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

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014

or

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

For the transition period from to

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Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	**20-5336063**
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	**(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)**
2122 York Road, Oak Brook, IL	**60523**
(Address of principal executive offices)	**(Zip Code)**

(630) 574-3000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Class	**Name of each exchange on which registered**
Common Stock, (Par Value $0.0001)	**Nasdaq Stock Market, LLC**

Securities registered pursuant to section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes ¨ No x

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes ¨ No x

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports) and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes x No ¨

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes x No ¨

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (§ 229.405 of this chapter) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant s knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K. ¨

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer, and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer ¨	Accelerated filer x
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes ¨ No x

The aggregate market value of voting stock held by non-affiliates of the Registrant was $425,660,035 at June 30, 2014. The aggregate market value was computed using the closing price of the common stock as of that date on the Nasdaq Stock Market. (For purposes of a calculating this amount only, all directors and executive officers of the registrant have been treated as affiliates.)

As of February 27, 2015, 60,236,620 shares of Registrant s Common Stock, par value $.0001 per share, were outstanding.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Part of 10-K	**Documents Incorporated by Reference**
Part III	Portions of the Proxy Statement to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with the 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

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Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements in this Annual Report on Form 10-K may constitute forward-looking statements as defined in Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 (the Securities Act), Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act), the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the PSLRA) or in releases made by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), all as may be amended from time to time. Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other important factors that could cause the actual results, performance or achievements of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation and its subsidiaries (Great Lakes), or industry results, to differ materially from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Statements that are not historical fact are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements can be identified by, among other things, the use of forward-looking language, such as the words plan, believe, expect, anticipate, intend, estimate, project, may, would, could, should, or other similar words, or the negative of these terms or other variations of these terms or comparable language, or by discussion of strategy or intentions. These cautionary statements are being made pursuant to the Securities Act, the Exchange Act and the PSLRA with the intention of obtaining the benefits of the safe harbor provisions of such laws. Great Lakes cautions investors that any forward-looking statements made by Great Lakes are not guarantees or indicative of future performance. Important assumptions and other important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those forward-looking statements with respect to Great Lakes, include, but are not limited to, risks and uncertainties that are described in Item 1A. Risk Factors of this Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014, and in other securities filings by Great Lakes with the SEC.

Although Great Lakes believes that our plans, intentions and expectations reflected in or suggested by such forward-looking statements are reasonable, actual results could differ materially from a projection or assumption in any forward-looking statements. Great Lakes future financial condition and results of operations, as well as any forward-looking statements, are subject to change and inherent risks and uncertainties. The forward-looking statements contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K are made only as of the date hereof and we do does not have or undertake any obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, subsequent events or otherwise, unless otherwise required by law.

Availability of Information

You may read and copy any materials Great Lakes files with the SEC, including without limitation the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and amendments to those reports at the SEC s Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Copies of such materials also can be obtained at the SEC s website, www.sec.gov or by mail from the Public Reference Room of the SEC, at prescribed rates. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the Public Reference Room. Great Lakes SEC filings are also available to the public, free of charge, on our corporate website, www.gldd.com as soon as reasonably practicable after Great Lakes electronically files such material with, or furnishes it to, the SEC.

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Part I

Item 1. Business

The terms we, our, ours, us, Great Lakes and Company refer to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation and subsidiaries.

Organization

Great Lakes is the largest provider of dredging services in the United States and is the only U.S. dredging service provider with significant international operations. The Company was founded in 1890 as Lydon & Drews Partnership and performed its first project in Chicago, Illinois. The Company changed its name to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Company in 1905 and was involved in a number of marine construction and landfill projects along the Chicago lakefront and in the surrounding Great Lakes region. Great Lakes now provides dredging services in the East, West, and Gulf Coasts of the United States and worldwide. The Company also owns specialty contracting service providers which primarily offers environmental, remediation and geotechnical services throughout the United States.

On November 4, 2014, the Company acquired the stock of Magnus Pacific Corporation, a leading provider of environmental remediation, geotechnical construction, demolition, and sediments and wetlands construction headquartered outside of Sacramento, California, for an aggregate purchase price of approximately $40 million. The Magnus Pacific (Magnus) business is part of the Company s environmental & remediation segment.

On December 31, 2012, the Company acquired the assets and assumed certain liabilities of Terra Contracting, LLC, a respected provider of a wide variety of essential services for environmental, maintenance and infrastructure-related applications headquartered in Kalamazoo, Michigan, for a purchase price of approximately $26 million. The Terra Contracting Services, LLC (Terra) business is part of the Company s environmental & remediation segment.

