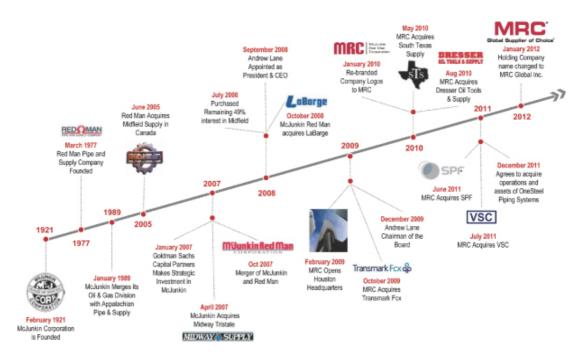
In June 2011, we acquired MRC SPF. Headquartered in Perth, Western Australia, MRC SPF is a distributor of stainless steel piping products through its seven locations across Australia as well as Korea, the United Kingdom and the United Arab Emirates.

In July 2011, we acquired VSC. VSC specializes in valve automation for upstream projects and maintenance, repairs and operation in the downstream sector.

In December 2011, we signed an agreement to acquire the operations and assets of OneSteel Piping Systems ("OPS"). This acquisition was completed in March 2012. OPS is a leading PVF product and service specialist with proven capabilities supplying the oil and gas, mining and mineral processing industries in Australia.

On January 10, 2012, we amended our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws to reflect our change in name from "McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation" to "MRC Global Inc."

The following timeline illustrates our growth on a chronological basis since the founding of McJunkin Corporation:



Industry

We primarily serve the global oil and natural gas industry, generating approximately 90% of our sales from supplying products and various services to customers throughout the energy industry. Of our total sales, 62% of sales are comprised of valves, fittings and flanges and other industrial supply products and 38% are tubular products, predominantly line pipe and OCTG for the year ended December 31, 2011. Given the diverse requirements and various factors that drive the growth of the upstream, midstream and downstream sectors, our sales to each sector or by product may vary over time, though the overall strength of the global energy market and the level of our customers' operating and capital expenditures are typically good indicators of our business activity. In each of 2010 and 2011, as part of the broader global economic recovery, our customers' capital and operating expenditures increased as compared to 2009, although overall oil and natural gas drilling and completion spending still remained below 2006 and 2007 levels. Over the longer term, we expect to continue to see customer spending increase due to a variety of global supply and demand fundamentals, a slowly improving global economy, shale E&P activity and longer term outlooks for oil and natural gas prices.

	Year Ended December 31,											
Average Commodity Prices(1)	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Natural gas (\$/Mcf)	\$ 4.31	\$ 3.96	\$ 3.38	\$ 5.47	\$ 5.87	\$ 8.69	\$ 6.73	\$ 6.97	\$ 8.86	\$ 3.94	\$ 4.37	\$ 4.00
WTI crude oil (\$per barrel)	\$30.38	\$25.98	\$26.18	\$31.08	\$41.51	\$56.64	\$66.05	\$72.34	\$99.67	\$61.95	\$79.48	\$ 94.91
Brent crude oil (\$per barrel)	\$28.66	\$24.46	\$24.99	\$28.85	\$38.27	\$54.57	\$65.16	\$72.44	\$96.94	\$61.74	\$79.61	\$111.26

⁽¹⁾ Source—Department of Energy, EIA (www.eia.gov)

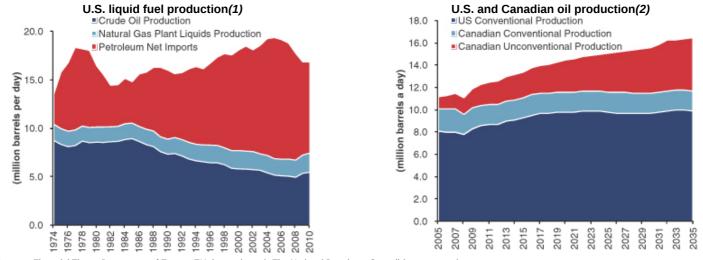
During the last several years, the global energy industry has experienced a number of favorable supply and demand dynamics that have led our customers to make substantial investments to expand their physical infrastructure and processing capacities. On the demand side, world energy markets are benefiting from:

- (i) increased consumption of energy, caused in part by the industrialization of China, India and other non-OECD countries;
- (ii) a slow recovery in economic growth in OECD countries from the severe downturn in 2009 and 2010;
- (iii) continued global energy infrastructure expansion; and
- (iv) increased use of natural gas, as opposed to coal, in power generation.

At the same time, global energy supply has been generally constrained due to increasing scarcity of natural resources, declining excess capacity of existing energy assets, geopolitical instability, natural and other unforeseen disasters and more stringent regulatory, safety and environmental standards. These demand and supply dynamics underscore the need for investment in energy infrastructure and increases in global exploration, extraction, production, transportation, refining and processing of energy inputs.

Within the U.S., the energy industry has benefited from technological developments that have enabled more recent significant increases in U.S. oil production and natural gas supply. EIA expects that U.S. crude oil production, which increased 2.1% in 2010 and 2.1% in 2011, will increase by a further 4.3% in 2012, driven by increased oil-directed drilling activity, particularly in unconventional shale formations. EIA expects that U.S. marketed natural gas production, which increased by 3.5% in 2010 and 7.8% in 2011, will grow further by 2.2% in 2012. Finally, as companies in the energy industry, both in North America and internationally, continue to focus on improving operating efficiencies, they have been increasingly looking to outsource their procurement and related administrative functions to distributors such as MRC.

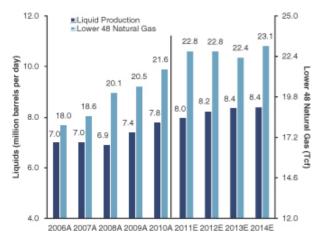
The following charts illustrate U.S. liquid fuel production from 1974 through 2010, actual and forecasted U.S. and Canadian oil production from 2005 through 2035, U.S. liquid fuel supply and electricity generation by fuel:



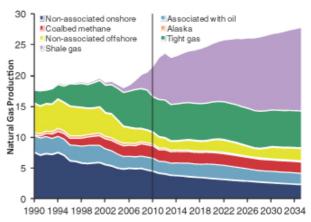
- Source—Financial Times, Department of Energy, EIA (<u>www.eia.gov</u>), The National Petroleum Council (<u>www.npc.org</u>)
- (2) Source—Department of Energy, EIA (<u>www.eia.gov</u>)

The following charts illustrate historical and forecasted U.S. production of crude oil and dry natural gas as well as the expected increase in U.S. natural gas production from shale gas:

U.S Oil and Gas Production (2006-2014E)(1)(2)



U.S. Natural Gas Production (1990-2035E)(3) (trillion cubic feet per year)



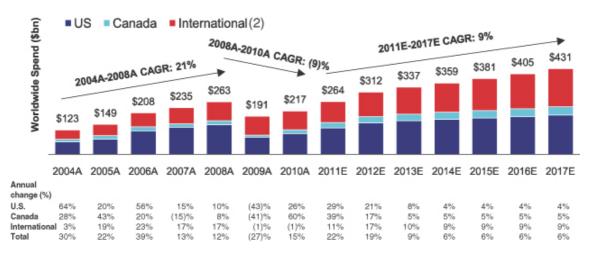
- (1) Projections from IHS CERA. Historical Data from the U.S. Energy Information Administration. Note: Liquids include crude oil, condensate, natural gas liquids, and non-traditional liquids (extra-heavy oil, GTL, CTL, and oil shale)
- (2) Historical and projected annual natural gas production for the U.S. Lower-48
- (3) U.S Energy Information Administration (www.eia.gov)

Upstream: E&P companies, commonly referred to as upstream companies, search for oil and natural gas underground and extract it to the surface. Representative companies include Aera Energy LLC, Anadarko Petroleum Corporation, Apache Corporation, Canadian Natural Resources, Ltd., Chesapeake Energy Corporation, Chevron Corporation, ConocoPhillips, Encana Corporation, ExxonMobil Corporation, Hess Corporation, Husky Energy Inc., Marathon Oil Company, Range Resources Corporation and Royal Dutch Shell plc. E&P companies typically purchase oilfield supplies, including carbon steel and other pipe, OCTG, valves, sucker rods, tools, pumps, production equipment, meters and general industrial supply products from us.

The capital spending budgets of upstream companies have grown over the past decade as tight supply conditions, strong global demand for oil and natural gas and economically feasible E&P in shale formations have spurred companies to expand their operations. Spears & Associates expects global oil and natural gas drilling and completion spending will increase at an approximately 9% compound annual growth rate ("CAGR") between 2011 and 2017.

The following chart illustrates historical and forecasted North American and international oil and natural gas drilling and completion spending:

Oil and Natural Gas Drilling and Completion Spending(1)



- (1) Source—Spears & Associates: Outlook for the Worldwide Upstream Oil and Gas Industry, December 2011
- (2) Includes Europe and the Far East

Rig counts are considered to be generally indicative of activity levels in the upstream sector. The average North American rig count increased at an approximate 3% CAGR between 2006 and 2008, but, due to the global economic recession that began in late 2008, the average fell by more than 40% in 2009. As the economy recovered, the rig count increased, rising by 44% in 2010. Spears & Associates expects that the North American rig count will increase at a 7% CAGR between 2011 and 2017. Furthermore, more technically sophisticated drilling methods, such as deep and horizontal drilling and the multiple fracturing of hydrocarbon production zones, coupled with higher oil and natural gas prices relative to long term averages, have made E&P in previously underdeveloped areas, such as Appalachia and the Rockies, more economically feasible. As part of this trend, there has been growing commercial interest by our customers in several shale deposit areas in the United States, including the Bakken, Barnett, Eagle Ford, Fayetteville, Haynesville, Marcellus, Niobrara, Permian and Utica shales, where we have an extensive local presence. During 2010 and 2011, there was a significant shift towards oil prospects, with an average oil rig count of approximately 53% of the total for 2011, the highest percentage in the United States since 1997. Additionally, we believe improved E&P technologies will allow for more deepwater drilling both offshore in the Gulf of Mexico and offshore in certain international areas, where we maintain a presence. In the Gulf of Mexico, new drilling and safety requirements will have to be met before we anticipate a significant activity increase. In Canada, improvements in mining and mineral processing and in-situ technology are driving increased investment in the Canadian Oil Sands and we believe that we will continue to benefit from the associated growth in PVF spending in this region.

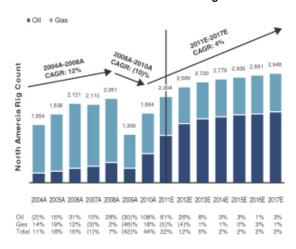
Oil and Natural Gas Rig Count

The following chart illustrates the historical and forecasted North American and International oil and natural gas rig count from 2004 through 2017:

Forecasted Worldwide Rig Count



Forecasted North American Rig Count

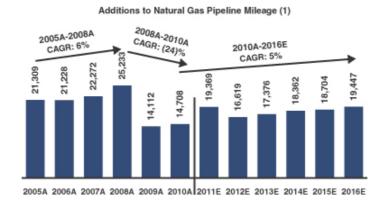


Midstream: The midstream sector of the oil and natural gas industry is comprised of companies that provide gathering, storage, transmission, distribution, and other services related to the movement of oil, natural gas and refined petroleum products from sources of production to demand centers. Representative midstream companies include AGL Resources Inc., Atmos Energy Corporation, Chesapeake Midstream Partners, Consolidated Edison, Inc., DCP Midstream Partners, LP, El Paso Natural Gas Company, Enterprise Products Partners L.P., Kinder Morgan Inc., Magellan Midstream Partners, L.P., NiSource, Inc., Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Vectren Energy and Williams Partners L.P. Core products supplied for midstream infrastructure include carbon steel line pipe for gathering and transporting oil and natural gas, actuation systems for the remote opening and closing of valves, polyethylene pipe for "last mile" transmission to end user locations, metering equipment for the measurement of oil and natural gas delivery and general industrial supplies.

The natural gas utilities portion of the midstream sector has been one of our fastest growing sectors since regulatory changes enacted in the late 1990s encouraged utilities to outsource through distribution their PVF purchasing and procurement needs. Outsourcing provides significant labor and working capital savings to customers through the consolidation of standardized product procurement spending and the delegation of warehousing operations to us. We estimate that less than one-half of natural gas utilities currently outsource in varying degrees and we anticipate that some of the remaining large natural gas utilities will most likely switch from the direct sourcing model to a distributor model. Furthermore, we believe natural gas utilities will increasingly seek operating efficiencies as large natural gas pipelines and related distribution networks continue to be built, and will increasingly rely on companies such as ours to optimize their supply chains and enable them to focus on their core operations.

The gathering and transmission pipeline activity is anticipated to exhibit significant growth over the next several years due to the new discoveries of natural gas reserves in various shale natural gas fields and the need for additional pipelines to carry heavy sour crude from Canada to processing facilities in the United States. Recent heightened activity in oil and natural gas fields such as the Bakken, Eagle Ford, Niobrara and Marcellus shale regions remain largely unsupported by transmission facilities of the appropriate scale necessary to bring the oil and natural gas to market. The Interstate Natural Gas Association of America ("INGAA") estimates that companies will need to build 35,600 miles of large, high pressure natural gas pipelines between 2011 and 2035 to meet market demands, at an estimated cost of \$178 billion. Further, an INGAA study completed by ICF International projects that on average, approximately 16,500 miles of new gathering lines and approximately 2,000 miles of new transmission line will be added each year from 2011 through 2035. This need for large pipelines to transport energy feedstocks to markets is creating significant growth for PVF and other products we sell. Drivers of pipeline development and growth include the development of natural gas production in new geographies, increased pipeline interconnection driven by a need to lower price differences within regions, and the need to link facilities that may be developed over the next decade.

The following chart illustrates historical and projected additions to total natural gas pipeline mileage in the U.S. from 2005 through 2016:



1) ICF International, North American Midstream Infrastructure Through 2035 – A Secure Energy Future, Prepared for the INGAA Foundation, June 28, 2011

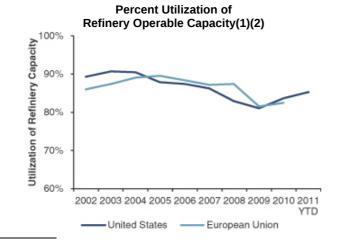
The need for increased safety and governmental demands for pipeline integrity have also accelerated the MRO cycle for PVF products in this segment. Government mandated programs have hastened the testing of existing lines to ensure that the integrity of the pipe remains consistent with its original design criteria. All pipe falling outside the necessary performance criteria as it relates to safety and overall integrity must be replaced. These regulations for pipeline integrity management should continue to stimulate MRO demand for products as older pipelines are inspected and eventually replaced. About 60% of the U.S. network of natural gas-transmission pipeline is over 40 years old and will likely require significant maintenance or replacement as shown below.

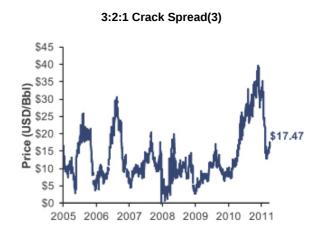
Source: Wall Street Journal, Pipeline Safety and Hazardous Materials Administration

Downstream: Typical downstream activities include the refining of crude oil and the selling and distribution of products derived from crude oil, as well as the production of petro and industrial chemical products. Representative downstream companies include BP plc, Chevron, ConocoPhillips, ExxonMobil Corporation, Marathon Petroleum Corporation, Royal Dutch Shell plc and Valero Energy Corporation. Refinery infrastructure products include carbon steel line pipe and gate valves, fittings to construct piping infrastructure and chrome or high alloy pipe and fittings for high heat and pressure applications. Chemical/petrochemical products include corrosive-resistant stainless steel or high alloy pipes, multi-turn valves and quarter-turn valves and general industrial supply products.

Over the 2008-2009 period, refinery utilization rates decreased significantly as part of the global economic slowdown and as a result, several new projects to increase capacity were delayed, or in some cases cancelled. Since 2010, utilization rates have improved but remained at levels below longer term historical averages. The number of operable refineries in the U.S. declined from 223 in 1985 to approximately 148 in 2010, and we believe that continued stress on refinery infrastructure caused by demand for petroleum products will accelerate PVF replacement rates over the longer term. This trend is most pronounced outside the U.S. where capacity utilization rates are the highest and the demand for petroleum products is growing the fastest.

The following charts illustrate the utilization of oil refineries in the U.S. and the European Union from 2002 through 2011 and global refinery margins during the same period:

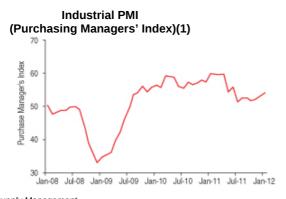


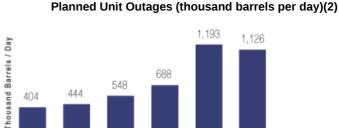


- Refinery utilization is calculated as refinery throughput divided by capacity
- Source—BP Statistical Review of World Energy June 2011 (www.bp.com/statisticalreview) Source—Commodity Systems, Inc.

The pre-recession gap between fuel consumption and U.S. refining capacity, coupled with an anticipated recovery in refinery utilization levels, may necessitate new projects and generate new project and MRO contract opportunities for MRC. Further, as refineries look for ways to improve margins and value-added capabilities, they are also increasingly broadening the crude processed to include heavier, sour crude. Heavier, sour crude is harsher and more corrosive than light sweet crude, and requires high-grade alloys in many parts of the refining process, shortening product replacement cycles and creating additional MRO contract opportunities for us following project completion. Thus, we believe that this need will create greater demand for our specialty products that include, among others, corrosion resistant components and steam products used in various process applications in refineries.

The following charts illustrate industrial PMI (Purchasing Managers' Index) from January 2008 through January 2012 and actual and forecasted refining turnaround activity on an annual basis from 2008 through 2013, based on data from Industrial Info Resources, Inc.:





2011E

2012E

2013E

2010A

Annual Refining Turnaround Activity

- Institute for Supply Management Industrial info Resources, Inc.

2008A

2009A

Petrochemical plants generally use crude oil, natural gas or coal in production of a variety of primary petrochemicals (e.g. ethylene and propylene) that are the building blocks for many of the manufactured goods produced in the world today. The burgeoning economies in China, India and other non-OECD countries have generated increasing demand for petrochemicals and we expect that future increases in demand will require additional capital and other expenditures to increase capacity. Industry participants include integrated oil and natural gas companies with significant petrochemical operations and large industrial chemical companies, such as BP Chemicals, Celanese Chemicals, Chevron Phillips Chemical Co. LLC, Dow Chemical Company, E.I. DuPont de Nemours and Company, Eastman Chemicals Company, ExxonMobil Corporation, PPG Industries, Inc. and Shell Chemical L.P. In North America, increased shale E&P activity has led to a significantly increased supply of natural gas feedstock for the chemicals industry, thereby lowering input prices and stimulating activity. As a result of the improved profitability, several of our major chemical customers are currently considering significant new projects to increase North American capacity. In March 2011, the American Chemistry Council projected \$16.2 billion in new capital investments, including debottlenecking, brownfield and greenfield projects, in the petrochemical industry over the next several years, and we believe that we will materially benefit as a result of this increase in anticipated activity.

Other Industries Served. Beyond the oil and natural gas industry, we also supply products and services to other energy sectors, such as coal, mining and mineral processing, power generation, LNG and alternative energy facilities. We also serve more general industrial sectors, such as pulp and paper, metals processing, fabrication, pharmaceutical, desalinization, food and beverage and manufacturing, which together make use of products such as corrosion resistant piping products as well as automation and instrumentation products. Some of the customers we serve in these sectors include Alcoa, Inc., Arcelor Mittal, BHP Billiton, Eli Lilly and Company, Georgia Pacific Corporation, International Paper Company, the Rio Tinto Group and U.S. Steel Corporation. These other sectors are typically characterized by large physical plants requiring significant ongoing maintenance and capital programs to ensure efficient and reliable operations. We include these industries within our downstream sector category.

North American Operations

Our North American segment represented approximately 93% of our consolidated revenues in 2011 and is comprised of our business of distributing PVF to the energy and industrial sectors, across each of the upstream, midstream and downstream sectors, through our distribution operations located throughout the U.S. and Canada.

Products: Through our over 175 branch locations strategically located throughout North America, we distribute a complete line of PVF products, primarily used in specialized applications in the energy infrastructure sector, from our global network of suppliers. The products we distribute are used in the construction, maintenance, repair and overhaul of equipment used in extreme operating conditions such as high pressure, high/low temperature, high corrosive and abrasive environments. We are required to carry significant amounts of inventory to meet the rapid delivery, often same day, requirements of our customers. The breadth and depth of our product offerings and our extensive North American presence allow us to provide high levels of service to our customers. Due to our national inventory coverage, we are able to fulfill more orders more quickly, including those with lower volume and specialty items, than we would be able to if we operated on a smaller scale or only at a local or regional level. Key product types are described below:

Ÿ Valves and Specialty Products (19% of our North American revenue in 2011). Products offered include ball, butterfly, gate, globe, check, needle and plug valves which are manufactured from cast steel, stainless/alloy steel, forged steel, carbon steel or cast and ductile iron. Valves are generally used in oilfield and industrial applications to control direction, velocity and pressure of

fluids and gases within transmission networks. Specialty products include lined corrosion resistant piping systems, valve automation and top work components used for regulating flow and on/off service, and a wide range of steam and instrumentation products used in various process applications within our refinery, petrochemical and general industrial sectors.

- Ÿ Line Pipe (23% of our North American revenue in 2011). Carbon line pipe is typically used in high-yield, high-stress and abrasive applications, such as the gathering and transmission of oil, natural gas and phosphates. Line pipe is part of our tubular product category.
- Y OCTG (18% of our North American revenue in 2011). OCTG is part of our tubular product category, includes casing (used for production and to line the well bore) and tubing pipe (used to extract oil or natural gas from wells) and is either classified as carbon or alloy depending on the grade of material.
- Ÿ Carbon Steel Fittings and Flanges and Stainless Steel and Alloy Pipe and Fittings (18% of our North American revenue in 2011). Carbon steel fittings and flanges include carbon weld fittings, flanges and piping components used primarily to connect piping and valve systems for the transmission of various liquids and gases. These products are used across all the industries in which we operate. Stainless steel and alloy pipe and fittings include stainless, alloy and corrosion resistant pipe, tubing, fittings and flanges. These are used most often in the chemical, refining and power generation industries but are used across all of the sectors in which we operate. Alloy products are principally used in high-pressure, high-temperature and high-corrosion applications typically seen in process piping applications.
- Ÿ Other (22% of our North American revenue in 2011). Other includes natural gas distribution products, oilfield supplies, and other industrial products such as mill and safety and electrical supplies. Natural gas distribution products include risers, meters, polyethylene pipe and fittings and various other components and industrial supplies used primarily in the distribution of natural gas to residential and commercial customers. We offer a comprehensive range of oilfield and industrial supplies and completion equipment, and products offered include high density polyethylene pipe and fittings, valves, well heads, pumping units and rods. Additionally, we can supply a wide range of specialized production equipment including meter runs, tanks and separators used in our upstream sector.

The following table provides a breakdown of our total North American revenues by product type on an actual basis for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009:

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2011	2010	2009	
Energy carbon steel tubular products:				
Line Pipe	23%	19%	20%	
OCTG	<u>18</u> %	<u>21</u> %	<u>21</u> %	
	41%	40%	41%	
Valves, fittings, flanges and other products:				
Valves and Specialty Products	19%	20%	18%	
Carbon Steel Fittings and Flanges and Stainless Steel and Alloy Pipe and Fittings	18%	18%	18%	
Other	22%	<u>22</u> %	<u>23</u> %	
	59%	60%	59 %	

Services: We provide many of our customers with a comprehensive array of services including multiple deliveries each day, zone store management, valve tagging and significant system interfaces that directly tie the customer into our proprietary information systems. This allows us to interface with

our customers' IT systems and provide an integrated supply service. Such services strengthen our position with our customers as we become more integrated into the customer's business and supply chain and are able to market a "total transaction value" solution rather than individual product prices.

Our comprehensive information systems, which provide for customer and supplier electronic integrations, information sharing and e-commerce applications, further strengthen our ability to provide high levels of service to our customers. In 2011, we processed over 1.6 million EDI/EDE customer transactions. Our highly specialized implementation group focuses on the integration of our information systems and implementation of improved business processes with those of a new customer during the initiation phase. By maintaining a specialized team, we are able to utilize best practices to implement our systems and processes, thereby providing solutions to customers in a more organized, efficient and effective manner. This approach is valuable to large, multi-location customers who have demanding service requirements.

As major integrated and large independent energy companies have implemented efficiency initiatives to focus on their core business, many of these companies have begun outsourcing certain of their procurement and inventory management requirements. In response to these initiatives and to satisfy customer service requirements, we offer integrated supply services to customers who wish to outsource all or a part of the administrative burden associated with sourcing PVF and other related products, and we also often have MRC employees on-site full-time at many customer locations. Our integrated supply group offers procurement-related services, physical warehousing services, product quality assurance and inventory ownership and analysis services.

Suppliers: We source the products we distribute from a global network of suppliers. Our suppliers benefit from access to our diversified customer base and, by consolidating customer orders, we benefit from stronger purchasing power and preferred vendor programs. Our purchases from our largest 25 suppliers in 2011 approximated 52% of our North American total purchases, with our single largest supplier constituting approximately 10%. We are the largest customer for many of our suppliers and we source a significant majority of the products we distribute directly from the manufacturer. The remainder of the products we distribute are sourced from manufacturer representatives, trading companies and, in some instances, other distributors.

We believe our customers and suppliers recognize us as an industry leader in part due to the quality of products we supply and for the formal processes we use to evaluate vendor performance. This vendor assessment process is referred to as the MRC Supplier Registration Process, which involves employing individuals, certified by the International Registry of Certificated Auditors, who specialize in conducting on-site assessments of our manufacturers as well as monitoring and evaluating the quality of goods produced. The result of this process is the MRC AML. Products from the manufacturers on this list are supplied across many of the industries we support. Given that many of our largest customers, especially those in our downstream sector, maintain their own formal AML listing, we are recognized as an important source of information sharing with our key customers regarding the results of our on-site assessment. For this reason, together with our commitment to promote high quality products that bring the best overall value to our customers, we often become the preferred provider of AML products to these customers. Many of our customers regularly collaborate with us regarding specific manufacturer performance, our own experience with vendors' products and the results of our on-site manufacturer assessments. The emphasis placed on the MRC ASL by both our customers and suppliers helps secure our central and critical position in the global PVF supply chain.

We utilize a variety of freight carriers in addition to our corporate truck fleet to ensure timely and efficient delivery of our products. With respect to deliveries of products from us to our customers, or our outbound needs, we utilize both our corporate fleet and third-party transportation providers. We utilize third parties for approximately 22% of our outbound deliveries. With respect to shipments of products from suppliers to us, or our inbound needs, we principally use third-party carriers.

Sales and Marketing: We distribute our products to a wide variety of end-users. Our broad distribution network and customer base allow us to capitalize on our extensive inventory base. Local relationships, depth of inventory, service and timely delivery are critical to the sales process in the PVF distribution industry. We generate approximately 93% of our total sales in North America. Our sales efforts are customer and product driven, and provide a system that is more responsive to changing customer and product needs than a traditional, fully centralized structure.

Our sales model applies a two-pronged approach to address both regional and national markets. Regional sales teams, led by four senior vice presidents with an average tenure of 30 years at MRC or its predecessors, are based in our core geographic regions and are complemented by a national accounts sales team organized by sector or product expertise and focused on large regional, national or global customers. These sales teams are then supported by groups with additional specific service or product expertise, including integrated supply and implementation. Our overall sales force is then internally divided into outside and inside sales forces.

Our approximately 200 (as of December 31, 2011) outside sales representatives develop relationships with prospective and existing customers in an effort to better understand their needs and to increase the number of our products specified or approved by a given customer. Outside sales representatives may be branch outside sales representatives, focused on customer relationships in specific geographies, or technical outside sales representatives, who focus on specific products and provide detailed technical support to customers.

In order to address the needs of our customer base, our inside sales force of approximately 750 customer service representatives (as of December 31, 2011) is responsible for processing orders generated by new and existing customers as well as by our outside sales force. The customer service representatives develop order packages based on specific customer needs, interface with manufacturers to determine product availability, ensure on-time delivery and establish pricing of materials and services based on guidelines and predetermined metrics set by management.

Seasonality: Our business experiences mild seasonal effects as demand for the products we distribute is generally higher during the months of August, September and October. Demand for the products we distribute during the months of November and December and early in the year generally tends to be lower due to a lower level of activity in the industry sectors we serve near the end of the calendar year and due to winter weather disruptions. In addition, certain E&P activities, primarily in Canada, typically experience a springtime reduction due to seasonal thaws and regulatory restrictions, limiting the ability of drilling rigs to operate effectively during these periods.

Customers: Our principal customers are companies active in the upstream, midstream and downstream sectors of the energy industry as well as in other industrial and energy sectors. Due to the demanding operating conditions in the energy industry, high costs and safety risks associated with equipment failure, customers prefer highly reliable products and vendors with established qualifications, reputation and experience. As our PVF products typically are mission critical and represent a fraction of the total cost of a given project, our customers often place a premium on service and high reliability given the high cost to them of maintenance or new project delays. We strive to build long-term relationships with our customers by maintaining our reputation as a supplier of high-quality, efficient and reliable products and value-added services and solutions.

We have a diverse customer base of over 10,000 active customers. We are not dependent on any one customer or group of customers. A majority of our customers are offered terms of net 30 days (due within 30 days of the date of the invoice). Customers generally have the right to return products we have sold, subject to certain conditions and limitations, although returns have historically been immaterial to our sales. For the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, our largest 25 North American customers represented approximately half of our North American sales. For many of our

largest customers, we are often their sole or primary PVF provider by sector or geography, their largest or second largest supplier in aggregate or, in certain instances, the sole provider for their upstream, midstream and downstream procurement needs. We believe that many customers for which we are not the exclusive or comprehensive North American sole source PVF provider will continue to reduce their number of suppliers in an effort to reduce costs and administrative burdens and focus on their core operations. As such, we believe these customers will seek to select PVF distributors with the most extensive product offering and broadest geographic presence. Furthermore, we believe our business will benefit as companies in the energy industry continue to consolidate and the larger, resulting companies look to larger distributors such as ourselves as their sole or primary source PVF provider.

Backlog: Backlog is determined by the amount of unshipped third-party customer orders, which may be revised or cancelled by the customer in certain instances. Backlog is generally attributable to our project contract activity, as we generally supply products for MRO contracts within a short period of time from order. There can be no assurance that the backlog amounts will be ultimately realized as revenue, or that the Company will earn a profit on the backlog of orders. Our backlog at December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010 was \$693 million and \$519 million, respectively. We expect to fill the substantial majority of our backlog within the next 12 months.

Competition: We are the largest North American PVF distributor to the energy industry based on sales. The broad PVF distribution industry is fragmented and includes large, nationally recognized distributors, major regional distributors and many smaller local distributors. The principal methods of competition include offering prompt local service, fulfillment capability, breadth of product and service offerings, price and total costs to the customer. Our competitors include nationally recognized PVF distributors, such as Wilson Industries, Inc. (a subsidiary of Schlumberger), National Oilwell Varco, Inc. and Ferguson Enterprises (a subsidiary of Wolseley, plc), several large regional or product-specific competitors and many local, family-owned PVF distributors.

Employees: As of December 31, 2011, we had approximately 3,450 employees in North America. 27 employees in the United States belong to a union and are covered by collective bargaining agreements. We consider our relationships with our employees to be good.

Properties: We operate a modified hub and spoke model that is centered around our seven distribution centers in North America with more than 175 branch locations which have inventory and local employees. We own our Houston-Darien, TX and Nisku, AB Canada distribution centers and lease the remaining five distribution centers. We own less than 10% of our branch locations as we primarily lease the facilities. Additionally, in order to meet specific customer needs and maintain strong customer relationships, we hold inventory at approximately 700 on-site customer locations.

We maintain three U.S. corporate offices, our main corporate headquarters in Houston, TX, the precedent McJunkin headquarters in Charleston, WV, which we own, and the precedent Red Man headquarters in Tulsa, OK. We also maintain a corporate office for our Canadian operations in Calgary, Alberta and a corporate office for our other international operations in Bradford, UK.

International Operations

Our International segment represents our valve and stainless and alloy pipe, fitting and flange distribution business to the energy and general industrial sectors, across each of the downstream and upstream sectors, through our distribution operations located throughout Europe, Asia, Australasia and the Middle East. Our International segment represented approximately 7% of our consolidated revenues in 2011.

Products: Through our over 30 strategic branch and service facilities throughout Europe, Asia, Australasia and the Middle East, we distribute a complete line of valve and stainless and alloy pipe, fittings and flanges and specialty products. The products we distribute are used in the construction,

maintenance, repair and overhaul of equipment used in extreme operating conditions such as high pressure, high/low temperature, high corrosive and abrasive environments. Due to our geographical footprint, we are able to service our global customers at several of their locations. Key product types are described below:

- Y Valves and Specialty Products (83% of our International revenue in 2011). Valve products offered include ball, butterfly, gate, globe, check, needle and plug valves which are manufactured from cast steel, stainless/alloy steel, forged steel, carbon steel or cast and ductile iron. Valves are generally used in oilfield and industrial applications to control direction, velocity and pressure of fluids and gases within transmission networks. Specialty products include lined corrosion resistant piping systems, valve automation and top work components used for regulating flow and on/off service and a wide range of steam and instrumentation products used in various process applications within our offshore, refinery, petrochemical and general industrial sectors.
- Ÿ Stainless Steel Pipe, Fittings and Flanges (17% of our International revenue in 2011). Stainless steel products are offered primarily through MRC SPF (acquired in June 2011) and are used in all sectors in which we operate including oil and gas, mining and mineral processing, water treatment and desalination, and petrochemical.

Services: We provide our customers with a comprehensive array of services, including multiple daily deliveries, zone stores management, valve tagging and significant system interfaces that directly tie the customer into our proprietary information systems. This allows us to interface with our customers' IT systems and provide an integrated supply service. Such services strengthen our position with our customers as we become more integrated into the customer's business and supply chain and are able to market a "total transaction value" solution rather than individual product prices.

As major integrated and large independent energy companies have implemented efficiency initiatives to focus on their core business, many of these companies have begun outsourcing certain of their procurement and inventory management requirements. In response to these initiatives and to satisfy customer service requirements, we offer integrated supply services to customers who wish to outsource all or a part of the administrative burden associated with sourcing pipe, valves and fittings and other related products. Our integrated supply group offers procurement-related services, physical warehousing services, product inspection, product quality assurance and inventory ownership and analysis services.

A large portion of our International revenue is generated by providing products and services to support our customers' large capital projects. As our products typically represent a fraction of the total cost of the project, our customers often place a premium on service given the high cost to them of maintenance or new project delays. MRC can assist customers in project planning and execution to ensure that product is where they need it, when they need it.

Suppliers: We source the products we distribute from a global and regional network of suppliers. Our suppliers benefit from access to our diversified customer base and, by consolidating customer orders, we benefit from stronger purchasing power and preferred vendor programs. Our purchases from our largest 25 suppliers in 2011 approximated 58% of our International total purchases, with our single largest supplier constituting approximately 10%. We are a significant buyer for many of our suppliers and we source a significant majority of the products we distribute directly from the manufacturer. The remainder of the products we distribute are sourced from manufacturer representatives, trading companies and other distributors.

Sales and Marketing: We distribute our products to a wide variety of end-users in widely disbursed geographies. Our broad customer base and access to our other international locations allow us to leverage our extensive inventory base. Local relationships, depth of inventory, service and timely delivery are critical to the sales process in the PVF distribution industry. We generate approximately

7% of our sales within our International segment. Our marketing efforts are customer and product driven, and provide a system that is more responsive to changing customer and product needs than a traditional, fully centralized structure.

Our sales model is built on a highly trained sales force, and for our valve sales, the majority of our sales force are qualified engineers. This team is able to meet complex customer requirements, selecting the optimal solution from a range of products to increase customers' efficiency and lower total product lifecycle costs. The technical knowledge of our sales engineers combined with the application of local sales professionals addresses the high degree of engineering and product expertise required for each solution.

Our sales force is internally divided into outside and inside sales forces. Outside sales professionals spend the majority of their time building existing customer relationships at target accounts, introducing new products, and identifying and assisting customers with major projects. In addition, outside sales professionals are also responsible for developing new customer relationships. Internally, customer service representatives spend the majority of their time answering client inquiries, addressing customer requirements and making targeted outbound calls to generate additional business. Customer service representatives are product experts who ensure product deliveries meet customer timeframes, qualify sales opportunities and make pricing decisions within identified guidelines.

Customers: Our principal customers are companies active in the upstream and downstream sectors of the energy industry, as well as in other industrial and energy sectors. Due to the demanding operating conditions in the energy industry, high costs and safety risks associated with equipment failure, customers prefer highly reliable products and vendors with established qualifications, reputation and experience. As our products typically represent a fraction of the total cost of the project, our customers often place a premium on service given the high cost to them of maintenance or new project delays. We strive to build long-term relationships with our customers by maintaining our reputation as a supplier of high-quality, efficient and reliable products and value-added services and solutions.

We have a diverse customer base, consisting of thousands of active customers. We are not dependent on any one customer or group of customers. Customers generally have the right to return products we have sold, subject to certain conditions and limitations, although returns have historically been immaterial to our sales. For the year ended December 31, 2011, our largest 10 International customers represented approximately 33% of our International segment sales. For many of our largest customers, we are often their sole or primary valve or stainless steel and alloy provider by sector or geography, their largest or second largest supplier in aggregate or, in certain instances, the sole provider for their upstream and downstream procurement needs. We believe that many customers for which we are not the exclusive or comprehensive sole source valve provider will continue to reduce their number of suppliers in an effort to reduce costs and administrative burdens and focus on their core operations. As such, we believe these customers will seek to select valve and PVF distributors with the most extensive product offering and broadest geographic presence. Furthermore, we believe our business will benefit as companies in the energy industry continue to consolidate and the larger, resulting companies look to larger distributors such as ourselves as their sole or primary source valve provider.

Backlog: Backlog is determined by the amount of unshipped third-party customer orders, either specific or general in nature, which may be revised or cancelled by the customer in certain instances. Backlog is generally attributable to our project contract activity, as we generally supply products for MRO contracts within a short period of time. There can be no assurance that the backlog amounts will be ultimately realized as revenue or that the Company will earn a profit on the backlog of orders. Our backlog at December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010 was \$130 million and \$64 million, respectively. We expect to fill the substantial majority of our backlog within the next 12 months.

Competition: We are one of the largest global valve distributors to the energy industry based on sales. The broad PVF distribution industry is fragmented and includes large, internationally and nationally recognized distributors, major regional distributors and many smaller local distributors. The principal methods of competition include offering prompt local service, fulfillment capability, breadth of product and service offerings, price and total costs to the customer. Our competitors include several large regional or product-specific competitors, such as Econosto (a subsidiary of Eriks), and many local, family-owned PVF distributors.

Employees: As of December 31, 2011, we had approximately 650 employees. Three employees, one in Australia, one in New Zealand and one in France, belong to a union and are covered by a collective bargaining agreement. We consider our relationships with our employees to be good.

Properties: We operate through a network of over 30 branch locations located throughout Europe, Asia, Australasia and the Middle East, including distribution centers in each of the United Kingdom, Singapore and Australia. We also maintain an operations center for our international operations in Bradford, United Kingdom and Perth, Australia. We own our Brussels location and the remainder of our locations are leased.

For a breakdown of our annual revenues by geography, see "Note 13—Segment, Geographic and Product Line Information" to the audited consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2011.

Information Systems

Our technology approach allows for extensive integration and customization with our clients. We believe that this is accretive to the value we bring to customers and increases their loyalty to MRC. Our information systems enable on-line real-time access to appropriate resources and are an integral part of our competitive advantage, particularly among larger customers whose own information systems we integrate with seamlessly.

We operate a single information and operating system ("SIMS") for all North American locations and a separate, Oracle-based system for our other international locations, in each case other than for locations that we have recently acquired. Our branches are linked by our wide area networks into these integrated, scalable, and enterprise server-based systems allowing online, real-time access to all business resources, including customer order processing, purchasing and material request, distributing requirements planning, warehousing and receiving, inventory control and all accounting and financial functions. The large geographic coverage of each system not only enhances the efficient distribution of products but also standardizes internal processes, data management and reporting, as well as customer-facing applications and information presentation. Each system is highly functional and tailored to meet both the needs of MRC's distribution network and our customers for functionality, customer and internal integration, operational controls, acquisition implementation, scalability, reliability, speed and accounting and reporting capability and compliance.

Third-party and web-based applications are incorporated in our platform and enhance our IT offering. Customer and supplier electronic integrations, information sharing and e-commerce applications help support and secure long-standing relationships and foster additional business with our customers. Scanning and customized bar-coding systems further increase efficiency. Our corporate Intranet also includes various web-based applications and access to valuable resources such as report libraries and a Document Imaging application that includes more than 15 million documents and reports. In addition, we have implemented solutions, processes, and procedures to help mitigate the risk of a cyber incident, or a deficiency in our cyber security, but these measures, as well as our organization's increased awareness of our risk of a cyber incident, do not guarantee that our business will not be negatively impacted by such an incident. As of December 31, 2011, we had a staff of approximately 60 IT professionals.

Environmental Matters

We are subject to a variety of federal, state, local, foreign and provincial environmental, health and safety laws, regulations and permitting requirements, including those governing the discharge of pollutants or hazardous substances into the air, soil or water, the generation, handling, use, management, storage and disposal of, or exposure to, hazardous substances and wastes, the responsibility to investigate, remediate, monitor and clean up contamination and occupational health and safety. Fines and penalties may be imposed for non-compliance with applicable environmental, health and safety requirements and the failure to have or to comply with the terms and conditions of required permits. Historically, the costs to comply with environmental and health and safety requirements have not been material. We are not aware of any pending environmental compliance or remediation matters that, in the opinion of management, are reasonably likely to have a material effect on our business, financial position or results of operations. However, the failure by us to comply with applicable environmental, health and safety requirements could result in fines, penalties, enforcement actions, employee, neighbor or other third-party claims for property damage and personal injury, requirements to clean up property or to pay for the costs of cleanup, or regulatory or judicial orders requiring corrective measures, including the installation of pollution control equipment or remedial actions.

Under certain laws and regulations, such as the U.S. federal Superfund law or its foreign equivalents, the obligation to investigate, remediate, monitor and clean up contamination at a facility may be imposed on current and former owners, lessees or operators or on persons who may have sent waste to that facility for disposal. Liability under these laws and regulations may be imposed without regard to fault or to the legality of the activities giving rise to the contamination. Although we are not aware of any active litigation against us under the U.S. federal Superfund law or its state or foreign equivalents, contamination has been identified at several of our current and former facilities, and we have incurred and will continue to incur costs to investigate, remediate, monitor and clean up these conditions. Moreover, we may incur liabilities in connection with environmental conditions currently unknown to us relating to our prior, existing or future owned or leased sites or operations or those of predecessor companies whose liabilities we may have assumed or acquired. We believe that indemnities contained in certain of our acquisition agreements may cover certain environmental conditions existing at the time of the acquisition, subject to certain terms, limitations and conditions. However, if these indemnification provisions terminate or if the indemnifying parties do not fulfill their indemnification obligations, we may be subject to liability with respect to the environmental matters that those indemnification provisions address.

In addition, environmental, health and safety laws and regulations applicable to our business and the business of our customers, including laws regulating the energy industry, and the interpretation or enforcement of these laws and regulations, are constantly evolving and it is impossible to predict accurately the effect that changes in these laws and regulations, or their interpretation or enforcement, may have upon our business, financial condition or results of operations. Should environmental laws and regulations, or their interpretation or enforcement, become more stringent, our costs, or the costs of our customers, could increase, which may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

In particular, legislation and regulations limiting emissions of greenhouse gases, including carbon dioxide associated with the burning of fossil fuels, are at various stages of consideration and implementation at the international, national, regional and state levels. In 2005, the Kyoto Protocol to the 1992 United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, which established a binding set of emission targets for greenhouse gases, became binding on the countries that ratified it. Attention is now focused on development of a post-2012 international policy framework to guide international action to address climate change when the Kyoto protocol expires in 2012. Certain states and regions have adopted or are considering legislation or regulation imposing overall caps on greenhouse gas

emissions from certain facility categories or mandating the increased use of electricity from renewable energy sources. Similar legislation has been proposed at the federal level. In addition, the EPA has begun to implement regulations that require permits for and reductions in greenhouse gas emissions for certain categories of facilities, the first of which became effective in January 2011. Pursuant to the terms of a settlement agreement, the EPA also intends to finalize greenhouse gas emissions standards, known as New Source Performance Standards ("NSPS"), for power plants in May 2012 and plans to issue such NSPS for refineries in the future. These laws and regulations could negatively impact the market for the products we distribute and, consequently, our business.

In addition, some states have adopted regulations that could impose more stringent permitting, disclosure, wastewater and other waste disposal and well construction and testing requirements on hydraulic fracturing, a practice involving the injection of water containing more limited amounts of certain substances into rock formations (after perforating the formation with explosive charges) to stimulate production of hydrocarbons, particularly natural gas, from shale basin regions. Other states and the federal government are considering regulating this practice. These regulations include a variety of well construction, set back, wastewater disposal and disclosure requirements limiting how fracturing can be performed and requiring various degrees of disclosures regarding the contents of chemicals injected into the rock formations, as well as moratoria on all hydraulic fracturing activity. Any increased federal, regional or state regulation of hydraulic fracturing could reduce the demand for our products in these regions.

Legal Proceedings

From time to time, we have been subject to various claims and involved in legal proceedings incidental to the nature of our businesses. We maintain insurance coverage to reduce financial risk associated with certain of these claims and proceedings. It is not possible to predict the outcome of these claims and proceedings. However, in our opinion, there are no material pending legal proceedings that are likely to have a material effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations, although it is possible that the resolution of certain actual, threatened or anticipated claims or proceedings could have a material adverse effect on our results of operation in the period of resolution.

Also, from time to time, in the ordinary course of our business, our customers may claim that the products that we distribute are either defective or require repair or replacement under warranties that either we or the manufacturer may provide to the customer. These proceedings are, in the opinion of management, ordinary and routine matters incidental to our normal business. Our purchase orders with our suppliers generally require the manufacturer to indemnify us against any product liability claims, leaving the manufacturer ultimately responsible for these claims. In many cases, state, provincial or foreign law provides protection to distributors for these sorts of claims, shifting the responsibility to the manufacturer. In some cases, we could be required to repair or replace the products for the benefit of our customer and seek our recovery from the manufacturer for our expense. In the opinion of management, the ultimate disposition of these claims and proceedings are not expected to have a material adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows, although it is possible that the resolution of certain actual, threatened or anticipated claims or proceedings could have a material adverse effect on our results of operation in the period of resolution.

For information regarding asbestos cases in which we are a defendant and other claims and proceedings, see "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Contractual Obligations, Commitments and Contingencies—Legal Proceedings" and "Note 15—Commitments and Contingencies" to our audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

Corporate Information

Our company maintains its principal executive office at 2 Houston Center, 909 Fannin, Suite 3100, Houston, Texas, 77010 and also maintains corporate offices in Charleston, WV and in Tulsa, OK. All three locations have corporate functions such as accounting, human resources, legal and information technology. We also maintain operations centers for our Canadian operations in Calgary, Alberta and for our international operations in Bradford, United Kingdom.

MANAGEMENT

Executive Officers and Directors

The following table sets forth the names, ages (as of December 31, 2011) and positions of each executive officer or director of MRC Global Inc.:

	Age	Position
Andrew R. Lane	52	Chairman, President and CEO
James E. Braun	52	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
James F. Underhill	56	Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer—North America
Daniel J. Churay	49	Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary
Gary A. Ittner	59	Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer
Rory M. Isaac	61	Executive Vice President—Business Development
Scott A. Hutchinson	56	Executive Vice President—North America Operations
Neil P. Wagstaff	48	Executive Vice President—International Operations
Leonard M. Anthony	57	Director
Rhys J. Best	65	Director
Peter C. Boylan III	47	Director
Henry Cornell	55	Director
Christopher A.S. Crampton	34	Director
John F. Daly	45	Director
Craig Ketchum	54	Director
Gerard P. Krans	64	Director
Dr. Cornelis A. Linse	62	Director
John A. Perkins	64	Director
H.B. Wehrle, III	60	Director

Andrew R. Lane has served as our president and chief executive officer ("CEO") since September 2008 and our chairman of the Board since December 2009. He has also served as a director of MRC Global Inc. since September 2008. From December 2004 to December 2007, he served as executive vice president and chief operating officer of Halliburton Company, where he was responsible for Halliburton's overall operational performance, managed over 50,000 employees worldwide and oversaw the integration of several mergers and acquisitions. Prior to that, he held a variety of leadership roles within Halliburton, serving as president and CEO of Kellogg Brown & Root, Inc. from July 2004 to November 2004, as senior vice president, global operations of Halliburton Energy Services Group from April 2004 to July 2004, as president of the Landmark Division of Halliburton Energy Services Group from May 2003 to March 2004, and as president and CEO of Landmark Graphics Corporation from April 2002 to April 2003. He was also chief operating officer of Landmark Graphics from January 2002 to March 2002 and vice president, production enhancement PSL, completion products PSL and tools/testing/TCP of Halliburton Energy Services Group from January 2000 to December 2001. Mr. Lane served as a director of KBR, Inc. from June 2006 to April 2007. He began his career in the oil and natural gas industry as a field engineer for Gulf Oil Corporation in 1982, and later worked as a production engineer in Gulf Oil's Pipeline Design and Permits Group. Mr. Lane received a B.S. in mechanical engineering from Southern Methodist University in 1981 (cum laude). He also completed the Advanced Management Program (A.M.P.) at Harvard Business School in 2000. He is a member of the executive board of the Southern Methodist University School of Engineering. Mr. Lane is uniquely qualified to serve as one of our directors due to his extensive executive and leadership experience in the oil and natural gas industry and his deep knowledge of our operations.

James E. Braun has served as our executive vice president and chief financial officer since November 2011. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Braun served as chief financial officer of Newpark Resources, Inc. since 2006. Newpark provides drilling fluids and other products and services to the oil and gas exploration and production industry, both inside and outside of the U.S. Before joining Newpark, Mr. Braun was chief financial officer of Baker Oil Tools, one of the largest divisions of Baker Hughes Incorporated, a leading provider of drilling, formation evaluation, completion and production products and services to the worldwide oil and gas industry. From 1998 until 2002, he was vice president, finance and administration, of Baker Petrolite, the oilfield specialty chemical business division of Baker Hughes. Previously, he served as vice president and controller of Baker Hughes. Mr. Braun is a CPA and was formerly a partner with Deloitte & Touche. Mr. Braun received a B.A. in accounting from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

James F. Underhill has served as our executive vice president and chief operating officer – North America since November 2011. He served as our executive vice president and chief financial officer from November 2007 through October 2011. He served as our chief financial officer from May 2006 through October 2007, as senior vice president of accounting and information services from 1994 to May 2006, and vice president and controller from 1987 to 1994. Prior to 1987, Mr. Underhill served as controller, assistant controller, and corporate accounting manager. Mr. Underhill joined us in 1980 and has since overseen our accounting, information systems and mergers and acquisitions areas. He has been involved in numerous implementations of electronic customer solutions and has had primary responsibility for the acquisition and integration of more than 30 businesses. Mr. Underhill was also project manager for the design, development, and implementation of our IT operating system. He received a B.A. in accounting and economics from Lehigh University in 1977 and is a certified public accountant. Prior to joining us, Mr. Underhill worked in the New York City office of the accounting firm of Main Hurdman (Main Hurdman was incorporated into the successor accounting firm, KPMG).

Daniel J. Churay has served as our executive vice president and general counsel since August 2011 and as our corporate secretary since November 2011. Prior to that time, he served as president and CEO of Rex Energy Corporation, an independent oil and gas company, from December 2010 to June 2011. From September 2002 to December 2010, Mr. Churay served as executive vice president, general counsel and secretary of YRC Worldwide Inc., a Fortune 500 transportation and logistics company, with primary responsibility for YRC Worldwide Inc.'s legal, risk, compliance and external affairs matters, including its internal audit function. From 1995 to 2002, Mr. Churay served as the deputy general counsel and assistant secretary of Baker Hughes Incorporated, a Fortune 500 company that provides products and services to the petroleum and continuous process industries, where he was responsible for legal matters relating to acquisitions, divestitures, treasury matters and securities offerings. From 1989 to 1995, Mr. Churay was an attorney at the law firm of Fulbright and Jaworski LLP in Houston, Texas. Mr. Churay received a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Texas and a juris doctorate from the University of Houston Law Center, where he was a member of the Law Review.

Gary A. Ittner has served as our executive vice president and chief administrative officer since September 2010. Prior to that, he served as our executive vice president—supply chain management since January 2008 Prior to that, he had served as our senior corporate vice president of supply chain management since February 2007, having specific responsibility for the procurement of all industrial valves, automation, fittings and alloy tubular products. From March 2001 to November 2007, he served as our senior corporate vice president of supply chain management. Before joining the supply chain management group, Mr. Ittner worked in various field positions including branch manager, regional manager and senior regional vice president. He is a past chairman of the executive committee of the American Supply Association's Industrial Piping Division. Mr. Ittner began working at MRC in 1971 following his freshman year at the University of Cincinnati and joined MRC full-time following his graduation in 1974.

Rory M. Isaac has served as our executive vice president—business development since December 2008. Prior to that, he served as our senior corporate vice president of sales (focusing on downstream, industrials and natural gas utilities operations) since November 2007. From 2000 to 2007 he served as our senior vice president—national accounts, utilities and marketing. From 1995 to 2000 he served as our senior vice president—national accounts. Mr. Isaac joined MRC in 1981. He has extensive experience in sales, customer relations and management and has served at MRC as a branch manager, regional manager and regional vice president. In 1995 he began working in our corporate office in Charleston, West Virginia as senior vice president for national accounts, where he was responsible for managing and growing our national accounts customer base and directing business development efforts into integrated supply markets. Prior to joining MRC, Mr. Isaac worked at Consolidated Services, Inc. and Charleston Supply Company. Mr. Isaac attended the Citadel.

Scott A. Hutchinson has served as our executive vice president—North America operations since November 2009. Prior to that, from January 2009 to November 2009 he had served as our senior vice president of the Eastern region covering most operational units east of the Mississippi River. Mr. Hutchinson's extensive background in branch sales and operations was instrumental as he led the integration effort of the Midwest, Eastern and Appalachian regions. From October 1998 to January 2009, he served as senior vice president of our Midwest region. During this time he was key in the acquisitions and integration of Wilkins Supply, Joliet Valve, Cigma and Valvax, solidifying and expanding the market reach of the Company in the Midwest. From May 1988 to October 1998 he worked in various field positions including branch manager, regional manager and regional vice president in our Western Region. From 1984 to 1988, he served as outside sales representative for Grant Supply in Houston, Texas which became part of our Company in 1987. Prior to joining us, Mr. Hutchinson worked for Fluor Corporation in procurement. Mr. Hutchinson received a bachelor of arts degree in marketing from the University of Central Florida in 1977.

Neil P. Wagstaff has served as our executive vice president—international operations since January 1, 2011. Prior to that, he served as our executive vice president—international operations and as CEO of MRC Transmark since October 2009. From July 2006 until October 2009, he served as group chief executive of MRC Transmark, where he was responsible for the group's overall performance in 13 operating companies in Europe, Asia and Australia and oversaw a number of acquisitions and integrations. Prior to that he held a variety of positions within MRC Transmark, serving as a group divisional director from 2003, responsible for operations in the UK and Asia, as well as managing director for the UK businesses. He was also sales and marketing director of Heaton Valves prior to the acquisition by MRC Transmark group in 1996, as well as sales and marketing director for Hattersley Heaton valves and Shipham Valves. Mr. Wagstaff began his career in the valve manufacturing business in 1983 when he studied mechanical engineering at the Saunders Valve Company. Educated at London Business School, he is a chartered director and fellow of the UK Institute of Directors.

Leonard M. Anthony has been a member of the Board since October 2008. Mr. Anthony served as the president and CEO of WCI Steel, Inc., an integrated producer of custom steel products, from December 2007 to October 2008. He was also a member of the board of directors of WCI Steel from December 2007 to October 2008. Mr. Anthony has more than 25 years of financial and operational management experience. From April 2005 to August 2007, Mr. Anthony was the executive vice president and chief financial officer of Dresser-Rand Group Inc., a global supplier of rotating equipment solutions to the oil, natural gas, petrochemical and processing industries. From May 2003 to April 2005, he served as chief financial officer of International Steel Group Inc. From 1979 to 2003, he worked at Bethlehem Steel Corporation, where he held various managerial and leadership positions. Mr. Anthony had been the vice president of finance and treasurer of Bethlehem from October 1999 to September 2001 and senior vice president and chief financial officer from October 2001 to its acquisition by International Steel in April 2003, where he assumed the role of chief financial officer and

treasurer. Mr. Anthony also serves on the board of TechPrecision Corp (TPCS), where he is a member of the audit committee and chairman of the compensation committee. Mr. Anthony earned a bachelor of science in accounting from Pennsylvania State University, a masters of business administration from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and an A.M.P. from Harvard Business School. Mr. Anthony has extensive experience at multiple levels of financial control, planning and reporting and risk management for large corporate enterprises.

Rhys J. Best has been a member of the Board since December 2007. From 1999 until June 2004, Mr. Best was chairman, president and CEO of Lone Star Technologies, Inc., a company engaged in producing and marketing casing, tubing, line pipe and couplings for the oil and natural gas, industrial, automotive and power generation industries. From June 2004 until United States Steel Corporation acquired Lone Star in June 2007, Mr. Best was chairman and CEO of Lone Star. Mr. Best retired in June 2007. Before joining Lone Star in 1989, Mr. Best held several leadership positions in the banking industry. Mr. Best graduated from the University of North Texas with a bachelor of business administration and earned a masters of business administration from Southern Methodist University. He is a member of the board of directors of Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation, an independent natural gas producer, Trinity Industries, which owns a group of businesses providing products and services to the industrial, energy, transportation and construction sectors, and Austin Industries, Inc., a Dallas-based general construction company. He is also a member of the board of directors of Commercial Metals Corporation, a producer and marketer of scrap metals and metal products and chairman (non-executive) of the board of directors of Crosstex Energy, L.P., an independent midstream energy services company. He is also involved in a number of industry-related and civic organizations, including the Petroleum Equipment Suppliers Association (for which he has previously served as chairman) and the Maguire Energy Institute of Southern Methodist University. He serves on the board of advisors of the College of Business Administration at the University of North Texas. Mr. Best has extensive executive and leadership experience in overseeing the production and marketing of pipes and fittings in the oil and natural gas industry.

Peter C. Boylan III has been a member of the Board since August 2010. Mr. Boylan has served as the CEO of Boylan Partners, LLC, a provider of investment and advisory services, since March 2002. From April 2002 through March 2004, Mr. Boylan served as director, president and CEO of Liberty Broadband Interactive Television, Inc., a global technology provider controlled by Liberty Media Corporation. Previously, Mr. Boylan was co-president, co-chief operating officer, member of the office of the CEO, and director of Gemstar-TV Guide International, Inc., a media, entertainment, technology and communications company. Mr. Boylan currently serves on the board of directors of BOK Financial Corporation, a publicly traded regional financial services and bank holding company. Mr. Boylan has extensive corporate executive management and leadership experience, accounting, financial, and audit committee expertise, media and technology expertise, civic service, and experience sitting on other public and private boards of directors. In 2004, after a federal judge dismissed an SEC civil suit filed against Mr. Boylan in the United States District Court for the Central District of California (Western Division), he entered into court ordered mediation with the SEC leading to a civil settlement and a Final Judgment against Mr. Boylan, enjoining him from violating the anti-fraud, books and records and other provisions of the federal securities laws and ordering the payment of \$600,000 in disgorgement and civil penalties. Mr. Boylan consented to the entry of the order without admitting or denying any wrongdoing. The Final Judgment and settlement had no officer and director bar. The judgment against Mr. Boylan arose out of a complaint filed against Mr. Boylan and other executive officers by the SEC, alleging that Mr. Boylan and other executive officers violated various provisions of the U.S. securities laws during his tenure as co-president, co-chief operating officer and director of Gemstar-TV Guide International, Inc. (Gemstar) from J

Henry Cornell has been a member of the Board since November 2006. Mr. Cornell is a Managing Director of Goldman, Sachs & Co. He is the Chief Operating Officer of Goldman Sachs' Merchant

Banking Division, which includes all of the firm's corporate, real estate and infrastructure investment activities, and is a member of the global Merchant Banking Investment Committee. Mr. Cornell also serves on the board of directors of The First Marblehead Corporation, Kenan Advantage Group, Apple American Group, ProSight Specialty Insurance, Kinder Morgan, Inc. and USI Holdings Corporation. Mr. Cornell is the chairman of The Citizens Committee of New York City, treasurer and trustee of the Whitney Museum of American Art, a member of The Council on Foreign Relations, trustee emeritus of the Asia Society, trustee emeritus of the Japan Society and a member of Sotheby's International Advisory Board. He earned a bachelor of arts from Grinnell College in 1976 and a juris doctorate from New York Law School in 1981. Mr. Cornell practiced law with the firm of Davis, Polk & Wardwell from 1981 to 1984 in New York and London. Mr. Cornell joined Goldman, Sachs & Co. in 1984. Mr. Cornell brings extensive experience in corporate investment, corporate governance and strategic planning including in the pipeline transportation and energy storage industries. He also has extensive experience serving on boards of directors of other significant companies including multinational companies in the energy industry.

Christopher A.S. Crampton has been a member of the Board since January 2007. He is currently a vice president in the Merchant Banking Division of Goldman, Sachs & Co., which he joined in 2003. From 2000 to 2003, he worked in the investment banking division of Deutsche Bank Securities. Mr. Crampton currently serves as a director of U.S. Security Associates, Inc. He is a graduate of Princeton University. Mr. Crampton has extensive experience in investment banking, corporate finance and strategic planning.

John F. X. Daly has been a member of the Board since January 2007. Mr. Daly is a managing director in the Principal Investment Area of Goldman, Sachs & Co., where he has worked since 2000. From 1998 to 2000, he was a member of the Investment Banking Division of Goldman, Sachs & Co. From 1991 to 1997, Mr. Daly was a senior instructor of mechanical and aerospace engineering at Case Western Reserve University. He earned a bachelor of science and master of science in engineering from Case Western Reserve University and a masters in business administration from the Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania. Mr. Daly currently serves as a director of KAG Holding Corp., Fiberlink Communications Corp., Hawker Beechcraft, Inc. and U.S. Security Associates, Inc. In the past five years, Mr. Daly has also served on the boards of Cooper-Standard Automotive, Inc., Euramax Holdings, Inc. and IPC Systems, Inc. Mr. Daly has extensive experience in investment banking, corporate finance and strategic planning, including in the industrial and manufacturing sectors. He also has extensive experience serving on boards of directors of other significant companies, including multinational companies.

Craig Ketchum has been a member of the Board since October 2007. Mr. Ketchum served as our chairman of the Board from September 2008 to December 2009 and as our president and CEO from May 2008 to September 2008. Prior to that, he served as co-president and co-CEO of McJunkin Red Man Corporation since the business combination between McJunkin Corporation and Red Man in October 2007. He served at Red Man in various capacities since 1979, including store operations and sales, working at Red Man locations in Ardmore, Oklahoma, Tulsa, Oklahoma, Denver, Colorado, and Dallas, Texas. He was named vice president—sales at Red Man in 1991, executive vice president of Red Man in 1994 and president and CEO in 1995. He also served on Red Man's board of directors. Mr. Ketchum graduated from the University of Central Oklahoma with a business degree and joined Red Man in 1979. He has served as chairman of the Petroleum Equipment Suppliers Association. Mr. Ketchum is intimately familiar with PVF distribution operations and is uniquely qualified to serve as a director due to his years of service in senior management of both Red Man and McJunkin Red Man Corporation.

Gerard P. Krans has been a member of the Board since December 2009. Mr. Krans serves as the chief executive officer and chairman of the board of directors of Transmark Holdings N.V., a privately owned energy and oil services group, and Transmark Investments. Mr. Krans also serves on the board of directors of Royal Wagenborg and Crucell. From 2001 to 2007, Mr. Krans served as

chairman of the board of directors of Royal van Zanten. From 1995 to 2000, Mr. Krans served on the executive board of VOPAK. From 1973 to 1995, Mr. Krans served in various positions with Royal Dutch Shell. Mr. Krans received university degrees in law, econometrics and taxation. Mr. Krans has extensive experience in strategic planning and corporate oversight, including in the energy, chemical and oil sectors.

Dr. Cornelis A. Linse has been a member of the Board since May 2010. He was formerly a non-executive director of Transmark Holdings N.V., a privately owned energy and oil services group. From February 2007 until January 2010, Dr. Linse was the director of common infrastructure management for Shell International B.V. During this same period, he also served as chairman of the board of Shell Pension Fund—The Netherlands, a pension fund that Shell Petroleum N.V. sponsors. From February 2003 to February 2007, he was the executive vice president of contracting and procurement for Shell International B.V. Dr. Linse has held various leadership and managerial roles in the oil and gas industry since 1978 and has extensive experience in developing business infrastructure in growing, multinational companies. Dr. Linse earned a doctorate degree from Leiden University in 1978.

John A. Perkins has been a member of the Board since December 2009. From 2001 until 2006, he was chief executive of London-based Truflo International plc, an international industrial group involved in the manufacture and specialist distribution of valves and related flow control products. Prior to emigrating to the UK in 1987, he was executive director and (from 1982) managing director of Metboard, a South African investment, property and financial services group, which merged with the banking group Investec, which was subsequently listed on the Johannesburg and London Stock Exchanges. Mr. Perkins earned a bachelor of commerce degree from the University of the Witwatersrand and is a South African chartered accountant. Mr. Perkins brings extensive experience in the valve manufacturing and distribution industries throughout Europe, the United States, Australasia and the Far East.

H.B. Wehrle, III has been a member of the Board since January 2007. He served as our president and CEO from January 31, 2007 to October 30, 2007. From October 31, 2007 to May 2008, Mr. Wehrle served as co-president and co-CEO of McJunkin Red Man Corporation, and from May 2008 until September 2008, he served as our chairman of the Board. Mr. Wehrle began his career with McJunkin Corporation in 1973 in sales. He subsequently served as treasurer and was later promoted to executive vice president. He was elected president of McJunkin Corporation in 1987. Mr. Wehrle graduated from Princeton University and received a master of business administration from Georgia State University in 1978. He is affiliated with the Young Presidents' Organization. He serves on the boards of the Central WV Regional Airport Authority, the Mid-Atlantic Technology, Research and Innovation Center and the National Institute for Chemical Studies in Charleston, West Virginia. He also serves on the board of the Mountain Company in Parkersburg, West Virginia and the University of Charleston. Mr. Wehrle is intimately familiar with PVF distribution operations and is uniquely qualified to serve as a director due to his years of service in senior management of both McJunkin Corporation and McJunkin Red Man Corporation.

Each of our directors, except for Messrs. Lane, Anthony, Best, Boylan, Linse and Perkins, is also a director of PVF Holdings, our largest stockholder. Messrs. Wehrle and Ketchum, two of our directors, are each co-chairman of PVF Holdings.

Board of Directors

The Board currently consists of twelve members. The current directors are included above. Our directors are elected annually to serve until the next annual meeting of stockholders or until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

The Board has determined that we are a "controlled company" under the rules of the NYSE and, as a result, will qualify for, and may rely on, exemptions from certain corporate governance requirements of the NYSE. Pursuant to the "controlled company" exception to the board of directors and committee composition requirements, we will be exempt from the rules that require that:

- \ddot{Y} the Board be comprised of a majority of "independent directors",
- Ÿ our compensation committee be comprised solely of "independent directors" and
- Ÿ we establish a nominating and corporate governance committee comprised solely of "independent directors" (as the rules of the NYSE define).

The "controlled company" exception does not modify the independence requirements for the audit committee. We intend to comply with the audit committee requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the NYSE, which require that our audit committee be composed of at least one independent director at the closing of this offering, a majority of independent directors within 90 days of this offering and all independent directors within a year of this offering.

MRC Global Inc. currently has five directors who would be considered independent within the definitions of the NYSE: Messrs. Anthony, Best, Boylan, and Perkins and Dr. Linse.

Board Leadership Structure

The Board currently combines the positions of CEO and chairman of the Board. Mr. Lane currently holds these positions. The responsibilities of the chairman include presiding at all meetings of the Board, reviewing and approving meeting agendas, meeting schedules and other information, as appropriate, and performing such other duties as the Board requires from time to time. We believe that the current model is effective for the Company as the combined position of CEO and chairman maximizes strategic advantages and company and industry expertise. Mr. Lane has extensive leadership experience in our industry and is best positioned to set and execute strategic priorities. Mr. Lane's leadership enhances the Board's exercise of its responsibilities. In addition, this model provides enhanced efficiency and effective decision-making and clear accountability. The Board evaluates this structure periodically.

In addition, an independent director chairs each of our audit and compensation committees. The Board believes that having these two key committees with independent chairs provides a structure for strong independent oversight of our management.

Risk Oversight

The Board administers its risk oversight function primarily through the audit committee, which oversees the Company's risk management practices. The audit committee is responsible for, among other things, discussing with management on a regular basis the Company's guidelines and policies that govern the process for risk assessment and risk management. This discussion includes the Company's major risk exposures and actions taken to monitor and control these exposures. The Board believes that its administration of risk management has not affected the Board's leadership structure, as described above.

In addition, we have established a risk management committee. Our risk management committee is currently comprised of Messrs. Lane, Braun, Churay, Ittner, Isaac, Hutchinson, Underhill and Wagstaff, as well as Diana D. Morris, our senior vice president – human resources, Elton Bond, our senior vice president and chief accounting officer, Theresa L. Dudding, our senior vice president and controller, Hugh Brown, the senior vice president and chief financial officer of MRC Transmark, John Durbin, our senior vice president of finance and treasurer, Brian K. Shore, our senior vice president

associate general counsel, chief compliance officer and assistant corporate secretary, Will James, our vice president corporate development and investor relations, Cinda Bowling, our vice president of financial reporting, Stephanie McCaffrey, our vice president of internal audit, and John Lohman, our vice president — global tax. The principal responsibilities of the risk management committee are to review and monitor any material risks or exposures associated with the conduct of our business, the internal risk management systems implemented to identify, minimize, monitor or manage these risks or exposures, and the Company's policies and procedures for risk management. While the audit committee is responsible for reviewing the Company's policies and practices with respect to risk assessment and risk management, it is the responsibility of senior management of the Company to determine the appropriate level of the Company's exposure to risk.

Committees of the Board

Audit Committee. Our audit committee is currently comprised of Messrs. Anthony, Best and Perkins. Mr. Anthony is chairman of the audit committee. The Board has determined that Mr. Anthony qualifies as an "audit committee financial expert" and an "independent director" under the rules of the NYSE. The audit committee's primary duties and responsibilities are to assist the Board in oversight of the integrity of our financial statements, the integrity and adequacy of our auditing, accounting and financial reporting processes and systems of internal controls for financial reporting, compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, including internal controls designed for that purpose, the independence, qualifications and performance of our independent auditor and the performance of our internal audit function.

Compensation Committee. Our compensation committee is currently comprised of Messrs. Best, Boylan, Crampton and Daly. Mr. Best is chairman of the compensation committee. The principal responsibilities of the compensation committee are to establish policies and periodically determine matters involving executive compensation, recommend changes in employee benefit programs, grant or recommend the grant of stock options and stock and other long-term incentive awards and provide counsel regarding key personnel selection. See "Compensation Discussion and Analysis – Overview". Messrs. Crampton and Daly would not be considered independent within the definitions of the NYSE.

International Committee. Our international committee is currently comprised of Messrs. Krans, Best, Crampton, Perkins and Daly and Dr. Linse. Mr. Krans is chairman of the international committee. The purpose of the international committee is to assist the Board and our management with the oversight of our business strategies and initiatives outside of the United States.

Code of Ethics

We have adopted a code of ethics that applies to our principal executive officer (our CEO), principal financial officer (our executive vice president and chief financial officer), principal accounting officer (our senior vice president and chief accounting officer), and controller (our senior vice president and controller) and persons performing similar functions. A copy of the code of ethics has been posted on our website at www.mrcpvf.com. If we amend or waive provisions of this code of ethics with respect to such officers, we intend to also disclose the same on our website.

Executive Compensation

Compensation Discussion and Analysis

Overview

Since the GS Acquisition in January 2007, the overriding objective of our owners and management has been to increase the economic value and size of our Company during our owners' period of ownership. We have designed our compensation programs to support this continuing goal. In

addition, compensation decisions during 2007 and 2008 were made to successfully integrate the compensation programs of McJunkin Corporation and Red Man. This integration was largely completed by the end of 2008.

The compensation committee of the Board (the "Committee") establishes policies and periodically determines matters involving executive compensation, recommends changes in employee benefit programs, grants or recommends the grant of stock options and stock and other long-term incentive awards and provides counsel regarding key personnel selection. During 2011, the Committee was comprised of Messrs. Best, Boylan, Crampton, Daly, Harry K. Hornish, Jr. (resigned January 2011)and Sam B. Rovit (resigned February 2011), with Mr. Best serving as chairman. Each member of the Committee is a non-employee director.

Generally, the Committee has decision-making authority with respect to executive compensation matters, including determination of the compensation and benefits of the executive officers. With respect to equity-based compensation awards (including to the executive officers), the Committee approves grants or makes recommendations to the entire Board for final approval.

Pursuant to the Committee's charter, its duties include:

- Y Subject to the terms of any employment contracts, reviewing and determining, or making recommendations to the Board with respect to, the annual salary, bonus, stock options and other compensation, incentives and benefits, direct and indirect, of the CEO and other executive officers. In determining long-term incentive compensation of the CEO and other executive officers, the Committee will consider, among other things, the Company's performance and relative shareholder return, the value of similar incentive awards to CEOs and other executive officers of companable companies and the awards the Company gave to the CEO and the executive officers in the past:
- Y Reviewing and approving corporate goals and objectives relevant to compensation of the CEO and other executive officers and evaluating the CEO's and other executive officers' performance in light of those goals and objectives on an annual basis, and, either separately or together with other independent directors (as the Board directs), determining and approving the CEO's and other executive officers' compensation level based on this evaluation or making recommendations to the Board with respect to their compensation level;
- Y Reviewing and authorizing or recommending to the Board to authorize, as the Committee determines, the Company to enter into, amend or terminate any employment, consulting, change in control, severance or termination, or other compensation agreements or arrangements with the CEO and other executive officers of the Company (and, at the option of the Committee, other officers and employees of the Company);
- Y Periodically reviewing and considering the competitiveness and appropriateness of our executive officer compensation;
- Ÿ Reviewing new executive compensation programs, reviewing on a periodic basis the operation of our existing executive compensation programs to determine whether they integrate appropriately and establishing and periodically reviewing policies for the administration of executive compensation programs;
- Y Overseeing the administration of incentive compensation plans and equity-based compensation plans and exercising all authority and discretion those plans provide to the Committee and performing such duties and responsibilities as the Board may assign with respect to those plans;
- Ÿ Conducting a review at least annually of, and determining or making recommendations to the Board regarding, compensation for nonemployee directors (including compensation for service

- on the Board and Board committees, meeting fees and equity-based compensation). The Committee is also responsible for and oversees administration of any plans or programs providing for the compensation of non-employee directors; and
- Ÿ Overseeing the procedures and substance of the Company's compensation and benefit policies (subject, if applicable, to shareholder approval), including establishing, reviewing, approving or making recommendations to the Board with respect to any incentive-compensation and equity-based plans of the Company that are subject to Board approval.

Compensation Philosophy and Objectives

The Committee believes that our executive compensation programs should be structured to reward the achievement of specific annual, long-term and strategic performance goals of our Company. Accordingly, the executive compensation philosophy of the Committee is threefold:

- Ÿ To align the interests of our executive officers with those of our shareholders, thereby providing long-term economic benefit to our shareholders;
- Ÿ To provide competitive financial incentives in the form of salary, bonus and benefits, with the goal of attracting and retaining talented executive officers: and
- Ÿ To maintain a compensation program that includes at-risk, performance based awards whereby executive officers who demonstrate exceptional performance will have the opportunity to realize appropriate economic rewards.

Setting Executive Compensation

Role of the Compensation Committee

The Committee has granted short-term cash incentive and long-term equity incentive awards to motivate our executive officers to achieve the business goals that our Company has established. In addition to considering our philosophy and objectives, the Committee considers the impact of the duties and responsibilities of each executive officer on the results and success of the Company. Based on these factors, the Committee has devised a compensation program designed to keep our executive officers highly incentivized and also to achieve parity among executive officers with similar duties and responsibilities.

Role of Executive Officers

Since September 2008, our CEO has met periodically with our senior vice president of human resources to discuss executive compensation issues. Our senior vice president of human resources makes quarterly presentations to the Committee with respect to issues and developments regarding compensation and our compensation programs. Our CEO and senior vice president of human resources work together annually to develop tally sheets, which our CEO presents to the Committee. These tally sheets present the current compensation of each executive officer, divided into each element of compensation, and also present the proposed changes to compensation for the upcoming year (except that no proposals are made with respect to changes to our CEO's compensation). Changes to our CEO's compensation are left to the Committee's discretion. Following our CEO's presentation of the tally sheets, the Committee determines appropriate changes in compensation for the upcoming year. Each year, the Committee approves the executive officers' annual target bonuses (expressed in each case as a percentage of base salary) and the performance metrics and goals for annual incentive awards that the Company would pay in respect of performance during the year. Certain elements of compensation (such as annual base salary and annual target bonus percentage) are set forth in employment agreements entered into between the Company and certain executive officers. The Committee makes decisions with respect to equity-based compensation awards that the Company grants to our named executive officers and may recommend these awards to the entire Board for final approval.

Role of Compensation Consultant

Pursuant to the Committee's charter, the Committee has the power to retain or terminate compensation consultants and engage other advisors. In 2008, the Company engaged Hewitt Associates, a third-party global human resources consulting firm, to review and make recommendations with respect to the structure of our compensation programs, including executive compensation, following the business combination of McJunkin Corporation and Red Man in October 2007. During this engagement, Hewitt Associates worked with a team from the Company to review and assess compensation. The primary task of Hewitt Associates in 2008 was to assist the Company in successfully integrating the compensation programs of McJunkin Corporation and Red Man. As part of this process, Hewitt Associates reviewed existing McJunkin Corporation and Red Man compensation programs and made recommendations as to how these programs could be integrated based on its review and survey data. As part of Hewitt Associates' integration work in 2008, an executive compensation specialist from Hewitt Associates advised the Committee regarding the appropriate allocation of executive compensation among each element of compensation using benchmark data. The Committee approved certain recommendations from the Hewitt study. Starting on January 1, 2009, the Company implemented a new compensation program structure, which included integration of multiple heritage plans that McJunkin Corporation and Red Man previously maintained. The Committee did not engage Hewitt Associates or any other compensation consultant during 2009.

In December 2010, the Committee engaged Meridian Compensation Partners, LLC (an independent consultant specializing in executive compensation) to formulate a report and make recommendations to the Committee regarding executive compensation during 2011, based on peer group and other market data, as well as industry trends and current practices. In making its report to the Committee, Meridian used compensation peer data from the following companies for each position that our named executive officers hold to the extent available:

- Ÿ Airgas Inc.
- Ÿ Applied Industrial Technologies, Inc.
- Ÿ Cameron International Corp.
- Ÿ Complete Production Services, Inc.
- Ÿ Dresser-Rand Group, Inc.
- Ÿ Edgen Murray II, LP
- Ÿ Fastenal Co.
- Ÿ Flowserve Corp.

- Ÿ MSC Industrial Direct Co. Inc.
- Ÿ National Oilwell Varco, Inc.
- Ÿ Oil States International, Inc.
- Ÿ RPC Inc.
- Ÿ Superior Energy Services Inc.
- Ÿ Watsco, Inc.
- Ÿ WESCO International Inc.
- Ÿ WW Grainger Inc.

These peers were chosen as distributors or sellers of industrial or energy products of a similar character as those that we sell or who have similar distribution business models to our business model. Each of these peer companies had fiscal year 2010 revenue between \$628 million and \$12.1 billion (with 50th percentile revenue of the group at \$2.3 billion), a range within which our revenue lies. These peer companies also represent companies with whom we compete for talent. Meridian presented peer-company specific data, average compensation and compensation at each quartile of the data to the Committee with respect to total compensation and major elements of compensation (i.e. salary, annual bonus and long-term incentives) for each of the named executive officer's positions. The Committee used this data to determine whether its compensation decisions were within the market levels for each named executive officer; however, the Committee did not set any compensation for any named executive officer at a specific level within the peer group range for each executive (such as pegging the compensation to a 50th percentile level). Rather, the Committee exercised its discretion considering the following factors:

 \ddot{Y} the executive's contributions and performance;

- Y the executive's roles and responsibilities, including the executive's tenure in such role;
- Ÿ the Company's need for the executive's skills;
- Ÿ the executive's experience and management responsibilities;
- Ÿ market levels of compensation for positions comparable to the executive's position;
- \dot{Y} the executive's compensation history and compensation mix, including this history and mix that newly hired executives experience with their prior employers; and
- Ÿ the executive's potential and readiness to contribute in the executive's current role.

The Committee did not give any particular weight to any of these factors.

Components of Executive Compensation

Our named executive officers for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011 were Messrs. Lane, Braun, Churay, Ittner and Underhill. The principal components of compensation for our named executive officers are:

- Ÿ Base salary;
- Ÿ Annual cash incentive;
- Ÿ Long-term equity compensation;
- Ÿ Retirement benefits; and
- Ÿ Perquisites and other personal benefits.

Base Salary

We provide our named executive officers with base salary to compensate them for services they provide during the fiscal year. The Committee reviews base salary for executives (including the named executive officers) on an annual basis and determines based on each executive's position, responsibilities, performance, current compensation (both individually and as compared to other executives) and survey data. Each of Messrs. Lane, Braun, Churay and Underhill is party to an employment agreement. The initial base salaries of these executive officers are set forth in their respective agreements, and the Committee reviews these base salaries annually and may adjust them upward based on the factors described above.

Annual Cash Incentive

During the annual review of compensation plans, the Committee approves performance metrics and goals for annual cash incentive awards that the Company will pay in respect of performance during the relevant performance period, including to our named executive officers. As part of this review, the Committee approves target bonus percentages for persons eligible to receive annual incentive awards, subject to the terms of any employment agreements between the Company and executives. Each of the named executive officers had a target annual bonus for the 2011 performance year equal to 67% of his annual base salary. The target annual bonus percentages for each of Messrs. Lane, Braun, Churay and Underhill are set forth in their respective employment agreements with us. Although the employment agreements of Messrs. Lane and Underhill each provided for a target annual bonus percentage of 100% of base salary for 2011, as a result of economic conditions during late 2009 through early 2011 and the actual bonus payouts for 2009 and 2010, these executives agreed to a target annual bonus percentage of 67% for 2011. The payment of annual incentive awards for the 2011 performance year to our named executive officers depends on the achievement of three weighted

performance metrics. Those metrics for the named executive officers were adjusted earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ("EBITDA"); return on net assets ("RONA"), calculated as EBITDA divided by net assets; and individualized key performance indicators ("KPIs"). Achievement of goals with respect to EBITDA, RONA and KPIs constituted 70%, 20% and 10% of annual awards, respectively for Messrs Lane, Braun, Churay, Ittner and Underhill. While the Committee generally measures annual cash incentives in respect of performance of these metrics, the Committee may also exercise its discretion to adjust award payouts to meet business objectives.

For the 2011 performance year, we determined the EBITDA and RONA performance goals by a budgeting process that involved an examination of our Company's markets, customers and general outlook with respect to 2011. The Board approved the final budget. The 2011 EBITDA and RONA performance goals for the named executive officers related to the consolidated performance of the Company. The 2011 consolidated Company EBITDA goal was \$282,099,000 and the RONA goal was 22.3%. No awards were payable with respect to the EBITDA or RONA performance metrics unless at least 75% of the relevant performance goal was achieved. At 75% achievement of each of these performance metrics, there was a payout of 25% of each participant's target annual incentive bonus related to the performance metric; this portion of the payout increased with respect to the performance metric in 3% increments for each additional percent of achievement up to full achievement of the relevant performance goal. Achievement of KPIs was determined on a discretionary basis. Upon full achievement of each of the performance metrics (EBITDA, RONA and KPIs), 100% of the target annual incentive bonus could be paid. In 2011, the maximum award payable to our named executive officers was 110% of target if EBITDA and RONA goals were exceeded, which is earned in 1% increments to the extent EBITDA and RONA performance exceed 100%. KPIs are capped at a maximum payout of 100%. The Committee evaluates the achievement of the performance metrics on an annual basis in connection with awards to the named executive officers. In 2011, the Company exceeded its EBITDA and RONA goals, generating EBITDA of approximately \$360.5 million and RONA of 24.1%. The amounts payable in respect of the EBITDA metric was 110%, and the amount payable in the respect of the RONA metric was 108% of the annual target bonus (prior to application of performance attributable to KPIs).

The Committee approved KPIs for the named executive officers based on a set of projects and plans designed to align the executives' activities with the strategic plans and financial goals of the Company for the relevant performance period, which are related to the functional responsibility of each executive's position. As discussed above, KPIs for the named executive officers comprise 10% of annual bonuses for 2011. The following is a summary of the named executive officers' achievements in 2011 with respect to their individual KPI goals.

- Y Mr. Lane led a global growth plan that resulted in approximately \$1 billion in annual sales growth since 2010 and exceeded the Company's consolidated revenue goals for the year. Mr. Lane also led profitability improvement efforts that resulted in the Company exceeding gross margin, EBITDA and operating income goals for 2011 and delivered the Company's first positive net income in the past three years. Mr. Lane engaged outside consultants to aid the Company in implementing operation excellence strategies in North America and to develop a three to five-year information technology strategy for the Company. Mr. Lane also led the Company's mergers and acquisitions strategy with the completion of the Company's acquisitions of Stainless Pipe & Fittings in Perth, Australia and Valve Systems & Controls in Houston, Texas. Under Mr. Lane's leadership, the Company also acquired OneSteel Piping Systems in Sydney, Australia. Mr. Lane also led efforts and engaged outside consultants to recruit executive management talent with global, public company experience to the Company, which resulted in the hiring of a new general counsel and chief financial officer along with other corporate positions.
- Ÿ Mr. Braun joined the Company in late in 2011 and was immediately engaged in reorganizing the finance and accounting management team (including newly added global tax, treasury,

internal audit, and investor relations and corporate development positions) to further position the Company for its international expansion and the functions the Company needed as a public company. Mr. Braun seamlessly transitioned into the chief financial officer role becoming immediately engaged in acquisition and financial reporting activities meeting the demands for public reporting and reporting to lenders and analysts.

- Y Mr. Churay joined MRC in third quarter 2011 and became pivotal in the preparation of third quarter public reporting documents as well preparation and submission of the Company's registration statement to the Securities and Exchange Commission, of which this prospectus forms a part. Further, Mr. Churay was actively involved in the successful negotiation of the acquisition of OneSteel Piping Systems in Australia. Mr. Churay has also expanded the resources of the Company's legal department thereby improving internal capacity and reducing expenses for outside counsel. He has also led an effort to globalize the Company's insurance program to obtain substantial insurance premium savings. Finally, Mr. Churay has been substantially involved in structuring and preparing the Company's executive compensation programs in anticipation of the Company's initial public offering of its common stock.
- Y Mr. Ittner as Chief Administrative Officer was an important contributor to the financial success of MRC as a result of process improvements in the management of inventory and the optimization of our supply chain purchases to meet increasing customer activity and MRC profitability targets. Additionally, his management of other shared service groups contributed to the success and achievement of MRC goals by implementing recommendations of consultants engaged by MRC to improve our freight processes and putting in place new workflow tools and business processes to improve our North America branch and third party operations. Mr. Ittner also formalized governance processes for prioritizing and tracking IT projects and implemented ORACLE systems at MRC Transmark, made enhancements to SIMS in North America, and implemented business processes and training to accomplish SOX compliance in operations. In HR, he led our efforts to complete a benchmark review of health plan coverage and to secure competitive proposals from vendors for the 2012 plan year. Additionally, Mr. Ittner was responsible for MRC safety administration and practices which led to improved safety practices in 2011. Mr. Ittner led our efforts to recruit new leadership from outside the Company in both Safety and Freight Management to enhance our management capabilities.
- Y Mr. Underhill, before moving from chief financial officer to chief operating officer- North America, successfully met goals relating to the improvement of systemic international financial reporting for all MRC operating entities. Mr. Underhill's leadership and planning resulted in timely preparation of public reporting documents on Forms S-4, 10-K, 10-Q and 8-K. Mr. Underhill also made significant progress and achieved success with respect to internal audit capacity and implementation of controls and measures to minimize risk and support accurate recording of financial results. Mr. Underhill also was responsible for improvements to the budgeting process and systems within MRC which reconciled and consolidated budget projections granularly from local reporting up through the consolidated budget thereby aligning the company around central financial goals. Mr. Underhill was integral to the selection and reorganization of the finance and accounting group within MRC putting in place expertise and experience befitting a global publicly traded company.

In respect of performance during 2011, the named executive officers were paid 109% of their target annual incentive bonus. Messrs. Braun and Churay were paid a prorated amount based upon the length of time they were employed in 2011. The amounts the Company paid to the named executive officers as a result of their respective levels of performance are as follows: \$509,334 for Mr. Lane; \$51,540 for Mr. Braun; \$83,676 for Mr. Churay; \$272,858 for Mr. Ittner; and \$363,810 for Mr. Underhill. As part of his negotiated offer of employment, the Company agreed to pay Mr. Braun a signing bonus of \$350,000, consisting of \$100,000 paid in 2011 on his first day of employment, with the

balance payable in March 2012. Pursuant to the terms of his offer, this balance will be reduced by the \$51,540 annual incentive bonus that he received for 2011. Mr. Braun must repay the signing bonus to the Company if he voluntarily leaves the Company or is terminated for cause within one year of his November 1, 2011 start date.

Long-Term Equity Compensation

We believe that long-term equity compensation is important to assure that the interests of management remain aligned with those of our stockholders. Since the GS Acquisition, the form of long-term equity compensation that the Company has granted to executives (including the named executive officers) has evolved. In connection with the GS Acquisition and the Red Man Transaction, certain executives (including Messrs. Ittner and Underhill) were granted profits units in PVF Holdings. The number of profits units that PVF Holdings awarded in connection with those transactions was determined based on various factors, including a consideration of what size award was required to adequately incentivize the executives (as part of the executives' overall compensation package) and, most notably, negotiations between executives and our Company as part of the overall negotiations relating to the GS Acquisition and the Red Man Transaction. Starting in 2008, the Board, along with the Committee, decided to grant executives equity compensation in the form of stock options in respect of our common stock and restricted common stock. Since that time, the Board has approved grants of stock options and restricted common stock to our executives periodically in its discretion. The reasoning behind the Board's decision to grant equity awards to our named executive officers is described in the discussion of the relevant equity grants in the subsection titled "Stock Options and Restricted Stock". We do not currently have a formal policy regarding the timing of equity grants, although we are currently considering whether to adopt such a policy.

Profits Units

Profits units are governed by Articles III and VII of the Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of PVF Holdings dated as of October 31, 2007, and amended on December 18, 2007 and October 30, 2009 (the "PVF LLC Agreement"). PVF Holdings granted Messrs. Ittner and Underhill profits units in PVF Holdings on January 31, 2007. PVF Holdings did not require grantees who received profits units to make any capital contribution in exchange for their profits units, which were awarded as compensation. Profits units have no voting rights, and PVF Holdings may from time to time distribute its available cash to holders of profits units along with its other equity holders. Pursuant to the PVF LLC Agreement, PVF Holdings is required to make distributions, first, to holders of common units, pro rata in proportion to the number of those units outstanding at the time of distribution, until each holder has received an amount equal to the holder's net aggregate capital contributions (for purposes of the PVF LLC Agreement) and, second, to holders of all units (including profits units) pro rata in proportion to the number of units outstanding at the time of the distribution. Please see the table titled "Outstanding Equity Awards at 2011 Fiscal Year-End" below for the number of profits units held by Messrs. Ittner and Underhill as of December 31, 2011.

Pursuant to the PVF LLC Agreement, profits units generally become vested in one-third increments on each of the third, fourth and fifth anniversaries of the date of grant. In the event of a termination of employment other than for Cause (as defined in the PVF LLC Agreement), all unvested profits units will be forfeited. However, in the event of a termination for Cause, unless otherwise determined by the board of directors of PVF Holdings, all profits units, whether vested or unvested, will be forfeited. In the event of a termination by reason of death or Disability (as defined in the PVF LLC Agreement), all unvested profits units will become vested and nonforfeitable. Also, in the event of a Transaction (as defined in the PVF LLC Agreement), all unvested profits units will become vested and nonforfeitable. The PVF LLC Agreement also specifies that profits units may be subject to different vesting schedules if the board of directors of PVF Holdings approves. The PVF LLC Agreement solely

governs the terms, including the vesting schedules, of the profits units that Messrs. Ittner and Underhill hold. See "Corporate Structure" for an illustration of the location of PVF Holdings in our corporate structure.

Stock Options and Restricted Stock

We maintain a restricted stock plan and a stock option plan. Pursuant to these plans, the Committee may grant awards of restricted stock and stock options to our key employees, directors and consultants. The terms and conditions to which each award is subject are set forth in individual award agreements.

In connection with the hiring of Mr. Lane in September 2008, Mr. Lane purchased 85,109 shares of our common stock, and the Committee granted to him stock options in respect of 879,464 shares of our common stock, with an exercise price of \$35.26 (taking into account the two-for-one reverse split of our common stock on February 29, 2012). Mr. Lane's options vest in equal installments on each of the second, third, fourth and fifth anniversaries of the date of grant, conditioned on continued employment through the applicable vesting date. Mr. Lane's options are subject to pro-rata accelerated vesting if:

- Ÿ The Company terminates his employment other than for Cause (as defined in his employment agreement),
- \ddot{Y} Mr. Lane terminates his employment for Good Reason (as defined in his employment agreement) or
- Ÿ Mr. Lane dies or becomes disabled.

In addition, Mr. Lane's options fully vest upon the occurrence of a Change in Control (as defined in his employment agreement). All of Mr. Lane's stock options, whether vested or unvested, will be forfeited if we terminate his employment for Cause (as defined in the stock option plan). The grant of stock options to Mr. Lane was made as part of the Company's offer of employment to Mr. Lane.

In February 2009, we granted Mr. Lane 25,000 shares of our restricted common stock. This restricted stock award vests on the fifth anniversary of the date of grant and is conditioned on continued employment through the vesting date. Mr. Lane's restricted stock award fully vests in the event of a Transaction (as defined in the restricted stock agreement) or upon the termination of Mr. Lane's employment due to his death or disability. All shares of restricted stock, whether vested or unvested, will be forfeited if we terminate his employment for Cause (as defined in the restricted stock plan). The Committee approved this grant of restricted stock to Mr. Lane to ensure the competitiveness of his total compensation package.

In June 2009, Mr. Lane transferred all common stock, restricted stock and stock options that he held to Andy & Cindy Lane Family, L.P. for no consideration. The terms and conditions of the stock option and restricted stock awards, including conditions relating to Mr. Lane's employment, continue to govern these awards following this transfer. In September 2009, the option exercise price of the stock options that Andy & Cindy Lane Family, L.P. holds was reduced from \$35.26 to \$25.00, which is not less than the fair market value of our common stock as of the date of this amendment. The Committee made this reduction in exercise price to maintain the incentive value of this award. In December 2009, in connection with the \$2.9 million cash dividend MRC Global Inc. paid to its shareholders, the option exercise price of the stock options held by Andy & Cindy Lane Family, L.P. was reduced to \$24.96. In the third quarter of 2011, the Committee repriced the stock options held by Andy & Cindy Lane Family, L.P. to a \$18.10 per share strike price.

In August 2011, we granted Mr. Lane 90,000 shares of our restricted common stock. Concurrently, Mr. Lane transferred the restricted common stock to Andy & Cindy Lane Family L.P. for no consideration. This restricted stock award vests on the fifth anniversary of the date of grant and is

conditioned on continued employment through the vesting date. Mr. Lane's restricted stock award fully vests in the event of a Transaction (as defined in the restricted stock agreement) or upon the termination of Mr. Lane's employment due to his death or disability. All shares of restricted stock, whether vested or unvested, will be forfeited if we terminate his employment for Cause (as defined in the restricted stock plan). As described earlier, when joining the Company in 2008, Mr. Lane purchased 85,109 shares of Company common stock. In light of the diminution in value in this investment during the 2008-09 downturn and Mr. Lane's subsequent successful efforts to address the Company's financial performance, the Committee awarded Mr. Lane these restricted shares in addition to repricing his options described earlier to have a total equity award that was competitive and reasonable in value with the 50th percentile of the peer group of other chief executive officers in the Meridian peer group study. The Committee did not target the 50th percentile of the peer group, but rather used the peer group to gauge whether its decision was competitive and reasonable in the market. Thus, the Committee approved this grant of restricted stock to Mr. Lane to ensure the competitiveness of his total compensation package.

In August 2011, we also granted 66,577 stock options to Mr. Churay in connection with his offer of employment with the Company and also as a retention incentive. In November 2011, we granted 165,746 stock options to Mr. Braun in connection with his offer of employment with the Company and also a retention incentive. The amount of options that the Committee awarded to Messrs. Braun and Churay was determined by negotiation with each of these executives, subject to their individual circumstances when joining the Company. The Committee reviewed the Meridian peer group data to benchmark the value of the negotiated grants to confirm that the grants were both competitive and reasonable against the 50th percentile of those in the chief financial officer and general counsel positions, respectively, in the peer group. The Committee did not target the 50th percentile of the peer group, but rather used the peer group to gauge whether its decision was competitive and reasonable in the market. These options follow the generally applicable vesting schedule of three equal installments on the third, fourth and fifth anniversaries of the date of grant and are conditioned on continued employment through the applicable vesting date. The options fully vest upon the occurrence of a Transaction (as defined in the stock option plan). All of these stock options granted, whether vested or unvested, will be forfeited in the event of a termination of employment for Cause (as defined in the stock option plan).

In November 2011, we granted 226,864 stock options to Mr. Lane and 17,174 stock options Mr. Churay. In reviewing the option repricing for Mr. Lane and the initial grant to Mr. Churay, the Committee determined that it had delivered less total equity value to each of them than the Committee intended in the August 2011 repricing and grant and, with respect to Mr. Churay, less value than the Company committed pursuant to Mr. Churay's offer of employment. To adjust, the Committee granted additional stock options to each of them to adjust the total equity value delivered to each of them. The Committee determined that these additional options, when taken together with the prior August 2011 option repricing for Mr. Lane and option grant for Mr. Churay were both competitive and reasonable in value against the 50th percentile of those in the chief executive officer and general counsel positions, respectively, in the Meridian peer group data.

Concurrently, Mr. Lane transferred the stock options to Andy & Cindy Lane Family L.P. for no consideration. These options follow the generally applicable vesting schedule of three equal installments on the third, fourth and fifth anniversaries of the date of grant and are conditioned on continued employment through the applicable vesting date. The options fully vest upon the occurrence of a Transaction (as defined in the stock option plan). All of these stock options granted, whether vested or unvested, will be forfeited in the event of a termination of employment for Cause (as defined in the stock option plan). We granted these options to Messrs. Lane and Churay as a retention incentive.

In December 2009, we granted to Messrs. Ittner and Underhill stock options that follow the generally applicable vesting schedule of three equal installments on the third, fourth and fifth anniversaries of the date of grant and are conditioned on continued employment through the applicable vesting date. In connection with the \$2.9 million cash dividend that MRC Global Inc. paid to its shareholders, the exercise price of options granted to Messrs. Ittner and Underhill was reduced from \$22.88 to \$22.84. These options fully vest upon the occurrence of a Transaction (as defined in the stock option plan) or upon the termination of the executive's employment due to death or Disability (as defined in the stock option plan). All of these stock options granted, whether vested or unvested, will be forfeited in the event of a termination of employment for Cause (as defined in the stock option plan). We granted the stock options to Messrs. Ittner and Underhill in efforts to achieve parity among executives with similar duties and responsibilities and also as an added retention incentive.

In November 2011, we also granted 13,812 stock options to Mr. Ittner and 13,812 stock options to Mr. Underhill. These options vest in equal installments on the first through the fifth anniversaries of the date of grant and are conditioned on continued employment through the applicable vesting date. The options fully vest upon the occurrence of a Transaction (as defined in the stock option plan). Any of these stock options granted, whether vested or unvested, will be forfeited in the event of a termination of employment for Cause (as defined in the stock option plan). The Committee determined the value of the grant made to each of them by reviewing the prior equity that it had granted to each of them, each of their relative contributions and expected contributions and the internal equity of grants to other executives. The Committee then determined that the value of those grants were both competitive and reasonable against the 50th percentile of those in chief administrative officer and chief operating officer positions, respectively, in the Meridian peer group data. The Committee did not target the 50th percentile of the peer group, but rather used the peer group to gauge whether its decision was competitive and reasonable in the market. Thus, the Committee granted these options to Messrs. Ittner and Underhill as a retention incentive.

Retirement Benefits

In 2007, we adopted the McJunkin Red Man Corporation Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan. Under the terms of the plan, select members of management and highly compensated employees may defer receipt of a specified amount or percentage of cash compensation, including annual bonuses. We adopted the plan in part to compensate certain participants for benefits forgone in connection with the GS Acquisition. Mr. Underhill is a participant in this plan. Pursuant to this plan, prior to 2009, McJunkin Red Man Corporation made predetermined annual contributions to each participant's account, less any discretionary matching contributions that we made on behalf of the participant to a defined contribution plan for the calendar year. The Committee decided in 2009 that no further company contributions would be made to participant accounts under this plan. In 2010, the Committee froze this plan. As of this date, we have permitted no company contributions or participant deferral elections, and we cancelled any existing participant deferral elections. The applicable provisions of the plan continue to govern amounts that participants deferred or the Company contributed to accounts under the plan prior to August 10, 2010.

If a participant's account balance as of the beginning of a calendar year is less than \$100,000, the plan credits the balance quarterly with interest at the "Prime Rate" (as defined in the plan) plus 1%. If a participant's account balance at the beginning of a calendar year is \$100,000 or greater, the participant may choose between being credited quarterly with interest at the Prime Rate divided by four plus .25% or having the account deemed converted into a number of phantom common units of PVF Holdings. If no investment election is made, a participant's account will be credited quarterly with interest at the Prime Rate divided by four plus .25%. At December 31, 2011, Mr. Underhill had an account balance of \$156,493 and Mr. Ittner had an account balance of \$134,136. Neither Mr. Ittner nor Mr. Underhill has elected to convert his balance into phantom common units. As of December 31,

2007, all existing participants were fully vested in their entire accounts, including contributions by McJunkin Red Man Corporation. People who became participants after December 31, 2007 are fully vested in their elective deferral amounts and will become vested in contributions by McJunkin Red Man Corporation as determined by the administrator of the plan. For additional information, please see the table titled "Nonqualified Deferred Compensation for 2011" below.

Participants receive the vested balance of their accounts, in cash, upon a Separation from Service (as defined in Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("Section 409A")). The plan pays this amount in three annual installments (with interest) commencing on January 1 of the second calendar year following the calendar year in which the Separation from Service occurs. In the event of a participant's death or Permanent Disability (as defined in the plan), or upon a Change in Control (as defined in the plan) of McJunkin Red Man Corporation, the full amount of a participant's account, vested and unvested, will be paid within 30 days following the event to the participant's beneficiary, in the case of death, or to the participant, in the case of Permanent Disability or a Change in Control. Notwithstanding the foregoing regarding the timing of payments, distributions to "specified employees" (as defined in Section 409A) may be required to be delayed in accordance with Section 409A.

Perquisites and Other Personal Benefits

The Committee reviews the perquisites and personal benefits provided to certain of the named executive officers on an annual basis to ensure the reasonableness of these programs. The aggregate value of perquisites and personal benefits that the Company currently provides to Messrs. Ittner and Underhill is less than \$10,000. Messrs. Lane, Braun and Churay do not currently receive any perquisites or personal benefits.

In addition, we provide our named executive officers who have entered into employment agreements with us certain severance payments and benefits in the event of a termination of their employment under certain circumstances. We designed these agreements to promote stability and continuity of senior management. For additional information, see "Potential Payments upon Termination or a Change in Control".

Relation among Various Components of Compensation

With respect to setting executive compensation amounts generally, since the Red Man Transaction, achieving parity among executives with similar duties and responsibilities has been an important goal as part of our integration process. In determining the amount of compensation of the executive officers attributable to each element of compensation, the Committee considers various factors, including the value of unvested outstanding equity awards, amount of base salary and target bonus. These segments, in total, are then viewed in light of competitiveness of the compensation package in the marketplace and the impact of the executive's position on the success of the Company.

Tax and Accounting Implications

All deferred compensation arrangements have been structured in a manner intended to comply with Section 409A.

Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation

No member of the Committee was an officer or employee of the Company during 2011, and no member of the Committee was formerly an officer of MRC or any of its subsidiaries. In addition, during 2011, none of our executive officers served as a member of a compensation committee or board of

directors of any other entity, an executive officer of which served as a member of our Board. Mr. Daly is a managing director in the Principal Investment Area of Goldman Sachs & Co., and Mr. Crampton is a vice president in the Principal Investment Area of Goldman Sachs & Co. For a description of our Company's transactions with Goldman Sachs & Co. and certain of its affiliates, see "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions—Transactions with the Goldman Sachs Funds".

Stock Ownership Guidelines

We do not have any formal policies regarding stock ownership by directors or officers. We believe that awards made pursuant to our long-term equity programs combined with any individual equity purchases and the ownership of units in PVF Holdings are sufficient to ensure that the interests of directors and officers remain aligned with those of shareholders.

Compensation Committee Report

The compensation committee reviewed and discussed the Compensation Discussion and Analysis required by Item 402(b) of Regulation S-K with management and, based on such review and discussions, the compensation committee recommended to the Board that the Compensation Discussion and Analysis be included in this prospectus.

The Compensation Committee Rhys J. Best Peter C. Boylan, III Christopher A.S. Crampton John F. Daly

Risk in Relation to Compensation Programs

We have performed an internal review of all of our material compensation programs and have concluded that there are no plans that provide meaningful incentives for employees, including the named executive officers, to take risks that would be reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on us. Because our current compensation plans have an upside cap on the amount of incentive compensation that can be paid under the plans, risk of windfall or excessive compensation is negligible. This limit also has the effect of not encouraging operational or strategic decisions that expose the company to undue risk.

Summary Compensation Table for 2011

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to compensation earned during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011 by our named executive officers.

Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary (\$)	Bonus	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation (\$)(1)	Stock Awards (\$)(2)	Option Awards (\$)(2)	Change in Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earnings (\$)	All Other Compensation (\$)(3)	Total (\$)
Andrew R. Lane, Chairman, President and CEO	2011 2010	700,000 700,000		509,334 399,000	1,351,800	3,869,971		12,422 12,422	6,443,527 1,111,422
James E. Braun, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (4)	2011	71,923	100,000	51,540	_	1,362,410	_	_	1,585,873
Daniel J. Churay, Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary(4)	2011	131,365	_	83,676	_	596,888	_	41,349	853,278
Gary A. Ittner, Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer	2011 2010	375,000 375,000	_	272,858 213,750	_	113,533 —	5,552 4,348	23,019 74,812	789,962 667,910
James F. Underhill, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer North America	2011 2010	500,000 500,000	=	363,810 285,000	_	113,533 —	6,478 5,073	14,702 52,164	998,523 842,237

Amounts in this column for 2011 include:

- Ÿ Company matching contributions made to the McJunkin Red Man Corporation Retirement Plan of \$9,800 for Messrs. Lane, Ittner and Underhill and \$3,317 for Mr. Churay;
- Ÿ the imputed value for Company-provided group life insurance of \$2,622, \$184, \$4,384, \$4,902 and \$4,902 for Messrs. Lane, Braun, Churay, Ittner and Underhill, respectively; and
- Ÿ reimbursement of relocation expenses made to Mr. Churay in accordance with his employment offer in the amount of \$22,042, and tax and tax gross-up payments on those expenses
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 m Y}$ tax and tax gross-up payments of \$8,319 to Mr. Ittner related to relocation payments made in 2010.
- As set forth in their employment agreements, Mr. Braun's annual base salary is \$425,000 and Mr. Churay's annual base salary is \$345,000. In this column, the salaries of Messrs. Braun and Churay are pro-rated based on their respective dates of hire in 2011. Pursuant to Mr. Braun's offer of employment, he will receive a signing bonus of \$350,000 less the value of his pro-rated 2011 annual incentive award of \$51,540, for a total of \$298,460. Mr. Braun must repay the signing bonus to the Company if he voluntarily leaves the Company or is terminated for cause within one year of his November 1, 2011 start date. The amount in the bonus column for Mr. Braun includes the portion of his signing bonus that the Company paid on Mr. Braun's first day of employment. The remaining \$198,460 will be paid to Mr. Braun in March 2012.

See "Compensation Discussion and Analysis – Short-term Incentive Compensation".

See "Compensation Discussion and Analysis – Stock Options and Restricted Stock". The amount in these columns represents the grant date fair value of the restricted stock and option awards, respectively, calculated pursuant to ASC Topic 718. In addition, in the third quarter of 2011 the Committee repriced the options granted to Mr. Lane in September 2008 to a \$18.10 per share strike price. As a result, the incremental fair value with respect to such award, computed as of the repricing pursuant to ASC Topic 718, is also included in the 2011 option column for Mr. Lane. Assumptions used in the calculation of the 2011 amounts are included in Note 11 to our 2011 audited financial statements.

Grants of Plan-Based Awards in Fiscal Year 2011

	Estimated Future Payouts Under Non- Equity Incentive Plan Awards(1)			All Other Stock Awards:	All Other Option Awards: Number of	Exercise	Grant Date Fair
Name	Threshold (\$)(2)	Target (\$)(3)	Maximum (\$)(3)	Number of Shares of Stock (#)	Securities Underlying Options (#)	or Base Price of Option Awards(\$)	Value of Stock and Option Awards(\$)
Andrew R. Lane	117,250 — —	469,000 — —	511,210 — —	90,000	226,864	18.10 18.10	1,351,800 1,864,792 2,005,179(4)
James E. Braun	11,865 —	47,458 —	51,730 —	_	— 165,746	 18.10	 1,362,410
Daniel J. Churay	19,263 —	77,050 —	83,985 —	_	— 66,577 17,174	— 18.10 18.10	— 455,716 141,172
Gary A. Ittner	62,813 —	251,250 —	273,863 —	_	— 13,812	 18.10	 113,533
James F. Underhill	83,750 —	335,000 —	365,150 —	_ _	— 13,812	 18.10	 113,533

- (1) Estimated payouts to Messrs. Braun and Churay are pro-rated based on their respective dates of hire in 2011.
- Under the annual incentive performance metrics and goals that the Committee approved for the 2011 performance period, no portion of the awards based on EBITDA or RONA for each named executive officer were payable unless there is at least 75% achievement of those performance goals. At 75% achievement of each performance goal, there is a payout of 25% of a participant's target annual incentive bonus with respect to the performance metric for which such achievement has occurred. The amounts in this column reflect 25% of the named executive officers' target annual incentive bonuses for 2011.
- Payouts for the EBITDA and RONA performance goals increase in 3% increments for each additional percent of achievement beyond 75% up to full achievement of those annual goals. Upon full achievement of each of those performance goals and full achievement of KPIs, 100% of the target annual incentive bonus is paid. If performance goals for EBITDA and RONA are exceeded, the maximum payment is 110% of target annual incentive. The maximum payment for KPI goals is 100%. The amounts in these columns reflect 100% and maximum payout of the named executive officers' target annual incentive bonuses for 2011, in each case, assuming 100% achievement of KPIs.
- (4) In addition, in the third quarter of 2011 the Committee repriced the 879,464 options granted to Mr. Lane in September 2008 to a \$18.10 per share strike price. As a result, the incremental fair value with respect to such award, computed as of the repricing, is included for Mr. Lane.

Employment Agreements

Messrs. Lane, Braun, Churay and Underhill have each entered into employment agreements with us. In addition to the terms of these agreements described below, the employment agreements provide for certain severance payments and benefits following a termination of employment under certain circumstances. These benefits are described below in the section titled "Potential Payments upon Termination or Change in Control".

Andrew R. Lane

In 2008, the Company entered into an employment agreement with Mr. Lane as CEO and member of the Board. This employment agreement has an initial term of five years, which will automatically be extended on September 10, 2013 and each subsequent anniversary for one additional year, unless either party gives ninety days' written notice of non-renewal. Mr. Lane's agreement provides for an initial base salary, to be reviewed annually, of \$700,000, which the Board (or a committee of the Board) may adjust upward at its discretion, and an annual cash bonus to be based upon individual or company performance criteria that the Board establishes for each fiscal year, with a target annual bonus of 100% of Mr. Lane's base salary in effect at the beginning of the relevant fiscal year. Mr. Lane's base salary for 2012 was increased to \$850,000. Due to the difficult financial conditions of 2009-2010, Mr. Lane and the Committee established a new target annual bonus of 67% for 2011. In late 2011, the target was raised to 100% for 2012. This will be evaluated on an annual basis.

Mr. Lane is subject to covenants prohibiting competition, solicitation of customers and employees and interference with business relationships during his employment and for eighteen months thereafter, and is also subject to perpetual restrictive covenants regarding confidentiality, non-disparagement and proprietary rights.

James E. Braun

In November 2011, the Company entered into an employment agreement with Mr. Braun as executive vice president and chief financial officer. The term of Mr. Braun's employment agreement will end on November 15, 2014. Mr. Braun's agreement provides for an initial base salary, to be reviewed annually, of \$425,000, which the Board or a Board committee may adjust upward at its discretion and, beginning in fiscal year 2012, an annual cash bonus to be based upon individual or company performance criteria that the Board establishes for each fiscal year in consultation with the CEO, with a target annual bonus of 67% of Mr. Braun's base salary in effect at the beginning of the relevant fiscal year. Mr. Braun's target annual bonus for 2012 was increased to 75% of his base salary. In respect of fiscal year 2011, Mr. Braun is eligible to receive a pro rata bonus (targeted at 67% of his base salary) calculated based on actual performance and based on the number of days he was employed by the Company during the year.

Mr. Braun is subject to covenants prohibiting competition, solicitation of customers and employees and interference with business relationships during his employment and for twelve months thereafter, and is also subject to perpetual restrictive covenants regarding confidentiality, non-disparagement and proprietary rights.

Daniel J. Churav

In July 2011, the Company entered into an employment agreement with Mr. Churay as executive vice president, general counsel and secretary. The term of Mr. Churay's employment agreement will end on July 12, 2014. Mr. Churay's agreement provides for an initial base salary, to be reviewed annually, of \$345,000, which the Board or a Board committee may adjust upward at its discretion and, beginning in fiscal year 2012, an annual cash bonus to be based upon individual or company performance criteria that the Board establishes for each fiscal year in consultation with the CEO, with a target annual bonus of 67% of Mr. Churay's base salary in effect at the beginning of the relevant fiscal year. Mr. Churay's base salary for 2012 was increased to \$362,250. Mr. Churay's target annual bonus for 2012 was increased to 75% of his base salary. In respect of fiscal year 2011, Mr. Churay is eligible to receive a pro rata bonus (targeted at 67% of his base salary) calculated based on actual performance and based on the number of days he was employed by the Company during the year.

Mr. Churay is subject to covenants prohibiting competition, solicitation of customers and employees and interference with business relationships during his employment and for twelve months thereafter, and is also subject to perpetual restrictive covenants regarding confidentiality, non-disparagement and proprietary rights.

James F. Underhill

In 2011, the Company entered into a revised employment agreement with Mr. Underhill as executive vice president and chief operating officer—North America, which replaced in its entirety the employment agreement entered into between Mr. Underhill, McJunkin Red Man Corporation and PVF Holdings on December 3, 2009. The term of Mr. Underhill's employment agreement will end on November 15, 2014. Mr. Underhill's agreement provides for an initial base salary, to be reviewed annually, of \$500,000, which the Board or a Board committee may adjust upward at its discretion, and an annual cash bonus to be based upon individual or company performance criteria that the Board establishes for each fiscal year, with a target annual bonus of 75% of Mr. Underhill's base salary in effect at the beginning of the relevant fiscal year. Due to the difficult financial conditions of 2009-2010, Mr. Underhill and the Committee established a new target annual bonus of 67% for 2011, which was raised to 75% for 2012. This will be evaluated on an annual basis.

Mr. Underhill is subject to covenants prohibiting competition, solicitation of customers and employees and interference with business relationships during his employment and for twelve months thereafter, and is also subject to perpetual restrictive covenants regarding confidentiality, non-disparagement and proprietary rights.

Annual Incentive Awards

Please see the section of the Compensation Discussion and Analysis titled "Short-Term Incentive Compensation" for a discussion of the performance metrics and goals approved by the Committee for the 2011 performance year.

Outstanding Equity Awards at 2011 Fiscal Year-End

		Option Awards				Stock Awards(2)			
Name	Number of Securities Underlying Options Exercisable	Number of Securities Underlying Options Unexerci- sable(1)	Option Exercise Price (\$)	Option Expiration Date	Number of Shares or Units That Have Vested (#)	Number of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (#)	Market Value of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested (\$)		
Andrew R. Lane	439,732	439,732 226,864	\$ 18.10 \$ 18.10	9/10/18 11/10/21		115,000	2,081,500		
James E. Braun	_	165,746	\$ 18.10	11/10/21	_	_	_		
Daniel J. Churay	_	66,577 17,174	\$ 18.10 \$ 18.10	8/16/21 11/10/21	Ξ	=	=		
Gary A. Ittner	_	21,853 13,812	\$ 22.84 \$ 18.10	12/3/19 11/10/21	254.4	127.1	545,254 —		
James F. Underhill	_ _	21,853 13.812	\$ 22.84 \$ 18.10	12/3/19 11/10/21	398.28 —	199.13 —	854,260 —		

See "Compensation Discussion and Analysis – Stock Options and Restricted Stock" for a discussion of the vesting schedules of outstanding options.

See "Compensation Discussion and Analysis – Stock Options and Restricted Stock" and "Compensation Discussion and Analysis – Profits Units" for a discussion of the vesting schedules of outstanding restricted stock and profits units.

Option Exercises and Stock Vested During 2011

	Stock Awar	rds
	Number of Shares	Value Realized
	That	on
<u>Name</u>	Became Vested (#)(1)	Vesting (\$)(2)
Andrew R. Lane		_
James E. Braun	-	_
Daniel J. Churay	_	_
Gary A. Ittner	127.10	438,641
James F. Underhill	199.13	687,227

(1) This column reflects the number of profits units in PVF LLC that became vested on January 31, 2011.

The value realized upon the vesting of profits units on January 31, 2011 is based on the value of profits units in PVF Holdings as of January 31, 2011, which was \$3,451.15 per unit.

Nonqualified Deferred Compensation for 2011

	Registrant Contributions in	Aggregate Balance at
News	Last	Last Fiscal Year End
Name Andrew R. Lane	Fiscal Year (\$)(1)	(\$)
	_	_
James E. Braun		
Daniel J. Churay		
Gary A. Ittner	5,552	134,136
James F. Underhill	6,478	156,493

(1) We did not make contributions to participant accounts under the McJunkin Red Man Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan in 2011. However, during 2011 the accounts of the named executive officers with accounts under the plan were credited with interest in accordance with the plan.

See "Compensation Discussion and Analysis – Retirement and Other Benefits" for a discussion of the terms and conditions of the McJunkin Red Man Corporation Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan.

Potential Payments upon Termination or Change in Control

Each of the named executive officers would be entitled to certain payments and benefits following a termination of employment under certain circumstances and upon a change in control. These benefits are summarized below and reflect obligations pursuant to employment agreements as well as pursuant to other compensatory arrangements. The amounts of potential payments and benefits for our named executive officers as reflected in the tables below assume that the relevant trigger event (termination of employment or a change in control, as applicable) took place on December 31, 2011.

Voluntary Separation

In the event of each named executive officer's voluntary separation from employment, all unvested profits units in PVF Holdings and all stock option and restricted stock awards in respect of the Company's common stock that the executive holds would be forfeited. As of December 31, 2011, all stock options that Messrs. Braun, Churay, Ittner and Underhill hold were unvested, all restricted stock that Mr. Lane holds was unvested, 50% of the September 2008 options that Mr. Lane holds were unvested and 100% of the November 2011 options that Mr. Lane holds were unvested. As of December 31, 2011, profit units that Messrs. Ittner and Underhill hold were two-thirds vested. The fully vested account in the McJunkin Red Man Corporation Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan that Messrs. Ittner and Underhill hold would become payable (subject to the requirements of Section 409A). In addition, each of the named executive officers and Messrs. Braun and Churay would be paid the value of any accrued but unused vacation time as of the date of the voluntary termination.

Name	Accrued Obligations (\$)(1)	Deferred Compensation Account Balance (\$)	Total (\$)
Andrew R. Lane	67,308		67,308
James E. Braun	32,693	_	32,693
Daniel J. Churay	26,539	_	26,539
Gary A. Ittner	50,481	134,136	184,617
James F. Underhill	57,691	156,493	214,184

(1) These amounts represent accrued but unused vacation time as of December 31, 2011.

Termination Not for Cause and Termination for Good Reason

The employment agreements to which Messrs. Lane, Braun, Churay and Underhill are parties provide that if their employment is terminated other than for "Cause" or "Disability" (as defined in the agreements) or if they resign for "Good Reason" (as defined in the agreements), they are entitled to the following severance payment and benefits:

- Ÿ All accrued, but unpaid, obligations (including, salary, bonus, expense reimbursement and vacation pay);
- Ÿ In the case of Mr. Lane, monthly payments equal to 1/12th of base salary at the rate in effect immediately prior to termination and 1/12th target annual bonus for 18 months following termination. In the case of Messrs. Braun, Churay and Underhill, continuation of base salary for 12 months following termination at the rate in effect immediately prior to termination;
- Ÿ Continuation of medical benefits for 18 months for Mr. Lane and 12 months for Messrs. Braun, Churay and Underhill or, in each case, until such earlier time as the executive becomes eligible for medical benefits from a subsequent employer;
- Ÿ A pro-rata annual bonus for the fiscal year in which termination occurs, based on actual performance through the end of the fiscal year; and
- Ÿ Solely in the case of Mr. Lane, a pro-rata portion of the stock options granted to him, which are currently held by Andy & Cindy Lane Family, L.P., would become vested. However, the restricted stock granted to Mr. Lane, which is currently held by Andy & Cindy Lane Family, L.P., would be forfeited.

These payments and the provision of benefits are generally subject to the execution of a release and compliance with restrictive covenants prohibiting competition, solicitation of employees and interference with business relationships during employment and thereafter during the applicable restriction period. These restrictions apply during employment and for 18 months following termination

for Mr. Lane and for 12 months following termination for Messrs. Braun, Churay and Underhill. In addition, Messrs. Lane, Braun, Churay and Underhill are subject to perpetual restrictive covenants regarding confidentiality, non-disparagement and proprietary rights.

In the event of a termination without Cause (as defined in their respective agreements) or a resignation with good reason (as defined in their respective agreements), unvested stock options and unvested restricted stock held by the named executive officers (other than Mr. Lane) would be forfeited. As described above, under these circumstances the vesting of a pro rata portion of Mr. Lane's unvested options would become accelerated. As of December 31, 2011, all stock options that Messrs. Braun, Churay and Underhill hold were unvested, all restricted stock that Mr. Lane holds was unvested, and 75% of options that Mr. Lane holds were unvested. As of December 31, 2011, profits units that Messrs. Ittner and Underhill hold were two-thirds vested. If we terminate the executive's employment without Cause (as defined in their respective agreements) or upon an executive's resignation for Good Reason (as defined in their respective agreements), the unvested profits units that Messrs. Ittner and Underhill hold would be forfeited pursuant to the PVF LLC Agreement.

The fully vested account in the McJunkin Red Man Corporation Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan that Messrs. Ittner and Underhill hold would become payable (subject to the requirements of Section 409A) upon a termination by us of the executive officer's employment other than for Cause or the executive officer's termination of employment for Good Reason.

In addition, each of the named executive officers would also be paid the value of any accrued but unused vacation time as of the termination date.

	Accrued Obligations (\$)(1)	Base Salary Continuation (\$)	Pro Rata Incentive (\$)(2)	Value of Medical Benefits (\$)	Value of Accelerated Vesting of Equity (\$)(3)	Deferred Compensation Account Balance (\$)	Total (\$)
Andrew R. Lane	67,308	1,050,000	509,334	28,062	0		1,654,704
James E. Braun	32,693	425,000	51,540	18,276	_	_	527,509
Daniel J. Churay	26,539	345,000	83,676	18,708	_	_	473,923
Gary A. Ittner	50,481	_	272,858	_	_	134,136	457,475
James F. Underhill	57,691	500,000	363,810	18,708	_	156,493	1,096,702

- (1) These amounts represent accrued but unused vacation time as of December 31, 2011.
 (2) Each of the named executive officers has an annual target bonus of 67% of annual base
- Each of the named executive officers has an annual target bonus of 67% of annual base salary for 2011. Assuming a termination date of December 31, 2011, each of the named executive officers would be entitled to receive 109% of his target annual incentive bonus, which would be pro-rated for Messrs. Braun and Churay.
- (3) In the case of Mr. Lane, the amount in this column represents the value of the pro-rata acceleration of the vesting of his stock options. There is currently no public market for the Company's common stock. Therefore, it has been assumed that the per share market price of the Company's common stock is \$18.10 per share as of December 31, 2011, which is equal to the exercise price of these options (after taking into account the two-for-one reverse split of our common stock which occurred on February 29, 2012). As a result, there would be no value realized upon this accelerated vesting. The restricted stock award granted to Mr. Lane would not be subject to accelerated vesting under these circumstances. In the case of Messrs. Ittner and Underhill, all of their unvested profits units held as of December 31, 2011 would be forfeited as of that date. In addition, all unvested options held by named executive officers other than Mr. Lane as of December 31, 2011 would be forfeited as of that date.

Termination by Us for Cause

Upon a termination by us for Cause (as defined in the stock option plan), pursuant to the applicable award agreements, stock options, whether vested or unvested, that Messrs. Lane, Braun, Churay, Ittner and Underhill hold and restricted stock that Mr. Lane holds, whether vested or unvested, would in each case be forfeited immediately for no consideration. Under these circumstances, the profits units that Messrs. Ittner and Underhill hold whether or not vested, would also be forfeited immediately for no consideration.

In addition, as described in the narrative above following the table titled "Nonqualified Deferred Compensation for 2011", the fully vested accounts in the McJunkin Red Man Corporation Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan would become payable (subject to the requirements of Section 409A). Each of the named executive officers would also be paid the value of any accrued but unused vacation time as of the termination date.

<u>Name</u>	Accrued Obligations (\$)(1)	Deferred Compensation Account Balance (\$)	Total (\$)
Andrew R. Lane	67,308		67,308
James E. Braun	32,693	_	32,693
Daniel J. Churay	26,539	_	26,539
Gary A. Ittner	50,481	134,136	184,617
James F. Underhill	57,691	156,493	214,184

⁽¹⁾ These amounts represent accrued but unused vacation time as of December 31, 2011.

Termination due to Death or Disability

Pursuant to the employment agreements with Messrs. Lane, Braun, Churay and Underhill, upon a termination of employment due to death or disability, they (or their beneficiaries) would be entitled to receive a pro-rata portion of the annual bonus for the fiscal year in which termination occurs, based on actual performance through the end of the fiscal year.

Pursuant to the applicable award agreements, all unvested stock options and restricted stock awards that we granted to the named executive officers (other than Mr. Lane's stock options) would become fully vested in the event of a termination due to death or Disability (as defined in the applicable plan). In the case of Mr. Lane's stock options, the vesting of a pro rata portion of his unvested options would become accelerated. Pursuant to the PVF LLC Agreement, all unvested profits units that Messrs. Ittner and Underhill hold would become fully vested and nonforfeitable in the event of a termination due to death or Disability (as defined in the PVF LLC Agreement). In the event of termination due to death or Permanent Disability (as such term is defined in the McJunkin Red Man Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan), the full amount of each account, whether or not vested, would be payable. Each of the named executive officers (or their beneficiaries) would also be paid the value of any accrued but unused vacation time as of the termination date.

<u>Name</u>	Accrued Obligations (\$)(1)	Value of Accelerated Vesting of Equity (\$)(2)	Deferred Compensation Account Balance (\$)	Total (\$)
Andrew R. Lane	67,308	2,081,500		2,148,808
James E. Braun	32,693	0	_	32,693
Daniel J. Churay	26,539	0	_	26,539
Gary A. Ittner	50,481	545,254	134,136	729,871
James F. Underhill	57,691	854,260	156,493	1,068,444

⁽¹⁾ These amounts represent accrued but unused vacation times as of December 31, 2011.

(2) In the case of Mr. Lane, the amount in this column includes the value of the pro-rata acceleration of the vesting of his unvested stock options and the full acceleration of vesting of his entire restricted stock award. There is currently no public market for the Company's common stock. Therefore, it has been assumed that the per share market price of the Company's common stock is \$18.10 per share as of December 31, 2011, which is equal to the exercise price of these options. As a result, there would be no value realized upon this accelerated vesting. The value of the accelerated vesting of Mr. Lane's restricted stock is based on the per share value of \$18.10. In the case of Messrs. Ittner and Underhill, all of their profits units and stock options, and in the case of Messrs. Braun and Churay, stock options, held as of December 31, 2011 would become fully vested as of that date. With respect to profits units, the value realized upon such acceleration is based on the value of profits units in PVF Holdings as of December 31, 2011, which was \$4,289.96 per unit. With respect to options, assuming a \$18.10 value per share of the Company's common stock, there would be no value realized upon this accelerated vesting.

Change in Control

The PVF LLC Agreement provides that in the event of a Transaction (as defined in the PVF LLC Agreement), profits units will become fully vested and nonforfeitable. This accelerated vesting of the profits units was negotiated as part of the PVF LLC Agreement in connection with overall negotiations relating to the GS Acquisition. The PVF LLC Agreement defines "Transaction" as:

- (i) any event which results in the GSCP Members (as defined in the PVF LLC Agreement) and its or their Affiliates (as defined in the PVF LLC Agreement) ceasing to directly or indirectly beneficially own, in the aggregate, at least 35% of the equity interests of McJunkin Red Man Corporation that they beneficially owned directly or indirectly as of January 31, 2007; or
- (ii) in a single transaction or a series of related transactions, the occurrence of the following event: a majority of the outstanding voting power of:
 - Ÿ PVF Holdings;
 - Ÿ MRC Global Inc.; or
 - Y McJunkin Red Man Corporation; or
 - Ÿ substantially all of the assets of McJunkin Red Man Corporation;

shall have been acquired or otherwise become beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by any Person (as defined in the PVF LLC Agreement) (other than any Member (as defined in the PVF LLC Agreement) on the effective date of the PVF LLC Agreement or any of its or their affiliates, or PVF Holdings or any of its affiliates) or any two or more Persons (other than any Member on the date of the PVF LLC Agreement or any of its or their affiliates, or McJunkin Red Man Corporation or any of its affiliates) acting as a partnership, limited partnership, syndicate or other group, entity or association acting in concert for the purpose of voting, acquiring, holding or disposing of the voting power of PVF Holdings, MRC Global Inc. or McJunkin Red Man Corporation;

it being understood that, for this purpose, the acquisition or beneficial ownership of voting securities by the public shall not be an acquisition or constitute beneficial ownership by any Person or Persons acting in concert. The table below assumes that a Transaction as so defined has occurred.

Our 2007 Stock Option Plan and our 2007 Restricted Stock Plan, pursuant to which we have granted stock options and restricted stock to our named executive officers, provide that in the event of a Transaction (as defined in the applicable plan), outstanding stock options and restricted stock shall become fully vested (and exercisable in the case of options). The definition of "Transaction" in each of the plans is the same as that set forth in the PVF LLC Agreement. The table below assumes that a Transaction as so defined has occurred.

Pursuant to the McJunkin Red Man Corporation Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan, the full amount of a participant's account becomes vested to the extent not already vested upon a Change in Control and will be paid within thirty days of the Change in Control. The plan defines "Change in Control" as, in a single transaction or a series of related transactions, the occurrence of the following event: a majority of the outstanding voting power of PVF Holdings, MRC Global Inc. or McJunkin Red Man Corporation, or substantially all of the assets of McJunkin Red Man Corporation, shall have been acquired or otherwise become beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by any Person (as defined in the plan) (other than any Member (as defined in the PVF LLC Agreement) or any of its or their affiliates, or PVF Holdings or any of its affiliates) or any two or more Persons (other than any Member or any of its or their affiliates, or PVF Holdings or any of its affiliates) acting as a partnership, limited partnership, syndicate or other group, entity or association acting in concert for the purpose of voting, acquiring, holding or disposing of the voting power of PVF Holdings, MRC Global Inc. or McJunkin Red Man Corporation; it being understood that, for this purpose, the acquisition or beneficial ownership of voting securities by the public shall not be an acquisition or constitute beneficial ownership by any Person or Persons acting in concert. The table below assumes that a Change in Control as so defined has occurred. The accelerated vesting of accounts under the McJunkin Red Man Corporation Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan in the event of a Change in Control does not provide an extra benefit to the named executive officers with accounts because each of their accounts was fully vested as of the effective date of the plan, which was December 31, 2007.

Name	Accrued Obligations (\$)(1)	Value of Accelerated Vesting of Equity (\$)(2)	Deferred Compensation Account Balance (\$)	Total (\$)
Andrew R. Lane	67,308	2,081,500		2,148,808
James E. Braun	32,693	0	_	32,693
Daniel J. Churay	26,539	0	_	26,539
Gary A. Ittner	50,481	545,254	134,136	729,871
James F. Underhill	57,691	854,260	156,493	1,068,444

These amounts represent accrued but unused vacation time as of December 31, 2011.

(1) (2) In the case of Mr. Lane, the amount in this column includes the value of the pro-rata acceleration of the vesting of his unvested stock options and the full acceleration of vesting of his entire restricted stock award. There is currently no public market for the Company's common stock. Therefore, it has been assumed that the per share market price of the Company's common stock is \$18.10 per share as of December 31, 2011, which is equal to the exercise price of these options. As a result, there would be no value realized upon this accelerated vesting. The value of the accelerated vesting of Mr. Lane's restricted stock is based on the per share value of the Company's stock as of December 31, 2011, which was \$18.10. In the case of Messrs. Ittner and Underhill, all of their profits units and stock options, and in the case of Messrs. Braun and Churay, stock options, held as of December 31, 2011 would become fully vested as of that date. With respect to profits units, the value realized upon such acceleration is based on the value of profits units in PVF Holdings as of December 31, 2011, which was \$4,289.96 per unit. With respect to options, assuming a \$18.10 value per share of common stock, there would be no value realized upon this accelerated vesting.

Non-Employee Director Compensation

As compensation for their services on the Board in 2011 we paid each non-employee director an annual cash fee of \$80,000. No additional cash fees are paid in respect of service on Board committees. In addition, many of our directors have received equity compensation awards at the time of their appointment to the Board and at such other times as the Committee and the Board has deemed appropriate. All directors are also reimbursed for travel expenses and other out-of-pocket costs incurred in connection with their attendance at meetings.

For 2012, our non-employee director compensation has changed. Beginning in 2012, we will pay non-employee directors an annual cash retainer of \$60,000. We will pay the chairmen of the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee an additional annual cash retainer of \$15,000. In addition, we will pay each non-employee director a meeting fee of \$2,000 for each board meeting that the director attends in excess of five meetings per year. The Company will also grant \$100,000 in equity awards (in a form that the Board determines) to each non-employee director. The Company will make the initial grant 90 days after the Company's initial public offering. Thereafter, the Company will make the grants immediately following each annual meeting of stockholders of the Company.

Director Compensation for 2011

	Fees Earned or	Stock Awards	Option Awards	All Other	
Name	Paid in Cash (\$)	(\$)	(\$)	Compensation (\$)	Total (\$)
Leonard M. Anthony	80,000				80,000
Rhys J. Best	80,000	_		_	80,000
Peter C. Boylan, III	80,000	_	_	-	80,000
Henry Cornell(1)	_	_	_	_	_
Christopher A.S. Crampton(1)	_	_	_	_	_
John F. Daly(1)	_	_	_	_	_
Harry K. Hornish, Jr. (1)(2)	_	_	_	_	_
Craig Ketchum	80,000	_	_	_	80,000
Gerard P. Krans	80,000	_		_	80,000
Dr. Cornelis A. Linse	80,000	_		_	80,000
John A. Perkins	80,000	_	_	_	80,000
Sam B. Rovit (1)(2)	_	_	_	_	_
H.B. Wehrle, III	80,000	_	_	_	80,000

(1) (2) Each of these directors served on the Board during 2011, but did not receive any cash compensation for their services in 2011.

Messrs. Hornish and Rovit resigned from the Board in early 2011

The following table indicates the aggregate number of shares of our common stock subject to outstanding option awards and the number of stock awards that our non-employee directors held as of December 31, 2011 (after taking into account the two-for-one reverse split of our common stock which occurred on February 29, 2012):

		Stock Awards
<u>Name</u>	Stock Options (#)(a)	(#)
Leonard M. Anthony	11,207	3,650(b)
Rhys J. Best	21,762	
Peter C. Boylan, III	19,065	_
Craig Ketchum	_	381.31
Gerard P. Krans	2,697	_
Dr. Cornelis A. Linse	5,393	_
John A. Perkins	4,370	_
Sam B. Rovit	5,749	_
H.B. Wehrle, III	_	381.31

We granted all stock options that directors held pursuant to the McJ Holding Stock Option Plan. Stock options that directors held vest in equal increments on each of the third, fourth and fifth anniversaries of the date of grant or in equal increments on each of the second, third, fourth and fifth anniversaries of the date of grant. Vesting of all options is conditioned (a) on continued service and subject to accelerated vesting under certain circumstances, including termination of service by reason of death or disability or the occurrence of a Transaction (as defined in the plan).

(b) The restricted stock that Mr. Anthony held was granted pursuant to the McJ Holding Restricted Stock Plan and will vest on the fifth anniversary of the date of grant, conditioned on continued service and subject to accelerated vesting under certain circumstances including termination of service by reason of death or disability or the occurrence of a Transaction (as defined in the plan).

2011 Omnibus Incentive Plan

Overview. We adopted the MRC Global Inc. 2011 Omnibus Incentive Plan (the "2011 Plan") in November 2011. The 2011 Plan will become effective on the date of the Company's submission to the SEC of a request to declare the registration statement to which this prospectus forms a part effective, on which date the Committee also intends to terminate the 2007 Stock Option Plan and 2007 Restricted Stock Plan on a prospective basis and release any shares under those plans that have not yet been granted. Following the offering, we expect that the 2011 Plan will be the primary plan pursuant to which we will grant equity-based awards and other long-term incentive awards. The following is a summary of the material terms of the Plan.

Purpose. The purpose of the 2011 Plan is to foster and promote the long-term financial success of the Company and materially increase shareholder value by:

- Ÿ motivating superior performance by means of performance-related incentives;
- Ÿ encouraging and providing for the acquisition of an ownership interest in the Company by employees, directors and consultants; and
- Ÿ enabling the Company to attract and retain qualified and competent persons to serve as members of management, directors and consultants.

Authorized Shares. The Board authorized a total of 3,250,000 shares of Company common stock for awards to be granted under the 2011 Plan. Shares will be subject to awards that:

- Y terminate by expiration, forfeiture, cancellation or otherwise without any shares being issued;
- Ÿ are settled in cash; or
- Ÿ are exchanged with the Committee's permission prior to the issuance of shares for awards pursuant to which no shares may be issued,

and will again be available for awards under the 2011 Plan.

No person may receive awards of stock options or stock appreciation rights ("SARs") during any calendar year in respect of more than 150,000 shares, and no person may receive awards of restricted stock, restricted stock units ("RSUs"), performance shares or other stock-based awards, in each case, that are intended to be "performance-based compensation" (within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code), during any calendar year in respect of more than 150,000 shares. The maximum aggregate amount that the plan permits us to pay under an award of performance units, cash-based awards or any other award that is not denominated in shares of common stock, in each case, that is intended to be performance-based compensation, will be \$5 million, determined as of the date of payout.

If certain changes in capitalization of the Company occur (such as reclassifications, recapitalizations, mergers, consolidations, reorganizations, stock splits, stock dividends and other changes in capitalization of the Company), the Committee will make appropriate adjustments to the maximum number of shares that may be delivered under the 2011 Plan and the individual annual limits included in the 2011 Plan. The Committee will also make appropriate adjustments to the number and kind of shares of stock or securities subject to outstanding awards, the exercise prices of outstanding awards and any other terms of outstanding awards that the change in capitalization affects.

Administration. The Committee will administer the 2011 Plan unless the Board designates another committee. The Committee will have the discretion to determine the individuals to whom we may grant awards, what type of award we grant, when and how we grant each award and other terms and conditions of awards (including the number of shares of common stock subject to each award and the vesting schedule or conditions of each award). The Committee will be authorized to construe and interpret the 2011 Plan and awards we grant under the 2011 Plan, to establish, amend and revoke any

rules and regulations relating to the 2011 Plan's administration and to make any other determinations that it deems necessary or desirable for the administration of the 2011 Plan. All actions taken and all interpretations and determinations that the Committee makes will be final and binding upon participants, the Company and all other interested individuals.

Eligibility. The Committee may grant awards under the 2011 Plan to employees, directors and consultants of the Company and its subsidiaries that the Committee selects.

Types of Awards. The 2011 Plan permits the grant of nonqualified stock options ("NSOs"), incentive stock options ("ISOs"), SARs, restricted stock, RSUs, performance shares, performance units, cash-based awards and other stock-based awards.

- Ÿ Stock Options. The Committee will determine the terms and conditions of each award of options, including whether the options will be NSOs or ISOs, and ISOs are subject to certain restrictions. To the extent an option intended to be an ISO does not qualify as an ISO, it will be treated as a NSO. The exercise price per share of each option the Committee grants will not be less than 100% of the fair market value of our common stock on the date of grant. A grantee may exercise an option by written notice and payment of the exercise price in cash or, as the Committee determines, by delivery of previously owned shares or withholding of shares deliverable upon exercise or through a broker-assisted cashless exercise, or by any other method the Committee approves in its sole discretion. The maximum term of any option the Committee grants under the 2011 Plan will be ten years from the date of grant, except that an option (other than an ISO) may provide that it can be exercised for a period of up to one year following a grantee's death even if that extends beyond ten years.
- Ÿ SARs. The Committee will determine the terms and conditions applicable to each award of SARs, including the vesting schedule. The grant price per share of each SAR will not be less than 100% of the fair market value of our common stock on the date of grant. Generally, each SAR will entitle a grantee, upon exercise of the SAR, to an amount equal to the excess of the fair market value on the date of exercise of one share of our common stock over the grant price, multiplied by the number of shares of common stock the SAR covers. Payment may be made in shares of our common stock, in cash, or in a combination of stock and cash, as the Committee determines. The maximum term of any SAR granted under the 2011 Plan will be ten years from the date of grant except that a SAR may provide that in can be exercised for a period of up to one year following a grantee's death even if that extends beyond ten years.
- Ÿ Restricted Stock and RSUs. The Committee will determine the terms and conditions applicable to each award of restricted stock and RSUs, including the vesting conditions (which may be time-based, performance-based or a combination of time-based and performance-based). Restricted stock awards consist of shares of stock that are transferred to a grantee subject to vesting conditions that will result in forfeiture of the shares if the specified conditions are not satisfied. Dividends paid in respect of shares of restricted stock may be paid to the grantee as and when dividends are paid to shareholders or at the time that the restricted stock vests, as the Committee determines. Unless the Committee determines otherwise, holders of restricted stock will have the right to vote the shares prior to vesting. RSUs provide a grantee the right to receive shares of our common stock, or cash equal to the fair market value of our shares, at a future date upon or following the attainment of certain conditions the Committee specifies.
- Ÿ Performance Shares and Performance Units. The Committee will determine the terms and conditions applicable to each award of performance shares and performance units, including the performance conditions. Performance shares will be awards denominated in shares of our common stock, while performance units will be awards denominated as a dollar amount. At the end of the applicable performance period, the number of performance shares or performance units earned will be determined based on the extent to which the performance goals the

- Committee establishes have been achieved. Performance shares and performance units may be settled in cash, shares of our common stock or a combination of cash and stock, as the Committee determines.
- Ÿ Other Stock-Based Awards and Cash-Based Awards. The Committee will have the authority to award other types of equity-based or cash-based awards under the 2011 Plan, including the grant or offer for sale of shares of our common stock that are not subject to vesting requirements or the right to receive one or more cash payments subject to the satisfaction of conditions the Committee specifies.

Performance Criteria. Vesting of awards granted under the 2011 Plan may be subject to the satisfaction of one or more performance goals the Committee establishes. The performance goals may vary from participant to participant, group to group and period to period. Performance goals may be weighted for different factors and measures. For awards intended to constitute "performance-based compensation" (within the meaning of Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code), the performance goals applicable to the payment or vesting of an award will be one of the following: book value; cash flow; earnings; earnings before or after any of, or any combination of, interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortization (EBITDA) with such adjustments in calculation as the Committee determines; economic value added (net operating profit after tax minus the sum of capital multiplied by the cost of capital); expenses/costs; gross or operating margins with such adjustments in calculation as the Committee determines; gross or net revenues; market share; net income; operating income/profit; pre-tax income; profit; profitability ratios; share price; total shareholder return; transactions relating to acquisitions or divestitures; or working capital. The Committee will certify the degree of attainment of performance goals after the end of the relevant performance period.

Transferability. Unless the Committee determines otherwise, awards granted under the 2011 Plan will generally not be transferable by grantees except pursuant to domestic relations orders.

Change in Control. The Committee will determine the treatment of awards granted under the 2011 Plan if a change in control occurs (as defined in the 2011 Plan).

Effect of Certain Transactions. If a liquidation, dissolution, merger or consolidation of the Company occurs (a "Transaction"), either:

- Ý each outstanding award will be treated in accordance with the agreement entered into in connection with the relevant Transaction, which may include, the assumption or continuation of awards by, or the substitution for the awards of new awards of, the surviving, successor or resulting entity, or a parent or subsidiary any of those entities, with equitable adjustments; or
- Ÿ if not so provided in the Transaction agreement, all outstanding awards will terminate upon the consummation of the transaction, provided, however, that vested awards shall not be terminated without:
 - Ÿ in the case of vested options and SARs, (1) providing the holders of affected options and SARs a reasonable period of time prior to the date of the consummation of the Transaction to exercise the options and SARs, or (2) providing the holders of affected options and SARs payment (in cash or other consideration) in respect of each share covered by the option or SARs being cancelled an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the per share price to be paid or distributed to stockholders in the Transaction over the exercise price of the options or the grant price of the SARs; for the avoidance of doubt, the Company may cancel any option or SAR without any payment if the exercise price of the option or SAR exceeds the per share price for our common stock in the relevant Transaction; and
 - Y in the case of vested awards other than options or SARs, providing the holders of affected awards payment (in cash or other consideration) in respect of each share covered by the award being cancelled of the per share price to be paid or distributed to stockholders in the Transaction.

The Committee may, in its discretion and without the need for the consent of any recipient of an award, take one or more of the following actions to be effective upon the occurrence of or at any time prior to any Transaction (and any such action may be made contingent upon the occurrence of the Transaction):

- Ÿ cause any or all outstanding awards to become vested and immediately exercisable (as applicable), in whole or in part;
- Ÿ cancel all or any outstanding options or SARs by either:
 - Ÿ providing holders with a reasonable period of time to exercise the options or SARs (whether or not they were otherwise exercisable); or
 - Ÿ providing them with a cash payment in respect of each share covered by the options or SARs being cancelled in an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the per share price being paid in the transaction over the exercise or grant price of the option or SAR. For the avoidance of doubt, the Company may cancel any option or SAR without any payment if the exercise price of the option or SAR exceeds the per share price for our common stock in the relevant Transaction; or
- Ÿ cancel awards other than options and SARs by providing holders with a payment equal to the per share price being paid in the transaction, which may in the case of unvested awards, be paid in accordance with the vesting schedule of the award.

Tax Withholding. The Company has the right to withhold all amounts required to be withheld from any payment under the 2011 Plan or to require a grantee to satisfy all applicable tax withholding requirements prior to any payment or issuance or release of shares pursuant to any award. The 2011 Plan authorizes us to withhold from grantees shares of common stock having a fair market value equal to our withholding obligation with respect to restricted stock and RSUs.

Effectiveness of the 2011 Plan; Amendment and Termination. The 2011 Plan will become effective on the date on which the Company submits to the SEC a request to declare the registration statement to which this prospectus forms a part effective. The 2011 Plan will remain available for the grant of awards until the tenth anniversary of the effective date. The Board may amend or terminate the 2011 Plan or any outstanding awards made under the 2011 Plan at any time, except that stockholder approval will be required for any amendment to the Plan if required by applicable law or stock market requirements. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no amendment or termination the 2011 Plan or outstanding awards under the 2011 Plan that would adversely affect the rights of a grantee under any outstanding award may be made without the relevant grantee's consent.

Section 162(m). Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code disallows a Company tax deduction for any publicly held corporation for individual compensation exceeding \$1 million in any taxable year for a company's named executive officers, other than its chief financial officer, unless compensation qualifies as "performance-based compensation" (as defined in Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code). As we are not currently publicly traded, the Committee has not previously taken the deductibility limit imposed by Section 162(m) into consideration in setting compensation. Following this offering, the Company intends to rely, to the maximum extent permitted, on a transition rule under Section 162(m) that would result in deductions not being disallowed with respect to amounts paid under the 2011 Plan during the transition period (and with respect to options, SARs and Restricted Stock, granted during the transition period even if the award is exercised or becomes vested after the end of the transition period). It is expected that the Company will seek to qualify the 2011 Plan under 162(m) following the end of the transition period so that options, SARs and other performance awards can qualify for the exemption from the deduction limitations of Section 162(m) for "performance-based compensation". Among other things, that will require that the 2011 Plan be submitted for approval by the Company's stockholders at that time. However, the Committee may, in its judgment, authorize compensation payments that do not comply with the exemptions in Section 162(m) when it believes that any payments are appropriate.

PRINCIPAL STOCKHOLDERS

The following table presents information as of March 6, 2012 regarding beneficial ownership of common stock by:

- Ÿ each of our directors;
- Ÿ each of our named executive officers;
- $\ddot{\mathrm{Y}}$ each stockholder known by us to beneficially hold five percent or more of our common stock; and
- Ÿ all of our executive officers and directors as a group.

Beneficial ownership is determined under the rules of the SEC and generally includes voting or investment power with respect to securities. Unless indicated below, to our knowledge, the persons and entities that the table names have sole voting and sole investment power with respect to all shares beneficially owned, subject to community property laws where applicable. Shares of common stock subject to options that are currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days of the date of this prospectus are deemed to be outstanding and to be beneficially owned by the person holding the options for the purpose of computing the percentage ownership of that person but are not treated as outstanding for the purpose of computing the percentage ownership of any other person. Except as otherwise indicated, the business address for each of our beneficial owners is c/o MRC Global Inc., 2 Houston Center, 909 Fannin, Suite 3100, Houston, Texas 77010.

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		Shares Beneficially Owned Prior to the Offering‡		Shares Beneficially Owned After the Offering‡		
Name and Address	Number	Percent	Number	Percent†		
PVF Holdings(1)	84,214,026	99.6%	84,214,026	%		
The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.(1)	84,214,026	99.6%	84,214,026	%		
200 West Street, New York, New York 10282						
Andrew R. Lane(2)	639,841	*	639,841	*		
James E. Braun	_	_	_	_		
Daniel J. Churay		_	_	_		
Gary A. Ittner(3)	_	_	_	_		
James F. Underhill(4)		_	_	_		
Leonard M. Anthony(5)	20,671	*	20,671	*		
Rhys J. Best(6)	12,710	*	12,710	*		
Peter C. Boylan III(7)	12,710	*	12,710	*		
Henry Cornell(1)	84,214,026	99.6%	84,214,026	%		
Christopher A.S. Crampton(1)	_	_	_	_		
John F. Daly(1)	84,214,026	99.6%	84,214,026	%		
Craig Ketchum(8)	_	_	_	_		
Gerard P. Krans(9)	_	_	_	_		
Dr. Cornelis A. Linse	10,787	*	10,787	*		
John A. Perkins	21,853	*	21,853	*		
H.B. Wehrle, III(10)	_	_	_	_		
All directors and executive officers, as a group (20 persons)(11)	84,919,889	99.8%	84,919,889	%		

[†] Does not reflect exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares.

Less than 1%.

[‡] See "Corporate Structure" for an illustration of our expected capital structure upon completion of this offering.

- PVF Holdings directly owns 84,214,026 shares of common stock. GS Capital Partners V Fund, L.P., GS Capital Partners V Offshore Fund, L.P., GS Capital Partners V GmbH & Co. KG, GS Capital Partners V Institutional, L.P., GS Capital Partners VI Fund, L.P., GS Capital Partners VI Offshore Fund, L.P., GS Capital Partners VI Parallel, L.P., and GS Capital Partners VI GmbH & Co. KG (collectively, the "Goldman Sachs Funds") are members of PVF Holdings and own common units of PVF Holdings. The Goldman Sachs Funds' common units in PVF Holdings correspond to 51,258,887 shares of common stock. The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc., and Goldman, Sachs & Co. may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly, in the aggregate, all of the common stock owned by PVF Holdings because:
 - (i) affiliates of Goldman, Sachs & Co. and The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. are the general partner, managing general partner, managing partner, managing member or member of the Goldman Sachs Funds; and
 - (ii) the Goldman Sachs Funds control PVF Holdings and have the power to vote or dispose of all of the common stock of the Company owned by PVF Holdings. Goldman, Sachs & Co. is a direct and indirect wholly owned subsidiary of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.

Goldman, Sachs & Co. is the investment manager of certain of the Goldman Sachs Funds. Shares of common stock that may be deemed to be beneficially owned by the Goldman Sachs Funds that correspond to the Goldman Sachs Funds' common units of PVF Holdings consist of:

- Y 14,428,428 shares of common stock deemed to be beneficially owned by GS Capital Partners V Fund, L.P. and its general partner, GSCP V Advisors, L.L.C.;
- Ý 7,453,123 shares of common stock deemed to be beneficially owned by GS Capital Partners V Offshore Fund, L.P. and its general partner, GSCP V Offshore Advisors, L.L.C.;
- Ÿ 4,947,704 shares of common stock deemed to be beneficially owned by GS Capital Partners V Institutional, L.P. and its general partner, GS Advisors V, L.L.C.;
- Ÿ 572,037 shares of common stock deemed to be beneficially owned by GS Capital Partners V GmbH & Co. KG and its managing limited partner, GS Advisors V, L.L.C.;
- Ÿ 11,136,505 shares of common stock deemed to be beneficially owned by GS Capital Partners VI Fund, L.P. and its general partner, GSCP VI Advisors, L.L.C.;
- ÿ 9,262,952 shares of common stock deemed to be beneficially owned by GS Capital Partners VI Offshore Fund, L.P. and its general partner, GSCP VI Offshore Advisors, L.L.C.;
- Ϋ́ 3,062,347 shares of common stock deemed to be beneficially owned by GS Capital Partners VI Parallel, L.P. and its general partner, GS Advisors VI, L.L.C.; and
- 395,791 shares of common stock deemed to be beneficially owned by GS Capital Partners VI GmbH & Co. KG and its managing limited partner, GS Advisors VI, L.L.C.

Henry Cornell and John F. Daly are managing directors of Goldman, Sachs & Co. Mr. Cornell, Mr. Daly, The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. and Goldman, Sachs & Co. each disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares of common stock owned directly or indirectly by PVF Holdings and the Goldman Sachs Funds, except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein, if any.

(2) Mr. Lane owns no shares of common stock directly. Mr. Lane owns 85,109 shares of common stock, 115,000 shares of restricted common stock and options to purchase 439,732 shares of our common stock, which are exercisable within the next 60 days, through a limited partnership.

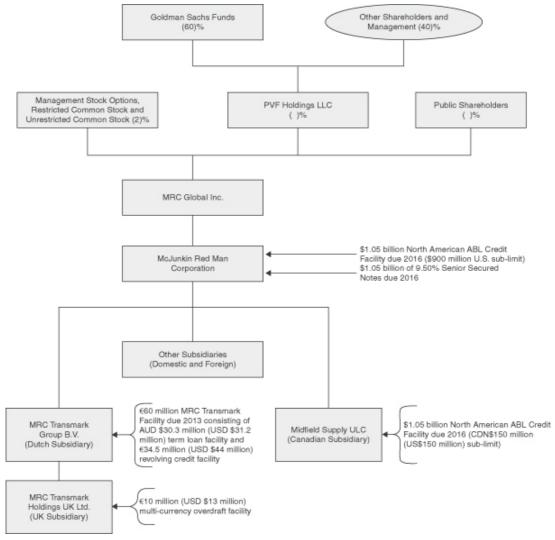
- (3) Mr. Ittner owns no shares of common stock directly. Mr. Ittner owns 6,462 shares indirectly through his ownership of common units in PVF Holdings. Mr. Ittner does not have the power to vote or dispose of shares of common stock that correspond to his ownership of common units in PVF Holdings and thus does not have beneficial ownership of the shares. Mr. Ittner also owns profits units in PVF Holdings. These profits units do not give Mr. Ittner beneficial ownership of any shares of our common stock because the profits units do not give Mr. Ittner the power to vote or dispose of the shares.
- (4) Mr. Underhill owns no shares of common stock directly. Mr. Underhill owns 12,869 shares indirectly through his ownership of common units in PVF Holdings. Mr. Underhill does not have the power to vote or dispose of shares of common stock that correspond to his ownership of common units in PVF Holdings and thus does not have beneficial ownership of the shares. Mr. Underhill also owns profits units in PVF Holdings. These profits units do not give Mr. Underhill beneficial ownership of any shares of our common stock because the profits units do not give Mr. Underhill the power to vote or dispose of the shares.
- (5) Mr. Anthony owns 14,184 shares of common stock and 3,650 shares of restricted common stock directly. Mr. Anthony also owns options to purchase 2,837 shares of our common stock, which are exercisable within the next 60 days.
- (6) Mr. Best owns no shares of common stock directly. Mr. Best owns 32,036 shares indirectly due to his limited liability company's ownership of common units in PVF Holdings. Mr. Best does not have the power to vote or dispose of shares of common stock that correspond to the limited liability company's ownership of common units in PVF Holdings and thus does not have beneficial ownership of the shares.

 Mr. Best also owns options to purchase 12,710 shares of our common stock, which are exercisable within the next 60 days.
- (7) Mr. Boylan owns no shares of common stock directly. Mr. Boylan owns 64,073 shares indirectly through his ownership of common units in PVF Holdings. Mr. Boylan does not have the power to vote or dispose of shares of common stock that correspond to his ownership of common units in PVF Holdings and thus does not have beneficial ownership of the shares. Mr. Boylan also owns options to purchase 12,710 shares of our common stock, which are exercisable within the next 60 days.
- Mr. Ketchum owns no shares of common stock directly. Mr. Ketchum owns common units in PVF Holdings both directly and through a limited liability company that correspond to 2,828,006 shares of common stock. Mr. Ketchum does not have the power to vote or dispose of shares of common stock that correspond to his ownership or his limited liability company's ownership of common units in PVF Holdings and thus does not have beneficial ownership of the shares. Mr. Ketchum also owns profits units in PVF Holdings. These profits units do not give Mr. Ketchum beneficial ownership of any shares of our common stock because the profits units do not give Mr. Ketchum the power to vote or dispose of the shares.
- (9) Mr. Krans owns no shares of common stock directly. Mr. Krans owns 5,307,019 shares indirectly through his ownership of common units in PVF Holdings. Mr. Krans does not have the power to vote or dispose of shares of common stock that correspond to his ownership of common units in PVF Holdings and thus does not have beneficial ownership of the shares.
- Mr. Wehrle owns no shares of common stock directly. Mr. Wehrle owns 1,305,235 shares through his ownership of common units in PVF Holdings. Mr. Wehrle does not have the power to vote or dispose of shares of common stock that correspond to his ownership of common units in PVF Holdings and thus does not have beneficial ownership of the shares. Mr. Wehrle also owns profits units in PVF Holdings. These profits units do not give Mr. Wehrle beneficial ownership of any shares of our common stock because the profits units do not give Mr. Wehrle the power to vote or dispose of the shares.

- (11) The number of shares of common stock owned by all directors and executive officers, as a group, reflects:
 - Ÿ all shares of common stock directly owned by PVF Holdings, with respect to which Henry Cornell and John F. Daly may be deemed to share beneficial ownership;
 - ¥ 85,109 shares of unrestricted common stock, 115,000 shares of restricted common stock and options to purchase 439,733 of our common stock held indirectly by Andrew R. Lane, the chairman, president and CEO and a director of MRC Global Inc. through a limited partnership;
 - Y 14,184 shares of unrestricted common stock, 3,650 shares of restricted common stock and options to purchase 2,837 shares of our common stock held directly by Leonard Anthony, a director of MRC Global Inc.;
 - $\ddot{\rm Y}$ options to purchase 12,710 shares of our common stock held by Rhys J. Best, a director of MRC Global Inc.;
 - Ÿ options to purchase 12,710 shares of our common stock held by Peter C. Boylan III, a director of MRC Global Inc.;
 - Ÿ 10,787 shares of unrestricted common stock held directly by Dr. Cornelis A. Linse, a director of MRC Global Inc.; and
 - Ÿ 21,853 shares of unrestricted common stock held directly by John Perkins, a director of MRC Global Inc.

CORPORATE STRUCTURE

The following chart illustrates our simplified organizational and ownership structure following the consummation of the offering of our common stock as set forth in this prospectus and assumes no exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares of common stock from us:



CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

This section describes related party transactions between us and our directors, executive officers and 5% stockholders and their immediate family members that have occurred since January 1, 2008. See "Corporate Structure" for an illustration of where the related entities discussed below sit in our corporate structure.

Transactions with the Goldman Sachs Funds

Certain affiliates of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc., including GS Capital Partners V Fund, L.P., GS Capital Partners VI Fund, L.P. and related entities, or the Goldman Sachs Funds, are the majority owners of PVF Holdings, our largest shareholder. See "Corporate Structure".

May 2008 Dividend

On May 22, 2008, McJunkin Red Man Corporation borrowed \$25 million in revolving loans under its revolving credit facility and distributed the proceeds of the loans to MRC Global Inc. On the same date, MRC Global Inc. borrowed \$450 million in term loans under its term loan facility and distributed the proceeds of the term loans, together with the proceeds of the revolving loans, to its stockholders, including PVF Holdings. PVF Holdings used the proceeds from the dividend to fund distributions to members of PVF Holdings in May 2008. The Goldman Sachs Funds were paid \$311,722,411.39 in such distribution.

LaBarge Acquisition

On October 9, 2008, we acquired LaBarge. In connection with the LaBarge acquisition, McJunkin Red Man Corporation paid an affiliate of the Goldman Sachs Funds a \$1.6 million merger and acquisition advisory fee.

MRC Transmark Acquisition

On October 30, 2009, we acquired MRC Transmark. In connection with the acquisition of MRC Transmark, McJunkin Red Man Corporation agreed to pay to an affiliate of the Goldman Sachs Funds a €4.0 (US\$6.0) million merger and acquisition advisory fee.

ABL Credit Facility

Goldman Sachs Lending Partners LLC is the co-documentation agent and a managing agent for our ABL Credit Facility. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—ABL Credit Facility".

Prior Credit Facilities

Goldman Sachs Credit Partners L.P., an affiliate of Goldman, Sachs & Co., or Goldman Sachs, was a lender under our prior revolving credit facility and our prior Term Loan Facility and Junior Term Loan Facility. Goldman Sachs Credit Partners was also a co-lead arranger and joint bookrunner under our prior revolving credit facility, was a co-lead arranger and joint bookrunner under our prior Term Loan Facility and our prior Junior Term Loan Facility.

We paid a \$4.4 million fee to Goldman Sachs Credit Partners in May 2008 in connection with our prior Junior Term Loan Facility, a fee of \$0.5 million to Goldman Sachs Credit Partners in June 2008 in connection with the \$50 million upsizing of our prior revolving credit facility and a fee of \$2 million to Goldman Sachs Credit Partners in October 2008 in connection with the \$100 million upsizing of our prior revolving credit facility.

Notes Offerings

Goldman Sachs was a joint book-running manager for our December 2009 and February 2010 Notes offerings and received fees of \$9.5 million in connection with serving in this capacity. In addition, pursuant to the registration rights agreements we entered into at the time of the Notes offerings, we have filed and are obligated to keep effective a market-making registration statement to enable Goldman Sachs to engage in market-making for the Notes. The SEC declared the initial market-making registration statement effective in July 2011.

Transactions with USI Southwest

In January 2010, we engaged Anco Insurance Services of Houston, Inc. (doing business as USI Southwest), an affiliate of the Goldman Sachs Funds, to provide insurance brokerage services to us. During the year ended December 31, 2011 and the year ended December 31, 2010, we paid USI Southwest \$1.6 million and \$2.2 million, respectively, for these services.

Transactions with Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P.

On September 1, 2009, we entered into a Supply Agreement with Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P., an affiliate of the Goldman Sachs Funds, pursuant to which we have agreed to provide maintenance, repair and operating supplies and related products for an initial term expiring on December 31, 2014. Including services provided to Kinder Morgan prior to the entry of the Supply Agreement, we received \$15.5 million in the year ended December 31, 2009, \$13.7 million in the year ended December 31, 2010 and \$9.9 million in the year ended December 31, 2011.

Transactions with Cobalt, Energy Future Holdings, CCS and EF Energy

Cobalt International Energy LP ("Cobalt"), Luminant Generation Company LLC, Luminant Mining Company LLC and Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC (together with Luminant Generation Company LLC and Luminant Mining Company LLC, "Energy Future Holdings"), CCS Corporation ("CCS") and EF Energy Holdings, L.L.C. ("EF Energy"), affiliates of the Goldman Sachs Funds, are customers of our Company. Our sales to Cobalt were \$1.3 million in the year ended December 31, 2009, \$6.1 million in the year ended December 31, 2010 and none for the in the year ended December 31, 2011. Our sales to Energy Future Holdings were \$0.5 million in the year ended December 31, 2009, \$4.1 million in the year ended December 31, 2010 and \$61,000 in the year ended December 31, 2011. Our sales to CCS were \$0.5 million in the year ended December 31, 2010 and \$1.2 million in the year ended December 31, 2011. Our sales to EF Energy were \$1.0 million in the year ended December 31, 2011, and we had no sales to EF Energy prior to 2011.

Transactions with Prideco

We lease certain equipment and buildings from Prideco, LLC, an entity that Craig Ketchum (a member of the Board and our former president and CEO) and certain of his immediate family members own. Craig Ketchum owns a 25% interest in Prideco, LLC. We paid Prideco, LLC an aggregate rental amount of approximately \$2.4 million in the year ended December 31, 2009, \$1.5 million in the year ended December 31, 2010 and \$0.6 million in the year ended December 31, 2011.

Under four separate real property leases, we lease office and warehouse space for the wholesale distribution of PVF from Prideco, LLC. The total rental amount under these leases was approximately \$0.1 million in the year ended December 31, 2008, \$0.1 million in the year ended December 31, 2010 and \$0.1 million in the year ended December 31, 2011. The location of the leased property, monthly rent for 2011, term, expiration date, square footage of the leased premises and renewal option for each of these leases are included in the table below:

	Monthly 2011			Square	
Location	Rent	Term	Expiration	Feet	Renewal Option
Artesia, NM	\$ 2,200	5 years	May 31, 2013	8,750	One five-year renewal option
Lovington, NM	\$ 2,350	3 years	September 30, 2012	6,000	Open option to renew
Tulsa, OK	\$ 3,000	3 years	March 31, 2012	7,980	One five-year renewal option
Woodward, OK	\$ 3,500	5 years	July 31, 2012	6,000	None

Additionally, under one master lease, Prideco, LLC leases approximately 430 trucks, cars and sports utility vehicles to us. All of these vehicles are used in our operations. Under the master lease, most vehicles are leased for a term of 36 months. The total rental amount under this lease was approximately \$3.1 million in the year ended December 31, 2008, \$2.3 million in the year ended December 31, 2009, \$1.4 million in the year ended December 31, 2010 and \$0.5 million in the year ended December 31, 2011.

We believe the rental amounts under our leases with Prideco, LLC are generally comparable to market rates negotiable among unrelated third parties.

Transactions with Hansford Associates Limited Partnership

McJunkin Red Man Corporation leases certain land and buildings from Hansford Associates Limited Partnership, a limited partnership in which H. B. Wehrle, III (a member of the Board), E. Gaines Wehrle (a former member of the Board), Stephen D. Wehrle (a former executive officer of MRC Global Inc.) and certain of their immediate family members are limited partners. Together, these three persons and their immediate family members have a 50% ownership interest in the limited partnership. McJunkin Red Man Corporation paid Hansford Associates Limited Partnership an aggregate rental amount of approximately \$2.5 million in the year ended December 31, 2008, \$2.5 million in the year ended December 31, 2011.

We believe that the rental amounts under McJunkin Red Man Corporation's leases with Hansford Associates Limited Partnership are generally comparable to market rates negotiable among unrelated third parties.

Transactions with Executive Officers and Directors

GS Acquisition

Under the terms of the merger agreement for the GS Acquisition, McJunkin Red Man Corporation is required to use its commercially reasonable efforts promptly following the closing of the merger to sell certain of its assets (the "Non-Core Assets") for cash and to distribute 95% of the net proceeds of the sales, less 40% of taxable gains, to McJunkin Red Man Corporation's shareholders of record immediately prior to the merger, including H.B. Wehrle, III. All Non-Core Assets have subsequently been sold.

In connection with the GS Acquisition, on December 4, 2006, we entered into an indemnity agreement with certain former shareholders of McJunkin Red Man Corporation, including H.B. Wehrle, III and Stephen D. Wehrle. Under the indemnity agreement, certain former shareholders of McJunkin Red Man Corporation agreed to jointly and severally indemnify (i) McJunkin Red Man Corporation, (ii) MRC Global Inc. and (iii) the wholly owned subsidiary of MRC Global Inc. that merged with and into McJunkin Red Man Corporation in connection with the GS Acquisition, and their respective shareholders, members, partners, officers, directors, employees, attorneys, accountants, affiliates, agents, other advisors and successors, from and against all costs the indemnified parties incur relating to the holding and disposition of certain of the Non-Core Assets, and the distribution of net proceeds with respect to the disposition, to the extent the costs for each Non-Core Asset exceed the net proceeds received in the sale of the asset.

Additionally, the indemnity agreement provided that from and after the effective time of the merger that was consummated in connection with the GS Acquisition, the indemnifying shareholders would jointly and severally indemnify the indemnified parties for (i) any amounts paid or payable by McJunkin Red Man Corporation or any of its subsidiaries to any of its officers, directors or employees in excess of \$965,000 in the nature of any "stay-pay bonuses" as a result of the merger, other than payments to certain specific employees, and (ii) any failure to properly withhold any amounts required to be withheld by McJunkin Red Man Corporation or any of its subsidiaries relating to stay-pay bonuses or any similar such payments (which indemnity only applied to withholding obligations that arose before the effective time of the merger on January 31, 2007).

May 2008 Dividend

Certain members of our management team and certain current and former members of the Board are members of PVF Holdings and therefore participated in PVF Holdings' cash distributions to its members in May 2008. See "—Transactions with the Goldman Sachs Funds—May 2008 Dividend" above. The table below sets forth the proceeds of the distributions paid to the account of the profits units and common units held by our current and former executive officers and directors who are members of PVF Holdings:

Name	!	Proceeds from Distributions Paid on Common Units	Di	oceeds from estributions on Profits Units	Total
Randy K. Adams	\$	6,131.28	\$	48,420.00	\$ 54,551.28
Rhys J. Best(1)	\$	194,826.51	Ψ		\$ 194,826.51
Peter C. Boylan, III(2)	\$	389,653.01		_	\$ 389,653.01
David Fox, III(3)	\$	1,975,013.20		_	\$ 1,975,013.20
Ken Hayes	\$	82,772.33	\$	16,140.00	\$ 98,912.33
Harry K. Hornish, Jr	\$	584,479.57	•		\$ 584,479.57
Scott A. Hutchinson	\$	78,264.60	\$	20,982.00	\$ 99,246.60
Rory M. Isaac	\$	195,160.51	\$	48,420.00	\$ 243,580.51
Russell L. Isaacs	\$	137,300.00		_	\$ 137,300.00
Gary A. Ittner	\$	39,299.30	\$	48,420.00	\$ 87,719.30
Craig Ketchum(4)	\$	17,198,047.58	\$	48,420.00	\$ 17,246,467.58
Kent Ketchum(5)	\$	6,878,317.54	\$	24,210.00	\$ 6,902,527.54
Stephen W. Lake	\$	78,264.59	\$	16,140.00	\$ 94,404.59
Jeffrey Lang	\$	38,965.30	\$	48,420.00	\$ 87,385.30
Diana D. Morris	\$	19,482.65		_	\$ 19,482.65
Dennis Niver	\$	333.99	\$	32,280.00	\$ 32,613.99
Dee Paige	\$	77,930.60	\$	72,630.00	\$ 150,560.60
James F. Underhill	\$	78,264.60	\$	75,858.00	\$ 154,122.60
E. Gaines Wehrle(6)	\$	7,306,083.68		_	\$ 7,306,083.68
H.B. Wehrle, III	\$	7,860,472.35	\$	48,420.00	\$ 7,908,892.35
Stephen D. Wehrle	\$	6,627,379.72	\$	24,210.00	\$ 6,651,589.72
Michael H. Wehrle	\$	7,095,097.13		_	\$ 7,095,097.13
Martha G. Wehrle	\$	870,319.63		_	\$ 870,319.63
Other Wehrle Family Members(7)	\$	34,345,051.67		_	\$ 34,345,051.67
Other Ketchum Family Members(8)	\$	19,238,151.48		_	\$ 19,238,151.48
All executive officers, directors and their immediate family members	\$	111,395,062.82	\$	572,970.00	\$ 111,968,032.82

(1) Mr. Best holds common units in PVF Holdings through a limited liability company which he controls.

(2) Mr. Boylan holds common units in PVF Holdings through a limited liability company which he owns and controls.

(4) Craig Ketchum was paid \$17,197,713.60 in proceeds with respect to common units held by a limited liability company which he controls. Craig Ketchum received \$333.99 in proceeds with respect to common units that he holds directly.

⁽³⁾ The \$1,975,013.20 that is indicated as being distributed on account of Mr. Fox's common units (including common units) was distributed to a trust that Mr. Fox established. Of this sum, \$993,087.61 was distributed with respect to common units and \$81,345.60 was paid as a tax distribution with respect to restricted common units. The balance of this sum (\$900,579.99) relates to proceeds of the dividend distributed with respect to restricted common units which are being held by PVF Holdings subject to vesting of the restricted common units.

- (5) Kent Ketchum was paid \$6,877,983.55 in proceeds with respect to common units held by a limited liability company which he controls. Kent Ketchum received \$333.99 in proceeds with respect to common units that he holds directly.
- (6) The \$7,306,083.68 that is indicated as being distributed with respect to Mr. Wehrle's common units was distributed to a trust that Mr. Wehrle established.
- (7) As used in this table, "Other Wehrle Family Members" include the immediate family members of H.B. Wehrle, III, E. Gaines Wehrle, Stephen D. Wehrle and Michael H. Wehrle.
- (8) As used in this table, "Other Ketchum Family Members" include the immediate family members of Craig Ketchum and Kent Ketchum.

Registration Rights Agreement

Prior to this offering, we intend to enter into a new registration rights agreement with PVF Holdings pursuant to which we may be required to register the sale of our shares that PVF Holdings holds. Under the registration rights agreement, PVF Holdings will have the right, including in connection with this offering, to request that we use our reasonable best efforts to register the sale of shares that PVF Holdings holds on its behalf on up to six occasions including requiring us to file shelf registration statements permitting sales of shares into the market from time to time over an extended period. PVF Holdings' right to demand registration will be subject to certain limitations contained in the registration rights agreement, including our right to decline to cause a registration statement for a demand registration to be declared effective within 180 days after the effective date of any of our other registration statements.