The Company operates in four operating segments that, through aggregation, comprise two reportable segments: dredging and environmental & remediation. Four operating segments were aggregated into two reportable segments as the segments have similarity in economic margins, services, production processes, customer types, distribution methods and regulatory environment. The Company has determined that the operating segments are the Company s four reporting units. Financial information about the Company s reportable segments and operating revenues by geographic region is provided in Notes 10 and 17 to the Company s consolidated financial statements.

Dredging Operations (86% of 2014 total revenues)

Dredging generally involves the enhancement or preservation of navigability of waterways or the protection of shorelines through the removal or replenishment of soil, sand or rock. Domestically, our work generally is performed in coastal waterways and deep water ports. The U.S. dredging market consists of four primary types of work: capital, coastal protection, maintenance and rivers & lakes. The Company s bid market is defined as the aggregate dollar value of domestic dredging projects on which the Company bid or could have bid if not for capacity constraints or other considerations. The Company experienced an average combined bid market share in the U.S. of 46% over the prior three years, including 46%, 58%, 33% and 50% of the domestic capital, coastal protection, maintenance and rivers & lakes sectors, respectively.

Over its 124 year history, the Company has grown to be a leader in capital, coastal protection and maintenance dredging in the U.S. and is one of the oldest and most experienced dredging companies in the United States. In addition, the Company is the only U.S. dredging service provider with significant international operations. Over the

prior three years, foreign dredging operations accounted for an average of 18% of the Company s dredging revenues. The Company s foreign projects are typically categorized in the capital work type, but are not included in the aforementioned bid market.

Capital (domestic is 28% of 2014 dredging revenues). Capital dredging consists primarily of port expansion projects, which involve the deepening of channels to allow access by larger, deeper draft ships and the provision of land fill used to expand port facilities. In addition to port work, capital projects also include land reclamations, trench digging for pipelines, tunnels and cables, and other dredging related to the construction of breakwaters, jetties, canals and other marine structures. Although capital work can be impacted by budgetary constraints and economic conditions, these projects typically generate an immediate economic benefit to the ports and surrounding communities.

Foreign (22% of 2014 dredging revenues). Foreign capital projects typically involve land reclamations, channel deepening and port infrastructure development. The Company targets foreign opportunities that are well suited to the Company s equipment and where it faces reduced competition from its European competitors. Maintaining a presence in foreign markets has enabled the Company to diversify its customer base and take advantage of differences in global economic development. Over the last ten years, the Company has performed dredging work in the Middle East, Africa, India, Australia, the Caribbean and Central and South America. Most recently, the Company has focused its efforts on opportunities in Australia, the Middle East and South America.

Coastal protection (28% of 2014 dredging revenues). Coastal protection was previously referred to as beach nourishment. Coastal protection is a more accurate description of this important dredging work that protects valuable infrastructure along the coast lines. Coastal protection projects generally involve moving sand from the ocean floor to shoreline locations where erosion threatens shoreline assets. Beach erosion is a continuous problem that has intensified with the rise in coastal development and has become an important issue for state and local governments concerned with protecting beachfront tourism and real estate. Coastal protection via beach nourishment is often viewed as a better response to erosion than trapping sand through the use of sea walls and jetties, or relocating buildings and other assets away from the shoreline. Generally, coastal protection projects take place during the fall and winter months to minimize interference with bird and marine life migration and breeding patterns as well as coastal recreation activities.

Maintenance (18% of 2014 dredging revenues). Maintenance dredging consists of the re-dredging of previously deepened waterways and harbors to remove silt, sand and other accumulated sediments. Due to natural sedimentation, many channels require maintenance dredging every one to three years, thus creating a recurring source of dredging work that is typically non-deferrable if adequate commercial navigability is to be maintained. In addition, severe weather such as hurricanes, flooding and droughts can also cause the accumulation of sediments and drive the need for maintenance dredging.

Rivers & lakes (4% of 2014 dredging revenues). Domestic rivers and lakes dredging and related operations typically consist of lake and river dredging, inland levee and construction dredging, environmental restoration and habitat improvement and other marine construction projects. Although the Mississippi River has a large source of projects on which the Company bids, certain dredges used on these projects are more portable and able to be transported to take advantage of the fragmented market. In addition, many of our dredges can be transported to sites of waterway environmental remediation work to assist our environmental & remediation business on projects. Generally, inland river and lake projects in the northern U.S. take place in non-winter months because frozen waterways significantly reduce the Company s ability to operate and transport its equipment in the relevant geographies.