In addition, PVF Holdings will have the ability to exercise certain piggyback registration rights with respect to its own securities if we elect to register any of our equity securities. The registration rights agreement will also include provisions dealing with allocation of securities included in registration statements, registration procedures, indemnification, contribution and allocation of expenses. The registration rights agreement will be in effect until such time as PVF distributes all of the common stock which it holds to its members.

In connection with this offering, we also intend to amend the existing registration rights agreement, which will become effective at such time as PVF distributes any of the common stock which it holds to its members. Pursuant to the terms of such amended registration rights agreement, the existing members of PVF Holdings would thereafter be entitled to certain registration rights with respect to our shares of common stock which are distributed to them by PVF Holdings. In particular, the Goldman Sachs Funds would be able to request that we use our reasonable best efforts to register the sale of shares that they own on up to five occasions, and Transmark Holdings would be able to request that we use our reasonable best efforts to register the sale of shares it owns on one occasion, and all of the members of PVF Holdings party to the existing registration rights agreement would have the ability to exercise certain piggyback registration rights with respect to their own securities if we elect to register any of our equity securities.

Management Stockholders Agreement

Each holder of a stock option or restricted stock award, including the members of the Board who have received awards, is a party to a management stockholders agreement. Employees or directors that purchase common stock of MRC Global Inc. must also become a party to the management stockholders agreement. The management stockholders agreement sets forth the terms and conditions governing common stock of MRC Global Inc., including vested restricted stock and shares of common stock received upon the exercise of stock option awards.

The management stockholders agreement provides that upon the termination of a shareholder's employment with MRC Global Inc. or its affiliates (including, in the case of a non-employee member of

the Board, the termination of his or her service on the Board), MRC Global Inc. may exercise its right to purchase from shareholder (or his or her permitted transferee) all or a portion of the shareholder's vested restricted stock, common stock received upon the exercise of the shareholder's stock options, or common stock the shareholder purchased. In the event of a termination by the Company or its affiliates for cause (as defined in the management stockholders agreement), the call option price would be the lesser of:

- (i) the fair market value on the date of repurchase (determined in accordance with the management stockholders agreement); or
- (ii) the price paid for the stock by such shareholder. Under all other circumstances, the call option price would be the fair market value of the stock subject to the call option on the date of repurchase (determined in accordance with the management stockholders agreement).

Prior to the consummation of an initial public offering of our common stock, if PVF Holdings proposes to:

- (i) transfer common stock to any person who is not its affiliate; or
- (ii) effect an Exit Event (as defined in the management stockholders agreement), PVF Holdings may require shareholders to transfer a proportionate number of their shares of common stock to the person.

In this event, shareholders would receive the same price for their common stock as PVF Holdings receives for its common stock and would be required to pay for a proportionate share of all transaction expenses.

Other than as described above in this section, the management stockholders agreement prohibits the transfer of any shares of common stock of MRC Global Inc. (including vested shares restricted stock) by a shareholder, other than following the death of the holder pursuant to the terms of any trust or will of the deceased or by the laws of intestate succession.

Our directors hold various equity interests in respect of our shares of common stock. Andrew R. Lane, Leonard Anthony, Dr. Cornelis A. Linse and John Perkins hold shares of our common stock that they have purchased for fair market value; Andrew R. Lane and Leonard Anthony hold awards of restricted stock; and Andrew R. Lane, Leonard Anthony, Rhys Best, Peter C. Boylan III, Gerard P. Krans, John Perkins and Dr. Cornelis A. Linse hold stock options to purchase shares of our common stock. Accordingly, each of them is a party to the management stockholders agreement. Upon the consummation of this offering, none of Messrs, Lane, Anthony, Linse or Perkins will be a party to the management stockholders agreement in respect of common stock purchased by them, and neither Mr. Lane nor Mr. Anthony will be a party to the management stockholders agreement in respect of common stock acquired by them upon exercise of their stock options.

We will terminate the management stockholders agreements in connection with the consummation of this offering.

Governance Agreement

Currently our largest shareholder is PVF Holdings. PVF Holdings owned approximately 98% of our common stock prior to the offering and will own approximately % of our common stock following consummation of this offering (% if the underwriters exercise their option to purchase additional shares). The Goldman Sachs Funds own a majority of the interests of PVF Holdings and have the right to select all of the directors of PVF Holdings. Accordingly, the Goldman Sachs Funds control PVF Holdings and the shares of common stock that PVF Holdings owns. Beginning one year after the

closing date of this offering, certain holders of interests of PVF Holdings have the right to require that PVF Holdings distribute to them the shares of common stock which PVF Holdings owns in an aggregate amount equal to the value of their interests in PVF Holdings.

Prior to this offering, we intend to enter into a governance agreement with PVF Holdings, which will grant PVF Holdings certain rights relating to the nomination of candidates to our board of directors.

The governance agreement will allow PVF Holdings, for so long as it beneficially owns at least 15% of the shares of our common stock outstanding, to designate a number of director nominees in the slate of director nominees that we propose to stockholders in connection with an election of directors. The number of nominees that PVF Holdings will have the right to designate will be equal to the product of (i) the percentage of the total outstanding shares of our common stock beneficially owned by PVF Holdings multiplied by (ii) the total number of directors comprising our board of directors. In the event that this calculation results in PVF Holdings having the right to designate a non-whole number of nominees, the number of nominees that PVF Holdings has a right to designate will be rounded up to the nearest whole number.

PVF Holdings will have the right to assign its rights and obligations under the governance agreement to Goldman, Sachs & Co. and/or one or more of its affiliates, including the Goldman Sachs Funds, but not to any other person. In the event of an assignment, the director nomination rights described above will inure to the benefit of the assignee or assignees, and the shares of our common stock beneficially owned by Goldman, Sachs & Co. and its affiliates, taken together, will be counted towards the ownership thresholds referred to above.

Related Party Transaction Policy

We have in place a formal written policy for the review, approval, ratification and disclosure of related party transactions. This policy applies to any transaction, arrangement or relationship (or any series of similar transactions, arrangements or relationships) in which we were, are or will be a participant and the amount involved exceeds \$120,000, and in which any related party had or will have a direct or indirect material interest. The audit committee of the Board must review, approve and ratify a related party transaction if the transaction is consistent with the Related Party Transaction Policy and is on terms, taken as a whole, that the audit committee believes are no less favorable to us than could be obtained in an arm's-length transaction with an unrelated third-party, unless the audit committee otherwise determines that the transaction is not in our best interests. Our audit committee does not need to approve or ratify any related party transaction or modification of the transaction that the Board has approved or ratified by the affirmative vote of a majority of directors, who do not have a direct or indirect material interest in such transaction. In addition, our compensation committee will approve related party transactions involving compensation rather than our audit committee.

In addition, we are bound by a provision in the PVF LLC Agreement, which provides that neither we nor any of our subsidiaries may enter into any transactions with any of the Goldman Sachs Funds or any of their affiliates except for transactions that:

- (i) are otherwise permitted or contemplated by the PVF LLC Agreement; or
- (ii) are on fair and reasonable terms not materially less favorable to us than we would obtain in a hypothetical comparable arm's length transaction with a person that was not an affiliate of the Goldman Sachs Funds.

Our credit facilities also contain covenants which, subject to certain exceptions, require us to conduct all transactions with any of our affiliates on terms that are substantially as favorable to us as we would obtain in a comparable arm's length transaction with a person that is not an affiliate.

DESCRIPTION OF OUR CAPITAL STOCK

Immediately following the completion of this offering, our authorized capital stock will consist of 500 million shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, and 100 million shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share, the rights and preferences of which the Board may establish from time to time. Upon the completion of this offering, there will be outstanding shares of common stock (excluding shares of non-vested restricted stock) and no outstanding shares of preferred stock. The following description of our capital stock does not purport to be complete and is subject to and qualified by our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws, forms of which are included as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part, and by the provisions of applicable Delaware law.

Common Stock

Holders of our common stock are entitled to one vote for each share on all matters that our stockholders vote upon, including the election of directors, and do not have cumulative voting rights. Subject to the rights of holders of any then outstanding shares of our preferred stock, our common stockholders are entitled to any dividends that our Board may declare. Holders of our common stock are entitled to share ratably in our net assets upon our dissolution or liquidation after payment or provision for all liabilities and any preferential liquidation rights of our preferred stock then outstanding. Holders of our common stock have no preemptive rights to purchase shares of our stock. The shares of our common stock are not subject to any redemption provisions and are not convertible into any other shares of our capital stock. All outstanding shares of our common stock are fully paid and nonassessable. The rights, preferences and privileges of holders of our common stock will be subject to those of the holders of any shares of our preferred stock we may issue in the future.

Our common stock will be represented by certificates, unless the Board adopts a resolution providing that some or all of our common stock shall be uncertificated. Any resolution will not apply to any shares of common stock that are already certificated until the shares are surrendered to us.

Preferred Stock

The Board may, from time to time, authorize the issuance of one or more series of preferred stock without stockholder approval. We have no current intention to issue any shares of preferred stock.

One of the effects of undesignated preferred stock may be to enable the Board to discourage an attempt to obtain control of our Company by means of a tender offer, proxy contest, merger or otherwise. The issuance of preferred stock may adversely affect the rights of our common stockholders by, among other things:

- Ÿ restricting dividends on the common stock;
- Ÿ diluting the voting power of the common stock;
- Ÿ impairing the liquidation rights of the common stock; or
- Ÿ delaying or preventing a change in control without further action by the stockholders.

Limitation on Liability and Indemnification of Officers and Directors

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation limits the liability of directors to the fullest extent Delaware law permits. The effect of these provisions is to eliminate the rights of our Company and our stockholders, through stockholders' derivative suits on behalf of our Company, to recover monetary damages against a director for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, including breaches resulting from grossly negligent behavior. However, our directors will be personally liable to us and our

stockholders for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty, for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, under Section 174 of the Delaware General Corporation Law or for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit. In addition, our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws provide that we will indemnify our directors and officers to the fullest extent Delaware law permits. We have entered into indemnification agreements with our current directors and officers, and we intend to enter into amended indemnification agreements with our directors and executive officers prior to the consummation of this offering. We also maintain directors and officers insurance.

Corporate Opportunities

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that Goldman, Sachs & Co. and its affiliates (which include the Goldman Sachs Funds) have no obligation to offer us any opportunity to participate in business opportunities presented to any of them, even if the opportunity is one that we might reasonably have pursued, and that neither Goldman, Sachs & Co. nor its affiliates will be liable to us or our stockholders for breach of any duty by reason of any of these activities unless, in the case of any person who is a director or officer of our Company, the business opportunity is expressly offered to the director or officer in writing solely in his or her capacity as an officer or director of our Company. Stockholders will be deemed to have notice of and consented to this provision of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation.

Business Combinations with Interested Stockholders

We have elected in our amended and restated certificate of incorporation not to be subject to Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, an antitakeover law. In general, Section 203 prohibits a publicly held Delaware corporation from engaging in a business combination, such as a merger, with a person or group owning 15% or more of the corporation's voting stock for a period of three years following the date the person became an interested stockholder, unless (with certain exceptions) the business combination or the transaction in which the person became an interested stockholder is approved in a prescribed manner. Accordingly, we are not subject to any antitakeover effects of Section 203. However, our amended and restated certificate of incorporation contains provisions that have the same effect as Section 203 beginning on the date that Goldman, Sachs & Co. and its affiliates first cease to beneficially own at least 15% of our common stock. However, our amended and restated certificate of incorporation exempts Goldman, Sachs & Co. and its affiliates, and any persons to whom they sell shares of their common stock (other than persons buying shares in a registered public offering of common stock), from the effect of those provisions.

Removal of Directors; Vacancies

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws provide that any director or the entire Board may be removed with or without cause by the affirmative vote of at least 75.0% of all shares then entitled to vote at an election of directors. Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws also provide that any vacancies on the Board will be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board then in office, even if less than a quorum, or by a sole remaining director.

Voting

Stockholders holding a majority of our common stock, present in person or by proxy, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings of stockholders, except as otherwise provided under our amended and restated certificate of incorporation or under our bylaws.

At any stockholder meeting for which notice of the meeting was delivered to stockholders prior to the date that Goldman, Sachs & Co. and its affiliates cease to beneficially own at least 15% of the outstanding shares of our common stock, directors will be elected by the affirmative vote of a plurality of the shares of our common stock present, in person or by proxy. At any stockholder meeting for which notice of the meeting was delivered to stockholders on or after the date that Goldman, Sachs & Co. and its affiliates cease to own at least 15% of the outstanding shares of our common stock, a nominee for director will be elected if the votes cast for the nominee's election exceed the votes cast against the nominee's election (unless the election is contested, in which case the affirmative vote of a plurality of the shares of our common stock present, in person or by proxy will decide the election). The affirmative vote of a majority of the shares of our common stock present, in person or by proxy will decide all other matters voted on by stockholders, unless the question is one upon which, by express provision of law, under our amended and restated certificate of incorporation, or under our bylaws, a different vote is required, in which case the specific provision will control.

Action by Written Consent

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws provide that stockholder action cannot be taken by written consent.

Ability to Call Special Meetings

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws provide that special meetings of our stockholders can only be called pursuant to a resolution adopted by a majority of the Board or by the chairman of the Board. Stockholders will not be permitted to call a special meeting or to require the Board to call a special meeting.

Amending Our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that our certificate of incorporation may generally be amended by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board and by the affirmative vote of the majority of all shares of our stock then entitled to vote at any annual or special meeting of stockholders. However, our amended and restated certificate of incorporation also provides that the affirmative vote of at least 75.0% of the outstanding shares of our common stock is required to amend the provisions in our amended and restated certificate of incorporation relating to corporate opportunities, business combinations with significant shareholders, amendments to the amended and restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws and limitation on liability and indemnification of officers and directors.

In addition, our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws provide that our bylaws may be amended, repealed or new bylaws may be adopted by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board, or, when a quorum is present at any stockholder meeting, by the affirmative vote of at least 75.0% of the voting power of our stock entitled to vote thereon.

Advance Notice Provisions for Stockholders

To nominate directors to the Board or bring other business before an annual meeting of our stockholders, a stockholder's notice must be delivered to the Secretary of the Company at the principal executive offices of the Company not earlier than 120 calendar days and not later than 90 calendar days before the first anniversary of the previous year's annual meeting of stockholders, subject to certain exceptions contained in our bylaws. If the date of the applicable annual meeting is more than

30 days before or more than 30 days after the anniversary date, notice by a stockholder to be timely must be so delivered not earlier than 120 calendar days before the date of the annual meeting and not later than 90 calendar days before the date of the annual meeting or, if the first public announcement of the date of the annual meeting is less than 100 days prior to the date of the annual meeting, the tenth day following the date on which public announcement of the date of the meeting is first made by the Company. The adjournment or postponement of an annual meeting or the announcement shall not commence a new time period for the giving of a stockholder's notice as described above.

Listing

We intend to apply to list our common stock on the NYSE under the symbol "MRC".

Transfer Agent and Registrar

The transfer agent and registrar for our common stock is Computershare Trust Company, N.A.

SHARES ELIGIBLE FOR FUTURE SALE

Upon the completion of this offering, we will have outstanding shares of common stock (excluding shares of non-vested restricted stock). The shares sold in this offering plus any additional shares sold upon exercise of the underwriters' option will be freely tradable without restriction under the Securities Act, unless purchased by our "affiliates" as that term is defined in Rule 144 under the Securities Act. In general, affiliates include executive officers, directors and our largest stockholders. Shares of common stock that affiliates purchase will be subject to the resale limitations of Rule 144.

The remaining shares outstanding following this offering are restricted securities within the meaning of Rule 144. Restricted securities may be sold in the public market only if registered or if they qualify for an exemption from registration such as under Rule 144 promulgated under the Securities Act, which is summarized below.

Our executive officers and directors and our principal stockholder, PVF Holdings, will enter into lock-up agreements in connection with this offering, generally providing that they will not offer, sell, contract to sell, or grant any option to purchase or otherwise dispose of our common stock or any securities exercisable for or convertible into our common stock that they own for a period of 180 days after the date of this prospectus without the prior written consent of the representatives of the underwriters.

Despite possible earlier eligibility for sale under the provisions of Rule 144 under the Securities Act, any shares subject to the lock-up agreement will not be salable until the lock-up agreement expires or the representatives of the underwriters waives the agreement. Taking into account the lock-up agreement, and assuming that PVF Holdings is not released from its lock-up agreement, the shares held by our affiliates will be eligible for future sale in accordance with the requirements of Rule 144 upon the expiration of the lock-up agreement.

Rule 144 generally allows a person (or persons whose shares are aggregated) who is not deemed to have been an affiliate of us at any time during the three months preceding a sale, and who has beneficially owned restricted securities within the meaning of Rule 144 for at least six months (including any period of consecutive ownership of preceding non-affiliated holders) to sell those shares, subject only to the availability of current public information about us. A non-affiliated person who has beneficially owned restricted securities within the meaning of Rule 144 for at least one year would be entitled to sell those shares without regard to the provisions of Rule 144.

A person (or persons whose shares are aggregated) who is deemed to be an affiliate of ours and who has beneficially owned restricted securities within the meaning of Rule 144 for at least six months would be entitled to sell within any three-month period a number of shares that does not exceed the greater of one percent of the then outstanding shares of our common stock or the average weekly trading volume of our common stock reported through the NYSE during the four calendar weeks preceding the filing of the notice of the sale. Such sales are also subject to certain manner of sale provisions, notice requirements and the availability of current public information about us.

PVF Holdings, which will hold shares of our common stock upon the completion of this offering, will enter into a new registration rights agreement with us prior to the consummation of this offering. Pursuant to this registration rights agreement, PVF Holdings can request that we use our reasonable best efforts to register its shares with the SEC, including in connection with this offering, on up to six occasions, including pursuant to shelf registration statements. In addition, PVF Holdings will have the ability to exercise certain piggyback registration rights with respect to its own securities if we

elect to register any of our equity securities. The registration rights agreement will also include provisions dealing with allocation of securities included in registration statements, registration procedures, indemnification, contribution and allocation of expenses. The registration rights agreement will be in effect until such time as PVF distributes all of the common stock which it holds to its members.

In connection with this offering, we also intend to amend the existing registration rights agreement, which will become effective at such time as PVF distributes any of the common stock which it holds to its members. Pursuant to the terms of such amended registration rights agreement, the existing members of PVF Holdings would there after be entitled to certain registration rights with respect to our shares of common stock which are distributed to them by PVF Holdings. In particular, the Goldman Sachs Funds would be able to request that we use our reasonable best efforts to register the sale of shares that they own on up to five occasions, and Transmark Holdings would be able to request that we use our reasonable best efforts to register of the sale of shares it owns on one occasion, and all of the members of PVF Holdings party to the existing registration rights agreement would have the ability to exercise certain piggyback registration rights with respect to their own securities if we elect to register any of our equity securities.

MATERIAL UNITED STATES FEDERAL TAX CONSIDERATIONS FOR NON-U.S. HOLDERS

The following is a general discussion of the material U.S. federal income and estate tax considerations relating to the ownership and disposition of our common stock by non-U.S. holders who purchase our common stock in this offering. This discussion does not purport to be a complete analysis of all the potential tax considerations relevant to non-U.S. holders of our common stock.

For purposes of this discussion, the term "non-U.S. holder" means a beneficial owner of our common stock that is not, for U.S. federal income tax purposes:

- Ÿ an individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States;
- Ÿ a corporation (or other entity classified as a corporation for these purposes) created or organized in, or under the laws of, the United States or any political subdivision of the United States;
- Ÿ a partnership (including any entity or arrangement classified as a partnership for these purposes);
- Ÿ an estate whose income is includible in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source; or
- Y a trust, if (1) a United States court is able to exercise primary supervision over the trust's administration and one or more "United States persons" (within the meaning of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code")) has the authority to control all of the trust's substantial decisions, or (2) the trust has a valid election in effect under applicable U.S. Treasury regulations to be treated as a United States person.

If a partnership (or other entity or arrangement classified as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) owns our common stock, the tax treatment of a partner in the partnership may depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership and upon certain determinations made at the partner level. Partners in partnerships that own our common stock should consult their own tax advisors as to the particular U.S. federal income and estate tax consequences applicable to them.

This discussion assumes that shares of our common stock are held as capital assets within the meaning of Section 1221 of the Code (generally, investment property). This discussion does not address all of the aspects of U.S. federal income and estate taxation that may be relevant to a non-U.S. holder in light of the non-U.S. holder's particular investment circumstances or status, nor does it address specific tax considerations that may be relevant to particular persons, including for example:

- Ÿ financial institutions, tax-exempt organizations, controlled foreign corporations, passive foreign investment companies, certain U.S. expatriates, and dealers and traders in stocks, securities or currencies;
- \dot{Y} non-U.S. holders holding our common stock as part of a conversion, constructive sale, wash sale, integrated transaction or straddle; or
- \dot{Y} non-U.S. holders who hold or receive our common stock pursuant to the exercise of any employee stock option or otherwise as compensation.

This discussion is based on provisions of the Code, applicable U.S. Treasury regulations and administrative and judicial interpretations, all as in effect or in existence on the date of this prospectus. Subsequent developments in U.S. federal income or estate tax law, including changes in law or differing interpretations, which may be applied retroactively, could have a material effect on the U.S. federal income and estate tax consequences of owning and disposing of our common stock as set forth in this discussion.

There can be no assurance that the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") will not challenge one or more of the tax considerations described herein, and we have not obtained, nor do we intend to obtain, a ruling from the IRS with respect to the U.S. federal income or estate tax consequences to a non-U.S. Holder of the ownership or disposition of our common stock.

If you are considering purchasing our common stock, you should consult your tax advisor regarding the U.S. federal, state and local and non-U.S. income, estate and other tax consequences to you of owning and disposing of our common stock.

Dividends

As discussed above under "Dividend Policy", we do not anticipate paying cash dividends on our common stock in the foreseeable future. If we do make distributions of cash or property with respect to our common stock, the distributions generally will constitute dividends for U.S. federal income tax purposes to the extent of our current or accumulated earnings and profits, as determined under U.S. federal income tax principles. If a distribution exceeds our current or accumulated earnings and profits, the excess will constitute a return of capital and will first reduce a non-U.S. holder's basis in our common stock, but not below zero. Any remaining excess will be treated as described below under "Gain on disposition of our common stock".

In the event that we do pay dividends, dividends paid to a non-U.S. holder of our common stock generally will be subject to U.S. federal withholding tax at a rate of 30%, or a lower rate under an applicable income tax treaty.

To claim the benefit of an applicable income tax treaty, a non-U.S. holder will be required to provide a properly completed and executed IRS Form W-8BEN (or applicable successor form). Special rules apply to partnerships and other pass-through entities, and these certification and disclosure requirements also may apply to beneficial owners of partnerships and other pass-through entities that hold our common stock. A non-U.S. holder that is eligible for a reduced rate of U.S. federal withholding tax under an income tax treaty may obtain a refund or credit of any excess amounts withheld by filing an appropriate claim for a refund with the IRS. Non-U.S. holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding their entitlement to benefits under a relevant income tax treaty and the manner of claiming the benefits.

Dividends that are effectively connected with a non-U.S. holder's conduct of a trade or business in the United States (and, if required by an applicable income tax treaty, attributable to a permanent establishment maintained by the non-U.S. holder in the United States) generally will not be subject to U.S. federal withholding tax if the non-U.S. holder provides a properly completed and executed IRS Form W-8ECI (or applicable successor form), but generally will be taxed on a net income basis at the regular graduated rates and in the same manner as if such non-U.S holder were a resident of the United States. In addition, a "branch profits tax" may be imposed at a 30% rate, or a lower rate under an applicable income tax treaty, on dividends received by a foreign corporation that are effectively connected with its conduct of a trade or business in the United States

Gain on disposition of our common stock

A non-U.S. holder generally will not be taxed on any gain realized on a disposition of our common stock unless:

Ÿ the gain is effectively connected with the non-U.S. holder's conduct of a trade or business in the United States and, if required by an applicable income tax treaty, is attributable to a permanent establishment maintained by the non-U.S. holder in the United States; in these cases, the gain generally will be taxed on a net income basis at the regular graduated rates

- and in the same manner as if such non-U.S. holder were a resident of the United States (unless an applicable income tax treaty provides otherwise) and, if the non-U.S. holder is a foreign corporation, the "branch profits tax" described above may also apply;
- Ÿ the non-U.S. holder is an individual who is present in the United States for at least 183 days in the taxable year of the disposition and meets other requirements (in which case, except as otherwise provided by an applicable income tax treaty, the gain, which may be offset by U.S. source capital losses, generally will be subject to a flat 30% U.S. federal income tax, even though the non-U.S. holder is not considered a resident alien under the Code); or
- Ÿ we are or have been a "U.S. real property holding corporation" (a "USRPHC") for U.S. federal income tax purposes at any time during the shorter of the five-year period ending on the date of disposition and the period that the non-U.S. holder held our common stock.

Generally, a corporation is a USRPHC if the fair market value of its "U.S. real property interests" equals or exceeds 50% of the sum of the fair market value of its worldwide real property interests plus its other assets used or held for use in a trade or business. The tax relating to stock in a USRPHC generally will not apply to a non-U.S. holder whose holdings, direct and indirect, at all times during the applicable period, constituted 5% or less of our common stock, provided that our common stock was regularly traded on an established securities market. We believe that we are not currently, and we do not anticipate becoming in the future, a USRPHC.

Federal estate tax

Our common stock that is owned or treated as owned by an individual who is not a citizen or resident of the United States (as specially defined for U.S. federal estate tax purposes) at the time of death generally will be included in the individual's gross estate for U.S. federal estate tax purposes, unless an applicable estate tax or other treaty provides otherwise, and, therefore, may be subject to U.S. federal estate tax.

Information reporting and backup withholding

Dividends paid to a non-U.S. holder may be subject to U.S. information reporting and backup withholding (currently at a rate of 28% and scheduled to increase to 31% for taxable years 2013 and thereafter). A non-U.S. holder will be exempt from backup withholding if the non-U.S. holder provides a properly completed and executed IRS Form W-8BEN (or applicable successor form) or otherwise establishes an exemption.

The gross proceeds from the disposition of our common stock may be subject to U.S. information reporting and backup withholding (currently at a rate of 28% and scheduled to increase to 31% for taxable years 2013 and thereafter). If a non-U.S. holder sells our common stock outside the United States through a non-U.S. office of a non-U.S. broker and the sales proceeds are paid to the non-U.S. holder outside the United States, then the U.S. information reporting and backup withholding requirements generally will not apply to that payment. However, U.S. information reporting, but not U.S. backup withholding, will apply to a payment of sales proceeds, even if that payment is made outside the United States, if a non-U.S. holder sells our common stock through a non-U.S. office of a broker that:

- Ÿ is a United States person;
- Y derives 50% or more of its gross income in specific periods from the conduct of a trade or business in the United States;
- \ddot{Y} is a controlled foreign corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes; or

- \ddot{Y} is a foreign partnership, if at any time during its tax year:
 - Ÿ one or more of its partners are United States persons who in the aggregate hold more than 50% of the income or capital interests in the partnership; or
 - Ÿ the foreign partnership is engaged in a United States trade or business,

unless the broker has documentary evidence in its files that the non-U.S. holder is not a United States person and certain other conditions are met or the non-U.S. holder otherwise establishes an exemption.

If a non-U.S. holder receives a payment of the proceeds of a sale of our common stock from or through a U.S. office of a broker, the payment is subject to both U.S. information reporting and backup withholding unless the non-U.S. holder provides a properly completed and executed IRS Form W-8BEN (or applicable successor form) certifying that the non-U.S. Holder is not a United States person or the non-U.S. holder otherwise establishes an exemption.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax. A non-U.S. holder generally may obtain a refund of any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules that exceed the non-U.S. holder's U.S. federal income tax liability, if any, by filing a refund claim with the IRS.

Legislation relating to foreign accounts

Legislation enacted in March 2010, stated to be effective for payments made after December 31, 2012, imposes a U.S. federal withholding tax of 30% on certain payments (including dividends on, and gross proceeds from the disposition of, our common stock) made to certain foreign financial institutions (including in their capacity as agents or custodians for beneficial owners of our common stock) and to other foreign entities unless various certification, information reporting and other specified requirements are satisfied. Under recent guidance from the IRS, the legislation's implementation has been delayed and this 30% U.S. federal withholding tax is set to apply to dividends we pay on our common stock after December 31, 2013, and to gross proceeds from the sale or other disposition of our common stock paid after December 31, 2014. The IRS's guidance with respect to these rules is only preliminary, and the scope of these rules remains unclear and potentially subject to material changes. You should consult your tax advisor regarding the possible impact of these rules on your investment in our common stock, including, without limitation, the process and deadlines for meeting the applicable requirements to prevent the imposition of this 30% U.S. federal withholding tax. We will not pay any additional amounts in respect of any amounts withheld.

YOU SHOULD CONSULT YOUR TAX ADVISOR TO DETERMINE THE U.S. FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL AND NON-U.S. TAX CONSEQUENCES TO YOU OF OWNING AND DISPOSING OF OUR COMMON STOCK.

UNDERWRITING (CONFLICTS OF INTEREST)

The Company and the underwriters named below will enter into an underwriting agreement with respect to the shares being offered. Subject to certain conditions, each underwriter has severally agreed to purchase the number of shares indicated in the following table. Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Barclays Capital Inc. are the representatives of the underwriters and the joint book-running managers for this offering.

<u>Underwriters</u>	Number of Shares
Goldman, Sachs & Co.	
Barclays Capital Inc.	
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith	
Incorporated	
Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated	
Wells Fargo Securities, LLC	
Raymond James & Associates, Inc.	
William Blair & Company, L.L.C.	
Stephens Inc.	
Total	

The underwriters are committed to take and pay for all of the shares being offered, if any are taken, other than the shares covered by the option described below unless and until this option is exercised.

The underwriters have an option to buy up to an additional shares from us to cover sales by the underwriters of a greater number of shares than the total number set forth in the table above. They may exercise that option for 30 days. If any shares are purchased pursuant to this option, the underwriters will severally purchase shares in approximately the same proportion as set forth in the table above.

The following table shows the per share and total underwriting discounts and commissions to be paid to the underwriters by us. Such amounts are shown assuming both no exercise and full exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares of common stock.

	No Exercise	Full Exercise
Per Share	\$	\$
Total	\$	\$

Shares sold by the underwriters to the public will initially be offered at the initial public offering price set forth on the cover of this prospectus. Any shares sold by the underwriters to securities dealers may be sold at a discount of up to \$ per share from the initial public offering price. After the initial offering of the shares, the representatives may change the offering price and the other selling terms. The offering of the shares by the underwriters is subject to receipt and acceptance and subject to the underwriters' right to reject any order in whole or in part.

We and our executive officers and directors and PVF Holdings have agreed with the underwriters, subject to certain exceptions, not to dispose of or hedge any of our common stock or securities convertible into or exchangeable for shares of common stock during the period from the date of this prospectus continuing through the date 180 days after the date of this prospectus, except with the prior written consent of the representatives. This agreement does not apply to any existing employee benefit plans. See "Shares Eligible for Future Sale" for a description of certain transfer restrictions.

The 180-day restricted period described in the preceding paragraph will be automatically extended if: (1) during the last 17 days of the 180-day restricted period the Company issues an earnings release or announces material news or a material event; or (2) prior to the expiration of the 180-day restricted period, the Company announces that it will release earnings results during the

15-day period following the last day of the 180-day period, in which case the restrictions described in the preceding paragraph will continue to apply until the expiration of the 18-day period beginning on the issuance of the earnings release or the announcement of the material news or material event.

Prior to this offering, there has been no public market for the common stock. The initial public offering price will be negotiated between us and the representatives. Among the factors to be considered in determining the initial public offering price of the shares, in addition to prevailing market conditions, will be our historical performance, estimates of our business potential and earnings prospects, an assessment of our management and the consideration of the above factors in relation to market valuation of companies in related businesses.

We intend to apply to list our common stock on the NYSE under the symbol "MRC". In order to meet one of the requirements for listing the common stock on the NYSE, the underwriters have undertaken to sell lots of 100 or more shares to a minimum of 400 beneficial holders.

In connection with the offering, the underwriters may purchase and sell shares of common stock in the open market. These transactions may include short sales, stabilizing transactions and purchases to cover positions created by short sales. Short sales involve the sale by the underwriters of a greater number of shares than they are required to purchase in the offering, and a short position represents the amount of such sales that have not been covered by subsequent purchases. A "covered short position" is a short position that is not greater than the amount of additional shares for which the underwriters' option described above may not be exercised. The underwriters may cover any covered short position by either exercising their option to purchase additional shares or purchasing shares in the open market. In determining the source of shares to cover the covered short position, the underwriters will consider, among other things, the price of shares available for purchase in the open market as compared to the price at which they may purchase additional shares pursuant to the option described above. "Naked" short sales are any short sales that create a short position greater than the amount of additional shares for which the option described above may be exercised. The underwriters must cover any such naked short position by purchasing shares in the open market. A naked short position is more likely to be created if the underwriters are concerned that there may be downward pressure on the price of the common stock in the open market after pricing that could adversely affect investors who purchase in the offering. Stabilizing transactions consist of various bids for or purchases of common stock made by the underwriters in the open market prior to the completion of the offering.

The underwriters may also impose a penalty bid. This occurs when a particular underwriter repays to the underwriters a portion of the underwriting discount received by it because the representatives have repurchased shares sold by or for the account of that underwriter in stabilizing or short covering transactions.

Purchases to cover a short position and stabilizing transactions, as well as other purchases by the underwriters for their own accounts, may have the effect of preventing or retarding a decline in the market price of the company's stock, and together with the imposition of the penalty bid, may stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the market price of the common stock. As a result, the price of the common stock may be higher than the price that otherwise might exist in the open market. The underwriters are not required to engage in these activities and may end any of these activities at any time. These transactions may be effected on NYSE, in the over-the-counter market or otherwise.

In relation to each Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a "Relevant Member State") an offer to the public of any shares which are the subject of the offering contemplated by this Prospectus (the "shares") may not be made in that Relevant Member State, except that an offer to the public in that Relevant Member State of any shares

may be made at any time under the following exemptions under the Prospectus Directive, if they have been implemented in that Relevant Member State:

- (a) to any legal entity which is a qualified investor as defined in the Prospectus Directive;
- (b) to fewer than 100 or, if the Relevant Member State has implemented the relevant provision of the 2010 PD Amending Directive, 150, natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined in the Prospectus Directive), as permitted under the Prospectus Directive, subject to obtaining the prior consent of the representatives for any such offer; or
- (c) in any other circumstances falling within Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive, provided that no such offer of shares shall result in a requirement for the publication by the Company or any representative of a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive.

For the purposes of this provision, the expression an "offer to the public" in relation to any shares in any Relevant Member State means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and any shares to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase any shares, as the same may be varied in that Member State by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that Member State, the expression "Prospectus Directive" means Directive 2003/71/EC (and amendments thereto, including the 2010 PD Amending Directive, to the extent implemented in the Relevant Member State), and includes any relevant implementing measure in the Relevant Member State, and the expression "2010 PD Amending Directive" means Directive 2010/73/EU.

Each underwriter has represented and agreed that:

- (a) it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of Section 21 of the FSMA) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of the shares in circumstances in which Section 21(1) of the FSMA does not apply to the Company; and
- (b) it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to the shares in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

The shares may not be offered or sold by means of any document other than:

- in circumstances which do not constitute an offer to the public within the meaning of the Companies Ordinance (Cap.32, Laws of Hong Kong); or
- to "professional investors" within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap.571, Laws of Hong Kong) and any rules made thereunder; or
- (i) in other circumstances which do not result in the document being a "prospectus" within the meaning of the Companies Ordinance (Cap.32, Laws of Hong Kong);

and no advertisement, invitation or document relating to the shares may be issued or may be in the possession of any person for the purpose of issue (in each case whether in Hong Kong or elsewhere), which is directed at, or the contents of which are likely to be accessed or read by, the public in Hong Kong (except if permitted to do so under the laws of Hong Kong) other than with respect to shares which are or are intended to be disposed of only to persons outside Hong Kong or only to "professional investors" within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571, Laws of Hong Kong) and any rules made thereunder.

This prospectus has not been registered as a prospectus with the Monetary Authority of Singapore. Accordingly, this prospectus and any other document or material in connection with the offer or sale, or invitation for subscription or purchase, of the shares may not be circulated or distributed, nor may the shares be offered or sold, or be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase, whether directly or indirectly, to persons in Singapore other than:

- (i) to an institutional investor under Section 274 of the Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289 of Singapore (the "SFA");
- (ii) to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A), and in accordance with the conditions, specified in Section 275 of the SFA; or
- (iii) otherwise pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the SFA.

Where the shares are subscribed or purchased under Section 275 by a relevant person which is:

- (a) a corporation (which is not an accredited investor) the sole business of which is to hold investments and the entire share capital of which is owned by one or more individuals, each of whom is an accredited investor; or
- (b) a trust (where the trustee is not an accredited investor) whose sole purpose is to hold investments and each beneficiary is an accredited investor, shares, debentures and units of shares and debentures of that corporation or the beneficiaries' rights and interest in that trust shall not be transferable for 6 months after that corporation or that trust has acquired the shares under Section 275 except:
 - (1) to an institutional investor under Section 274 of the SFA or to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A), and in accordance with the conditions, specified in Section 275 of the SFA;
 - (2) where no consideration is given for the transfer; or
 - (3) by operation of law.

The securities have not been and will not be registered under the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law of Japan (the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law) and each underwriter has agreed that it will not offer or sell any securities, directly or indirectly, in Japan or to, or for the benefit of, any resident of Japan (which term as used herein means any person resident in Japan, including any corporation or other entity organized under the laws of Japan), or to others for re-offering or resale, directly or indirectly, in Japan or to a resident of Japan, except pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of, and otherwise in compliance with, the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law and any other applicable laws, regulations and ministerial guidelines of Japan.

The underwriters do not expect sales to discretionary accounts to exceed five percent of the total number of shares offered.

We estimate that the total expenses of this offering, excluding underwriting discounts and commissions, will be approximately \$

We have agreed to indemnify the several underwriters against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act.

The underwriters and their respective affiliates are full service financial institutions engaged in various activities, which may include securities trading, commercial and investment banking, financial advisory, investment management, investment research, principal investment, hedging, financing and brokerage activities. Certain of the underwriters and their respective affiliates have, from time to time,

performed, and may in the future perform, various financial advisory, investment banking, commercial banking and other services for the Company, for which they received or will receive customary fees and expenses. Furthermore, certain of the underwriters and their respective affiliates may, from time to time, enter into arm's-length transactions with us in the ordinary course of their business.

In the ordinary course of their various business activities, the underwriters and their respective affiliates may make or hold a broad array of investments, including serving as counterparties to certain derivative and hedging arrangements, and actively trade debt and equity securities (or related derivative securities) and financial instruments (including bank loans) for their own account and for the accounts of their customers, and such investment and securities activities may involve securities and/or instruments of the issuer. For instance, affiliates of Goldman Sachs & Co., Barclays Capital Inc., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Wells Fargo Securities, LLC and Raymond James & Associates are lenders under our existing ABL Credit Facility. In addition, the underwriters and their respective affiliates may also make investment recommendations and/or publish or express independent research views in respect of such securities or instruments and may at any time hold, or recommend to clients that they acquire, long and/or short positions in such securities and instruments. A prospectus in electronic format may be made available on Internet sites or through other online services maintained by one or more of the underwriters or selling group members participating in this offering, or by their affiliates. In those cases, prospective investors may view offering terms online and, depending upon the particular underwriter or selling group member, prospective investors may be allowed to place orders online. The underwriters may agree with us to allocate a specific number of shares for sale to online brokerage account holders. Any such allocation for online distributions will be made by the representatives on the same basis as other allocations.

Other than the prospectus in electronic format, the information on any underwriter's or selling group member's web site and any information contained in any other web site maintained by an underwriter or selling group member is not part of the prospectus or the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part, has not been approved or endorsed by us or any underwriter or selling group member in its capacity as underwriter or selling group member and should not be relied upon by investors.

If you purchase shares of common stock offered in this prospectus, you may be required to pay stamp taxes and other charges under the laws and practices of the country of purchase, in addition to the offering price listed on the cover page of this prospectus.

Conflicts of Interest

Because Goldman, Sachs & Co., one of the participating underwriters, beneficially owns in excess of 10% of our issued and outstanding common stock, FINRA deems Goldman, Sachs & Co. to be our "affiliate" and to have a "conflict of interest" with us within the meaning of Rule 5121, as administered by FINRA. Additionally, because we may use more than 5% of the net proceeds from the sale of our common stock to repay indebtedness under our existing ABL Credit Facility owed by us to affiliates of Goldman, Sachs & Co., Barclays Capital Inc., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Wells Fargo Securities, LLC and Raymond James & Associates, FINRA deems these underwriters to have a "conflict of interest" with us within the meaning of Rule 5121, as administered by FINRA. Therefore, this offering will be conducted in accordance with Rule 5121, which requires that a QIU, as defined in Rule 5121, participate in the preparation of the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part and perform its usual standard of due diligence with respect thereto. Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated has agreed to act as QIU for this offering. We have agreed to indemnify Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated against certain liabilities incurred in connection with acting as QIU for this offering, including liabilities under the Securities Act. In accordance with Rule 5121, these underwriters who are deemed to have a "conflict of interest" with us will not sell our common stock to a discretionary account without receiving the written approval from the account holder.

LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the shares of common stock offered by this prospectus will be passed upon for us by Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP, New York, New York. Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP is acting as counsel to the underwriters.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements of MRC Global Inc. as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2011, appearing in this prospectus, have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, as set forth in their report thereon appearing elsewhere herein, and are included in reliance upon such report given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-1 under the Securities Act with respect to the common stock. This prospectus does not contain all of the information set forth in the registration statement and the exhibits and schedules to the registration statement. For further information with respect to us and our common stock, we refer you to the registration statement and the exhibits and schedules filed as a part of the registration statement. Statements contained in this prospectus concerning the contents of any contract or any other document are not necessarily complete. If a contract or document has been filed as an exhibit and reference thereto is qualified in all respects by the terms of the filed exhibit.

We are subject to the informational requirements of the Exchange Act and are required to file annual, quarterly and current reports and other information with the SEC. Any of these reports, statements or other information and the registration statement, including exhibits and schedules, may be inspected without charge at the Public Reference Room of the SEC at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20549, and copies of all or any part of these documents may be obtained from that office after payment of fees prescribed by the SEC. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. The SEC maintains a web site that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding registrants that file electronically with the SEC. at https://www.sec.gov.

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Board of Directors
MRC Global Inc. and Subsidiaries

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of MRC Global Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and the related consolidated statements of operations, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2011. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. We were not engaged to perform an audit of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Our audits included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of MRC Global Inc. and subsidiaries at December 31, 2011 and 2010, and the consolidated results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2011, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Charleston, West Virginia March 5, 2012

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS MRC GLOBAL INC.

	Decem	nber 31,
	2011	2010
		nds, except e amounts)
Assets		ĺ
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 46,127	\$ 56,202
Accounts receivable, net	791,280	596,404
Inventories	899,064	765,367
Income taxes receivable	_	32,593
Other current assets	11,437	10,209
Total current assets	1,747,908	1,460,775
Other assets:		
Debt issuance costs, net	25,818	32,211
Assets held for sale	_	12,722
Other assets	13,394	14,212
	39.212	59.145
Fixed assets:		
Property, plant and equipment, net	107.430	104,725
Intangible assets:		
Goodwill. net	561,270	549.384
Other intangible assets, net	771,867	817,165
	1,333,137	1,366,549
	\$3,227,687	\$2,991,194
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Liabilities and stockholders' equity		
Current liabilities:		
Trade accounts payable	\$ 479,584	\$ 426,632
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	108,973	102,807
Income taxes payable	11,950	
Deferred revenue	4,450	18,140
Deferred income taxes	68,210	70,636
Total current liabilities	673,167	618,215
Long-term obligations:		
Long-term debt, net	1,526,740	1,360,241
Deferred income taxes	288,985	303,083
Other liabilities	17,933	19,897
	1,833,658	1,683,221
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share; 400,000 shares authorized, issued and outstanding December 2011—84,427, issued and outstanding December 2010—84,404	844	844
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value per share; 150,000 shares authorized, no shares issued and outstanding	_	_
Additional paid-in-capital	1,282,949	1,274,560
Retained (deficit)	(536,791)	(565,790)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(26,140)	(19,856)
	720,862	689,758
	\$3,227,687	\$2,991,194
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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS $\mbox{MRC GLOBAL INC.}$

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2011	2010	2009
	(In thousands, except per share amounts)		
Sales	\$ 4,832,423	\$3,845,536	\$ 3,661,922
Cost of sales	4,124,271	3,327,072	3,067,437
Inventory write-down		362	46,491
Gross margin	708,152	518,102	547,994
Operating expenses:			
Selling, general and administrative expenses	513,563	451,680	411,580
Goodwill and intangible impairment			386,100
Total operating expenses	513,563	451,680	797,680
Operating income (loss)	194,589	66,422	(249,686)
Other income (expense):			
Interest expense	(136,844)	(139,641)	(116,504)
Write off of debt issuance costs	(9,450)	_	_
Change in fair value of derivative instruments	7,044	(4,926)	8,946
Other, net	429	2,968	2,490
	(138,821)	(141,599)	(105,068)
Income (loss) before income taxes	55,768	(75,177)	(354,754)
Income tax expense (benefit)	26,784	(23,353)	(14,983)
Net income (loss)	\$ 28,984	\$ (51,824)	\$ (339,771)
Basic (loss) earnings per common share	\$ 0.34	\$ (0.61)	\$ (4.30)
Diluted (loss) earnings per common share	\$ 0.34	\$ (0.61)	\$ (4.30)
Weighted-average common shares, basic	84,417	84,384	79,067
Weighted-average common shares, diluted	84,655	84,384	79,067
Dividends per common share	\$ —	\$	\$ 0.04

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY $\mathsf{MRC} \; \mathsf{GLOBAL} \; \mathsf{INC}.$

	Commo	on Stock	Additional	Retained	Accumulated Other	Total
	Shares	Amount	Paid-in Capital	Earnings (Deficit)	Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Stockholders' Equity
	<u> </u>	7		(In thousands)		quy
Balance at December 31, 2008	77,949	\$ 779	\$1,213,016	\$(171,545)	\$ (55,089)	\$ 987,161
Net loss	_	_	_	(339,771)	· —	(339,771)
Foreign currency translation	_	_	_	_	23,434	23,434
Pension related adjustments, net of tax	_	_	_	_	651	651
Change in fair value of derivative instrument	_	_	_	_	1,761	1,761
Fair value of derivative instrument reclassified into earnings					15,898	15,898
Net comprehensive loss						(298,027)
Common stock issued for acquisition of Transmark Fcx	6,367	64	49,340	_	_	49,404
Equity contribution	21	_	500	_	_	500
Restricted stock vested during period	33	_	_	_	_	_
Repurchase of common stock	(2)	_	(70)	_	_	(70)
Dividends	_	_	_	(2,900)	_	(2,900)
Equity-based compensation expense			7,830			7,830
Balance at December 31, 2009	84,368	843	1,270,616	(514,216)	(13,345)	743,898
Net loss	_	_	_	(51,824)	· — ·	(51,824)
Foreign currency translation	_	_	_	· — ·	(4,707)	(4,707)
Pension related adjustments, net of tax	_	_	_	_	(1,804)	(1,804)
Net comprehensive loss						(58,335)
Equity contribution	11	_	200	_	_	200
Restricted stock vested during period	25	1	_	_	_	1
Forfeited dividends on forfeited unvested restricted stock	_	_	_	250	_	250
Equity-based compensation expense	_	_	3,744	_	_	3,744
Balance at December 31, 2010	84,404	844	1,274,560	(565,790)	(19,856)	689,758
Net income	<u> </u>	_	, ,	28,984	_	28,984
Foreign currency translation	_	_	_	<u> </u>	(6,919)	(6,919)
Pension related adjustments, net of tax	_	_	_	_	635	635
Net comprehensive income						22,700
Restricted stock vested during period	23	_	1	_	_	1
Forfeited dividends on forfeited unvested restricted stock	_	_	_	15	_	15
Equity-based compensation expense	_	_	8,385	_	_	8,385
Exercise of stock options			3	<u></u> _		3
Balance at December 31, 2011	84,427	\$ 844	\$1,282,949	\$(536,791)	\$ (26,140)	\$ 720,862

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS $\mbox{MRC GLOBAL INC.}$

(In thousands)	Year E	nded Decem	ber 31,
	2011	2010	2009
Operating activities			
Net income (loss)	\$ 28,984	\$ (51,824)	\$(339,771)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash (used in) provided by operations:			
Depreciation and amortization	17,046	16,579	14,516
Amortization of intangibles	50,652	53,852	46,575
Equity-based compensation expense	8,385	3,744	7,830
Deferred income tax (benefit) expense	(16,362)	2,673	(49,237)
Amortization of debt issuance costs	10,456	11,800	6,900
Write off of debt issuance costs	9,450	_	_
Increase (decrease) in LIFO reserve	73,703	74,557	(115,597)
Change in fair value of derivative instruments	(7,044)	4,926	(8,946)
Hedge termination		(25,038)	
Provision for uncollectible accounts	433	(2,042)	994
Inventory write-down		362	46.491
Goodwill and other intangible asset impairment	_	_	386.100
Amortization and release of previously designated hedge from OCI	_	_	27,925
Net gain on early extinguishment of debt	_	_	(1,304)
Non-operating losses (gains) and other items not using (providing) cash	4.025	260	(573)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:	.,,		(5.5)
Accounts receivable	(177,744)	(83,648)	311.613
Inventories	(182,173)	27,098	521,528
Income taxes	45,333	(12,278)	(79,827)
Other current assets	(35)	1,249	9,296
Accounts payable	36.550	85,074	(193,825)
Deferred revenue	(13,642)	1,071	(18,322)
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	9,086	4,293	(66,874)
Net cash (used in) provided by operations	(102,897)	112,708	505,492
Investing activities			
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(18,056)	(14,307)	(16,698)
Proceeds from the disposition of property, plant & equipment	3,087	3,054	6,518
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired of \$2,036, \$781 and \$42,989 for 2011, 2010, and 2009, respectively	(39,865)	(12,393)	(55,490)
Proceeds from the sale of assets held for sale	10,594	4,060	
Other investment and notes receivable transactions	(3,795)	3,351	(1,266)
Net cash used in investing activities	(48,035)	(16,235)	(66,936)
· ·	(13,555)	(20,200)	(00,000)
Financing activities	150 400	(1.41.000)	(0.40, 470)
Net proceeds (payments) on/from revolving credit facilities	150,428	(141,899)	(342,476)
Proceeds from issuance of senior secured notes	<u>_</u> _	47,897	975,330
Payments on long-term obligations		(4 200)	(997,359)
Debt issuance costs paid	(9,836)	(4,386)	(26,875)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	3	_	_
Cash equity contributions		200	500
Repurchase of common stock	_	_	(70)
Dividends paid			(2,900)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	<u>140,595</u>	(98,188)	(393,850)
(Decrease) increase in cash	(10,337)	(1,715)	44,706
Effect of foreign exchange rate on cash	262	1,673	(567)
Cash—beginning of period	56,202	56,244	12,105
Cash—end of period	\$ 46.127	\$ 56,202	\$ 56,244
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:		- 00,202	- 00,244
Cash paid for interest	\$ 124,039	\$ 125,419	\$ 78,398
Cash (received) paid for income taxes	\$ (1,051)		
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NOTE 1—SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

<u>Business Operations</u>: MRC Global, Inc. is a holding company headquartered in Houston, Texas. We are a majority owned subsidiary of PVF Holdings LLC. Our wholly owned subsidiaries, McJunkin Red Man Corporation and its subsidiaries, are global distributors of pipe, valves, fittings and related products and services across each of the upstream (exploration, production and extraction of underground oil and gas), midstream (gathering and transmission of oil and gas, gas utilities, and the storage and distribution of oil and gas) and downstream (crude oil refining, petrochemical processing and general industrials) markets. We have branches in principal industrial, hydrocarbon producing and refining areas throughout the United States, Canada, Europe, Asia and Australasia. Our products are obtained from a broad range of suppliers.

Basis of Presentation: PVF Holdings LLC was formed on November 20, 2006 by affiliates of the Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. ("Goldman Sachs") and certain shareholders of McJunkin Corporation ("McJunkin") for the purposes of acquiring McJunkin on January 31, 2007. The affiliates of Goldman Sachs referred to in the previous sentence are GS Capital Partners V Fund, L.P., GS Capital Partners V Offshore Fund, L.P., GS Capital Partners V GmbH & Co. KG, and GS Capital Partners V Institutional, L.P. (collectively, the "GSCP V Funds"). In connection with the business combination transaction with Red Man Pipe & Supply Co. ("Red Man") in October 2007, the GSCP V Funds and GS Capital Partners VI Fund, L.P., GS Capital Partners VI Offshore Fund, L.P., GS Capital Partners VI GmbH & Co. KG, and GS Capital Partners VI Parallel, L.P. (collectively, the "GSCP VI Funds," and together with the GSCP V Funds, the "Goldman Sachs Funds") and certain existing members of PVF Holdings LLC and certain shareholders of Red Man made cash and noncash equity contributions to PVF Holdings LLC in exchange for common units of PVF Holdings LLC. Management and control of all of the Goldman Sachs Funds is vested exclusively in their general partners and investment managers, which are affiliates of Goldman Sachs. The investment manager of certain of the Goldman Sachs Funds is Goldman, Sachs & Co., which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Goldman Sachs.

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of MRC Global Inc. and its wholly owned and majority owned subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Company" or by such terms as "we," "our" or "us"). All material intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. Investments in our unconsolidated joint ventures, over which we exercise significant influence, but do not control, are accounted for by the equity method. Our unconsolidated joint ventures, along with our percentage of ownership of each, are: (a) TFCX Finland Oy (50%) and (b) Transmark DRW GmbH (50%). As of December 31, 2011 and 2010, our total investment in these entities was insignificant.

<u>Use of Estimates</u>: The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reported period. We believe that our most significant estimates and assumptions are related to estimated losses on accounts receivable, the last-in, first-out (LIFO) inventory costing methodology, estimated realizable value on excess and obsolete inventories, goodwill, intangibles, deferred taxes and self-insurance programs. Actual results could differ materially from those estimates.

<u>Cash Equivalents</u>: We consider all highly liquid investments with maturities of three months or less at the date of purchase to be cash equivalents.

<u>Allowance for Doubtful Accounts</u>: We evaluate the adequacy of the allowance for losses on receivables based upon periodic evaluation of accounts that may have a higher credit risk using information available about the customer and other relevant data. This formal analysis is inherently

subjective and requires us to make significant estimates of factors affecting doubtful accounts, including customer specific information, current economic conditions, volume, growth and composition of the account, and other factors such as financial statements, news reports and published credit ratings. The amount of the allowance for the remainder of the trade balance is not evaluated individually but is based upon historical loss experience. Because this process is subjective and based on estimates, ultimate losses may differ from those estimates. Receivable balances are written off when we determine that the balance is uncollectible. Subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited to the allowance when received. The provision for losses on receivables is included in selling, general and administrative expenses in the accompanying consolidated statements of income.

Inventories: Our inventories are generally valued at the lower of cost, principally LIFO or market. We believe that the use of LIFO results in a better matching of costs and revenues. This practice excludes certain inventories, which are held outside of the United States, approximating \$217.0 million and \$140.0 million at December 31, 2011 and 2010, which are valued at the lower of weighted-average cost or market. Our inventory is substantially comprised of finished goods.

Allowances for excess and obsolete inventories are determined based on analyses comparing inventories on hand to sales trends. The allowance, which totaled \$16.5 million and \$11.0 million at December 31, 2011 and 2010, is the amount deemed necessary to reduce the cost of the inventory to its estimated realizable value.

<u>Debt Issuance Costs</u>: We defer costs directly related to obtaining financing and amortize them over the term of the indebtedness on a straight-line basis. The use of the straight-line method does not produce results that are materially different from those which would result from the use of the effective interest method. Such amounts are reflected in the consolidated statement of operations as a component of interest expense. Debt issuance costs are shown net of accumulated amortization of \$3.5 million and \$14.2 million at December 31, 2011 and 2010.

Fixed Assets: Land, buildings and equipment are stated on the basis of cost. For financial statement purposes, depreciation is computed over the estimated useful lives of such assets principally by the straight-line method; accelerated depreciation and cost recovery methods are used for income tax purposes. Leasehold improvements are amortized using the straight-line method over the shorter of the remaining lease term or the estimated useful life of the improvements. When assets are retired or otherwise disposed of, the cost and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts and any gain or loss is reflected in income for the period. Maintenance and repairs are charged to expense as incurred.

<u>Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets</u>: Goodwill represents the excess of cost over the fair value of net assets acquired. Goodwill is tested for impairment annually or more frequently if circumstances indicate that impairment may exist. We evaluate goodwill for impairment at two reporting units that mirror our two segments (North America and International).

The goodwill impairment test compares the carrying value of the reporting unit that has the goodwill with the estimated fair value of that reporting unit. If the carrying value is more than the estimated fair value, we then calculate the implied fair value of goodwill by deducting the fair value of all tangible and intangible net assets of the reporting unit from the estimated fair value of the reporting unit. Impairment losses are recognized to the extent that recorded goodwill exceeds implied goodwill. Our impairment methodology uses discounted cash flow and multiples of cash earnings valuation techniques, plus valuation comparisons to similar businesses. These valuation methods require us to make certain assumptions and estimates regarding future operating results, the extent and timing of future cash flows, working capital, sales prices, profitability, discount rates and growth trends. While we believe that such assumptions and estimates are reasonable, the actual results may differ materially from the projected results.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are tested for impairment annually or more frequently if circumstances indicate that impairment may exist. This test compares the carrying value of the indefinite lived intangible assets with their estimated fair value. If the carrying value is more than the estimated fair value, impairment losses are recognized in an amount equal to the excess of the carrying value over the estimated fair value. Our impairment methodology uses discounted cash flow and estimated royalty rate valuation techniques. These valuation methods require us to make certain assumptions and estimates regarding future operating results, sales prices, discount rates and growth trends. While we believe that such assumptions and estimates are reasonable, the actual results may differ materially from the projected results.

Other intangible assets primarily include customer bases and noncompetition agreements resulting from business acquisitions. Other intangible assets are recorded at fair value at the date of acquisition. Amortization is provided using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives, ranging from one to twenty years.

The carrying value of amortizable intangible assets is subject to an impairment test when events or circumstances indicate a possible impairment. When events or circumstances indicate a possible impairment, we assess recoverability from future operations using undiscounted cash flows derived from the lowest appropriate asset group. To the extent the carrying value exceeds the undiscounted cash flows, an impairment charge would be recognized to the extent that the carrying value exceeds the fair value, which is determined based on a discounted cash flow analysis. While we believe that assumptions and estimates utilized in the impairment analysis are reasonable, the actual results may differ materially from the projected results. These impairments are determined prior to performing our goodwill impairment test.

<u>Derivatives and Hedging</u>: We utilize interest rate swaps to reduce our exposure to potential interest rate increases. Changes in the fair values of our derivative instruments are based upon independent market quotes. We do not designate our interest rate swaps as hedging instruments; therefore, we record our interest rate swaps on the consolidated balance sheets at fair value, with the gains and losses recognized in earnings in the period of change.

We utilize foreign exchange forward contracts (exchange contracts) to manage our foreign exchange rate risks resulting from purchase commitments and sales orders. Changes in the fair values of our exchange contracts are based upon independent market quotes. We do not designate our exchange contracts as hedging instruments; therefore, we record our exchange contracts on the consolidated balance sheets at fair value, with the gains and losses recognized in earnings in the period of change.

Fair Value: We measure certain of our assets and liabilities at fair value on a recurring basis. Fair value is an exit price, representing the amount that would be received to sell an asset or be paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants. As such, fair value is a market-based measurement that is determined based on assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or a liability. A three-tier fair value hierarchy is established as a basis for considering such assumptions for inputs used in the valuation methodologies to measuring fair value:

Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity has the ability to access at the measurement date.

Level 2: Significant observable inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities, quoted prices in markets that are not active, and other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data.

Level 3: Significant unobservable inputs for the asset or liability. Unobservable inputs reflect our own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability (including all assumptions about risk).

Certain assets and liabilities are measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis. Our assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis include property, plant and equipment, goodwill and other intangible assets. We do not measure these assets at fair value on an ongoing basis; however, these assets are subject to fair value adjustments in certain circumstances, such as when there is evidence of impairment.

Our impairment methodology for goodwill and other intangible assets uses both (i) a discounted cash flow analysis requiring certain assumptions and estimates to be made regarding the extent and timing of future cash flows, discount rates and growth trends and (ii) valuation comparisons to a group of similar, publicly traded companies. As all of the assumptions employed to measure these assets and liabilities on a nonrecurring basis are based on management's judgment using internal and external data, these fair value determinations are classified as Level 3. We have not elected to apply the fair value option to any of our eligible financial assets and liabilities.

Insurance: We are self-insured for first party automobile coverage, product recall, ocean cargo shipments and portions of employee healthcare and asbestos claims. In addition, we maintain a nonmaterial deductible program as it relates to workers' compensation, automobile liability, property and general liability claims including, but not limited to, certain product liability claims, which are secured by various letters of credit totaling \$4.6 million. Our estimated liability and related expenses for claims are based in part upon estimates provided by insurance carriers, third-party administrators, and actuaries. Insurance reserves are deemed by us to be sufficient to cover outstanding claims, including those incurred but not reported as of the estimation date. Further, we maintain a commercially reasonable umbrella/excess policy that covers liabilities in excess of the primary limits.

Income Taxes: We use the liability method for determining our income taxes, under which current and deferred tax liabilities and assets are recorded in accordance with enacted tax laws and rates. Under this method, the amounts of deferred tax liabilities and assets at the end of each period are determined using the tax rate expected to be in effect when taxes are actually paid or recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recorded for differences between the financial reporting and tax bases of assets and liabilities using the tax rate expected to be in effect when the taxes will actually be paid or refunds received. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in earnings in the period that includes the enactment date. A valuation allowance to reduce deferred tax assets is established when it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized.

Our tax provision is based upon our expected taxable income and statutory rates in effect in each country in which we operate. We are subject to the jurisdiction of numerous domestic and foreign tax authorities, as well as to tax agreements and treaties among these governments. Determination of taxable income in any jurisdiction requires the interpretation of the related tax laws and regulations and the use of estimates and assumptions regarding significant future events such as the amount, timing and character of deductions, permissible revenue recognition methods under the tax law and the sources and character of income and tax credits. Changes in tax laws, regulations, agreements and treaties, foreign currency exchange restrictions or our level of operations or profitability in each taxing jurisdiction could have an impact on the amount of income taxes we provide during any given year.

A tax benefit from an uncertain tax position may be recognized when it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained upon examination, including any related appeals or litigation processes,

on the basis of the technical merits. We adjust these liabilities when our judgment changes as a result of the evaluation of new information not previously available. Because of the complexity of some of these uncertainties, the ultimate resolution may result in a payment that is materially different from our current estimate of the tax liabilities. These differences will be reflected as increases or decreases to income tax expense in the period in which the new information is available.

We classify interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax positions as income taxes in our financial statements. We intend to permanently reinvest certain earnings of our foreign subsidiaries in operations outside the U.S., and accordingly, we have not provided for U.S. income taxes on such earnings.

Foreign Currency Translation and Transactions: The functional currency of our foreign operations is the applicable local currency. The cumulative effects of translating the balance sheet accounts from the functional currency into the U.S. dollar at current exchange rates are included in accumulated other comprehensive income. The balance sheet accounts (with the exception of stockholders' equity) are translated using current exchange rates as of the balance sheet date. Stockholders' equity is translated at historical exchange rates and revenue and expense accounts are translated using a weighted-average exchange rate during the year. Historically, gains or losses resulting from foreign currency transactions have been immaterial and are recognized in the consolidated statements of income within other, net.

Equity-Based Compensation: Our equity-based compensation consists of (1) restricted common units and profit units of PVF Holdings LLC and (2) restricted stock and nonqualified stock options of our Company. The cost of employee services received in exchange for an award of an equity instrument is measured based on the grant-date fair value of the award. Our policy is to expense equity-based compensation using the fair-value of awards granted, modified or settled. Restricted common units, profit units and restricted stock are credited to equity as they are expensed over their vesting periods based on the then current market value of the shares vested.

The fair value of nonqualified stock options is measured on the grant date of the related equity instrument using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model and is recognized as compensation expense over the applicable vesting period.

Revenue Recognition: Sales to our principal customers are made pursuant to agreements that normally provide for transfer of legal title and risk upon shipment. We recognize revenue as products are shipped, title has transferred to the customer and the customer assumes the risks and rewards of ownership, and collectability is reasonably assured. Freight charges billed to customers are reflected in revenues. Return allowances, which are not material, are estimated using historical experience. Amounts received in advance are deferred and recognized as revenue when the products are shipped and title transfers.

Sales taxes collected from customers and remitted to governmental authorities are accounted for on a net basis and therefore are excluded from net sales in the accompanying consolidated statements of income.

<u>Cost of Sales</u>: Cost of sales includes the cost of inventory sold and related items, such as vendor rebates, inventory allowances, and shipping and handling costs associated with inbound and outbound freight.

Certain purchasing costs and warehousing activities (including receiving, inspection and stocking costs), as well as general warehousing expenses, are included in selling, general and administrative expenses and not in cost of sales. As such, our gross margin may not be comparable to others that may include these expenses as a component of cost of sales. Purchasing and warehousing costs approximated \$27.3 million, \$25.5 million, and \$24.4 million for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010, and 2009.

<u>Earnings per Share</u>: Basic earnings per share are computed based on the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding, excluding any dilutive effects of unexercised stock options and unvested restricted stock. Diluted earnings per share are computed based on the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding including any dilutive effect of unexercised stock options and unvested restricted stock. The dilutive effect of unexercised stock options and unvested restricted stock is calculated under the treasury stock method.

Concentration of Credit Risk: Most of our business activity is with customers in the energy and industrial sectors. In the normal course of business, we grant credit to these customers in the form of trade accounts receivable. These receivables could potentially subject us to concentrations of credit risk; however, we minimize this risk by closely monitoring extensions of trade credit. We generally do not require collateral on trade receivables.

We maintain the majority of our cash and cash equivalents with several financial institutions. These financial institutions are located in many different geographical regions with varying economic characteristics and risks. Deposits held with banks may exceed insurance limits. We believe the risk of loss associated with our cash equivalents to be remote.

We have a broad customer base doing business in many regions of the world. During 2011, 2010 and 2009, we did not have sales to any one customer in excess of 10% of gross sales. At those respective year-ends, no individual customer balances exceeded 10% of gross accounts receivable. Accordingly, no significant concentration of credit risk is considered to exist.

We have a broad supplier base, sourcing our products in most regions of the world. During 2011, we did not have purchases from any one vendor in excess of 10% of our gross purchases. During 2010, we had purchases from one vendor in excess of 10% of our gross purchases (11%), while during 2009 we did not have purchases from any one vendor in excess of 10% of our gross purchases, and at those respective yearends no individual vendor balance exceeded 10% of gross accounts payable. Accordingly, no significant concentration is considered to exist.

<u>Segment Reporting:</u> We have two operating segments, one consisting of our North American operations, including the United States and Canada, and one consisting of our other International operations, including Europe, Asia, and Australasia. These segments represent our global business of providing pipe, valves, fittings and related products and services to the energy and industrial sectors, across each of the upstream (exploration, production and extraction of underground oil and gas), midstream (gathering and transmission of oil and gas, gas utilities, and the storage and distribution of oil and gas) and downstream (crude oil refining and petrochemical processing) markets, through our distribution operations located throughout the world.

Reclassifications: Certain immaterial amounts in the prior year's statement of operations and statement of cash flows have been reclassified to conform to the current year's presentation.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements: In June 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU No. 2011-05), *Presentation of Comprehensive Income*, an amendment to ASC Topic 220, *Comprehensive Income*. Under this amendment, an entity has the option to present the total of comprehensive income, the components of net income, and the components of other comprehensive income either in a single continuous statement of comprehensive income or in two separate but consecutive statements. The new guidance eliminates the current option to report other comprehensive income and its components in the statement of changes in stockholders' equity. While the new guidance changes the presentation of comprehensive income, there are no changes to the components that are recognized in net income or other comprehensive income under current accounting guidance. The guidance for public entities is effective for fiscal years or interim periods beginning after December 15, 2011 with early adoption permitted. The amendments in this update are to be applied retrospectively.

In December 2011, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update to the above statement (ASU No. 2011-12), *Deferral of the Effective Date for Amendments to the Presentation of Items Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income in Accounting Standards Update No. 2011-05,* an amendment to ASC Topic 220, *Comprehensive Income.* Under this amendment, changes in Update 2011-05 that relate to presentation of reclassification adjustments have been deferred. All other requirements in Update 2011-05 are not affected by this update. The guidance for public entities is effective for fiscal years or interim periods beginning after December 15, 2011 with early adoption permitted. We do not expect the guidance to materially impact our consolidated financial statements.

In September 2011, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU No. 2011-08), *Testing for Goodwill Impairment*, an amendment to ASC Topic 350, *Intangibles – Goodwill and Other*. Under this amendment, an entity has the option to first assess qualitative factors to determine whether the existence of events or circumstances leads to a determination that it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount. If, after assessing the totality of events or circumstances, an entity determines it is not more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount, then performing the two-step impairment test is unnecessary. The guidance for public entities is effective during interim or annual goodwill impairment tests performed for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2011 with early adoption permitted. We do not believe that ASU No. 2011-08 will have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

NOTE 2—TRANSACTIONS

Acquisitions

In October 2009, we acquired Transmark Fcx Group BV (together with its subsidiaries, "Transmark") for total consideration \$147.9 million which included 6.4 million shares of the Company's common stock with a fair value of \$49.4 million. Headquartered in Bradford, United Kingdom, Transmark is a global distributor of specialty valves and flow control equipment, with a network of 37 distribution and service facilities in 13 countries throughout Europe, Asia and Australasia. The purchase price has been allocated in the following table. In connection with this transaction, we expensed approximately \$17.4 million in transaction costs, including \$5.8 million paid to an affiliate of the Goldman Sachs Funds as reimbursement of their costs associated with due diligence and advisory services. These expenses are included within selling, general and administrative expenses in our consolidated statements of income. As a part of the acquisition, we renamed Transmark Fcx Group BV as MRC Transmark Group B.V. ("MRC Transmark").

In May and August 2010, we acquired The South Texas Supply Company, Inc. ("South Texas") and the operations and assets from Dresser Oil Tools, Inc. ("Dresser"), respectively. South Texas operates two branches in southern Texas, within the Eagle Ford Shale region. Dresser operates five branches in North Dakota and Montana, within the Bakken Shale region. The impact of these acquisitions was not material to our consolidated financial statements.

In June 2011, we acquired Stainless Pipe and Fittings Australia Pty. Ltd. ("MRC SPF"). MRC SPF, a distributor of stainless steel piping products, which operates in seven locations across Australia, Korea, Italy, United Kingdom, and the United Arab Emirates. The impact of this acquisition was not material to our consolidated financial statements.

In July 2011, we acquired certain assets and operations of the distribution business of the Valve Systems and Controls ("VSC") business unit of Curtiss-Wright Flow Control Corporation. VSC is based in Houston, Texas with a sales office in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. VSC specializes in valve automation for upstream projects and maintenance, repairs and operation in the downstream sector. The impact of this acquisition was not material to our consolidated financial statements.

In December 2011, we signed an agreement to acquire the operations and assets of OneSteel Piping Systems ("OPS"). This acquisition was completed in March 2012. OPS is a leading PVF product and service specialist supplying the oil and gas, mining and mineral processing industries in Australia. The impact of this acquisition will not be material to our financial statements.

The consideration paid for these acquisitions has been allocated as follows (in millions):

	Acqu MF	2011 isition of RC SPF d VSC	Acqu Sou	2010 lisition of th Texas Dresser	_	2009 cquisition of Transmark Fcx Group BV
Cash consideration paid	\$	41.9	\$	13.2	\$	
Value of common stock issued					_	49.4
Total consideration	\$	41.9	\$	13.2	\$	147.9
Net assets acquired:				_	_	
Cash	\$	2.0	\$	0.7	\$	43.0
Accounts receivable		24.6		7.1		71.9
Inventory		35.4		7.3		65.1
Other current assets		2.5		_		11.4
Fixed assets		5.9		0.9		11.1
Other assets		8.0		0.1		11.2
Customer base intangibles		4.9		_		43.0
Trade name		2.3		_		14.0
Sales order backlog		_		_		6.0
Goodwill		14.3		3.6		44.4
Accounts payable		(20.3)		(5.5)		(47.2)
Accrued expenses		(6.5)		(0.6)		(22.0)
Income taxes payable		_		_		(6.8)
Deferred income taxes		(2.2)		_		(12.8)
Debt		(17.9)		_		(80.2)
Other liabilities		(3.9)		(0.4)		(4.2)
	\$	41.9	\$	13.2	\$	147.9
Goodwill deductible for tax purposes		No		No	_	No

NOTE 3—ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

The rollforward of our allowance for doubtful accounts is as follows (in thousands):

	2011	December 31, 2010	2009
Allowance for doubtful accounts			
Beginning balance	\$4,451	\$ 8,790	\$ 9,915
Net charge-offs	(69)	(2,297)	(2,119)
Provision	433	(2,042)	994
Ending balance	\$4,815	\$ 4,451	\$ 8,790

Our accounts receivable is also presented net of other volume related allowances. Those allowances approximated \$4.2 million and \$4.7 million at December 31, 2011 and 2010.

NOTE 4—INVENTORIES

The composition of our inventory is as follows (in thousands):

	Decemb	er 31,
	2011	2010
Finished goods inventory at average cost:		
Energy carbon steel tubular products	\$ 488,938	\$ 396,611
Valves, fittings, flanges and all other products	601,706	481,137
	1,090,644	877,748
Less: Excess of average cost over LIFO cost (LIFO reserve)	(175,122)	(101,419)
Less: Other inventory reserves	(16,458)	(10,962)
	\$ 899,064	\$ 765,367

During 2010 and 2009, our inventory quantities were reduced, resulting in a liquidation of a LIFO inventory layer that was carried at a higher cost prevailing from a prior year, as compared with current costs in the current year (a "LIFO decrement"). A LIFO decrement results in the erosion of layers created in earlier years, and, therefore, a LIFO layer is not created for years that have decrements. In 2010, the effect of this LIFO decrement decreased cost of sales by approximately \$10.5 million and in 2009 increased cost of sales by \$45.2 million. There was no LIFO decrement in 2011.

NOTE 5—PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Property, plant and equipment consisted of the following (in thousands):

		Decem	ıber 31,
	Depreciable Life	2011	2010
Land and improvements		\$ 16,894	\$ 16,964
Building and building improvements	40 years	55,458	50,609
Machinery and equipment	3 to 10 years	103,224	76,875
Construction in progress	_	638	2,902
Property held under capital leases	20 to 30 years	3,217	2,089
		179,431	149,439
Allowances for depreciation and amortization		(72,001)	(44,714)
		\$107,430	\$ 104,725

NOTE 6—GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

The changes in the carrying amount of goodwill by segment for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010 are as follows (in thousands):

	North America	International	Total
Goodwill at December 31, 2008	\$ 807,250	\$ —	\$ 807,250
Goodwill impairment charge	(309,900)	_	(309,900)
Acquisition of Transmark	_	44,441	44,441
Other	(172)	_	(172)
Effect of foreign currency translation	9,396	(1,282)	8,114
Goodwill at December 31, 2009(a)	\$ 506,574	\$ 43,159	\$ 549,733
Acquisition of South Texas Supply and Dresser	3,591	_	3,591
Other	(687)	_	(687)
Effect of foreign currency translation		(3,253)	(3,253)
Goodwill at December 31, 2010(a)	509,478	39,906	549,384
Acquisition of Valve Systems and Controls	2,780	_	2,780
Acquisition of Stainless Pipe and Fittings Australia Pty. Ltd.	_	11,565	11,565
Other	(211)	_	(211)
Effect of foreign currency translation		(2,248)	(2,248)
Goodwill at December 31, 2011(a)	\$ 512,047	\$ 49,223	\$ 561,270

⁽a) Net of accumulated impairment losses of \$309,900 in the North American segment.

During 2009, our earnings progressively decreased due to the weakening of the U.S. and global economies, the reductions in oil and natural gas prices, and the reductions in our customers' expenditure programs (both new programs and recurring maintenance programs). These factors resulted in a reduced demand for our product; consequently, we revised our long-term projections, which in turn impacted the fair value of our business. As a result, we concluded that the carrying value of our reporting unit exceeded the fair value of our reporting unit and thus, for the year ended December 31, 2009, we recorded a pre-tax goodwill impairment charge of \$309.9 million and a \$76.2 million pre-tax impairment charge on indefinite lived trade names in our North American segment. No impairment charges were recorded in 2010 and 2011.

Other intangible assets by major classification consist of the following (in thousands):

	Weighted- Average Amortization	_	Accumulated	Net Book
Danasa	Period (in years)	Gross	Amortization	Value
December 31, 2011				
Customer base	16.1	\$696,326	\$ (194,836)	\$501,490
Amortizable trade names	6.0	21,980	(11,642)	10,338
Indefinite lived trade names	N/A	260,023	_	260,023
Noncompete agreements	5	970	(954)	16
	15.8	\$979,299	\$ (207,432)	\$771,867
December 31, 2010				
Customer base	16.2	\$693,809	\$ (149,312)	\$544,497
Amortizable trade names	5.8	20,409	(7,974)	12,435
Indefinite lived trade names	N/A	260,023	· — ·	260,023
Noncompete agreements	5	970	(760)	210
	15.8	\$975,211	\$ (158,046)	\$817,165

Amortization of Intangible Assets

Total amortization of intangible assets for each of the years ending December 31, 2012 to 2016 is currently estimated as follows (in thousands):

2012	\$48,777
2013	48,761
2014	48,634
2015	48,086
2016	47,793

NOTE 7—LONG-TERM DEBT

The significant components of our long-term debt are as follows (in thousands):

	December 31,	
	2011	2010
9.50% senior secured notes due 2016, net of discount of \$18,358 and \$22,062	\$ 1,031,642	\$1,027,938
ABL Credit Facility	456,411	_
MRC Transmark term loan facility	30,824	_
MRC Transmark factoring facility	7,189	6,979
MRC Transmark revolving credit facility	_	23,214
Other	674	_
Asset-based revolving credit facility	_	286,398
Midfield revolving credit facility	_	1,297
Midfield term loan facility	_	14,415
	1,526,740	1,360,241
Less current portion		
	\$ 1,526,740	\$1,360,241

<u>Senior Secured Notes</u>: In December 2009, McJunkin Red Man Corporation issued \$1.0 billion of aggregate principle amount of its 9.5% senior secured notes ("the Notes"). We used the proceeds of the offering of the Notes to pay all the outstanding borrowings under our then-existing term loan facility and junior term loan facility. McJunkin Red Man Corporation issued an additional \$50 million of Notes in February 2010.

The Notes mature on December 15, 2016. Interest accrues at 9.50% per annum and is payable semi-annually in arrears on June 15 and December 15, commencing on June 15, 2010. The Notes are guaranteed on a senior secured basis by MRC Global Inc. and all of the current and future wholly owned domestic subsidiaries of McJunkin Red Man Corporation (other than certain excluded subsidiaries) and any of McJunkin Red Man Corporation's future restricted subsidiaries that guarantee any indebtedness of McJunkin Red Man Corporation or any subsidiary guarantor, including the ABL Credit Facility (the "Subsidiary Guarantors").

Redemption and Repurchase. At any time prior to December 15, 2012 and subject to certain conditions, McJunkin Red Man Corporation may, on any one or more occasions, redeem up to 35% of the aggregate principal amount of Notes issued under the Indenture at a redemption price of 109.50%, plus accrued and unpaid interest, with the cash proceeds of certain qualifying equity offerings. Additionally, at any time prior to December 15, 2012, McJunkin Red Man Corporation may, on any one or more occasions, redeem all or a part of the Notes at a redemption price equal to 100%, plus any accrued and unpaid interest, and plus a make-whole premium. On or after December 15, 2012, McJunkin Red Man Corporation may redeem all or a part of the Notes upon not less than 15 nor more

than to 60 days' notice, at the redemption prices (expressed as percentages of principal amount) set forth below plus accrued and unpaid interest:

<u>Year</u>	Percentage
On or after December 15, 2012, but before December 15, 2013	107.125%
On or after December 15, 2013, but before December 15, 2014	104.750%
On or after December 15, 2014, but before December 15, 2015	102.375%
On or after December 15, 2015 and thereafter	100.000%

Upon the occurrence of a change of control as defined under the Indenture, McJunkin Red Man Corporation will be required to make an offer to repurchase each holder's Notes at a repurchase price equal to 101% of their principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of repurchase.

Covenants. The Indenture contains covenants that limit the ability of McJunkin Red Man Corporation and its restricted subsidiaries to, among other things, incur additional indebtedness, issue certain preferred stock or disqualified capital stock, create liens, pay dividends or make other restricted payments, make certain payments on debt that is subordinated or secured on a basis junior to the Notes, make investments, sell assets, create restrictions on the payment of dividends or other amounts to McJunkin Red Man Corporation from restricted subsidiaries, consolidate, merge, sell or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of McJunkin Red Man Corporation's assets, enter into transactions with affiliates, and designate subsidiaries as unrestricted subsidiaries.

Collateral. The Notes and the Subsidiary Guarantor guarantees are secured on a senior basis (subject to permitted prior liens), together with any other Notes issued under the Indenture or other debt that is secured equally and ratably with the Notes, subject to certain conditions ("Priority Lien Obligations"), equally and ratably by security interests granted to the collateral trustee in all Notes Priority Collateral (as such term is defined in the Indenture) from time to time owned by McJunkin Red Man Corporation or the Subsidiary Guarantors. The guarantee of MRC Global Inc. of the Notes is not secured. The Notes Priority Collateral generally comprises substantially all of McJunkin Red Man Corporation's and the Subsidiary Guarantors' tangible and intangible assets, other than specified excluded assets.

The Notes and the guarantees by the Subsidiary Guarantors are also secured on a junior basis (subject to the lien to secure the ABL Credit Facility and other permitted prior liens) by security interests granted to the collateral trustee in all ABL Priority Collateral (as such term is defined in the Indenture) that McJunkin Red Man Corporation or the Subsidiary Guarantors owns from time to time. Subject to certain exceptions, the ABL Priority Collateral generally comprises substantially all of McJunkin Red Man Corporation's and the Subsidiary Guarantors' accounts receivable, inventory, general intangibles and other assets relating to the foregoing, deposit and securities accounts, and proceeds and products of the foregoing, other than specified excluded assets. Assets owned by McJunkin Red Man Corporation's non-guarantor subsidiaries and by MRC Global Inc. are not part of the collateral securing the Notes.

ABL Credit Facility:

In June 2011, McJunkin Red Man Corporation and certain of its subsidiaries entered into an asset-based revolving credit facility with Bank of America, N.A., as agent and a lender (the "Agent") and other lenders from time to time parties to the facility. McJunkin Red Man Corporation is a wholly owned, direct subsidiary of MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation). The ABL Credit Facility consists of

Ÿ a U.S. tranche, under which McJunkin Red Man Corporation and certain of its U.S. subsidiaries (the "U.S. Borrowers") may borrow in U.S. Dollars up to a maximum amount of the lesser of the U.S. Borrowing Base (as defined below) and \$900 million (the "Total U.S. Commitment"), and

Ÿ a Canadian tranche, under which Midfield Supply LLC, a wholly owned Canadian subsidiary of McJunkin Red Man Corporation, may borrow in Canadian Dollars up to a maximum amount of the lesser of its Canadian Borrowing Base (as defined below) and CAD\$150 million (the "Total Canadian Commitment").

The U.S. Borrowers may use up to \$80 million of the U.S. tranche for letters of credit and up to \$75 million for swingline loans. Subject to certain conditions, McJunkin Red Man Corporation has the power to designate other Canadian subsidiaries as borrowers under the ABL Credit Facility (together with Midfield Supply LLC, the "Canadian Borrowers"). The Canadian Borrowers may use up to CAD\$20 million of the Canadian tranche for letters of credit and up to CAD\$25 million for swingline loans. The ABL Credit Facility matures on June 14, 2016. We refer to the Canadian Borrowers and the U.S. Borrowers collectively as the "Borrowers" in this "ABL Credit Facility" description.

Each Canadian Borrower is permitted to make borrowings under the Canadian tranche in Canadian Dollars of up to the maximum amount of the lesser of its Canadian Borrowing Base (calculated separately from the Canadian Borrowing Bases of the other Canadian Borrowers) and the Total Canadian Commitment (less the borrowings of any other Canadian Borrowers). Subject to certain conditions, the Total U.S. Commitment and the Total Canadian Commitment may be increased from time to time up to an amount which, in the aggregate for all such increases, does not exceed \$250 million.

Borrowing Bases. The "U.S. Borrowing Base" will be equal to the sum of:

- $\ddot{\mathrm{Y}}$ the book value of eligible accounts receivable of the U.S. Borrowers; plus
- Ÿ the lesser of:
 - Ÿ 70% of the net book value of eligible inventory (adding back the LIFO reserve calculated in accordance with GAAP) of the U.S. Borrowers and
 - Ÿ the net orderly liquidation value of eligible inventory (net of current monthly shrinkage reserve calculated in accordance with GAAP and valued at cost) of the U.S. Borrowers multiplied by the advance rate of 85%;
- Ÿ minus certain reserves

Each "Canadian Borrowing Base" will be equal to the sum of:

- $\ddot{\mathrm{Y}}$ the book value of eligible accounts receivable of the applicable Canadian Borrower; plus
- Ÿ the lesser of:
 - Ÿ 70% of the net book value of eligible inventory (adding back the LIFO reserve calculated in accordance with GAAP) of the applicable Canadian Borrower and
 - Y the net orderly liquidation value of eligible inventory (net of current monthly shrinkage reserve calculated in accordance with GAAP and valued at cost) of the applicable Canadian Borrower multiplied by the advance rate of 85%;
- Ÿ minus certain reserves.

Guarantees and Security. The U.S. Borrowers guarantee the obligations under the U.S. tranche. The U.S. Borrowers and the Canadian Borrowers guarantee the obligations under the Canadian tranche.

Obligations under the U.S. tranche are secured, subject to certain exceptions, by a first-priority security interest in the accounts receivable and inventory of the U.S. Borrowers. Obligations under the Canadian tranche are secured, subject to certain exceptions, by:

- Ÿ a first-priority security interest in the accounts receivable and inventory of the U.S. Borrowers and the Canadian Borrowers and
- \ddot{Y} a pledge of indebtedness owing to the Canadian Borrowers and capital stock of their wholly owned subsidiaries.

The security interest in accounts receivable and inventory of the U.S. Borrowers ranks prior to the security interest in this collateral, which secures the Notes (as defined below).

Interest Rate and Fees. Borrowings under the U.S. tranche bear interest at a rate per annum equal to, at the U.S. Borrower's option, either:

- \ddot{Y} the adjusted LIBOR rate plus an applicable margin or
- \ddot{Y} a U.S. base rate plus an applicable margin.

Borrowings under the Canadian Tranche bear interest at a rate per annum equal to, at the Canadian Borrower's option, either:

- Ÿ the adjusted Canadian BA Rate (as defined) plus an applicable margin,
- \ddot{Y} a Canadian base rate plus an applicable margin or
- Ÿ a Canadian prime rate plus an applicable margin.

The applicable margin was initially 2.00% for LIBOR and Canadian BA Rate borrowings and 1.00% for the U.S. base rate, Canadian base rate and Canadian prime rate borrowings, in each case subject to a 0.25% step-up or step-down based on a consolidated fixed charge coverage ratio as of the end of the most recent fiscal quarter. The applicable margin for the U.S. base rate, Canadian base rate and Canadian prime rate borrowings will be 100 basis points lower than the applicable margin for LIBOR and Canadian BA Rate borrowings.

In addition to paying interest on outstanding principal under the ABL Credit Facility, the Borrowers are required to pay a commitment fee in respect of unutilized commitments under the ABL Credit Facility, which is equal to 0.375% per annum.

Voluntary Prepayments. The Borrowers may voluntarily prepay the principal of any advance, without penalty or premium, at any time in whole or in part, subject to the payment of certain costs in the case of LIBOR and Canadian BA Rate borrowings.

Restrictive Covenants and Other Matters. The ABL Credit Facility requires the Company and its restricted subsidiaries, on a consolidated basis, to maintain a fixed charge coverage ratio (defined as the ratio of EBITDA to the sum of cash interest, principal payments on indebtedness, unfinanced capital expenditures and accrued income taxes) of at least 1.0 to 1.0 when excess availability is less than or equal to the greater of:

- Ÿ 10% of the total commitments under the ABL Credit Facility; and
- Ÿ \$75 million.

The ABL Credit Facility also contains restrictive covenants (in each case, subject to exclusions) that limit, among other things, the ability of the Borrowers and their restricted subsidiaries to:

- Y create, incur, assume, or suffer to exist, any liens;
- Y create, incur, assume or permit to exist, directly or indirectly, any additional indebtedness;
- Ÿ consolidate, merge, amalgamate, liquidate, wind up, or dissolve themselves;
- Ÿ convey, sell, lease, license, assign, transfer or otherwise dispose of the Borrowers' or their restricted subsidiaries' assets;
- Ÿ make certain restricted payments;
- Ÿ make certain investments;
- Ÿ amend or otherwise alter the terms of documents related to certain subordinated indebtedness;

- Ÿ enter into transactions with affiliates; and
- Ÿ prepay certain subordinated indebtedness.

The ABL Credit Facility also contains other customary restrictive covenants. The covenants are subject to various baskets and materiality thresholds, with many restrictions on the repayment of subordinated indebtedness, restricted payments and investments not being applicable when the Borrowers' excess availability exceeds a certain threshold. The restriction on incurring unsecured indebtedness is not applicable when the Borrowers' and their restricted subsidiaries' total debt to EBITDA ratio is less than or equal to 5.5:1.0, and the restriction on incurring secured indebtedness is not applicable when, among other things, the Borrowers' and their restricted subsidiaries' secured debt to EBITDA ratio is less than or equal to 5.0:1.0.

The ABL Credit Facility contains certain customary representations and warranties, affirmative covenants and events of default, including, among other things, payment defaults, breach of representations and warranties, covenant defaults, cross-defaults to certain indebtedness, certain events of bankruptcy, certain events under ERISA, judgment defaults, actual or asserted failure of any material guaranty or security document supporting the ABL Credit Facility to be in force and effect and change of control. If such an event of default occurs, the Agent under the ABL Credit Facility is entitled to take various actions, including the acceleration of amounts due under the ABL Credit Facility, the termination of all revolver commitments and all other actions that a secured creditor is permitted to take.

MRC <u>Transmark Revolving Credit and Term Loan Facilities</u>: On September 17, 2010, MRC Transmark, our international subsidiary, refinanced its revolving credit facility ("MRC Transmark Revolver"). This facility provides for borrowings up to €60 million (USD \$78 million), with a €20 million (USD \$26 million) sub-limit on letters of credit. The facility matures on September 17, 2013.

The facility reduces by €10 million (USD \$13 million) over its term, as follows: €0.5 million (USD \$0.6 million) per quarter starting in the fourth quarter of 2010 through the third quarter of 2012, and then by €1.5 million (USD \$2.0 million) per quarter, starting in the fourth quarter of 2012 through the third quarter of 2013.

The facility bears interest at LIBOR or, in relation to any loan in Euros, EURIBOR, plus an applicable margin. The margin varies based on MRC Transmark's leverage as described in the following table:

MRC Transmark's Leverage Ratio	Margin
Less than or equal to 0.75:1	1.50%
Greater than 0.75:1, but less than or equal to 1.00:1	1.75%
Greater than 1.00:1, but less than or equal to 1.50:1	2.00%
Greater than 1.50:1, but less than or equal to 2.00:1	2.25%
Greater than 2.00:1	2.50%

The facility is secured by substantially all of the assets of MRC Transmark and its wholly owned subsidiaries.

The facility also requires MRC Transmark to maintain: (i) an interest coverage ratio not less than 3.50:1 and (ii) a leverage ratio not to exceed 2.50:1. We were in compliance with these covenants as of and for the year ended December 31, 2011.

On October 4, 2011, this facility was amended to bifurcate the remaining unamortized €58 million commitment between a €34.5 million revolving credit facility and an AUD \$30.9 million term loan facility.

MRC Transmark Overdraft Facility: On June 30, 2011, MRC Transmark entered into an overdraft facility associated with an existing revolving credit facility. This facility consists of two components, a Collective Sterling Net Overdraft Facility and a Multi Currency Overdraft Facility. These facilities provide for aggregate borrowings of €10.0 million (USD \$13 million). The interest rate on the Collective Sterling Net Overdraft Facility is based on the Bank of England Base Rate plus 2.00% per annum and the lending rate on the Multi Currency Overdraft Facility is based on the lending rate of HSBC as established on the HSBC website plus 2.00% per annum. The facility is secured by substantially all of the assets of MRC Transmark and its wholly owned subsidiaries.

MRC Transmark Factoring Facility: MRC Transmark also maintains a factoring facility for one of its wholly owned subsidiaries. The subsidiary factors all invoices for certain approved customers in transactions through which the lender will advance the face value of the invoices (subject to a 10% withholding deposit). The lender receives a commission of 0.18%. The interest rate on this facility is EURIBOR plus 0.45%.

Availability: At December 31, 2011, our availability under our revolving credit facilities was as follows (in thousands):

	Commitment Amount	Eligible Collateral (up to Commitment Amount)	Amount Outstanding	Letters of Credit and Other Deductions	Availability
ABL Credit Facility	\$1,047,105	\$ 999,772	\$ 456,411	\$ 4,639	\$538,722
MRC Transmark revolving credit facility	56,980	56,980		12,011	44,969
	\$1,104,085	\$ 1,056,752	\$ 456,411	\$ 16,650	\$583,691

<u>Interest on Borrowings</u>: Our weighted-average interest rate on average borrowings outstanding at December 31, 2011 and 2010 were as follows:

	December 31,	
	2011	2010
9.50% senior secured notes due 2016, net of discount	9.88%	2010 9.88%
ABL Credit Facility	2.66%	_
MRC Transmark term loan facility	7.17%	_
MRC Transmark factoring facility	1.85%	1.46%
Asset based revolving credit facility	_	3.34%
Midfield revolving credit facility	_	5.00%
Midfield term loan facility	_	5.86%
MRC Transmark revolving credit facility	<u> </u>	2.61%
	7.63%	8.29%

<u>Maturities of Long-Term Debt</u>: At December 31, 2011, annual maturities of long-term debt during the next five fiscal years and thereafter are as follows (in thousands):

2012	\$ -
2013	38,537
2012 2013 2014 2015	109
2015	41
2016	1,488,053
Thereafter	_

At December 31, 2011, we classified \$11.6 million of short-term debt as long term. Settlement of these obligations is not expected to require the use of working capital in 2012, as we have the ability and intent to refinance the debt on a long term basis.

NOTE 8—DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

We use derivative financial instruments to help manage our exposure to interest rate risk and fluctuations in foreign currencies.

Effective March 31, 2009, we entered into a freestanding \$500 million interest rate swap contract to pay interest at a fixed rate of approximately 1.77% and receive 1-month LIBOR variable interest rate payments monthly through March 31, 2012. We have several additional interest rate swap derivatives, with notional amounts approximating \$19 million in the aggregate. All of our derivative instruments are freestanding and, accordingly, changes in their fair market value are recorded in earnings.

The table below provides data about the fair value of the derivative instruments that are recorded in our consolidated balance sheets (in thousands):

	December 31, 2011		December 31, 2010	
	Assets	Liabilities	Assets	Liabilities
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments:				
Foreign exchange forward contracts(1)	\$ —	\$ 144	\$ —	\$ 209
Interest rate contracts(1)	_	2,010	_	8,975

(1) Included in "Accrued expenses and other current liabilities" in our consolidated balance sheets. The total notional amount of our interest rate swaps was approximately \$519 million at December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010. The total notional amount of our forward foreign exchange contracts was approximately \$39 million and \$8 million at December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010.

The table below provides data about the amount of gains and (losses) recognized in our consolidated statements of operations related to our derivative instruments (in thousands):

	Ye	Year Ended December 31,		
	2011	2010	2009	
Derivatives designated as hedging instruments:	<u> </u>			
Interest rate contracts(2)	\$ —	\$ —	\$(27,925)	
Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments:				
Interest rate contracts	6,973	(5,548)	8,045	
Foreign exchange forward contracts	71	622	901	

(2) On June 29, 2009, we removed the designation of a \$700 million interest rate swap as a cash flow hedge. As a result, we reclassified \$28 million from accumulated other comprehensive income to earnings. The amount is included in "Interest expense" in our consolidated statements of operations.

NOTE 9—INCOME TAXES

The components of our income (loss) before income taxes were (in thousands):

		Year Ended December 31,		
	2011	2010	2009	
United States	\$50,654	\$(59,375)	\$(273,416)	
Foreign	5,114	(15,802)	(81,338)	
	\$55,768	\$(75,177)	\$(354,754)	

Income taxes included in the consolidated statements of income consist of (in thousands):

	Ye	Year Ended December 31,		
	2011	2010	2009	
Current:				
Federal	\$ 32,080	\$(26,111)	\$ 32,684	
State	2,878	(1,709)	3,609	
Foreign	8,188	1,794	(2,039)	
	43,146	(26,026)	34,254	
Deferred:				
Federal Federal	(14,960)	5,801	(44,214)	
State	(1,177)	458	(3,443)	
Foreign	(225)	(3,586)	(1,580)	
	(16,362)	2,673	(49,237)	
Income tax expense (benefit)	\$ 26,784	\$(23,353)	\$(14,983)	

Our effective tax rate varied from the statutory federal income tax rate for the following reasons (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2011	2010	2009
Federal tax expense at statutory rates	\$19,518	\$(26,311)	\$(124,246)
State taxes	977	(813)	6
Nondeductible expenses	1,121	1,024	1,303
Goodwill impairment charge	_	_	104,049
Effect of tax rate changes on existing temporary differences	3,993	_	_
Effect of foreign operations	(499)	701	3,501
Change in valuation allowance	522	1,615	_
Other	1,152	431	404
Income tax expense (benefit)	\$26,784	\$(23,353)	\$ (14,983)
Effective tax rate	48.0%	31.1%	4.2%

Significant components of our current deferred tax assets and liabilities are as follows (in thousands):

	Decen	nber 31,
	2011	2010
Deferred tax assets:		
Accounts receivable valuation	\$ 2,336	\$ 1,141
Accruals and reserves	4,009	2,445
Net operating loss carryforwards	5,250	3,005
Other	3,352	3,103
Total deferred tax assets	14,947	9,694
Valuation allowance	(2,137)	(1,615)
	12,810	8,079
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	(4,550)	(4,550)
Inventory valuation	(70,198)	(73,470)
Property, plant and equipment	(23,554)	(21,006)
Interest in foreign subsidiary	(11,880)	(9,813)
Intangible assets	(253,351)	(266,437)
Debt	(5,745)	(5,745)
Other	(727)	<u>(777</u>)
Total deferred tax liabilities	(370,005)	(381,798)
Net deferred tax liability	<u>\$(357,195</u>)	\$(373,719)

We record a valuation allowance when it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. The ultimate realization of the deferred tax assets depends on the ability to generate sufficient taxable income of the appropriate character in the future and in the appropriate taxing jurisdictions. We have provided a valuation allowance for operating loss carryforwards in certain non-U.S. jurisdictions.

In the United States, we had approximately \$77.6 million of state net operating loss carryforwards as of December 31, 2011, which will expire in future years through 2031. In certain non-U.S. jurisdictions, we had \$20.8 million of net operating loss carryforwards, of which \$13.3 million have no expiration and \$7.5 will expire in future years through 2021.

We consider the undistributed earnings of our foreign subsidiaries to be indefinitely reinvested, as we have no current intention to repatriate these earnings. As such, deferred income taxes are not provided for temporary differences of approximately \$98.8 million, and \$126.2 million as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, representing earnings of non-U.S. subsidiaries intended to be permanently reinvested. These additional foreign earnings could become subject to additional tax if remitted, or deemed remitted, as a dividend. Computation of the potential deferred tax liability associated with these undistributed earnings and any other basis differences is not practicable.

Our tax filings for various periods are subject to audit by the tax authorities in most jurisdictions where we conduct business. We are no longer subject to U.S. federal income tax examination for all years through 2007 and the statute of limitations at our international locations is generally six to seven years.

At December 31, 2011 and 2010, our unrecognized tax benefits were immaterial to our consolidated financial statements.

NOTE 10-STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

Preferred Stock

We have authorized 150,000,000 shares of preferred stock. Our Board of Directors has the authority to issue shares and set the terms of the shares of preferred stock. As of December 31, 2011 and 2010, there were no shares of preferred stock issued or outstanding.

Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss

Accumulated other comprehensive loss in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets consists of the following (in thousands):

	Decen	ıber 31,
	2011	2010
Currency translation adjustments	\$(25,622)	\$(18,703)
Pension related adjustments	(518)	(1,153)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	<u>\$(26,140)</u>	\$(19,856)

Reverse Stock Split

On February 29, 2012, our Board of Directors and our shareholders approved a two-for-one reverse stock split which reduced the number of shares by one half. All share and per share amounts have been adjusted to retroactively reflect this change. In connection with the reverse stock split, the number of authorized shares was reduced from 800 million to 400 million.

Earnings per Share

Earnings per share are calculated in the table below (in thousands, except per share amounts).

	Ye	Year Ended December 31,		
	2011	2010	2009	
Net income (loss)	\$28,984	\$(51,824)	\$(339,771)	
Average basic shares outstanding	84,417	84,384	79,067	
Effect of dilutive securities	238			
Average diluted shares outstanding	84,655	84,384	79,067	
Net income (loss) per share:				
Basic	\$ 0.34	\$ (0.61)	\$ (4.30)	
Diluted	\$ 0.34	\$ (0.61)	\$ (4.30)	

Stock options and shares of restricted stock are disregarded in this calculation if they are determined to be anti-dilutive.

For the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, our anti-dilutive stock options approximated 2.3 million, 2.0 million and 2.0 million. Our anti-dilutive restricted stock for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009, approximated 0.1 million and 0.1 million.

NOTE 11—EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plans: Under the terms of the 2007 Stock Option Plan, options may not be granted at prices less than their fair market value on the date of the grant, nor for a term exceeding ten years. Vesting generally occurs over a five year period on the anniversaries of the date specified in the employees' respective option agreements, subject to accelerated vesting under certain circumstances set forth in the option agreements. We expense the fair value of the stock option grants on a straight-line basis over the vesting period. A Black-Scholes option-pricing model is used to estimate the fair value of the stock options.

Under the terms of the restricted stock plan, restricted stock may be granted at the direction of the Board of Directors and vesting generally occurs in one-fourth increments on the first, second, third, and fourth anniversaries of the date specified in the employees' respective restricted stock agreements, subject to accelerated vesting under certain circumstances set forth in the restricted stock agreements. We expense the fair value of the restricted stock grants on a straight-line basis over the vesting period.

During the year ended December 31, 2011, the following activity occurred under our stock option and restricted stock plans:

	<u>Options</u>	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term (years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (thousands)
Stock Options			,	, ,
Balance at December 31, 2010	1,968,561	\$ 19.90		
Granted	2,853,087	16.90		
Exercised	(318)	9.62		
Forfeited	(1,963,992)	19.74		
Expired	(11,650)	9.62		
Balance at December 31, 2011	2,845,688	\$ 17.04	7.7	\$ 3,616
At December 31, 2011:				
Options outstanding, vested and exercisable	818,679	\$ 14.56	6.3	\$ 2,284
Options outstanding, vested and expected to vest	2,714,193	\$ 17.00	7.7	\$ 3,524
			Shares	Weighted Average Grant-Date Fair Value
Restricted Stock			77 700	A 44.04
Nonvested at December 31, 2010			77,733	\$ 11.94
Granted			90,000	15.02
Vested			(23,353)	9.42
Forfeited			(2,383)	9.42
Nonvested at December 31, 2011			<u>141,997</u>	<u>\$ 14.36</u>

The following table summarizes award activity under our stock option and restricted stock plans:

	Year Ended December 31,					
		2011		2010		2009
Stock Options						
Weighted-average, grant-date fair value of awards granted	\$	3.46	\$	5.10	\$	1.82
Total intrinsic value of stock options exercised	\$	1,715	\$	_	\$	_
Total fair value of stock options vested	\$1	.,833,836	\$72	27,441	\$	23,061
Restricted Stock						
Weighted-average, grant-date fair value of awards granted	\$	14.36	\$	_	\$	9.42
Total fair value of restricted stock vested	\$	378,670	\$53	14,082	\$9	55,866

Stock Options

Following are the weighted-average assumptions used to estimate the fair values of our stock options:

		Year Ended December 31,	
	2011	2010	2009
Risk-free interest rate	1.32%	2.54%	2.45%
Dividend yield(1)	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Expected volatility	46.05%	22.07%	22.07%
Expected life (in years)	5.0	6.2	6.2

(1) The expected dividend yield reflects the restriction on our ability to pay dividends and does not anticipate "special" dividends.

During 2009, we modified the exercise price of approximately 0.9 million stock option grants from \$35.24 to \$25.00. Also, in conjunction with the \$3 million dividend paid during 2009, we reduced the exercise prices of the outstanding options by between \$0.02 and \$0.04 per option. In August 2011, we modified the exercise price of approximately 0.9 million stock option grants from \$24.96 to \$15.02. The effect of the modifications were evaluated and accounted for in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, ASC 718 Compensation – Stock Compensation, which resulted in additional compensation expense of \$2.5 million incurred in 2011 and an incremental \$2.4 million of compensation expense to be recognized over the remaining vesting period of the modified options. The exercise price of these stock options, along with 0.1 million additional stock options, were subsequently modified in 2011 from \$15.02 to \$18.10 with no impact on compensation expense.

Restricted Common Units: Certain of our key employees received restricted common units of PVF Holdings LLC that vested over a three-to-five year requisite service period. At December 31, 2011, all of the restricted common units were either vested or forfeited. Prior to full vesting or forfeiture, the expense was being recognized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period.

<u>Profits Units</u>: Certain of our key employees received profit units in PVF Holdings LLC that vest over a five-year requisite service period. The holders of these units are entitled to a share of any distributions made by PVF Holdings LLC once common unit holders have received a return of their capital contributions (for purposes of the Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of PVF Holdings LLC, dated October 31, 2007, as amended). Expense is being recognized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period.

Recognized compensation expense and related income tax benefits under our equity-based compensation plans are set forth in the table below (in thousands):

Year Ended December 31,		
2011	2010	2009
\$ 6,707	\$2,425	\$3,077
412	253	247
(1)	(337)	2,466
1,267	1,403	2,040
\$ 8,385	\$3,744	\$7,830
\$ 3,081	\$1,383	\$2,892
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Unrecognized compensation expense under our equity-based compensation plans is set forth in the table below (in thousands):

	weignted- Average Vesting Period (in years)	Dec	cember 31, 2011
Unrecognized equity-based compensation expense:			
Stock options	3.2	\$	14,557
Restricted stock	4.1		1,528
Profit units	0.7		461
Total unrecognized equity-based compensation expense		\$	16,546

<u>Defined Contribution Employee Benefit Plans</u>: Immediately upon hire employees may participate in the McJunkin Red Man Retirement Plan whereby employees elect to defer a percentage of their base earnings and overtime, pursuant to Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. In addition, we make matching contributions with respect to participant contributions. The McJunkin Red Man Retirement Plan also features a discretionary profit-sharing component.

Eligible employees of Midfield Supply ULC located in Canada participate in a Registered Retirement Savings Plan after three months of service. Elective contributions are made by employees to defer a percentage of their base, overtime, commission and bonus compensation and we make matching contributions on the base pay portion of the employee's compensation.

Approximate

We maintain defined contribution plans in the following international locations:

Employer Contribution
Service prior to January 1, 1999, contributions at a rate of 1.5% of salary plus 3% paid at death Service after
January 1, 1999, contributions at a rate of 4% of salary
Statutory minimum of 9% of salary
Employer contributions at rates of 5%, 8% and 10% of salary
Service after April 1, 2008, statutory minimum of 1% of salary in 2008, 2% of salary in 2009, 3% of salary in
2010, and 4% of salary in 2011.
Service prior to April 1, 2008, contributions at a rate of 5% of salary
Employer contribution rate of 5% of salary

Our provisions for the defined contribution plans are set forth in the table below (in thousands):

	Year	Year Ended December 31,		
	2011	2010	2009	
Defined contribution plans	\$6,531	\$5,179	\$4,075	
Profit-sharing expenses				
	\$6,531	\$5,179	\$4,075	

<u>Defined Benefit Employee Benefit Plans</u>: We sponsor defined benefit pension plans in Europe for two subsidiaries of MRC Transmark. Independent trusts or insurance companies administer these plans. Benefits are dependent on years of service and the employees' compensation. Pension costs under our retirement plans are actuarially determined.

The following tables set forth the benefit obligations, the fair value of the plan assets and the funded status of our pension plans; and the amounts recognized in our consolidated financial statements (in thousands):

		ber 31, 2010
Change in projected benefit obligation:		
Projected benefit obligation at beginning of period	\$27,538	\$26,277
Service cost	1,073	927
Interest cost	1,465	1,315
Curtailment for change in projected benefit obligation	(311)	_
Actuarial loss	511	2,362
Benefits paid	(1,528)	(1,139)
Expenses paid	(146)	(133)
Foreign currency exchange	(704)	(2,071)
Projected benefit obligation at end of period	\$27,898	\$27,538
Accumulated benefit obligation at end of period	\$25,892	\$25,388
	Decem	her 31
	2011	2010
Change in plan assets:		
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of period	\$29,231	\$29,838
Return on plan assets	2,692	1,703
Employer contributions	556	755
Participant contributions	459	457
Benefits paid	(1,528)	(1,139)
Expenses paid	(146)	(133)
Foreign currency exchange	(811)	(2,250)
Fair value of plan assets at end of period	\$30,453	\$29,231
Funded status and net amounts recognized:		
Plan assets, net of projected benefit obligation	\$ 2,555	\$ 1,693
Unrecognized actuarial loss (gain)	947	1,401
Net amount recognized in the consolidated balance sheets	\$ 3,502	\$ 3,094
Amounts recognized in the consolidated balance sheets consist of:		
Noncurrent other assets	\$ 2,798	\$ 2,306
Noncurrent other liabilities	(243)	(613)
Accrued benefit obligation	2,555	1,693
Other comprehensive loss	947	1,401
Net amount recognized in the consolidated balance sheets	\$ 3,502	\$ 3,094

The following table sets forth our net periodic pension cost (in thousands):

		Ended
	Decei	mber 31,
		2010
Service cost	\$ 1,073	\$ 927
Interest cost	1,465	1,315
(Gain) of curtailment	(311)	_
Expected return on plan assets	_ (1,762)	_(1,498)
Net periodic pension cost	<u>\$ 465</u>	\$ 744

Valuation: We use the corridor approach in the valuation of our defined benefit plans. The corridor approach defers all actuarial gains and losses resulting from variances between actual results and economic estimates or actuarial assumptions. These unrecognized gains and losses are amortized when the net gains and losses exceed 10% of the greater of the market-related value of plan assets or the projected benefit obligation at the beginning of the year. The amount in excess of the corridor is amortized over the average remaining service period to retirement date for active plan participants or, for retired participants, the average remaining life expectancy.

The following table sets forth the principal weighted-average assumptions used to determine benefit obligation and benefit costs:

	Year End Decembe	
	2011	2010
Benefit obligation:		
Discount rate	4.70%	5.00%
Rate of compensation increase	2.00%	2.00%
Benefit cost:		
Discount rate	4.70%	5.00%
Rate of compensation increase	2.00%	2.00%
Expected return on plan assets	5.27%	5.55%

We determine our discount rates in the Euro zone using the iBoxx Euro Corporate AA Bond indices, with appropriate adjustments for the duration of the plan obligations.

The expected rate of return is assessed annually and is based on long-term relationships among major asset classes and the level of incremental returns that can be earned by investment management strategies. Equity returns are based on estimates of long-term inflation rates, real rates of return, fixed income premiums over cash and equity risk premiums. Fixed income returns are based on maturity, long-term inflation, real rates of return and credit spreads. Insurance contract returns are based upon the average fixed return on contracts and the historical supplemental profit sharing of the insurers.

Plan Assets: The investment objective for the plans are to earn a long-term expected rate of return, net of investment fees and transaction costs, to satisfy the benefit obligations of the plan, while at the same time maintaining sufficient liquidity to pay benefit obligations and expenses and meet any other cash needs, in the short-to-medium term.

The following table sets forth the weighted-average target asset allocations for our pension plans:

	2011	2010
Fixed income securities	78%	73%
Equity securities	18%	22%
Insurance contracts	4%	5%
Total	100%	100%

Our investment policies and strategies for the pension benefit plans do not use target allocations for the individual asset categories. Our goals are to maximize returns subject to specific risk management policies. We address diversification by the use of investments in domestic and international fixed income securities and domestic and international equity securities. These investments are readily marketable and can be sold to fund benefit obligations as they become payable.

Our defined benefit plan assets are measured at fair value on a recurring basis and include the following items:

Cash and cash equivalents: Foreign and domestic currencies, as well as short-term securities, are valued at cost plus accrued interest, which approximates fair value.

Equity securities and fixed income: Valued at the closing price reported on the active market in which the individual securities are traded. These securities are traded on exchanges, as well as in the over-the-counter market.

Insurance contracts: Valued at contributions made, plus earnings, less participant withdrawals and administrative expenses, which approximates fair value.

The following table sets forth the fair values of our pension plan assets (in thousands):

		Level		
	Total	1	Level 2	Level 3
December 31, 2011				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 66	\$ 66	\$ —	\$ —
Fixed income	21,438	_	21,438	_
Mutual fund	5,399	_	5,399	_
Insurance contracts	3,550	_	3,550	_
	\$30,453	\$ 66	\$30,387	\$ —
December 31, 2010				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 200	\$200	\$ —	\$ —
Fixed income	19,250	_	19,250	_
Mutual fund	5,886	_	5,886	_
Insurance contracts	3,895	_	3,895	_
	\$29,231	\$200	\$29,031	\$ —

During 2011, we determined that pension assets previously classified as Level 1 should be classified as Level 2. Accordingly, the 2010 classifications have been revised based on this determination.

The financial objectives of the qualified pension plans are determined in conjunction with a comprehensive review of each plan's liability structure. Our asset allocation policy is based on detailed asset/liability analyses. In developing investment policy and financial goals, consideration is given to each plan's demographics, the returns and risks associated with alternative investment strategies and the current and projected cash, expense and funding ratios of each plan. Investment policies must also comply with local statutory requirements as determined by each country. We have adopted a long-term

investment horizon such that the risk and duration of investment losses are weighed against the long-term potential for appreciation of assets. Although there cannot be complete assurance that these objectives will be realized, it is believed that the likelihood for their realization is reasonably high, based upon the asset allocation chosen and the historical and expected performance of the asset classes utilized by the plans. The intent is for investments to be broadly diversified across asset classes, investment styles, market sectors, investment managers, developed and emerging markets and securities in order to moderate portfolio volatility and risk. Investments may be in separate accounts, commingled trusts, mutual funds and other pooled asset portfolios provided they all conform to fiduciary standards.

External investment managers are hired to manage pension assets. Over the long-term, the investment portfolio is expected to earn returns that exceed a composite of market indices that are weighted to match each plan's target asset allocation. The portfolio return should also (over the long-term) meet or exceed the return used for actuarial calculations in order to meet the future needs of the plan.

We expect to contribute approximately \$1.0 million to our defined benefit pension plans in 2012. The table below reflects pension benefits expected to be paid from the plan assets for the next ten years (in thousands). The expected benefits are based on the same assumptions used to measure our benefit obligation at December 31, 2011 and include estimated future employee service.

2012	\$ 1,168
2013	1,210
2014	1,268
2015	1,879
2016	1,355
2017-2021	7,396

NOTE 12—RELATED-PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Europump Systems Inc.

Certain Midfield Supply ULC employees, who are shareholders, serve as executive officers of Europump Systems Inc. ("Europump"). Europump is engaged in the business of selling, servicing and renting industrial pumps. On July 1, 2007, we entered into a five-year distribution agreement with Europump. During the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, our purchases from Europump approximated \$42.0 million, \$28.1 million and \$10.0 million. At December 31, 2011 and 2010, we had payables to Europump of approximately \$5.2 million and \$1.2 million. During the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, our sales to Europump approximated \$2.5 million, \$0.8 million and \$0.6 million. At December 31, 2011 and 2010, we had receivables of approximately \$0.3 million from Europump. We also agreed to make certain profit sharing payments to the Europump shareholders in respect of certain oilfield supply and service stores located in Western Canada. For the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, the expense we recognized for the aggregate profit participation for Europump was approximately \$5.8 million, \$1.1 million and \$0.1 million.

Leases

We lease land and buildings at various locations from Hansford Associates Limited Partnership ("Hansford Associates") and Prideco LLC ("Prideco"), as well as certain employees and former Midfield shareholders. We lease equipment and vehicles from Prideco. Certain of our directors participate in ownership of Hansford Associates and Prideco. Most of these leases are renewable for various periods through 2019 and are renewable at our option. The renewal options are subject to escalation clauses. These leases contain clauses for payment of real estate taxes, maintenance, insurance and certain other operating expenses of the properties.

Rent expense attributable to related parties is set forth in the following table (in thousands):

	Year	Year Ended December 31,		
	2011	2010	2009	
Hansford Associates	\$2,284	\$2,545	\$2,547	
Prideco	596	1,510	2,374	
Employees and former Midfield shareholders	2,572	2,484	1,998	
	\$5,45 <u>2</u>	\$6,539	\$6,919	

Future minimum rental payments required under operating leases with related parties that have initial or remaining noncancelable lease terms in excess of one year are set forth in the following table (in thousands):

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016 and thereafter
Hansford Associates	\$ 682	\$ 405	\$ 79	\$ <i>-</i>	\$ —
Prideco	208	65	5	_	_
Employees and former Midfield shareholders	2,413	2,113	1,413	928	947
	<u>\$3,303</u>	\$2,583	\$1,497	\$928	<u>\$ 947</u>

Credit Facilities

Goldman Sachs Credit Partners L.P. ("GSCP"), an affiliate of the Goldman Sachs Funds, was a co-lead arranger and joint bookrunner under our previous asset-based revolving credit facility, and was the co-lead arranger and joint bookrunner under previous term loan facilities in addition to serving as the syndication agent under those facilities. In addition, Goldman Sachs Lending Partners L.L.C. is a participant in our ABL Credit Facility.

Payments made to affiliates of the Goldman Sachs Funds in connection with these credit facilities are set forth in the following table (in thousands):

	Yea	Year Ended December 31,		
	2011	2010	2009	
Affiliates of the Goldman Sachs Funds	\$250	\$700	\$10,750	

Affiliates of the Goldman Sachs Funds

From time to time, we sell products to affiliates of the Goldman Sachs Funds. The total revenues from these affiliates are set forth in the following table (in thousands):

		Year Ended December 31,		
	-	2011	2010	2009
Affiliates of the Goldman Sachs Funds	9	\$12,049	\$24,430	\$17,839

The total receivables due from these affiliates are set forth in the following table (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2011	2010	
Affiliates of the Goldman Sachs Funds \$	1,390 \$	\$ 1,900	

In January of 2010, we engaged an affiliate of the Goldman Sachs Funds to provide insurance brokerage services. During 2011 and 2010, we paid this affiliate approximately \$1.6 million and \$2.2 million, respectively.

Certain affiliates of the Goldman Sachs Funds are counterparties to our interest rate swap agreements. The notional amount attributable to these affiliates was \$325 million of the \$0.5 billion outstanding at December 31, 2011 and 2010.

NOTE 13—SEGMENT, GEOGRAPHIC AND PRODUCT LINE INFORMATION

We operate as two business segments, North America and International. Our North American segment consists of our operations in the United States and Canada. Our International segment consists of our operations outside of North America, principally Europe, Asia and Australasia. These segments represent our business of selling pipe, valves and fittings to the energy and industrial sectors, across each of the upstream (exploration, production and extraction of underground oil and gas), midstream (gathering and transmission of oil and gas, gas utilities, and the storage and distribution of oil and gas) and downstream (crude oil refining, petrochemical processing and general industrials) markets.

The following table presents financial information for each segment (in millions):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2011	2010	2009
Sales			
North America	\$4,502.8	\$3,589.9	\$3,610.1
International	329.6	255.6	51.8
Consolidated revenues	<u>\$4,832.4</u>	<u>\$3,845.5</u>	<u>\$3,661.9</u>
Depreciation and amortization			
North America	\$ 14.1	\$ 14.8	\$ 14.0
International	2.9	1.8	0.5
Total depreciation and amortization expense	\$ 17.0	\$ 16.6	\$ 14.5
Amortization of intangibles			
North America	\$ 44.6	\$ 44.1	\$ 44.6
International	6.1	9.8	2.0
Total amortization of intangibles expense	\$ 50.7	\$ 53.9	\$ 46.6
Goodwill and intangible impairment			
North America	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 386.1
International	_	_	_
Total goodwill and intangible impairment	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 386.1
Operating income (loss)			
North America	\$ 183.9	\$ 56.0	\$ (253.5)
International	10.7	10.4	3.8
Total operating income (loss)	194.6	66.4	(249.7)
Interest expense	136.8	139.6	116.5
Other expense (income)	2.0	2.0	(11.4)
Income (loss) before income taxes	\$ 55.8	\$ (75.2)	\$ (354.8)

	Dece	mber 31,
	2011	2010
Goodwill		
North America	\$ 512.1	\$ 509.5
International	49.2	39.9
Total goodwill	\$ 561.3	\$ 549.4
Total assets		
North America	\$2,923.3	\$2,748.7
International	304.4	242.5
Total assets	\$3,227.7	\$2,991.2

The percentages of our revenues relating to the following geographic areas are as follows:

	Yea	Year Ended December 31,		
	2011	2010	2009	
Revenues				
United States	80%	80%	88%	
Canada	13%	13%	11%	
International(1)	<u> </u>	<u>7</u> %	<u>1</u> %	
	100%	100%	100%	

	Decem	ber 31,
	2011	2010
Fixed assets		
United States	60%	63%
Canada	25%	28%
International(1)	<u>15</u> %	9% 100%
	100%	100%

(1) International includes our operations in Europe, Asia and Australasia.

The percentages of our net sales by product line are as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,		
<u>Type</u>	2011	2010	2009
Energy carbon steel tubular products:		<u>——</u>	
Line pipe	21%	18%	20%
Oil country tubular goods	<u>17</u> %	20%	21%
	<u>38</u> %	<u>38</u> %	<u>41</u> %
Valves, fittings, flanges and other products:		<u></u>	
Valves and specialty products	24%	25%	20%
Carbon steel fittings and flanges and stainless steel and alloy			
pipe and fittings	18%	17%	18%
Other	20%	20%	21%
	62%	62%	59%

NOTE 14—FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

We used the following methods and significant assumptions to estimate fair value for assets and liabilities recorded at fair value.

Interest Rate Contracts: Interest rate contracts are reported at fair value utilizing Level 2 inputs. We obtain dealer quotations to value our interest rate swap agreements. These quotations rely on observable market inputs such as yield curves and other market-based factors.

<u>Foreign Exchange Forward Contracts</u>: Foreign exchange forward contracts are reported at fair value utilizing Level 2 inputs, as the fair value is based on broker quotes for the same or similar derivative instruments.

The following table presents assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis, and the basis for that measurement (in thousands):

	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
December 31, 2011				
Assets:	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Liabilities:				
Foreign exchange forward contracts	144	_	144	_
Interest rate swap agreements	2,010	_	2,010	_
December 31, 2010				
Assets:	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Liabilities:				
Foreign exchange forward contracts	209	_	209	_
Interest rate swap agreements	8,975	_	8,975	_

The following table presents the carrying value and estimated fair value of our financial instruments that are carried at adjusted historical cost (in thousands):

	Decembe	December 31, 2011		December 31, 2010	
	Carrying Value	Estimated Fair Value	Carrying Value	Estimated Fair Value	
Financial assets					
Cash	\$ 46,127	\$ 46,127	\$ 56,202	\$ 56,202	
Accounts receivable, net	791,280	791,280	596,404	596,404	
Financial liabilities					
Trade accounts payable	479,584	479,584	426,632	426,632	
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	108,973	108,973	102,807	102,807	
Long-term debt	1,526,740	1,542,490	1,360,241	1,292,826	

The carrying values of our financial instruments, including cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, trade accounts payable and accrued liabilities, approximate fair value because of the short maturity of these financial instruments.

We estimated the fair value of the senior secured notes using quoted market prices as of December 31, 2011 and 2010.

The carrying value of our ABL Credit Facility and remaining portions of our long-term debt approximate their fair values.

NOTE 15—COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Leases

We regularly enter into operating and capital lease arrangements for certain of our facilities and equipment. Our leases are renewable at our option for various periods through 2021. Certain renewal options are subject to escalation clauses and contain clauses for payment of real estate taxes, maintenance, insurance and certain other operating expenses of the properties. Leases with escalation clauses based on an index, such as the consumer price index, are expensed and projected based on current rates. Leases with specified escalation steps are expensed and projected based on the rate in effect in the respective period which is not materially different than the straight-line method. We amortize leasehold improvements over the remaining life of the lease. Rental expense under our operating lease arrangements is as follows:

		Year Ended December 31,		
	2	2011	2010	2009
Operating rental expense	\$40	0,255	\$37,804	\$30,371

Future minimum lease payments under noncancelable operating and capital lease arrangements having initial terms of one year or more are as follows (in thousands):

	Operating Leases	Capital Leases
2012	\$ 31,311	\$ 480
2013	26,014	532
2014	18,792	524
2015	13,609	313
2016	8,070	268
Thereafter	16,812	1,206
	\$114,608	\$3,323

Litigation

Asbestos Claims. We are involved in various legal proceedings and claims, both as a plaintiff and a defendant, which arise in the ordinary course of business. These legal proceedings include claims that individuals brought against a large number of defendant entities, including us, seeking damages for injuries that certain products containing asbestos allegedly caused. As of December 31, 2011, we are a defendant in lawsuits involving approximately 981 of these claims. Each claim involves allegations of exposure to asbestos-containing materials by an individual or his or her family members. The complaints typically name many defendants. In a majority of these lawsuits, little or no information is known regarding the nature of the plaintiff's alleged injuries or their connection with products that we distributed. Through December 31, 2011, lawsuits involving 11,831 claims have been brought against us. No asbestos lawsuit has resulted in a judgment against us to date, with the majority being settled, dismissed or otherwise resolved. In total, since the first asbestos claim brought against us in 1984 through December 31, 2011, approximately \$1.8 million has been paid to asbestos claimants in connection with settlements of claims against us without regard to insurance recoveries. Of this amount, approximately \$1.4 million has been paid to settle claims alleging mesothelioma, \$0.4 million for claims alleging lung cancer and \$0.1 million for non-malignant claims.

We annually conduct analyses of our asbestos-related litigation to estimate the adequacy of the reserve for pending and probable asbestos-related claims. These analyses consist of separately estimating our reserve with respect to pending claims (both those scheduled for trial and those for which a trial date had not been scheduled), mass filings (including lawsuits brought in West Virginia

each involving many, in some cases over a hundred, plaintiffs, which include little information regarding the nature of each plaintiff's claim and historically have rarely resulted in any payments to plaintiff) and probable future claims. A key element of the analysis is categorizing our claims by the type of disease the plaintiffs allege and developing "benchmark" estimated settlement values for each claim category based on our historical settlement experience. These estimated settlement values are applied to each of our pending individual claims. With respect to pending claims where the disease type is unknown, the outcome is projected based on historic experience. The reserve with respect to mass filings is estimated by determining the number of individual plaintiffs included in the mass filings likely to have claims resulting in settlements based on our historical experience with mass filings. Finally, we estimate the value of probable claims that plaintiffs may assert against us over the next 15 years based on public health estimates of future incidences of certain asbestos-related diseases in the general U.S. population. Estimated settlement values are applied to those projected claims. Our annual assessment, dated September 30, 2011, projected that our payments to asbestos claimants over the next 15 years are estimated to range from \$5 million to \$11 million. Given these estimates and existing insurance coverage that historically has been available to cover substantial portions of our past payments to claimants and defense costs, we believe that our current accruals and associated estimates relating to pending and probable asbestos-related litigation likely to be asserted over the next 15 years are currently adequate. Our belief that our accruals and associated estimates are currently adequate, however, relies on a number of significant assumptions, including:

- Ÿ That our future settlement payments, disease mix and dismissal rates will be materially consistent with historic experience;
- Ÿ That future incidences of asbestos-related diseases in the U.S. will be materially consistent with current public health estimates;
- Ÿ That the rates at which future asbestos-related mesothelioma incidences result in compensable claims filings against us will be materially consistent with its historic experience;
- Ÿ That insurance recoveries for settlement payments and defense costs will be materially consistent with historic experience;
- Ÿ That legal standards (and the interpretation of these standards) applicable to asbestos litigation will not change in material respects;
- Y That there are no materially negative developments in the claims pending against us; and
- Ÿ That key co-defendants in current and future claims remain solvent.

If any of these assumptions prove to be materially different in light of future developments, liabilities related to asbestos-related litigation may be materially different than amounts accrued or estimated. Further, while we anticipate that additional claims will be filed in the future, we are unable to predict with any certainty the number, timing and magnitude of such future claims.

Other Legal Claims and Proceedings. From time to time, we have been subject to various claims and involved in legal proceedings incidental to the nature of our businesses. We maintain insurance coverage to reduce financial risk associated with certain of these claims and proceedings. It is not possible to predict the outcome of these claims and proceedings. However, in our opinion, there are no material pending legal proceedings that are likely to have a material effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations, although it is possible that the resolution of certain actual, threatened or anticipated claims or proceedings could have a material adverse effect on our results of operation in the period of resolution.

Product Claims. From time to time, in the ordinary course of our business, our customers may claim that the products that we distribute are either defective or require repair or replacement under warranties that either we or the manufacturer may provide to the customer. These proceedings are, in

the opinion of management, ordinary and routine matters incidental to our normal business. Our purchase orders with our suppliers generally require the manufacturer to indemnify us against any product liability claims, leaving the manufacturer ultimately responsible for these claims. In many cases, state, provincial or foreign law provides protection to distributors for these sorts of claims, shifting the responsibility to the manufacturer. In some cases, we could be required to repair or replace the products for the benefit of our customer and seek our recovery from the manufacturer for our expense. In the opinion of management, the ultimate disposition of these claims and proceedings is not expected to have a material adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows, although it is possible that the resolution of certain actual, threatened or anticipated claims or proceedings could have a material adverse effect on our results of operation in the period of resolution.

NiSource Claim. In the summer of 2010, our customer NiSource, Inc. notified us that certain polyethylene pipe that PolyPipe, Inc. manufactured may be defective. NiSource requested that the Company and PolyPipe repair and replace the allegedly defective pipe and reimburse NiSource for the costs of locating and removing the pipe. When installing the pipe, NiSource did not track where the pipe was installed, so to locate the allegedly defective pipe, NiSource has embarked on a program of "potholing" or digging holes by possible sites where the pipe was used to locate the serial numbers of the pipe that may be defective. This has caused NiSource to test locations far in excess of the locations where the allegedly defective pipe may have been used.

On April 28, 2011, PolyPipe filed a petition in the District Court in Cooke County, Texas against the Company and NiSource seeking, among other things, a declaratory judgment that PolyPipe was not responsible for the costs relating to NiSource's alleged failure to track and record the installation locations of the pipe and NiSource's expenditures to implement a potential remediation plan including finding the pipe and removing the pipe. On June 1, 2011, the Court entered an order of non-suit, dismissing PolyPipe's claims without prejudice to their re-filing the same claims.

NiSource is in the process of locating where the allegedly defective pipe was used while the parties discuss a possible resolution of their respective claims. NiSource has asserted that the Company and PolyPipe are liable for the costs of finding the allegedly defective pipe. Under its contract with NiSource, the Company is not liable for consequential damages. The Company believes that this applies to damages such as finding the allegedly defective pipe. To the extent that pipe is actually defective, the Company may be liable under its warranty to replace the defective pipe. The Company believes that PolyPipe, as the manufacturer of the pipe, is ultimately liable for any manufacturing defects. The Company believes that the ultimate outcome of NiSource's claim will not be material.

Former Shareholder Litigation. On July 30, 2010, an action was brought against the Company in Delaware Chancery Court by a former shareholder of our predecessor, McJunkin Corporation, on his own behalf and as trustee for a trust, alleging the Company has not fully complied with a contractual obligation to divest of certain non-core assets contained in the December 2006 merger agreement, and seeking damages and equitable relief. We have also received written notice from other former shareholders who similarly claim the Company has not fully complied with that contractual obligation. On September 28, 2010, we filed a motion to dismiss the action in its entirety. On February 11, 2011, the Court granted our motion to dismiss the claims for equitable relief with prejudice, but denied the motion to dismiss the contractual claims. The Company moved for summary judgment to dismiss the remaining claims, and the plaintiffs moved for summary judgment to uphold their claims, in each case, on October 21, 2011. The Delaware Chancery Court heard oral arguments with respect to the summary judgment motion on February 8, 2012. The parties subsequently reached an agreement whereby the Company agreed to distribute \$1.9 million to the former shareholders (excluding the plaintiffs in the litigation) and both parties have released each other from their respective claims. The final settlement documents were executed by the parties in February 2012.

Customer Contracts

We have contracts and agreements with many of our customers that dictate certain terms of our sales arrangements (pricing, deliverables, etc.). While we make every effort to abide by the terms of these contracts, certain provisions are complex and often subject to varying interpretations. Under the terms of these contracts, our customers have the right to audit our adherence to the contract terms. Historically, any settlements that have resulted from these customer audits have been immaterial to our consolidated financial statements.

Letters of Credit

Our letters of credit outstanding at December 31, 2011 approximated \$9 million.

Bank Guarantees

Certain of our international subsidiaries have trade guarantees given by bankers on their behalf. The amount of these guarantees at December 31, 2011 was approximately €6 million (USD \$8 million).

Purchase Commitments

We have purchase obligations consisting primarily of inventory purchases made in the normal course of business to meet operating needs. While our vendors often allow us to cancel these purchase orders without penalty, in certain cases, cancellations may subject us to cancellation fees or penalties depending on the terms of the contract.

Warranty Claims

We are involved from time to time in various warranty claims, which arise in the ordinary course of business. Historically, any settlements that have resulted from these warranty claims have been immaterial to our consolidated financial statements.

Insurance Coverage

In the area of first party auto collision, we do not have excess coverage. In addition, we had no self insurance accrued liabilities in this area as of December 31, 2011 or 2010.

In the area of product recall, we do not have excess coverage. However, manufacturers are liable for replacement under the Uniform Commercial Code to the extent that they are identifiable and have the financial wherewithal. The net amount of self-insurance accrued liabilities in North America was \$0.3 million and \$0.8 million as of December 31, 2011 and 2010.

In the area of ocean cargo shipments, we do not have excess coverage. In addition, there was no self-insurance accrued as of December 31, 2011 and 2010.

In the area of asbestos claims, we have excess coverage to the extent claims do not arise from entities acquired or exposures dated after 1986. The net amount of self-insurance accrued liabilities in North America was \$0.8 million and \$0.8 million as of December 31, 2011 and 2010.

In the area of employee healthcare, we have excess stop loss protection attaching after \$0.3 million per person per year. The amount of self-insurance accrued liabilities in North America were \$2.8 million and \$2.4 million as of December 31, 2011 and 2010.

NOTE 16—GUARANTOR AND NON-GUARANTOR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

In December 2009 and February 2010, McJunkin Red Man Corporation (presented as Issuer in the following tables), a 100%-owned subsidiary of MRC Global Inc. (presented as Parent in the following tables), issued senior secured notes due December 15, 2016. The senior secured notes are fully and unconditionally, and jointly and severally, guaranteed on a senior basis by MRC Global Inc. and substantially all existing and future 100%-owned domestic restricted subsidiaries of McJunkin Red Man Corporation (collectively, the "Guarantors"). All other subsidiaries of McJunkin Red Man Corporation, whether direct or indirect, do not guarantee the senior secured notes (the "Non-Guarantors").

The following condensed consolidating financial statements present the results of operations, financial position and cash flows of (1) the Parent, (2) the Issuer, (3) the Guarantors, (4) the Non-Guarantors, and (5) eliminations to arrive at the information for MRC Global Inc. on a consolidated basis. Separate financial statements and other disclosures concerning the Guarantors are not presented because management does not believe such information is material to investors. Therefore, each of the Guarantors is combined in the presentation below.

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (in millions)

	December 31, 2011						
	Parent	Issuer	Guarantors	Non- Guarantors	Elim	Total	
Cash	\$ 0.1	\$ 4.8	\$ 0.2	\$ 41.0	\$ —	\$ 46.1	
Accounts receivable, net	0.7	585.9	Ψ 0.2	204.7	Ψ 	791.3	
Inventory, net	_	682.1	_	217.0	_	899.1	
Income taxes receivable	0.8	28.5	_	_	(29.3)	_	
Other current assets	_	2.2	2.1	7.1	_	11.4	
Total current assets	1.6	1,303.5	2.3	469.8	(29.3)	1,747.9	
Investment in subsidiaries	718.0	607.1		_	(1,325.1)		
Intercompany receivable	7.3	258.3	561.3	_	(826.9)	_	
Other assets	_	31.8	0.1	7.3	` _ ′	39.2	
Fixed assets, net	_	45.2	19.6	42.6	_	107.4	
Goodwill	_	512.0	_	49.3	_	561.3	
Other intangible assets, net		707.2		64.7		771.9	
	\$726.9	\$3,465.1	\$ 583.3	\$ 633.7	\$(2,181.3)	\$3,227.7	
Trade accounts payable	\$ —	\$ 328.1	\$ 2.5	\$ 149.0	\$	\$ 479.6	
Accrued expenses	0.2	63.1	12.4	33.3	_	109.0	
Income taxes payable	_	_	37.1	4.2	(29.3)	12.0	
Deferred revenue	_	3.7	_	0.7	_	4.4	
Deferred income taxes		71.0	(0.6)	(2.2)		68.2	
Total current liabilities	0.2	465.9	51.4	185.0	(29.3)	673.2	
Long-term debt, net	_	1,469.8	_	56.9	_	1,526.7	
Intercompany payable	_	530.2	_	296.7	(826.9)	_	
Deferred income Taxes	5.7	269.7	1.0	12.6	_	289.0	
Other liabilities	0.1	11.5	0.2	6.1	_	17.9	
Shareholders' equity	720.9	718.0	530.7	76.4	(1,325.1)	720.9	
	\$726.9	\$3,465.1	\$ 583.3	\$ 633.7	<u>\$(2,181.3)</u>	<u>\$3,227.7</u>	

	December 31, 2010											
		Parent		Issuer	Gu	arantors		Non- arantors		Elim		Total
Cash	\$	1.1	\$	4.4	\$	<u> </u>	\$	50.7	\$		\$	56.2
Accounts receivable, net	•	0.7	•	447.1	•	_	•	148.6	•	_	•	596.4
Inventory, net		_		625.4		_		140.0		_		765.4
Income taxes receivable		1.0		89.8		_		1.9		(60.1)		32.6
Other current assets				2.7		2.1		5.4				10.2
Total current assets		2.8		1,169.4		2.1		346.6		(60.1)		1,460.8
Investment in subsidiaries		686.6		478.3		_		_		(1,164.9)		_
Intercompany receivable		6.5		88.7		480.2		_		(575.4)		_
Other assets		_		49.3		0.1		9.7		_		59.1
Fixed assets, net		_		46.3		19.9		38.5				104.7
Goodwill		_		509.5		_		39.9		_		549.4
Other intangible assets, net				747.3				69.9				817.2
	\$	695.9	\$	3,088.8	\$	502.3	\$	504.6	\$	(1,800.4)	\$	2,991.2
Trade accounts payable	\$	_	\$	306.5	\$	1.1	\$	119.0	\$	_	\$	426.6
Accrued expenses		0.1		67.2		11.1		24.4		_		102.8
Income taxes payable		_				60.1		_		(60.1)		_
Deferred revenue		_		17.4		_		0.7		_		18.1
Deferred income taxes				73.2		(0.6)		(2.0)				70.6
Total current liabilities		0.1		464.3		71.7		142.1		(60.1)		618.1
Long-term debt, net		_		1,314.3		_		45.9		_		1,360.2
Intercompany payable		_		327.6		_		247.8		(575.4)		_
Deferred Taxes		5.7		285.4		2.3		9.7		_		303.1
Other liabilities		0.4		10.6		1.1		8.0		_		20.1
Shareholders' equity		689.7		686.6		427.2		51.1		(1,164.9)		689.7
	\$	695.9	\$	3,088.8	\$	502.3	\$	504.6	\$	(1,800.4)	<u>\$</u>	2,991.2

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income (in millions)

		Year Ended December 31, 2011									
	P	arent		Issuer	Gu	arantors	Gı	Non- uarantors		Elim	Total
Sales	\$		\$	3,849.2	\$		\$	983.2	\$		\$ 4,832.4
Cost of sales		_		3,336.6		4.1		783.5		_	4,124.2
Gross margin				512.6		(4.1)		199.7			 708.2
Operating expenses		1.0		263.5		85.7		163.4		_	 513.6
Operating (loss) income		(1.0)		249.1		(89.8)		36.3		_	194.6
Other (expense) income				(364.3)		256.6		(31.1)			 (138.8)
(Loss) income before taxes		(1.0)		(115.2)		166.8		5.2			55.8
Equity in earnings of subsidiary		29.2		101.5		_		_		(130.7)	_
Income tax (benefit)		(0.8)		(42.9)		62.5		8.0			26.8
Net (loss) income	\$	29.0	\$	29.2	\$	104.3	\$	(2.8)	\$	(130.7)	\$ 29.0

	Year Ended December 31, 2010						
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	Parent	Issuer	Guarantors	Guarantors	Elim	Total	
Sales	\$ —	\$3,124.8	\$ —	\$ 726.7	\$ (6.0)	\$3,845.5	
Cost of sales		2,742.1	3.8	587.5	(6.0)	3,327.4	
Gross margin	_	382.7	(3.8)	139.2	_	518.1	
Operating expenses	1.7	244.8	78.5	126.7		451.7	
Operating (loss) income	(1.7)	137.9	(82.3)	12.5	_	66.4	
Other (expense) income		(266.2)	153.0	(28.4)		(141.6)	
(Loss) income before taxes	(1.7)	(128.3)	70.7	(15.9)	_	(75.2)	
Equity in earnings of subsidiary	(51.1)	29.2	_	_	21.9	_	
Income tax (benefit)	(1.0)	(48.0)	27.4	(1.8)	_ <u></u>	(23.4)	
Net (loss) income	\$ (51.8)	\$ (51.1)	\$ 43.3	\$ (14.1)	\$ 21.9	\$ (51.8)	

	Year Ended December 31, 2009					
				Non-		
	Parent	Issuer	Guarantors	Guarantors	Elim	Total
Sales	\$ —	\$3,215.6	\$ —	\$ 448.3	\$ (2.0)	\$3,661.9
Cost of sales	_	2,690.1	2.6	376.7	(2.0)	3,067.4
Inventory write-down		44.1		2.4		46.5
Gross margin		481.4	(2.6)	69.2	_	548.0
Operating expenses	1.2	248.5	89.4	72.5	_	411.6
Goodwill and intangible impairment		317.1		69.0		386.1
Operating (loss) income	(1.2)	(84.2)	(92.0)	(72.3)	_	(249.7)
Other (expense) income	(6.2)	(383.3)	293.5	(9.1)		(105.1)
(Loss) income before taxes	(7.4)	(467.5)	201.5	(81.4)	_	(354.8)
Equity in earnings of subsidiary	(334.7)	47.9	_	_	286.8	_
Income tax (benefit)	(2.3)	(84.9)	75.8	(3.6)		(15.0)
Net (loss) income	\$ (339.8)	\$ (334.7)	\$ 125.7	\$ (77.8)	\$ 286.8	\$ (339.8)

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (in millions)

	Year Ended December 31, 2011					
	Parent	Issuer	Guarantors	Non- Guarantors	Elim	Total
Cash flows provided by (used in):						
Operating activities	\$ (0.8) \$ (147.5)	\$ 7.1	\$ 38.3	\$ —	\$ (102.9)
Investing activities	(0.2) 1.2	(6.9)	(42.1)	_	(48.0)
Financing activities		144.2		(3.6)		140.6
Increase (decrease) in cash	(1.0) (2.1)	0.2	(7.4)	_	(10.3)
Effect of exchange rate on cash	_	2.5	_	(2.3)	_	0.2
Cash – beginning of period	1.1	4.4		50.7		56.2
Cash – end of period	\$ 0.1	\$ 4.8	\$ 0.2	\$ 41.0	<u> </u>	\$ 46.1

	Year Ended December 31, 2010						
	Parent	Issuer	Guarantors	Non- Guarantors	Elim	Total	
Cash flows provided by (used in):							
Operating activities	\$ (0.2)	\$ 32.6	\$ 5.5	\$ 74.8	\$ —	\$112.7	
Investing activities	0.6	(13.6)	(5.5)	2.3	_	(16.2)	
Financing activities	0.3	(15.8)		(82.7)		(98.2)	
Increase (decrease) in cash	0.7	3.2	_	(5.6)	_	(1.7)	
Effect of exchange rate on cash	_	(4.0)	_	5.7	_	1.7	
Cash – beginning of period	0.4	5.2	_	50.6	_	56.2	
Cash – end of period	\$ 1.1	\$ 4.4	\$ —	\$ 50.7	\$—	\$ 56.2	

	Year Ended December 31, 2009						
	Parent	Issuer	Guai	rantors	Non- Guarantors	Elim	Total
Cash flows provided by (used in):	<u>- a. o</u>		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		1000
Operating activities	\$ (9.2)	\$ 480.7	\$	4.8	\$ 29.2	\$—	\$ 505.5
Investing activities	(0.2)	(106.3)		(4.9)	44.5	_	(66.9)
Financing activities	9.8	(377.1)			(26.6)		(393.9)
Increase (decrease) in cash	0.4	(2.7)		(0.1)	47.1	_	44.7
Effect of exchange rate on cash	_	1.4		_	(2.0)	_	(0.6)
Cash—beginning of period	_	6.5		0.1	5.5	_	12.1
Cash—end of period	\$ 0.4	\$ 5.2	\$	_	\$ 50.6	\$—	\$ 56.2

NOTE 17—QUARTERLY INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)

Our quarterly financial information is presented in the table below (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Year
2011					
Revenues	\$991.8	\$1,168.0	\$1,366.2	\$1,306.4	\$4,832.4
Gross margin	147.0	172.7	201.1	187.4	708.2
Net income (loss)	(1.1)	4.7	21.9	3.5	29.0
EPS:	· ,				
Basic	\$ (0.01)	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.34
Diluted	\$ (0.01)	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.34
2010	, ,				
Revenues	\$858.3	\$ 926.9	\$1,025.5	\$1,034.8	\$3,845.5
Gross margin	129.5	117.4	136.8	134.4	518.1
Net loss	(11.9)	(15.9)	(10.5)	(13.5)	(51.8)
EPS:	,	` ,	` ,	, ,	` '
Basic	\$ (0.14)	\$ (0.19)	\$ (0.12)	\$ (0.16)	\$ (0.61)
Diluted	\$ (0.14)	\$ (0.19)	\$ (0.12)	\$ (0.16)	\$ (0.61)









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Through and including , 2012 (the 25th day after the date of this prospectus), all dealers effecting transactions in these securities, whether or not participating in this offering, may be required to deliver a prospectus. This is in addition to a dealer's obligation to deliver a prospectus when acting as an underwriter and with respect to an unsold allotment or subscription.

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PART II INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

Item 13. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution.

The following table sets forth the costs and expenses to be paid by the registrant in connection with the sale of the shares of common stock being registered pursuant to this registration statement. All amounts are estimates except for the SEC registration fee, the Financial Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") filing fee and the NYSE Listing fee.

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SEC registration ree	\$57,300
FINRA filing fee	50,500
NYSE listing fee	
Accounting fee and expenses	
Legal fees and expenses	
Printing and engraving expenses	
Blue Sky qualification fees and expenses	
Transfer agent and registrar fees and expenses	
Miscellaneous expenses	
Total	\$

Item 14. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law authorizes a court to award, or a corporation's board of directors to grant, indemnity to directors and officers in terms sufficiently broad to permit such indemnification under certain circumstances for liabilities (including reimbursement for expenses incurred) arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act").

As permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law, the registrant's Certificate of Incorporation includes a provision that eliminates the personal liability of its directors for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except for liability:

- Ÿ for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the registrant or its stockholders;
- \ddot{Y} for acts or omissions not in good faith or that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;
- $\ddot{\mathrm{Y}}$ under section 174 of the Delaware General Corporation Law regarding unlawful dividends and stock purchases; or
- \ddot{Y} for any transaction for which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

As permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law, the registrant's Bylaws provide that:

- Ÿ the registrant is required to indemnify its directors and officers to the fullest extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law, subject to very limited exceptions;
- Ÿ the registrant may indemnify its other employees and agents to the fullest extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law, subject to very limited exceptions;
- Ÿ the registrant is required to advance expenses, as incurred, to its directors and officers in connection with a legal proceeding to the fullest extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law, subject to very limited exceptions;
- \ddot{Y} the registrant may advance expenses, as incurred, to its employees and agents in connection with a legal proceeding; and
- Ÿ the rights conferred in the Bylaws are not exclusive.

The registrant has entered into Indemnity Agreements with each of its current directors and officers to give these directors and officers additional contractual assurances regarding the scope of the indemnification set forth in the registrant's Certificate of Incorporation and to provide additional procedural protections. The registrant intends to enter into amended Indemnity Agreements with its directors and officers in connection with its initial public offering. At present, there is no pending litigation or proceeding involving a director, officer or employee of the registrant regarding which indemnification is sought, nor is the registrant aware of any threatened litigation that may result in claims for indemnification.

The indemnification provisions in the registrant's Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws and the Indemnity Agreements entered into between the registrant and each of its directors and officers may be sufficiently broad to permit indemnification of the registrant's directors and officers for liabilities arising under the Securities Act.

The registrant and its subsidiaries are covered by liability insurance policies which indemnify their directors and officers against loss arising from claims by reason of their legal liability for acts as such directors, officers or trustees, subject to limitations and conditions as set forth in the policies.

The underwriting agreement to be entered into among the Company and the underwriters will contain indemnification and contribution provisions.

Item 15. Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities.

During the three years preceding the filing of this registration statement, the registrant has not sold its securities without registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") except as described below.

On December 21, 2009 and February 11, 2010, the registrant issued an aggregate of \$1,050,000,000 of 9.50% senior secured notes due December 15, 2016 (the "Notes"). The sales of the Notes were made in private placements pursuant to Section 4(2) of the Securities Act. To the extent applicable, the initial resale of the Notes by Goldman, Sachs & Co. and the other initial purchasers thereof was made to qualified institutional buyers pursuant to Rule 144A and Regulation S under the Securities Act.

On October 30, 2009, the registrant sold 21,853 shares of common stock for \$500,000 to a director of the registrant. On October 21, 2010, the registrant sold 10,788 shares of common stock for \$200,000 to a director of the registrant. On April 1, 2011, the registrant sold 317 shares of common stock for \$3,054 to an employee of the registrant. All of these sales were made in reliance on Section 4(2) under the Securities Act and Rule 506 thereunder.

The amounts of our common stock, restricted stock and stock options described in this Item 15 and the corresponding share prices are adjusted to give retroactive effect to the two-for-one reverse split of our common stock which occurred on February 29, 2012.

Item 16. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules.

(a) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	<u>Description</u>
1.1	Form of Underwriting Agreement
2.1*	Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of December 4, 2006, by and among McJunkin Corporation, McJ Holding Corporation and Hg Acquisition Corp.
2.1.1*	McJunkin Contribution Agreement, dated as of December 4, 2006, by and among McJunkin Corporation, McJ Holding LLC and certain shareholders of McJunkin Corporation.
2.1.2*	McApple Contribution Agreement, dated as of December 4, 2006, among McJunkin Corporation, McJ Holding LLC and certain shareholders of McJunkin Appalachian Oilfield Supply Company.
2.2*	Stock Purchase Agreement, dated as of April 5, 2007, by and between McJunkin Development Corporation, Midway-Tristate Corporation and the other parties thereto.
2.2.1*	Assignment Agreement, dated as of April 27, 2007, by and among McJunkin Development Corporation, McJunkin Appalachian Oilfield Supply Company, Midway-Tristate Corporation, and John A. Selzer, as Representative of the Shareholders.
2.3*	Stock Purchase Agreement, dated as of July 6, 2007, by and among West Oklahoma PVF Company, Red Man Pipe & Supply Co., the Shareholders listed on Schedule 1 thereto, PVF Holdings LLC, and Craig Ketchum, as Representative of the Shareholders.
2.3.1*	Contribution Agreement, dated July 6, 2007, by and among McJ Holding LLC and certain shareholders of Red Man Pipe & Supply Co.
2.3.2*	Amendment No. 1 to Stock Purchase Agreement, dated as of October 24, 2007, by and among West Oklahoma PVF Company, Red Man Pipe & Supply Co., and Craig Ketchum, as Representative of the Shareholders.
2.3.3*	Joinder Agreement and Amendment No. 2 to the Stock Purchase Agreement, dated as of October 31, 2007, by and among West Oklahoma PVF Company, Red Man Pipe & Supply Co., PVF Holdings LLC, Craig Ketchum, as Representative of the Shareholders, and the other parties thereto.
3.1	Form of Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of MRC Global Inc.
3.2	Form of Amended and Restated Bylaws of MRC Global Inc.
4.1+	Specimen Common Stock Certificate.
4.2***	Indenture, dated as of December 21, 2009, by and among McJunkin Red Man Corporation, the guarantors named therein and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee.
4.3***	Form of 9.50% Senior Secured Notes due December 15, 2016 (included as part of Exhibit 4.1 above).
4.4***	Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of December 21, 2009, by and among McJunkin Red Man Corporation, MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation), the subsidiary guarantors party thereto, Goldman, Sachs & Co., Barclays Capital Inc., Banc of America Securities LLC and J.P. Morgan Securities Inc.
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4.5***	Exchange and Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of February 11, 2010, by and among McJunkin Red Man Corporation, MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation), the subsidiary guarantors party thereto, Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Barclays Capital Inc.
4.6***	Reaffirmation Agreement, dated as of February 11, 2010, by and among McJunkin Red Man Corporation, MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation), the subsidiary guarantors party thereto, and U.S. Bank National Association, as collateral trustee.
5.1	Opinion of Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP.
10.1***	Loan, Security and Guarantee Agreement, dated June 14, 2011, between McJunkin Red Man Corporation, Midfield Supply ULC and the other parties thereto.
10.2***	Revolving Facility Agreement, dated September 17, 2010, between MRC Transmark Holdings UK Limited, HSBC Bank plc and the other parties thereto.
10.3	Form of Registration Rights Agreement between MRC Global Inc. and PVF Holding LLC
10.3.1	Form of Second Amendment to the Registration Rights Agreement among MRC Global Inc, PVF Holdings LLC and the other parties thereto.
10.4	Form of Indemnification Agreement between MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) and Directors.
10.4.1	Form of Indemnification Agreement between MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) and Executive Officers.
10.5*†	Employment Agreement, dated as of September 10, 2008, by and among MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) and Andrew R. Lane.
10.5.1***†	Amendment to Employment Agreement by and among MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) and Andrew R. Lane, dated February 23, 2011.
10.6++†	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated as of December 5, 2011, by and among MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) and James Underhill.
10.7***†	Employment Agreement, dated as of September 10, 2009, by and between Transmark Fcx Limited and Neil P. Wagstaff.
10.7.1***†	Amendment to Employment Agreement by and between MRC Transmark Limited and Neil P. Wagstaff, dated February 23, 2011.
10.8*†	Letter Agreement, dated as of September 24, 2008, by and among H.B. Wehrle, III, PVF Holdings LLC and McJunkin Red Man Corporation.
10.9***†	Letter Agreement, dated as of December 22, 2008, by and among MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJUnkin Red Man Holding Corporation) and Craig Ketchum.
10.10***†	2007 Stock Option Plan, as amended.
10.10.1*†	Form of MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) Nonqualified Stock Option Agreement.
10.10.2***†	Form of MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) Nonqualified Stock Option Agreement (Director Grant May 2010—Dutch residents).

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10.10.3***†	Form of McJunkin MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) Nonqualified Stock Option Agreement (Director Grant May 2010—US residents).
10.11***†	2007 Restricted Stock Plan, as amended.
10.12.1*†	Form of MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) Restricted Stock Award Agreement.
10.13*†	MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) 2007 Stock Option Plan (Canada).
10.13.1*†	Form of MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) Nonqualified Stock Option Agreement (Canada) (for plan participants who are parties to non-competition agreements).
10.13.2*†	Form of MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) Nonqualified Stock Option Agreement (Canada) (for plan participants who are not parties to non-competition agreements).
10.14*†	MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) Deferred Compensation Plan.
10.15*	Indemnity Agreement, dated as of December 4, 2006, by and among McJunk MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation), Hg Acquisition Corp., McJunkin Red Man Corporation, and certain shareholders of McJunkin Red Man Corporation named therein.
10.16*†	Management Stockholders Agreement, dated as of March 27, 2007, by and among PVF Holdings LLC, MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation), and the other parties thereto.
10.16.1*†	Amendment No. 1 to the Management Stockholders Agreement, dated as of December 21, 2007, executed by PVF Holdings LLC.
10.16.2*†	Amendment No. 2 to the Management Stockholders Agreement, dated as of December 26, 2007, executed by PVF Holdings LLC.
10.17***†	Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of PVF Holdings LLC, dated as of October 31, 2007.
10.17.1***†	Amendment No. 1, dated as of December 18, 2007, to the Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of PVF Holdings LLC.
10.17.2***†	Amendment No. 2, dated as of October 31, 2009, to the Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of PVF Holdings LLC.
10.18*†	Subscription Agreement, dated as of September 10, 2008, by and among MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation), Andrew R. Lane, and PVF Holdings LLC.
10.19.1*†	MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) Nonqualified Stock Option Agreement, dated as of September 10, 2008, by and among MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation), PVF Holdings LLC, and Andrew R. Lane.
10.19.2***†	Amendment to the MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) Corporation Nonqualified Stock Option Agreement, dated as of June 1, 2009, by and among McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation, PVF Holdings LLC, and Andrew R. Lane.
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10.19.3***†	Second Amendment to the MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) Nonqualified Stock Option Agreement, dated as of September 10, 2009, by and among MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation), PVF Holdings LLC, and Andrew R. Lane.
10.20.1***†	MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) Restricted Stock Award Agreement, dated as of February 24, 2009, by and among MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation), PVF Holdings LLC, and Andrew R. Lane.
10.20.2***†	Amendment to the MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) Restricted Stock Award Agreement, dated as of June 1, 2009, by and among MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation), PVF Holdings LLC, and Andrew R. Lane.
10.21***†	Subscription Agreement, dated as of October 3, 2008, by and among MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation), Len Anthony, and PVF Holdings LLC.
10.21.1***†	MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) Nonqualified Stock Option Agreement, dated as of October 3, 2008, by and among MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation), PVF Holdings LLC, and Len Anthony.
10.21.2***†	Amendment to the MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) Nonqualified Stock Option Agreement, dated as of September 10, 2009, by and among MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation), PVF Holdings LLC, and Len Anthony.
10.22***†	MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) Restricted Stock Award Agreement, dated as of September 10, 2009, by and among MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation), PVF Holdings LLC, and Len Anthony.
10.23***†	Subscription Agreement, dated as of October 30, 2009, by and among MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation), John A. Perkins, and PVF Holdings LLC.
10.24***†	MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) Nonqualified Stock Option Agreement, dated as of December 3, 2009, by and among MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation), PVF Holdings LLC, and John A. Perkins.
10.25***†	Indemnification Agreement by and between the Company and Peter C. Boylan, III dated August 11, 2010.
10.26++†	Employment Agreement, dated as of November 15, 2011, by and among MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) and Daniel J. Churay.
10.27****†	Employment Agreement, dated as of November 15, 2011, by and among MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) and James E. Braun.
10.28****†	MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) 2011 Omnibus Incentive Plan.
10.28.1++†	Form of MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) Director Option Agreement.

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10.28.2++†	Form of MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) Nonqualified Stock Option Agreement.
10.28.3++†	Form of MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) Director Restricted Stock Award Agreement.
10.28.4++†	Form of MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) Restricted Stock Award Agreement.
10.29****†	MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) Director Compensation Plan.
10.30	Form of Governance Agreement, by and among PVF Holdings LLC and MRC Global Inc.
21.1	List of Subsidiaries of MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation).
23.1	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.
23.2	Consent of Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).
23.3++	Consent of Spears & Associates, Inc.
24.1++	Powers of Attorney (included on signature page).

- To be filed by amendment.
- ++ Previously filed.
- Incorporated by reference to Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1 of MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) (No. 333-153091), filed with the SEC on September 26, 2008.
- * Incorporated by reference to Amendment No. 2 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1 of MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) (No. 333-153091), filed with the SEC on October 31, 2008.
- *** Incorporated by reference to the Registration Statement on Form S-4 of McJunkin Red Man Corporation (No. 333-173035).
- **** Incorporated by reference to the Current Report on Form 8-K of MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) filed with the SEC on November 16, 2011.
- ***** Incorporated by reference to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of MRC Global Inc. (formerly known as McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation) filed with the SEC on March 5, 2012.
- † Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement required to be posted as an exhibit to this report.

Item 17. Undertakings.

The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes to provide to the underwriters at the closing specified in the underwriting agreement certificates in such denominations and registered in such names as required by the underwriters to permit prompt delivery to each purchaser.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the provisions described in Item 14 above, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being

registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that:

- (1) For purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, the information omitted from the form of prospectus filed as part of this Registration Statement in reliance upon Rule 430A and contained in a form of prospectus filed by the Registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(1) or (4) or 497(h) under the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of this Registration Statement as of the time it was declared effective; and
- (2) For the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each post-effective amendment that contains a form of prospectus shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at the time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, MRC Global Inc. has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized in the City of Houston, State of Texas, on the 6th day of March, 2012.

MRC GLOBAL INC.

By: /s/ ANDREW R. LANE

Andrew R. Lane

Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
/S/ ANDREW R. LANE Andrew R. Lane	Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	March 6, 2012
/S/ JAMES E. BRAUN James E. Braun	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	March 6, 2012
/S/ ELTON BOND Elton Bond	Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)	March 6, 2012
/S/ LEONARD M. ANTHONY Leonard M. Anthony	Director	March 6, 2012
/S/ RHYS J. BEST Rhys J. Best	Director	March 6, 2012
/S/ PETER C. BOYLAN III Peter C. Boylan III	Director	March 6, 2012
/S/ HENRY CORNELL Henry Cornell	Director	March 6, 2012
/S/ CHRISTOPHER A.S. CRAMPTON Christopher A.S. Crampton	Director	March 6, 2012
/S/ JOHN F. DALY John F. Daly	Director	March 6, 2012

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Tit</u>	<u>Date</u>
/S/ CRAIG KETCHUM Craig Ketchum	Director	March 6, 2012
/s/ GERARD P. KRANS Gerard P. Krans	Director	March 6, 2012
/s/ DR. CORNELIS A. LINSE Dr. Cornelis A. Linse	Director	March 6, 2012
/S/ JOHN A. PERKINS John A. Perkins	Director	March 6, 2012
/S/ H.B. WEHRLE, III H.B. Wehrle, III	Director	March 6, 2012

MRC Global Inc.

Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 per Share

Underwriting Agreement

, 2012

Goldman, Sachs & Co., Barclays Capital Inc. As representatives of the several Underwriters named in Schedule I hereto,

c/o Goldman, Sachs & Co. 200 West Street New York, New York 10282-2198

c/o Barclays Capital Inc.745 Seventh AvenueNew York, New York 10019

Ladies and Gentlemen:

MRC Global Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), proposes, subject to the terms and conditions stated herein, to issue and sell to the Underwriters named in Schedule I hereto (the "Underwriters") an aggregate of [—] shares (the "Firm Shares") and, at the election of the Underwriters, up to [—] additional shares (the "Optional Shares") of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("Stock"), of the Company (the Firm Shares and the Optional Shares which the Underwriters elect to purchase pursuant to Section 2 hereof are herein collectively called the "Shares").

The Company hereby confirms its engagement of Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated ("Baird") as, and Baird hereby confirms its agreement with the Company to render services as, a "qualified independent underwriter" within the meaning of Rule 5121(f)(12) of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority,

("FINRA") with respect to the offering and sale of the Shares. Baird, in its capacity as qualified independent underwriter and not otherwise, is referred to herein as the "Independent Underwriter." Baird hereby consents to the reference to it as set forth under the heading "Underwriting" in the Pricing Prospectus and the Prospectus (as defined in Section 1(a)(i) below) and any amendment or supplement thereto made in accordance with Section 5(c) hereof.

1. The Company represents and warrants to, and agrees with, each of the Underwriters and the Independent Underwriter that:

(a) A registration statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-178980) (the "Initial Registration Statement") in respect of the Shares has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"); the Initial Registration Statement and any post-effective amendment thereto, each in the form heretofore delivered to you, and, excluding exhibits thereto, to you for each of the other Underwriters, have been declared effective by the Commission in such form; other than a registration statement, if any, increasing the size of the offering (a "Rule 462(b) Registration Statement"), filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"), which became effective upon filing, no other document with respect to the Initial Registration Statement has heretofore been filed with the Commission; and no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Initial Registration Statement, any post-effective amendment thereto or the Rule 462(b) Registration Statement, if any, has been issued and no proceeding for that purpose has been initiated or, to the Company's knowledge, threatened by the Commission (any preliminary prospectus included in the Initial Registration Statement or filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(a) of the rules and regulations of the Commission under the Act is hereinafter called a "Preliminary Prospectus"; the various parts of the Initial Registration Statement and the Rule 462(b) Registration Statement, if any, including all exhibits thereto and including the information contained in the form of final prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Act in accordance with Section 5(a) hereof and deemed by virtue of Rule 430A under the Act to be part of the Initial Registration Statement at the time it was declared effective, each as amended at the time such part of the Initial Registration Statement became effective or such part of the Rule 462(b) Registration Statement, if any, became or hereafter becomes effective, are hereinafter collectively called the "Registration Statement"; the Preliminary Prospectus relating to the Shares that was included in the Registration Statement immediately prior to the Applicable Time (as defined in Section 1(c) hereof) is hereinafter called the "Pricing Prospectus"; and such final prospectus, in the form first filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Act, is hereinafter called the "Prospectus"; and any "issuer free writing prospectus" as defined in Rule 433 under the Act relating to the Shares is hereinafter called an "Issuer Free Writing Prospectus");

- (b) No order preventing or suspending the use of any Preliminary Prospectus or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus has been issued by the Commission, and the Pricing Prospectus, at the time of filing thereof, conformed in all material respects to the requirements of the Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder, and did not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided, however, that this representation and warranty shall not apply to any statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing to the Company by an Underwriter through the representatives expressly for use therein;
- (c) For the purposes of this Agreement, the "Applicable Time" is : [a/p.]m (Eastern time) on the date of this Agreement; the Pricing Prospectus as supplemented by those Issuer Free Writing Prospectuses and other information and documents listed in Schedule II(a) hereto, taken together (collectively, the "Pricing Disclosure Package"), as of the Applicable Time, did not include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; and each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus listed on Schedule II(a) or Schedule II(b) hereto does not conflict with the information contained in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Prospectus or the Prospectus and each such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, as supplemented by and taken together with the Pricing Prospectus as of the Applicable Time, did not include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided, however, that this representation and warranty shall not apply to statements or omissions made in the Pricing Prospectus or an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing to the Company by an Underwriter through the representatives expressly for use therein;
- (d) The Registration Statement conforms, and the Prospectus and any further amendments or supplements to the Registration Statement and the Prospectus will conform, in all material respects to the requirements of the Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder and do not and will not, as of the applicable effective date as to each part of the Registration Statement and as of the applicable filing date as to the Prospectus and any amendment or supplement thereto, contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be

stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; provided, however, that this representation and warranty shall not apply to any statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing to the Company by an Underwriter through the representatives expressly for use therein;

- (e) Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has sustained since the date of the latest audited financial statements included in the Pricing Prospectus any loss or interference with its business from fire, explosion, flood or other calamity, whether or not covered by insurance, or from any labor dispute or court or governmental action, order or decree, that would reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a material adverse effect on the current or future financial position, stockholders' equity or results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries taken as a whole ("Material Adverse Effect") otherwise than as set forth or contemplated in the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus; and, since the respective dates as of which information is given in the Registration Statement and the Pricing Disclosure Package, there has not been any change in the capital stock or long-term debt of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any material adverse change, or any development involving a prospective material adverse change, in or affecting the general affairs, management, financial position, stockholders' equity or results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries taken as a whole, otherwise than as set forth or contemplated in the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus;
- (f) The Company and its subsidiaries have good and marketable title in fee simple to all material real property owned by them and good and marketable title to all material personal property owned by them, in each case free and clear of all liens, encumbrances and defects, except such liens, encumbrances and defects as are described in the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus or such as are not reasonably expected to have in the aggregate a Material Adverse Effect; and any material real property and material buildings held under lease by the Company and its subsidiaries are held by them under valid, subsisting and enforceable leases with such exceptions as are not reasonably expected to have a Material Adverse Effect;
- (g) The Company has been duly incorporated and is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, with power and authority (corporate and other) to own its properties and conduct its business as described in the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, and has been duly qualified as a foreign corporation for the transaction of business and is in good standing under the laws of each other jurisdiction in which it owns or leases properties or conducts any business so as to require such qualification, except where the failure to be

so qualified or be in good standing in any jurisdiction would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and each "significant subsidiary" (as such term is defined in Rule 1-02(w) of Regulation S-X of the rules and regulations of the Commission, "Significant Subsidiary") of the Company has been duly incorporated or organized and is validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation or organization;

- (h) The Company has an authorized capitalization as set forth in the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus and all of the issued shares of capital stock of the Company (including the Shares) have been duly authorized and validly issued and are fully paid and non-assessable and conform to the description of the Stock contained in the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus; and all of the issued shares of capital stock of each Significant Subsidiary of the Company have been duly authorized and validly issued, are fully paid and non-assessable and (except as otherwise set forth in the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus and except for directors' qualifying shares) are owned directly or indirectly by the Company, free and clear of all liens, encumbrances, equities or claims;
- (i) The unissued Shares to be issued and sold by the Company to the Underwriters hereunder have been duly authorized and, when issued and delivered against payment therefor as provided herein, will be validly issued and fully paid and non-assessable and will conform to the description of the Stock contained in the Prospectus;
- (j) The issue and sale of the Shares and the compliance by the Company with all of the provisions of this Agreement and the consummation of the transactions herein contemplated will not conflict with or result in a breach or violation of any of the terms or provisions of, or constitute a default under, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement or other agreement or instrument to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is a party or by which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is bound or to which any of the property or assets of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is subject, nor will such action result in any violation of the provisions of the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation or Amended and Restated By-laws of the Company or any statute or any order, rule or regulation of any court or governmental agency or body having jurisdiction over the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any of their properties, except for such conflicts, breaches, violations or defaults, as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect or a material adverse effect on the ability of the Company to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; and no consent, approval, authorization, order, registration or qualification of or with any such court or governmental agency or body having jurisdiction

over the Company or the subsidiaries is required for the issue and sale of the Shares or the consummation by the Company of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, except the registration under the Act and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), of the Shares and such consents, approvals, authorizations, orders, registrations or qualifications as may be required under state securities or Blue Sky laws or the rules and regulations of FINRA in connection with the purchase and distribution of the Shares by the Underwriters;

- (k) (i) The Company is not in violation of its Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation or Amended and Restated By-laws, (ii) none of the Company's Significant Subsidiaries are in violation of their respective certificates of incorporation or by-laws (or similar organizational documents), and (iii) neither the Company nor any of its Significant Subsidiaries is in default in the performance or observance of any obligation, agreement, covenant or condition contained in any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement, lease or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or by which it or any of its properties may be bound, except in the case of each of (i), (ii) and (iii) where such default would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect;
- (l) The statements set forth in the Pricing Prospectus and the Prospectus under the caption "Description of Our Capital Stock", insofar as they purport to constitute a summary of the terms of the Stock, and under the captions "Material United States Federal Tax Considerations for Non-U.S. Holders" and "Underwriting", insofar as they purport to describe the provisions of the laws and documents referred to therein, are accurate, complete and fair in all material respects;
- (m) Other than as set forth in the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, there are no legal or governmental proceedings pending to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is a party or of which any property of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is the subject which, if determined adversely to the Company or any of its subsidiaries, would individually or in the aggregate reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and, to the best of the Company's knowledge, no such proceedings are threatened or contemplated by governmental authorities or threatened by others;
- (n) The Company is not and, after giving effect to the offering and sale of the Shares and the application of the proceeds thereof, will not be an "investment company", as such term is defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Investment Company Act");
 - (o) Ernst & Young LLP, who has certified certain financial statements of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries included in

the Pricing Prospectus and the Prospectus, is an independent public accounting firm with respect to the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries, as required by the Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder;

- (p) The Company maintains a system of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide reasonable assurances that (i) transactions are executed in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; (ii) transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with United States generally accepted accounting principles and to maintain accountability for assets; (iii) access to assets is permitted only in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; and (iv) the recorded accountability for assets is compared with the existing assets at reasonable intervals and appropriate action is taken with respect to any differences. The Company is not aware of any material weaknesses in its internal accounting controls;
- (q) Since the date of the latest audited financial statements included in the Pricing Disclosure Package, there has been no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that has materially adversely affected, or is reasonably likely to materially adversely affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting;
- (r) The Company maintains disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Exchange Act) that comply with the requirements of the Exchange Act; such disclosure controls and procedures have been designed to ensure that material information required to be disclosed by the Company and its subsidiaries in the reports it files or will file or submit under the Exchange Act, as applicable, is made known to the Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer by others within those entities; and such disclosure controls and procedures are effective to perform the functions for which they were established;
- (s) The Company and its subsidiaries (i) are in compliance with any and all applicable federal, state, local and foreign laws, rules, regulations, decisions and orders relating to the protection of employee health and safety, the environment or hazardous or toxic substances or wastes, pollutants or contaminants (collectively, "Environmental Laws"); (ii) have received and are in compliance with all permits, licenses or other approvals required of them under applicable Environmental Laws to conduct their respective businesses; and (iii) have not received notice of any actual or potential liability for the actual or alleged exposure to, or the investigation or remediation of any disposal or release of, any hazardous or toxic substances or wastes, pollutants or contaminants (including asbestos or

asbestos containing materials), except in the case of (i), (ii) and (iii) above, for any such failure to comply, or failure to receive required permits, licenses or approvals, or liability as would not reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect;

- (t) The Company and each of its subsidiaries have filed all federal, state, local and foreign tax returns required to be filed through the date of this Agreement or have requested extensions thereof (except where the failure to file would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect) and have paid all taxes required to be paid thereon (except for cases in which the failure to file or pay would not have a Material Adverse Effect, or, except as currently being contested in good faith and for which reserves required by U.S. GAAP have been created in the financial statements of the Company), and no tax deficiency has been determined adversely to the Company or any of its subsidiaries which has had (nor does the Company nor any of its subsidiaries have any notice or knowledge of any tax deficiency which could reasonably be expected to be determined adversely to the Company or its subsidiaries and which could reasonably be expected to have) a Material Adverse Effect.
- (u) Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries nor, to the knowledge of the Company, any director, officer, agent or employee acting on behalf of the Company or any of its subsidiaries, is aware of or has taken any action, directly or indirectly, that would result in a material violation by such persons of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder (the "FCPA"), including, without limitation, making use of the mails or any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce corruptly in furtherance of an offer, payment, promise to pay or authorization of the payment of any money, or other property, gift, promise to give, or authorization of the giving of anything of value to any "foreign official" (as such term is defined in the FCPA) or any foreign political party or official thereof or any candidate for foreign political office, in contravention of the FCPA; and, except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, the Company and its subsidiaries have conducted their businesses in compliance in all respects with the FCPA and have instituted and maintain policies and procedures designed to ensure, and which are reasonably expected to continue to ensure, continued compliance therewith;
- (v) The operations of the Company and its subsidiaries are currently in material compliance with applicable financial recordkeeping and reporting requirements of the Currency and Foreign Transactions Reporting Act of 1970, as amended, the money laundering statutes of all applicable jurisdictions where the Company and its subsidiaries conduct business, the applicable rules and regulations thereunder and any related or similar rules, regulations or guidelines, issued, administered or enforced

by any governmental agency, including Section 352(a) of the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (collectively, the "Money Laundering Laws"); and no action, suit or proceeding by or before any court or governmental agency, authority or body or any arbitrator involving the Company or any of its subsidiaries with respect to the Money Laundering Laws is pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened or contemplated;

- (w) Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries is established under the laws of, or doing a material amount of business or otherwise resident in, any country that is the subject of sanctions administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Treasury Department ("OFAC"), nor is the Company or any such subsidiary or, to the knowledge of the Company, any director, officer, agent, employee or affiliate of the Company or any of its subsidiaries currently (i) on any SDN or Blocked Persons List issued by OFAC or (ii) the subject of any investigation or other proceedings related to the economic sanctions regulations administered by OFAC; and
- (x) There is and has been no failure on the part of the Company or, to the knowledge of the Company, any of the Company's directors or officers, in their capacities as such, to comply with any provision of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the rules and regulations promulgated in connection therewith, including Section 402 related to loans and Sections 302 and 906 related to certifications, that are effective and applicable to the Company as of the date hereof.