Dredging Demand Drivers

The Company believes that the following factors are important drivers of the demand for its dredging services:

Deep port capital projects. Most U.S. ports have expansion plans that include deepening and widening in order to better compete for international trade. International trade, particularly in the intermodal container shipping business, is undergoing significant change as a result of the Panama Canal expansion. Many shipping lines have announced plans to deploy larger ships which, due to the channel

dimension requirements, currently would not be able to use many U.S. ports. Miami s port deepening project is scheduled for completion in 2015 and its port channels will then be able to accommodate the larger vessels. This is expected to put more pressure on U.S. ports such as Savannah, Jacksonville and Charleston to deepen in order to remain competitive. In addition, the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach are resuming expansion efforts to remain competitive with deepened East Coast ports. In addition, the Water Resources Reform and Development Act (WRRDA) was signed in the second quarter of 2014 which authorized the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (the Corps) to begin dredging to deepen the Savannah River channel as well as initiate studies to deepen the ports of Jacksonville, Boston and others in the Gulf Coast. The Company views the bill as a positive catalyst for the domestic dredging industry as it authorizes over thirty major projects for the Corps. The Company believes that port deepening and expansion work authorized under current and anticipated future legislation will continue to provide significant opportunities for the domestic dredging industry.

Gulf coast restoration. There has been continued focus on restoring the barrier islands and wetlands that provide natural protection from storms in the Gulf Coast area. Many restoration projects have commenced to repair coastal areas. Several additional projects are being planned by state and local governments to restore natural barriers. The State of Louisiana has completed a master plan calling for a $50 billion investment in its coastal infrastructure, with a significant portion involving dredging. The annual bid market for domestic capital dredging, which includes deep port capital dredging and Gulf Coast restoration, averaged $349 million over the prior three years.

Substantial need for coastal protection. Beach erosion is a recurring problem due to the normal ebb and flow of coastlines as well as the effects of severe storm activity. Growing populations in coastal communities and vital beach tourism are drawing attention to the importance of protecting beachfront assets. Over the past few years, both the federal government and state and local entities have funded beach work recognizing the essential role these natural barriers play in absorbing storm energy and protecting public and private property. Superstorm Sandy has highlighted the need for projects that clear the navigation channels, renourish damaged beaches and mitigate shore erosion from future storms. Since the beginning of 2013, the Corps has let for bid over $600 million in projects to repair shorelines in New York and New Jersey damaged as a result of Superstorm Sandy. The annual bid market for coastal protection over the prior three years averaged $320 million.

Required maintenance of U.S. ports. The channels and waterways leading to U.S. ports have stated depths on which shippers rely when entering those ports. Due to naturally occurring sedimentation and severe weather, active channels require maintenance dredging to ensure that stated depths are at authorized levels. Consequently, the need to maintain channel depth creates a recurring source of dredging work that is non-deferrable if optimal navigability is to be preserved. The Corps is responsible for federally funded projects related to navigation and flood control of U.S. waterways. The maritime industry, including the ports, has repeatedly advocated for congressional efforts to ensure that a fully funded, recurring maintenance program is in place. The previously mentioned Water Resources Reform and Development Act calls for full use of the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund for maintenance of ports and waterways within 10 years. With the mandate to utilize the taxes collected on imports to U.S. ports for their intended purpose of maintaining future access to the waterways and ports that support our nation s economy, the Company expects the Corps to substantially increase the projects let to bid for maintenance projects in 2015. The annual bid market for maintenance dredging over the prior three years averaged $355 million.

Need to maintain safe navigability of the U.S. river system. There are over 12 thousand miles of commercially navigable inland waterways that move more than 566 million tons of commercial goods. Transportation by barge requires less energy, and therefore is both better for the environment as well as costs less to move cargo than transportation by airplane, railcar or truck. Many industries rely on safe navigability of U.S. inland waterways as a primary means to transport goods and commodities such as coal, chemicals, petroleum, minerals, stones, metals and agricultural products. Natural sedimentation and other circumstances require that the inland waterway system be periodically dredged so that it can be used

as intended. The Corps recognizes the need to maintain the safe navigability of U.S. waterways. The annual bid market for rivers and lakes dredging over the prior three years averaged $62 million.

Domestic and international energy transportation. The growth in demand for transportation of energy worldwide has driven the need for dredging to support new terminals, harbors, channels and pipelines. Great Lakes recently completed dredging work on a project that will create a new shipping channel for a liquid natural gas (LNG) terminal being developed to export abundant energy resources from the west coast of Australia. The Company is also widening the Freeport Harbor Ship Channel in Texas, which is being sponsored by Freeport LNG. The significant drop in crude oil prices in 2014 may lead to a slowdown in the development of LNG export plants; however, the Company continues to expect that future global energy demand will necessitate improvements in the infrastructure base around sources of rich resources and countries that import global energy.