The Company hereby grants to the Underwriters the right to purchase at their election up to [] Optional Shares, at the purchase price per share set forth in the paragraph above, for the sole purpose of covering sales of shares in excess of the number of Firm Shares, provided that the purchase price per Optional Share shall be reduced by an amount per share equal to any dividends or distributions declared by the Company and payable on the Firm Shares but not payable on the Optional Shares. Any such election to purchase Optional Shares may be exercised only by written notice from you to the Company, given within a period of 30 calendar days after the date of this Agreement, setting forth the aggregate number of Optional Shares to be purchased and the date on which such Optional Shares are to be delivered, as determined by you but in no event earlier than the First Time of Delivery (as defined in Section 4 hereof) or, unless you and the Company otherwise agree in writing, earlier than two or later than ten business days after the date of such notice.

- 3. Upon the authorization by you of the release of the Firm Shares, the several Underwriters propose to offer the Firm Shares for sale upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Prospectus.

- (b) The documents to be delivered at each Time of Delivery by or on behalf of the parties hereto pursuant to Section 8 hereof, including the cross receipt for the Shares and any additional documents requested by the Underwriters pursuant to Section 8(l) hereof, will be delivered at the offices of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP, 450 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York 10017 (the "Closing Location"), and the Shares will be delivered at the Designated Office, all at such Time of Delivery. A meeting will be held at the Closing Location at 2:00 p.m., New York City time, on the New York Business Day next preceding such Time of Delivery, at which meeting the final drafts of the documents to be delivered pursuant to the preceding sentence will be available for review by the parties hereto. For the purposes of this Section 4, "New York Business Day" shall mean each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday which is not a day on which banking institutions in New York City are generally authorized or obligated by law or executive order to close.
 - 5. The Company agrees with each of the Underwriters:
- (a) To prepare the Prospectus in a form to which you shall not reasonably object and to file such Prospectus pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Act not later than the Commission's close of business on the second business day following the execution and delivery of this Agreement, or, if applicable, such earlier time as may be required by Rule 430A(a)(3) under the Act; to make no further amendment or any supplement to the Registration Statement or the Prospectus prior to the last Time of Delivery to which you reasonably object promptly after reasonable notice thereof; to advise you, promptly after it receives notice thereof, of the time when any amendment to the Registration Statement has been filed or becomes effective or any amendment or supplement to the Prospectus has been filed and to furnish you with copies thereof; to file promptly all material required to be filed by the Company with the Commission pursuant to Rule 433(d) under the Act; to advise you, promptly after it receives notice thereof, of the issuance by the Commission of any stop order or of any order preventing or suspending the use of any Preliminary Prospectus or other prospectus in respect of the Shares, of the suspension of the qualification of the Shares for offering or sale in any jurisdiction, of the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for any such purpose, or of any request by the Commission for the amending or supplementing of the Registration Statement or the Prospectus or for additional information; and, in the event of the issuance of any stop order or of any order preventing or suspending the use of any Preliminary Prospectus or other prospectus or suspending any such qualification, to promptly use its best efforts to obtain the withdrawal of such order;

- (b) Promptly from time to time to take such action as you may reasonably request to qualify the Shares for offering and sale under the securities laws of such jurisdictions as you may request and to comply with such laws so as to permit the continuance of sales and dealings therein in such jurisdictions for as long as may be necessary to complete the distribution of the Shares, provided that in connection therewith the Company shall not be required to qualify as a foreign corporation or to file a general consent to service of process or subject itself to taxation for doing business in any jurisdiction;
- (c) Prior to 10:00 a.m., New York City time, on the second New York Business Day next succeeding the date of this Agreement (or as otherwise agreed to by the parties) and from time to time, to furnish the Underwriters with written and electronic copies of the Prospectus in New York City in such quantities as you may reasonably request, and, if the Underwriters notify the Company that, or the Company otherwise has knowledge that, the delivery of a prospectus (or in lieu thereof, the notice referred to in Rule 173(a) under the Act) is required at any time prior to the expiration of nine months after the time of issue of the Prospectus in connection with the offering or sale of the Shares and if at such time any event shall have occurred as a result of which the Prospectus as then amended or supplemented would include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made when such Prospectus (or in lieu thereof, the notice referred to in Rule 173(a) under the Act) is delivered, not misleading, or, if for any other reason it shall be necessary during such same period to amend or supplement the Prospectus in order to comply with the Act, to notify you and upon your request to prepare and furnish without charge to each Underwriter and to any dealer in securities as many written and electronic copies as you may from time to time reasonably request of an amended Prospectus or a supplement to the Prospectus which will correct such statement or omission or effect such compliance; and in case any Underwriter is required to deliver a prospectus (or in lieu thereof, the notice referred to in Rule 173(a) under the Act) in connection with sales of any of the Shares at any time nine months or more after the time of issue of the Prospectus, upon your request but at the expense of such Underwriter, to prepare and deliver to such Underwriter as many written and electronic copies as you may request of
- (d) To make generally available to its securityholders as soon as practicable, but in any event not later than sixteen months after the effective date of the Registration Statement (as defined in Rule 158(c) under the Act), an earnings statement of the Company and its subsidiaries (which need not be audited) complying with Section 11(a) of the Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (including, at the option of the Company, Rule 158);

(e)(1) During the period beginning from the date hereof and continuing to and including the date 180 days after the date of the Prospectus (the "Lock-Up Period"), not to (a) offer, sell, contract to sell, pledge, grant any option to purchase, make any short sale or otherwise transfer or dispose of, directly or indirectly, or file with the Commission a registration statement under the Act relating to, any securities of the Company that are substantially similar to the Shares, including but not limited to any options or warrants to purchase shares of Stock or any securities that are convertible into or exchangeable for, or that represent the right to receive, Stock or any such substantially similar securities or publicly disclose the intention to make any offer, sale, pledge, disposition or filing or (b) enter into any swap or other agreement that transfers, in whole or in part, any of the economic consequences of ownership of the Stock or any such other securities, whether any such transaction described in clause (a) or (b) above is to be settled by delivery of Stock or such other securities, in cash or otherwise (other than (i) the Shares to be sold hereunder or pursuant to employee benefit plans and stock option, restricted stock and other equity plans pursuant to which employees and directors may receive awards in respect of Stock, (ii) upon the conversion or exchange of convertible or exchangeable securities outstanding as of, the date of this Agreement, (iii) the filing of any registration statement on Form S-8 or S-8/S-3 relating to securities described in clauses (i) and (ii) above or any other securities eligible to be covered by a Form S-8, and (iv) offers, sales and issuances of up to 10% of the Stock outstanding at the time of the issuance as consideration or partial consideration for acquisitions of businesses or in connection with the formation of joint ventures), without your prior written consent; provided, however, that if (1) during the last 17 days of the initial Lock-Up Period, the Company releases earnings results or announces material news or a material event or (2) prior to the expiration of the initial Lock-Up Period, the Company announces that it will release earnings results during the 15-day period following the last day of the initial Lock-Up Period, then in each case the Lock-Up Period will be automatically extended until the expiration of the 18-day period beginning on the date of release of the earnings results or the announcement of the material news or material event, as applicable, unless Goldman, Sachs & Co. waives, in writing, such extension; the Company will provide Goldman, Sachs & Co. and each person subject to the Lock-Up Period pursuant to the lock-up agreements described in Section 8(i) with prior written notice of any such announcement that gives rise to an extension of the Lock-up Period;

(2) If Goldman, Sachs & Co., in its sole discretion, agrees to release or waive the restrictions set forth in a lock-up letter described in Section 8(i) hereof for an officer or director of the Company and provides the Company with notice of the impending release or waiver at least three business days

before the effective date of the release or waiver, the Company agrees to announce the impending release or waiver by a press release substantially in the form of Annex I hereto through a major news service at least two business days before the effective date of the release or waiver.

- (f) To furnish to its stockholders as soon as practicable after the end of each fiscal year an annual report (including a balance sheet and statements of income, stockholders' equity and cash flows of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries certified by independent public accountants) and, as soon as practicable after the end of each of the first three quarters of each fiscal year (beginning with the fiscal quarter ending after the effective date of the Registration Statement), to make available to its stockholders consolidated summary financial information of the Company and its subsidiaries for such quarter in reasonable detail; provided, however, that the Company shall be deemed to comply with this covenant so long as it files all reports required under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act with the Commission;
- (g) During a period of five years from the effective date of the Registration Statement, to furnish to you copies of all reports or other communications (financial or other) furnished to stockholders, and to deliver to you as soon as they are available, copies of any reports and financial statements furnished to or filed with the Commission or any national securities exchange on which any class of securities of the Company is listed; provided, however, that the Company shall be deemed to comply with this covenant so long as it files all reports required under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act with the Commission;
- (h) To use the net proceeds received by it from the sale of the Shares pursuant to this Agreement in the manner specified in the Pricing Prospectus under the caption "Use of Proceeds";
 - (i) To use its best efforts to list, subject to notice of issuance, the Shares on the New York Stock Exchange (the "Exchange");
 - (j) To file with the Commission such information on Form 10-Q or Form 10-K as may be required by Rule 463 under the Act;
- (k) If the Company elects to rely upon Rule 462(b), the Company shall file a Rule 462(b) Registration Statement with the Commission in compliance with Rule 462(b) by 10:00 P.M., Washington, D.C. time, on the date of this Agreement, and the Company shall at the time of filing either pay to the Commission the filing fee for the Rule 462(b) Registration Statement or give irrevocable instructions for the payment of such fee pursuant to Rule 111(b) under the Act:
- (l) Upon request of any Underwriter, to furnish, or cause to be furnished, to such Underwriter an electronic version of the Company's trademarks, servicemarks and corporate logo for use on the website, if any,

operated by such Underwriter for the purpose of facilitating the on-line offering of the Shares (the "License"); *provided*, *however*, that the License shall be used solely for the purpose described above, is granted without any fee and may not be assigned or transferred; and

- (m) To use its best efforts to maintain, within the time periods specified in and to the extent required by Rule 13a-15 under the Exchange Act, a system of internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Exchange Act) that complies with the requirements of the Exchange Act.
- 6. (a) The Company represents and agrees that, without the prior consent of the representatives, it has not made and will not make any offer relating to the Shares that would constitute a "free writing prospectus" as defined in Rule 405 under the Act; and each Underwriter represents and agrees that, without the prior consent of the Company and the representatives, it has not made and will not make any offer relating to the Shares that would constitute a free writing prospectus; any such free writing prospectus the use of which has been consented to in accordance with this Section 6(a) is listed on Schedule II(a) or Schedule II(b) hereto;
- (b) The Company has complied and will comply with the requirements of Rule 433 under the Act applicable to any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, including timely filing with the Commission or retention where required and legending; and the Company represents that it has satisfied and agrees that it will satisfy the conditions under Rule 433 under the Act to avoid a requirement to file with the Commission any electronic road show; and
- (c) The Company agrees that if at any time following issuance of an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus any event occurred or occurs as a result of which such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus would conflict with the information in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Prospectus or the Prospectus or would include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances then prevailing at the time of such issuance, not misleading, the Company will give prompt notice thereof to the representatives and, following such notice, if requested by the representatives, will prepare and furnish without charge to each Underwriter an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or other document which will correct such conflict, statement or omission; provided, however, that this Section 6(c) shall not apply to any statements or omissions in an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus made in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished in writing to the Company by an Underwriter through the representatives expressly for use therein.
- 7. The Company covenants and agrees with the several Underwriters that the Company will pay or cause to be paid the following: (i) the fees, disbursements and expenses of the Company's counsel and accountants in

connection with the registration of the Shares under the Act and all other expenses in connection with the preparation, printing, reproduction and filing of the Registration Statement, any Preliminary Prospectus, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus and the Prospectus and amendments and supplements thereto and the mailing and delivering of copies thereof to the Underwriters and dealers; (ii) the cost of printing or producing any Agreement among Underwriters, this Agreement and the Blue Sky Memorandum, closing documents (including any compilations thereof) and any other documents in connection with the offering, purchase, sale and delivery of the Shares; (iii) all expenses in connection with the qualification of the Shares for offering and sale under state securities laws as provided in Section 5(b) hereof, including the reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel for the Underwriters in connection with such qualification and in connection with the Blue Sky survey (such fees and disbursements of counsel not to exceed \$15,000); (iv) all fees and expenses in connection with listing the Shares on the Exchange; (v) the filing fees incident to, and the reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel for the Underwriters in connection with, any required review by the FINRA of the terms of the sale of the Shares; (vi) the cost of preparing stock certificates; (vii) the reasonable expenses of the Independent Underwriter acting as "qualified independent underwriter" within the meaning of FINRA Rule 5121; (viii) the cost and charges of any transfer agent or registrar; and (ix) all other costs and expenses incident to the performance of its obligations hereunder which are not otherwise specifically provided for in this Section, including costs incurred in connection with investor presentations or any "road show" in connection with the offering and sale of the Shares; provided, however, that each of the Company and the Underwriters will be liable for the travel expenses of their own representatives for such investor presentations or road shows and the Underwriters and Company will each pay 50% of the costs of any chartered airplanes jointly used. It is understood, however, that the Company shall bear the cost of any other matters not directly relating to the sale and purchase of the Shares pursuant to this Agreement, and that, except as provided in this Section, and Sections 9 and 12 hereof, the Underwriters will pay all of their own costs and expenses, including the fees of their counsel, stock transfer taxes on resale of any of the Shares by them, and any advertising expenses connected with any offers they may make.

- 8. The obligations of the Underwriters hereunder, as to the Shares to be delivered at each Time of Delivery, shall be subject, in their discretion, to the condition that all representations and warranties and other statements of the Company herein are, at and as of such Time of Delivery, true and correct, the condition that the Company shall have performed all of its obligations hereunder theretofore to be performed, and the following additional conditions:
 - (a) The Prospectus shall have been filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Act within the applicable time period prescribed for such filing by the rules and regulations under the Act and in accordance with

Section 5(a) hereof; all material required to be filed by the Company pursuant to Rule 433(d) under the Act shall have been filed with the Commission within the applicable time period prescribed for such filing by Rule 433; if the Company has elected to rely upon Rule 462(b) under the Act, the Rule 462(b) Registration Statement shall have become effective by 10:00 P.M., Washington, D.C. time, on the date of this Agreement; no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or any part thereof shall have been issued and no proceeding for that purpose shall have been initiated or threatened by the Commission; no stop order suspending or preventing the use of the Prospectus or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus shall have been initiated or threatened by the Commission; and all requests for additional information on the part of the Commission shall have been complied with to your reasonable satisfaction;

- (b) Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP, counsel for the Underwriters, shall have furnished to you such written opinion or opinions dated such Time of Delivery with respect to such matters as you may reasonably request, and such counsel shall have received such papers and information as they may reasonably request to enable them to pass upon such matters;
- (c) Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP, counsel for the Company, shall have furnished to you their written opinion, dated such Time of Delivery, in form and substance satisfactory to you;
- (d) On the date of the Prospectus, at 9:30 a.m., New York City time, on the effective date of any post-effective amendment to the Registration Statement filed subsequent to the date of this Agreement and also at each Time of Delivery, Ernst & Young LLP shall have furnished to you a letter or letters, dated the respective dates of delivery thereof, in form and substance satisfactory to you;
- (e) (i) Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries shall have sustained since the date of the latest audited financial statements included in the Pricing Prospectus any loss or interference with its business from fire, explosion, flood or other calamity, whether or not covered by insurance, or from any labor dispute or court or governmental action, order or decree, otherwise than as set forth or contemplated in the Pricing Prospectus, and (ii) since the respective dates as of which information is given in the Pricing Prospectus there shall not have been any change in the capital stock or long-term debt of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any change, or any development involving a prospective change, in or affecting the general affairs, management, financial position, stockholders' equity or results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries, otherwise than as set forth or contemplated in the Pricing Prospectus, the effect of which, in any such case described in clause (i) or (ii), is in your judgment so material and adverse as to make it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the public offering or the delivery of the Shares being delivered at such Time of Delivery on the terms and in the manner contemplated in the Prospectus;

- (f) On or after the Applicable Time (i) no downgrading shall have occurred in the rating accorded the Company's debt securities by any "nationally recognized statistical rating organization", as that term is defined in Section 3(a)(62) of the Exchange Act, and (ii) no such organization shall have publicly announced that it has under surveillance or review, with possible negative implications, its rating of any of the Company's debt securities;
- (g) On or after the Applicable Time there shall not have occurred any of the following: (i) a suspension or material limitation in trading in securities generally on the Exchange; (ii) a suspension or material limitation in trading in the Company's securities on the Exchange; (iii) a general moratorium on commercial banking activities declared by either Federal or New York authorities or a material disruption in commercial banking or securities settlement or clearance services in the United States; (iv) the outbreak or escalation of hostilities involving the United States or the declaration by the United States of a national emergency or war or (v) the occurrence of any other calamity or crisis or any change in financial, political or economic conditions in the United States or elsewhere, if the effect of any such event specified in clause (iv) or (v) in your judgment makes it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the public offering or the delivery of the Shares being delivered at such Time of Delivery on the terms and in the manner contemplated in the Prospectus;
 - (h) The Shares to be sold at such Time of Delivery shall have been duly listed, subject to notice of issuance, on the Exchange;
- (i) The executive officers and directors of the Company and PVF Holdings LLC shall have furnished lock-up agreements to you substantially in the form attached as Annex II hereto;
- (j) The Company shall have complied with the provisions of Section 5(c) hereof with respect to the furnishing of prospectuses on the second New York Business Day next succeeding the date of this Agreement; and
- (k) The Company shall have furnished or caused to be furnished to you at such Time of Delivery certificates of officers of the Company satisfactory to you stating that, to their knowledge and in their capacity as officers of the Company and not in their individual capacities, the representations and warranties of the Company herein are true and correct, at and as of such Time of Delivery, and the Company has performed all of its obligations hereunder to be performed at or prior to such Time of Delivery, and as to such other matters as you may reasonably request, and the Company shall have furnished or caused to be furnished certificates as to the matters set forth in subsections (a) and (e) of this Section.

9. (a) The Company will indemnify and hold harmless each Underwriter against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities, joint or several, to which such Underwriter may become subject, under the Act or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement, any Preliminary Prospectus, the Pricing Prospectus or the Prospectus, or any amendment or supplement thereto, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, any "issuer information" filed or required to be filed pursuant to Rule 433(d) under the Act, or any "road show" (as defined in Rule 433 under the Act) that does not otherwise constitute an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus (a "Non-Prospectus Road Show"), or arise out of or are based upon the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, and will reimburse each Underwriter for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such Underwriter in connection with investigating or defending any such action or claim as such expenses are incurred; provided, however, that the Company shall not be liable in any such case to the extent that any such loss, claim, damage or liability arises out of or is based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission made in the Registration Statement, any Preliminary Prospectus, the Pricing Prospectus or the Prospectus, or any amendment or supplement thereto, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, or any Non-Prospectus Road Show in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by any Underwriter through the representatives expressly for use therein.

Without limitation of and in addition to its obligations under the other paragraphs of this section 9, the Company will indemnify and hold harmless Baird in its capacity as Independent Underwriter, its directors, officers and employees and each person who controls the Independent Underwriter within the meaning of Section 15 of the Act from and against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities, joint or several, or any action in respect thereof (including, but not limited to, any loss, claim, damage, liability or action relating to purchases and sales of Shares) to which the Independent Underwriter, director, officer, employee or controlling person may become subject, under the Act or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon the Independent Underwriter's acting as a "qualified independent underwriter" (within the meaning of FINRA Rule 5121) in connection with the offering contemplated by this Agreement; and the Company will reimburse the Independent Underwriter for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by the Independent Underwriter in connection with investigating or defending or preparing to defend any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action as such expenses are incurred; provided, however, that the Company shall not be liable in any such

case to the extent that it is determined in a final judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction that any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action resulted directly from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Independent Underwriter or such director, officer, employee or controlling person of the Independent Underwriter.

- (b) Each Underwriter will indemnify and hold harmless the Company against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities to which the Company may become subject, under the Act or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement, any Preliminary Prospectus, the Pricing Prospectus or the Prospectus, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, or arise out of or are based upon the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, in each case to the extent, but only to the extent, that such untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission was made in the Registration Statement, any Preliminary Prospectus, the Pricing Prospectus or the Prospectus, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by such Underwriter through the representatives expressly for use therein; and will reimburse the Company for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by the Company in connection with investigating or defending any such action or claim as such expenses are incurred.
- (c) Promptly after receipt by an indemnified party under subsection (a) or (b) above of notice of the commencement of any action, such indemnified party shall, if a claim in respect thereof is to be made against the indemnifying party under such subsection, notify the indemnifying party in writing of the commencement thereof; but the omission so to notify the indemnifying party shall not relieve it from any liability which it may have to any indemnified party (i) otherwise than under such subsection and (ii) except to the extent that the indemnifying party was otherwise unaware of the proceedings and suffers actual and material prejudice as a result of such failure but shall not relieve the indemnifying party from its obligations to provide reimbursements and contribution. In case any such action shall be brought against any indemnified party and it shall notify the indemnifying party of the commencement thereof, the indemnifying party shall be entitled to participate therein and, to the extent that it shall wish, jointly with any other indemnifying party similarly notified, to assume the defense thereof, with counsel reasonably satisfactory to such indemnified party (who shall not, except with the consent of the indemnified party, be counsel to the indemnifying party), and, after notice from the indemnifying party to such indemnified party of its election so to assume the

defense thereof, the indemnifying party shall not be liable to such indemnified party under such subsection for any legal expenses of other counsel or any other expenses, in each case subsequently incurred by such indemnified party, in connection with the defense thereof other than reasonable costs of investigation. No indemnifying party shall, without the written consent of the indemnified party, effect the settlement or compromise of, or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to, any pending or threatened action or claim in respect of which indemnification or contribution may be sought hereunder (whether or not the indemnified party is an actual or potential party to such action or claim) unless such settlement, compromise or judgment (i) includes an unconditional release of the indemnified party from all liability arising out of such action or claim and (ii) does not include a statement as to or an admission of fault, culpability or a failure to act, by or on behalf of any indemnified party.

(d) If the indemnification provided for in this Section 9 is unavailable to or insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party under subsection (a) or (b) above in respect of any losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) referred to therein, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such indemnified party as a result of such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Company on the one hand and the Underwriters or the Independent Underwriter (in the case of indemnification under the second paragraph of Section 9(a)), on the other, from the offering of the Shares. If, however, the allocation provided by the immediately preceding sentence is not permitted by applicable law or if the indemnified party failed to give the notice required under subsection (c) above, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to such amount paid or payable by such indemnified party in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only such relative benefits but also the relative fault of the Company on the one hand and the Underwriters or the Independent Underwriter (in the case of indemnification under the second paragraph of Section 9(a)), on the other, in connection with the statements or omissions which resulted in such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof), as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative benefits received by the Company on the one hand and the Underwriters or the Independent Underwriter (in the case of indemnification under the second paragraph of Section 9(a)), on the other, shall be deemed to be in the same proportion as the total net proceeds from the offering (net of underwriting discounts and commissions but before deducting expenses) received by the Company bear to the total underwriting discounts and commissions received by the Independent Underwriter for acting in su

relative fault shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the Company on the one hand or the Underwriters or the Independent Underwriter (in the case of indemnification under the second paragraph of Section 9(a)), on the other, and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission. The Company, the Underwriters and the Independent Underwriter agree that it would not be just and equitable if contributions pursuant to this subsection (d) were determined by pro rata allocation (even if the Underwriters were treated as one entity for such purpose) or by any other method of allocation which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to above in this subsection (d). The amount paid or payable by an indemnified party as a result of the losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) referred to above in this subsection (d) shall be deemed to include any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending any such action or claim. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection (d), (i) no Underwriter shall be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the total price at which the Shares underwritten by it and distributed to the public were offered to the public exceeds the amount of any damages which such Underwriter has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission and (ii) in the case of indemnification under the second paragraph of Section 9(a), the Independent Underwriter shall not be required to contribute any amount in excess of the compensation received by the Independent Underwriter for acting in such capacity. No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. The Underwriters' obligations in this subsection (d) to contribute are several in proportion to their respective underwriting obligations and not joint.

(e) The obligations of the Company under this Section 9 shall be in addition to any liability which the Company may otherwise have and shall extend, upon the same terms and conditions, to each person, if any, who controls any Underwriter or the Independent Underwriter within the meaning of the Act and each broker-dealer affiliate of any Underwriter or the Independent Underwriter; and the obligations of the Underwriters and the Independent Underwriter under this Section 9 shall be in addition to any liability which the respective Underwriters may otherwise have and shall extend, upon the same terms and conditions, to each officer and director of the Company (including any person who, with his or her consent, is named in the Registration Statement as about to become a director of the Company) and to each person, if any, who controls the Company within the meaning of the Act.

- 10. (a) If any Underwriter shall default in its obligation to purchase the Shares which it has agreed to purchase hereunder at a Time of Delivery, you may in your discretion arrange for you or another party or other parties to purchase such Shares on the terms contained herein. If within thirty-six hours after such default by any Underwriter you do not arrange for the purchase of such Shares, then the Company shall be entitled to a further period of thirty-six hours within which to procure another party or other parties satisfactory to you to purchase such Shares on such terms. In the event that, within the respective prescribed periods, you notify the Company that you have so arranged for the purchase of such Shares, or the Company notifies you that it has so arranged for the purchase of such Shares, you or the Company shall have the right to postpone such Time of Delivery for a period of not more than seven days, in order to effect whatever changes may thereby be made necessary in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus, or in any other documents or arrangements, and the Company agrees to file promptly any amendments or supplements to the Registration Statement or the Prospectus which in your opinion may thereby be made necessary. The term "Underwriter" as used in this Agreement shall include any person substituted under this Section 10 with like effect as if such person had originally been a party to this Agreement with respect to such Shares.
- (b) If, after giving effect to any arrangements for the purchase of the Shares of a defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters by you and the Company as provided in subsection (a) above, the aggregate number of such Shares which remains unpurchased does not exceed one-eleventh of the aggregate number of all the Shares to be purchased at such Time of Delivery, then the Company shall have the right to require each non-defaulting Underwriter to purchase the number of shares which such Underwriter agreed to purchase hereunder at such Time of Delivery and, in addition, to require each non-defaulting Underwriter to purchase its pro rata share (based on the number of Shares which such Underwriter agreed to purchase hereunder) of the Shares of such defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters for which such arrangements have not been made; but nothing herein shall relieve a defaulting Underwriter from liability for its default.
- (c) If, after giving effect to any arrangements for the purchase of the Shares of a defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters by you, the Company as provided in subsection (a) above, the aggregate number of such Shares which remains unpurchased exceeds one-eleventh of the aggregate number of all the Shares to be purchased at such Time of Delivery, or if the Company shall not exercise the right described in subsection (b) above to require non-defaulting Underwriters to purchase Shares of a defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters, then this Agreement (or, with respect to the Second Time of Delivery, the obligations of the Underwriters to purchase and of the Company to sell the Optional Shares) shall thereupon terminate, without liability on the

part of any non-defaulting Underwriter or the Company, except for the expenses to be borne by the Company and the Underwriters as provided in Section 7 hereof and the indemnity and contribution agreements in Section 9 hereof; but nothing herein shall relieve a defaulting Underwriter from liability for its default.

- 11. The respective indemnities, agreements, representations, warranties and other statements of the Company, the several Underwriters and the Independent Underwriter, as set forth in this Agreement or made by or on behalf of them, respectively, pursuant to this Agreement, shall remain in full force and effect, regardless of any investigation (or any statement as to the results thereof) made by or on behalf of any Underwriter or the Independent Underwriter or any controlling person of any Underwriter or the Independent Underwriter, the Company or any officer or director or controlling person of the Company and shall survive delivery of and payment for the Shares.
- 12. If this Agreement shall be terminated pursuant to Section 10 hereof, the Company shall not be under any liability to any Underwriter or the Independent Underwriter except as provided in Sections 7 and 9 hereof; but, if for any other reason, any Shares are not delivered by or on behalf of the Company as provided herein, the Company will reimburse the Underwriters and the Independent Underwriter through you for all out-of-pocket expenses approved in writing by you, including fees and disbursements of counsel, reasonably incurred by the Underwriters in making preparations for the purchase, sale and delivery of the Shares not so delivered, but the Company shall then be under no further liability to any Underwriter except as provided in Sections 7 and 9 hereof.
- 13. In all dealings hereunder, you shall act on behalf of each of the Underwriters (other than Baird with respect to its engagement as Independent Underwriter), and the parties hereto shall be entitled to act and rely upon any statement, request, notice or agreement on behalf of any Underwriter made or given by you jointly or by Goldman, Sachs & Co. or Barclays Capital Inc. on behalf of you as the representatives.

All statements, requests, notices and agreements hereunder shall be in writing, and if to the Underwriters shall be delivered or sent by mail, telex, facsimile transmission, overnight courier (confirmed with return receipt), or email (confirmed by a returned email) to you as the representatives at Goldman, Sachs & Co. at 200 West Street, New York, New York 10282-2198, Attention: Registration Department (Fax: [—]), and at Barclays Capital Inc. at 745 Seventh Avenue, New York, New York 10019, Attention: Syndicate Registration (Fax: 646-834-8133); if to the Independent Underwriter shall be delivered or sent by mail, telex, facsimile transmission, overnight courier (confirmed with return receipt), or email (confirmed by a returned email) to [] at the address above; and if to the Company or any signatory to a lock-up agreement referenced in (8)(i), shall be delivered or sent by mail, telex, facsimile transmission, overnight courier

(confirmed with return receipt), or email (confirmed by a returned email) to MRC Global Inc., 2 Houston Center, 909 Fannin, Suite 3100, Houston, Texas 77010, Attention: Daniel J. Churay, Esq. (Fax: 713-655-0159); provided, however, that any notice to an Underwriter pursuant to Section 9(c) hereof shall be delivered or sent by mail, telex, facsimile transmission overnight courier (confirmed with return receipt), or email (confirmed by a returned email) to such Underwriter at its address set forth in its Underwriters' Questionnaire, or telex constituting such Questionnaire, which address will be supplied to the Company by you upon request; provided, however, that notices under subsection 5(e) shall be in writing, and if to the Underwriters shall be delivered or sent by mail, telex, facsimile transmission overnight courier (confirmed with return receipt), or email (confirmed by a returned email) to you as the representatives at Goldman, Sachs & Co., 200 West Street, New York, New York 10282-2198, Attention: Control Room (Fax: [—]) and at Barclays Capital Inc., 745 Seventh Avenue, New York, New York 10019, Attention: Syndicate Registration (Fax: 646-834-8133). Any such statements, requests, notices or agreements shall take effect upon receipt thereof.

In accordance with the requirements of the USA Patriot Act (Title III of Pub. L. 107-56 (signed into law October 26, 2001)), the Underwriters are required to obtain, verify and record information that identifies their respective clients, including the Company, which information may include the name and address of their respective clients, as well as other information that will allow the Underwriters to properly identify their respective clients.

- 14. This Agreement shall be binding upon, and inure solely to the benefit of, the Underwriters, the Independent Underwriter and the Company and, to the extent provided in Sections 9 and 11 hereof, the officers and directors of the Company and each person who controls the Company, any Underwriter or the Independent Underwriter, and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, and no other person shall acquire or have any right under or by virtue of this Agreement. No purchaser of any of the Shares from any Underwriter shall be deemed a successor or assign by reason merely of such purchase.
- 15. Time shall be of the essence of this Agreement. As used herein, the term "business day" shall mean any day when the Commission's office in Washington, D.C. is open for business.
- 16. The Company acknowledges and agrees that (i) the purchase and sale of the Shares pursuant to this Agreement is an arm's-length commercial transaction between the Company, on the one hand, and the several Underwriters, on the other, (ii) in connection therewith and with the process leading to such transaction each Underwriter is acting solely as a principal and not the agent or fiduciary of the Company, (iii) no Underwriter has assumed an advisory or fiduciary responsibility in favor of the Company with respect to the offering contemplated hereby or the process leading thereto (irrespective of

whether such Underwriter has advised or is currently advising the Company on other matters) or any other obligation to the Company except the obligations expressly set forth in this Agreement and (iv) the Company has consulted its own legal and financial advisors to the extent it deemed appropriate. The Company agrees that it will not claim that the Underwriters, or any of them, has rendered advisory services of any nature or respect, or owes a fiduciary or similar duty to the Company, in connection with such transaction or the process leading thereto.

- 17. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements and understandings (whether written or oral) among the Company, the Underwriters and the Independent Underwriter, or any of them, with respect to the subject matter hereof.
- 18. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK WITHOUT REGARD TO PRINCIPLES OF CONFLICT OF LAWS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF ANY LAW OTHER THAN THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK. The Company agrees that any suit or proceeding arising in respect of this agreement or our engagement will be tried exclusively in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York or, if that court does not have subject matter jurisdiction, in any state court located in The City and County of New York and the Company agrees to submit to the jurisdiction of, and to venue in, such courts.
- 19. The Company, the Independent Underwriter and each of the Underwriters hereby irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, any and all right to trial by jury in any legal proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby.
- 20. This Agreement may be executed by any one or more of the parties hereto in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same instrument.
- 21. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Company is authorized to disclose to any persons the U.S. federal and state income tax treatment and tax structure of the potential transaction and all materials of any kind (including tax opinions and other tax analyses) provided to the Company relating to that treatment and structure, without the Underwriters imposing any limitation of any kind. However, any information relating to the tax treatment and tax structure shall remain confidential (and the foregoing sentence shall not apply) to the extent necessary to enable any person to comply with securities laws. For this purpose, "tax structure" is limited to any facts that may be relevant to that treatment.

If the foregoing is in accordance with your understanding, please sign and return to us five counterparts hereof, and upon the acceptance hereof by
you, on behalf of each of the Underwriters, this letter and such acceptance hereof shall constitute a binding agreement between each of the Underwriters and the
Company. It is understood that your acceptance of this letter on behalf of each of the Underwriters is pursuant to the authority set forth in a form of Agreement
among Underwriters, the form of which shall be submitted to the Company for examination upon request, but without warranty on your part as to the authority of
the signers thereof.

Accepted as of the date hereof:	
Goldman, Sachs & Co.	
	(Goldman, Sachs & Co.)
Barclays Capital Inc.	
Barclays Capital Inc. By:	
By: Name:	
Ву:	

SCHEDULE I

<u>Underwriter</u>	Total Number of Firm Shares to be Purchased	Number of Optional Shares to be Purchased if Maximum Option Exercised
Goldman, Sachs & Co.		
Barclays Capital Inc.		
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated		
Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated		
Wells Fargo Securities, LLC		
Raymond James & Associates, Inc.		
William Blair & Company, LLC		
Stephens Inc.		
Total		

SCHEDULE II

(a) [Materials and information	n other than the Pricing Prospectus that comprise the Pricing Disclosure Package]
price per share: \$[]
number of shares: []
(b) [Issuer Free Writing Prosp	pectuses not included in the Pricing Disclosure Package, if any]

ANNEX I

[Form of Press Release]

MRC Global Inc.

[Date]

MRC Global Inc. (the "Company") announced today that [Goldman, Sachs & Co.], the lead book-running manager in the Company's recent public sale of shares of common stock, is [waiving] [releasing] a lock-up restriction with respect to shares of the Company's common stock held by [certain officers or directors] [an officer or director] of the Company. The [waiver] [release] will take effect on , 2012, and the shares may be sold on or after such date.

This press release is not an offer for sale of the securities in the United States or in any other jurisdiction where such offer is prohibited, and such securities may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an exemption from registration under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

[Form of Lock-Up Agreement]

MRC Global Inc.

Lock-Up Agreement

[Date]

Goldman, Sachs & Co. Barclays Capital Inc.

c/o Goldman, Sachs & Co. 200 West Street New York, New York 10282-2198

c/o Barclays Capital Inc. 745 Seventh Avenue New York, New York 10019

Re: MRC Global Inc. - Lock-Up Agreement

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The undersigned understands that you, as representatives (the "Representatives"), propose to enter into an Underwriting Agreement on behalf of the several Underwriters named in Schedule I to such agreement (collectively, the "Underwriters"), with MRC Global Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), providing for a public offering of the common stock, \$0.01 par value, of the Company (the "Shares") pursuant to a Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC").

In consideration of the agreement by the Underwriters to offer and sell the Shares, and of other good and valuable consideration the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned agrees that, during the period specified in the following paragraph (the "Lock-Up Period"), the undersigned will not offer, sell, contract to sell, pledge, grant any option to purchase, make any short sale or otherwise dispose of any shares of Common Stock of the Company, or any options or warrants to purchase any shares of Common Stock of the Company, or any securities convertible into, exchangeable for or that represent the right to receive shares of Common Stock of the Company, whether now owned

or hereinafter acquired, owned directly by the undersigned (including holding as a custodian) or with respect to which the undersigned has beneficial ownership within the rules and regulations of the SEC (collectively the "Undersigned's Shares"). The foregoing restriction is expressly agreed to preclude the undersigned from engaging in any hedging or other transaction which is designed to or which reasonably could be expected to lead to or result in a sale or disposition of the Undersigned's Shares even if such Shares would be disposed of by someone other than the undersigned. Such prohibited hedging or other transactions would include without limitation any short sale or any purchase, sale or grant of any right (including without limitation any put or call option) with respect to any of the Undersigned's Shares or with respect to any security that includes, relates to, or derives any significant part of its value from such Shares. If the undersigned is an officer or director of the issuer, the undersigned further agrees that the foregoing provisions shall be equally applicable to any issuer-directed Shares the undersigned may purchase in the offering.

The initial Lock-Up Period will commence on the date of this Lock-Up Agreement and continue for 180 days after the public offering date set forth on the final prospectus used to sell the Shares (the "Public Offering Date") pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement; provided, however, that if (1) during the last 17 days of the initial Lock-Up Period, the Company releases earnings results or announces material news or a material event or (2) prior to the expiration of the initial Lock-Up Period, the Company announces that it will release earnings results during the 15-day period following the last day of the initial Lock-Up Period, then in each case the Lock-Up Period will be automatically extended until the expiration of the 18-day period beginning on the date of release of the earnings results or the announcement of the material news or material event, as applicable, unless Goldman, Sachs & Co. waives, in writing, such extension.

If the undersigned is an officer or director of the Company, (i) Goldman, Sachs & Co. agrees that, at least three business days before the effective date of any release or waiver of the foregoing restrictions in connection with a transfer of shares of Common Stock, Goldman, Sachs & Co. will notify the Company of the impending release or waiver, and (ii) the Company has agreed in the Underwriting Agreement to announce the impending release or waiver by press release through a major news service at least two business days before the effective date of the release or waiver. Any release or waiver granted by Goldman, Sachs & Co. hereunder to any such officer or director shall only be effective two business days after the publication date of such press release. The provisions of this paragraph will not apply if (a) the release or waiver is effected solely to permit a transfer not for consideration and (b) the transferee has agreed in writing to be bound by the same terms described in this letter to the extent and for the duration that such terms remain in effect at the time of the transfer.

The undersigned hereby acknowledges that the Company has agreed in the Underwriting Agreement to provide written notice of any event that would result in an extension of the Lock-Up Period pursuant to the previous paragraph to the undersigned (in accordance with Section 13 of the Underwriting Agreement) and agrees that any such notice properly delivered will be deemed to have been given to, and received by, the undersigned.

The undersigned hereby further agrees that, prior to engaging in any transaction or taking any other action that is subject to the terms of this Lock-Up Agreement during the period from the date of this Lock-Up Agreement to and including the 34th day following the expiration of the initial Lock-Up Period, it will give notice thereof to the Company and will not consummate such transaction or take any such action unless it has received written confirmation from the Company that the Lock-Up Period (as such may have been extended pursuant to the previous paragraph) has expired.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the undersigned may transfer the Undersigned's Shares (i) as a bona fide gift or gifts, provided that the donee or donees thereof agree to be bound in writing by the restrictions set forth herein, (ii) by will or other testamentary document or intestate succession to the legal representative, heir, beneficiary or a member of the immediate family of the undersigned, provided that the recipient agrees in writing to be bound by the terms of this Lock-Up Agreement, (iii) to any trust for the direct or indirect benefit of the undersigned or the immediate family of the undersigned, provided that the trustee of the trust agrees to be bound in writing by the restrictions set forth herein, and provided further that any such transfer shall not involve a disposition for value, (iv) through the establishment of a trading plan pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 under the Exchange Act for the transfer of shares of Common Stock, provided that such plan does not provide for the transfer of Common Stock during the Lock-Up Period and no public announcement or filing under the Exchange Act regarding the establishment of such plan shall be required of or voluntarily made by or on behalf of the undersigned or the Company, (v) to its affiliates, shareholders, members or partners, so long as the recipients agree in writing to be bound by the terms of this Lock-Up Agreement, and provided further that any such transfer shall not involve a disposition for value or be required or be voluntarily reported in any public report or filing with the SEC (other than a filing on Form 5 after the expiration of the Lock-Up Period), (vi) to any corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other entity with whom the transferor shares in common an investment manager or advisor, in each case who has investment discretionary authority with respect to the transferor's and such other entity's investments pursuant to an investment management, investment advisory or similar agreement, so long as such entity agrees in writing to be bound by the terms of this Lock-Up Agreement, and provided further that any such transfer shall not involve a disposition for value or be required or be voluntarily reported in any public report or filing with the SEC (other than a filing on Form 5 after the expiration of the Lock-Up Period) or (vii) with the prior written consent of Goldman, Sachs & Co. on behalf of the Underwriters. For purposes of this Lock-Up Agreement, "immediate family" shall mean any relationship by blood, marriage or adoption, not more remote than first cousin. In addition, notwithstanding the foregoing, if the undersigned is a corporation, the corporation may transfer the capital stock of the Company to any wholly-owned subsidiary of such corporation; provided, however, that in any such case, it shall be a condition to the transfer that the transferee execute an agreement stating that the transferee is receiving and holding such capital stock subject to the provisions of this Lock-Up Agreement and there shall be no further transfer of such capital stock except in accordance with this Lock-Up Agreement, and provided further that any such transfer shall not involve a disposition for value. The undersigned now has, and, except as contemplated by clause (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v), (vi) or (vii) above, for the duration of this Lock-Up Agreement will

have, good and marketable title to the Undersigned's Shares, free and clear of all liens, encumbrances, and claims whatsoever. The undersigned also agrees and consents to the entry of stop transfer instructions with the Company's transfer agent and registrar against the transfer of the Undersigned's Shares except in compliance with the foregoing restrictions. In addition, any of the Company's Common Stock acquired by the undersigned on the open market will not be subject to this Lock-Up Agreement, provided that no public report or filing with the SEC reporting a reduction in beneficial ownership of Shares (other than a filing on Form 5 after the expiration of the Lock-Up Period) shall be required or voluntarily made in connection with any such open-market transactions.

[Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, Goldman, Sachs & Co. and its affiliates, other than the undersigned, may engage in brokerage, investment advisory, financial advisory, anti-raid advisory, merger advisory, financing, asset management, trading, market making, arbitrage, principal investing and other similar activities conducted in the ordinary course of their affiliates' business.]¹

The undersigned understands that the Company and the Underwriters are relying upon this Lock-Up Agreement in proceeding toward consummation of the offering. The undersigned further understands that this Lock-Up Agreement is irrevocable and shall be binding upon the undersigned's heirs, legal representatives, successors, and assigns. This Lock-Up Agreement shall automatically terminate and be of no further force and effect if (i) the Representatives, on behalf of the Underwriters, advise the Company, or the Company advises the Representatives, in writing, prior to the execution of the Underwriting Agreement, that they have determined not to proceed with the public offering of the Shares, (ii) the Public Offering Date shall not have occurred on or before September 30, 2012, or (iii) the Underwriting Agreement is terminated pursuant to its terms with respect to all (but not less than all) Shares.

Very truly yours,
Exact Name of Shareholder
Authorized Signature
Title

For the PVF Holdings and GS directors' Lock-ups

AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

OF

MRC GLOBAL INC.

MRC Global Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware (the "Corporation"), hereby certifies as follows:

- (a) The present name of the Corporation is MRC Global Inc.
- (b) The name under which the Corporation was originally incorporated was McJ Holding Corporation.
- (c) The Corporation filed its original Certification of Incorporation with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on November 20, 2006.
- (d) A Certificate of Amendment of the original Certificate of Incorporation was filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on January 30, 2007.
- (e) A Certificate of Amendment of the original Certificate of Incorporation, changing the name of the Corporation from "McJ Holding Corporation" to "McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation", was filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on October 31, 2007.
- (f) An Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, which amended and restated the original Certificate of Incorporation in its entirety, was filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on June 17, 2008 (the "First Restated Certificate of Incorporation").
- (g) An Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, which amended and restated the First Restated Certificate of Incorporation in its entirety, was filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on October 16, 2008 (the "Second Restated Certificate of Incorporation").
- (h) A Certificate of Amendment of the Second Restated Certificate of Incorporation was filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on December 15, 2009.
- (i) A Certificate of Amendment of the Second Restated Certificate of Incorporation, changing the name of the Corporation from "McJunkin Red Man Holding Corporation" to "MRC Global Inc.", was filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on January 10, 2012.

- (j) A Certificate of Amendment of the Second Restated Certificate of Incorporation was filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on February 29, 2012.
- (k) This Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, which restates and integrates and also further amends the provisions of the Second Restated Certificate of Incorporation, has been duly adopted in accordance with Sections 242 and 245 of the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "DGCL"), and reads in its entirety as follows:

ARTICLE I

Section 1.1 Name. The name of the Corporation is MRC Global Inc.

ARTICLE II

Section 2.1 <u>Registered Office and Registered Agent</u>. The address of the Corporation's registered office in the State of Delaware is Corporation Trust Center, 1209 Orange Street in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle, Delaware 19801. The name of its registered agent at such address is The Corporation Trust Company.

ARTICLE III

Section 3.1 Purpose. The purpose of the Corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the DGCL.

ARTICLE IV

Section 4.1 Capitalization. The total number of shares of all classes of stock that the Corporation is authorized to issue is 600,000,000 shares, consisting of:

- (a) 500,000,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock"); and
- (b) 100,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Preferred Stock").

The number of authorized shares of Common Stock or Preferred Stock may be increased or decreased (but not below the number of shares thereof then outstanding) by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the voting power of the then-outstanding shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereon irrespective of the provisions of Section 242(b)(2) of the DGCL (or any successor provision thereto), and no vote of the holders of any of the Common Stock or the Preferred Stock, or any series thereof, voting separately as a class shall be required therefor, unless a vote of any such holders is required pursuant to the terms of any Preferred Stock Designation.

Section 4.2 <u>Preferred Stock</u>. The Board of Directors is authorized, subject to any limitations prescribed by law, to provide for the issuance of shares of Preferred Stock in series, and by filing a certificate pursuant to the applicable law of the State of Delaware (such certificate being hereinafter referred to as a "<u>Preferred Stock Designation</u>"), to establish from time to time the number of shares to be included in each such series, and to fix the designation, powers, preferences, and rights of the shares of each such series and any qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof.

Section 4.3 Common Stock.

- (a) <u>Dividends</u>. Subject to the preferential rights, if any, of the holders of Preferred Stock, the holders of Common Stock shall be entitled to receive, when, as and if declared by the Board of Directors, out of the assets of the Corporation which are by law available therefor, dividends payable either in cash, in property or in shares of capital stock.
- (b) <u>Voting Rights</u>. At every annual or special meeting of stockholders of the Corporation, each outstanding share of Common Stock shall entitle the holder thereof to one vote, in person or by proxy, for each share of Common Stock held of record on the books of the Corporation.
- (c) <u>Liquidation</u>, <u>Dissolution or Winding Up</u>. In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the affairs of the Corporation (a "<u>Liquidation</u>"), after payment or provision for payment of the debts and other liabilities of the Corporation and subject to all rights and preferences, if any, to which the holders of Preferred Stock shall be entitled in the event of a liquidation, the holders of all outstanding shares of Common Stock shall be entitled to receive the remaining assets of the Corporation available for distribution to holders of Common Stock ratably in proportion to the number of shares held by each such stockholder.

ARTICLE V

Section 5.1 Board of Directors.

- (a) <u>Composition</u>. The stockholders shall elect a board of directors (the "<u>Board of Directors</u>") to oversee the Corporation's business. The Board of Directors shall be not less than three nor more than 15 directors, the exact number of which shall be fixed, from time to time, by resolution adopted by the affirmative vote of a majority of the entire Board of Directors then in office.
- (b) <u>Powers</u>. The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by or under the direction of the Board of Directors. In addition to the powers and authority expressly conferred upon them by statute or by this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the Corporation, the directors are hereby empowered to exercise all such powers and do all such acts and things as may be exercised or done by the Corporation.
- (c) <u>Removal</u>. No director may be removed from office (with or without cause) except with the affirmative vote of the holders of not less than 75.0% of the shares then entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, voting together as a single class.

- (d) <u>Newly-created Directorships and Vacancies</u>. Any newly created directorships on the Board of Directors that result from an increase in the authorized number of directors and any vacancies in the Board of Directors resulting from the death, disability, resignation, disqualification, or removal of any director or from any other cause shall, unless otherwise required by law or by resolution of the Board of Directors, be filled only by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board of Directors then in office, even if less than a quorum, or by a sole remaining director (and not by stockholders). Any director elected to fill a vacancy not resulting from an increase in the authorized number of directors shall have the same remaining term as that of his or her predecessor. No decrease in the authorized number of directors shall shorten the term of any incumbent director.
- (e) <u>Voting Rights of Preferred Stock</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing, whenever the holders of any one or more series of Preferred Stock issued by the Corporation shall have the right, voting separately as a series or separately as a class with one or more such other series, to elect directors at an annual or special meeting of stockholders, the election, term of office, removal, filling of vacancies and other features of such directorships shall be governed by the terms of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (including any certificate of designations relating to any series of Preferred Stock) applicable thereto.
 - (f) Written Ballot. The directors of the Corporation need not be elected by written ballot unless the By-Laws so provide.
- (g) <u>Advance Notice</u>. Advance notice of stockholder nominations for the election of directors and of business to be brought by stockholders before any meeting of the stockholders of the Corporation shall be given in the manner provided in the By-Laws of the Corporation.
 - (h) <u>Election of Directors</u>. All of the directors will be elected annually at the annual meeting of stockholders.

ARTICLE VI

Section 6.1 <u>Indemnification of Directors, Officers, Employees or Agents</u>. The rights conferred upon indemnitees in Article VI of the By-Laws shall be contract rights and such rights shall continue as to an indemnitee who has ceased to be a director, officer or trustee and shall inure to the benefit of the indemnitee's heirs, executors and administrators. Any amendment, alteration or repeal of Article VI of the By-Laws or this Section 6.1 of the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation that adversely affects any right of an indemnitee or its successors shall be prospective only and shall not limit or eliminate any such right with respect to any proceeding involving any occurrence or alleged occurrence of any action or omission to act that took place prior to such amendment or repeal.

ARTICLE VII

Section 7.1 <u>Limited Liability of Directors</u>. A director of the Corporation shall not be personally liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except for liability:

- (a) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the Corporation or its stockholders;
- (b) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;
- (c) under Section 174 of the DGCL; or
- (d) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

If the DGCL is amended to authorize corporation action further eliminating or limiting the personal liability of directors, then the liability of a director of the Corporation shall be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL, as so amended. Any repeal or modification of this Article VII by the stockholders of the Corporation or otherwise shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a director of the Corporation existing at the time of such repeal or modification.

ARTICLE VIII

Section 8.1 No Action by Written Consent. Any action required or permitted to be taken at any annual or special meeting of stockholders of the Corporation may be effected only upon the vote of the stockholders at an annual or special meeting duly called and may not be effected by written consent of the stockholders.

Section 8.2 <u>Special Meetings</u>. Special meetings of stockholders may be called at any time only by the Board of Directors pursuant to a resolution adopted by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board of Directors then in office or by the Chairman of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IX

Section 9.1 <u>Business Opportunities</u>. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, the Corporation, on behalf of itself and its subsidiaries, renounces any interest or expectancy of the Corporation and its subsidiaries in, or in being offered an opportunity to participate in, business opportunities that are from time to time presented to The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. or any of its affiliates or any of their respective officers, directors, agents, stockholders, members, partners, affiliates and subsidiaries (other than the Corporation and its subsidiaries), even if the opportunity is one that the Corporation or its subsidiaries might reasonably be deemed to have pursued or had the ability or desire to pursue if granted the opportunity to do so and such person shall have no duty to communicate or offer such corporate opportunity to the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries and, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, shall not be liable to the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries for breach of any fiduciary or other duty, as a director or officer or otherwise, by reason of the fact that such person pursues or acquires such business opportunity, directs such business opportunity to another person or fails to present such business opportunity, or information regarding such business opportunity, to the Corporation or its subsidiaries unless, in the case of any such person who is a director or

officer of the Corporation, such business opportunity is expressly offered to such director or officer in writing solely in his or her capacity as a director or officer of the Corporation. Any person purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in any shares of stock of the Corporation shall be deemed to have notice of and consented to the provisions of this Article IX. Neither the alteration, amendment or repeal of this Article IX nor the adoption of any provision of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation inconsistent with this Article IX shall eliminate or reduce the effect of this Article IX in respect of any matter occurring, or any cause of action, suit or claim that, but for this Article IX, would accrue or arise, prior to such alteration, amendment, repeal or adoption.

ARTICLE X

Section 10.1 The Corporation hereby expressly elects not to be governed by Section 203 of the DGCL.

Section 10.2 Notwithstanding the foregoing, at any point in time from and after the date that The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. and its affiliates, taken together (collectively, "Goldman") first cease to Beneficially Own (as defined below), including through PVF Holdings LLC ("PVF"), at least 15.0% of the outstanding Common Stock, so long as the Common Stock is registered under Section 12(b) or (g) of the Exchange Act the Corporation shall not engage in any business combination (as defined below) with any interested stockholder (as defined below) for a period of three (3) years following the time that such stockholder became an interested stockholder, unless:

- (a) prior to such time, the Board of Directors approved either the business combination or the transaction which resulted in the stockholder becoming an interested stockholder, or
- (b) upon consummation of the transaction which resulted in the stockholder becoming an interested stockholder, the interested stockholder owned at least 85% of the voting stock (as defined below) of the Corporation outstanding at the time the transaction commenced, excluding for purposes of determining the voting stock outstanding (but not the outstanding voting stock owned by the interested stockholder) those shares owned (i) by persons who are directors and also officers and (ii) employee stock plans in which employee participants do not have the right to determine confidentially whether shares held subject to the plan will be tendered in a tender or exchange offer, or
- (c) at or subsequent to such time, the business combination is approved by the Board of Directors and authorized at an annual or special meeting of stockholders, and not by written consent, by the affirmative vote of at least 66 2/3% of the outstanding voting stock of the Corporation which is not owned by the interested stockholder.

Section 10.3 For purposes of this Article X, references to:

(a) "affiliate" means a person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls, or is controlled by, or is under common control with, another person.

- (b) "associate," when used to indicate a relationship with any person, means:
 - any corporation, partnership, unincorporated association or other entity of which such person is a director, officer or partner or is, directly or indirectly, the owner of 20% or more of any class of voting stock;
 - (ii) any trust or other estate in which such person has at least a 20% beneficial interest or as to which such person serves as trustee or in a similar fiduciary capacity; and
 - (iii) any relative or spouse of such person, or any relative of such spouse, who has the same residence as such person.
- (c) "Beneficially Own" means, with respect to any securities, having "beneficial ownership" of such securities for purposes of Rule 13d-3 or 13d-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended from time to time (the "Exchange Act"), and "Beneficial Ownership" shall have the corresponding meaning.
 - (d) "business combination," when used in reference to the Corporation and any interested stockholder of the Corporation, means:
 - (i) any merger or consolidation of the Corporation or any direct or indirect majority-owned subsidiary of the Corporation
 - (A) with the interested stockholder, or
 - (B) with any other corporation, partnership, unincorporated association or other entity if the merger or consolidation is caused by the interested stockholder and as a result of such merger or consolidation Section 10.2 of this Article X is not applicable to the surviving entity:
 - (ii) any sale, lease, exchange, mortgage, pledge, transfer or other disposition (in one transaction or a series of transactions), except proportionately as a stockholder of the Corporation, to or with the interested stockholder, whether as part of a dissolution or otherwise, of assets of the Corporation or of any direct or indirect majority-owned subsidiary of the Corporation which assets have an aggregate market value equal to 10% or more of either the aggregate market value of all the assets of the Corporation determined on a consolidated basis or the aggregate market value of all the outstanding stock of the Corporation;
 - (iii) any transaction which results in the issuance or transfer by the Corporation or by any direct or indirect majority-owned subsidiary of the Corporation of any stock of the Corporation or of such subsidiary to the interested stockholder, except:

- (A) pursuant to the exercise, exchange or conversion of securities exercisable for, exchangeable for or convertible into stock of the Corporation or any such subsidiary which securities were outstanding prior to the time that the interested stockholder became such;
- (B) pursuant to a merger under Section 251(g) of the DGCL;
- (C) pursuant to a dividend or distribution paid or made, or the exercise, exchange or conversion of securities exercisable for, exchangeable for or convertible into stock of the Corporation or any such subsidiary which security is distributed, pro rata to all holders of a class or series of stock of the Corporation subsequent to the time the interested stockholder became such;
- (D) pursuant to an exchange offer by the Corporation to purchase stock made on the same terms to all holders of said stock; or
- (E) any issuance or transfer of stock by the Corporation;
- *provided, however*, that in no case under items (C)-(E) of this subsection (iii) shall there be an increase in the interested stockholder's proportionate share of the stock of any class or series of the Corporation or of the voting stock of the Corporation;
- (iv) any transaction involving the Corporation or any direct or indirect majority-owned subsidiary of the Corporation which has the effect, directly or indirectly, of increasing the proportionate share of the stock of any class or series, or securities convertible into the stock of any class or series, of the Corporation or of any such subsidiary which is owned by the interested stockholder, except as a result of immaterial changes due to fractional share adjustments or as a result of any purchase or redemption of any shares of stock not caused, directly or indirectly, by the interested stockholder; or
- (v) any receipt by the interested stockholder of the benefit, directly or indirectly (except proportionately as a stockholder of the Corporation), of any loans, advances, guarantees, pledges, or other financial benefits (other than those expressly permitted in subsections (i)-(iv) above) provided by or through the Corporation or any direct or indirect majority-owned subsidiary.
- (e) "control," including the terms "controlling," "controlled by" and "under common control with," means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a person, whether through the ownership of voting stock, by contract, or otherwise. A person who is the owner of 20% or more of the

outstanding voting stock of any corporation, partnership, unincorporated association or other entity shall be presumed to have control of such entity, in the absence of proof by a preponderance of the evidence to the contrary. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a presumption of control shall not apply where such person holds voting stock, in good faith and not for the purpose of circumventing this Section, as an agent, bank, broker, nominee, custodian or trustee for one or more owners who do not individually or as a group have control of such entity.

- (f) "<u>Goldman Direct Transferee</u>" means any person that acquires (other than in a registered public offering) directly from Goldman or any of its affiliates (including PVF) or successors or any "group", or any member of any such group, to which such persons are a party under Rule 13d-5 of the Exchange Act, beneficial ownership of 15% or more of the then outstanding voting stock of the Corporation.
- (g) "Goldman Indirect Transferee" means any person that acquires (other than in a registered public offering) directly from any Goldman Direct Transferee or any other Goldman Indirect Transferee beneficial ownership of 15% or more of the then outstanding voting stock of the Corporation.
 - (h) "interested stockholder" means any person (other than the Corporation or any direct or indirect majority-owned subsidiary of the Corporation) that
 - (i) is the owner of 15% or more of the outstanding voting stock of the Corporation, or
 - (ii) is an affiliate or associate of the Corporation and was the owner of 15% or more of the outstanding voting stock of the Corporation at any time within the three (3) year period immediately prior to the date on which it is sought to be determined whether such person is an interested stockholder; and the affiliates and associates of such person; but "interested stockholder" shall not include:
 - (A) Goldman, PVF, any Goldman Direct Transferee, any Goldman Indirect Transferee or any of their respective affiliates or successors or any "group", or any member of any such group, to which such persons are a party under Rule 13d-5 of the Exchange Act, or
 - (B) any person whose ownership of shares in excess of the 15% limitation set forth herein is the result of any action taken solely by the Corporation, provided that such person shall be an interested stockholder if thereafter such person acquires additional shares of voting stock of the corporation, except as a result of further corporate action not caused, directly or indirectly, by such person. For the purpose of determining whether a person is an interested stockholder, the voting stock of the Corporation deemed to be outstanding shall include stock

deemed to be owned by the person through application of the definition of "owner" below but shall not include any other unissued stock of the Corporation which may be issuable pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding, or upon exercise of conversion rights, warrants or options, or otherwise.

- (i) "person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, unincorporated association or other entity.
- (j) "stock" means, with respect to any corporation, capital stock and, with respect to any other entity, any equity interest.
- (k) "voting stock" means, with respect to any corporation, stock of any class or series entitled to vote generally in the election of directors and, with respect to any entity that is not a corporation, any equity interest entitled to vote generally in the election of the governing body of such entity. Every reference to a percentage of voting stock in this Article X shall refer to such percentage of the votes of such voting stock.
- (l) "owner," including the terms "own" and "owned," when used with respect to any stock, means a person that individually or with or through any of its affiliates or associates:
 - (i) beneficially owns such stock, directly or indirectly; or
 - (ii) has
 - (A) the right to acquire such stock (whether such right is exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time) pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding, or upon the exercise of conversion rights, exchange rights, warrants or options, or otherwise; provided, however, that a person shall not be deemed the owner of stock tendered pursuant to a tender or exchange offer made by such person or any of such person's affiliates or associates until such tendered stock is accepted for purchase or exchange; or
 - (B) the right to vote such stock pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding; provided, however, that a person shall not be deemed the owner of any stock because of such person's right to vote such stock if the agreement, arrangement or understanding to vote such stock arises solely from a revocable proxy or consent given in response to a proxy or consent solicitation made to ten (10) or more persons; or
 - (iii) has any agreement, arrangement or understanding for the purpose of acquiring, holding, voting (except voting pursuant to a revocable proxy or consent as described in item (B) of subsection (ii) above), or disposing of such stock with any other person that beneficially owns, or whose affiliates or associates beneficially own, directly or indirectly, such stock.

ARTICLE XI

Section 11.1 <u>Amendments of the By-Laws</u>. The Board of Directors is expressly authorized to adopt, amend, or repeal the By-Laws of the Corporation without the assent or vote of the stockholders, in any manner not inconsistent with the laws of the State of Delaware or this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation. The stockholders shall also have power to adopt, amend or repeal the By-Laws of the Corporation in accordance with the By-Laws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE XII

Section 12.1 <u>Amendments of the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation</u>. The Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change, or repeal any provision contained in this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by statute, and all rights conferred upon stockholders herein are granted subject to this reservation. In addition to any vote otherwise required by law or this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, the affirmative vote of the holders of at least 75.0% of the voting power of the issued and outstanding stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereon, voting together as a single class, shall be required to adopt any provision inconsistent with, or to amend or repeal any provision of, Articles VI, VII, IX, X, XI, XII and XIII of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation.

ARTICLE XIII

Section 13.1 <u>Governance Agreement</u>. For so long as that certain Governance Agreement, dated as of [], 2012, by and among the Corporation and PVF, as amended from time to time (the "<u>Governance Agreement</u>"), is in effect, the provisions of the Governance Agreement shall be incorporated by reference into the relevant provisions hereof, and such provisions shall be interpreted and applied in a manner consistent with the terms of the Governance Agreement.

ARTICLE XIV

Section 14.1 <u>Severability</u>. If any provision or provisions of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable as applied to any circumstance for any reason whatsoever:

(a) the validity, legality and enforceability of such provisions in any other circumstance and of the remaining provisions of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (including, without limitation, each portion of any paragraph of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable that is not itself held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby; and

(b) to the fullest extent possible, the provisions of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (including, without limitation, each such portion of any paragraph of this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall be construed so as to permit the Corporation to protect its directors, officers, employees and agents from personal liability in respect of their good faith service to or for the benefit of the Corporation to the fullest extent permitted by law.

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II	N WITNESS WHEREOF, this Amended and Restated Certificate of Inco	poration, whic	h restates and integ	rates and further amend	ls the provisions of the
Second	Amended and Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of this	Corporation, and	nd which has been o	duly adopted in accorda	ance with Sections 242
and 245	of the DGCL, has been executed by its duly authorized officer this	day of	, 2012.		

MRC Global Inc.

By:

Name: Daniel J. Churay Title: Executive Vice President,

General Counsel & Corporate Secretary

AMENDED AND RESTATED

BY-LAWS

OF

MRC GLOBAL INC.

Effective as of , 2012

ARTICLE I

Offices

SECTION 1. <u>Registered Office</u>. The registered office of the Corporation within the State of Delaware shall be as set forth in the Corporation's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (the "Restated Certificate of Incorporation"), which at the time of adoption of these By-Laws is: The Corporation Trust Company, 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware 19801.

SECTION 2. Other Offices. The Corporation may also have an office or offices other than the registered office at such place or places, either within or without the State of Delaware, as the Board of Directors shall from time to time determine or the business of the Corporation may require.

SECTION 3. <u>Books</u>. The Corporation may keep its books within or without the State of Delaware as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine or the business of the Corporation may require.

ARTICLE II

Meetings of Stockholders

SECTION 1. <u>Place of Meetings</u>. (a) All meetings of the stockholders that are to be held at a physical location for the election of directors or for any other purpose shall be held at any such physical location, either within or without the State of Delaware, as the Board of Directors shall from time to time designate and state in the notice of the meeting unless a stockholder duly executes a waiver of the notice.

(b) The Board of Directors, acting in its sole discretion, may establish guidelines and procedures in accordance with applicable provisions of the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "DGCL") and any other applicable law for the participation by stockholders and proxyholders in a meeting of stockholders by means of remote communications and may determine that any meeting of stockholders will not be held at any physical location but will be held solely by means of remote communication. Stockholders and proxyholders complying with those procedures and guidelines and otherwise entitled to vote at a meeting of stockholders shall be deemed present in person and entitled to vote at a meeting of stockholders, whether the meeting is to be held at a designated place or solely by means of remote communication.

- SECTION 2. <u>Annual Meeting</u>. The annual meeting of stockholders shall be held at such date and time as the Board of Directors designates from time to time and states in the notice of meeting.
- SECTION 3. <u>Special Meetings</u>. Special meetings of stockholders may be called at any time only by the Board of Directors pursuant to a resolution adopted by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board of Directors then in office or by the Chairman of the Board of Directors.
- SECTION 4. <u>Notice of Meetings</u>. The Corporation shall give written notice of each annual and special meeting of stockholders, not less than ten nor more than 60 days before the date of the meeting, except as the DGCL or the Restated Certificate of Incorporation requires from time to time, to each stockholder of record entitled to vote at the meeting (as of the record date for determining the stockholders entitled to notice of the meeting) at such address as appears on the records of the Corporation stating the following:
 - (a) the date, place, if any, and time of the meeting;
 - (b) the means of remote communications, if any, by which stockholders and proxyholders may be deemed to be present in person and vote at the meeting;
- (c) the record date for purposes of determining the stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting (if the date is different from the record date for determining the stockholders entitled to notice of the meeting); and
 - (d) in the case of a special meeting, the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called.

Business transacted at any special meeting of stockholders shall be limited to the purposes stated in the notice. If the meeting of stockholders is to be held solely by means of remote communication, the notice of meeting must provide the information required to access the stockholder list referred to in Section 5 of this Article II during the meeting.

SECTION 5. <u>List of Stockholders</u>. A complete list of the stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting, arranged in alphabetical order (for each class of stock), showing the address of and the number of shares registered in the name of each stockholder shall be open to the examination of any such stockholder for a period of at least ten days prior to the meeting in the manner provided by law; *provided* that if the record date for determining the stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting is less than ten days before the date of the meeting, the list shall initially reflect the stockholders entitled to vote as of the tenth day before the meeting date (and shall be updated to reflect the stockholders entitled to vote as of the record date promptly after the record date). Any stockholder may examine the list during the whole time of the meeting as law provides. This list shall presumptively determine the identity of the stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting and the number of shares that each of them holds.

SECTION 6. Quorum, Adjournments.

- (a) Stockholders holding a majority of the voting power of all of the shares of the Corporation entitled to vote, present in person or by proxy, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings of stockholders, except as statute, the Restated Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws otherwise provide. Where a separate vote by a class or classes or series is required, a majority of the voting power of the shares of the class or classes or series present in person or represented by proxy shall constitute a quorum entitled to take action with respect to that vote on that matter. Abstentions and broker votes and broker nonvotes are considered present and entitled to vote for purposes of establishing a quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting of stockholders. A "broker vote" occurs when a broker votes the shares on any matter pursuant to either:
 - (i) the voting instructions and authority a broker received from its client who is the beneficial owner of the shares; or
 - (ii) the broker's discretionary authority to vote the shares under the applicable rules and regulations of the New York Stock Exchange, Inc. (the "NYSE") or other national securities exchange governing the voting authority of brokers.

A "broker nonvote" occurs when a broker has not received voting instructions from its client who is the beneficial owner of the shares, and the applicable rules and regulations of the NYSE or other securities exchange governing the voting authority of brokers bars the broker from exercising its discretionary authority to vote the shares.

(b) If a quorum is not present at any meeting of stockholders, the chairman of the meeting or a majority in interest of stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting, present in person or by proxy, shall have the power to adjourn the meeting from time to time, without notice, *provided* that if the adjournment is for more than 30 days, the Corporation shall give a notice of the recovened meeting to each stockholder of record entitled to vote at the meeting.

SECTION 7. <u>Organization</u>. At each meeting of stockholders, the Chairman of the Board of Directors, or such person as the Chairman of the Board of Directors may have designated, or, in his or her absence, the Chief Executive Officer or, in his or her absence, such person as the Board of Directors may have designated shall act as chairman of the meeting. The Secretary or, in his absence or inability to act, the person whom the chairman of the meeting shall appoint secretary of the meeting shall act as secretary of the meeting and keep the minutes of the meeting.

SECTION 8. <u>Conduct of Business</u>. The chairman of any meeting of stockholders shall determine the order of business and the rules, regulations and procedures of the meeting. These rules, regulations or procedures may include, without limitation, the following:

- (a) regulation of the manner of voting;
- (b) the establishment of an agenda or order of business for the meeting;

- (c) rules and procedures for maintaining order at the meeting and the safety of those present;
- (d) limitations on attendance at or participation in the meeting to stockholders of record of the Corporation, their duly authorized and constituted proxies or such other persons as the chairman shall determine;
 - (e) restrictions on entry to the meeting after the time fixed for the commencement of the meeting; and
 - (f) limitations on the time allotted to questions or comments by participants.

The chairman shall have the power to adjourn the meeting to another place, if any, date and time. The date and time of the opening and closing of the polls for each matter upon which the stockholders will vote at the meeting shall be announced at the meeting.

SECTION 9. Voting.

- (a) Except as statute or the Restated Certificate of Incorporation otherwise provide, at all meetings of the stockholders, each stockholder entitled to vote under the Restated Certificate of Incorporation and these By-Laws shall be entitled to one vote, in person or by proxy, for each share of voting stock that the stockholder of record on the record date owns for purposes of determining the stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting. Each stockholder entitled to vote at any meeting of stockholders may authorize another person or persons to act for him by a proxy that is in writing or transmitted as law permits, including, without limitation, by means of electronic transmission that the stockholder or the stockholder's attorney-in-fact executes or authorizes, but no proxy shall be voted after three years from its date, unless the proxy provides for a longer period. Any such proxy shall be delivered to the secretary of the meeting at or until the time designated in the order of business for so delivering such proxies. Any proxy transmitted electronically shall set forth information from which it can be determined by the secretary of the meeting that the stockholder authorized the electronic transmission.
- (b) Subject to the immediately succeeding sentence, when a quorum is present at any meeting, the vote of the holders of a majority of the voting power of the issued and outstanding stock of the Corporation entitled to vote on a question brought before the meeting, present and voting, in person or represented by proxy, shall decide the question, unless the question is one upon which an express provision of statute, the Restated Certificate of Incorporation, these By-Laws or the applicable rules and regulations of the NYSE requires a different vote, in which case the express provision shall govern and control the decision of the question. Subject to the rights of the holders of any series of preferred stock to elect additional directors under specific circumstances,
 - (i) at any meeting of stockholders for which notice was sent to stockholders pursuant to Section 4 of this Article II, until the date that The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. and its affiliates, taken together (collectively, "Goldman") first cease to Beneficially Own (defined below), including through PVF Holdings, LLC ("PVF"), at least 15.0% of the outstanding shares of common stock, directors shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast at a meeting of stockholders; and

- (ii) at any meeting of stockholders for which notice was sent to stockholders pursuant to Section 4 of this Article II on or after the date that Goldman first ceases to Beneficially Own, including through PVF, at least 15.0% of the outstanding shares of common stock, a director nominee shall be elected if the votes cast for such nominee's election at the meeting exceed the votes cast against such nominee's election at the meeting; *provided*, that directors shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast at any meeting of stockholders for which;
 - (A) the Secretary receives a notice that a stockholder has nominated a person for election to the Board of Directors in compliance with the advance notice requirements for stockholder nominees for director set forth in Article II, Section 10 of these By-Laws; and
 - (B) such nomination has not been withdrawn by such stockholder on or before the tenth (10th) day before the Corporation first mails its notice of meeting for such meeting to the stockholders.

As used in these By-Laws, "Beneficially Own" means, with respect to any securities, having "beneficial ownership" of the securities for purposes of Rule 13d-3 or 13d-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended from time to time (the "Exchange Act"), and "Beneficial Ownership" shall have the corresponding meaning.

If directors are to be elected by a plurality of votes cast, stockholders shall not be permitted to vote against a nominee. For the avoidance of doubt, abstentions and broker nonvotes will not be counted as votes cast (either in an election of directors or any other matter). Unless statute requires, or the chairman of the meeting determines it to be advisable, the vote on any question need not be by ballot. On a vote by ballot, each ballot shall be signed by the stockholder voting, or by his proxy, if there be a proxy, and shall state the number of shares voted and the number of votes to which each share is entitled.

SECTION 10. Notice of Stockholder Business and Nominations.

(a) Annual Meetings of Stockholders.

- (i) Nominations of persons for election to the Board of Directors and the proposal of other business that the stockholders should consider may be made at an annual meeting of stockholders:
 - (A) pursuant to the Corporation's proxy materials with respect to the meeting;
 - (B) by or at the direction of the Board of Directors; or

- (C) by any stockholder of the Corporation who:
 - (x) was a stockholder of record at the time of giving of notice provided for in this Section 10(a) of this Article II;
 - (y) at the time of the annual meeting, is entitled to vote at the meeting; and
 - (z) complies with the notice procedures set forth in this Section 10(a) of this Article II as to such business or nomination.

Section 10(a)(i)(C) of this Article II shall be the exclusive means for a stockholder to make nominations or submit other business (other than matters properly brought under Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act and included in the Corporation's proxy materials) before an annual meeting of stockholders.

- (ii) Without qualification, for a stockholder to properly bring any nominations or business before an annual meeting pursuant to Section 10(a)(i)(C) of this Article II,
 - (A) the stockholder must have given timely notice of those nominations or business in writing to the Secretary;
 - (B) such other business must otherwise be a proper matter for stockholder action; and
 - (C) the record stockholder and the beneficial owner, if any, on whose behalf the proposal or nomination is made, must have acted in accordance with the representations set forth in the Solicitation Statement that these By-Laws require.

To be timely, a stockholder must deliver the stockholder's notice to the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not earlier than the close of business on the 120th day and not later than the close of business of the 90th day prior to the first anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting; *provided*, subject to the last sentence of this Section 10(a)(ii) of this Article II, that:

- (1) if the date of the annual meeting is more than 30 days before or more than 30 days after the anniversary date, the stockholder must deliver the stockholder's notice not earlier than the close of business on the 120^{th} day prior to the date of the annual meeting and not later than the close of business on the later of the 90^{th} day prior to the date of the annual meeting; or
- (2) if the first public announcement of the date of the annual meeting is less than 100 days prior to the date of the annual meeting, the 10th day following the date on which the Corporation first makes public announcement of the date of the meeting.

In no event shall any adjournment or postponement of an annual meeting or the announcement of the adjournment or postponement commence a new time period for the giving of a stockholder's notice as described above.

- (iii) To be in proper form, a stockholder's notice (whether given pursuant to this Section 10(a) or Section 10(b) of this Article II) to the Secretary must:
 - (A) set forth, as to the record stockholder giving the notice and any Stockholder Associated Person (as defined below) of the record stockholder (each, a "Party"):
 - (w) the name and address of each Party (which name and address of any Party that is a record stockholder shall be the name and address for the record stockholder as they appear on the Corporation's books);
 - (x) the following information:
 - (I) the class, series, and number of shares of the Corporation that the Party, directly or indirectly, owns beneficially or of record;
 - (II) any option, warrant, convertible security, stock appreciation right, or similar right with an exercise or conversion privilege or a settlement payment or mechanism at a price related to any class or series of shares of the Corporation or with a value derived in whole or in part from the value of any class or series of shares of the Corporation, whether or not the instrument or right shall be subject to settlement in the underlying class or series of capital stock of the Corporation or otherwise (a "Derivative Instrument") that the Party, directly or indirectly, owns beneficially, and any other direct or indirect opportunity that the Party has to profit or share in any profit derived from any increase or decrease in the value of shares of the Corporation;
 - (III) to the extent not disclosed pursuant to clause (II) above, the principal amount of any indebtedness of the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries that the Party beneficially owns, together with the title of the instrument under which the indebtedness was issued and a description of any Derivative Instrument entered into by or on behalf of the Party relating to the value or payment of any indebtedness of the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries;
 - (IV) any proxy, contract, arrangement, understanding, or relationship pursuant to which the Party has a right to vote any shares of any security of the Corporation;

(V) any short interest in any security of the Corporation that the Party holds (for purposes of this By-Law, a person shall be deemed to have a short interest in a security if the person directly or indirectly, through any contract, arrangement, understanding, relationship or otherwise, has the opportunity to profit or share in any profit derived from any decrease in the value of the subject security);

(VI) any rights to dividends on the shares of the Corporation that the Party owns beneficially that are separated or separable from the underlying shares of the Corporation;

(VII) any proportionate interest in shares of the Corporation or Derivative Instruments held, directly or indirectly, by a general or limited partnership in which any Party is a general partner or, directly or indirectly, beneficially owns an interest in a general partner; and

(VIII) any performance-related fees (other than an asset-based fee) that each such Party is entitled to based on any increase or decrease in the value of shares of the Corporation or Derivative Instruments, if any, as of the date of the notice, including (without limitation) any such interests that members of each such Party's immediate family sharing the same household holds

(which information set forth in this subsection (A)(x) shall be updated and supplemented by each Party (1) not later than five business days after the record date for notice of the meeting to disclose such ownership as of such record date, and (2) not later than eight business days prior to the date of the meeting in order to disclose such ownership as of the date that is 10 business days prior to the date of the meeting);

- (y) any other information relating to each Party that would be required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filings required to be made in connection with solicitations of proxies for, as applicable, the proposal and/or for the election of directors in a contested election pursuant to Section 14 of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder; and
- (z) a statement whether or not each Party will deliver a proxy statement and form of proxy to holders of, in the case of a proposal, at least the percentage of voting power of all of the

shares of capital stock of the Corporation required under applicable law to carry the proposal or, in the case of a nomination or nominations, at least the percentage of voting power of all of the shares of capital stock of the Corporation that the record stockholder or beneficial holder, as the case may be, reasonably believes to be sufficient to elect the nominee or nominees proposed to be nominated by the record stockholder (the statement, a "Solicitation Statement");

- (B) if the notice relates to any business that the stockholder proposes to bring before the meeting, set forth:
 - (x) a brief description of the business that the stockholder desires to bring before the meeting, the text of the proposal or business (including the text of any resolutions proposed for consideration and if the business includes a proposal to amend these By-Laws, the text of the proposed amendment), the reasons for conducting the business at the meeting and any material interest of each Party in the business; and
 - (y) a description of all agreements, arrangements and understandings between each Party, and any other person or persons (including their names) in connection with the proposal of the business by the stockholder; and
- (C) set forth, as to each person, if any, whom the stockholder proposes to nominate for election or reelection to the Board of Directors:
 - (x) all information relating to the person that would be required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filings required to be made in connection with solicitations of proxies for election of directors in a contested election pursuant to Section 14 of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder (including the person's written consent to being named in the proxy statement as a nominee and to serving as a director if elected); and
 - (y) a description of all direct and indirect compensation and other material monetary agreements, arrangements and understandings during the past three years, and any other material relationships, between or among each Party, on the one hand, and each proposed nominee, and his or her respective affiliates and associates, or others acting in concert therewith, on the other hand, including, without limitation all information that would be required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 404 promulgated under Regulation S-K if each Party was the "registrant" for purposes of the rule and the nominee were a director or executive officer of the registrant.

For purposes of these By-Laws, a "Stockholder Associated Person" of any stockholder means:

- (1) any "affiliate" or "associate" (as those terms are defined in Rule 12b-2 under the Exchange Act) of the stockholder that owns beneficially or of record any capital stock or other securities of the Corporation and
- (2) any person acting in concert with the stockholder or any affiliate or associate of the stockholder with respect to the capital stock or other securities of the Corporation.

(iv) Any proposed nominee shall:

- (A) complete, sign and return to the Corporation a questionnaire, in a form the Corporation provides, relating to the background and qualification of the person and the background of any other person or entity on whose behalf the nomination being made; and
- (B) sign and return a written representation and agreement, in a form the Corporation provides, that the person:
 - (x) is not and will not become a party to (I) any agreement, arrangement or understanding with, and has not given any commitment or assurance to, any person or entity as to how the person, if elected as a director of the Corporation, will act or vote on any issue or question (a "Voting Commitment") that has not been disclosed to the Corporation or (II) any Voting Commitment that could limit or interfere with the person's ability to comply, if elected as a director of the Corporation, with the person's fiduciary duties under applicable law;
 - (y) is not and will not become a party to any agreement, arrangement or understanding with any person or entity other than the Corporation with respect to any direct or indirect compensation, reimbursement or indemnification in connection with service or action as a director that has not been disclosed in the representation and agreement; and
 - (z) in the person's individual capacity and on behalf of any person or entity on whose behalf the nomination is being made, would be in compliance, if elected as a director of the Corporation, and will comply with all applicable publicly disclosed corporate governance, conflict of interest, confidentiality and stock ownership and trading policies and guidelines of the Corporation.

In addition, the Corporation may require any proposed nominee to furnish other information as it may reasonably require to determine the eligibility of the proposed nominee to serve as a director of the Corporation. The Corporation may also require any proposed nominee to furnish other information as the Corporation may reasonably require to determine the eligibility of the proposed nominee to serve as an independent director of the Corporation or that could be material to a reasonable stockholder's understanding of the independence, or lack thereof, of the nominee.

In addition, a stockholder seeking to bring an item of business before the annual meeting shall promptly provide any other information the Corporation reasonably requests. A person shall not be eligible for election or re-election as a director at an annual meeting unless

- (1) a record stockholder nominates the person in accordance with Section 10(a)(i)(C) of this Article II or
- (2) the Board of Directors nominates or directs the nomination of the person. Only the business brought before the meeting in accordance with the procedures set forth in this section shall be conducted at an annual meeting of stockholders.
- (v) Notwithstanding anything in Section (10)(a)(ii) of this Article II to the contrary, if the number of directors to be elected to the Board of Directors at an annual meeting is increased and the Corporation does not make a public announcement naming the nominees for the additional directorships at least 100 days prior to the first anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting, a stockholder's notice required by this Section 10(a) of this Article II shall also be considered timely, but only with respect to nominees for the additional directorships, if it shall be delivered to the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not later than the close of business on the tenth day following the day on which the Corporation first makes the public announcement.
- (b) <u>Special Meetings of Stockholders</u>. All business to be conducted at a special meeting of stockholders must be brought before the meeting pursuant to the Corporation's notice of meeting. Stockholders may make nominations of persons for election to the Board of Directors at a special meeting of stockholders at which directors are to be elected pursuant to the Corporation's notice of meeting:
 - (i) by or at the direction of the Board of Directors; or
 - (ii) if the Board of Directors has determined that directors shall be elected at the meeting, by any stockholder of the Corporation who is a stockholder of record at the time the notice provided for in this Section is delivered to the Secretary, who is entitled to vote at the meeting and at the election and who delivers a written notice to the Secretary setting forth the information set forth in Section 10(a)(iii) of this Article II.

If the Corporation calls a special meeting of stockholders for the purpose of electing one or more directors to the Board of Directors, the stockholder may nominate a person or persons (as the case may be) for election to the position(s) as specified in the Corporation's notice of meeting, if the stockholder's notice required by the preceding sentence with respect to any nomination is timely. To be timely, the stockholder must deliver the notice to the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not earlier than the close of business on the later of the 90th day prior to the date of the special meeting or, if the first public announcement of the date of the special meeting is less than 100 days prior to the date of the special meeting, the 10th day following the day on which public announcement is first made of the date of the special meeting and of the nominees proposed by the Board of Directors to be elected at the meeting. In no event shall any adjournment or postponement of a special meeting or the announcement of any adjournment or postponement commence a new time period for the giving of a stockholder's notice as described above.

(c) General.

- (i) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 10 of this Article II, a stockholder who seeks to have any proposal included in the Corporation's proxy materials must provide notice as required by and otherwise comply with the applicable requirements of the rules and regulations under the Exchange Act. Nothing in this Section 10 of this Article II shall be deemed to affect any rights
 - (A) of stockholders to request inclusion of proposals or nominations in the Corporation's proxy statement pursuant to applicable rules and regulations promulgated under the Exchange Act; or
 - (B) of the holders of any series of preferred stock to elect directors pursuant to any applicable provisions of the Restated Certificate of Incorporation.
- (ii) The chairman of an annual meeting shall determine all matters relating to the conduct of the meeting, including, but not limited to, determining whether any nomination or item of business has been properly brought before the meeting in accordance with these By-Laws, and if the chairman should so determine and declare that any nomination or item of business has not been properly brought before an annual or special meeting, then the business shall not be transacted at the meeting and the nomination shall be disregarded.
- (iii) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 10 of this Article II, if the stockholder (or a qualified representative of the stockholder) does not appear at the annual or special meeting of stockholders of the Corporation to present a nomination or item of business, the proposed business shall not be transacted and the

nomination shall be disregarded, notwithstanding that the Corporation may have received proxies in respect of the vote. For purposes of this Section 10(c)(iii) of this Article II, to be considered a qualified representative of the stockholder, a person must:

- (A) be a duly authorized officer, manager or partner of the stockholder; or
- (B) be authorized by a writing executed by the stockholder or an electronic transmission delivered by the stockholder to act for the stockholder as proxy at the meeting of stockholders and produce the writing or electronic transmission, or a reliable reproduction of the writing or electronic transmission, at the meeting of stockholders.