Middle East market. Over the past ten years, the Middle East has been a strong market for dredging services. With substantial income from oil revenues and significant real estate development, these countries have been undergoing extensive infrastructure expansion. Historically lower oil prices and the contraction in Middle East commercial and real estate development have slowed the rate of the region s infrastructure development. The Company is presently engaged in the widening and deepening of a portion of the Suez Canal to expand the seaborne cargo capacity of this important waterway.

Environmental & Remediation Operations (approximately 14% of 2014 total revenues)

The environmental & remediation segment provides soil, water and sediment environmental remediation for clients in both the public and private sectors in the United States. Remediation involves the containment, immobilization or removal of contamination from an environment through the use of any combination of isolation, treatment, or exhumation techniques including off-site disposal based on the quantity and severity of the contamination. The Company had historically provided certain environmental remediation services in conjunction with its demolition business, which we divested in April 2014. The Company added additional environmental remediation skillsets through its acquisition of Terra in December 2012 and Magnus Pacific in November 2014. Combined with our dredging segment, we have a set of skills well suited to perform all types of environmental and remediation work on both land and water. Besides environmental remediation, the environmental & remediation segment performs abatement services, industrial cleaning, and waste transportation and disposal. Our recent acquisition of Magnus Pacific expands the geographic footprint of our environmental operations to include the U.S. West Coast and broadens our suite of services to include geotechnical capabilities and other environmental solutions.

Environmental & Remediation Demand Drivers

The Company believes that the following factors are important drivers of the demand for its environmental & remediation services:

Increasing requirements for environmental services. Both the dredging and environmental & remediation businesses have experienced requests for handling contaminated sediments and soils at project sites. The Environmental Protection Agency and several state agencies began to recognize the environmental hazards posed by stored industrial byproducts near waterways. The release of regulated pollutants into major waterways, inland lakes, landfills and public lands require the use of environmental remediation to remove

the contaminated sediment.

Government mandated remediation. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) mandates remediation initiatives that are paid for partially or in whole by responsible parties. The capability to provide the environmental clean-up of not only the waterway, but also the processing of the contaminated sediment or any contaminated soil from other brownfield sites as well as services related to new federal regulations over the storage and disposal of coal ash provides a targeted growth opportunity for Great Lakes.

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For additional details regarding Dredging Operations and Environmental & Remediation Operations, including financial information regarding our international and United States revenues and long-lived assets, see Item 7. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, and Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, including Footnote 17 to the Company s consolidated financial statements.

Customers

Dredging

The dredging industry s customers include federal, state and local governments, foreign governments and both domestic and foreign private concerns, such as utilities, oil and other energy companies. Most dredging projects are competitively bid, with the award going to the lowest qualified bidder. Customers generally have few economical alternatives to dredging services. The Corps is the largest dredging customer in the U.S. and has responsibility for federally funded projects related to navigation and flood control. In addition, the U.S. Coast Guard and the U.S. Navy are responsible for awarding federal contracts with respect to their own facilities. In 2014, approximately 70% of the Company s dredging revenues were generated from 53 different contracts with federal agencies or third parties operating under contracts with federal agencies.

Environmental & remediation

Environmental & remediation customers include general contractors, corporations, Superfund potentially responsible parties, environmental engineering and construction firms that commission projects and federal as well as municipal government agencies. This segment benefits from key relationships with certain customers in the general contracting and environmental engineering industries. In 2014, two of the environmental & remediation segment s customers were responsible for approximately 36% and 11% of the environmental & remediation segment s annual revenues; however, the loss of these customers would not have a material adverse effect on Great Lakes as a whole.

Bidding Process

Dredging

Most of the Company s dredging contracts are obtained through competitive bidding on terms specified by the party inviting the bid. The types of equipment required to perform the specified service, the estimated project duration, seasonality, location and complexity of a project affect the cost of performing the contract and the price that dredging contractors will bid.

For contracts under its jurisdiction, the Corps typically prepares a fair and reasonable cost estimate based on the specifications of the project. To be successful, a bidder must be determined by the Corps to be a responsible bidder (i.e., a bidder that generally has the necessary equipment and experience to successfully complete the project as well as the ability to obtain a surety bid bond) and submit the lowest responsive bid that does not exceed 125% of the Corps original estimate. Contracts for state and local governments are generally awarded to the lowest qualified bidder. Contracts for private customers are awarded based on the contractor s experience, equipment and schedule, as well as price. While substantially all of the Company s dredging contracts are competitively bid, some government contracts are awarded through a sole source procurement process involving negotiation between the contractor and the government, while other projects are bid by the Corps through a request for proposal process. The request for proposal process benefits both Great Lakes and its customers as customers can award contracts based on factors beyond price, including experience and skill.