SECTION 11. No Action by Written Consent. Any action required or permitted to be taken at any annual or special meeting of stockholders of the Corporation may be taken only upon the vote of the stockholders at an annual or special meeting duly called and may not be taken by written consent of the stockholders.

SECTION 12. Inspectors. The Board of Directors may, in advance of any meeting of stockholders, appoint one or more inspectors to act at the meeting or any reconvened meeting. If any of the inspectors so appointed shall fail to appear or act, the chairman of the meeting may, or if inspectors shall not have been appointed, the chairman of the meeting may, appoint one or more inspectors. Each inspector, before entering upon the discharge of his duties, shall take and sign an oath to faithfully execute the duties of inspector at the meeting with strict impartiality and according to the best of his ability. The inspectors shall determine the number of shares of capital stock of the Corporation outstanding and the voting power of each, the number of shares represented at the meeting, the existence of a quorum, and the validity and effect of proxies, and shall receive votes, ballots or consents, hear and determine all challenges and questions arising in connection with the right to vote, count and tabulate all votes, ballots or consents, determine the results, certify those determinations and do those acts as are otherwise required by law or as are proper to conduct the election or vote with fairness to all stockholders. On request of the chairman of the meeting, the inspectors shall make a report in writing of any challenge, request or matter determined by them and shall execute a certificate of any fact found by them. Inspectors may, but do not need to, be individuals who serve the Corporation in other capacities, including as officers, employees, agents or representatives; provided that no director or candidate for the office of director shall act as an inspector of an election of directors. Inspectors need not be stockholders.

ARTICLE III

Board of Directors

SECTION 1. <u>General Powers</u>. The Board of Directors shall manage, or direct the management of, the business and affairs of the Corporation. The Board of Directors may exercise all such authority and powers of the Corporation and do all such lawful acts and things that are not directed or required by law or the Restated Certificate of Incorporation to be exercised or done by the stockholders.

SECTION 2. <u>Number</u>. The Board of Directors shall be not less than three (3) nor more than fifteen (15) directors, the exact number of which shall be fixed, from time to time, by resolution adopted by the affirmative vote of a majority of the entire Board of Directors then in office. Directors need not be stockholders.

SECTION 3. Election and Term.

- (a) Except as statute, the Restated Certificate of Incorporation, or these By-Laws otherwise provide, all of the directors will be elected annually at the annual meeting of stockholders.
- (b) Each director shall hold office until the director's successor shall have been elected and qualified, subject to the director's earlier death, resignation or removal, as provided in these By-Laws or the Restated Certificate of Incorporation.
- SECTION 4. <u>Resignations</u>. Any director of the Corporation may resign at any time by giving written notice of his or her resignation to the Corporation. The resignation shall take effect at the time specified in the notice of resignation or, if the effective time of the resignation is not specified in the notice, immediately upon the Corporation's receipt of the notice. Unless otherwise specified in the notice, the acceptance of the notice of resignation shall not be necessary to make the resignation effective.
- SECTION 5. <u>Removal of Directors</u>. Any director may be removed in the manner provided by law and in accordance with the Restated Certificate of Incorporation.
- SECTION 6. <u>Vacancies and Newly Created Directorships</u>. Any vacancy or newly created directorship in the Board of Directors, however resulting, may be filled in the manner provided in and to the extent permitted under the Restated Certificate of Incorporation.
- SECTION 7. <u>Place of Meetings</u>. The Board of Directors may meet at the place or places, within or without the State of Delaware, as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine or as shall be specified in the notice of any such meeting.
- SECTION 8. <u>Regular Meetings</u>. The Board of Directors shall hold regular meetings at the time and place as the Board of Directors may fix or as may be specified in a notice of meeting. Notice of regular meetings of the Board of Directors need not be given except as otherwise required by statute or these By-Laws.

SECTION 9. Special Meetings. The Board of Directors may hold special meetings at any time if the meeting is called by:

- (a) the Chairman of the Board of Directors;
- (b) the Chief Executive Officer;
- (c) two or more directors of the Corporation; or
- (d) one director if there is only a single director in office.

SECTION 10. Notice of Meetings. Notice of regular meetings of the Board of Directors need not be given except as otherwise required by statute or these By-Laws. Notice of each special meeting of the Board of Directors (and of each regular meeting for which notice shall be required) shall be given at least 24 hours before each special meeting, in writing, by electronic transmission or orally (either in person or by telephone), including the time, date and place of the meeting. Any director may waive notice of any meeting in a signed writing or by an electronic transmission that is filed with the minutes or corporate records. Any director who is present at a meeting (in person or by telephone) shall be conclusively presumed to have waived notice of the meeting except when the director attends for the express purpose of objecting at the beginning of the meeting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. Neither notice of a meeting nor a waiver of a notice need specify the purposes of, or the business to be transacted at, the meeting.

SECTION 11. Quorum and Manner of Acting. A majority of the entire Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Directors. For an action of the Board of Directors to be taken at a meeting to be valid, directors that constitute a quorum must be present at the time that the vote on the action is taken. In the absence of a quorum at any meeting of the Board of Directors, a majority of the directors present thereat may adjourn the meeting until a quorum is present, and no further notice of the reconvened meeting need be given other than by announcement at the meeting which shall be so adjourned. The vote of a majority of the total number of directors present at the meeting at which there is a quorum shall determine all matters, except as the Restated Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws otherwise provide or as law requires.

SECTION 12. <u>Organization</u>. At each meeting of the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board, if one has been elected, or, in the absence of the Chairman of the Board or if one shall not have been elected, the Chief Executive Officer (or, in his absence, another director chosen by a majority of the directors present) shall act as chairman of the meeting and preside at the meeting. The Secretary or, in his absence, any person appointed by the chairman, shall act as secretary of the meeting and keep the minutes of the meeting.

SECTION 13. <u>Compensation</u>. The Board of Directors shall have authority to fix or establish policies for the compensation, including fees and reimbursement of expenses, for services that the directors provide to the Corporation.

SECTION 14. Committees. The Board of Directors may designate one or more committees, including an executive committee, consisting of one or more of the directors of the Corporation. The Board of Directors may designate one or more directors as alternate members of any committee, who may replace any absent or disqualified member at any meeting of the committee. Except to the extent restricted by statute or the Restated Certificate of Incorporation, each committee, to the extent permitted by Section 141(c)(2) of the DGCL and provided in the resolution creating it, shall have and may exercise all the powers and authority of the Board of Directors; but no committee shall have the power or authority to:

- (a) approve, adopt or recommend to the stockholders any action or matter expressly required by Delaware law to be submitted to the stockholders for approval; or
 - (b) adopt, amend or repeal any By-Law of the Corporation.

SECTION 15. Action by Consent. Unless restricted by the Restated Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws, any action required or permitted to be taken by the Board of Directors or any committee of the Board of Directors may be taken without a meeting if all members of the Board of Directors or the committee, as the case may be, consent to the action in writing or by electronic transmission, and the writing or writings or electronic transmission or transmissions (or paper reproductions of them) are filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the Board of Directors or the committee, as the case may be. The filing shall be in paper form if the minutes are maintained in paper form and shall be in electronic form if the minutes are maintained in electronic form.

SECTION 16. <u>Telephonic Meeting</u>. Any one or more members of the Board of Directors or any committee of the Board of Directors may participate in a meeting of the Board of Directors or the committee by means of a conference call or using any communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other. Participation by such means shall constitute presence in person at a meeting.

SECTION 17. <u>Electronic Transmission</u>. To the fullest extent permitted by law, any action permitted to be taken in writing pursuant to these By-Laws may also be taken by electronic transmission; *provided*, that for the avoidance of doubt, any action required to be taken by a stockholder or Stockholder Associated Person under Section 10 of Article II of these By-Laws may not be taken by electronic transmission.

ARTICLE IV

Officers

SECTION 1. <u>Number and Qualifications</u>. The Board of Directors shall elect the officers of the Corporation, which shall include a Chief Executive Officer, a President, one or more Vice Presidents, and a Secretary. The Board of Directors may also select other officers as it may deem to be necessary or appropriate, including a Chairman, a Chief Financial Officer, a Chief Accounting Officer, a General Counsel, a Treasurer, one or more Assistant Secretaries and one or more Assistant Treasurers. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person, and no officer except the Chairman of the Board need be a director. Each officer shall hold office until his successor shall have been duly elected, or until his death, or until he shall have resigned or have been removed, as hereinafter provided in these By-Laws.

SECTION 2. <u>Resignations</u>. Any officer of the Corporation may resign at any time by giving written notice of his resignation to the Corporation. The resignation shall take effect at the time specified in the notice of resignation or, if the effective time of the resignation is not specified in the notice, immediately upon the Corporation's receipt of the notice. Unless otherwise specified in the notice, the acceptance of the notice of resignation shall not be necessary to make the resignation effective.

SECTION 3. Removal. The Board of Directors may remove any officer of the Corporation, with or without cause, at any time.

- SECTION 4. <u>Chairman of the Board</u>. The Chairman of the Board, if one is elected, shall preside at meetings of the Board of Directors or the stockholders. The Chairman shall have the powers and duties customarily and usually associated with the office of the Chairman of the Board of Directors and shall perform such other duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time assign to him or her. The same individual may serve as both Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer.
- SECTION 5. <u>Chief Executive Officer</u>. The Chief Executive Officer shall, in the absence of the Chairman of the Board, if available and present, preside at each meeting of the Board of Directors or the stockholders. The Chief Executive Officer shall have the powers and duties customarily and usually associated with the position of Chief Executive Officer and those other powers and duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time assign to him or her.
- SECTION 6. <u>President</u>. The President shall have the powers and duties customarily and usually associated with the office of the President and those other powers and duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time assign to him or her. The Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer and the President may be the same person.
- SECTION 7. <u>Vice-President</u>. Each Vice-President shall have those powers and perform those duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time assign to him or her. The Board of Directors may name Executive Vice Presidents or Senior Vice Presidents or otherwise establish different categories of vice presidents.
- SECTION 8. <u>Secretary</u>. The Secretary shall have the powers and duties as are customarily and usually associated with the position of Secretary or as the Board of Directors, the Chairman of the Board of Directors or the Chief Executive Officer may from time to time assign to him or her.
- SECTION 9. <u>General Counsel</u>. The General Counsel shall have the powers and duties customarily and usually associated with the office of the General Counsel and the other powers and duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time be assigned to him or her.
- SECTION 10. Other Officers. The Chief Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Administrative Officer, Chief Accounting Officer, Chief Information Officer, Chief Compliance Officer, Treasurer, Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers, if any, and any other officers shall perform the duties as the Board of Directors may from time to time assign.
- SECTION 11. <u>Delegation of Authority</u>. The Board of Directors may from time to time delegate the powers or duties of any officer to any other officers or agents, notwithstanding any provision hereof.

ARTICLE V

Capital Stock

SECTION 1. <u>Issuance of Stock</u>. Unless otherwise voted by stockholders and subject to the provisions of the Restated Certificate of Incorporation and the DGCL, the whole or any part of any unissued balance of the authorized capital stock of the Corporation or the whole or any part of any unissued balance of the authorized capital stock of the Corporation held in its treasury may be issued, sold, transferred or otherwise disposed of by vote of the Board of Directors in the manner, for the consideration and on the terms as the Board of Directors may determine.

SECTION 2. <u>Stock Certificates</u>. Certificates shall represent the stock of the Corporation, *provided* that the Board of Directors of the Corporation may provide by resolution or resolutions that some or all of any or all classes or series of its stock shall be uncertificated shares. Any such resolution shall not apply to shares represented by a certificate until the certificate is surrendered to the Corporation. Every holder of stock represented by certificates shall be entitled to have a certificate signed by, or in the name of the Corporation by the Chairman of the Board, or the President or Vice President, and by the Treasurer or an Assistant Treasurer, or the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the Corporation.

SECTION 3. <u>Facsimile Signatures</u>. Any or all of the signatures on a certificate may be a facsimile. In case any officer, transfer agent or registrar who has signed or whose facsimile signature has been placed upon a certificate shall have ceased to be that officer, transfer agent or registrar before the certificate is issued, it may be issued by the Corporation with the same effect as if he were that officer, transfer agent or registrar at the date of issue.

SECTION 4. <u>Lost Certificates</u>. The Corporation shall not issue certificates for shares of stock in the Corporation in place of any certificate alleged to have been lost, stolen or destroyed, except upon production of such evidence of the loss, theft or destruction and, if the Board of Directors so requests, upon delivery to the Corporation of a bond of indemnity in the amount, upon the terms and secured by the surety, as the Board of Directors in its discretion may require.

SECTION 5. <u>Transfers of Stock</u>. Transfers of stock shall be made on the books of the Corporation by the holder of the shares in person or by the holder's attorney upon surrender and cancellation of certificates for a like number of shares, or as law otherwise provides with respect to uncertificated shares.

SECTION 6. Fixing the Record Date. In order that the Corporation may determine the stockholders entitled:

- (a) to notice of and to vote at any meeting of stockholders;
- (b) to express consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting (to the extent permitted by the Restated Certificate of Incorporation and By-Laws);
- (c) to receive payment of any dividend or other distribution or allotment of any rights;
- (d) to exercise any rights in respect of any change, conversion or exchange of stock; or
- (e) for the purpose of any other lawful action;

the Board of Directors may establish, in advance, a record date. Any record date to determine the stockholders entitled to notice of a meeting of stockholders shall not be more than 60 nor less than 10 days before the date of the meeting and, if the Board of Directors so fixes such a date, that date shall also be the record date for determining the stockholders entitled to vote at that meeting unless the Board of Directors determines, at the time it fixes the record date, that a later date on or before the meeting shall be the date for making the determination. Any record date for purposes of any other action described above shall be fixed or determined in accordance with applicable law.

If no record date is fixed, the record date for determining stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote at a meeting of stockholders shall be at the close of business on the day before the day on which notice is given, or, if notice is waived, at the close of business on the day before the day on which the meeting is held. If no record date is fixed, the record date for determining stockholders for any other purpose shall be determined in accordance with applicable law.

A determination of stockholders of record entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of stockholders shall apply to any adjournment of the meeting; provided that the Board of Directors may fix a new record date for the reconvened meeting.

SECTION 7. Registered Stockholders. The books of the Corporation shall include the names and addresses of the holders of record of the shares of stock of the Corporation's capital, together with the number of shares of each class and series held by each record holder and the date of issue of those shares. The Corporation shall be entitled to recognize the exclusive right of a person registered on its records as the owner of shares of stock as the person entitled to exercise the rights of a stockholder, including to receive dividends and to vote as the owner. The Corporation shall not be bound to recognize any equitable or other claim to or interest in the share or shares of stock on the part of any other person, whether or not it shall have express or other notice of the claim, except as the laws of Delaware otherwise provide.

SECTION 8. <u>Dividends</u>. Subject to applicable law and the Restated Certificate of Incorporation, the Board of Directors may, out of funds legally available for dividends at any regular or special meeting, declare dividends upon the capital stock of the Corporation as and when it deems expedient. Dividends may be paid in cash, in property or in shares of stock of the Corporation, unless statute or the Restated Certificate of Incorporation otherwise provide. Before declaring any dividend there may be set apart out of any funds of the Corporation available for dividends, a sum or sums as the directors from time to time in their discretion deem proper for working capital or as a reserve fund to meet contingencies or for equalizing dividends or for such other purposes as the directors shall deem conducive to the interests of the Corporation.

SECTION 9. <u>Transfer Agents and Registrars</u>. The Board of Directors may appoint, or authorize any officer or officers to appoint, one or more transfer agents and one or more registrars.

SECTION 10. <u>Regulations</u>. The Board of Directors may make additional rules and regulations, not inconsistent with these By-Laws, as it may deem expedient concerning the issue, transfer and registration of certificates for shares of stock or with respect to uncertificated shares of stock of the Corporation.

ARTICLE VI

Indemnification

SECTION 1. Right to Indemnification.

- (a) Each person who was or is made a party or is threatened to be made a party to or is otherwise involved in any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (hereinafter a "proceeding"), by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director or an officer of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer or trustee of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, including service with respect to an employee benefit plan (hereinafter an "indemnitee"), whether the basis of the proceeding is alleged action in an official capacity as a director, officer or trustee or in any other capacity while serving as a director, officer or trustee, shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Corporation to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL, as the same exists or may hereafter be amended (but, in the case of any such amendment, only to the extent that the amendment permits the Corporation to provide broader indemnification rights than the law permitted the Corporation to provide prior to the amendment), against all expense, liability and loss (including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines, ERISA excise taxes or penalties and amounts paid in settlement) reasonably incurred or suffered by the indemnitee in connection therewith; *provided* that, except as provided in Section 3 of this Article VI with respect to proceedings to enforce rights to indemnification, the Corporation shall indemnify any such indemnitee in connection with a proceeding (or part of that proceeding) initiated by the indemnitee only if the proceeding (or part thereof) was authorized by the Board of Directors of the Corporation. Any person serving as a director, officer or trustee of a corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, at least 50% of whose equity interests are owned directly or indirectly by the Corporation, shall be conclusively presumed to be serving in that capacity at the request of the C
- (b) Each person who was or is made a party or is threatened to be made a party to or is involved in any proceeding by reason of the fact that he or she (or a person for whom he or she is the legal representative) is or was licensed to practice law and an employee (including an employee who is or was an officer) of the Corporation or any of its direct or indirect wholly owned subsidiaries ("Counsel") and, while acting in the course of that employment committed or is alleged to have committed any negligent acts, errors or omissions in rendering professional legal services at the request of the Corporation or pursuant to his or her employment (including, without limitation, rendering written or oral legal opinions to third parties) shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Corporation to the fullest extent authorized by the DGCL, as the same exists or may hereafter be amended (but, in the case of any such amendment, only to the extent that amendment permits the Corporation to provide broader indemnification rights than said law permitted the Corporation to provide prior to that amendment) against all expenses, liability and loss (including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines or penalties and amounts paid or to be paid in settlement) reasonably incurred or suffered by Counsel in connection therewith; *provided* that to the extent any such expenses, liabilities or losses are covered by insurance, other than insurance maintained by the Corporation, the Corporation shall be required to indemnify and hold harmless the Counsel only to the extent that those expenses, liabilities or losses are not covered by such insurance.

SECTION 2. <u>Right to Advancement of Expenses</u>. In addition to the right to indemnification conferred in Section 1 of this Article VI, an indemnitee shall also have the right to be paid by the Corporation the expenses (including attorney's fees) incurred in defending any such proceeding in advance of its final disposition (hereinafter an "advancement of expenses"); *provided* that, if the DGCL requires, an advancement of expenses incurred by an indemnitee in his or her capacity as a director, officer or Counsel (and not in any other capacity in which service was or is rendered by the indemnitee, including, without limitation, service to an employee benefit plan) shall be made only upon delivery to the Corporation of an undertaking (hereinafter an "undertaking"), by or on behalf of the indemnitee, to repay all amounts so advanced if it shall ultimately be determined by final judicial decision from which there is no further right to appeal (hereinafter a "final adjudication") that the indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified for expenses under this Section 2 of this Article VI or otherwise.

SECTION 3. <u>Right of Indemnitee to Bring Suit</u>. If a claim under Section 1 or 2 of this Article VI is not paid in full by the Corporation within 60 days after a written claim has been received by the Corporation, except in the case of a claim for an advancement of expenses, in which case the applicable period shall be 20 days, the indemnitee may at any time thereafter bring suit against the Corporation to recover the unpaid amount of the claim. If successful in whole or in part in any such suit, or in a suit brought by the Corporation to recover an advancement of expenses pursuant to the terms of an undertaking, the indemnitee shall be entitled to be paid also the expense of prosecuting or defending the suit. In:

- (a) any suit brought by the indemnitee to enforce a right to indemnification hereunder (but not in a suit brought by the indemnitee to enforce a right to an advancement of expenses) it shall be a defense that, and
- (b) any suit brought by the Corporation to recover an advancement of expenses pursuant to the terms of an undertaking, the Corporation shall be entitled to recover expenses upon a final adjudication that,

the indemnitee has not met any applicable standard for indemnification set forth in the DGCL. Neither the failure of the Corporation (including its directors who are not parties to the action, a committee of those directors, independent legal counsel, or its stockholders) to have made a determination prior to the commencement of the suit that indemnification of the indemnitee is proper in the circumstances because the indemnitee has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in the DGCL, nor an actual determination by the Corporation (including its directors who are not parties to the action, a committee of those directors, independent legal counsel, or its stockholders) that the indemnitee has not met the applicable standard of conduct or, in the case of a suit brought by the indemnitee, be a defense to that suit. In any suit brought by the indemnitee to enforce a right to indemnification or to an advancement of expenses hereunder, or brought by the Corporation to recover an advancement of expenses pursuant to the terms of an undertaking, the burden of proving that the indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified, or to advancement of expenses, under this Article VI or otherwise shall be on the Corporation.

SECTION 4. Non-Exclusivity of Rights.

- (a) The rights to indemnification and to the advancement of expenses conferred in this Article VI shall not be exclusive of any other right which any person may have or hereafter acquire under any statute, the Restated Certificate of Incorporation, these By-laws, agreement, vote of stockholders or directors or otherwise.
- (b) As between the Corporation and any other person or entity (other than an entity directly or indirectly controlled by the Corporation) who provides indemnification to the indemnitees for their service to, or on behalf of, the Corporation (collectively, the "secondary indemnitors") the Corporation:
 - (i) shall be the full indemnitor of first resort in respect of indemnification or advancement of expenses in connection with any jointly indemnifiable claims (as defined below), pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of this Article VI, irrespective of any right of indemnification, advancement of expenses or other right of recovery any indemnitee may have from any secondary indemnitor or any right to insurance coverage that any indemnitee may have under any insurance policy issued to any secondary indemnitor (i.e., the Corporation's obligations to those indemnitees are primary and any obligation of any secondary indemnitor, or any insurer of any secondary indemnitor, to advance expenses or to provide indemnification or insurance coverage for the same loss or liability incurred by those indemnitees is secondary to the Corporation's obligations);
 - (ii) shall be required to advance the full amount of expenses incurred by any such indemnitee and shall be liable for the full amount of all liability and loss suffered by the indemnitee (including, but not limited to, expenses (including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees and expenses), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by the indemnitee in connection with the Proceeding), without regard to any rights any such indemnitee may have against any secondary indemnitor or against any insurance carrier providing insurance coverage to that indemnitee under any insurance policy issued to a secondary indemnitor; and
 - (iii) irrevocably waives, relinquishes and releases each secondary indemnitor from any and all claims against that secondary indemnitor for contribution, subrogation or any other recovery of any kind in respect those claims.

The Corporation shall indemnify each secondary indemnitor directly for any amounts that the secondary indemnitor pays as indemnification or advancement on behalf of any such indemnitee and for which the indemnitee may be entitled to indemnification from the Corporation in

connection with jointly indemnifiable claims. No right of indemnification, advancement of expenses or other right of recovery that an indemnitee may have from any secondary indemnitor shall reduce or otherwise alter the rights of the indemnitee or the obligations of the Corporation hereunder. No advancement or payment by any secondary indemnitor on behalf of any such indemnitee with respect to any claim for which the indemnitee has sought indemnification from the Corporation shall affect the foregoing and the secondary indemnitors shall be subrogated to the extent of that advancement or payment to all of the rights of recovery of the indemnitee against the Corporation. Each indemnitee shall execute all papers reasonably required and shall do all things that may be reasonably necessary to secure the rights of the indemnitee's secondary indemnitors under this Section 4(b) of this Article VI, including the execution of those documents as may be necessary to enable the secondary indemnitors effectively to bring suit to enforce those rights, including in the right of the Corporation. Each of the secondary indemnitors shall be third-party beneficiaries with respect to, and shall be entitled to enforce, this Section 4(b) of this Article VI. As used in this Section 4(b) of this Article VI, the term "jointly indemnifiable claims" shall be broadly construed and shall include, without limitation, any action, suit, proceeding or other matter for which an indemnitee shall be entitled to indemnification, reimbursement, advancement of expenses or insurance coverage from both a secondary indemnitor (or an insurance carrier providing insurance coverage to any secondary indemnitor) and the Corporation, whether pursuant to the DGCL (or other applicable law in the case of any secondary indemnitor), any agreement or certificate of incorporation, bylaws, partnership agreement, operating agreement, certificate of formation, certificate of limited partnership or comparable organizational documents of the Corporation or the secondary i

SECTION 5. <u>Insurance</u>. The Corporation may maintain insurance, at its expense, to protect itself and any director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any expense, liability or loss, whether or not the Corporation would have the power to indemnify that person against that expense, liability or loss under the DGCL.

SECTION 6. <u>Indemnification of Employees and Agents of the Corporation</u>. The Corporation may, to the extent authorized from time to time by the Board of Directors, grant rights to indemnification and to the advancement of expenses to any employee or agent of the Corporation to the fullest extent of the provisions of this Article VI with respect to the indemnification and advancement of expenses of directors and officers of the Corporation.

SECTION 7. <u>Constituent Corporations</u>. For purposes of this Article VI, references to "the Corporation" shall include, in addition to the resulting corporation, any constituent corporation (including any constituent of a constituent) absorbed into the Corporation in a consolidation or merger if the corporation would have been permitted (if its corporate existence had continued) under applicable law to indemnify its directors, officers, employees or agents, so that any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the constituent corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the constituent corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, shall stand in the same position under the provisions of this Article VI with respect to the resulting or surviving corporation as the person would have with respect to the constituent corporation if its separate existence had continued.

SECTION 8. Nature of Rights. The rights conferred upon indemnitees in this Article VI shall be contract rights and those rights shall continue as to an indemnitee who has ceased to be a director, officer, trustee or Counsel and shall inure to the benefit of the indemnitee's heirs, executors and administrators. Any amendment, alteration or repeal of this Article VI that adversely affects any right of an indemnitee or its successors shall be prospective only and shall not limit or eliminate any such right with respect to any proceeding involving any occurrence or alleged occurrence of any action or omission to act that took place prior to the amendment or repeal.

ARTICLE VII

General Provisions

- SECTION 1. Seal. The seal of the Corporation shall be in the form as shall be approved by the Board of Directors.
- SECTION 2. <u>Fiscal Year</u>. The Board of Directors, by resolution, shall fix the fiscal year of the Corporation. Once fixed, the Board of Directors may change the fiscal year by resolution.
- SECTION 3. <u>Checks, Notes, Drafts, Etc.</u> All checks, notes, drafts or other orders for the payment of money of the Corporation shall be signed, endorsed or accepted in the name of the Corporation by the officer, officers, person or persons as from time to time may be designated by the Board of Directors or by an officer or officers authorized by the Board of Directors to make that designation.
- SECTION 4. Execution of Contracts. The Board of Directors may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents, in the name and on behalf of the Corporation, to enter into or execute and deliver any and all deeds, bonds, mortgages, contracts and other obligations or instruments, and the authority may be general or confined to specific instances.
- SECTION 5. <u>Reliance upon Books, Reports and Records</u>. Each director, each member of any committee designated by the Board of Directors and each officer shall, in the performance of his or her duties, be fully protected in relying in good faith upon the books and records of the Corporation and upon the information, opinions, reports or statements presented to the Corporation by any of its officers, agents or employees, or committees of the Board of Directors so designated, or by any other person or entity as to matters which the director, committee member or officer reasonably believes are within the other person's or entity's professional or expert competence and that has been selected with reasonable care by or on behalf of the Corporation.
- SECTION 6. <u>Certificate of Incorporation</u>. All references in these By-Laws to the Restated Certificate of Incorporation shall be deemed to refer to the Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation, as amended or restated and in effect from time to time.

SECTION 7. Evidence of Authority. A certificate by the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary as to any action taken by the stockholders, directors, a committee or any officer or representative of the Corporation shall, as to all persons who rely on the certificate in good faith, be conclusive evidence of that action.

SECTION 8. <u>Severability and Inconsistency</u>. Any determination that any provision of these By-Laws is for any reason inapplicable, illegal or ineffective shall not affect or invalidate any other provision of these By-Laws. If any provision of these By-Laws is or becomes inconsistent with any provision of the Restated Certificate of Incorporation, the DGCL or any other applicable law, the provision of these By-Laws shall not be given any effect to the extent of the inconsistency, but shall otherwise be given full force and effect.

SECTION 9. Notice and Waiver of Notice.

- (a) Whenever any notice is required by these By-Laws to be given to the stockholders, personal notice is not meant unless expressly so stated, and any notice so required shall be deemed to be sufficient if made in any manner permitted by law. Stockholders not entitled to vote shall not be entitled to receive notice of any meetings except as otherwise required by law.
- (b) Without limiting the manner by which notice otherwise may be given effectively to stockholders of the Corporation pursuant to the DGCL, the Restated Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws, any notice to stockholders of the Corporation given by the Corporation under any provision of the DGCL, the Restated Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws shall be effective if given by a form of electronic transmission consented to by the stockholder of the Corporation to whom the notice is given. Any such consent shall be deemed revoked if:
 - (i) the Corporation is unable to deliver by electronic transmission two (2) consecutive notices given by the Corporation in accordance with the consent; and
 - (ii) the inability becomes known to the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary of the Corporation or to the transfer agent or other person responsible for the giving of notice.

However, the inadvertent failure to treat the inability as a revocation shall not invalidate any meeting or other action. For purposes of these By-Laws, except as otherwise limited by applicable law, the term "electronic transmission" means any form of communication not directly involving the physical transmission of paper that creates a record that may be retained, retrieved and reviewed by a recipient of that communication, and that may be directly reproduced in paper form by the recipient through an automated process.

(c) Whenever notice is required to be given under any provisions of the DGCL, the Restated Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws, a written waiver of notice, signed by the stockholder entitled to notice, or a waiver by electronic transmission by the person or entity entitled to notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to notice. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any meeting of the stockholders of the Corporation need be specified in any waiver of notice of the meeting.

Attendance of a stockholder of the Corporation at a meeting of the stockholders shall constitute a waiver of notice of the meeting, except when the stockholder attends for the express purpose of objecting at the beginning of the meeting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.

SECTION 10. <u>Voting of Stock in Other Corporations</u>. Unless a resolution of the Board of Directors otherwise provides, the Chairman of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Operating Officer or the Chief Financial Officer, from time to time, may (or may appoint one or more attorneys or agents to) cast the votes which the Corporation may be entitled to cast as a shareholder or otherwise in any other corporation, any of whose shares or securities may be held by the Corporation, at meetings of the holders of the shares or other securities of the other corporation.

ARTICLE VIII

Amendments

SECTION 1. These By-Laws may be amended or repealed or new by-laws adopted:

- (a) if the Restated Certificate of Incorporation so provides, by the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors present at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors at which a quorum is present, or
- (b) when a quorum is present at any annual or special meeting of stockholders, by the vote of the holders of at least 75.0% of the voting power of the issued and outstanding stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereon.

Effective as of , 2012

[Amended and Restated By-Laws of MRC Global Inc.]

MRC Global Inc. 2 Houston Center 909 Fannin, Suite 3100 Houston, Texas 77010

Re:Registration Statement on Form S-1, File No. 333-178980

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel to MRC Global Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), in connection with the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (Registration No. 333-178980) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "<u>Commission</u>") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "<u>Securities Act</u>"), and as subsequently amended (the "<u>Registration Statement</u>"), relating to the registration of shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$.01 per share (the "<u>Common Stock</u>") with a maximum offering price of \$500,000,000. The Shares are proposed to be sold pursuant to an underwriting agreement (the "<u>Underwriting Agreement</u>") to be entered into among the Company and Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Barclays Capital Inc., as representatives of the underwriters named therein. With your permission, all assumptions and statements of reliance herein have been made without any independent investigation or verification on our part, except to the extent otherwise expressly stated, and we express no opinion with respect to the subject matter or accuracy of such assumptions or items relied upon.

In connection with this opinion, we have (i) investigated such questions of law, (ii) examined originals or certified, conformed or reproduction copies of such agreements, instruments, documents and records of the Company, such certificates of public officials and such other documents and (iii) received such information from officers and representatives of the Company as we have deemed necessary or appropriate for the purposes of this opinion.

In all such examinations, we have assumed the legal capacity of all natural persons, the genuineness of all signatures, the authenticity of original and certified documents and the conformity to original or certified documents of all copies submitted to us as conformed or reproduction copies. As to various questions of fact relevant to the opinion expressed herein, we have relied upon, and assume the accuracy of, certificates and oral or written statements and other information of or from public officials and officers and representatives of the Company.

Based upon the foregoing and subject to the limitations, qualifications and assumptions set forth herein, we are of the opinion that the Shares have been duly authorized and, when issued and delivered pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement against payment of the consideration set forth therein, will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

The opinion expressed herein is limited to the federal laws of the United States of America, the laws of the State of New York and, to the extent relevant to the opinion expressed

herein, the applicable provisions of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "<u>DGCL</u>") and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, in each case as currently in effect, and reported judicial decisions interpreting such provisions of the DGCL and the Constitution of the State of Delaware. The opinion expressed herein is limited to the matters stated herein and no opinion is implied or may be inferred beyond the matters expressly stated herein. We undertake no obligation to supplement this letter if any applicable laws change after the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or if we become aware of any facts that might change the opinion expressed herein after that date or for any other reason.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the references to this firm under the caption "Legal Matters" in the prospectus included therein. In giving this consent, we do not hereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP FRIED, FRANK, HARRIS, SHRIVER & JACOBSON LLP

REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT

by and between

PVF HOLDINGS LLC

and

MRC GLOBAL INC.

Dated as of [•], 2012

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This REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT is made as of [•], 2012, by and between MRC Global Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), and PVF Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("<u>PVF</u>").

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WHEREAS, the parties hereto wish to set forth certain rights and obligations with respect to the registration of the shares of common stock of the Company under the Securities Act; and

WHEREAS, the parties hereto are entering into this agreement in accordance with the terms of Section 12.9(c) of the Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of PVF, dated as of October 31, 2007, as amended (the "<u>LLC Agreement</u>").

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and of the mutual covenants and obligations hereinafter set forth, the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Certain Definitions</u>. As used herein, the following terms shall have the following meanings:
 - "Additional Piggyback Rights" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(b).
- "Affiliate" means, with respect to any Person, any other Person controlling, controlled by or under common control with such particular Person, where "control" means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct the management and policies of a Person whether through the ownership of voting securities, contract or otherwise; provided, however, that, for purposes hereof, neither the Company nor any Person controlled by the Company shall be deemed to be an Affiliate of any Holder.
- "Agreement" means this Registration Rights Agreement, as this agreement may be amended, modified, supplemented or restated from time to time after the date hereof.
 - "automatic shelf registration statement" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.4.
 - "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Company.
- "Business Day" shall mean any day ending at 11:59 p.m. (Eastern Time) other than a Saturday or Sunday or a day on which banks are required or authorized to close in the City of New York.
 - "Claims" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.9(a).
- "Common Equity" means the common equity securities of the Company and any and all securities of any kind whatsoever of the Company which may be issued after the date hereof in respect of, or in exchange for, such shares of common stock of the Company pursuant to a merger, consolidation, stock split, stock dividend or recapitalization of the Company or otherwise.

"Common Equity Equivalents" means all options, warrants and other securities

convertible into, or exchangeable or exercisable for (at any time or upon the occurrence of any event or contingency and without regard to any vesting or other conditions to which such securities may be subject) shares of Common Equity or other equity securities of the Company (including, without limitation, any note or debt security convertible into or exchangeable for Common Equity or other equity securities of the Company).

- "Company" has the meaning set forth in the preamble.
- "Demand Exercise Notice" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a)(i).
- "Demand Registration" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a)(i).
- "Demand Registration Request" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a)(i).
- "Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- "Expenses" means any and all fees and expenses incident to the Company's performance of or compliance with Article 2, including, without limitation: (i) SEC, stock exchange or FINRA registration and filing fees and all listing fees and fees with respect to the inclusion of securities on the New York Stock Exchange or on any other securities market on which the Common Equity is listed or quoted, (ii) fees and expenses of compliance with state securities or "blue sky" laws and in connection with the preparation of a "blue sky" survey, including, without limitation, reasonable fees and expenses of outside "blue sky" counsel, (iii) printing and copying expenses, (iv) messenger and delivery expenses, (v) expenses incurred in connection with any road show, (vi) fees and disbursements of counsel for the Company, (vii) with respect to each registration, the fees and disbursements of one counsel for the Participating Holder(s) (selected by the Majority Participating Holders), (viii) fees and disbursements of all independent public accountants (including the expenses of any audit and/or "cold comfort" letter and updates thereof) and fees and expenses of other Persons, including special experts, retained by the Company, (ix) fees and expenses payable to a Qualified Independent Underwriter, (x) any other fees and disbursements of underwriters, if any, customarily paid by issuers or sellers of securities and (xi) expenses for securities law liability insurance and, if any, rating agency fees.
 - "FINRA" means the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc.
- "<u>Holder</u>" or "<u>Holders</u>" means PVF, any Person who is a party to this Agreement or any transferee of Registrable Securities to whom any Person who is a party to this Agreement shall assign or transfer any rights hereunder, <u>provided</u> that such transferee has agreed in writing to be bound by this Agreement in respect of such Registrable Securities.
 - "Initiating Holder" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a)(i).
- "IPO" means the first underwritten public offering of the common stock of the Company to the general public pursuant to a registration statement filed with the SEC.
 - "Litigation" means any action, proceeding or investigation in any court or before any governmental authority.

- "LLC Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.
- "Majority Participating Holders" means Participating Holders holding more than 50% of the Registrable Securities proposed to be included in any offering of Registrable Securities by such Participating Holders pursuant to Section 2.1 or Section 2.2.
 - "Manager" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(c).
- "Participating Holders" means all Holders of Registrable Securities which are proposed to be included in any offering of Registrable Securities pursuant to Section 2.1 or Section 2.2.
 - "Partner Distribution" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a)(iii).
- "Person" means any individual, corporation (including not-for-profit), general or limited partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, estate, trust, association, organization, governmental entity or agency or other entity of any kind or nature.
 - "Piggyback Shares" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.3(a)(iii).
 - "Postponement Period" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(b).
 - "PVF" has the meaning set forth in the preamble.
- "PVF Distribution Date" means the date on which all of the shares of Common Equity held by PVF have been distributed or otherwise transferred to the holders of equity interests in PVF.
 - "Qualified Independent Underwriter" means a "qualified independent underwriter" within the meaning of FINRA Rule 5121.
- "Registrable Securities" means (a) any shares of Common Equity held by the Holders at any time (including those held as a result of the conversion or exercise of Common Equity Equivalents) and (b) any shares of Common Equity issued or issuable, directly or indirectly in exchange for or with respect to the Common Equity referenced in clause (a) above by way of stock dividend, stock split or combination of shares or in connection with a reclassification, recapitalization, merger, share exchange, consolidation or other reorganization. As to any particular Registrable Securities, such securities shall cease to be Registrable Securities when (A) a registration statement with respect to the sale of such securities shall have been declared effective under the Securities Act and such securities shall have been disposed of in accordance with such registration statement, or (B) such securities shall have been sold (other than in a privately negotiated sale) in compliance with the requirements of Rule 144 under the Securities Act, as such Rule 144 may be amended (or any successor provision thereto).
 - "Rule 144" and "Rule 144A" have the meaning set forth in Section 4.3.
 - "SEC" means the Securities and Exchange Commission.
 - "Section 2.3(a) Sale Number" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.3(a).

- "Section 2.3(b) Sale Number" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.3(b).
- "Section 2.3(c) Sale Number" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.3(c).
- "Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
- "Valid Business Reason" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(b).
- "WKSI" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.4.

2. Registration Rights.

2.1. Demand Registrations.

- (a) (i) Subject to Sections 2.1(b) and 2.3, at any time and from time to time after the closing of the IPO, PVF shall have the right to require the Company to file one or more registration statements under the Securities Act covering all or any part of its Registrable Securities by delivering a written request therefor to the Company specifying the number of Registrable Securities to be included in such registration and the intended method of distribution thereof. Any such request by PVF pursuant to this Section 2.1(a)(i) is referred to herein as a "Demand Registration Request," and the registration so requested is referred to herein as a "Demand Registration" (with respect to any Demand Registration, PVF shall be referred to herein as the "Initiating Holder"). As promptly as practicable, but no later than five (5) Business Days after receipt of a Demand Registration Request, the Company shall give written notice (the "Demand Exercise Notice") of such Demand Registration Request to all other Holders of record of Registrable Securities, if any.
- (ii) The Company, subject to Sections 2.3 and 2.6, shall include in a Demand Registration (x) the Registrable Securities of the Initiating Holder and (y) the Registrable Securities of any other Holder of Registrable Securities, if any, which shall have made a written request to the Company for inclusion in such registration pursuant to Section 2.2 (which request shall specify the maximum number of Registrable Securities intended to be disposed of by such Participating Holder) within twenty (20) days after the receipt of the Demand Exercise Notice (or fifteen (15) days if, at the request of the Initiating Holder, the Company states in such written notice or gives telephonic notice to all Holders, with written confirmation to follow promptly thereafter, that such registration will be on a Form S-3).
- (iii) The Company shall, as expeditiously as possible, but subject to Section 2.1(b), use its reasonable best efforts to (\underline{x}) effect such registration under the Securities Act (including, without limitation, by means of a shelf registration pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act if so requested and if the Company is then eligible to use such a registration) of the Registrable Securities which the Company has been so requested to register, for distribution in accordance with such intended method of distribution, including a distribution to, and resale by, the members or partners of a Holder (a "Partner Distribution") and (\underline{y}) if requested by PVF, obtain acceleration of the effective date of the registration statement relating to such registration.

(iv) Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the Company shall, at the request of any Holder seeking to effect a Partner Distribution, file any prospectus supplement or post-effective amendments and otherwise take any action necessary to include therein all disclosure and language deemed necessary or advisable by such Holder if such disclosure or language was not included in the initial registration statement, or revise such disclosure or language if deemed necessary or advisable by such Holder, to effect such Partner Distribution.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Section 2.1(a), the Demand Registration rights granted in Section 2.1(a) are subject to the following limitations: (i) the Company shall not be required to cause a registration pursuant to Section 2.1(a)(i) to be declared effective within a period of one hundred and eighty (180) days after the effective date of any other registration statement of the Company filed pursuant to the Securities Act; (ii) the Company shall not be required to effect more than six (6) Demand Registrations for PVF; and (iii) if the Board, in its good faith judgment, determines that any registration of Registrable Securities should not be made or continued because it would materially interfere with any material financing, acquisition, corporate reorganization or merger or other transaction or event involving the Company or any of its subsidiaries (a "Valid Business Reason"), then (x) the Company may postpone filing a registration statement relating to a Demand Registration Request until five (5) Business Days after such Valid Business Reason no longer exists, but in no event for more than three (3) months after the date the Board determines a Valid Business Reason exists and (y) in case a registration statement has been filed relating to a Demand Registration Request, if the Valid Business Reason has not resulted from actions taken by the Company, the Company may cause such registration statement to be withdrawn and its effectiveness terminated or may postpone amending or supplementing such registration statement until five (5) Business Days after such Valid Business Reason no longer exists, but in no event for more than three (3) months after the date the Board determines a Valid Business Reason exists (such period of postponement or withdrawal under this clause (iii), the "Postponement Period"); and the Company shall give written notice of its determination to postpone or withdraw a registration statement and of the fact that the Valid Business Reason for such postponement or withdrawal

If the Company shall give any notice of postponement or withdrawal of any registration statement pursuant to clause (iii) above, the Company shall not, during the period of postponement or withdrawal, register any Common Equity, other than pursuant to a registration statement on Form S-4 or S-8 (or an equivalent registration form then in effect). Each Holder of Registrable Securities agrees that, upon receipt of any notice from the Company that the Company has determined to withdraw any registration statement pursuant to clause (iii) above, such Holder will discontinue its disposition of Registrable Securities pursuant to such registration statement and, if so directed by the Company, will deliver to the Company (at the Company's expense) all copies, other than permanent file copies, then in such Holder's possession of the prospectus covering such Registrable Securities that was in effect at the time of receipt of such notice. If the Company shall have withdrawn or prematurely terminated a registration statement filed under Section 2.1(a)(i) (whether pursuant to clause (iii) above or as a result of any stop order, injunction or other order or requirement of the SEC or any other governmental agency or court), the Company shall not be considered to have effected an

effective registration for the purposes of this Agreement until the Company shall have filed a new registration statement covering the Registrable Securities covered by the withdrawn registration statement and such registration statement shall have been declared effective and shall not have been withdrawn. If the Company shall give any notice of withdrawal or postponement of a registration statement, the Company shall, not later than five (5) Business Days after the Valid Business Reason that caused such withdrawal or postponement no longer exists (but in no event later than three (3) months after the date of the postponement or withdrawal), use its reasonable best efforts to effect the registration under the Securities Act of the Registrable Securities covered by the withdrawn or postponed registration statement in accordance with this Section 2.1 (unless the Initiating Holder shall have withdrawn such request, in which case the Company shall not be considered to have effected an effective registration for the purposes of this Agreement), and such registration shall not be withdrawn or postponed pursuant to clause (iii) of Section 2.1(b) above.

(c) In connection with any Demand Registration, the Company shall have the right to designate the lead managing underwriter (any lead managing underwriter for the purposes of this Agreement, the "<u>Manager</u>") in connection with such registration and each other managing underwriter for such registration; <u>provided</u> that in each case, each such underwriter is reasonably satisfactory to PVF.

2.2. Piggyback Registrations.

(a) If, at any time after the IPO, the Company proposes or is required (pursuant to Section 2.1 or otherwise) to register any of its equity securities under the Securities Act (other than pursuant to registrations on Form S-4 or Form S-8 or any similar successor forms thereto), the Company shall give prompt written notice (in any event within five (5) Business Days after receipt of notice of any exercise of demand registration rights by any Person) of its intention to do so to each of the Holders of record of Registrable Securities. Upon the written request of any such Holder, made within twenty (20) days following the receipt of any such written notice (or fifteen (15) days if the Company states that such registration will be on a Form S-3) (which request shall specify the maximum number of Registrable Securities intended to be disposed of by such Holder and the intended method of distribution thereof), the Company shall, subject to Sections 2.2(c), 2.3 and 2.6 hereof, use its reasonable best efforts to cause all such Registrable Securities, the Holders of which have so requested the registration thereof, to be registered under the Securities Act with the securities which the Company at the time proposes to register to permit the sale or other disposition by the Holders (in accordance with the intended method of distribution thereof, which may include a Partner Distribution) of the Registrable Securities to be so registered, including, if necessary, by filing with the SEC a post-effective amendment or a supplement to the registration statement filed by the Company or the prospectus related thereto pursuant to a Form 8-K. There is no limitation on the number of such piggyback registrations pursuant to the preceding sentence which the Company is obligated to effect. No registration of Registrable Securities effected under this Section 2.2(a) shall relieve the Company of its obligations to effect Demand Registrations under Section 2.1 hereof.

- (b) The Company, subject to Sections 2.3 and 2.6, may elect to include in any registration statement and offering pursuant to demand registration rights by any Person, (i) authorized but unissued shares of Common Equity or shares of Common Equity held by the Company as treasury shares and (ii) any other shares of Common Equity which are requested to be included in such registration pursuant to the exercise of piggyback registration rights granted by the Company after the date hereof and which are not inconsistent with the rights granted in, or otherwise conflict with the terms of, this Agreement ("Additional Piggyback Rights"); provided, however, that such inclusion shall be permitted only to the extent that it is pursuant to, and subject to, the terms of the underwriting agreement or arrangements, if any, entered into by the Initiating Holder.
- (c) If, at any time after giving written notice of its intention to register any equity securities and prior to the effective date of the registration statement filed in connection with such registration, the Company shall determine for any reason not to register or to delay registration of such equity securities, the Company may, at its election, give written notice of such determination to all Holders of record of Registrable Securities and (i) in the case of a determination not to register, shall be relieved of its obligation to register any Registrable Securities in connection with such abandoned registration, without prejudice, however, to the rights of Holders under Section 2.1, and (ii) in the case of a determination to delay such registration of its equity securities, shall be permitted to delay the registration of such Registrable Securities for the same period as the delay in registering such other equity securities.
- (d) Any Holder shall have the right to withdraw its request for inclusion of its Registrable Securities in any registration statement pursuant to this Section 2.2 by giving written notice to the Company of its request to withdraw; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that (<u>i</u>) such request must be made in writing prior to the earlier of the execution of the underwriting agreement or the execution of the custody agreement with respect to such registration and (<u>ii</u>) such withdrawal shall be irrevocable and, after making such withdrawal, a Holder shall no longer have any right to include Registrable Securities in the registration as to which such withdrawal was made.
- (e) Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the Company shall, at the request of any Holder (including to effect a Partner Distribution), file any prospectus supplement or post-effective amendments and otherwise take any action necessary to include therein all disclosure and language deemed necessary or advisable by such Holder if such disclosure or language was not included in the initial registration statement, or revise such disclosure or language if deemed necessary or advisable by such Holder.

2.3. Allocation of Securities Included in Registration Statement.

- (a) If any requested registration made pursuant to Section 2.1 involves an underwritten offering and the Manager of such offering shall advise the Company that, in its view, the number of securities requested to be included in such registration by the Holders of Registrable Securities, the Company or any other Persons exercising Additional Piggyback Rights exceeds the largest number (the "Section 2.3(a) Sale Number") that can be sold in an orderly manner in such registration within a price range acceptable to the Majority Participating Holders, the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to include in such registration:
- (i) first, all Registrable Securities requested to be included in such registration by the Holders thereof (including pursuant to the exercise of piggyback rights pursuant to Section 2.2); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that if the number of such Registrable Securities exceeds the Section 2.3(a) Sale Number, the number of such Registrable Securities (not to exceed the Section 2.3(a) Sale Number) to be included in such registration shall be allocated on a pro rata basis among all Holders requesting that Registrable Securities be included in such registration, based on the number of Registrable Securities then owned by each such Holder requesting inclusion in relation to the number of Registrable Securities owned by all Holders requesting inclusion;

- (ii) second, to the extent that the number of Registrable Securities to be included pursuant to clause (i) of this Section 2.3(a) is less than the Section 2.3(a) Sale Number, any securities that the Company proposes to register, up to the Section 2.3(a) Sale Number; and
- (iii) third, to the extent that the number of Registrable Securities to be included pursuant to clauses (i) and (ii) of this Section 2.3(a) is less than the Section 2.3(a) Sale Number, the remaining Registrable Securities to be included in such registration shall be allocated on a pro rata basis among all Persons requesting that securities be included in such registration pursuant to the exercise of Additional Piggyback Rights ("Piggyback Shares"), based on the aggregate number of Piggyback Shares owned by all Persons requesting inclusion, up to the Section 2.3(a) Sale Number.

Notwithstanding anything in this Section 2.3(a) to the contrary, no employee shareholder of the Company will be entitled to include Registrable Securities in a registration requested by PVF pursuant to Section 2.1 to the extent the Manager of such offering shall determine in good faith that the participation of such employee shareholder would adversely affect the marketability of the securities being sold by the Initiating Holder in such registration.

- (b) If any registration made pursuant to Section 2.2 involves an underwritten primary offering on behalf of the Company after the date hereof and the Manager (as selected by the Company) shall advise the Company that, in its view, the number of securities requested to be included in such registration exceeds the number (the "Section 2.3(b) Sale Number") that can be sold in an orderly manner in such registration within a price range acceptable to the Company, the Company shall include in such registration:
 - (i) first, all equity securities that the Company proposes to register for its own account;
- (ii) second, to the extent that the number of Registrable Securities to be included pursuant to clause (i) of this Section 2.3(b) is less than the Section 2.3(b) Sale Number, the remaining Registrable Securities to be included in such registration shall be allocated on a pro rata basis among all Holders requesting that Registrable Securities be included in such registration pursuant to the exercise of piggyback rights pursuant to Section 2.2, based on the aggregate number of Registrable Securities then owned by each such Holder requesting inclusion in relation to the aggregate number of Registrable Securities owned by all Holders requesting inclusion, up to the Section 2.3(b) Sale Number; and

- (iii) third, to the extent that the number of Registrable Securities to be included pursuant to clauses (i) and (ii) of this Section 2.3(b) is less than the Section 2.3(b) Sale Number, the remaining Registrable Securities to be included in such registration shall be allocated on a pro rata basis among all Persons requesting that securities be included in such registration pursuant to the exercise of Additional Piggyback Rights, based on the aggregate number of Piggyback Shares then owned by each Person requesting inclusion in relation to the aggregate number of Piggyback Shares owned by all Persons requesting inclusion, up to the Section 2.3(b) Sale Number.
- (c) If any registration pursuant to Section 2.2 involves an underwritten offering that was initially requested by any Person(s) other than a Holder to whom the Company has granted registration rights which are not inconsistent with the rights granted in, or otherwise conflict with the terms of, this Agreement and the Manager (as selected by the Company or such other Person) shall advise the Company that, in its view, the number of securities requested to be included in such registration exceeds the number (the "Section 2.3(c) Sale Number") that can be sold in an orderly manner in such registration within a price range acceptable to the Company, the Company shall include in such registration:
- (i) first, the shares requested to be included in such registration shall be allocated on a pro rata basis among such Person(s) requesting the registration and all Holders requesting that Registrable Securities be included in such registration pursuant to the exercise of piggyback rights pursuant to Section 2.2, based on the aggregate number of securities or Registrable Securities, as applicable, then owned by each of the foregoing requesting inclusion in relation to the aggregate number of securities or Registrable Securities, as applicable, owned by all such Holders and Persons requesting inclusion, up to the Section 2.3(c) Sale Number:
- (ii) second, to the extent that the number of Registrable Securities to be included pursuant to clause (i) of this Section 2.3(c) is less than the Section 2.3(c) Sale Number, the remaining shares to be included in such registration shall be allocated on a pro rata basis among all Persons requesting that securities be included in such registration pursuant to the exercise of Additional Piggyback Rights, based on the aggregate number of Piggyback Shares then owned by each Person requesting inclusion in relation to the aggregate number of Piggyback Shares owned by all Persons requesting inclusion, up to the Section 2.3(c) Sale Number; and
- (iii) third, to the extent that the number of securities to be included pursuant to clauses (i) and (ii) of this Section 2.3(c) is less than the Section 2.3(c) Sale Number, the remaining shares to be included in such registration shall be allocated to shares the Company proposes to register for its own account, up to the Section 2.3(c) Sale Number.
- (d) If, as a result of the proration provisions set forth in clauses (a), (b) or (c) of this Section 2.3, any Holder shall not be entitled to include all Registrable Securities in a registration that such Holder has requested be included, such Holder may elect to withdraw such Holder's request to include Registrable Securities in such registration or may reduce the number requested to be included; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that (<u>x</u>) such request must be made in writing prior to the earlier of the execution of the underwriting agreement or the execution of the custody agreement with respect to such registration and (<u>y</u>) such withdrawal or reduction shall be irrevocable and, after making such withdrawal or reduction, such Holder shall no longer have any right to include Registrable Securities in the registration as to which such withdrawal or reduction was made to the extent of the Registrable Securities so withdrawn or reduced.

- 2.4. <u>Registration Procedures</u>. If and whenever the Company is required by the provisions of this Agreement to use its reasonable best efforts to effect or cause the registration of any Registrable Securities under the Securities Act as provided in this Agreement, the Company shall, as expeditiously as possible (but, in any event, within sixty (60) days after a Demand Registration Request in the case of Section 2.4(a) below):
- (a) prepare and file with the SEC a registration statement on an appropriate registration form of the SEC for the disposition of such Registrable Securities in accordance with the intended method of disposition thereof (including, without limitation, a Partner Distribution), which registration form (i) shall be selected by the Company and (ii) shall, in the case of a shelf registration, be available for the sale of the Registrable Securities by the selling Holders thereof and such registration statement shall comply as to form in all material respects with the requirements of the applicable registration form and include all financial statements required by the SEC to be filed therewith, and the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to cause such registration statement to become effective and remain continuously effective for such period as any Participating Holder pursuant to such registration statement shall request (provided, however, that before filing a registration statement or prospectus or any amendments or supplements thereto, or comparable statements under securities or state "blue sky" laws of any jurisdiction, or any free writing prospectus related thereto, the Company will furnish to one counsel for the Holders participating in the planned offering (selected by the Majority Participating Holders) and to one counsel for the Manager, if any, copies of all such documents proposed to be filed (including all exhibits thereto), which documents will be subject to the reasonable review and reasonable comment of such counsel, and the Company shall not file any registration statement or amendment thereto, any prospectus or supplement thereto or any free writing prospectus related thereto to which the Majority Participating Holders or the underwriters, if any, shall reasonably object);
- (b) (i) prepare and file with the SEC such amendments and supplements to such registration statement and the prospectus used in connection therewith as may be necessary to keep such registration statement continuously effective for such period as any Participating Holder pursuant to such registration statement shall request and to comply with the provisions of the Securities Act with respect to the sale or other disposition of all Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement in accordance with the intended methods of disposition by the seller or sellers thereof set forth in such registration statement and (ii) provide notice to such sellers of Registrable Securities and the Manager, if any, of the Company's reasonable determination that a post-effective amendment to a registration statement would be appropriate;
- (c) furnish, without charge, to each Participating Holder and each underwriter, if any, of the securities covered by such registration statement such number of copies of such registration statement, each amendment and supplement thereto (in each case including all exhibits), the prospectus included in such registration statement (including each preliminary prospectus and any summary prospectus) and any other prospectus filed under Rule 424 under the Securities Act, each free writing prospectus utilized in connection therewith, in each case, in conformity with the requirements of the Securities Act, and other documents, as such seller and

underwriter may reasonably request in order to facilitate the public sale or other disposition of the Registrable Securities owned by such seller (the Company hereby consenting to the use in accordance with all applicable law of each such registration statement (or amendment or post-effective amendment thereto) and each such prospectus (or preliminary prospectus or supplement thereto) or free writing prospectus by each such Participating Holder and the underwriters, if any, in connection with the offering and sale of the Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement or prospectus);

(d) use its reasonable best efforts to register or qualify the Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement under such other securities or state "blue sky" laws of such jurisdictions as any sellers of Registrable Securities or any managing underwriter, if any, shall reasonably request in writing, and do any and all other acts and things which may be reasonably necessary or advisable to enable such sellers or underwriter, if any, to consummate the disposition of the Registrable Securities in such jurisdictions (including keeping such registration or qualification in effect for so long as such registration statement remains in effect), except that in no event shall the Company be required to qualify to do business as a foreign corporation in any jurisdiction where it would not, but for the requirements of this paragraph (d), be required to be so qualified, to subject itself to taxation in any such jurisdiction or to consent to general service of process in any such jurisdiction;

(e) promptly notify each Participating Holder and each managing underwriter, if any: (i) when the registration statement, any pre-effective amendment, the prospectus or any prospectus supplement related thereto, any post-effective amendment to the registration statement or any free writing prospectus has been filed and, with respect to the registration statement or any post-effective amendment, when the same has become effective; (ii) of any request by the SEC or state securities authority for amendments or supplements to the registration statement or the prospectus related thereto or for additional information; (iii) of the issuance by the SEC of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of the registration statement or the initiation of any proceedings for that purpose; (iv) of the receipt by the Company of any notification with respect to the suspension of the qualification of any Registrable Securities for sale under the securities or state "blue sky" laws of any jurisdiction or the initiation of any proceeding for such purpose; (v) of the existence of any fact of which the Company becomes aware which results in the registration statement or any amendment thereto, the prospectus related thereto or any supplement thereto, any document incorporated therein by reference, any free writing prospectus or the information conveyed to any purchaser at the time of sale to such purchaser containing an untrue statement of a material fact or omitting to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make any statement therein not misleading; and (vi) if at any time the representations and warranties contemplated by any underwriting agreement, securities sale agreement, or other similar agreement, relating to the offering shall cease to be true and correct in all material respects; and, if the notification relates to an event described in clause (v), the Company shall promptly prepare and furnish to each such seller and each underwriter, if any, a reasonable number of copies of a prospectus supplem

- (f) comply (and continue to comply) with all applicable rules and regulations of the SEC (including, without limitation, maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(f)) in accordance with the Exchange Act), and make generally available to its security holders, as soon as reasonably practicable after the effective date of the registration statement (and in any event within forty-five (45) days, or ninety (90) days if it is a fiscal year, after the end of such twelve month period described hereafter), an earnings statement (which need not be audited) covering the period of at least twelve (12) consecutive months beginning with the first day of the Company's first calendar quarter after the effective date of the registration statement, which earnings statement shall satisfy the provisions of Section 11(a) of the Securities Act and Rule 158 thereunder;
- (g) (i) ($\underline{\Lambda}$) cause all such Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement to be listed on the principal securities exchange on which similar securities issued by the Company are then listed (if any), if the listing of such Registrable Securities is then permitted under the rules of such exchange, or (\underline{B}) if no similar securities are then so listed, to cause all such Registrable Securities to be listed on a national securities exchange and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, take all actions that may be required by the Company as the issuer of such Registrable Securities in order to facilitate the managing underwriter's arranging for the registration of at least two market makers as such with respect to such shares with FINRA, and (\underline{i}) comply (and continue to comply) with the requirements of any self-regulatory organization applicable to the Company, including without limitation all corporate governance requirements;
- (h) provide and cause to be maintained a transfer agent and registrar for all such Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement not later than the effective date of such registration statement;
- (i) enter into such customary agreements (including, if applicable, an underwriting agreement) and take such other actions as the Majority Participating Holders or the underwriters shall reasonably request in order to expedite or facilitate the disposition of such Registrable Securities (it being understood that the Holders of the Registrable Securities which are to be distributed by any underwriters shall be parties to any such underwriting agreement and may, at their option, require that the Company make to and for the benefit of such Holders the representations, warranties and covenants of the Company which are being made to and for the benefit of such underwriters);
- (j) use its reasonable best efforts (i) to obtain an opinion from the Company's counsel and a "cold comfort" letter and updates thereof from the Company's independent public accountants who have certified the Company's financial statements included or incorporated by reference in such registration statement, in each case, in customary form and covering such matters as are customarily covered by such opinions and "cold comfort" letters (including, in the case of such "cold comfort" letter, events subsequent to the date of such financial statements) delivered to underwriters in underwritten public offerings, which opinion and letter shall be dated the dates such opinions and "cold comfort" letters are customarily dated and otherwise reasonably satisfactory to the underwriters, if any, and to the Majority Participating Holders, and (ii) furnish to each Holder participating in the offering and to each underwriter, if any, a copy of such opinion and letter;

- (k) deliver promptly to counsel for each Participating Holder and to each managing underwriter, if any, copies of all correspondence between the SEC and the Company, its counsel or auditors and all memoranda relating to discussions with the SEC or its staff with respect to the registration statement, and, upon receipt of such confidentiality agreements as the Company may reasonably request, make reasonably available for inspection by counsel for each Participating Holder, by counsel for any underwriter, participating in any disposition to be effected pursuant to such registration statement and by any accountant or other agent retained by any Participating Holder or any such underwriter, all pertinent financial and other records, pertinent corporate documents and properties of the Company, and cause all of the Company's officers, directors and employees to supply all information reasonably requested by any such counsel for a Participating Holder, counsel for an underwriter, accountant or agent in connection with such registration statement;
- (l) use its reasonable best efforts to obtain the prompt withdrawal of any order suspending the effectiveness of the registration statement, or the prompt lifting of any suspension of the qualification of any of the Registrable Securities for sale in any jurisdiction;
 - (m) provide a CUSIP number for all Registrable Securities, not later than the effective date of the registration statement;
- (n) use its reasonable best efforts to make available its employees and personnel for participation in "road shows" and other marketing efforts and otherwise provide reasonable assistance to the underwriters (taking into account the needs of the Company's businesses and the requirements of the marketing process) in marketing the Registrable Securities in any underwritten offering;
- (o) prior to the filing of any document which is to be incorporated by reference into the registration statement or the prospectus (after the initial filing of such registration statement), and prior to the filing of any free writing prospectus, provide copies of such document to counsel for each Participating Holder and to each managing underwriter, if any, and make the Company's representatives reasonably available for discussion of such document and make such changes in such document concerning the Participating Holders prior to the filing thereof as counsel for the Participating Holders or underwriters may reasonably request;
- (p) furnish to counsel for each Participating Holder and to each managing underwriter, without charge, at least one signed copy of the registration statement and any post-effective amendments or supplements thereto, including financial statements and schedules, all documents incorporated therein by reference, the prospectus contained in such registration statement (including each preliminary prospectus and any summary prospectus), any other prospectus filed under Rule 424 under the Securities Act and all exhibits (including those incorporated by reference) and any free writing prospectus utilized in connection therewith;

- (q) cooperate with the Participating Holders and the managing underwriter, if any, to facilitate the timely preparation and delivery of certificates not bearing any restrictive legends representing the Registrable Securities to be sold, and cause such Registrable Securities to be issued in such denominations and registered in such names in accordance with the underwriting agreement at least three (3) Business Days prior to any sale of Registrable Securities to the underwriters or, if not an underwritten offering, in accordance with the instructions of the Participating Holders at least three (3) Business Days prior to any sale of Registrable Securities and instruct any transfer agent and registrar of Registrable Securities to release any stop transfer orders in respect thereof;
- (r) take no direct or indirect action prohibited by Regulation M under the Exchange Act; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that to the extent that any prohibition is applicable to the Company, the Company will take such action as is necessary and feasible to make any such prohibition inapplicable;
- (s) use its reasonable best efforts to cause the Registrable Securities covered by the applicable registration statement to be registered with or approved by such other governmental agencies or authorities as may be necessary to enable the Participating Holders or the underwriters, if any, to consummate the disposition of such Registrable Securities;
- (t) take all such other commercially reasonable actions as are necessary or advisable in order to expedite or facilitate the disposition of such Registrable Securities;
- (u) take all reasonable action to ensure that any free writing prospectus utilized in connection with any registration covered by Section 2.1 or 2.2 complies in all material respects with the Securities Act, is filed in accordance with the Securities Act to the extent required thereby, is retained in accordance with the Securities Act to the extent required thereby and, when taken together with the related prospectus, will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; and
- (v) in connection with any underwritten offering, if at any time the information conveyed to a purchaser at the time of sale includes any untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, promptly file with the SEC such amendments or supplements to such information as may be necessary so that the statements as so amended or supplemented will not, in light of the circumstances, be misleading.

To the extent the Company is a well-known seasoned issuer (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act) (a "WKSI") at the time any Demand Registration Request is submitted to the Company, and such Demand Registration Request requests that the Company file an automatic shelf registration statement (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act) (an "automatic shelf registration statement") on Form S-3, the Company shall file an automatic shelf registration statement which covers those Registrable Securities which are requested to be registered. The Company shall use its commercially reasonable best efforts to remain a WKSI (and not become an ineligible issuer (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act)) during the period during which such automatic shelf registration statement is required to remain effective. If the Company does not pay the filing fee covering the Registrable Securities at the time the automatic shelf registration statement is filed, the Company agrees to pay such fee at such time

or times as the Registrable Securities are to be sold. If the automatic shelf registration statement has been outstanding for at least three (3) years, at the end of the third year the Company shall refile a new automatic shelf registration statement covering the Registrable Securities. If at any time when the Company is required to re-evaluate its WKSI status the Company determines that it is not a WKSI, the Company shall use its commercially reasonable best efforts to refile the shelf registration statement on Form S-3 and, if such form is not available, Form S-1 and keep such registration statement effective during the period during which such registration statement is required to be kept effective.

If the Company files any shelf registration statement for the benefit of the holders of any of its securities other than the Holders, the Company agrees that it shall include in such registration statement such disclosures as may be required by Rule 430B under the Securities Act (referring to the unnamed selling security holders in a generic manner by identifying the initial offering of the securities to the Holders) in order to ensure that the Holders may be added to such shelf registration statement at a later time through the filing of a prospectus supplement rather than a post-effective amendment.

The Company may require as a condition precedent to the Company's obligations under this Section 2.4 that each Participating Holder as to which any registration is being effected furnish the Company such information regarding such seller and the distribution of such securities as the Company may from time to time reasonably request provided that such information is necessary for the Company to consummate such registration and shall be used only in connection with such registration.

Each Holder of Registrable Securities agrees that upon receipt of any notice from the Company of the happening of any event of the kind described in clause (v) of paragraph (e) of this Section 2.4, such Holder will discontinue such Holder's disposition of Registrable Securities pursuant to the registration statement covering such Registrable Securities until such Holder's receipt of the copies of the supplemented or amended prospectus contemplated by paragraph (e) of this Section 2.4 and, if so directed by the Company, will deliver to the Company (at the Company's expense) all copies, other than permanent file copies, then in such Holder's possession of the prospectus covering such Registrable Securities that was in effect at the time of receipt of such notice. In the event the Company shall give any such notice, the applicable period mentioned in paragraph (b) of this Section 2.4 shall be extended by the number of days during such period from and including the date of the giving of such notice to and including the date when each Participating Holder covered by such registration statement shall have received the copies of the supplemented or amended prospectus contemplated by paragraph (e) of this Section 2.4.

If any such registration statement or comparable statement under state "blue sky" laws refers to any Holder by name or otherwise as the Holder of any securities of the Company, then such Holder shall have the right to require (i) the insertion therein of language, in form and substance satisfactory to such Holder and the Company, to the effect that the holding by such Holder of such securities is not to be construed as a recommendation by such Holder of the investment quality of the Company's securities covered thereby and that such holding does not imply that such Holder will assist in meeting any future financial requirements of the Company, or (ii) in the event that such reference to such Holder by name or otherwise is not in the judgment of the Company, as advised by counsel, required by the Securities Act or any similar federal statute or any state "blue sky" or securities law then in force, the deletion of the reference to such Holder.

2.5. Registration Expenses.

- (a) The Company shall pay all Expenses with respect to any registration of Registrable Securities pursuant to this Article 2, whether or not a registration statement becomes effective.
- (b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, (<u>x</u>) the provisions of this Section 2.5 shall be deemed amended to the extent necessary to cause these expense provisions to comply with state "blue sky" laws of each state in which the offering is made and (<u>y</u>) in connection with any registration hereunder, each Participating Holder shall pay all underwriting discounts and commissions and any transfer taxes, if any, attributable to the sale of such Registrable Securities, pro rata with respect to payments of discounts and commissions in accordance with the number of shares sold in the offering by such Participating Holder.
- 2.6. <u>Certain Limitations on Registration Rights</u>. In the case of any registration under Section 2.1 pursuant to an underwritten offering, or, in the case of a registration under Section 2.2, if the Company has determined to enter into an underwriting agreement in connection therewith, all securities to be included in such registration shall be subject to such underwriting agreement and no Person may participate in such registration unless such Person (<u>i</u>) agrees to sell such Person's securities on the basis provided therein and completes and executes all reasonable questionnaires, and other documents (including custody agreements and powers of attorney) which must be executed in connection therewith; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that all such documents shall be consistent with the provisions hereof and (<u>ii</u>) provides such other information to the Company or the underwriter as may be necessary to register such Person's securities.

2.7. Limitations on Sale or Distribution of Other Securities.

(a) Each Holder agrees, (i) to the extent requested in writing by a managing underwriter, if any, of any registration effected pursuant to Section 2.1, not to sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of, including any sale pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act, any Common Equity, or any other equity security of the Company or any security convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for any equity security of the Company (other than as part of such underwritten public offering) during the time period reasonably requested by the managing underwriter, not to exceed ninety (90) days plus an extension period, which shall be no longer than 17 days, as may be reasonably requested by the managing underwriter to address FINRA regulations regarding the publishing of research, or such shorter period as the Company or any executive officer or director of the Company shall agree to (and the Company hereby also so agrees (except that the Company may effect any sale or distribution of any such securities pursuant to a registration on Form S-4 (if reasonably acceptable to such managing underwriter) or Form S-8, or any successor or similar form which is (x) then in effect or (y) shall become effective upon the conversion, exchange or exercise of any then outstanding Common Equity Equivalent), to use its reasonable best efforts to cause each holder of any equity security or any security convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for any equity security of the Company

purchased from the Company at any time other than in a public offering so to agree), and (<u>ii</u>) to the extent requested in writing by a managing underwriter of any underwritten public offering effected by the Company for its own account, not to sell any Common Equity (other than as part of such underwritten public offering) during the time period reasonably requested by the managing underwriter, which period shall not exceed ninety (90) days plus an extension period, which shall be no longer than 17 days, as may be reasonably requested by the managing underwriter to address FINRA regulations regarding the publishing of research, or such shorter period as the Company or any executive officer or director of the Company shall agree to.

- (b) The Company hereby agrees that, if it shall previously have received a request for registration pursuant to Section 2.1 or 2.2, and if such previous registration shall not have been withdrawn or abandoned, the Company shall not sell, transfer, or otherwise dispose of, any Common Equity, or any other equity security of the Company or any security convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for any equity security of the Company (other than as part of such underwritten public offering, a registration on Form S-4 or Form S-8 or any successor or similar form which is (\underline{x}) then in effect or (\underline{y}) shall become effective upon the conversion, exchange or exercise of any then outstanding Common Equity Equivalent), until a period of ninety (90) days plus an extension period, which shall be no longer than 17 days, as may be reasonably requested by the managing underwriter to address FINRA regulations regarding the publishing of research, shall have elapsed from the effective date of such previous registration; and the Company shall (\underline{i}) so provide in any registration rights agreements hereafter entered into with respect to any of its securities and (\underline{i}) use its reasonable best efforts to cause each holder of any equity security or any security convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for any equity security of the Company purchased from the Company at any time other than in a public offering to so agree.
- 2.8. No Required Sale. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to create an independent obligation on the part of any Holder to sell any Registrable Securities pursuant to any effective registration statement.

2.9. Indemnification.

(a) In the event of any registration of any securities of the Company under the Securities Act pursuant to this Article 2, the Company will, and hereby agrees to, and hereby does, indemnify and hold harmless, to the fullest extent permitted by law, each Participating Holder, its directors, officers, fiduciaries, employees, stockholders, members or general and limited partners (and the directors, officers, fiduciaries, employees, stockholders, members or general and limited partners thereof), each other Person who participates as a seller (and its directors, officers, fiduciaries, employees, stockholders, members or general and limited partners), underwriter or Qualified Independent Underwriter, if any, in the offering or sale of such securities, each officer, director, employee, stockholder, fiduciary, managing director, agent, affiliate, consultant, representative, successor, assign or partner of such underwriter or Qualified Independent Underwriter, and each other Person, if any, who controls such seller or any such underwriter or Qualified Independent Underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act, from and against any and all losses, claims, damages or liabilities, joint or several, actions or proceedings (whether commenced or threatened) and expenses (including reasonable fees of counsel and any amounts paid in any settlement effected with the Company's consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed) to which each such indemnified party

may become subject under the Securities Act or otherwise in respect thereof (collectively, "Claims"), insofar as such Claims arise out of or are based upon (i) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any registration statement under which such securities were registered under the Securities Act or the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, (ii) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any preliminary, final or summary prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto, together with the documents incorporated by reference therein, or any free writing prospectus utilized in connection therewith, or the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, or (iii) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact in the information conveyed by the Company to any purchaser at the time of the sale to such purchaser, or the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein, or (<u>iv</u>) any violation by the Company of any federal, state or common law rule or regulation applicable to the Company and relating to action required of or inaction by the Company in connection with any such registration, and the Company will reimburse any such indemnified party for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending any such Claim as such expenses are incurred; provided, however, that the Company shall not be liable to any such indemnified party in any such case to the extent such Claim arises out of or is based upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or omission or alleged omission of a material fact made in such registration statement or amendment thereof or supplement thereto or in any such prospectus or any preliminary, final or summary prospectus or free writing prospectus in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by or on behalf of such indemnified party specifically for use therein. Such indemnity and reimbursement of expenses shall remain in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of such indemnified party and shall survive the transfer of such securities by such seller.

(b) Each Participating Holder (and, if the Company requires as a condition to including any Registrable Securities in any registration statement filed in accordance with Section 2.1 or 2.2, any underwriter and Qualified Independent Underwriter, if any) shall, severally and not jointly, indemnify and hold harmless (in the same manner and to the same extent as set forth in paragraph (a) of this Section 2.9) to the extent permitted by law the Company, its officers and directors, each Person controlling the Company within the meaning of the Securities Act and all other prospective sellers and their directors, officers, stockholders, fiduciaries, managing directors, agents, affiliates, consultants, representatives, successors, assigns or general and limited partners and respective controlling Persons with respect to any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of any material fact in, or omission or alleged omission of any material fact from, such registration statement, any preliminary, final or summary prospectus contained therein, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or any free writing prospectus utilized in connection therewith, if such statement or alleged statement or omission or alleged omission was made in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company or its representatives by or on behalf of such Participating Holder or underwriter or Qualified Independent Underwriter, if any, specifically for use therein and reimburse such indemnified party for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred in connection with investigating or defending any such Claim as such expenses are incurred;

provided, however, that the aggregate amount which any such Participating Holder shall be required to pay pursuant to this Section 2.9(b) and Sections 2.9(c) and (e) shall in no case be greater than the amount of the net proceeds received by such Participating Holder upon the sale of the Registrable Securities pursuant to the registration statement giving rise to such Claim. The Company and each Participating Holder hereby acknowledge and agree that, unless otherwise expressly agreed to in writing by such Participating Holders to the contrary, for all purposes of this Agreement, the only information furnished or to be furnished to the Company for use in any such registration statement, preliminary, final or summary prospectus or amendment or supplement thereto or any free writing prospectus are statements specifically relating to (a) the beneficial ownership of shares of Common Equity by such Participating Holder and its Affiliates and (b) the name and address of such Participating Holder. If any additional information about such Holder or the plan of distribution (other than for an underwritten offering) is required by law to be disclosed in any such document, then such Holder shall not unreasonably withhold its agreement referred to in the immediately preceding sentence. Such indemnity and reimbursement of expenses shall remain in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of such indemnified party and shall survive the transfer of such securities by such Holder.

(c) Indemnification similar to that specified in the preceding paragraphs (a) and (b) of this Section 2.9 (with appropriate modifications) shall be given by the Company and each Participating Holder with respect to any required registration or other qualification of securities under any applicable securities and state "blue sky" laws.

(d) Any Person entitled to indemnification under this Agreement shall notify promptly the indemnifying party in writing of the commencement of any action or proceeding with respect to which a claim for indemnification may be made pursuant to this Section 2.9, but the failure of any indemnified party to provide such notice shall not relieve the indemnifying party of its obligations under the preceding paragraphs of this Section 2.9, except to the extent the indemnifying party is materially and actually prejudiced thereby and shall not relieve the indemnifying party from any liability which it may have to any indemnified party otherwise than under this Article 2. In case any action or proceeding is brought against an indemnified party and it shall notify the indemnifying party of the commencement thereof, the indemnifying party shall be entitled to participate therein and, unless in the reasonable opinion of outside counsel to the indemnified party a conflict of interest between such indemnified and indemnifying parties may exist in respect of such claim, to assume the defense thereof jointly with any other indemnifying party similarly notified, to the extent that it chooses, with counsel reasonably satisfactory to such indemnified party, and after notice from the indemnifying party to such indemnified party that it so chooses, the indemnifying party shall not be liable to such indemnified party for any legal or other expenses subsequently incurred by such indemnified party in connection with the defense thereof other than reasonable costs of investigation; provided, however, that (i) if the indemnifying party fails to take reasonable steps necessary to defend diligently the action or proceeding within twenty (20) days after receiving notice from such indemnified party that the indemnifying party reasonably shall have concluded that there may be one or more legal or equitable defenses available to such indemnified party which are not available to the indemnifying party or which may conflict with those available t

respect to such Claim; or (\underline{iii}) if representation of both parties by the same counsel is otherwise inappropriate under applicable standards of professional conduct, then, in any such case, the indemnified party shall have the right to assume or continue its own defense as set forth above (but with no more than one firm of counsel for all indemnified parties in each jurisdiction, except to the extent any indemnified party or parties reasonably shall have made a conclusion described in clause (ii) or (iii) above) and the indemnifying party shall be liable for any expenses therefor. No indemnifying party shall, without the written consent of the indemnified party, effect the settlement or compromise of, or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to, any pending or threatened action or claim in respect of which indemnification or contribution may be sought hereunder (whether or not the indemnified party is an actual or potential party to such action or claim) unless such settlement, compromise or judgment (\underline{A}) includes an unconditional release of the indemnified party from all liability arising out of such action or claim and (\underline{B}) does not include a statement as to or an admission of fault, culpability or a failure to act, by or on behalf of any indemnified party.

(e) If for any reason the foregoing indemnity is unavailable, unenforceable or is insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party under Sections 2.9(a), (b) or (c), then each applicable indemnifying party shall contribute to the amount paid or payable to such indemnified party as a result of any Claim in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative fault of the indemnifying party, on the one hand, and the indemnified party, on the other hand, with respect to such Claim. The relative fault shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the indemnifying party or the indemnified party and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such untrue statement or omission. If, however, the allocation provided in the second preceding sentence is not permitted by applicable law, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such indemnified party in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only such relative faults but also the relative benefits of the indemnifying party and the indemnified party as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The parties hereto agree that it would not be just and equitable if any contribution pursuant to this Section 2.9(e) were to be determined by pro rata allocation or by any other method of allocation which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to in the preceding sentences of this Section 2.9(e). The amount paid or payable in respect of any Claim shall be deemed to include any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending any such Claim. No Person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any Person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. Notwithstanding anything in this Section 2.9(e) to the contrary, no indemnifying party (other than the Company) shall be required pursuant to this Section 2.9(e) to contribute any amount greater than the amount of the net proceeds received by such indemnifying party upon the sale of the Registrable Securities pursuant to the registration statement giving rise to such Claim, less the amount of any indemnification payment made by such indemnifying party pursuant to Sections 2.9(b) and (c).

(f) The indemnity and contribution agreements contained herein shall be in addition to any other rights to indemnification or contribution which any indemnified party may have pursuant to law or contract and shall remain operative and in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made or omitted by or on behalf of any indemnified party and shall survive the transfer of the Registrable Securities by any such party.

(g) The indemnification and contribution required by this Section 2.9 shall be made by periodic payments of the amount thereof during the course of the investigation or defense, as and when bills are received or expense, loss, damage or liability is incurred; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the recipient thereof hereby undertakes to repay such payments if and to the extent it shall be determined by a court of competent jurisdiction that such recipient is not entitled to such payment hereunder.

3. <u>Underwritten Offerings</u>.

- 3.1. Requested Underwritten Offerings. If requested by the underwriters for any underwritten offering pursuant to a registration requested under Section 2.1, the Company shall enter into a customary underwriting agreement with the underwriters. Such underwriting agreement shall (i) be satisfactory in form and substance to the Majority Participating Holders, (ii) contain terms not inconsistent with the provisions of this Agreement and (iii) contain such representations and warranties by, and such other agreements on the part of, the Company and such other terms as are generally prevailing in agreements of that type, including, without limitation, indemnities and contribution agreements on substantially the same terms as those contained herein. Any Participating Holder shall be a party to such underwriting agreement and may, at its option, require that any or all of the representations and warranties by, and the other agreements on the part of, the Company to and for the benefit of such underwriters shall also be made to and for the benefit of such Participating Holder and that any or all of the conditions precedent to the obligations of such underwriters under such underwriting agreement be conditions precedent to the obligations of such Participating Holder; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required to make any representations or warranties with respect to written information specifically provided by a Participating Holder for inclusion in the registration statement. Each such Participating Holder shall not be required to make any representations or warranties to or agreements with the Company or the underwriters other than representations, warranties or agreements regarding such Participating Holder, its ownership of and title to the Registrable Securities, any written information specifically provided by such Participating Holder for inclusion in the registration statement and its intended method of distribution; and any liability of such Participating Holder to any underwriter or other Person
- 3.2. <u>Piggyback Underwritten Offerings</u>. In the case of a registration pursuant to Section 2.2, if the Company shall have determined to enter into an underwriting agreement in connection therewith, all of the Participating Holders' Registrable Securities to be included in such registration shall be subject to such underwriting agreement. Any Participating Holder may, at its option, require that any or all of the representations and warranties by, and the other agreements on the part of, the Company to and for the benefit of such underwriters shall also be made to and for the benefit of such Participating Holder and that any or all of the conditions precedent to the obligations of such underwriters under such underwriting agreement be conditions precedent to the obligations of such Participating Holder; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the

Company shall not be required to make any representations or warranties with respect to written information specifically provided by a Participating Holder for inclusion in the registration statement. Each such Participating Holder shall not be required to make any representations or warranties to or agreements with the Company or the underwriters other than representations, warranties or agreements regarding such Participating Holder, its ownership of and title to the Registrable Securities, any written information specifically provided by such Participating Holder for inclusion in the registration statement and its intended method of distribution; and any liability of such Participating Holder to any underwriter or other Person under such underwriting agreement shall be limited to liability arising from breach of its representations and warranties and shall in no case be greater than the amount of the net proceeds received by such Participating Holder upon the sale of the Registrable Securities pursuant to the registration statement.

4. General.

- 4.1. <u>Term</u>. This Agreement shall continue in effect until the earlier of (a) the date on which no Registrable Securities remain outstanding and (b) the PVF Distribution Date.
- 4.2. Adjustments Affecting Registrable Securities. The Company agrees that it shall not effect or permit to occur any combination or subdivision of shares of Common Equity which would adversely affect the ability of any Holder of any Registrable Securities to include such Registrable Securities in any registration contemplated by this Agreement or the marketability of such Registrable Securities in any such registration. The Company agrees that it will take all reasonable steps necessary to effect a subdivision of shares of Common Equity if in the reasonable judgment of (a) PVF or (b) the managing underwriter for the offering in respect of such Demand Registration Request, such subdivision would enhance the marketability of the Registrable Securities. Each Holder agrees to vote all of its shares of capital stock in a manner, and to take all other actions necessary, to permit the Company to carry out the intent of the preceding sentence including, without limitation, voting in favor of an amendment to the Company's organizational documents in order to increase the number of authorized shares of capital stock of the Company. In any event, the provisions of this Agreement shall apply, to the full extent set forth herein with respect to the Registrable Securities, to any and all shares of capital stock of the Company or any successor or assign of the Company (whether by merger, share exchange, consolidation, sale of assets or otherwise) which may be issued in respect of, in exchange for or in substitution of, Registrable Securities and shall be appropriately adjusted for any stock dividends, splits, reverse splits, combinations, recapitalizations and the like occurring after the date hereof.
- 4.3. Rule 144 and Rule 144A. If the Company shall have filed a registration statement pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Exchange Act or a registration statement pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act in respect of the Common Equity or Common Equity Equivalents, the Company covenants that (i) so long as it remains subject to the reporting provisions of the Exchange Act, it will timely file the reports required to be filed by it under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act (including, but not limited to, the reports under Sections 13 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act referred to in subparagraph (c)(1) of Rule 144 under the Securities Act, as such Rule may be amended ("Rule 144")) or, if the Company is not required to file such reports, it will, upon the request of any Holder, make publicly available other information so long as necessary to permit sales by such Holder under Rule 144, Rule 144A

under the Securities Act, as such Rule may be amended ("Rule 144A"), or any similar rules or regulations hereafter adopted by the SEC, and (\underline{ii}) it will take such further action as any Holder may reasonably request, all to the extent required from time to time to enable such Holder to sell Registrable Securities without registration under the Securities Act within the limitation of the exemptions provided by (\underline{A}) Rule 144, (\underline{B}) Rule 144A or (\underline{C}) any similar rule or regulation hereafter adopted by the SEC. Upon the request of any Holder of Registrable Securities, the Company will deliver to such Holder a written statement as to whether it has complied with such requirements.

- 4.4. <u>Nominees for Beneficial Owners</u>. If Registrable Securities are held by a nominee for the beneficial owner thereof, the beneficial owner thereof may, at its option, be treated as the Holder of such Registrable Securities for purposes of any request or other action by any Holder or Holders of Registrable Securities pursuant to this Agreement (or any determination of any number or percentage of shares constituting Registrable Securities held by any Holder or Holders of Registrable Securities contemplated by this Agreement), provided that the Company shall have received assurances reasonably satisfactory to it of such beneficial ownership.
- 4.5. <u>Amendments and Waivers</u>. Any provisions of this Agreement may be amended, modified, supplemented or waived with the written approval of the Company and Holders holding a majority of the Registrable Securities then held by all Holders (which majority must include PVF, so long as PVF holds any Registrable Securities). No waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed to or shall constitute a waiver of any other provision hereof (whether or not similar). No failure or delay on the part of any party in exercising any right, power or privilege hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof or of any other or future exercise of any such right, power or privilege.
- 4.6. Notices. Any notice, request, instruction or other document to be given hereunder by any party to the others shall be in writing and delivered personally or sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, or by facsimile to the Company or to PVF at the address set forth below and to any subsequent holder of Units subject to this Agreement at such address as indicated by the Company's records, or at such address or to the attention of such other person as the recipient party has specified by prior written notice to the sending party. Any notice, request, instruction or other document given as provided above shall be deemed given to the receiving party upon actual receipt, if delivered personally; three (3) Business Days after deposit in the mail, if sent by registered or certified mail; upon confirmation of successful transmission if sent by facsimile (provided that if given by facsimile such notice, request, instruction or other document shall be followed up within one (1) Business Day by dispatch pursuant to one of the other methods described herein); or on the next Business Day after deposit with an overnight courier, if sent by an overnight courier:
 - (i) If to PVF, to:

 PVF Holdings LLC
 c/o GS Capital Partners

200 West Street New York, NY 10282 Facsimile: With a copy to:

Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP

One New York Plaza

New York, NY 10004

Attn: Robert C. Schwenkel, Esq. Facsimile: (212) 859-4000

(ii) If to the Company, to:

MRC Global Inc.

2 Houston Center

909 Fannin, Suite 3100

Houston, Texas 77010

Attention: General Counsel

Facsimile:

With a copy to:

Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP

One New York Plaza

New York, NY 10004

Attn: Robert C. Schwenkel, Esq.

Facsimile: (212) 859-4000

- 4.7. <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. Except as otherwise provided herein, this Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the Company and its successors and assigns and each Holder and his, her and its respective successors, permitted assigns, heirs and personal representatives, personal representatives and assigns of the parties hereto, whether so expressed or not. This Agreement may not be assigned by the Company, without the prior written consent of PVF. The parties hereto and their respective successors may assign their rights under this Agreement, in whole or in part, to any purchaser of shares of Registrable Securities held by them.
- 4.8. Entire Agreement. This Agreement and the writings referred to herein or delivered pursuant hereto which form a part hereof constitute the entire agreement, and supersede all other prior agreements, understandings, representations and warranties both written and oral, among the parties, with respect to the subject matter hereof.
 - 4.9. Governing Law; Submission to Jurisdiction; Waiver of Jury Trial.
- (a) THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE MADE IN AND IN ALL RESPECTS SHALL BE INTERPRETED, CONSTRUED AND GOVERNED BY AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE WITHOUT REGARD TO THE CONFLICTS OF LAW PRINCIPLES THEREOF. The parties hereby irrevocably submit to the personal jurisdiction of the courts of the State of Delaware located in the County of

New Castle and the Federal courts of the United States of America located in the County of New Castle solely in respect of the interpretation and enforcement of the provisions of this Agreement and of the documents referred to in this Agreement, and in respect of the transactions contemplated hereby, and hereby waive, and agree not to assert, as a defense in any action, suit or proceeding for the interpretation or enforcement hereof or of any such document, that it is not subject thereto or that such action, suit or proceeding may not be brought or is not maintainable in said courts or that the venue thereof may not be appropriate or that this Agreement or any such document may not be enforced in or by such courts, and the parties hereto irrevocably agree that all claims with respect to such action or proceeding shall be heard and determined in such a Delaware State or Federal court located in the County of New Castle. The parties hereby consent to and grant any such court jurisdiction over the person of such parties and, to the extent permitted by law, over the subject matter of such dispute and agree that mailing of process or other papers in connection with any such action or proceeding in the manner provided in Section 4.6 or in such other manner as may be permitted by law shall be valid and sufficient service thereof.

(b) EACH PARTY ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT ANY CONTROVERSY WHICH MAY ARISE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT IS LIKELY TO INVOLVE COMPLICATED AND DIFFICULT ISSUES, AND THEREFORE EACH SUCH PARTY HEREBY IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES ANY RIGHT SUCH PARTY MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY LITIGATION DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED BY THIS AGREEMENT. EACH PARTY CERTIFIES AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT (i) NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER, (ii) EACH PARTY UNDERSTANDS AND HAS CONSIDERED THE IMPLICATIONS OF THIS WAIVER, (iii) EACH PARTY MAKES THIS WAIVER VOLUNTARILY, AND (iv) EACH PARTY HAS BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION 4.9.

4.10. Interpretation; Construction

- (a) The table of contents and headings herein are for convenience of reference only, do not constitute part of this Agreement and shall not be deemed to limit or otherwise affect any of the provisions hereof. Where a reference in this Agreement is made to a Section, such reference shall be to a Section of this Agreement unless otherwise indicated. Whenever the words "include," "includes" or "including" are used in this Agreement, they shall be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation."
- (b) The parties have participated jointly in negotiating and drafting this Agreement. In the event that an ambiguity or a question of intent or interpretation arises, this Agreement shall be construed as if drafted jointly by the parties, and no presumption or burden of proof shall arise favoring or disfavoring any party by virtue of the authorship of any provision of this Agreement.

- 4.11. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in separate counterparts (including by facsimile), all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement.
- 4.12. <u>Severability</u>. The provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed severable and the invalidity or unenforceability of any provision shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the other provisions hereof. If any provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof to any person or any circumstance, is invalid or unenforceable, (a) a suitable and equitable provision shall be substituted therefor in order to carry out, so far as may be valid and enforceable, the intent and purpose of such invalid or unenforceable provision and (b) the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected by such invalidity or unenforceability, nor shall such invalidity or unenforceability affect the validity or enforceability of such provision, or the application thereof, in any other jurisdiction.
- 4.13. Specific Performance. The parties hereto agree that irreparable damage would occur in the event that any of the provisions of this Agreement were not performed in accordance with their specific terms or were otherwise breached. It is accordingly agreed that each party hereto shall be entitled to an injunction or injunctions to prevent breaches of this Agreement and to enforce specifically the terms and provisions of this Agreement in the courts of the State of Delaware located in the County of New Castle and the Federal courts of the United States of America located in the County of New Castle, this being in addition to any other remedy to which such party is entitled at law or in equity.
- 4.14. <u>Further Assurances</u>. Each party hereto shall do and perform or cause to be done and performed all such further acts and things and shall execute and deliver all such other agreements, certificates, instruments, and documents as any other party hereto reasonably may request in order to carry out the intent and accomplish the purposes of this Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby.

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

PVF HOLDINGS LLC
By:
Name: Title:
MRC GLOBAL INC.
Ву:
Name: Title:

AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE AMENDED AND RESTATED REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT OF PVF HOLDINGS LLC

This Amendment No. 2 (this "<u>Amendment</u>") to the Amended and Restated Registration Rights Agreement of PVF Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("<u>PVF</u>") dated October 31, 2007 (the "<u>Agreement</u>") is entered into as of [•], 2012, by and among the GSCP Members, PVF and MRC Global Inc. ("<u>MRC</u>").

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, PVF is a party to a limited liability company agreement, dated as of October 31, 2007, as amended from time to time (the "LLC Agreement");

WHEREAS, MRC, a subsidiary of PVF, is proposing to effect the initial public offering of its common stock (the "MRC IPO") and the MRC IPO will qualify as a Subsidiary IPO (as defined in the LLC Agreement);

WHEREAS, in connection with the MRC IPO, PVF and MRC will enter into a new registration rights agreement (the "<u>PVF Registration Rights Agreement</u>"), which, in accordance with Section 12.9(c) of the LLC Agreement, will be substantially in the form of the Agreement, except that the PVF Registration Rights Agreement will provide for registration rights for PVF in respect of its equity interests in MRC (the "<u>MRC Shares</u>");

WHEREAS, PVF may, at a future date, distribute some or all of the MRC Shares to its equity holders and, at such date, the Holders will be granted registration rights in respect of their MRC Shares, pursuant to the Agreement as amended by this Amendment;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 4.5 of the Agreement, the amendments set forth herein may be made with the written approval of Holders holding a majority of the Registrable Securities then held by all Holders (which majority must include the GSCP Members, so long as any GSCP Member holds any Registrable Securities);

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 4.7 of the Agreement, PVF may assign the Agreement with the prior written consent of the GSCP members; and

WHEREAS, the GSCP Members, who, as of the date hereof hold in the aggregate a majority of the Registrable Securities held by all Holders, wish to amend the Agreement as set forth herein and consent to the assignment by PVF of all its rights and obligations under the Agreement to MRC.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, the parties hereby agree as follows:

1. <u>Amendments.</u> Effective as of the closing date of the MRC IPO, the Agreement shall, without any further action by the parties hereto or any other Person, be amended and restated in its entirety in the form attached as <u>Annex A</u> hereto.

- 2. <u>Assignment</u>. Effective as of the closing date of the MRC IPO, all rights and obligations of PVF under the Agreement shall, without any further action by the parties hereto or any other Person, be assigned to MRC.
- 3. <u>Capitalized Terms</u>. Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings given to them in the Agreement (as in effect immediately prior to the effectiveness of this Amendment).
- 4. **Governing Law**. This Amendment shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the state of Delaware.

[Signature page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, PVF, MRC and the GSCP Members have caused this Amendment to be executed and delivered as of the date first written above. PVF:

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ANNEX A

AMENDED AND RESTATED

REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT

of

MRC GLOBAL INC.

Dated as of [•], 2012

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This AMENDED AND RESTATED REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT is made as of [•], 2012, by and among MRC Global Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), the Persons listed on Schedule A hereto under the heading GSCP Members (the "<u>GSCP Members</u>"), the Persons listed on Schedule A hereto under the heading McJ Members (the "<u>McJ Members</u>"), the Persons listed on Schedule A hereto under the heading RM Members (the "<u>RM Members</u>"), the TM Members (as defined below) and the Persons listed from time to time as a "Holder" on Schedule A hereto.

- 1. <u>Certain Definitions</u>. As used herein, the following terms shall have the following meanings:
 - "Additional Piggyback Rights" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(b).
- "Affiliate" means, with respect to any Person, any other Person controlling, controlled by or under common control with such particular Person, where "control" means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct the management and policies of a Person whether through the ownership of voting securities, contract or otherwise; provided, however, that, for purposes hereof, neither the Company nor any Person controlled by the Company shall be deemed to be an Affiliate of any Holder.
- "Agreement" means this Registration Rights Agreement, as this agreement may be amended, modified, supplemented or restated from time to time after the date hereof.
 - "automatic shelf registration statement" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.4.
 - "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Company.
- "Business Day" shall mean any day ending at 11:59 p.m. (Eastern Time) other than a Saturday or Sunday or a day on which banks are required or authorized to close in the City of New York.
 - "Claims" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.9(a).
- "Common Equity" means the common equity securities of the Company and any and all securities of any kind whatsoever of the Company which may be issued after the date hereof in respect of, or in exchange for, such shares of common stock of the Company pursuant to a merger, consolidation, stock split, stock dividend or recapitalization of the Company or otherwise.
- "Common Equity Equivalents" means all options, warrants and other securities convertible into, or exchangeable or exercisable for (at any time or upon the occurrence of any event or contingency and without regard to any vesting or other conditions to which such securities may be subject) shares of Common Equity or other equity securities of the Company (including, without limitation, any note or debt security convertible into or exchangeable for Common Equity or other equity securities of the Company).

"Company" has the meaning set forth in the preamble.

- "Demand Exercise Notice" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a)(i).
- "Demand Registration" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a)(i).
- "Demand Registration Request" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a)(i).
- "Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- "Expenses" means any and all fees and expenses incident to the Company's performance of or compliance with Article 2, including, without limitation: (i) SEC, stock exchange or FINRA registration and filing fees and all listing fees and fees with respect to the inclusion of securities on the New York Stock Exchange or on any other securities market on which the Common Equity is listed or quoted, (ii) fees and expenses of compliance with state securities or "blue sky" laws and in connection with the preparation of a "blue sky" survey, including, without limitation, reasonable fees and expenses of outside "blue sky" counsel, (iii) printing and copying expenses, (iv) messenger and delivery expenses, (v) expenses incurred in connection with any road show, (vi) fees and disbursements of counsel for the Company, (vii) with respect to each registration, the fees and disbursements of one counsel for the Participating Holder(s) (selected by the Majority Participating Holders), (viii) fees and disbursements of all independent public accountants (including the expenses of any audit and/or "cold comfort" letter and updates thereof) and fees and expenses of other Persons, including special experts, retained by the Company, (ix) fees and expenses payable to a Qualified Independent Underwriter, (x) any other fees and disbursements of underwriters, if any, customarily paid by issuers or sellers of securities and (xi) expenses for securities law liability insurance and, if any, rating agency fees.
 - "FINRA" means the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc.
 - "GSCP Members" has the meaning set forth in the preamble.
- "<u>Holder</u>" or "<u>Holders</u>" means the GSCP Members, the McJ Members, the RM Members, the TM Members, any Person who is a party to this Agreement or any transferee of Registrable Securities to whom any Person who is a party to this Agreement shall assign or transfer any rights hereunder, <u>provided</u> that such transferee has agreed in writing to be bound by this Agreement in respect of such Registrable Securities.
 - "Initiating Holder(s)" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a)(i).
- "IPO" means the first underwritten public offering of the common stock of the Company to the general public pursuant to a registration statement filed with the SEC.
 - "Litigation" means any action, proceeding or investigation in any court or before any governmental authority.
 - "LLC Agreement" means the amended and restated limited liability company agreement of PVF, dated October 31, 2007, as amended from time to time.
- "Majority Participating Holders" means Participating Holders holding more than 50% of the Registrable Securities proposed to be included in any offering of Registrable Securities by such Participating Holders pursuant to Section 2.1 or Section 2.2.

- "Manager" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(c).
- "McJ Members" means the McJ Members and any other subsequent Holder who becomes a McJ Member pursuant to the terms of this Agreement and the LLC Agreement.
- "Participating Holders" means all Holders of Registrable Securities which are proposed to be included in any offering of Registrable Securities pursuant to Section 2.1 or Section 2.2.
 - "Partner Distribution" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a)(iii).
- "Person" means any individual, corporation (including not-for-profit), general or limited partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, estate, trust, association, organization, governmental entity or agency or other entity of any kind or nature.
 - "Piggyback Shares" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.3(a)(iii).
 - "Postponement Period" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(b).
 - "PVF" means PVF Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.
- "PVF Distribution Date" means the first date on which any of the shares of Common Equity held by PVF have been distributed or otherwise transferred to the holders of equity interests in PVF.
- "PVF Registration Rights Agreement" means the registration rights agreement to be entered into between PVF and the Company, substantially in the form of this Agreement, providing for registration rights for PVF in respect of its equity interests in the Company.
 - "Qualified Independent Underwriter" means a "qualified independent underwriter" within the meaning of FINRA Rule 5121.
- "Registrable Securities" means (a) any shares of Common Equity held by the Holders at any time (including those held as a result of the conversion or exercise of Common Equity Equivalents) and (b) any shares of Common Equity issued or issuable, directly or indirectly in exchange for or with respect to the Common Equity referenced in clause (a) above by way of stock dividend, stock split or combination of shares or in connection with a reclassification, recapitalization, merger, share exchange, consolidation or other reorganization. As to any particular Registrable Securities, such securities shall cease to be Registrable Securities when (A) a registration statement with respect to the sale of such securities shall have been declared effective under the Securities Act and such securities shall have been disposed of in accordance with such registration statement, or (B) such securities shall have been sold (other than in a privately negotiated sale) in compliance with the requirements of Rule 144 under the Securities Act, as such Rule 144 may be amended (or any successor provision thereto).
- "RM Members" means the RM Members, and any other subsequent Holder who becomes an RM Member pursuant to the terms of this Agreement and the LLC Agreement.

- "Rule 144" and "Rule 144A" have the meaning set forth in Section 4.3.
- "SEC" means the Securities and Exchange Commission.
- "Section 2.3(a) Sale Number" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.3(a).
- "Section 2.3(b) Sale Number" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.3(b).
- "Section 2.3(c) Sale Number" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.3(c).
- "Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
- "THNV" means Transmark Holdings N.V.
- "<u>TM Members</u>" means THNV, Neil Wagstaff and Hugh Brown, and any other subsequent Holder who becomes a TM Member pursuant to the terms of this Agreement and the LLC Agreement.
 - "Valid Business Reason" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(b).
 - "WKSI" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.4.

2. Registration Rights.

- 2.1. Demand Registrations.
- (a) (i) Subject to Sections 2.1(b) and 2.3, at any time and from time to time after the closing of the IPO, THNV or any GSCP Member shall have the right to require the Company to file one or more registration statements under the Securities Act covering all or any part of its and its Affiliates Registrable Securities by delivering a written request therefor to the Company specifying the number of Registrable Securities to be included in such registration and the intended method of distribution thereof. Any such request by THNV or any GSCP Member pursuant to this Section 2.1(a)(i) is referred to herein as a "Demand Registration Request," and the registration so requested is referred to herein as a "Demand Registration" (with respect to any Demand Registration, THNV or the GSCP Member(s) making such demand for registration being referred to as the "Initiating Holder(s)"). As promptly as practicable, but no later than five (5) Business Days after receipt of a Demand Registration Request, the Company shall give written notice (the "Demand Exercise Notice") of such Demand Registration Request to all other Holders of record of Registrable Securities.
- (ii) The Company, subject to Sections 2.3 and 2.6, shall include in a Demand Registration (\underline{x}) the Registrable Securities of the Initiating Holder(s) and (y) the Registrable Securities of any other Holder of Registrable Securities, which shall have made a written request to the Company for inclusion in such registration pursuant to Section 2.2 (which request shall specify the maximum number of Registrable Securities intended to be disposed of by such Participating Holder) within twenty (20) days after the receipt of the Demand Exercise Notice (or fifteen (15) days if, at the request of the Initiating Holder(s), the Company states in such written notice or gives telephonic notice to all Holders, with written confirmation to follow promptly thereafter, that such registration will be on a Form S-3).

- (iii) The Company shall, as expeditiously as possible, but subject to Section 2.1(b), use its reasonable best efforts to (\underline{x}) effect such registration under the Securities Act (including, without limitation, by means of a shelf registration pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act if so requested and if the Company is then eligible to use such a registration) of the Registrable Securities which the Company has been so requested to register, for distribution in accordance with such intended method of distribution, including a distribution to, and resale by, the members or partners of a Holder (a "<u>Partner Distribution</u>") and (\underline{y}) if requested by the Initiating Holder(s), obtain acceleration of the effective date of the registration statement relating to such registration.
- (iv) Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the Company shall, at the request of any Holder seeking to effect a Partner Distribution, file any prospectus supplement or post-effective amendments and otherwise take any action necessary to include therein all disclosure and language deemed necessary or advisable by such Holder if such disclosure or language was not included in the initial registration statement, or revise such disclosure or language if deemed necessary or advisable by such Holder, to effect such Partner Distribution.
- (b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Section 2.1(a), the Demand Registration rights granted in Section 2.1(a) are subject to the following limitations: (i) the Company shall not be required to cause a registration pursuant to Section 2.1(a)(i) to be declared effective within a period of one hundred and eighty (180) days after the effective date of any other registration statement of the Company filed pursuant to the Securities Act; $(\underline{i}\underline{i})(\underline{x})$ the Company shall not be required to effect more than five (5) Demand Registrations for the GSCP Members (it being understood that if a single Demand Registration Request is delivered by more than one GSCP Member, the registration requested by such Demand Registration Request shall constitute only one Demand Registration), which number of requests shall be inclusive of any requests made by PVF after the IPO pursuant to the terms and conditions of the PVF Registration Rights Agreement, and (y) the Company shall not be required to effect more than one (1) Demand Registration for THNV; and (iii) if the Board, in its good faith judgment, determines that any registration of Registrable Securities should not be made or continued because it would materially interfere with any material financing, acquisition, corporate reorganization or merger or other transaction or event involving the Company or any of its subsidiaries (a "Valid Business Reason"), then (\underline{x}) the Company may postpone filing a registration statement relating to a Demand Registration Request until five (5) Business Days after such Valid Business Reason no longer exists, but in no event for more than three (3) months after the date the Board determines a Valid Business Reason exists and (y) in case a registration statement has been filed relating to a Demand Registration Request, if the Valid Business Reason has not resulted from actions taken by the Company, the Company may cause such registration statement to be withdrawn and its effectiveness terminated or may postpone amending or supplementing such registration statement until five (5) Business Days after such Valid Business Reason no longer exists, but in no event for more than three (3) months after the date the Board determines a Valid Business Reason exists (such period of postponement or withdrawal under this clause (iii), the "Postponement Period"); and the Company shall give written notice of its determination to

postpone or withdraw a registration statement and of the fact that the Valid Business Reason for such postponement or withdrawal no longer exists, in each case, promptly after the occurrence thereof; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, the Company shall not be permitted to postpone or withdraw a registration statement after the expiration of any Postponement Period until nine (9) months after the expiration of such Postponement Period.

If the Company shall give any notice of postponement or withdrawal of any registration statement pursuant to clause (iii) above, the Company shall not, during the period of postponement or withdrawal, register any Common Equity, other than pursuant to a registration statement on Form S-4 or S-8 (or an equivalent registration form then in effect). Each Holder of Registrable Securities agrees that, upon receipt of any notice from the Company that the Company has determined to withdraw any registration statement pursuant to clause (iii) above, such Holder will discontinue its disposition of Registrable Securities pursuant to such registration statement and, if so directed by the Company, will deliver to the Company (at the Company's expense) all copies, other than permanent file copies, then in such Holder's possession of the prospectus covering such Registrable Securities that was in effect at the time of receipt of such notice. If the Company shall have withdrawn or prematurely terminated a registration statement filed under Section 2.1(a)(i) (whether pursuant to clause (iii) above or as a result of any stop order, injunction or other order or requirement of the SEC or any other governmental agency or court), the Company shall not be considered to have effected an effective registration for the purposes of this Agreement until the Company shall have filed a new registration statement covering the Registrable Securities covered by the withdrawn registration statement and such registration statement shall have been declared effective and shall not have been withdrawn. If the Company shall give any notice of withdrawal or postponement of a registration statement, the Company shall, not later than five (5) Business Days after the Valid Business Reason that caused such withdrawal or postponement no longer exists (but in no event later than three (3) months after the date of the postponement or withdrawal), use its reasonable best efforts to effect the registration under the Securities Act of the Registrable Securities covered by the withdrawn or postponed registration statement in accordance with this Section 2.1 (unless the Initiating Holder(s) shall have withdrawn such request, in which case the Company shall not be considered to have effected an effective registration for the purposes of this Agreement), and such registration shall not be withdrawn or postponed pursuant to clause (iii) of Section 2.1(b) above.

(c) In connection with any Demand Registration, the Company shall have the right to designate the lead managing underwriter (any lead managing underwriter for the purposes of this Agreement, the "Manager") in connection with such registration and each other managing underwriter for such registration; provided that in each case, each such underwriter is reasonably satisfactory to the GSCP Members.

2.2. Piggyback Registrations.

(a) If, at any time after the IPO, the Company proposes or is required (pursuant to Section 2.1 or otherwise) to register any of its equity securities under the Securities Act (other than pursuant to registrations on Form S-4 or Form S-8 or any similar successor forms thereto), the Company shall give prompt written notice (in any event within five (5) Business Days after receipt of notice of any exercise of demand registration rights by any Person) of its intention to

do so to each of the Holders of record of Registrable Securities. Upon the written request of any such Holder, made within twenty (20) days following the receipt of any such written notice (or fifteen (15) days if the Company states that such registration will be on Form S-3) (which request shall specify the maximum number of Registrable Securities intended to be disposed of by such Holder and the intended method of distribution thereof, which may include a Partner Distribution), the Company shall, subject to Sections 2.2(c), 2.3 and 2.6 hereof, use its reasonable best efforts to cause all such Registrable Securities, the Holders of which have so requested the registration thereof, to be registered under the Securities Act with the securities which the Company at the time proposes to register to permit the sale or other disposition by the Holders (in accordance with the intended method of distribution thereof, which may include a Partner Distribution) of the Registrable Securities to be so registered, including, if necessary, by filing with the SEC a post-effective amendment or a supplement to the registration statement filed by the Company or the prospectus related thereto pursuant to a Form 8-K. There is no limitation on the number of such piggyback registrations pursuant to the preceding sentence which the Company is obligated to effect. No registration of Registrable Securities effected under this Section 2.2(a) shall relieve the Company of its obligations to effect Demand Registrations under Section 2.1 hereof.

- (b) The Company, subject to Sections 2.3 and 2.6, may elect to include in any registration statement and offering pursuant to demand registration rights by any Person, (<u>i</u>) authorized but unissued shares of Common Equity or shares of Common Equity held by the Company as treasury shares and (<u>ii</u>) any other shares of Common Equity which are requested to be included in such registration pursuant to the exercise of piggyback registration rights granted by the Company after the date hereof and which are not inconsistent with the rights granted in, or otherwise conflict with the terms of, this Agreement ("<u>Additional Piggyback Rights</u>"); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that such inclusion shall be permitted only to the extent that it is pursuant to, and subject to, the terms of the underwriting agreement or arrangements, if any, entered into by the Initiating Holder(s).
- (c) If, at any time after giving written notice of its intention to register any equity securities and prior to the effective date of the registration statement filed in connection with such registration, the Company shall determine for any reason not to register or to delay registration of such equity securities, the Company may, at its election, give written notice of such determination to all Holders of record of Registrable Securities and (i) in the case of a determination not to register, shall be relieved of its obligation to register any Registrable Securities in connection with such abandoned registration, without prejudice, however, to the rights of Holders under Section 2.1, and (ii) in the case of a determination to delay such registration of its equity securities, shall be permitted to delay the registration of such Registrable Securities for the same period as the delay in registering such other equity securities.
- (d) Any Holder shall have the right to withdraw its request for inclusion of its Registrable Securities in any registration statement pursuant to this Section 2.2 by giving written notice to the Company of its request to withdraw; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that (<u>i</u>) such request must be made in writing prior to the earlier of the execution of the underwriting agreement or the execution of the custody agreement with respect to such registration and (<u>ii</u>) such withdrawal shall be irrevocable and, after making such withdrawal, a Holder shall no longer have any right to include Registrable Securities in the registration as to which such withdrawal was made.

(e) Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the Company shall, at the request of any Holder (including to effect a Partner Distribution), file any prospectus supplement or post-effective amendments and otherwise take any action necessary to include therein all disclosure and language deemed necessary or advisable by such Holder if such disclosure or language was not included in the initial registration statement, or revise such disclosure or language if deemed necessary or advisable by such Holder.

2.3. Allocation of Securities Included in Registration Statement.

- (a) If any requested registration made pursuant to Section 2.1 involves an underwritten offering and the Manager of such offering shall advise the Company that, in its view, the number of securities requested to be included in such registration by the Holders of Registrable Securities, the Company or any other Persons exercising Additional Piggyback Rights exceeds the largest number (the "Section 2.3(a) Sale Number") that can be sold in an orderly manner in such registration within a price range acceptable to the Majority Participating Holders, the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to include in such registration:
- (i) first, all Registrable Securities requested to be included in such registration by the Holders thereof (including pursuant to the exercise of piggyback rights pursuant to Section 2.2); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that if the number of such Registrable Securities exceeds the Section 2.3(a) Sale Number, the number of such Registrable Securities (not to exceed the Section 2.3(a) Sale Number) to be included in such registration shall be allocated on a pro rata basis among all Holders requesting that Registrable Securities be included in such registration, based on the number of Registrable Securities then owned by each such Holder requesting inclusion in relation to the number of Registrable Securities owned by all Holders requesting inclusion;
- (ii) second, to the extent that the number of Registrable Securities to be included pursuant to clause (i) of this Section 2.3(a) is less than the Section 2.3(a) Sale Number, any securities that the Company proposes to register, up to the Section 2.3(a) Sale Number; and
- (iii) third, to the extent that the number of Registrable Securities to be included pursuant to clauses (i) and (ii) of this Section 2.3(a) is less than the Section 2.3(a) Sale Number, the remaining Registrable Securities to be included in such registration shall be allocated on a pro rata basis among all Persons requesting that securities be included in such registration pursuant to the exercise of Additional Piggyback Rights ("Piggyback Shares"), based on the aggregate number of Piggyback Shares owned by all Persons requesting inclusion, up to the Section 2.3(a) Sale Number.

Notwithstanding anything in this Section 2.3(a) to the contrary, no employee shareholder of the Company will be entitled to include Registrable Securities in a registration requested by the GSCP Members or THNV pursuant to Section 2.1 to the extent the Manager of such offering shall determine in good faith that the participation of such employee shareholder would adversely affect the marketability of the securities being sold by the Initiating Holder(s) in such registration.

- (b) If any registration made pursuant to Section 2.2 involves an underwritten primary offering on behalf of the Company after the date hereof and the Manager (as selected by the Company) shall advise the Company that, in its view, the number of securities requested to be included in such registration exceeds the number (the "Section 2.3(b) Sale Number") that can be sold in an orderly manner in such registration within a price range acceptable to the Company, the Company shall include in such registration:
 - (i) first, all equity securities that the Company proposes to register for its own account;
- (ii) second, to the extent that the number of Registrable Securities to be included pursuant to clause (i) of this Section 2.3(b) is less than the Section 2.3(b) Sale Number, the remaining Registrable Securities to be included in such registration shall be allocated on a pro rata basis among all Holders requesting that Registrable Securities be included in such registration pursuant to the exercise of piggyback rights pursuant to Section 2.2, based on the aggregate number of Registrable Securities then owned by each such Holder requesting inclusion in relation to the aggregate number of Registrable Securities owned by all Holders requesting inclusion, up to the Section 2.3(b) Sale Number; and
- (iii) third, to the extent that the number of Registrable Securities to be included pursuant to clauses (i) and (ii) of this Section 2.3(b) is less than the Section 2.3(b) Sale Number, the remaining Registrable Securities to be included in such registration shall be allocated on a pro rata basis among all Persons requesting that securities be included in such registration pursuant to the exercise of Additional Piggyback Rights, based on the aggregate number of Piggyback Shares then owned by each Person requesting inclusion in relation to the aggregate number of Piggyback Shares owned by all Persons requesting inclusion, up to the Section 2.3(b) Sale Number.
- (c) If any registration pursuant to Section 2.2 involves an underwritten offering that was initially requested by any Person(s) other than a Holder to whom the Company has granted registration rights which are not inconsistent with the rights granted in, or otherwise conflict with the terms of, this Agreement and the Manager (as selected by the Company or such other Person) shall advise the Company that, in its view, the number of securities requested to be included in such registration exceeds the number (the "Section 2.3(c) Sale Number") that can be sold in an orderly manner in such registration within a price range acceptable to the Company, the Company shall include in such registration:
- (i) first, the shares requested to be included in such registration shall be allocated on a pro rata basis among such Person(s) requesting the registration and all Holders requesting that Registrable Securities be included in such registration pursuant to the exercise of piggyback rights pursuant to Section 2.2, based on the aggregate number of securities or Registrable Securities, as applicable, then owned by each of the foregoing requesting inclusion in relation to the aggregate number of securities or Registrable Securities, as applicable, owned by all such Holders and Persons requesting inclusion, up to the Section 2.3(c) Sale Number;
- (ii) second, to the extent that the number of Registrable Securities to be included pursuant to clause (i) of this Section 2.3(c) is less than the Section 2.3(c) Sale Number,

the remaining shares to be included in such registration shall be allocated on a pro rata basis among all Persons requesting that securities be included in such registration pursuant to the exercise of Additional Piggyback Rights, based on the aggregate number of Piggyback Shares then owned by each Person requesting inclusion in relation to the aggregate number of Piggyback Shares owned by all Persons requesting inclusion, up to the Section 2.3(c) Sale Number; and

- (iii) third, to the extent that the number of securities to be included pursuant to clauses (i) and (ii) of this Section 2.3(c) is less than the Section 2.3(c) Sale Number, the remaining shares to be included in such registration shall be allocated to shares the Company proposes to register for its own account, up to the Section 2.3(c) Sale Number.
- (d) If, as a result of the proration provisions set forth in clauses (a), (b) or (c) of this Section 2.3, any Holder shall not be entitled to include all Registrable Securities in a registration that such Holder has requested be included, such Holder may elect to withdraw such Holder's request to include Registrable Securities in such registration or may reduce the number requested to be included; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that (<u>x</u>) such request must be made in writing prior to the earlier of the execution of the underwriting agreement or the execution of the custody agreement with respect to such registration and (<u>y</u>) such withdrawal or reduction shall be irrevocable and, after making such withdrawal or reduction, such Holder shall no longer have any right to include Registrable Securities in the registration as to which such withdrawal or reduction was made to the extent of the Registrable Securities so withdrawn or reduced.
- 2.4. <u>Registration Procedures</u>. If and whenever the Company is required by the provisions of this Agreement to use its reasonable best efforts to effect or cause the registration of any Registrable Securities under the Securities Act as provided in this Agreement, the Company shall, as expeditiously as possible (but, in any event, within sixty (60) days after a Demand Registration Request in the case of Section 2.4(a) below):
- (a) prepare and file with the SEC a registration statement on an appropriate registration form of the SEC for the disposition of such Registrable Securities in accordance with the intended method of disposition thereof (including, without limitation, a Partner Distribution), which registration form (i) shall be selected by the Company and (ii) shall, in the case of a shelf registration, be available for the sale of the Registrable Securities by the selling Holders thereof and such registration statement shall comply as to form in all material respects with the requirements of the applicable registration form and include all financial statements required by the SEC to be filed therewith, and the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to cause such registration statement to become effective and remain continuously effective for such period as any Participating Holder pursuant to such registration statement shall request (provided, however, that before filing a registration statement or prospectus or any amendments or supplements thereto, or comparable statements under securities or state "blue sky" laws of any jurisdiction, or any free writing prospectus related thereto, the Company will furnish to one counsel for the Holders participating in the planned offering (selected by the Majority Participating Holders) and to one counsel for the Manager, if any, copies of all such documents proposed to be filed (including all exhibits thereto), which documents will be subject to the reasonable review and reasonable comment of such counsel, and the Company shall not file any registration statement or amendment thereto, any prospectus or supplement thereto or any free writing prospectus related thereto to which the Majority Participating Holders or the underwriters, if any, shall reasonably object);

- (b) (i) prepare and file with the SEC such amendments and supplements to such registration statement and the prospectus used in connection therewith as may be necessary to keep such registration statement continuously effective for such period as any Participating Holder pursuant to such registration statement shall request and to comply with the provisions of the Securities Act with respect to the sale or other disposition of all Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement in accordance with the intended methods of disposition by the seller or sellers thereof set forth in such registration statement and (ii) provide notice to such sellers of Registrable Securities and the Manager, if any, of the Company's reasonable determination that a post-effective amendment to a registration statement would be appropriate;
- (c) furnish, without charge, to each Participating Holder and each underwriter, if any, of the securities covered by such registration statement such number of copies of such registration statement, each amendment and supplement thereto (in each case including all exhibits), the prospectus included in such registration statement (including each preliminary prospectus and any summary prospectus) and any other prospectus filed under Rule 424 under the Securities Act, each free writing prospectus utilized in connection therewith, in each case, in conformity with the requirements of the Securities Act, and other documents, as such seller and underwriter may reasonably request in order to facilitate the public sale or other disposition of the Registrable Securities owned by such seller (the Company hereby consenting to the use in accordance with all applicable law of each such registration statement (or amendment or post-effective amendment thereto) and each such prospectus (or preliminary prospectus or supplement thereto) or free writing prospectus by each such Participating Holder and the underwriters, if any, in connection with the offering and sale of the Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement or prospectus);
- (d) use its reasonable best efforts to register or qualify the Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement under such other securities or state "blue sky" laws of such jurisdictions as any sellers of Registrable Securities or any managing underwriter, if any, shall reasonably request in writing, and do any and all other acts and things which may be reasonably necessary or advisable to enable such sellers or underwriter, if any, to consummate the disposition of the Registrable Securities in such jurisdictions (including keeping such registration or qualification in effect for so long as such registration statement remains in effect), except that in no event shall the Company be required to qualify to do business as a foreign corporation in any jurisdiction where it would not, but for the requirements of this paragraph (d), be required to be so qualified, to subject itself to taxation in any such jurisdiction or to consent to general service of process in any such jurisdiction;
- (e) promptly notify each Participating Holder and each managing underwriter, if any: (i) when the registration statement, any pre-effective amendment, the prospectus or any prospectus supplement related thereto, any post-effective amendment to the registration statement or any free writing prospectus has been filed and, with respect to the registration statement or any post-effective amendment, when the same has become effective; (ii) of any request by the SEC or state securities authority for amendments or supplements to the registration statement or the prospectus related thereto or for additional information; (iii) of the

issuance by the SEC of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of the registration statement or the initiation of any proceedings for that purpose; (\underline{iv}) of the receipt by the Company of any notification with respect to the suspension of the qualification of any Registrable Securities for sale under the securities or state "blue sky" laws of any jurisdiction or the initiation of any proceeding for such purpose; (\underline{v}) of the existence of any fact of which the Company becomes aware which results in the registration statement or any amendment thereto, the prospectus related thereto or any supplement thereto, any document incorporated therein by reference, any free writing prospectus or the information conveyed to any purchaser at the time of sale to such purchaser containing an untrue statement of a material fact or omitting to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make any statement therein not misleading; and (\underline{vi}) if at any time the representations and warranties contemplated by any underwriting agreement, securities sale agreement, or other similar agreement, relating to the offering shall cease to be true and correct in all material respects; and, if the notification relates to an event described in clause (v), the Company shall promptly prepare and furnish to each such seller and each underwriter, if any, a reasonable number of copies of a prospectus supplemented or amended so that, as thereafter delivered to the purchasers of such Registrable Securities, such prospectus shall not include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein in the light of the circumstances under which they were made not misleading;

(f) comply (and continue to comply) with all applicable rules and regulations of the SEC (including, without limitation, maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(f)) in accordance with the Exchange Act), and make generally available to its security holders, as soon as reasonably practicable after the effective date of the registration statement (and in any event within forty-five (45) days, or ninety (90) days if it is a fiscal year, after the end of such twelve month period described hereafter), an earnings statement (which need not be audited) covering the period of at least twelve (12) consecutive months beginning with the first day of the Company's first calendar quarter after the effective date of the registration statement, which earnings statement shall satisfy the provisions of Section 11(a) of the Securities Act and Rule 158 thereunder;

(g) (<u>i</u>) (<u>A</u>) cause all such Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement to be listed on the principal securities exchange on which similar securities issued by the Company are then listed (if any), if the listing of such Registrable Securities is then permitted under the rules of such exchange, or (<u>B</u>) if no similar securities are then so listed, to cause all such Registrable Securities to be listed on a national securities exchange and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, take all actions that may be required by the Company as the issuer of such Registrable Securities in order to facilitate the managing underwriter's arranging for the registration of at least two market makers as such with respect to such shares with FINRA, and (<u>ii</u>) comply (and continue to comply) with the requirements of any self-regulatory organization applicable to the Company, including without limitation all corporate governance requirements;

(h) provide and cause to be maintained a transfer agent and registrar for all such Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement not later than the effective date of such registration statement;

- (i) enter into such customary agreements (including, if applicable, an underwriting agreement) and take such other actions as the Majority Participating Holders or the underwriters shall reasonably request in order to expedite or facilitate the disposition of such Registrable Securities (it being understood that the Holders of the Registrable Securities which are to be distributed by any underwriters shall be parties to any such underwriting agreement and may, at their option, require that the Company make to and for the benefit of such Holders the representations, warranties and covenants of the Company which are being made to and for the benefit of such underwriters);
- (j) use its reasonable best efforts in any underwritten offering to obtain an opinion from the Company's counsel and a "cold comfort" letter and updates thereof from the Company's independent public accountants who have certified the Company's financial statements included or incorporated by reference in such registration statement, in each case, in customary form and covering such matters as are customarily covered by such opinions and "cold comfort" letters (including, in the case of such "cold comfort" letter, events subsequent to the date of such financial statements) delivered to underwriters in underwritten public offerings, which opinion and letter shall be dated the dates such opinions and "cold comfort" letters are customarily dated and otherwise reasonably satisfactory to the underwriters, if any;
- (k) deliver promptly to each managing underwriter, if any, copies of all correspondence between the SEC and the Company, its counsel or auditors and all memoranda relating to discussions with the SEC or its staff with respect to the registration statement, and, upon receipt of such confidentiality agreements as the Company may reasonably request, make reasonably available for inspection by counsel for any underwriter participating in any distribution to be effected pursuant to such registration statement and by any accountant or other agent retained by any such underwriter, all pertinent financial and other records, pertinent corporate documents and properties of the Company, and cause all of the Company's officers, directors and employees to supply all information reasonably requested by any such counsel, accountant or agent in connection with such registration statement;
- (l) use its reasonable best efforts to obtain the prompt withdrawal of any order suspending the effectiveness of the registration statement, or the prompt lifting of any suspension of the qualification of any of the Registrable Securities for sale in any jurisdiction;
 - (m) provide a CUSIP number for all Registrable Securities, not later than the effective date of the registration statement;
- (n) use its reasonable best efforts to make available its employees and personnel for participation in "road shows" and other marketing efforts and otherwise provide reasonable assistance to the underwriters (taking into account the needs of the Company's businesses and the requirements of the marketing process) in marketing the Registrable Securities in any underwritten offering;
- (o) prior to the filing of any document which is to be incorporated by reference into the registration statement or the prospectus (after the initial filing of such registration statement), and prior to the filing of any free writing prospectus, provide copies of such document to each managing underwriter, if any, and make the Company's representatives reasonably available for discussion of such document and make such changes in such document prior to the filing thereof as counsel for the underwriters may reasonably request;

- (p) furnish to counsel for each Participating Holder and to each managing underwriter, without charge, upon request, at least one copy of the registration statement and any post-effective amendments or supplements thereto, including financial statements and schedules, all documents incorporated therein by reference, the prospectus contained in such registration statement (including each preliminary prospectus and any summary prospectus), any other prospectus filed under Rule 424 under the Securities Act and all exhibits (including those incorporated by reference) and any free writing prospectus utilized in connection therewith;
- (q) cooperate with the Participating Holders and the managing underwriter, if any, to facilitate the timely preparation and delivery of certificates not bearing any restrictive legends representing the Registrable Securities to be sold, and cause such Registrable Securities to be issued in such denominations and registered in such names in accordance with the underwriting agreement at least three (3) Business Days prior to any sale of Registrable Securities to the underwriters or, if not an underwritten offering, in accordance with the instructions of the Participating Holders at least three (3) Business Days prior to any sale of Registrable Securities and instruct any transfer agent and registrar of Registrable Securities to release any stop transfer orders in respect thereof;
- (r) take no direct or indirect action prohibited by Regulation M under the Exchange Act; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that to the extent that any prohibition is applicable to the Company, the Company will take such action as is necessary and feasible to make any such prohibition inapplicable;
- (s) use its reasonable best efforts to cause the Registrable Securities covered by the applicable registration statement to be registered with or approved by such other governmental agencies or authorities as may be necessary to enable the Participating Holders or the underwriters, if any, to consummate the disposition of such Registrable Securities;
- (t) take all such other commercially reasonable actions as are necessary or advisable in order to expedite or facilitate the disposition of such Registrable Securities;
- (u) take all reasonable action to ensure that any free writing prospectus utilized in connection with any registration covered by Section 2.1 or 2.2 complies in all material respects with the Securities Act, is filed in accordance with the Securities Act to the extent required thereby, is retained in accordance with the Securities Act to the extent required thereby and, when taken together with the related prospectus, will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; and
- (v) in connection with any underwritten offering, if at any time the information conveyed to a purchaser at the time of sale includes any untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, promptly file with the SEC such amendments or supplements to such information as may be necessary so that the statements as so amended or supplemented will not, in light of the circumstances, be misleading.

To the extent the Company is a well-known seasoned issuer (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act) (a "WKSI") at the time any Demand Registration Request is submitted to the Company, and such Demand Registration Request requests that the Company file an automatic shelf registration statement (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act) (an "automatic shelf registration statement") on Form S-3, the Company shall file an automatic shelf registration statement which covers those Registrable Securities which are requested to be registered. The Company shall use its commercially reasonable best efforts to remain a WKSI (and not become an ineligible issuer (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act)) during the period during which such automatic shelf registration statement is required to remain effective. If the Company does not pay the filing fee covering the Registrable Securities at the time the automatic shelf registration statement is filed, the Company agrees to pay such fee at such time or times as the Registrable Securities are to be sold. If the automatic shelf registration statement has been outstanding for at least three (3) years, at the end of the third year the Company shall refile a new automatic shelf registration statement covering the Registrable Securities. If at any time when the Company is required to re-evaluate its WKSI status the Company determines that it is not a WKSI, the Company shall use its commercially reasonable best efforts to refile the shelf registration statement on Form S-3 and, if such form is not available, Form S-1 and keep such registration statement effective during the period during which such registration statement is required to be kept effective.

If the Company files any shelf registration statement for the benefit of the holders of any of its securities other than the Holders, the Company agrees that it shall include in such registration statement such disclosures as may be required by Rule 430B under the Securities Act (referring to the unnamed selling security holders in a generic manner by identifying the initial offering of the securities to the Holders) in order to ensure that the Holders may be added to such shelf registration statement at a later time through the filing of a prospectus supplement rather than a post-effective amendment.

The Company may require as a condition precedent to the Company's obligations under this Section 2.4 that each Participating Holder as to which any registration is being effected furnish the Company such information regarding such seller and the distribution of such securities as the Company may from time to time reasonably request provided that such information is necessary for the Company to consummate such registration and shall be used only in connection with such registration.

Each Holder of Registrable Securities agrees that upon receipt of any notice from the Company of the happening of any event of the kind described in clause (v) of paragraph (e) of this Section 2.4, such Holder will discontinue such Holder's disposition of Registrable Securities pursuant to the registration statement covering such Registrable Securities until such Holder's receipt of the copies of the supplemented or amended prospectus contemplated by paragraph (e) of this Section 2.4 and, if so directed by the Company, will deliver to the Company (at the Company's expense) all copies, other than permanent file copies, then in such Holder's possession of the prospectus covering such Registrable Securities that was in effect at the time of receipt of such notice. In the event the Company shall give any such notice, the applicable

period mentioned in paragraph (b) of this Section 2.4 shall be extended by the number of days during such period from and including the date of the giving of such notice to and including the date when each Participating Holder covered by such registration statement shall have received the copies of the supplemented or amended prospectus contemplated by paragraph (e) of this Section 2.4.

If any such registration statement or comparable statement under state "blue sky" laws refers to any Holder by name or otherwise as the Holder of any securities of the Company, then such Holder shall have the right to require (i) the insertion therein of language, in form and substance satisfactory to such Holder and the Company, to the effect that the holding by such Holder of such securities is not to be construed as a recommendation by such Holder of the investment quality of the Company's securities covered thereby and that such holding does not imply that such Holder will assist in meeting any future financial requirements of the Company, or (ii) in the event that such reference to such Holder by name or otherwise is not in the judgment of the Company, as advised by counsel, required by the Securities Act or any similar federal statute or any state "blue sky" or securities law then in force, the deletion of the reference to such Holder.

2.5. Registration Expenses.

- (a) The Company shall pay all Expenses with respect to any registration of Registrable Securities pursuant to this Article 2, whether or not a registration statement becomes effective.
- (b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, (<u>x</u>) the provisions of this Section 2.5 shall be deemed amended to the extent necessary to cause these expense provisions to comply with state "blue sky" laws of each state in which the offering is made and (<u>y</u>) in connection with any registration hereunder, each Participating Holder shall pay all underwriting discounts and commissions and any transfer taxes, if any, attributable to the sale of such Registrable Securities, pro rata with respect to payments of discounts and commissions in accordance with the number of shares sold in the offering by such Participating Holder.
- 2.6. <u>Certain Limitations on Registration Rights</u>. In the case of any registration under Section 2.1 pursuant to an underwritten offering, or, in the case of a registration under Section 2.2, if the Company has determined to enter into an underwriting agreement in connection therewith, all securities to be included in such registration shall be subject to such underwriting agreement and no Person may participate in such registration unless such Person (<u>i</u>) agrees to sell such Person's securities on the basis provided therein and completes and executes all reasonable questionnaires, and other documents (including custody agreements and powers of attorney) which must be executed in connection therewith; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that all such documents shall be consistent with the provisions hereof and (<u>ii</u>) provides such other information to the Company or the underwriter as may be necessary to register such Person's securities.

2.7. Limitations on Sale or Distribution of Other Securities.

(a) Each Holder agrees, (i) to the extent requested in writing by a managing underwriter, if any, of any registration effected pursuant to Section 2.1, not to sell, transfer or

otherwise dispose of, including any sale pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act, any Common Equity, or any other equity security of the Company or any security convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for any equity security of the Company (other than as part of such underwritten public offering) during the time period reasonably requested by the managing underwriter, not to exceed ninety (90) days plus an extension period, which shall be no longer than 17 days, as may be reasonably requested by the managing underwriter to address FINRA regulations regarding the publishing of research, or such shorter period as the Company or any executive officer or director of the Company shall agree to (and the Company hereby also so agrees (except that the Company may effect any sale or distribution of any such securities pursuant to a registration on Form S-4 (if reasonably acceptable to such managing underwriter) or Form S-8, or any successor or similar form which is (\underline{x}) then in effect or (\underline{y}) shall become effective upon the conversion, exchange or exercise of any then outstanding Common Equity Equivalent), to use its reasonable best efforts to cause each holder of any equity security or any security convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for any equity security of the Company purchased from the Company at any time other than in a public offering so to agree), and (\underline{i}) to the extent requested in writing by a managing underwriter of any underwritten public offering effected by the Company for its own account, not to sell any Common Equity (other than as part of such underwritten public offering) during the time period reasonably requested by the managing underwriter, which period shall not exceed ninety (90) days plus an extension period, which shall be no longer than 17 days, as may be reasonably requested by the managing underwriter to address FINRA regulations regarding the publishing of research, or such shorter period as the Company or any executive officer or director of the Compan

- (b) The Company hereby agrees that, if it shall previously have received a request for registration pursuant to Section 2.1 or 2.2, and if such previous registration shall not have been withdrawn or abandoned, the Company shall not sell, transfer, or otherwise dispose of, any Common Equity, or any other equity security of the Company or any security convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for any equity security of the Company (other than as part of such underwritten public offering, a registration on Form S-4 or Form S-8 or any successor or similar form which is (\underline{x}) then in effect or (\underline{y}) shall become effective upon the conversion, exchange or exercise of any then outstanding Common Equity Equivalent), until a period of ninety (90) days plus an extension period, which shall be no longer than 17 days, as may be reasonably requested by the managing underwriter to address FINRA regulations regarding the publishing of research, shall have elapsed from the effective date of such previous registration; and the Company shall (\underline{i}) so provide in any registration rights agreements hereafter entered into with respect to any of its securities and (\underline{i}) use its reasonable best efforts to cause each holder of any equity security or any security convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for any equity security of the Company purchased from the Company at any time other than in a public offering to so agree.
- 2.8. No Required Sale. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to create an independent obligation on the part of any Holder to sell any Registrable Securities pursuant to any effective registration statement.
 - 2.9. Indemnification.
- (a) In the event of any registration of any securities of the Company under the Securities Act pursuant to this Article 2, the Company will, and hereby agrees to, and hereby

does, indemnify and hold harmless, to the fullest extent permitted by law, each Participating Holder, its directors, officers, fiduciaries, employees, stockholders, members or general and limited partners (and the directors, officers, fiduciaries, employees, stockholders, members or general and limited partners thereof), each other Person who participates as a seller (and its directors, officers, fiduciaries, employees, stockholders, members or general and limited partners), underwriter or Qualified Independent Underwriter, if any, in the offering or sale of such securities, each officer, director, employee, stockholder, fiduciary, managing director, agent, affiliate, consultant, representative, successor, assign or partner of such underwriter or Qualified Independent Underwriter, and each other Person, if any, who controls such seller or any such underwriter or Qualified Independent Underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act, from and against any and all losses, claims, damages or liabilities, joint or several, actions or proceedings (whether commenced or threatened) and expenses (including reasonable fees of counsel and any amounts paid in any settlement effected with the Company's consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed) to which each such indemnified party may become subject under the Securities Act or otherwise in respect thereof (collectively, "Claims"), insofar as such Claims arise out of or are based upon (i) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any registration statement under which such securities were registered under the Securities Act or the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, (ii) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any preliminary, final or summary prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto, together with the documents incorporated by reference therein, or any free writing prospectus utilized in connection therewith, or the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, or (iii) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact in the information conveyed by the Company to any purchaser at the time of the sale to such purchaser, or the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein, or (iv) any violation by the Company of any federal, state or common law rule or regulation applicable to the Company and relating to action required of or inaction by the Company in connection with any such registration, and the Company will reimburse any such indemnified party for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending any such Claim as such expenses are incurred; provided, however, that the Company shall not be liable to any such indemnified party in any such case to the extent such Claim arises out of or is based upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or omission or alleged omission of a material fact made in such registration statement or amendment thereof or supplement thereto or in any such prospectus or any preliminary, final or summary prospectus or free writing prospectus in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by or on behalf of such indemnified party specifically for use therein. Such indemnity and reimbursement of expenses shall remain in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of such indemnified party and shall survive the transfer of such securities by such seller.

(b) Each Participating Holder (and, if the Company requires as a condition to including any Registrable Securities in any registration statement filed in accordance with Section 2.1 or 2.2, any underwriter and Qualified Independent Underwriter, if any) shall, severally and not jointly, indemnify and hold harmless (in the same manner and to the same

extent as set forth in paragraph (a) of this Section 2.9) to the extent permitted by law the Company, its officers and directors, each Person controlling the Company within the meaning of the Securities Act and all other prospective sellers and their directors, officers, stockholders, fiduciaries, managing directors, agents, affiliates, consultants, representatives, successors, assigns or general and limited partners and respective controlling Persons with respect to any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of any material fact in, or omission or alleged omission of any material fact from, such registration statement, any preliminary, final or summary prospectus contained therein, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or any free writing prospectus utilized in connection therewith, if such statement or alleged statement or omission or alleged omission was made in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company or its representatives by or on behalf of such Participating Holder or underwriter or Qualified Independent Underwriter, if any, specifically for use therein and reimburse such indemnified party for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred in connection with investigating or defending any such Claim as such expenses are incurred; provided, however, that the aggregate amount which any such Participating Holder shall be required to pay pursuant to this Section 2.9(b) and Sections 2.9(c) and (e) shall in no case be greater than the amount of the net proceeds received by such Participating Holder upon the sale of the Registrable Securities pursuant to the registration statement giving rise to such Claim. The Company and each Participating Holder hereby acknowledge and agree that, unless otherwise expressly agreed to in writing by such Participating Holders to the contrary, for all purposes of this Agreement, the only information furnished or to be furnished to the Company for use in any such registration statement, preliminary, final or summary prospectus or amendment or supplement thereto or any free writing prospectus are statements specifically relating to (a) the beneficial ownership of shares of Common Equity by such Participating Holder and its Affiliates and (b) the name and address of such Participating Holder. If any additional information about such Holder or the plan of distribution (other than for an underwritten offering) is required by law to be disclosed in any such document, then such Holder shall not unreasonably withhold its agreement referred to in the immediately preceding sentence. Such indemnity and reimbursement of expenses shall remain in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of such indemnified party and shall survive the transfer of such securities by such Holder.

- (c) Indemnification similar to that specified in the preceding paragraphs (a) and (b) of this Section 2.9 (with appropriate modifications) shall be given by the Company and each Participating Holder with respect to any required registration or other qualification of securities under any applicable securities and state "blue sky" laws.
- (d) Any Person entitled to indemnification under this Agreement shall notify promptly the indemnifying party in writing of the commencement of any action or proceeding with respect to which a claim for indemnification may be made pursuant to this Section 2.9, but the failure of any indemnified party to provide such notice shall not relieve the indemnifying party of its obligations under the preceding paragraphs of this Section 2.9, except to the extent the indemnifying party is materially and actually prejudiced thereby and shall not relieve the indemnifying party from any liability which it may have to any indemnified party otherwise than under this Article 2. In case any action or proceeding is brought against an indemnified party and it shall notify the indemnifying party of the commencement thereof, the indemnifying party shall be entitled to participate therein and, unless in the reasonable opinion of outside counsel to

the indemnified party a conflict of interest between such indemnified and indemnifying parties may exist in respect of such claim, to assume the defense thereof jointly with any other indemnifying party similarly notified, to the extent that it chooses, with counsel reasonably satisfactory to such indemnified party, and after notice from the indemnifying party to such indemnified party that it so chooses, the indemnifying party shall not be liable to such indemnified party for any legal or other expenses subsequently incurred by such indemnified party in connection with the defense thereof other than reasonable costs of investigation; provided, however, that (i) if the indemnifying party fails to take reasonable steps necessary to defend diligently the action or proceeding within twenty (20) days after receiving notice from such indemnified party that the indemnified party believes it has failed to do so; or (ii) if such indemnified party who is a defendant in any action or proceeding which is also brought against the indemnifying party reasonably shall have concluded that there may be one or more legal or equitable defenses available to such indemnified party which are not available to the indemnifying party or which may conflict with those available to another indemnified party with respect to such Claim; or (iii) if representation of both parties by the same counsel is otherwise inappropriate under applicable standards of professional conduct, then, in any such case, the indemnified party shall have the right to assume or continue its own defense as set forth above (but with no more than one firm of counsel for all indemnified parties in each jurisdiction, except to the extent any indemnified party or parties reasonably shall have made a conclusion described in clause (ii) or (iii) above) and the indemnifying party shall be liable for any expenses therefor. No indemnifying party shall, without the written consent of the indemnified party, effect the settlement or compromise of, or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to, any pending or threatened action or claim in respect of which indemnification or contribution may be sought hereunder (whether or not the indemnified party is an actual or potential party to such action or claim) unless such settlement, compromise or judgment (A) includes an unconditional release of the indemnified party from all liability arising out of such action or claim and (B) does not include a statement as to or an admission of fault, culpability or a failure to act, by or on behalf of any indemnified party.

(e) If for any reason the foregoing indemnity is unavailable, unenforceable or is insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party under Sections 2.9(a), (b) or (c), then each applicable indemnifying party shall contribute to the amount paid or payable to such indemnified party as a result of any Claim in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative fault of the indemnifying party, on the one hand, and the indemnified party, on the other hand, with respect to such Claim. The relative fault shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the indemnifying party or the indemnified party and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such untrue statement or omission. If, however, the allocation provided in the second preceding sentence is not permitted by applicable law, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such indemnified party in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only such relative faults but also the relative benefits of the indemnifying party and the indemnified party as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The parties hereto agree that it would not be just and equitable if any contribution pursuant to this Section 2.9(e) were to be determined by pro rata allocation or by any other method of allocation which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to in the preceding sentences of this Section 2.9(e). The amount paid or payable in

respect of any Claim shall be deemed to include any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending any such Claim. No Person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any Person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. Notwithstanding anything in this Section 2.9(e) to the contrary, no indemnifying party (other than the Company) shall be required pursuant to this Section 2.9(e) to contribute any amount greater than the amount of the net proceeds received by such indemnifying party upon the sale of the Registrable Securities pursuant to the registration statement giving rise to such Claim, less the amount of any indemnification payment made by such indemnifying party pursuant to Sections 2.9(b) and (c).

- (f) The indemnity and contribution agreements contained herein shall be in addition to any other rights to indemnification or contribution which any indemnified party may have pursuant to law or contract and shall remain operative and in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made or omitted by or on behalf of any indemnified party and shall survive the transfer of the Registrable Securities by any such party.
- (g) The indemnification and contribution required by this Section 2.9 shall be made by periodic payments of the amount thereof during the course of the investigation or defense, as and when bills are received or expense, loss, damage or liability is incurred; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the recipient thereof hereby undertakes to repay such payments if and to the extent it shall be determined by a court of competent jurisdiction that such recipient is not entitled to such payment hereunder.

3. Underwritten Offerings.

3.1. Requested Underwritten Offerings. If requested by the underwriters for any underwritten offering pursuant to a registration requested under Section 2.1, the Company shall enter into a customary underwriting agreement with the underwriters. Such underwriting agreement shall (i) be satisfactory in form and substance to the Majority Participating Holders, (ii) contain terms not inconsistent with the provisions of this Agreement and (iii) contain such representations and warranties by, and such other agreements on the part of, the Company and such other terms as are generally prevailing in agreements of that type, including, without limitation, indemnities and contribution agreements on substantially the same terms as those contained herein. Any Participating Holder shall be a party to such underwriting agreement and may, at its option, require that any or all of the representations and warranties by, and the other agreements on the part of, the Company to and for the benefit of such underwriters shall also be made to and for the benefit of such Participating Holder and that any or all of the conditions precedent to the obligations of such underwriters under such underwriting agreement be conditions precedent to the obligations of such Participating Holder; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required to make any representations or warranties with respect to written information specifically provided by a Participating Holder for inclusion in the registration statement. Each such Participating Holder shall not be required to make any representations or warranties to or agreements with the Company or the underwriters other than representations, warranties or agreements regarding such Participating Holder, its ownership of and title to the Registrable Securities, any written information specifically provided by such Participating Holder for inclusion in the registration statement and its intended method of distribution; and any

liability of such Participating Holder to any underwriter or other Person under such underwriting agreement shall be limited to liability arising from breach of its representations and warranties and shall in no case be greater than the amount of the net proceeds received by such Holder upon the sale of the Registrable Securities pursuant to the registration statement.

3.2. Piggyback Underwritten Offerings. In the case of a registration pursuant to Section 2.2, if the Company shall have determined to enter into an underwriting agreement in connection therewith, all of the Participating Holders' Registrable Securities to be included in such registration shall be subject to such underwriting agreement. Any Participating Holder may, at its option, require that any or all of the representations and warranties by, and the other agreements on the part of, the Company to and for the benefit of such underwriters shall also be made to and for the benefit of such Participating Holder and that any or all of the conditions precedent to the obligations of such underwriters under such underwriting agreement be conditions precedent to the obligations of such Participating Holder; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required to make any representations or warranties with respect to written information specifically provided by a Participating Holder for inclusion in the registration statement. Each such Participating Holder shall not be required to make any representations or warranties to or agreements with the Company or the underwriters other than representations, warranties or agreements regarding such Participating Holder, its ownership of and title to the Registrable Securities, any written information specifically provided by such Participating Holder for inclusion in the registration statement and its intended method of distribution; and any liability of such Participating Holder to any underwriter or other Person under such underwriting agreement shall be limited to liability arising from breach of its representations and warranties and shall in no case be greater than the amount of the net proceeds received by such Participating Holder upon the sale of the Registrable Securities pursuant to the registration statement.

4. General.

- 4.1. <u>Suspension</u>. During the period commencing on the closing date of the IPO and ending on the PVF Distribution Date, the Holders will not be entitled to request or demand registration of any Registrable Securities pursuant to the terms of this Agreement (including Sections 2.1 and 2.2).
- 4.2. Adjustments Affecting Registrable Securities. The Company agrees that it shall not effect or permit to occur any combination or subdivision of shares of Common Equity which would adversely affect the ability of any Holder of any Registrable Securities to include such Registrable Securities in any registration contemplated by this Agreement or the marketability of such Registrable Securities in any such registration. The Company agrees that it will take all reasonable steps necessary to effect a subdivision of shares of Common Equity if in the reasonable judgment of (a) the GSCP Members or (b) the managing underwriter for the offering in respect of such Demand Registration Request, such subdivision would enhance the marketability of the Registrable Securities. Each Holder agrees to vote all of its shares of capital stock in a manner, and to take all other actions necessary, to permit the Company to carry out the intent of the preceding sentence including, without limitation, voting in favor of an amendment to the Company's organizational documents in order to increase the number of authorized shares of capital stock of the Company. In any event, the provisions of this Agreement shall apply, to the full extent set forth herein with respect to the Registrable Securities, to any and all shares of

capital stock of the Company or any successor or assign of the Company (whether by merger, share exchange, consolidation, sale of assets or otherwise) which may be issued in respect of, in exchange for or in substitution of, Registrable Securities and shall be appropriately adjusted for any stock dividends, splits, reverse splits, combinations, recapitalizations and the like occurring after the date hereof.

- 4.3. Rule 144 and Rule 144A. If the Company shall have filed a registration statement pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Exchange Act or a registration statement pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act in respect of the Common Equity or Common Equity Equivalents, the Company covenants that (i) so long as it remains subject to the reporting provisions of the Exchange Act, it will timely file the reports required to be filed by it under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act (including, but not limited to, the reports under Sections 13 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act referred to in subparagraph (c)(1) of Rule 144 under the Securities Act, as such Rule may be amended ("Rule 144")) or, if the Company is not required to file such reports, it will, upon the request of any Holder, make publicly available other information so long as necessary to permit sales by such Holder under Rule 144, Rule 144A under the Securities Act, as such Rule may be amended ("Rule 144A"), or any similar rules or regulations hereafter adopted by the SEC, and (ii) it will take such further action as any Holder may reasonably request, all to the extent required from time to time to enable such Holder to sell Registrable Securities without registration under the Securities Act within the limitation of the exemptions provided by (A) Rule 144, (B) Rule 144A or (C) any similar rule or regulation hereafter adopted by the SEC. Upon the request of any Holder of Registrable Securities, the Company will deliver to such Holder a written statement as to whether it has complied with such requirements.
- 4.4. Nominees for Beneficial Owners. If Registrable Securities are held by a nominee for the beneficial owner thereof, the beneficial owner thereof may, at its option, be treated as the Holder of such Registrable Securities for purposes of any request or other action by any Holder or Holders of Registrable Securities pursuant to this Agreement (or any determination of any number or percentage of shares constituting Registrable Securities held by any Holder or Holders of Registrable Securities contemplated by this Agreement), provided that the Company shall have received assurances reasonably satisfactory to it of such beneficial ownership.
- 4.5. Amendments and Waivers. Any provisions of this Agreement may be amended, modified, supplemented or waived with the written approval of the Company and Holders holding a majority of the Registrable Securities then held by all Holders (which majority must include the GSCP Members, so long as any GSCP Member holds any Registrable Securities); provided, however, that (a) any amendment, modification, supplement or waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement that affects the McJ Members disproportionately vis-à-vis the GSCP Members and results in a material adverse effect on the McJ Members will require the written approval of the GSCP Members and of the McJ Members holding a majority of the Registrable Securities then held by all McJ Members (such approval by the McJ Members not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed), (b) any amendment, modification, supplement or waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement that affects the RM Members disproportionately vis-à-vis the GSCP Members and results in a material adverse effect on the RM Members will require the written approval of the GSCP Members and of the RM Members holding a majority of the Registrable Securities then held by all RM Members (such approval by the RM Members

not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed), and (<u>c</u>) any amendment, modification, supplement or waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement that affects the TM Members disproportionately vis-à-vis the GSCP Members and results in a material adverse effect on the TM Members will require the written approval of the GSCP Members and of the TM Members holding a majority of the Registrable Securities then held by all TM Members (such approval by the TM Members not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed). No waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed to or shall constitute a waiver of any other provision hereof (whether or not similar). No failure or delay on the part of any party in exercising any right, power or privilege hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof or of any other or future exercise of any such right, power or privilege.

4.6. Notices. Any notice, request, instruction or other document to be given hereunder by any party to the others shall be in writing and delivered personally or sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, or by facsimile to the Company or to any GSCP Member, McJ Member, TM Member or RM Member at the address set forth below and to any subsequent holder of Units subject to this Agreement at such address as indicated by the Company's records, or at such address or to the attention of such other person as the recipient party has specified by prior written notice to the sending party. Any notice, request, instruction or other document given as provided above shall be deemed given to the receiving party upon actual receipt, if delivered personally; three (3) Business Days after deposit in the mail, if sent by registered or certified mail; upon confirmation of successful transmission if sent by facsimile (provided that if given by facsimile such notice, request, instruction or other document shall be followed up within one (1) Business Day by dispatch pursuant to one of the other methods described herein); or on the next Business Day after deposit with an overnight courier, if sent by an overnight courier:

(i) If to the Company, to:

MRC Global Inc. 2 Houston Center 909 Fannin, Suite 3100 Houston, Texas 77010 Attention: General Counsel

with a copy to:

Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP One New York Plaza New York, New York 10004 Facsimile No.: (212) 859-4000 Attention: Robert C. Schwenkel, Esq.

(ii) If to a GSCP Member:

c/o GS Capital Partners 200 West Street New York, NY 10282

Facsimile:

with a copy to:

Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP One New York Plaza New York, New York 10004 Facsimile No.: (212) 859-4000 Attention: Robert C. Schwenkel, Esq.

(iii) If to a McJ Member, to:

McJunkin Red Man Corporation 835 Hillcrest Drive Charleston, WV 25311 Attention: H.B. Wehrle III with a copy to Michael H. Wehrle Fax: (304) 348-1557

with a copy to:

Sullivan & Cromwell LLP 125 Broad Street New York, NY 10004 Attention: Benjamin F. Stapleton III Fax: (212) 558-3588

(iv) If to the TM Members, to:

c/o Gerard Krans Belgischeplein 13 2587 AP Den Haag The Netherlands Fax: + 31 20 404 9367

and

Neil Wagstaff 25 Hopgrove Lane South York Y08E 9TG United Kingdom

and

Hugh Brown Langland House 17 Park Road Menston Ilkley LS29 6LS United Kingdom

with copies to:

Holland & Knight LLP 100 North Tampa Street, Suite 4100 Tampa, Florida US 33602 Attention: Robert J. Grammig Fax: (813) 229-0134

and

Allen & Overy LLP Apollolaan 15 1077 AB Amsterdam The Netherlands Attention: Johan Kleyn Fax: +31 20 674 1034

and

DLA Piper UK LLP Princes Exchange Princes Square Leeds LS1 4BY United Kingdom Attention: Wendy Harrison Fax: 44 (0) 113 369 2499

(v) If to a RM Member, to:

c/o Craig Ketchum 8023 East 63rd Place Suite 800 Tulsa, Oklahoma 74133 Fax: (918) 461-5375

with a copy to: Baker Botts L.L.P. 30 Rockefeller Plaza, 44th Floor New York, NY 10112 Attention: Lee D. Charles, Esq. and Marc A. Leaf, Esq. Fax: (212) 259-2505 and (212) 259-2597

- 4.7. <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. Except as otherwise provided herein, this Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the Company and its successors and assigns and each Holder and his, her and its respective successors, permitted assigns, heirs and personal representatives, personal representatives and assigns of the parties hereto, whether so expressed or not. This Agreement may not be assigned by the Company, without the prior written consent of the GSCP Members. The parties hereto and their respective successors may assign their rights under this Agreement, in whole or in part, to any purchaser of shares of Registrable Securities held by them.
- 4.8. Entire Agreement. This Agreement and the writings referred to herein or delivered pursuant hereto which form a part hereof constitute the entire agreement, and supersede all other prior agreements, understandings, representations and warranties both written and oral, among the parties, with respect to the subject matter hereof.
 - 4.9. Governing Law; Submission to Jurisdiction; Waiver of Jury Trial.
- (a) THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE MADE IN AND IN ALL RESPECTS SHALL BE INTERPRETED, CONSTRUED AND GOVERNED BY AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE WITHOUT REGARD TO THE CONFLICTS OF LAW PRINCIPLES THEREOF. The parties hereby irrevocably submit to the personal jurisdiction of the courts of the State of Delaware located in the County of New Castle and the Federal courts of the United States of America located in the County of New Castle solely in respect of the interpretation and enforcement of the provisions of this Agreement and of the documents referred to in this Agreement, and in respect of the transactions contemplated hereby, and hereby waive, and agree not to assert, as a defense in any action, suit or proceeding for the interpretation or enforcement hereof or of any such document, that it is not subject thereto or that such action, suit or proceeding may not be brought or is not maintainable in said courts or that the venue thereof may not be appropriate or that this Agreement or any such document may not be enforced in or by such courts, and the parties hereto irrevocably agree that all claims with respect to such action or proceeding shall be heard and determined in such a Delaware State or Federal court located in the County of New Castle. The parties hereby consent to and grant any such court jurisdiction over the person of such parties and, to the extent permitted by law, over the subject matter of such dispute and agree that mailing of process or other papers in connection with any such action or proceeding in the manner provided in Section 4.6 or in such other manner as may be permitted by law shall be valid and sufficient service thereof.
- (b) EACH PARTY ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT ANY CONTROVERSY WHICH MAY ARISE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT IS LIKELY TO INVOLVE COMPLICATED AND DIFFICULT ISSUES, AND THEREFORE EACH SUCH PARTY HEREBY IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES ANY RIGHT SUCH PARTY MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY LITIGATION DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED BY THIS AGREEMENT. EACH PARTY

CERTIFIES AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT (i) NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER, (ii) EACH PARTY UNDERSTANDS AND HAS CONSIDERED THE IMPLICATIONS OF THIS WAIVER, (iii) EACH PARTY MAKES THIS WAIVER VOLUNTARILY, AND (iv) EACH PARTY HAS BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION 4.9.

4.10. Interpretation; Construction

- (a) The table of contents and headings herein are for convenience of reference only, do not constitute part of this Agreement and shall not be deemed to limit or otherwise affect any of the provisions hereof. Where a reference in this Agreement is made to a Section, such reference shall be to a Section of this Agreement unless otherwise indicated. Whenever the words "include," "includes" or "including" are used in this Agreement, they shall be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation."
- (b) The parties have participated jointly in negotiating and drafting this Agreement. In the event that an ambiguity or a question of intent or interpretation arises, this Agreement shall be construed as if drafted jointly by the parties, and no presumption or burden of proof shall arise favoring or disfavoring any party by virtue of the authorship of any provision of this Agreement.
- 4.11. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in separate counterparts (including by facsimile), all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement.
- 4.12. Severability. The provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed severable and the invalidity or unenforceability of any provision shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the other provisions hereof. If any provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof to any person or any circumstance, is invalid or unenforceable, (a) a suitable and equitable provision shall be substituted therefor in order to carry out, so far as may be valid and enforceable, the intent and purpose of such invalid or unenforceable provision and (b) the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected by such invalidity or unenforceability, nor shall such invalidity or unenforceability affect the validity or enforceability of such provision, or the application thereof, in any other jurisdiction.
- 4.13. Specific Performance. The parties hereto agree that irreparable damage would occur in the event that any of the provisions of this Agreement were not performed in accordance with their specific terms or were otherwise breached. It is accordingly agreed that each party hereto shall be entitled to an injunction or injunctions to prevent breaches of this Agreement and to enforce specifically the terms and provisions of this Agreement in the courts of the State of Delaware located in the County of New Castle and the Federal courts of the United States of America located in the County of New Castle, this being in addition to any other remedy to which such party is entitled at law or in equity.

4.14. <u>Further Assurances</u>. Each party hereto shall do and perform or cause to be done and performed all such further acts and things and shall execute and deliver all such other agreements, certificates, instruments, and documents as any other party hereto reasonably may request in order to carry out the intent and accomplish the purposes of this Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby.

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INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

This Indemnification Agreement ("<u>Agreement</u>") is made as of "<u>Company</u>"), and ("<u>Indemnitee</u>").

, 2012 by and between MRC Global Inc., a Delaware corporation (the

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WHEREAS, the Company desires to attract and retain the services of highly qualified individuals, such as Indemnitee, to serve the Company;

WHEREAS, in order to induce Indemnitee to continue to provide services to the Company, the Company wishes to provide for the indemnification of, and advancement of expenses to, Indemnitee to the maximum extent permitted by law;

WHEREAS, the Company's Certificate of Incorporation (the "<u>Charter</u>") and Bylaws (the "<u>Bylaws</u>") require indemnification of the officers and directors of the Company, and Indemnitee may also be entitled to indemnification pursuant to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "<u>DGCL</u>");

WHEREAS, the Bylaws and the DGCL expressly provide that the indemnification provisions set forth therein are not exclusive, and thereby contemplate that contracts may be entered into between the Company and members of the board of directors, officers and other persons with respect to indemnification;

WHEREAS, the Company and Indemnitee recognize the continued difficulty in obtaining liability insurance for the Company's directors, officers, employees, agents and fiduciaries, the significant and continual increases in the cost of such insurance and the general trend of insurance companies to reduce the scope of coverage of such insurance;

WHEREAS, the Company and Indemnitee further recognize the substantial increase in corporate litigation in general, subjecting directors, officers, employees, agents and fiduciaries to expensive litigation risks at the same time as the availability and scope of coverage of liability insurance provide increasing challenges for the Company;

WHEREAS, Indemnitee does not regard the protection currently provided by applicable law, the Company's governing documents and available insurance as adequate under the present circumstances, and Indemnitee may not be willing to continue to serve in such capacity without additional protection;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Board") has determined that the increased difficulty in attracting and retaining highly qualified persons such as Indemnitee is detrimental to the best interests of the Company's stockholders and that the Company should act to assure Indemnitee that there will be increased certainty of such protection in the future;

WHEREAS, it is reasonable, prudent and necessary for the Company contractually to obligate itself to indemnify, and to advance expenses on behalf of, Indemnitee to the fullest

extent permitted by applicable law, regardless of any amendment or revocation of the Charter or Bylaws, so that they will serve or continue to serve the Company free from undue concern that they will not be so indemnified; and

WHEREAS, this Agreement is a supplement to and in furtherance of the indemnification provided in the Charter, Bylaws and any resolutions adopted pursuant thereto, and shall not be deemed a substitute therefor, nor to diminish or abrogate any rights of Indemnitee thereunder.

[WHEREAS, Indemnitee has certain rights to indemnification and/or insurance provided by the Sponsor Indemnitors (as defined below) which Indemnitee and the Sponsor Indemnitors intend to be secondary to the primary obligation of the Company to indemnity Indemnitee as provided herein, with the Company's acknowledgement and agreement to the foregoing being a material condition to Indemnitee's willingness to serve on the Board.]*

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the covenants contained herein, the Company and Indemnitee do hereby covenant and agree as follows:

Section 1. Services to the Company. Indemnitee agrees to serve as a director of the Company. Indemnitee may at any time and for any reason resign from such position (subject to any other contractual obligation or any obligation imposed by law), in which event the Company shall have no obligation under this Agreement to continue Indemnitee in such position. This Agreement shall not be deemed an employment contract between the Company (or any of its subsidiaries or any Enterprise) and Indemnitee. The foregoing notwithstanding and subject to Section 16 of this Agreement, this Agreement shall continue in force after Indemnitee has ceased to serve as a director of the Company and will continue to provide coverage, to the extent provided for in this Agreement, for matters that occurred while Indemnitee served as a director of the Company.

Section 2. Definitions

As used in this Agreement:

- (a) "Corporate Status" describes the status of a person as a current or former director, officer, employee, agent, trustee, or consultant of the Company or of any other Enterprise which such person is or was serving at the request of the Company.
- (b) "Enforcement Expenses" shall include all reasonable attorneys' fees, retainers, court costs, transcript costs, fees of experts, witness fees, travel expenses, duplicating costs, printing and binding costs, telephone charges, postage, delivery service fees and all other disbursements or expenses of the types customarily incurred in connection with an action to enforce indemnification or advancement rights, or an appeal from such action, including, without limitation, the premium, security for and other costs relating to any cost bond, supersedes bond or other appeal bond or its equivalent.

Bracketed language to be included in indemnification agreements between the Company and the Sponsor Indemnitors' designees.

- (c) "Enterprise" shall mean any corporation (other than the Company), limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other legal entity of which Indemnitee is or was serving at the request of the Company as a director, officer, employee, agent, or trustee, consultant or fiduciary.
- (d) "Expenses" shall include all reasonable attorneys' fees, retainers, court costs, transcript costs, fees of experts, witness fees, travel expenses, duplicating costs, printing and binding costs, telephone charges, postage, delivery service fees and all other disbursements or expenses of the types customarily incurred in connection with prosecuting, defending, preparing to prosecute or defend, investigating, being or preparing to be a witness in, or otherwise participating in, a Proceeding or an appeal resulting from a Proceeding, including, without limitation, the premium, security for and other costs relating to any cost bond, supersedes bond or other appeal bond or its equivalent. Expenses, however, shall not include amounts paid in settlement by Indemnitee or the amount of judgments or fines against Indemnitee.
- (e) "Independent Counsel" means a law firm, or a partner (or, if applicable, member) of such a law firm, that is experienced in matters of Delaware corporation law and neither presently is, nor in the past two years has been, retained to represent: (i) the Company, any Enterprise or Indemnitee in any matter material to any such party (other than with respect to matters concerning the Indemnitee under this Agreement, or of other indemnitees under similar indemnification agreements), or (ii) any other party to the Proceeding giving rise to a claim for indemnification hereunder. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the term "Independent Counsel" shall not include any person who, under the applicable standards of professional conduct then prevailing, would have a conflict of interest in representing either the Company or Indemnitee in an action to determine Indemnitee's rights under this Agreement. The Company agrees to pay the reasonable fees and expenses of the Independent Counsel and to fully indemnify such counsel against any and all expenses, claims, liabilities and damages arising out of or relating to this Agreement or its engagement pursuant hereto.
- (f) The term "Proceeding" shall include any threatened, pending or completed action, suit, arbitration, alternate dispute resolution mechanism, investigation, inquiry, administrative hearing or any other actual, threatened or completed proceeding, whether brought in the right of the Company or otherwise and whether of a civil, criminal, administrative, legislative, or investigative (formal or informal) nature, including any and all appeals therefrom, in which Indemnitee was, is or will be involved as a party, potential party, non-party witness or otherwise by reason of the fact that Indemnitee is or was a director, consultant or officer of the Company or is or was serving at the request of the Company as a director, officer, employee, agent, consultant or trustee of any Enterprise or by reason of any action taken by him or of any action taken on his part while acting as director, consultant or officer of the Company, or while serving at the request of the Company as a director, consultant, officer, employee, agent or trustee of any Enterprise, in each case whether or not serving in such capacity at the time any liability or expense is incurred for which indemnification, reimbursement, or advancement of expenses can be provided under this Agreement. If the Indemnitee believes in good faith that a given situation may lead to or culminate in the institution of a Proceeding, such situation shall be considered a Proceeding under this paragraph. The term "Proceeding" shall not include any action, suit or arbitration, or part thereof, initiated by Indemnitee to enforce Indemnitee's rights under this Agreement as provided for in Section 14(e) of this Agreement.

Section 3. <u>Indemnity in Third-Party Proceedings</u>. The Company shall indemnify Indemnitee in accordance with the provisions of this Section 3 if Indemnitee is, or is threatened to be made, a party to or a participant in any Proceeding, other than a Proceeding by or in the right of the Company to procure a judgment in its favor (which is covered by Section 4 of this Agreement). Pursuant to this Section 3, Indemnitee shall be indemnified to the fullest extent permitted by law against all Expenses, judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by Indemnitee or on his behalf in connection with such Proceeding or any claim, issue or matter therein, if Indemnitee acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Company and, in the case of a criminal proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was unlawful. Indemnitee shall not enter into any settlement in connection with a Proceeding without ten (10) days' prior notice to the Company.

Section 4. Indemnity in Proceedings by or in the Right of the Company. The Company shall indemnify Indemnitee in accordance with the provisions of this Section 4 if Indemnitee is, or is threatened to be made, a party to or a participant in any Proceeding by or in the right of the Company to procure a judgment in its favor. Pursuant to this Section 4, Indemnitee shall be indemnified to the fullest extent permitted by law against all Expenses actually and reasonably incurred by him or on his behalf in connection with such Proceeding or any claim, issue or matter therein, if Indemnitee acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Company. No indemnification for Expenses shall be made under this Section 4 in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which Indemnitee shall have been finally adjudged by a court to be liable to the Company, unless and only to the extent that the Delaware Court of Chancery (the "Delaware Court") or any court in which the Proceeding was brought shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all the circumstances of the case, Indemnitee is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnification for such expenses as the Delaware Court or such other court shall deem proper.

Section 5. Indemnification for Expenses of a Party Who is Wholly or Partly Successful. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement and except as provided in Section 9, to the extent that Indemnitee is a party to or a participant in and is successful, on the merits or otherwise, in any Proceeding or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, the Company shall indemnify Indemnitee against all Expenses actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection therewith. If Indemnitee is not wholly successful in such Proceeding but is successful, on the merits or otherwise, as to one or more but less than all claims, issues or matters in such Proceeding, the Company shall indemnify Indemnitee against all Expenses actually and reasonably incurred by him or on his behalf in connection with each successfully resolved claim, issue or matter. For purposes of this Section and without limitation, the termination of any claim, issue or matter in such a Proceeding by dismissal, with or without prejudice, shall be deemed to be a successful result as to such claim, issue or matter. Nothing in this Section 5 is intended to limit Indemnitee's rights provided for in Sections 3 and 4.

Section 6. <u>Indemnification For Expenses of a Witness</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, to the extent that Indemnitee is, by reason of his Corporate Status, a witness or otherwise asked to participate in any Proceeding to which Indemnitee is not a party and is not threatened to be made a party, he shall be indemnified against all Expenses actually and reasonably incurred by him or on his behalf in connection therewith. Nothing in this Section 6 is intended to limit Indemnitee's rights provided for in Sections 3 and 4.

Section 7. <u>Partial Indemnification</u>. If Indemnitee is entitled under any provision of this Agreement to indemnification by the Company for some or a portion of expenses, but not, however, for the total amount thereof, the Company shall nevertheless indemnify Indemnitee for the portion thereof to which Indemnitee is entitled.

Section 8. Additional Indemnification.

- (a) Except as provided in Section 9, and notwithstanding any limitation in Sections 3, 4, or 5, the Company shall indemnify Indemnitee to the fullest extent permitted by law if Indemnitee is a party to or is threatened to be made a party to any Proceeding (including a Proceeding by or in the right of the Company to procure a judgment in its favor) against all Expenses, judgments, fines, and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by Indemnitee in connection with the Proceeding.
 - (b) For purposes of Section 8(a), the meaning of the phrase "to the fullest extent permitted by law" shall include, but not be limited to:
- i. to the fullest extent permitted by the provision of the DGCL that authorizes or contemplates additional indemnification by agreement, or the corresponding provision of any amendment to or replacement of the DGCL or such provision thereof; and
- ii. to the fullest extent authorized or permitted by any amendments to or replacements of the DGCL adopted after the date of this Agreement that increase the extent to which a corporation may indemnify its directors.
 - Section 9. Exclusions. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, the Company shall not be obligated under this Agreement:
- (a) [subject to Section 15(c),]* to make any indemnity for amounts otherwise indemnifiable hereunder (or for which advancement is provided hereunder) if and to the extent that Indemnitee has otherwise actually received such amounts under any insurance policy, contract, agreement or otherwise;
- (b) to make any indemnity for an accounting of profits made from the purchase and sale (or sale and purchase) by Indemnitee of securities of the Company within the meaning of Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or similar provisions of state statutory law or common law; or

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(c) to make any indemnity or advancement that is prohibited by applicable law.

Section 10. Advances of Expenses. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, the Company shall advance, to the extent not prohibited by law, all Expenses incurred by or on behalf of Indemnitee (or which Indemnitee determines are reasonably likely to be paid or incurred by Indemnitee within three (3) months) in connection with any Proceeding, and such advancement shall be made within twenty (20) days after the receipt by the Company of a statement or statements requesting such advances (which shall include invoices received by Indemnitee in connection with such Expenses but, in the case of invoices in connection with legal services, any references to legal work performed or to expenditures made that would cause Indemnitee to waive any privilege accorded by applicable law shall not be included with the invoice) from time to time, whether prior to or after final disposition of any Proceeding. Advances shall be unsecured and interest free. Advances shall be made without regard to Indemnitee's ability to repay the expenses and without regard to Indemnitee's ultimate entitlement to indemnification under the other provisions of this Agreement. The Indemnitee shall qualify for advances upon the execution and delivery to the Company of this Agreement, which shall constitute an undertaking providing that the Indemnitee undertakes to the fullest extent required by law to repay the amounts advanced (without interest) if and to the extent that it is ultimately determined by a court of competent jurisdiction in a final judgment, not subject to appeal, that Indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified by the Company. No other form of undertaking shall be required other than the execution of this Agreement. The right to advances under this paragraph shall in all events continue until final disposition of any Proceeding. Nothing in this Section 10 shall limit Indemnitee has made written demand to the Company in accordance with this Agreement, all Expenses included in such demand that are certified by affid

Section 11. Procedure for Notification and Defense of Claim.