Environmental & remediation

The majority of the environmental & remediation segment s projects are secured through competitive bidding. When the environmental & remediation segment bids on a project, it evaluates the contract

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specifications and develops a cost estimate to which it adds an acceptable margin. While there are numerous competitors in the environmental & remediation services market, the Company benefits from its size, relationships and reputation. Therefore, there are occasions where the Company is not the lowest bidder on a contract, but is still awarded the project based on its reputation and qualifications.

Bonding and Foreign Project Guarantees

Dredging

For most domestic projects and some foreign projects, dredging service providers are required to obtain three types of bonds: bid bonds, performance bonds and payment bonds. These bonds are typically provided by large insurance companies. A bid bond is required to serve as a guarantee so that if a service provider s bid is chosen, the service provider will sign the contract. The amount of the bond is typically 20% of the service provider s bid, with a range generally between $1 and $10 million. After a contract is signed, the bid bond is replaced by a performance bond, the purpose of which is to guarantee that the job will be completed. If the service provider fails to complete a job, the bonding company would be required to complete the job and would be entitled to be paid the contract price directly by the customer. Additionally, the bonding company would be entitled to be paid by the service provider for any costs incurred in excess of the contract price. A service provider s ability to obtain performance bonds with respect to a particular contract depends upon the size of the contract, as well as the size of the service provider and its financial position. A payment bond is required to protect the service provider s suppliers and subcontractors in the event that the service provider cannot make timely payments. Payment bonds are generally written at 100% of the contract value.

Great Lakes has an agreement with Zurich American Insurance Company (Zurich) under which the Company can obtain performance, bid and payment bonds. Great Lakes has never experienced difficulty in obtaining bonding for any of its projects; and Great Lakes has never failed to complete a marine project in its 124 year history. For most foreign dredging projects, letters of credit or bank guarantees issued by foreign banks are required as security for the bid, performance and, if applicable, advance payment guarantees. The Company obtains its letters of credit under the Credit Agreement (as defined below). Foreign bid guarantees are usually 2% to 5% of the service provider s bid. Foreign performance and advance payment guarantees are each typically 5% to 10% of the contract value.

Environmental & remediation

The environmental & remediation segment contracts with both private, non-governmental customers and governmental entities. In general, it is not required to secure bonding for projects with non-governmental customers but is required to secure bonding for projects with governmental entities.

Competition

Dredging

The U.S. dredging industry is highly fragmented with approximately 250 entities in the U.S. presently operating more than 850 dredges, primarily in maintenance dredging. Most of these dredges are smaller and service the inland, as opposed to coastal, waterways, and therefore do not generally compete with Great Lakes except in our rivers & lakes market. Competition is determined by the size and complexity of the job; equipment bonding and certification requirements; and government regulations. Great Lakes and three other companies comprised approximately 80% of the Company s defined bid market related to domestic capital, coastal protection and maintenance over the prior three years. The foregoing percentage excludes work in the rivers & lakes market. Within the Company s bid market, competition is determined primarily on the basis of price. In addition, the Foreign Dredge Act of 1906, or Dredging

Act, and Section 27 of the Merchant Marine Act of 1920, or Jones Act, provide significant barriers to entry with respect to foreign competition. Together these two laws prohibit foreign-built, chartered or operated vessels from competing in the U.S. See Business Government Regulations below.

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Great Lakes competes with several smaller competitors in the domestic rivers and lakes market. Competition is determined primarily based on the basis of geographic reach, project execution capability and price.

Competition in the international market is dominated by four large European dredging companies all of which operate larger equipment and fleets that are more extensive than the Company s. Recently, a large Chinese dredging company has emerged as a key player in the international market. In addition, there are several governmentally supported dredging companies that operate on a local or regional basis. The Company targets opportunities that are well suited to its equipment and where it can be most competitive. Most recently, the Company has focused on opportunities in the Middle East and Brazil where the Company has cultivated close customer relationships and has pursued contracts compatible with the size of the Company s vessels.

Environmental & remediation

The U.S. environmental & remediation and related services industry is highly fragmented and is comprised mostly of small regional companies. The environmental & remediation segment is able to perform both smaller and larger, more complex projects. The environmental & remediation segment competes in the specialty contracting services industry primarily on the basis of its experience, reputation, equipment, key client relationships and price. The ability to deliver a wide range of interdisciplinary capabilities under a single project team is another competitive attribute.

Equipment

Dredging

Great Lakes fleet of dredges, material barges and other specialized equipment is the largest and most diverse in the U.S. The Company operates three principal types of dredging equipment: hopper dredges, hydraulic dredges and mechanical dredges.

Hopper Dredges. Hopper dredges are typically self-propelled and have the general appearance of an ocean-going vessel. The dredge has hollow hulls, or hoppers, into which material is suctioned hydraulically through drag-arms. Once the hoppers are filled, the dredge sails to the designated disposal site and either (i) bottom dumps the material or (ii) pumps the material from the hoppers through a pipeline to a designated site. Hopper dredges can operate in rough waters, are less likely than other types of dredges to interfere with ship traffic, and can be relocated quickly from one project to another. Hopper dredges primarily work on coastal protection and maintenance projects.

Hydraulic Dredges. Hydraulic dredges remove material using a revolving cutterhead which cuts and churns the sediment on the channel or ocean floor and hydraulically pumps the material by pipe to the disposal location. These dredges are very powerful and can dredge some types of rock. Certain dredged materials can be directly pumped for miles with the aid of multiple booster pumps. Hydraulic dredges work with an assortment of support equipment, which help with the positioning and movement of the dredge, handling of the pipelines and the placement of the dredged material. Great Lakes operates the only two large electric hydraulic dredges in the U.S., which makes the Company particularly competitive in markets with stringent emissions standards, such as California and Houston. Unlike hopper dredges, relocating hydraulic dredges and all their ancillary equipment requires specialized vessels and additional time and their operations can be impacted by ship traffic and rough waters. There is a wide distribution of hydraulic dredges from our smaller rivers & lakes vessels that use pipe sizes ranging from 10 to 22 and operate at between 365 and 3,200 total horsepower, while the Company s other hydraulic dredges use pipe sizes ranging from 18 to 36 and operate at between 1,900 and 20,300 total horsepower.

Mechanical Dredges. There are two basic types of mechanical dredges: clamshell and backhoe. In both types, the dredge uses a bucket to excavate material from the channel or ocean floor. The dredged material is

placed by the bucket into material barges, or scows, for transport to the designated disposal area. The scows are emptied by bottom-dumping, direct pump-out or removal by a crane with a bucket. Mechanical dredges are capable of removing hard-packed sediments, blasted rock and debris and can work in tight areas such as along docks or terminals. Clamshell dredges with specialized buckets are ideally suited to handle material requiring environmentally controlled disposal. Additionally, the Company owns an electric clamshell dredge which provides an advantage in those markets with stringent emissions standards.

Scows. The Company has the largest fleet of material barges in the domestic industry, which provides cost advantages when dredged material is required to be disposed far offshore or when material requires controlled disposal. The Company uses scows with its hydraulic dredges and mechanical dredges. Scows are an efficient and cost effective way to move material and increase dredging production. The Company has twelve scows in its fleet with a capacity ranging from 5,000 to 8,800 cubic yards. The Company purchased two new scows in each of 2013 and 2014 to support its operations.

In addition, the Company has numerous pieces of smaller equipment that support its dredging operations. Great Lakes domestic dredging fleet is typically positioned on the East and Gulf Coasts, with a smaller number of vessels occasionally positioned on the West Coast, and with many of the rivers & lakes dredges on inland rivers and lakes. The mobility of the fleet enables the Company to move equipment in response to changes in demand. Great Lakes fleet also includes vessels currently positioned in the Middle East and Brazil.

The Company continually assesses its need to upgrade and expand its dredging fleet to take advantage of improving technology and to address the changing needs of the dredging market. The Company is also committed to preventive maintenance, which it believes is reflected in the long lives of most if its equipment and its low level of unscheduled downtime on jobs. To the extent that market conditions warrant the expenditures, Great Lakes can prolong the useful life of its vessels. The Company has announced the construction of a dual mode articulated tug/barge trailing suction hopper dredge. The articulated tug and hopper dredge (ATB) are expected to be delivered before the end of 2016.

Certification of equipment by the U.S. Coast Guard and establishment of the permissible loading capacity by the American Bureau of Shipping (A.B.S.) are important factors in the Company s dredging business. Many projects, such as coastal protection projects with offshore sand borrow sites and dredging projects in exposed entrance channels or with offshore disposal areas, are restricted by federal regulations to be performed only by dredges or scows that have U.S. Coast Guard certification and a load line established by the A.B.S. The certifications indicate that the dredge is structurally capable of operating in open waters. The Company has more certified dredging vessels than any of the Company s domestic competitors and makes substantial investments to maintain these certifications

Environmental & remediation

The environmental & remediation segment owns and operates specialized remediation equipment, including a fleet of tracked excavators, haul trucks, dozers, and other earth moving equipment commonly used for remediation earthwork. The group also owns a wide range of specialty equipment commonly used for geotechnical slurry wall construction including long-stick excavators, slurry batch plants, de-sanders, and jet shear mixers as well as a number of mixing augers utilized for in-situ stabilization. Specialty demolition attachments used to support facility remediation includes a limited number of shears, pulverizers, processors, grapples and hydraulic hammers that facilitate processing of construction and demolition debris for recycling, reclamation and disposal. The Company also owns and maintains a large number of skid-steer loaders, high pressure vacuum equipment trucks, heavy-duty large-capacity loaders, off-highway hauling units and a fleet of tractor-trailers for transporting equipment and materials to and from job sites. The Company rents additional equipment on a project-by-project basis, which allows the Company flexibility to adjust costs to the level of project activity.