(a) To obtain indemnification under this Agreement, Indemnitee shall submit to the Company a written request therefor, and, if Indemnitee so chooses pursuant to Section 12 of this Agreement, such written request shall also include a request for Indemnitee to have the right to indemnification determined by Independent Counsel. The omission by Indemnitee to notify the Company hereunder will not relieve the Company from any liability which it may have to Indemnitee hereunder, under the Charter, the Bylaws, any resolution of the Board providing for indemnification or otherwise, and any delay in so notifying the Company shall not constitute a waiver by Indemnitee of any rights under this Agreement. The Secretary of the Company shall, promptly upon receipt of such a request for indemnification, advise the Board in writing that Indemnitee has requested indemnification.

(b) The Company will be entitled to participate in any Proceeding at its own expense.

Section 12. Procedure Upon Application for Indemnification.

(a) Upon written request by Indemnitee for indemnification pursuant to Section 11(a), a determination, if such determination is required by applicable law, with respect to Indemnitee's entitlement thereto shall be made in the specific case: (1) by Independent Counsel in a written opinion to the Board if Indemnitee so requests in such written request for indemnification pursuant to Section 11(a), or (ii) by the Company in accordance with applicable law if Indemnitee does not so request such determination be made by Independent Counsel. In the case that such determination is made by Independent Counsel, a copy of Independent Counsel's written opinion shall be delivered to Indemnitee and, if it is so determined that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification, payment to Indemnitee shall be made within ten (10) days after such determination. Indemnitee shall cooperate with the Independent Counsel, or the Company, as applicable, making such determination with respect to Indemnitee's entitlement to indemnification, including providing to such counsel or the Company upon reasonable advance request any reasonable documentation or information which is not privileged or otherwise protected from disclosure and which is reasonably available to Indemnitee and reasonably necessary to such determination. Any costs or expenses (including attorneys' fees and disbursements) incurred by Indemnitee in so cooperating with the Independent Counsel or the Company shall be borne by the Company (irrespective of the determination as to Indemnitee's entitlement to indemnification) and the Company hereby indemnifies and agrees to hold Indemnitee harmless therefrom.

(b) In the event that Indemnitee exercises his right to have his entitlement to indemnification determined by Independent Counsel pursuant to Sections 11(a) and 12(a)(i), the Independent Counsel shall be selected by Indemnitee, and Indemnitee shall give written notice to the Company advising it of the identity of the Independent Counsel so selected. The Company may, within ten (10) days after such written notice of Indemnitee's selection shall have been given, deliver to the Indemnitee a written objection to such selection; provided, however, that such objection may be asserted only on the ground that the Independent Counsel so selected does not meet the requirements of "Independent Counsel" as defined in Section 2 of this Agreement, and the objection shall set forth with particularity the factual basis of such assertion. Absent a proper and timely objection, the person or firm so selected shall act as Independent Counsel. If such written objection is so made and substantiated, the Independent Counsel so selected may not serve as Independent Counsel unless and until such objection is withdrawn or a court has determined that such objection is without merit. If, within twenty (20) days after the later of (i) submission by Indemnitee of a written request for indemnification and Independent Counsel pursuant to Sections 11(a) and 12(a)(i) hereof, respectively, and (ii) the final disposition of the Proceeding, including any appeal therein, no Independent Counsel shall have been selected and not objected to, the Indemnitee may petition a court of competent jurisdiction for resolution of any objection which shall have been made by the Company to the selection of Independent Counsel and/or for the appointment as Independent Counsel of a person selected by the court or by such other person as the court shall designate. The person with respect to whom all objections are so resolved or the person so appointed shall act as Independent Counsel under Section 12(a) hereof. Upon the due commencement of any judicial proceeding o

Section 13. Presumptions and Effect of Certain Proceedings.

- (a) In making a determination with respect to entitlement to indemnification hereunder, it shall be presumed that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification under this Agreement if Indemnitee has submitted a request for indemnification in accordance with Section 11(a) of this Agreement, and the Company shall have the burden of proof to overcome that presumption in connection with the making of any determination contrary to that presumption. Neither (i) the failure of the Company or of Independent Counsel to have made a determination prior to the commencement of any action pursuant to this Agreement that indemnification is proper in the circumstances because Indemnitee has met the applicable standard of conduct, nor (ii) an actual determination by the Company or by Independent Counsel that Indemnitee has not met such applicable standard of conduct, shall be a defense to the action or create a presumption that Indemnitee has not met the applicable standard of conduct.
- (b) The termination of any Proceeding or of any claim, issue or matter therein, by judgment, order, settlement or conviction, or upon a plea of guilty, nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not (except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement) of itself adversely affect the right of Indemnitee to indemnification or create a presumption that Indemnitee did not act in good faith and in a manner which he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Company or, with respect to any criminal Proceeding, that Indemnitee had reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was unlawful.
- (c) For purposes of any determination of good faith, Indemnitee shall be deemed to have acted in good faith if Indemnitee's action is based on the records or books of account of the Enterprise, including financial statements, or on information supplied to Indemnitee by the officers of the Enterprise in the course of their duties, or on the advice of legal counsel for the Enterprise or the Board or counsel selected by any committee of the Board or on information or records given or reports made to the Enterprise by an independent certified public accountant or by an appraiser, investment banker or other expert selected with reasonable care by the Company or the Board or any committee of the Board. The provisions of this Section 13(c) shall not be deemed to be exclusive or to limit in any way the other circumstances in which the Indemnitee may be deemed to have met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in this Agreement.
- (d) The knowledge and/or actions, or failure to act, of any director, consultant, officer, agent or employee of the Company or any Enterprise shall not be imputed to Indemnitee for purposes of determining the right to indemnification under this Agreement.

Section 14. Remedies of Indemnitee.

(a) Subject to Section 14(f), in the event that (i) a determination is made pursuant to Section 12 of this Agreement that Indemnitee is not entitled to indemnification under this Agreement, (ii) advancement of Expenses is not timely made pursuant to Section 10 of this Agreement, (iii) no determination of entitlement to indemnification shall have been made pursuant to Section 12(a) of this Agreement within sixty (60) days after receipt by the Company of the request for indemnification that does not include a request for Independent Counsel, (iv) payment of indemnification is not made pursuant to Section 5, 6 or 7 or the last sentence of Section 12(a) of this Agreement within ten (10) days after receipt by the Company of a written request therefor, (v) payment of indemnification pursuant to Section 3, 4 or 8 of this Agreement is not made within ten

- (10) days after a determination has been made that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification, or (vi) in the event that the Company or any other person takes or threatens to take any action to declare this Agreement void or unenforceable, or institutes any litigation or other action or Proceeding designed to deny, or to recover from, the Indemnitee the benefits provided or intended to be provided to the Indemnitee hereunder, Indemnitee shall be entitled to an adjudication by a court of his entitlement to such indemnification and/or advancement. Alternatively, Indemnitee, at his option, may seek an award in arbitration to be conducted by a single arbitrator pursuant to the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association. Indemnitee shall commence such proceeding seeking an adjudication or an award in arbitration within 180 days following the date on which Indemnitee first has the right to commence such proceeding pursuant to this Section 14(a); provided, however, that the foregoing time limitation shall not apply in respect of a proceeding brought by Indemnitee to enforce his rights under Section 5 of this Agreement. The Company shall not oppose Indemnitee's right to seek any such adjudication or award in arbitration.
- (b) In the event that a determination shall have been made pursuant to Section 12(a) of this Agreement that Indemnitee is not entitled to indemnification, any judicial proceeding or arbitration commenced pursuant to this Section 14 shall be conducted in all respects as a de novo trial, or arbitration, on the merits and Indemnitee shall not be prejudiced by reason of that adverse determination. In any judicial proceeding or arbitration commenced pursuant to this Section 14, the Company shall have the burden of proving Indemnitee is not entitled to indemnification or advancement, as the case may be.
- (c) If a determination shall have been made pursuant to Section 12(a) of this Agreement that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification, the Company shall be bound by such determination in any judicial proceeding or arbitration commenced pursuant to this Section 14, absent a misstatement by Indemnitee of a material fact, or an omission of a material fact necessary to make Indemnitee's statement not materially misleading, in connection with the request for indemnification.
- (d) The Company shall be precluded from asserting in any judicial proceeding or arbitration commenced pursuant to this Section 14 that the procedures and presumptions of this Agreement are not valid, binding and enforceable and shall stipulate in any such court or before any such arbitrator that the Company is bound by all the provisions of this Agreement. It is the intent of the Company that, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the Indemnitee not be required to incur legal fees or other expenses associated with the interpretation, enforcement or defense of Indemnitee's rights under this Agreement by litigation or otherwise because the cost and expense thereof would substantially detract from the benefits intended to be extended to the Indemnitee hereunder.
- (e) To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Company shall indemnify Indemnitee against any and all Enforcement Expenses and, if requested by Indemnitee, shall (within ten (10) days after receipt by the Company of a written request therefor) advance, to the extent not prohibited by law, such Enforcement Expenses to Indemnitee, which are incurred by Indemnitee in connection with any action brought by Indemnitee for indemnification or advancement from the Company under this Agreement or under any directors' and officers' liability insurance policies maintained by the Company, regardless of whether Indemnitee

ultimately is determined to be entitled to such indemnification, advancement or insurance recovery, as the case may be, in the suit for which indemnification or advancement is being sought. The parties agree that for the purposes of any advancement of Enforcement Expenses for which Indemnitee has made written demand to the Company in accordance with this Agreement, all Enforcement Expenses included in such demand that are certified by affidavit of Indemnitee's counsel as being reasonable shall be presumed conclusively to be reasonable.

(f) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, no determination as to entitlement of Indemnitee to indemnification under this Agreement shall be required to be made prior to the final disposition of the Proceeding, including any appeal therein.

Section 15. Non-exclusivity; Survival of Rights; Insurance; Subrogation.

- (a) The rights of indemnification and to receive advancement as provided by this Agreement shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which Indemnitee may at any time be entitled under applicable law, the Charter, the Bylaws, any agreement, a vote of stockholders or a resolution of directors, or otherwise. No amendment, alteration or repeal of this Agreement or of any provision hereof shall limit or restrict any right of Indemnitee under this Agreement in respect of any action taken or omitted by such Indemnitee in his Corporate Status prior to such amendment, alteration or repeal. To the extent that a change in Delaware law, whether by statute or judicial decision, permits greater indemnification or advancement than would be afforded currently under the Charter, the Bylaws and this Agreement, it is the intent of the parties hereto that Indemnitee shall enjoy by this Agreement the greater benefits so afforded by such change. No right or remedy herein conferred is intended to be exclusive of any other right or remedy, and every other right and remedy shall be cumulative and in addition to every other right and remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right or remedy hereunder, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other right or remedy.
- (b) To the extent that the Company maintains an insurance policy or policies providing liability insurance for directors, consultants, officers, employees, trustees or agents of the Company or of any other Enterprise, Indemnitee shall be covered by such policy or policies in accordance with its or their terms to the maximum extent of the coverage available for any such director, consultant, officer, employee, trustee or agent under such policy or policies. If, at the time of the receipt of a notice of a claim pursuant to the terms hereof, the Company has director and officer liability insurance in effect, the Company shall give prompt notice of such claim or of the commencement of a proceeding, as the case may be, to the insurers in accordance with the procedures set forth in the respective policies. The Company shall thereafter take all necessary or desirable action to cause such insurers to pay, on behalf of the Indemnitee, all amounts payable as a result of such proceeding in accordance with the terms of such policies.
- [(c) The Company hereby acknowledges that Indemnitee has certain rights to indemnification, advancement of expenses and/or insurance provided by Goldman, Sachs & Co. and/or certain of its affiliates (collectively, the "Sponsor Indemnitors"). The Company hereby agrees (i) that it is the indemnitor of first resort (i.e., its obligations to Indemnitee are primary and any obligation of the Sponsor Indemnitors to advance expenses or to provide indemnification for the same expenses or liabilities incurred by Indemnitee are secondary), (ii)

that it shall be required to advance the full amount of expenses incurred by Indemnitee and shall be liable for the full amount of all expenses, judgments, penalties, fines and amounts paid in settlement to the extent legally permitted and as required by the terms of this Agreement and the Charter or the Bylaws (or any other agreement between the Company and Indemnitee), without regard to any rights Indemnitee may have against the Sponsor Indemnitors, and, (iii) that it irrevocably waives, relinquishes and releases the Sponsor Indemnitors from any and all claims against the Sponsor Indemnitors for contribution, subrogation or any other recovery of any kind in respect thereof. The Company further agrees that no advancement or payment by the Sponsor Indemnitors on behalf of Indemnitee with respect to any claim for which Indemnitee has sought indemnification from the Company shall affect the foregoing and the Sponsor Indemnitors shall have a right of contribution and/or be subrogated to the extent of such advancement or payment to all of the rights of recovery of Indemnitee against the Company. The Company and Indemnitee agree that the Sponsor Indemnitors are express third party beneficiaries of the terms of this Section 15(c).]*

- (d) [Except as provided in Section 15(c),]* In the event of any payment under this Agreement, the Company shall be subrogated to the extent of such payment to all of the rights of recovery of Indemnitee [(other than against the Sponsor Indemnitors)]*, who shall execute all papers required and take all action necessary to secure such rights, including execution of such documents as are necessary to enable the Company to bring suit to enforce such rights.
- (e) [Except as provided in Section 15(c),]* The Company's obligation to provide indemnification or advancement hereunder to Indemnitee who is or was serving at the request of the Company as a director, consultant, officer, employee, trustee or agent of any other Enterprise shall be reduced by any amount Indemnitee has actually received as indemnification or advancement from such other Enterprise.

Section 16. <u>Duration of Agreement</u>. This Agreement shall continue until and terminate upon the later of: (a) ten (10) years after the date that Indemnitee shall have ceased to serve as a director of the Company or (b) one (1) year after the final termination of any Proceeding, including any appeal, then pending in respect of which Indemnitee is granted rights of indemnification or advancement hereunder and of any proceeding, including any appeal, commenced by Indemnitee pursuant to Section 14 of this Agreement relating thereto. This Agreement shall be binding upon the Company and its successors and assigns and shall inure to the benefit of Indemnitee and his heirs, executors and administrators. The Company shall require and cause any successor, and any direct or indirect parent of any successor, whether direct or indirect by purchase, merger, consolidation or otherwise, to all, substantially all or a substantial part, of the business and/or assets of the Company, by written agreement in form and substance satisfactory to the Indemnitee, expressly to assume and agree to perform this Agreement in the same manner and to the same extent that the Company would be required to perform if no such succession had taken place.

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Section 17. Severability. If any provision or provisions of this Agreement shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable for any reason whatsoever: (a) the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Agreement (including, without limitation, each portion of any section of this Agreement containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, that is not itself invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby and shall remain enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law; (b) such provision or provisions shall be deemed reformed to the extent necessary to conform to applicable law and to give the maximum effect to the intent of the parties hereto; and (c) to the fullest extent possible, the provisions of this Agreement (including, without limitation, each portion of any section of this Agreement containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, that is not itself invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall be construed so as to give effect to the intent manifested thereby.

Section 18. Enforcement.

- (a) The Company expressly confirms and agrees that it has entered into this Agreement and assumed the obligations imposed on it hereby in order to induce Indemnitee to serve as a director of the Company, and the Company acknowledges that Indemnitee is relying upon this Agreement in serving as a director of the Company.
- (b) This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, oral, written and implied, between the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that this Agreement is a supplement to and in furtherance of the Charter, the Bylaws, any resolution of the Board providing for indemnification and applicable law, and shall not be deemed a substitute therefor, nor to diminish or abrogate any rights of Indemnitee thereunder.
- Section 19. <u>Modification and Waiver</u>. No supplement, modification or amendment, or waiver of any provision, of this Agreement shall be binding unless executed in writing by the parties thereto. No waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed or shall constitute a waiver of any other provisions of this Agreement nor shall any waiver constitute a continuing waiver.
- Section 20. <u>Notice by Indemnitee</u>. Indemnitee agrees promptly to notify the Company in writing upon being served with any summons, citation, subpoena, complaint, indictment, information or other document relating to any Proceeding or matter which may be subject to indemnification or advancement as provided hereunder. The failure of Indemnitee to so notify the Company shall not relieve the Company of any obligation which it may have to the Indemnitee under this Agreement or otherwise.
- Section 21. <u>Notices</u>. All notices, requests, demands and other communications under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if (a) delivered by hand and receipted for by the party to whom said notice or other communication shall have been directed, (b) mailed by certified or registered mail with postage prepaid, on the third business day after the date on which it is so mailed, (c) mailed by reputable overnight courier and receipted for by the party to whom said notice or other communication shall have been directed

or (d) sent by facsimile transmission, with receipt of oral confirmation that such transmission has been received:

- (a) If to Indemnitee, at the address indicated on the signature page of this Agreement, or such other address as Indemnitee shall provide to the Company.
 - (b) If to the Company to:

MRC Global Inc.
8023 East 63rd Place
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74133
Attn: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary
Facsimile: (866) 815-5063

or to any other address as may have been furnished to Indemnitee by the Company.

Section 22. <u>Contribution</u>. To the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, if the indemnification provided for in this Agreement is unavailable to Indemnitee for any reason whatsoever, the Company, in lieu of indemnifying Indemnitee, shall contribute to the amount incurred by Indemnitee, whether for judgments, fines, penalties, excise taxes, amounts paid or to be paid in settlement and/or for Expenses, in connection with any Proceeding, in such proportion as is deemed fair and reasonable in light of all of the circumstances in order to reflect (i) the relative benefits received by the Company and Indemnitee in connection with the event(s) and/or transaction(s) giving rise to such Proceeding; and/or (ii) the relative fault of the Company (and its directors, officers, employees and agents) and Indemnitee in connection with such event(s) and/or transaction(s).

Section 23. <u>Applicable Law and Consent to Jurisdiction</u>. This Agreement and the legal relations among the parties shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with, the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to its conflict of laws rules. Except with respect to any arbitration commenced by Indemnitee pursuant to Section 14(a) of this Agreement, the Company and Indemnitee hereby irrevocably and unconditionally (i) agree that any action or proceeding arising out of or in connection with this Agreement shall be brought only in the Delaware Court, and not in any other state or federal court in the United States of America or any court in any other country, (ii) consent to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Delaware Court for purposes of any action or proceeding arising out of or in connection with this Agreement, (iii) consent to service of process at such address set forth in Section 21 of this Agreement with the same legal force and validity as if served upon such party personally within the State of Delaware, (iv) waive any objection to the laying of venue of any such action or proceeding in the Delaware Court, and (v) waive, and agree not to plead or to make, any claim that any such action or proceeding brought in the Delaware Court has been brought in an improper or inconvenient forum.

Section 24. <u>Identical Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall for all purposes be deemed to be an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same Agreement. Only one such counterpart signed by the party against whom enforceability is sought needs to be produced to evidence the existence of this Agreement.

Section 25. <u>Miscellaneous</u>. The headings of the paragraphs of this Agreement are inserted for convenience only and shall not be deemed to constitute part of this Agreement or to affect the construction thereof.

[signature page follows]

COMPANY:
MRC GLOBAL INC.
Ву:
Name: Title:
INDEMNITEE:
By:
Name:

Address:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreement to be signed as of the day and year first above written.

INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

This Indemnification Agreement ("<u>Agreement</u>") is made as of "<u>Company</u>"), and ("<u>Indemnitee</u>").

, 2012, by and between MRC Global Inc., a Delaware corporation (the

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WHEREAS, the Company desires to attract and retain the services of highly qualified individuals, such as Indemnitee, to serve the Company;

WHEREAS, in order to induce Indemnitee to continue to provide services to the Company, the Company wishes to provide for the indemnification of, and advancement of expenses to, Indemnitee to the maximum extent permitted by law;

WHEREAS, the Company's Certificate of Incorporation (the "<u>Charter</u>") and Bylaws (the "<u>Bylaws</u>") require indemnification of the officers and directors of the Company [and employees of the Company that are licensed to practice law ("<u>Counsel</u>")] and Indemnitee may also be entitled to indemnification pursuant to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "<u>DGCL</u>");

WHEREAS, the Bylaws and the DGCL expressly provide that the indemnification provisions set forth therein are not exclusive, and thereby contemplate that contracts may be entered into between the Company and members of the board of directors, officers and other persons with respect to indemnification;

WHEREAS, the Company and Indemnitee recognize the continued difficulty in obtaining liability insurance for the Company's directors, officers, employees, agents and fiduciaries, [and employed lawyers insurance covering certain liabilities which may be incurred by its Counsel in the performance of their professional legal services for the Company ("<u>E&O Insurance</u>"),] the significant and continual increases in the cost of such insurance and the general trend of insurance companies to reduce the scope of coverage of such insurance;

WHEREAS, the Company and Indemnitee further recognize the substantial increase in corporate litigation in general, subjecting directors, officers, [Counsel,] employees, agents and fiduciaries to expensive litigation risks at the same time as the availability and scope of coverage of liability insurance provide increasing challenges for the Company;

WHEREAS, Indemnitee does not regard the protection currently provided by applicable law, the Company's governing documents and available insurance[, including E&O Insurance,] as adequate under the present circumstances, and Indemnitee may not be willing to continue to serve in such capacity without additional protection;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Board") has determined that the increased difficulty in attracting and retaining highly qualified persons such as Indemnitee is detrimental to the best interests of the Company's stockholders and that the Company should act to assure Indemnitee that there will be increased certainty of such protection in the future;

WHEREAS, it is reasonable, prudent and necessary for the Company contractually to obligate itself to indemnify, and to advance expenses on behalf of, Indemnitee to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, regardless of any amendment or revocation of the Charter or Bylaws, so that they will serve or continue to serve the Company free from undue concern that they will not be so indemnified; and

WHEREAS, this Agreement is a supplement to and in furtherance of the indemnification provided in the Charter, Bylaws and any resolutions adopted pursuant thereto, and shall not be deemed a substitute therefor, nor to diminish or abrogate any rights of Indemnitee thereunder.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the covenants contained herein, the Company and Indemnitee do hereby covenant and agree as follows:

Section 1. <u>Services to the Company.</u> Indemnitee agrees to serve as an officer [or Counsel] of the Company. Indemnitee may at any time and for any reason resign from such position (subject to any other contractual obligation or any obligation imposed by law), in which event the Company shall have no obligation under this Agreement to continue Indemnitee in such position. This Agreement shall not be deemed an employment contract between the Company (or any of its subsidiaries or any Enterprise) and Indemnitee. The foregoing notwithstanding and subject to Section 16 of this Agreement, this Agreement shall continue in force after Indemnitee has ceased to serve as an officer [or Counsel] of the Company and will continue to provide coverage, to the extent provided for in this Agreement, for matters that occurred while Indemnitee served as an officer [or Counsel] of the Company.

Section 2. Definitions

As used in this Agreement:

- (a) "Corporate Status" describes the status of a person as a current or former director, officer, employee, agent, trustee or consultant of the Company or of any other Enterprise which such person is or was serving at the request of the Company.
- (b) "Enforcement Expenses" shall include all reasonable attorneys' fees, retainers, court costs, transcript costs, fees of experts, witness fees, travel expenses, duplicating costs, printing and binding costs, telephone charges, postage, delivery service fees and all other disbursements or expenses of the types customarily incurred in connection with an action to enforce indemnification or advancement rights, or an appeal from such action, including, without limitation, the premium, security for and other costs relating to any cost bond, supersedes bond or other appeal bond or its equivalent.
- (c) "Enterprise" shall mean any corporation (other than the Company), limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other legal entity of which Indemnitee is or was serving at the request of the Company as a director, officer, employee, agent, trustee, consultant or fiduciary.

- (d) "Expenses" shall include all reasonable attorneys' fees, retainers, court costs, transcript costs, fees of experts, witness fees, travel expenses, duplicating costs, printing and binding costs, telephone charges, postage, delivery service fees and all other disbursements or expenses of the types customarily incurred in connection with prosecuting, defending, preparing to prosecute or defend, investigating, being or preparing to be a witness in, or otherwise participating in, a Proceeding or an appeal resulting from a Proceeding, including, without limitation, the premium, security for and other costs relating to any cost bond, supersedes bond or other appeal bond or its equivalent. Expenses, however, shall not include amounts paid in settlement by Indemnitee or the amount of judgments or fines against Indemnitee.
- (e) "Independent Counsel" means a law firm, or a partner (or, if applicable, member) of such a law firm, that is experienced in matters of Delaware corporation law and neither presently is, nor in the past two years has been, retained to represent: (i) the Company, any Enterprise or Indemnitee in any matter material to any such party (other than with respect to matters concerning the Indemnitee under this Agreement, or of other indemnitees under similar indemnification agreements), or (ii) any other party to the Proceeding giving rise to a claim for indemnification hereunder. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the term "Independent Counsel" shall not include any person who, under the applicable standards of professional conduct then prevailing, would have a conflict of interest in representing either the Company or Indemnitee in an action to determine Indemnitee's rights under this Agreement. The Company agrees to pay the reasonable fees and expenses of the Independent Counsel and to fully indemnify such counsel against any and all expenses, claims, liabilities and damages arising out of or relating to this Agreement or its engagement pursuant hereto.
- (f) The term "Proceeding" shall include any threatened, pending or completed action, suit, arbitration, alternate dispute resolution mechanism, investigation, inquiry, administrative hearing or any other actual, threatened or completed proceeding, whether brought in the right of the Company or otherwise and whether of a civil, criminal, administrative legislative, or investigative (formal or informal) nature, including any and all appeals therefrom, in which Indemnitee was, is or will be involved as a party, potential party, non-party witness or otherwise by reason of the fact that Indemnitee is or was a director, [Counsel,] consultant or officer of the Company or is or was serving at the request of the Company as a director, officer, employee, agent, consultant or trustee of any Enterprise or by reason of any action taken by him or of any action taken on his part while acting as director, [Counsel,] consultant or officer of the Company, or while serving at the request of the Company as a director, [Counsel,] consultant, officer, employee, agent or trustee of any Enterprise, in each case whether or not serving in such capacity at the time any liability or expense is incurred for which indemnification, reimbursement, or advancement of expenses can be provided under this Agreement. If the Indemnitee believes in good faith that a given situation may lead to or culminate in the institution of a Proceeding, such situation shall be considered a Proceeding under this paragraph. The term "Proceeding" shall not include any action, suit or arbitration, or part thereof, initiated by Indemnitee to enforce Indemnitee's rights under this Agreement as provided for in Section 14(e) of this Agreement.

Section 3. <u>Indemnity in Third-Party Proceedings</u>. The Company shall indemnify Indemnitee in accordance with the provisions of this Section 3 if Indemnitee is, or is threatened to be made, a party to or a participant in any Proceeding, other than a Proceeding by or in the

right of the Company to procure a judgment in its favor (which is covered by Section 4 of this Agreement). Pursuant to this Section 3, Indemnitee shall be indemnified to the fullest extent permitted by law against all Expenses, judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by Indemnitee or on his behalf in connection with such Proceeding or any claim, issue or matter therein, if Indemnitee acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Company and, in the case of a criminal proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was unlawful. Indemnitee shall not enter into any settlement in connection with a Proceeding without 10 days' prior notice to the Company.

Section 4. Indemnity in Proceedings by or in the Right of the Company. The Company shall indemnify Indemnitee in accordance with the provisions of this Section 4 if Indemnitee is, or is threatened to be made, a party to or a participant in any Proceeding by or in the right of the Company to procure a judgment in its favor. Pursuant to this Section 4, Indemnitee shall be indemnified to the fullest extent permitted by law against all Expenses actually and reasonably incurred by him or on his behalf in connection with such Proceeding or any claim, issue or matter therein, if Indemnitee acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Company. No indemnification for Expenses shall be made under this Section 4 in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which Indemnitee shall have been finally adjudged by a court to be liable to the Company, unless and only to the extent that the Delaware Court of Chancery (the "Delaware Court") or any court in which the Proceeding was brought shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all the circumstances of the case, Indemnitee is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnification for such expenses as the Delaware Court or such other court shall deem proper.

Section 5. Indemnification for Expenses of a Party Who is Wholly or Partly Successful. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement and except as provided in Section 9, to the extent that Indemnitee is a party to or a participant in and is successful, on the merits or otherwise, in any Proceeding or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, the Company shall indemnify Indemnitee against all Expenses actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection therewith. If Indemnitee is not wholly successful in such Proceeding but is successful, on the merits or otherwise, as to one or more but less than all claims, issues or matters in such Proceeding, the Company shall indemnify Indemnitee against all Expenses actually and reasonably incurred by him or on his behalf in connection with each successfully resolved claim, issue or matter. For purposes of this Section and without limitation, the termination of any claim, issue or matter in such a Proceeding by dismissal, with or without prejudice, shall be deemed to be a successful result as to such claim, issue or matter. Nothing in this Section 5 is intended to limit Indemnitee's rights provided for in Sections 3 and 4.

Section 6. <u>Indemnification For Expenses of a Witness</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, to the extent that Indemnitee is, by reason of his Corporate Status, a witness or otherwise asked to participate in any Proceeding to which Indemnitee is not a party and is not threatened to be made a party, he shall be indemnified against all Expenses actually and reasonably incurred by him or on his behalf in connection therewith. Nothing in this Section 6 is intended to limit Indemnitee's rights provided for in Sections 3 and 4.

Section 7. <u>Partial Indemnification</u>. If Indemnitee is entitled under any provision of this Agreement to indemnification by the Company for some or a portion of expenses, but not, however, for the total amount thereof, the Company shall nevertheless indemnify Indemnitee for the portion thereof to which Indemnitee is entitled.

Section 8. Additional Indemnification.

- (a) Except as provided in Section 9, and notwithstanding any limitation in Sections 3, 4, or 5, the Company shall indemnify Indemnitee to the fullest extent permitted by law if Indemnitee is a party to or is threatened to be made a party to any Proceeding (including a Proceeding by or in the right of the Company to procure a judgment in its favor) against all Expenses, judgments, fines, and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by Indemnitee in connection with the Proceeding.
 - (b) For purposes of Section 8(a), the meaning of the phrase "to the fullest extent permitted by law" shall include, but not be limited to:
- i. to the fullest extent permitted by the provision of the DGCL that authorizes or contemplates additional indemnification by agreement, or the corresponding provision of any amendment to or replacement of the DGCL or such provision thereof; and
- ii. to the fullest extent authorized or permitted by any amendments to or replacements of the DGCL adopted after the date of this Agreement that increase the extent to which a corporation may indemnify its directors.
 - Section 9. Exclusions. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, the Company shall not be obligated under this Agreement:
- (a) to make any indemnity for amounts otherwise indemnifiable hereunder (or for which advancement is provided hereunder) if and to the extent that Indemnitee has otherwise actually received such amounts under any insurance policy, contract, agreement or otherwise;
- (b) to make any indemnity for an accounting of profits made from the purchase and sale (or sale and purchase) by Indemnitee of securities of the Company within the meaning of Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or similar provisions of state statutory law or common law; or
 - (c) to make any indemnity or advancement that is prohibited by applicable law.

Section 10. Advances of Expenses. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, the Company shall advance, to the extent not prohibited by law, all Expenses incurred by or on behalf of Indemnitee (or which Indemnitee determines are reasonably likely to be paid or incurred by Indemnitee within three months) in connection with any Proceeding, and such advancement shall be made within 20 days after the receipt by the Company of a statement or statements requesting such advances (which shall include invoices received by Indemnitee in connection with such Expenses but, in the case of invoices in connection with legal services, any references to legal work performed or to expenditures made that would cause Indemnitee to

waive any privilege accorded by applicable law shall not be included with the invoice) from time to time, whether prior to or after final disposition of any Proceeding. Advances shall be unsecured and interest free. Advances shall be made without regard to Indemnitee's ability to repay the expenses and without regard to Indemnitee's ultimate entitlement to indemnification under the other provisions of this Agreement. The Indemnitee shall qualify for advances upon the execution and delivery to the Company of this Agreement, which shall constitute an undertaking providing that the Indemnitee undertakes to the fullest extent required by law to repay the amounts advanced (without interest) if and to the extent that it is ultimately determined by a court of competent jurisdiction in a final judgment, not subject to appeal, that Indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified by the Company. No other form of undertaking shall be required other than the execution of this Agreement. The right to advances under this paragraph shall in all events continue until final disposition of any Proceeding. Nothing in this Section 10 shall limit Indemnitee's right to advancement pursuant to Section 14(e) of this Agreement. The parties agree that for the purposes of any advancement of Expenses for which Indemnitee has made written demand to the Company in accordance with this Agreement, all Expenses included in such demand that are certified by affidavit of Indemnitee's counsel as being reasonable shall be presumed conclusively to be reasonable.

Section 11. Procedure for Notification and Defense of Claim.

- (a) To obtain indemnification under this Agreement, Indemnitee shall submit to the Company a written request therefor, and, if Indemnitee so chooses pursuant to Section 12 of this Agreement, such written request shall also include a request for Indemnitee to have the right to indemnification determined by Independent Counsel. The omission by Indemnitee to notify the Company hereunder will not relieve the Company from any liability which it may have to Indemnitee hereunder, under the Charter, the Bylaws, any resolution of the Board providing for indemnification or otherwise, and any delay in so notifying the Company shall not constitute a waiver by Indemnitee of any rights under this Agreement. The Secretary of the Company shall, promptly upon receipt of such a request for indemnification, advise the Board in writing that Indemnitee has requested indemnification.
 - (b) The Company will be entitled to participate in any Proceeding at its own expense.

Section 12. Procedure Upon Application for Indemnification.

(a) Upon written request by Indemnitee for indemnification pursuant to Section 11(a), a determination, if such determination is required by applicable law, with respect to Indemnitee's entitlement thereto shall be made in the specific case: (1) by Independent Counsel in a written opinion to the Board if Indemnitee so requests in such written request for indemnification pursuant to Section 11(a), or (ii) by the Company in accordance with applicable law if Indemnitee does not so request such determination be made by Independent Counsel. In the case that such determination is made by Independent Counsel, a copy of Independent Counsel's written opinion shall be delivered to Indemnitee and, if it is so determined that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification, payment to Indemnitee shall be made within 10 days after such determination. Indemnitee shall cooperate with the Independent Counsel, or the Company, as applicable, making such determination with respect to Indemnitee's entitlement to

indemnification, including providing to such counsel or the Company upon reasonable advance request any reasonable documentation or information which is not privileged or otherwise protected from disclosure and which is reasonably available to Indemnitee and reasonably necessary to such determination. Any costs or expenses (including attorneys' fees and disbursements) incurred by Indemnitee in so cooperating with the Independent Counsel or the Company shall be borne by the Company (irrespective of the determination as to Indemnitee's entitlement to indemnification) and the Company hereby indemnifies and agrees to hold Indemnitee harmless therefrom.

(b) In the event that Indemnitee exercises his right to have his entitlement to indemnification determined by Independent Counsel pursuant to Sections 11(a) and 12(a)(i), the Independent Counsel shall be selected by Indemnitee, and Indemnitee shall give written notice to the Company advising it of the identity of the Independent Counsel so selected. The Company may, within 10 days after such written notice of Indemnitee's selection shall have been given, deliver to the Indemnitee a written objection to such selection; provided, however, that such objection may be asserted only on the ground that the Independent Counsel so selected does not meet the requirements of "Independent Counsel" as defined in Section 2 of this Agreement, and the objection shall set forth with particularity the factual basis of such assertion. Absent a proper and timely objection, the person or firm so selected shall act as Independent Counsel. If such written objection is so made and substantiated, the Independent Counsel so selected may not serve as Independent Counsel unless and until such objection is withdrawn or a court has determined that such objection is without merit. If, within 20 days after the later of (i) submission by Indemnitee of a written request for indemnification and Independent Counsel pursuant to Sections 11(a) and 12(a)(i) hereof, respectively, and (ii) the final disposition of the Proceeding, including any appeal therein, no Independent Counsel shall have been selected and not objected to, the Indemnitee may petition a court of competent jurisdiction for resolution of any objection which shall have been made by the Company to the selection of Independent Counsel and/or for the appointment as Independent Counsel of a person selected by the court or by such other person as the court shall designate. The person with respect to whom all objections are so resolved or the person so appointed shall act as Independent Counsel under Section 12(a) hereof. Upon the due commencement of any judicial proceeding or arbitration p

Section 13. Presumptions and Effect of Certain Proceedings.

(a) In making a determination with respect to entitlement to indemnification hereunder, it shall be presumed that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification under this Agreement if Indemnitee has submitted a request for indemnification in accordance with Section 11(a) of this Agreement, and the Company shall have the burden of proof to overcome that presumption in connection with the making of any determination contrary to that presumption. Neither (i) the failure of the Company or of Independent Counsel to have made a determination prior to the commencement of any action pursuant to this Agreement that indemnification is proper in the circumstances because Indemnitee has met the applicable standard of conduct, nor (ii) an actual determination by the Company or by Independent Counsel that Indemnitee has not met such applicable standard of conduct, shall be a defense to the action or create a presumption that Indemnitee has not met the applicable standard of conduct.

- (b) The termination of any Proceeding or of any claim, issue or matter therein, by judgment, order, settlement or conviction, or upon a plea of guilty, nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not (except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement) of itself adversely affect the right of Indemnitee to indemnification or create a presumption that Indemnitee did not act in good faith and in a manner which he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Company or, with respect to any criminal Proceeding, that Indemnitee had reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was unlawful.
- (c) For purposes of any determination of good faith, Indemnitee shall be deemed to have acted in good faith if Indemnitee's action is based on the records or books of account of the Enterprise, including financial statements, or on information supplied to Indemnitee by the officers of the Enterprise in the course of their duties, or on the advice of legal counsel for the Enterprise or the Board or counsel selected by any committee of the Board or on information or records given or reports made to the Enterprise by an independent certified public accountant or by an appraiser, investment banker or other expert selected with reasonable care by the Company or the Board or any committee of the Board. The provisions of this Section 13(c) shall not be deemed to be exclusive or to limit in any way the other circumstances in which the Indemnitee may be deemed to have met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in this Agreement.
- (d) The knowledge and/or actions, or failure to act, of any director, consultant, officer, agent or employee of the Company or any Enterprise shall not be imputed to Indemnitee for purposes of determining the right to indemnification under this Agreement.

Section 14. Remedies of Indemnitee.

(a) Subject to Section 14(f), in the event that (i) a determination is made pursuant to Section 12 of this Agreement that Indemnitee is not entitled to indemnification under this Agreement, (ii) advancement of Expenses is not timely made pursuant to Section 10 of this Agreement, (iii) no determination of entitlement to indemnification shall have been made pursuant to Section 12(a) of this Agreement within 60 days after receipt by the Company of the request for indemnification that does not include a request for Independent Counsel, (iv) payment of indemnification is not made pursuant to Section 5, 6 or 7 or the last sentence of Section 12(a) of this Agreement within 10 days after receipt by the Company of a written request therefor, (v) payment of indemnification pursuant to Section 3, 4 or 8 of this Agreement is not made within 10 days after a determination has been made that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification, or (vi) in the event that the Company or any other person takes or threatens to take any action to declare this Agreement void or unenforceable, or institutes any litigation or other action or Proceeding designed to deny, or to recover from, the Indemnitee the benefits provided or intended to be provided to the Indemnitee hereunder, Indemnitee shall be entitled to an adjudication by a court of his entitlement to such indemnification and/or advancement. Alternatively, Indemnitee, at his option, may seek an award in arbitration to be conducted by a single arbitrator pursuant to the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association. Indemnitee shall commence such proceeding seeking an adjudication or an award in arbitration within 180 days following the date on which Indemnitee first

has the right to commence such proceeding pursuant to this Section 14(a); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the foregoing time limitation shall not apply in respect of a proceeding brought by Indemnitee to enforce his rights under Section 5 of this Agreement. The Company shall not oppose Indemnitee's right to seek any such adjudication or award in arbitration.

- (b) In the event that a determination shall have been made pursuant to Section 12(a) of this Agreement that Indemnitee is not entitled to indemnification, any judicial proceeding or arbitration commenced pursuant to this Section 14 shall be conducted in all respects as a de novo trial, or arbitration, on the merits and Indemnitee shall not be prejudiced by reason of that adverse determination. In any judicial proceeding or arbitration commenced pursuant to this Section 14, the Company shall have the burden of proving Indemnitee is not entitled to indemnification or advancement, as the case may be.
- (c) If a determination shall have been made pursuant to Section 12(a) of this Agreement that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification, the Company shall be bound by such determination in any judicial proceeding or arbitration commenced pursuant to this Section 14, absent a misstatement by Indemnitee of a material fact, or an omission of a material fact necessary to make Indemnitee's statement not materially misleading, in connection with the request for indemnification.
- (d) The Company shall be precluded from asserting in any judicial proceeding or arbitration commenced pursuant to this Section 14 that the procedures and presumptions of this Agreement are not valid, binding and enforceable and shall stipulate in any such court or before any such arbitrator that the Company is bound by all the provisions of this Agreement. It is the intent of the Company that, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the Indemnitee not be required to incur legal fees or other expenses associated with the interpretation, enforcement or defense of Indemnitee's rights under this Agreement by litigation or otherwise because the cost and expense thereof would substantially detract from the benefits intended to be extended to the Indemnitee hereunder.
- (e) To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Company shall indemnify Indemnitee against any and all Enforcement Expenses and, if requested by Indemnitee, shall (within 10 days after receipt by the Company of a written request therefor) advance, to the extent not prohibited by law, such Enforcement Expenses to Indemnitee, which are incurred by Indemnitee in connection with any action brought by Indemnitee for indemnification or advancement from the Company under this Agreement or under any directors' and officers' liability insurance policies maintained by the Company, regardless of whether Indemnitee ultimately is determined to be entitled to such indemnification, advancement or insurance recovery, as the case may be, in the suit for which indemnification or advancement is being sought. The parties agree that for the purposes of any advancement of Enforcement Expenses for which Indemnitee has made written demand to the Company in accordance with this Agreement, all Enforcement Expenses included in such demand that are certified by affidavit of Indemnitee's counsel as being reasonable shall be presumed conclusively to be reasonable.

(f) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, no determination as to entitlement of Indemnitee to indemnification under this Agreement shall be required to be made prior to the final disposition of the Proceeding, including any appeal therein.

Section 15. Non-exclusivity; Survival of Rights; Insurance; Subrogation.

- (a) The rights of indemnification and to receive advancement as provided by this Agreement shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which Indemnitee may at any time be entitled under applicable law, the Charter, the Bylaws, any agreement, a vote of stockholders or a resolution of directors, or otherwise. No amendment, alteration or repeal of this Agreement or of any provision hereof shall limit or restrict any right of Indemnitee under this Agreement in respect of any action taken or omitted by such Indemnitee in his Corporate Status prior to such amendment, alteration or repeal. To the extent that a change in Delaware law, whether by statute or judicial decision, permits greater indemnification or advancement than would be afforded currently under the Charter, the Bylaws and this Agreement, it is the intent of the parties hereto that Indemnitee shall enjoy by this Agreement the greater benefits so afforded by such change. No right or remedy herein conferred is intended to be exclusive of any other right or remedy, and every other right and remedy shall be cumulative and in addition to every other right and remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right or remedy hereunder, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other right or remedy.
- (b) To the extent that the Company maintains an insurance policy or policies providing liability insurance for directors, consultants, officers, employees, trustees or agents of the Company or of any other Enterprise, [or E&O Insurance for Counsel,] Indemnitee shall be covered by such policy or policies in accordance with its or their terms to the maximum extent of the coverage available for any such director, [Counsel,] consultant, officer, employee, trustee or agent under such policy or policies. If, at the time of the receipt of a notice of a claim pursuant to the terms hereof, the Company has director and officer liability insurance [or E&O insurance] in effect, the Company shall give prompt notice of such claim or of the commencement of a proceeding, as the case may be, to the insurers in accordance with the procedures set forth in the respective policies. The Company shall thereafter take all necessary or desirable action to cause such insurers to pay, on behalf of the Indemnitee, all amounts payable as a result of such proceeding in accordance with the terms of such policies.
- (c) In the event of any payment under this Agreement, the Company shall be subrogated to the extent of such payment to all of the rights of recovery of Indemnitee, who shall execute all papers required and take all action necessary to secure such rights, including execution of such documents as are necessary to enable the Company to bring suit to enforce such rights.
- (d) The Company's obligation to provide indemnification or advancement hereunder to Indemnitee who is or was serving at the request of the Company as a director, [Counsel,] consultant, officer, employee, trustee or agent of any other Enterprise shall be reduced by any amount Indemnitee has actually received as indemnification or advancement from such other Enterprise.

Section 16. <u>Duration of Agreement</u>. This Agreement shall continue until and terminate upon the later of: (a) 10 years after the date that Indemnitee shall have ceased to serve as an officer of the Company or (b) one year after the final termination of any Proceeding, including any appeal, then pending in respect of which Indemnitee is granted rights of indemnification or advancement hereunder and of any proceeding, including any appeal, commenced by Indemnitee pursuant to Section 14 of this Agreement relating thereto. This Agreement shall be binding upon the Company and its successors and assigns and shall inure to the benefit of Indemnitee and his heirs, executors and administrators. The Company shall require and cause any successor, and any direct or indirect parent of any successor, whether direct or indirect by purchase, merger, consolidation or otherwise, to all, substantially all or a substantial part, of the business and/or assets of the Company, by written agreement in form and substance satisfactory to the Indemnitee, expressly to assume and agree to perform this Agreement in the same manner and to the same extent that the Company would be required to perform if no such succession had taken place.

Section 17. Severability. If any provision or provisions of this Agreement shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable for any reason whatsoever: (a) the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Agreement (including, without limitation, each portion of any section of this Agreement containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, that is not itself invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby and shall remain enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law; (b) such provision or provisions shall be deemed reformed to the extent necessary to conform to applicable law and to give the maximum effect to the intent of the parties hereto; and (c) to the fullest extent possible, the provisions of this Agreement (including, without limitation, each portion of any section of this Agreement containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, that is not itself invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall be construed so as to give effect to the intent manifested thereby.

Section 18. Enforcement.

- (a) The Company expressly confirms and agrees that it has entered into this Agreement and assumed the obligations imposed on it hereby in order to induce Indemnitee to serve as an officer of the Company, and the Company acknowledges that Indemnitee is relying upon this Agreement in serving as an officer [or Counsel] of the Company.
- (b) This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, oral, written and implied, between the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that this Agreement is a supplement to and in furtherance of the Charter, the Bylaws, any resolution of the Board providing for indemnification and applicable law, and shall not be deemed a substitute therefor, nor to diminish or abrogate any rights of Indemnitee thereunder.

Section 19. <u>Modification and Waiver</u>. No supplement, modification or amendment, or waiver of any provision, of this Agreement shall be binding unless executed in writing by the parties thereto. No waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed or shall constitute a waiver of any other provisions of this Agreement nor shall any waiver constitute a continuing waiver.

Section 20. <u>Notice by Indemnitee</u>. Indemnitee agrees promptly to notify the Company in writing upon being served with any summons, citation, subpoena, complaint, indictment, information or other document relating to any Proceeding or matter which may be subject to indemnification or advancement as provided hereunder. The failure of Indemnitee to so notify the Company shall not relieve the Company of any obligation which it may have to the Indemnitee under this Agreement or otherwise.

Section 21. Notices. All notices, requests, demands and other communications under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if (a) delivered by hand and receipted for by the party to whom said notice or other communication shall have been directed, (b) mailed by certified or registered mail with postage prepaid, on the third business day after the date on which it is so mailed, (c) mailed by reputable overnight courier and receipted for by the party to whom said notice or other communication shall have been directed or (d) sent by facsimile transmission, with receipt of oral confirmation that such transmission has been received:

(a) If to Indemnitee, at the address indicated on the signature page of this Agreement, or such other address as Indemnitee shall provide to the Company.

(b) If to the Company to:

MRC Global Inc. Attn: Chairman, President & Chief Executive Officer 2 Houston Center, Suite 3100 Houston, Texas 77010 Facsimile: 866-560-0336

or to any other address as may have been furnished to Indemnitee by the Company.

Section 22. <u>Contribution</u>. To the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, if the indemnification provided for in this Agreement is unavailable to Indemnitee for any reason whatsoever, the Company, in lieu of indemnifying Indemnitee, shall contribute to the amount incurred by Indemnitee, whether for judgments, fines, penalties, excise taxes, amounts paid or to be paid in settlement and/or for Expenses, in connection with any Proceeding, in such proportion as is deemed fair and reasonable in light of all of the circumstances in order to reflect (i) the relative benefits received by the Company and Indemnitee in connection with the event(s) and/or transaction(s) giving rise to such Proceeding; and/or (ii) the relative fault of the Company (and its directors, officers, employees and agents) and Indemnitee in connection with such event(s) and/or transaction(s).

Section 23. <u>Applicable Law and Consent to Jurisdiction</u>. This Agreement and the legal relations among the parties shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with, the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to its conflict of laws rules. Except with respect to any arbitration commenced by Indemnitee pursuant to Section 14(a) of this

Agreement, the Company and Indemnitee hereby irrevocably and unconditionally (i) agree that any action or proceeding arising out of or in connection with this Agreement shall be brought only in the Delaware Court, and not in any other state or federal court in the United States of America or any court in any other country, (ii) consent to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Delaware Court for purposes of any action or proceeding arising out of or in connection with this Agreement, (iii) consent to service of process at such address set forth in Section 21 of this Agreement with the same legal force and validity as if served upon such party personally within the State of Delaware, (iv) waive any objection to the laying of venue of any such action or proceeding in the Delaware Court, and (v) waive, and agree not to plead or to make, any claim that any such action or proceeding brought in the Delaware Court has been brought in an improper or inconvenient forum.

Section 24. <u>Identical Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall for all purposes be deemed to be an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same Agreement. Only one such counterpart signed by the party against whom enforceability is sought needs to be produced to evidence the existence of this Agreement.

Section 25. <u>Miscellaneous</u>. The headings of the paragraphs of this Agreement are inserted for convenience only and shall not be deemed to constitute part of this Agreement or to affect the construction thereof.

[signature page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreement to be signed as of the d	lay and year first above written.
	COMPANY:
	MRC GLOBAL INC.
	By: Name: Andrew R. Lane Title: Chairman, President & Chief Executive Officer
	INDEMNITEE:
	By: Name:

Address:

GOVERNANCE AGREEMENT

by and between

MRC GLOBAL INC.

and

PVF HOLDINGS LLC

Dated as of , 2012

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GOVERNANCE AGREEMENT

This GOVERNANCE AGREEMENT (as it may be amended from time to time in accordance with the terms hereof, this "Agreement"), is entered into as of [•], 2012, by and between MRC Global Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company") and PVF Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("PVF").

<u>RECITALS</u>:

WHEREAS, as of the date hereof, PVF owns approximately []% of the issued and outstanding shares of Common Stock and controls the Company;

WHEREAS, the Company is proposing to effect an initial public offering (the "IPO") of its common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), and the consummation of the IPO (including necessary amendments to the Company's governing documents in connection therewith) is subject to the approval of PVF;

WHEREAS, immediately after completion of the IPO, it is expected that PVF's ownership interest in the Common Stock will be significantly diluted, and PVF is willing to incur such dilution;

WHEREAS, the parties hereto expect that the IPO will result in significant benefits for the Company and its stockholders, including the following:

- (i) the Company will have greater ability to access the capital markets;
- (ii) the Company will have increased visibility with its customers, suppliers, the financial community and the public in general; and
- (iii) the Company's stockholders will have increased liquidity through their ability to sell shares through the public markets.

WHEREAS, in consideration of the foregoing, the Company desires to effect the IPO, and PVF desires to consent to the IPO, subject to PVF's retaining the rights set forth in this Agreement and the Governing Documents (as defined below); and

WHEREAS, in order to induce PVF to consent to the IPO and in consideration of the foregoing, the Company and PVF desire to enter into this Agreement on the terms and conditions set forth herein to set forth certain of their rights and obligations with respect to the corporate governance of the Company on and following the date of the closing of the IPO (the "Closing Date").

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties to this Agreement hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

SECTION 1.1 <u>Definitions</u>. Capitalized terms used herein shall have the following meanings:

"Affiliate" means, with respect to a specified Person, any Person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, the specified Person. As used in this definition, the term "control" means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a Person, whether through ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, it is understood and agreed that, for purposes hereof, none of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries shall be deemed to be an Affiliate of PVF or any other Goldman Sachs Entity.

"Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"beneficially own" or "beneficial ownership" shall have the meaning ascribed to such terms in Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended or modified from time to time.

"Board" shall mean the board of directors of the Company.

"Closing Date" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Common Stock" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Company" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"Designated Director" means any Director designated for nomination to the Board by PVF pursuant to Section 3.1.

"Director" means a member of the Board.

"Goldman Sachs" means all of the Goldman Sachs Entities, taken together.

"Goldman Sachs Entity" means any of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. or its Affiliates, including Goldman, Sachs & Co., GS Capital Partners V Fund, L.P., GS Capital Partners V Offshore Fund, L.P., GS Capital Partners V GmbH & Co. KG, GS Capital Partners V Institutional, L.P., GS Capital Partners VI Fund, L.P., GS Capital Partners VI Offshore Fund, L.P., GS Capital Partners VI Parallel, L.P. and GS Capital Partners VI GmbH & Co. KG.

"Governing Documents" means the certificate of incorporation and the by-laws of the Company, each as amended or modified from time to time in accordance with their terms and applicable Law.

"Governmental Authority" means any: (i) nation, state, commonwealth, province, territory, county, municipality, district or other jurisdiction of any nature; (ii) U.S. or other federal, state, local, municipal or foreign government; or (iii) governmental or quasi-governmental authority of any nature (including any governmental division, department, agency, commission, instrumentality, official, organization, unit, body or entity and any court or other tribunal).

"IPO" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"<u>Law</u>" means any applicable constitutional provision, statute, act, code, law, regulation, rule, ordinance, order, decree, ruling, proclamation, resolution, judgment, decision, declaration, or interpretative or advisory opinion or letter of a Governmental Authority and shall include, for the avoidance of any doubt, the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware and the listing or other standards of any applicable stock exchange.

"NYSE" means the New York Stock Exchange.

"Person" means any natural person, corporation, limited partnership, general partnership, limited liability company, joint stock company, joint venture, association, company, estate, trust, bank trust company, land trust, business trust, or other organization, whether or not a legal entity, custodian, trustee-executor, administrator, nominee or entity in a representative capacity and any government or agency or political subdivision thereof.

"SEC" means the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Subsidiary" means, with respect to any Person, any direct or indirect subsidiary of such Person or any Person that is consolidated with such Person for accounting purposes.

SECTION 1.2 <u>Construction</u>. Whenever the context requires, the gender of all words used in this Agreement includes the masculine, feminine and neuter forms and the singular form of words shall include the plural and vice versa. All references to Articles and Sections refer to articles and sections of this Agreement. Whenever the words "include," "includes" or "including" are used in this Agreement, they shall be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation". This Agreement shall be construed without regard to any presumption or rule requiring construction or interpretation against the party drafting or causing any instrument to be drafted.

ARTICLE II

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

The Company hereby represents and warrants to PVF, and PVF hereby represents and warrants to the Company that as of the date of this Agreement:

SECTION 2.1 Existence; Authority; Enforceability. Such party has the power and authority to enter into this Agreement and to carry out its obligations hereunder. Such party is duly organized and validly existing under the laws of its jurisdiction of organization, and the

execution of this Agreement, and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, have been authorized by all necessary corporate, partnership, limited liability company or similar action, as the case may be, and no other act or proceeding on its part is necessary to authorize the execution of this Agreement or the consummation of any of the transactions contemplated hereby. This Agreement has been duly executed by it and constitutes its legal, valid and binding obligations, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms.

SECTION 2.2 <u>Absence of Conflicts</u>. The execution and delivery by such party of this Agreement and the performance of its obligations hereunder does not and will not (a) conflict with, or result in the breach of any provision of the constitutive documents of such party; (b) result in any violation, breach, conflict, default or event of default (or an event which with notice, lapse of time, or both, would constitute a default or event of default), or give rise to any right of acceleration or termination or any additional payment obligation, under the terms of any contract, agreement or permit to which such party is a party or by which such party's assets or operations are bound or affected; or (c) violate any Law applicable to such party.

SECTION 2.3 <u>Consents</u>. Other than any consents which have already been obtained, no consent, waiver, approval, authorization, exemption, registration, license or declaration is required to be made or obtained by such party in connection with (a) the execution, delivery or performance of this Agreement or (b) the consummation of any of the transactions contemplated hereby.

ARTICLE III

GOVERNANCE

SECTION 3.1 Board of Directors.

(a) Following the Closing Date, for so long as PVF beneficially owns in the aggregate at least 15% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock, PVF shall have the right, but not the obligation, to nominate to the Board a number of Directors equal to the product of (i) the percentage of the total outstanding shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by PVF multiplied by (ii) the total number of Directors comprising the Board. In the event that the calculation in the immediately preceding sentence results in PVF having the right to nominate a non-whole number of designees, then the number of designees that PVF has a right to nominate pursuant to this Section 3.1(a) shall be rounded up to the nearest whole number. In the event that PVF has nominated less than the total number of designees that PVF is entitled to nominate pursuant to this Section 3.1(a), PVF shall have the right, at any time, to nominate such additional designees to which it is entitled, in which case, the Directors and the Company shall take all necessary actions to (x) increase the size of the Board as required to enable PVF to so nominate such additional designees and (y) designate such additional designees nominated by PVF to fill such newly-created vacancies.

(b) Any Designated Director may be removed (with or without cause) from time to time and at any time by PVF upon notice to the Company, and may otherwise only be removed pursuant to the Governing Documents. Any replacement designee thereof may only be nominated by PVF.

- (c) In the event that a vacancy is created at any time by the death, disability, retirement or resignation of any Designated Director, the remaining Directors and the Company shall cause the vacancy created thereby to be filled by a new designee of PVF as soon as possible, and the Company agrees to take, at any time and from time to time, all actions necessary to accomplish the same.
- (d) The Company agrees to include in the slate of nominees recommended by the Board the persons designated pursuant to this Section 3.1 and to use its best efforts to cause the election of each such designees to the Board, including nominating such individuals to be elected as Directors as provided herein.
- (e) Beginning on the date that is one year after the date that the Company ceases to qualify as a "controlled company" under NYSE rules, PVF shall, if necessary, and only if all Directors on the Board other than the Designated Directors qualify as "independent directors" under the applicable NYSE independence rules, cause a sufficient number of the Designated Directors to qualify as "independent directors" under NYSE rules to ensure that the Board complies with applicable NYSE independence rules.
- (f) The Company shall reimburse the Designated Directors for all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with their attendance at meetings of the Board and any committees thereof, including travel, lodging and meal expenses, in accordance with the Company's policies relating to director expense reimbursement.
- (g) The Company shall obtain customary director and officer indemnity insurance on commercially reasonable terms and the terms of such insurance shall be reasonably acceptable to PVF for so long as PVF is entitled to nominate at least one director for election to the Board pursuant to this Section 3.1.
- (h) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, nothing in Section 3.1(a)-(d) shall require the Company to take any action, or refrain from taking any action, to the extent that the Board shall have determined in good faith, based on written advice from its outside legal counsel, that such action or failure to take such action, as the case may be, would be inconsistent with its fiduciary duties under applicable Law.

SECTION 3.2 Other Board Matters. If, for any reason, any of the nominees designated by PVF pursuant to Section 3.1(a) are not elected to the Board by the stockholders of the Company, the Company shall, after receiving notice from PVF as to the identity of a representative of PVF, (i) permit such representative to attend all Board meetings (other than meetings solely of the independent Directors) as an observer; (ii) provide such representative advance notice of each such meeting, including such meeting's time and place, at the same time and in the same manner as such notice is provided to the members of the Board; (iii) provide such representative with copies of all materials, including notices, minutes and consents, distributed to the members of the Board at the same time as such materials are distributed to such Board and shall permit such representative to have the same access to information concerning the business and operations of the Company as such representative would have had as a Designated Director; and (iv) on a basis consistent with the members of the Board, permit such representative to discuss the affairs, finances and accounts of the Company with, and to make proposals and furnish advice

with respect thereto, the Board, without voting; <u>provided</u>, in each case, that such representative agrees in writing to maintain the confidentiality of all materials and information provided to him or her pursuant to this Section 3.2 and to return to the Company all such materials and information at such time as such representative ceases to act as a representative pursuant to this Section 3.2.

ARTICLE IV

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

SECTION 4.1 <u>Business Opportunities</u>. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law, the Company, on behalf of itself and its Subsidiaries, renounces any interest or expectancy of the Company and its Subsidiaries in, or in being offered an opportunity to participate in, business opportunities that are from time to time presented to any Goldman Sachs Entity or any of their respective officers, directors, agents, stockholders, members or partners, even if the opportunity is one that the Company or its Subsidiaries might reasonably be deemed to have pursued or had the ability or desire to pursue if granted the opportunity to do so and such Person shall have no duty to communicate or offer such corporate opportunity to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries and, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law, shall not be liable to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries for breach of any fiduciary or other duty, as a director or officer or otherwise, by reason of the fact that such Person pursues or acquires such business opportunity, directs such business opportunity to another Person or fails to present such business opportunity, or information regarding such business opportunity, to the Company or its Subsidiaries unless, in the case of any such person who is a director or officer of the Company, such business opportunity is expressly offered to such director or officer in writing solely in his or her capacity as a director or officer of the Company.

ARTICLE V

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 5.1 Benefit. The rights and obligations hereunder of the parties hereto shall not be assignable by any party hereto without the prior written consent of the other parties hereto, provided that PVF shall have the right to assign this Agreement and/or any of its rights and/or obligations hereunder at any time to one or more other Goldman Sachs Entities without the prior written consent of the Company. In the event of such an assignment to one or more Goldman Sachs Entities, the beneficial ownership thresholds herein applicable to PVF shall be applicable to Goldman Sachs, and otherwise all references to PVF hereunder shall be deemed to be references to the Goldman Sachs Entities or Goldman Sachs Entities, upon the request of the Goldman Sachs Entities, the Company will enter into a Management Rights Agreement with GS Capital Partners V Institutional, L.P. and GS Capital Partners VI Parallel, L.P., and/or any other Goldman Sachs Entity designated by the Goldman Sachs Entities, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A. Any assignment of rights or obligations in violation of this Section 5.1 shall be null and void. This Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto, and their respective successors and permitted assigns.

SECTION 5.2 Notice of Decrease in Ownership; Calculation of Outstanding Shares. If PVF effects a sale, distribution or other transfer of the shares of Common Stock that it beneficially owns, the result of which causes any conditions or rights contained in this Agreement or the Governing Documents that are based upon the percentage or proportion of the total outstanding shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by PVF to not be met, PVF shall, promptly after such decrease in beneficial ownership, notify the Company of the decrease. For purposes of calculating the percentage of the outstanding shares of Common Stock that it beneficially owns at any time, PVF shall be entitled to rely upon the total number of outstanding shares of Common Stock disclosed in the Company's latest annual report on Form 10-K or quarterly report on Form 10-Q, in each case filed with the SEC.

SECTION 5.3 <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement sets forth the entire understanding of the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof. There are no agreements, representations, warranties, covenants or understandings with respect to the subject matter hereof or thereof other than those expressly set forth herein and therein.

SECTION 5.4 Notices.

(a) All notices, requests or consents provided for or required to be given hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to be duly given if personally delivered, telecopied and confirmed, or mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, or nationally recognized overnight delivery service with proof of receipt maintained, at the following addresses (or any other address that any such party may designate by written notice to the other parties):

(i) if to PVF:

PVF Holdings LLC c/o GS Capital Partners V Fund, L.P. 200 West Street New York, New York 10282 Attention: Jack Daly Fax: (212) 357-5505

with a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP One New York Plaza New York, New York 10004 Attention: Robert C. Schwenkel, Esq.

Fax: (212) 859-4000

(ii) if to the Company:

MRC Global Inc. 2 Houston Center 909 Fannin, Suite 3100 Houston, TX 77010-1011 Attention: Dan Churay

Fax: (866) 778-9401

with a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP One New York Plaza

New York, New York 10004

Attention: Robert C. Schwenkel, Esq.

Fax: (212) 859-4000

All such notices, requests, demands, waivers and other communications shall be deemed to have been received by (w) if by personal delivery, on the day delivered, (x) if by certified or registered mail, on the fifth business day after the mailing thereof, (y) if by next-day or overnight mail or delivery, on the day delivered, or (z) if by fax, on the day delivered; provided that such delivery is confirmed.

SECTION 5.5 Further Assurances. The parties hereto will sign such further documents and do and perform and cause to be done such further acts and things necessary, proper or advisable in order to give full effect to this Agreement and every provision hereof.

SECTION 5.6 Marketing Materials. The Company grants PVF and its Affiliates permission to use the Company's name and logo in their marketing materials, PVF or its Affiliate, as applicable, shall include a trademark attribution notice giving notice of the Company's ownership of its trademarks in the marketing materials in which the Company's name and logo appear.

SECTION 5.7 Notice of Events. The Company shall notify PVF, on a reasonably current basis, of any events, discussions, notices or changes with respect to any criminal or regulatory investigation or action involving the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, and shall reasonably cooperate with PVF and its Affiliates in efforts to mitigate any adverse consequences to PVF or its Affiliates which may arise (including by coordinating and providing assistance in meeting with regulators).

SECTION 5.8 Third Parties. This Agreement does not create any rights, claims or benefits inuring to any person that is not a party hereto nor create or establish any third party beneficiary hereto (other than the Goldman Sachs Entities (other than PVF), who shall be considered express third party beneficiaries of this Agreement and shall have the legal and equitable right to enforce a remedy or claim under or in respect of this Agreement and any covenants, conditions or provisions contained herein).

SECTION 5.9 <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with, the Laws of the State of Delaware, without giving effect to any conflict of laws principles thereof that would require the application of the Laws of another jurisdiction.

SECTION 5.10 <u>Jurisdiction</u>. In any judicial proceeding involving any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement, each of the parties hereto unconditionally accepts the non-exclusive jurisdiction and venue of the Delaware Court of Chancery (or, if the Delaware Court of Chancery declines to accept jurisdiction over a particular matter, any state or federal court within the State of Delaware), and the appellate courts to which orders and judgments thereof may be appealed. In any such judicial proceeding, the parties hereto agree that in addition to any method for the service of process permitted or required by such courts, to the fullest extent permitted by Law, service of process may be made by delivery provided pursuant to the directions in Section 5.4. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO HEREBY WAIVES TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY JUDICIAL PROCEEDING INVOLVING ANY DISPUTE, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT.

SECTION 5.11 <u>Specific Performance</u>. Each party hereto acknowledges and agrees that in the event of any breach of this Agreement by any of them, the other parties hereto would be irreparably harmed and could not be made whole by monetary damages. Each party accordingly agrees to waive the defense in any action for specific performance that a remedy at law would be adequate and that the parties, in addition to any other remedy to which they may be entitled at law or in equity, shall be entitled to specific performance of this Agreement without the posting of bond.

SECTION 5.12 <u>Severability</u>. In the event that any provision of this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable such provision shall be construed by limiting it so as to be valid, legal and enforceable to the maximum extent provided by Law and the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

SECTION 5.13 <u>Table of Contents</u>, <u>Headings and Captions</u>. The table of contents, headings, subheadings and captions contained in this Agreement are included for convenience of reference only, and in no way define, limit or describe the scope of this Agreement or the intent of any provision hereof.

SECTION 5.14 <u>Waiver</u>. No waiver of any breach of any of the terms of this Agreement shall be effective unless such waiver is expressly made in writing and executed and delivered by the party against whom such waiver is claimed. Waiver by any party hereto of any breach by any other party of any of the terms of this Agreement shall not operate as a waiver of any other breach, whether similar to or different from the breach waived. No waiver of any provision of this Agreement shall be implied from any course of dealing between the parties hereto or from any failure by any party to assert its or his or her rights hereunder on any occasion or series of occasions.

SECTION 5.15 Amendments. This Agreement may not be amended, modified or supplemented except by a written instrument signed by the parties hereto.

SECTION 5.16 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

SECTION 5.17 Effectiveness. This Agreement shall become effective upon the Closing Date.

[Signature page follows]

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Ву:
Name: Title:
PVF HOLDINGS LLC
Ву:
Name:
Title:

MRC GLOBAL INC.

[Signature Page to Governance Agreement]

List of Subsidiaries of MRC Global Inc.

McJunkin Red Man Corporation Greenbrier Petroleum Corporation

Heaton Valves Limited

McJunkin de Angola, LDA

McJunkin Red Man Asia Pacific Limited

McJunkin Red Man Canada Ltd

McJunkin Red Man de Mexico, S. de R.L. de C.V.

McJunkin Red Man Development Corporation

McJunkin Red Man International Corp.

McJunkin Red Man International Services Corp.

McJunkin Red Man Servicios, S. de R.L. de C.V.

McJunkin Red Man UK Ltd

McJunkin Venezuela

Midfield Holdings (Alberta) Ltd

Midfield Supply ULC

Midway-Tristate Corporation

Milton Oil & Gas Company

MRC Management Company

MRC SPF East Asia Co. Ltd.

MRC SPF Europe Ltd.

MRC SPF Indonesia Pty Ltd.

MRC SPF Middle East Pty Ltd.

MRC SPF Pty Ltd.

MRC SPF Scanfit Ltd.

MRC Transmark (Dragon) Limited

MRC Transmark B.V.

MRC Transmark France SAS

MRC Transmark Group B.V.

MRC Transmark Holdings UK Ltd.

MRC Transmark International B.V.

MRC Transmark Italy srl

MRC Transmark Kazakhstan

MRC Transmark Leymas Valve. Co., Ltd.

MRC Transmark Limited (New Zealand)

MRC Transmark Limited (UK)

MRC Transmark Middle East FZE

MRC Transmark NV

MRC Transmark Pte Ltd.

MRC Transmark Pty Ltd (Aus.)

PT SPF Indonesia

Red Man Pipe & Supply International Limited

Ruffner Realty Company

SPF Europe s.r.l.

The South Texas Supply Company, Inc.

Transmark Fortim Engineering Pte. Ltd.

Transmark International Limited

Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

We consent to the reference to our firm under the captions "Summary Consolidated Financial Information", "Selected Historical Consolidated and Other Data", and "Experts" and to the use of our report dated March 5, 2012, included in the Registration Statement (Amendment No. 1 to Form S-1 No. 333-178980) and related Prospectus of MRC Global Inc. for the registration of \$500,000,000 of its common stock.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Charleston, West Virginia March 5, 2012

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March 6, 2012

Pamela Long Division of Corporation Finance Securities and Exchange Commission 100 F Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20549

Re: MRC Global Inc.

Registration Statement on Form S-1 Filed January 12, 2012 File No. 333-178980

Dear Ms. Long:

This letter sets forth the response of MRC Global Inc. (the "<u>Corporation</u>" or "<u>MRC Global</u>") to the comment letter, dated February 8, 2012, of the staff of the Division of Corporation Finance (the "<u>Staff</u>") with respect to MRC Global's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on January 12, 2012 (the "<u>Registration Statement</u>"). This letter is being filed with Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1 (the "<u>Amended Registration Statement</u>"). In order to facilitate your review, we have repeated each comment in its entirety in the original numbered sequence. We have also sent to your attention via courier courtesy copies of the Amended Registration Statement marked to show changes.

General

1. We note that you have omitted the names of the underwriters. Please include the names of the lead underwriters in your next amendment, or we will defer our review of the registration statement. We will proceed with our review only when the lead underwriters are named in an amendment to the registration statement.

Response:

The Amended Registration Statement has been revised to reflect the names of the lead underwriters. See the prospectus cover page in the Amended Registration Statement.

2. We note that you have omitted a price range and related information from your prospectus. Since the price range triggers a number of disclosure matters, we will need sufficient time to process the amendment when it is included. Please understand that its effect on disclosure throughout the document may cause us to raise issues on areas not previously commented upon.

Response:

The Company acknowledges the Staff's comment. The Company will include a price range and related information as soon as it is available.

3. As indicated in the comment above, we note that you have omitted certain pricing-related information as well as other information from this filing. If you intend to rely on Rule 430A, please note that Rule 430A does not allow for the omission prior to effectiveness of amounts that may be computed based on the maximum number of shares offered and the mid-point of the offering range, or the number of shares to be offered on the cover. In addition, please confirm that you will not circulate copies of the registration statement or the preliminary prospectus until you include an estimated price range, maximum number of shares, dollar amounts dependent upon the offering price that are based on the midpoint of the offering price range, and all other information except information you may exclude in reliance upon Rule 430A.

Response:

The Company acknowledges the Staff's comment. The Company will not circulate copies of the registration statement or the preliminary prospectus until the Company includes an estimated price range, maximum number of shares, dollar amounts dependent upon the offering price that are based on the midpoint of the offering price range and all other information, except information the Company may exclude in reliance upon Rule 430A.

4. Prior to the effectiveness of your registration statement, please arrange to have FINRA call us or provide us with a letter indicating that FINRA has cleared the underwriting arrangements for the offering.

Response:

The Company acknowledges the Staff's comment. The Company will arrange to have FINRA call the Staff or provide a letter indicating that FINRA has cleared the underwriting arrangements for the offering.

- 5. We note that you provide market and industry data throughout the registration statement. Please provide us with copies of the reports citing the market data you provide. Specifically, please provide us with the information attributed to:
 - the Department of Energy on page 11,
 - the EIA on pages 11, 92, 98, and 99,

- the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers and Energy Resources Conservation Board on page 12,
- Commodity Systems Inc. on pages 97 and 104,
- the INGAA on page 102,
- the Wall Street Journal on page 103, and
- BP Statistical Review and Industrial Info Resources on page 104.

Additionally, please confirm to us whether this market data represents the most recently available data and therefore, remain reliable. Please also tell us whether you funded or were otherwise affiliated with any of the sources that you cite.

Response:

Please see Exhibit A to this letter for the Company's response to this comment, which has been submitted to the Staff on a supplemental basis. The Company hereby requests confidential treatment with respect to Exhibit A puruant to Rule 83 of the Securities and Exchange Commission's Rules on Information and Requests, 17 C.F.R. §200.83.

6. We note the disclosure that information on your web site and those of the underwriters are not incorporated by reference into this prospectus. Disclose whether you are attempting to incorporate the information on the other external web sites you mention into this prospectus. Please see our Use of Electronic Media, Interpretive Release No. 33–7856 (Apr. 28, 2000) for further guidance regarding the use of hyperlinks in your prospectus, available at http://www.sec.gov/rules/interp/34-42728.htm#P168_27531.

Response

The Company respectfully advises the Staff that it is not attempting to incorporate the information on any external web sites into the Amended Registration Statement. The Company has clarified this on page 13 of the Amended Registration Statement.

Prospectus Summary page 1

7. Consider and identify those aspects of the offering and your company that are most significant and highlight these points in plain, clear language. The summary should not, and is not required to repeat the detailed information in the prospectus. The detailed description of your business, competitive strengths, and strategy is unnecessary since you repeat them verbatim in the Business section of the prospectus. Please refer to Item 503 of Regulation S-K and Release No. 33-7497.

Response:

The Company has revised pages 1-12 of the Amended Registration Statement in response to the Staff's comment.

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements, page 41

8. We note your references to Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. We further note that you claim the protection of the safe harbor for forward-looking statements. Please explain to us the applicability of these sections in light of the fact that they apply to an issuer that, at the time that the statement is made, is subject to the reporting requirements of section 13(a) or section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and disclose the number of record holders.

Response:

The Company has deleted the references to Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, on page 40 of the Amended Registration Statement. The Company currently has 83 record holders.

Management's Discussion and Analysis . . . , page 52

Results of Operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 2010, page 56

Adjusted EBITDA, page 59

- Note (2) on page 20 states that your ABL Credit Facility uses a measure substantially similar to Adjusted EBITDA. You present Adjusted EBITDA because it is an important factor in determining the interest rate and commitment fee under your ABL Credit Facility. On page 60, you disclose that Adjusted EBITDA is an important measure under the indenture governing your Notes. Note (2) on page 60 states that for purposes of computing Adjusted EBITDA, you added back the increase in your LIFO reserve for all periods presented though this amount would not be added back for similar calculations computed for purposes of the indenture governing your Notes. In this regard, please address the following in your disclosures:
 - Please clarify what the differences are between your Adjusted EBITDA measure and Adjusted EBITDA as determined under the ABL Credit
 facility, including if it is the same as the differences between your measure and Adjusted EBITDA as determined under the indenture
 governing your Notes;
 - It is not clear why your disclosures on page 20 and 60 do not refer to both debt agreements. Currently your disclosures on page 20 only refer to the ABL Credit Facility whereas your disclosures on page 60 only refer to the indenture governing your Notes. Please clarify; and
 - The LIFO adjustment appears to represent a significant percentage of Adjusted EBITDA. For example, the LIFO adjustment represented
 approximately 18% of total Adjusted EBITDA for the nine months ended September 30, 2011 and 33% of total Adjusted EBITDA for the year
 ended

December 31, 2010. In light of these significant differences between your measure and the measure as determined by the indenture governing your Notes, please better explain why you believe your measure of Adjusted EBITDA provides more useful information to investors. Your disclosures indicate that one of the primary reasons you present Adjusted EBITDA is because of the indenture. Please clarify why this is one of the primary reasons for presenting your Adjusted EBITDA measure given the significant differences between how the measures are determined.

Response

The Company has revised the disclosure regarding Adjusted EBITDA on pages 19, 59-60 and 64 of the Amended Registration Statement. Specifically, language suggesting that Adjusted EBITDA, as determined under the Company's ABL Credit Facility, is different than Adjusted EBITDA, as presented in the Amended Registration Statement, has been eliminated. The computation of Adjusted EBITDA in the ABL Credit Facility and in the Amended Registration Statement is identical.

The Company respectfully advises the Staff that the indenture governing the Company's Notes includes a definition of Consolidated Cash Flow which is consistent with the computation of Adjusted EBITDA in the Amended Registration Statement except for the change in the LIFO reserve which would not be an adjustment in determining Consolidated Cash Flow. While the Company believes that Adjusted EBITDA may be a useful measure for holders of the Company's Notes based on the similarities of these definitions, the Company acknowledges that reference to the indenture may be confusing in this context. Accordingly, reference to the indenture governing the Notes in the disclosures regarding Adjusted EBITDA has been eliminated.

Legal Proceedings, page 114

10. In the action brought against the company on July 30, 2010 in Delaware Chancery Court, we note your disclosure regarding the motions for summary judgment filed on October 21, 2011. Please disclose the current status of these motions and this action.

Response.

The Company has revised pages 75-76 of the Amended Registration Statement to reflect the requested disclosure.

11. Please disclose the date on which PolyPipe, Inc. filed a petition in the District Court in Cooke County, Texas against McJunkin Red Man Corporation and NiSource, Inc. Refer to Item 103 of Regulation S-K.

Response:

The Company has revised page 75 of the Amended Registration Statement to reflect the requested disclosure.

Management, page 116

Board of Directors, page 121

12. Given Mr. Best's and Mr. Boylan's relationship with PVF Holdings, please tell us how you determined that they qualify as independent directors. Specifically, please explain how the board determined that these directors do not have a material relationship with the company.

Response:

The Company respectfully advises the Staff that Mr. Boylan are no longer directors of PVF Holdings. Accordingly, the Company and the board believe that these directors do not have a material relationship with the Company.

Executive Compensation, page 123

Compensation Discussion and Analysis, page 123

Components of Executive Compensation, page 127

Short-term Incentive Compensation, page 127

13. On page 128, we note your disclosure of the 2011 EBITDA and RONA performance goals. We further note your statements that these goals were exceeded and that the amount payable in respect of these two metrics was the maximum award payable. Please disclose your actual EBITDA and RONA results.

Response:

The Company has revised the Amended Registration Statement to reflect the actual EBITDA and RONA results. See page 123 of the Amended Registration Statement.

Stock Options and Restricted Stock, page 131

14. We note that during 2011, you granted restricted shares of your common stock to Mr. Lane and stock options to Messrs. Churay, Lane, Ittner, and Underhill. For each of these named executive officers, please disclose the amount awarded as well as how the compensation committee determined the amount to be awarded to each of the officers.

Response

The Amended Registration Statement has been revised to reflect the number of restricted shares and stock options awarded and how the compensation committee determined the amounts to be awarded to each of the officers. See pages 126-128 of the Amended Registration Statement.

Underwriting, page 173

15. Please disclose the circumstances under which the underwriters would waive the lock-up period.

Response:

The Company respectfully advises the Staff that it has been advised by the underwriters that they do not currently anticipate waiving the lock-up period. The underwriters have further advised the Company that the underwriters cannot currently speculate as to the circumstances which would lead them to waive the lock-up period.

Financial Statements

Audited Financial Statements

Notes to the Financial Statements, page F-6

General

- 16. Please provide us with an analysis of all equity issuances since January 1, 2011 as well as any planned equity issuances. Please tell us the following for each transaction:
 - · identify the parties, including any related parties;
 - the purpose of the issuance;
 - how you accounted or will account for the issuance;
 - the nature of any consideration;
 - the fair value and your basis for determining the fair value; and
 - ⁱ Indicate whether the fair value was contemporaneous or retrospective.
 - To the extent applicable, reconcile the fair values you used for equity transactions to the fair value indicated by the anticipated IPO price.
 - For equity transactions in which your Board of Directors estimated the fair value, please provide us with a detailed explanation of the significant factors, assumptions, and methodologies used in determining fair value.

We will not be able to complete our evaluation of your response until the IPO range has been disclosed.

Response:

Please see Exhibit B to this letter for the Company's response to this comment, which has been submitted to the Staff on a supplemental basis. The Company hereby requests confidential treatment with respect to Exhibit B puruant to Rule 83 of the Securities and Exchange Commission's Rules on Information and Requests, 17 C.F.R. §200.83.

Note 7 – Long Term Debt, page F-17

17. Please disclose the actual ratios/amounts as of each reporting date for any material debt covenants for which it is reasonably likely that you will not be able to meet. In this regard, we note that you amended your Midfield Revolving Credit Facility and Midfield Term Loan Facility to defer compliance with a leverage ratio covenant as well as to modify the calculation of a fixed charge covenant ratio under the Midfield Revolving Credit Facility and to defer compliance of the fixed charge covenant ratio under the Midfield Term Loan Facility. Please also consider showing the specific computations used to arrive at the actual ratios/amounts with corresponding reconciliations to US GAAP amounts. See Sections I.D and IV.C of the SEC Interpretive Release No. 33-8350 and Compliance and Disclosures Interpretation 102.09, which is available on our website at http://www.sec.gov/divisions/corpfin/guidance/nongaapinterp.htm.

Response:

The Company advises the Staff that the Midfield Revolving Credit Facility and Midfield Term Loan Facility were repaid in full and terminated in June 2011 and replaced with a North American asset-based loan (ABL) credit facility which does not contain financial maintenance covenants which require regular compliance. No additional amendments or waivers of the Midfield Revolving Credit Facility or Midfield Term Loan Facility were required prior to the June 2011 refinancing.

The Company also advises the Staff that, as of December 31, 2011, there were no material debt covenants which it was reasonably likely that the Company would not be able to satisfy.

Midfield Revolving Credit Facility and Midfield Term Loan Facility, page F-21

18. At December 31, 2010, you were in compliance with the covenants under the Midfield Revolving Credit Facility and Midfield Term Loan Facility, as amended. Please clarify whether any amendments or waivers were required to be received subsequent to September 2010 in order to remain in compliance with the covenants. Please discuss the potential impact on your liquidity and capital resources if you do not comply with these covenants and are unable to obtain a waiver of compliance or further defer compliance in the future. Specifically, you should state whether noncompliance with any covenants could lead to the acceleration of payments due under any of your debt arrangements.

Response

The Company advises the Staff that the Midfield Revolving Credit Facility and Midfield Term Loan Facility were repaid in full and terminated in June 2011 and replaced with a North American asset-based loan (ABL) credit facility which does not contain financial maintenance covenants which require regular compliance. No additional amendments or waivers of the Midfield Revolving Credit Facility or Midfield Term Loan Facility were required prior to the June 2011 refinancing.

Note 13 – Segment, Geographic and Product Line Information, page F-37

19. The product sales information disclosed on page three appears to be more detailed than the product sales information currently provided in your segment note pursuant to ASC 280-10-50-40. Please revise your segment footnote to provide more detailed product sales information in a similar manner to page three.

Response:

The Company has revised the segment footnote on page F-35 to provide the same product sales information included in the chart on page 3 of the Amended Registration Statement.

Note 15 - Commitments and Contingencies, page F-40

Litigation, page F-40

20. In regards to your non-asbestos related legal contingencies, please clarify whether there is at least a reasonable possibility that a loss exceeding amounts already recognized may have been incurred. If so, please either disclose an estimate (or, if true, state that the estimate is immaterial in lieu of providing quantified amounts) of the additional loss or range of loss, or state that such an estimate cannot be made. Please refer to ASC 450-20-50.

Response:

- With respect to the Polypipe proceedings, the Company has revised its disclosure on page F-39 in the Amended Registration Statement to provide additional information. The Company believes that the ultimate outcome of this matter will not be material.
- 21. If you conclude that you cannot estimate the reasonably possible additional loss or range of loss, please supplementally: (1) explain to us the procedures you undertake on a quarterly basis to attempt to develop a range of reasonably possible loss for disclosure and (2) for each material matter, what specific factors are causing the inability to estimate and when you expect those factors to be alleviated. We recognize that there are a number of uncertainties and potential outcomes associated with loss contingencies. Nonetheless, an effort should be made to develop estimates for purposes of disclosure, including determining which of the potential outcomes are reasonably possible and what the reasonably possible range of losses would be for those reasonably possible outcomes. You may provide your disclosures on an aggregated basis.

Response:

The Company refers the Staff to its response to comment 20.

Unaudited Financial Statements

General

22. Please address the above comments, as applicable.

Response

The Amended Registration Statement has been updated to include the audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2011 and does not include unaudited financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements, page F-51

Note 2. Transactions, page F-53

23. Please provide the disclosures required by ASC 805-10-50, ASC 805-20-50, and ASC 805-30-50 for your business combinations, including the acquisition-date fair value of the total consideration transferred and the acquisition-date fair value of each major class of consideration per ASC 805-30-50-1(b). Given that seven months have passed since your acquisition of Stainless Pipe and Fittings Australia Pty. Ltd., please help us understand why you are unable to arrive at preliminary estimates of the fair values of certain tangible and intangible assets acquired or liabilities assumed as well as when you intend to be able to provide these estimates. Please also advise how the business combination is reflected in your balance sheet as of September 30, 2011.

Response:

The disclosures required by ASC 805-10-50, ASC 805-20-50, and ASC 805-30-50 have been included on page F-12 and F-13 of the Amended Registration Statement. The Company's balance sheet as of September 30, 2011 reflected preliminary estimates of the fair values of all assets and liabilities acquired, but valuation procedures relating to a limited number of those assets and liabilities were still being finalized at that time. As of December 31, 2011, all such procedures were completed. The Company's balance sheet as of December 31, 2011 did not contain any material changes to the balances preliminarily reflected in the balance sheet as of September 30, 2011.

Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules, page II-2

24. We encourage you to file all exhibits, including your legal opinion and form of underwriting agreement, with your next amendment. Please understand that we will need adequate time to review these materials before effectiveness.

Response:

The Company has filed all exhibits with the Amended Registration Statement, including Fried Frank's legal opinion, the form of charter and bylaws and the form of underwriting agreement.

25. Please file the ABL Credit Facility as an exhibit to the registration statement.

Response:

The Company has filed the ABL Credit Facility as Exhibit 10.1 to the Amended Registration Statement.

Should you have any questions or comments with respect to this filing, please call me at (212) 859-8735.

Sincerely,

/s/ Michael A. Levitt, Esq. Michael A. Levitt, Esq.

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