Seasonality

Seasonality generally does not have a significant impact on the Company s dredging operations. However, many East Coast coastal protection projects are limited by environmental windows that require work to be performed in winter months to protect wildlife habitats. The Company can mitigate the impact of these environmental restrictions to a certain extent because the Company has the flexibility to reposition its equipment to project sites, if available, that are not limited by these restrictions. In addition, rivers and lakes in the northern U.S. freeze during the winter, significantly reducing the Company s ability to operate and transport its equipment in the relevant geographies. Fish spawning and flooding can affect dredging operations as well.

The Company s environmental & remediation segment operates across a national footprint. Similar to the dredging segment, the environmental & remediation segment s projects are impacted by the freezing rivers and lakes in the northern climates during the winter and by the rainy season on the rivers and levees along the West Coast. The company s broad spectrum capability and geographical footprint should increasingly allow it to pursue and execute work in the warmer southern climates, eventually diminishing the effects of weather related seasonality.

Weather

The Company s ability to perform its contracts may depend on weather conditions. Inclement or hazardous weather conditions can delay the completion of a project, can result in disruption or early termination of a project, unanticipated recovery costs or liability exposure and additional costs. As part of bidding on fixed price contracts, the Company makes allowances, consistent with historical weather data, for project downtime due to adverse weather conditions. In the event that the Company experiences adverse weather beyond these allowances, a project may require additional days to complete, resulting in additional costs and decreased gross profit margins. Conversely, favorable weather can accelerate the completion of the project, resulting in cost savings and increased gross profit margins. Typically, Great Lakes is exposed to significant weather in the first and fourth quarters, and certain projects are required to be performed in environmental windows that occur during these periods. See Business-Seasonality above.

Weather is difficult to predict and historical records exist for only the last 100-125 years. Changes in weather patterns may cause a deviation from project weather allowances on a more frequent basis and consequently increase or decrease gross profit margin, as applicable, on a project-by-project basis. In a typical year, the Company works on many projects in multiple geographic locations and experiences both positive and negative deviations from project weather allowances. Accordingly, it is unlikely that future climate change will have a material adverse effect on the Company s results of operations.

Backlog

The Company s contract backlog represents its estimate of the revenues that will be realized under the portion of the contracts remaining to be performed. For dredging contracts these estimates are based primarily upon the time and costs required to mobilize the necessary assets to and from the project site, the amount and type of material to be dredged and the expected production capabilities of the equipment performing the work. For environmental & remediation contracts, these estimates are based on the time and remaining costs required to complete the project, relative to total estimated project costs and project revenues agreed to with the customer. However, these estimates are necessarily subject to variances based upon actual circumstances. Because of these factors, as well as factors affecting the time required to complete each job, backlog is not always indicative of future revenues or profitability. In addition, a significant amount of the Company s dredging backlog relates to federal government contracts, which can be canceled at any time without penalty, subject to the Company s right, in some cases, to recover the Company s actual

committed costs and profit on work performed up to the date of cancellation. The Company s backlog may fluctuate significantly from quarter to quarter based upon the type and size of the projects the Company is awarded from the bid market. A quarterly increase or decrease of the

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Company s backlog does not necessarily result in an improvement or a deterioration of the Company s business. The Company s backlog includes only those projects for which the Company has obtained a signed contract with the customer. The components of the Company s backlog including dollar amount and other related information are addressed in more detail in Item 7. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Bidding Activity and Backlog.

Employees

Dredging

During 2014, the Company employed an average of 466 full-time salaried personnel in the U.S., including those in a corporate function. In addition, the Company employs U.S. hourly personnel, most of whom are unionized, on a project-by-project basis. Crews are generally available for hire on relatively short notice. During 2014, the Company employed a daily average of 679 hourly personnel to meet domestic project requirements.

At December 31, 2014, the Company employed 29 expatriates, 19 foreign nationals and 69 local staff to manage and administer its Middle East operations. During 2014, the Company also employed a daily average of 192 hourly personnel to meet project requirements in the Middle East.

Environmental & remediation

At December 31, 2014, the environmental & remediation segment employed approximately 202 full-time salaried administrative employees, in addition to an average of 272 hourly employees pursuant to four union agreements. The hourly employees are hired on a project-by-project basis and are generally available for hire on relatively short notice.

Safety

Safety of its employees is one of the highest priorities of Great Lakes. The Company embraces an Incident & Injury Free safety culture committed to training, behavioral based awareness and mutual responsibility for the wellbeing of workers. The Company s goal is sustainable safety excellence. Accident prevention, safety and environmental protection have top priority in the Company s business planning, in the overall conduct of its business, and in the operation and maintenance of our equipment (marine and land) and facilities.

Unions

The Company is a party to numerous collective bargaining agreements in the U.S. that govern its relationships with its unionized hourly workforce. However, two unions represent a large majority of our dredging employees the International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE), Local 25 and the Seafarers International Union. The Company s contracts with IUOE, Local 25 expire in September 2015 and September 2016. Our agreement with Seafarers International Union expired in February 2015 and we have negotiated a new agreement which is subject to ratification by its members. SIU members have continued to work as usual during negotiations and there has been no disruption to our operations. The Company has not experienced any major labor disputes in the past five years and believes it has good relationships with the unions that represent a significant number of its hourly employees; however, there can be no assurances that the Company will not experience labor strikes or disturbances in the future.

Government Regulations

The Company is subject to government regulations pursuant to the Dredging Act, the Jones Act, the Shipping Act, 1916, or Shipping Act, and the vessel documentation laws set forth in Chapter 121 of Title 46 of the United States Code. These statutes require vessels engaged in dredging in the navigable waters of the United States to be documented with a coastwise endorsement, to be owned and controlled by U.S. citizens, to be manned by U.S. crews, and to be built in the United States. The U.S. citizen ownership and control standards

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require the vessel-owning entity to be at least 75% U.S. citizen owned and prohibit the chartering of the vessel to any entity that does not meet the 75% U.S. citizen ownership test.

Environmental Matters

The Company s operations, facilities and vessels are subject to various environmental laws and regulations related to, among other things: dredging operations; the disposal of dredged material; protection of wetlands; storm water and waste water discharges; demolition activities; asbestos removal; transportation and disposal of wastes and materials; air emissions; and remediation of contaminated soil, sediments, surface water and groundwater. The Company is also subject to laws designed to protect certain marine species and habitats. Compliance with these statutes and regulations can delay appropriation and/or performance of particular projects and increase related project costs. Non-compliance can also result in fines, penalties and claims by third parties seeking damages for alleged personal injury, as well as damages to property and natural resources.

Certain environmental laws such as the U.S. Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, and the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 impose strict and, under some circumstances joint and several, liability on owners and operators of facilities and vessels for investigation and remediation of releases and discharges of regulated materials, and also impose liability for related damages to natural resources. The Company s past and ongoing operations involve the use, and from time to time the release or discharge, of regulated materials which could result in liability under these and other environmental laws. The Company has remediated known releases and discharges as deemed necessary, but there can be no guarantee that additional costs will not be incurred if, for example, third party claims arise or new conditions are discovered.

The Company s projects may involve remediation, demolition, excavation, transportation, management and disposal of hazardous waste and other regulated materials. Various laws strictly regulate the removal, treatment and transportation of hazardous water and other regulated materials and impose liability for human health effects and environmental contamination caused by these materials. The Company takes steps to limit its potential liability by hiring qualified subcontractors from time to time to remove such materials from our projects and some project contracts require the client to retain liability for hazardous waste generation.

Based on the Company s experience and available information, the Company believes that the future cost of compliance with existing environmental laws and regulations (and liability for known environmental conditions) will not have a material adverse effect on the Company s business, financial position, results of operations or cash flows. However, the Company cannot predict what environmental legislation or regulations will be enacted in the future, how existing or future laws or regulations will be enforced, administered or interpreted, or the amount of future expenditures that may be required to comply with these environmental or health and safety laws or regulations or to respond to newly discovered conditions, such as future cleanup matters or other environmental claims.

Executive Officers

The following table sets forth the names and ages of all of the Company s executive officers and the positions and offices presently held by them.

Name	Age	Position
Jonathan W. Berger	56	Chief Executive Officer and Director
Kyle D. Johnson	53	Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer

Mark W. Marinko	53	Senior Vice President Chief Financial Officer
David E. Simonelli	58	President of Dredging Operations
Maryann Waryjas	63	Senior Vice President Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary

Jonathan W. Berger, Chief Executive Officer

Mr. Berger was named Chief Executive Officer in September 2010. Mr. Berger was the managing partner at Tellurian Partners, LLC, a consulting firm, from August 2009 until September 2010. From January 2002 until July 2009, Mr. Berger was a managing director and co-head of Corporate Finance for Navigant Consulting, Inc. (NCI), a New York Stock Exchange-listed consulting firm. Mr. Berger was also President of Navigant Capital Advisors, LLC, the wholly owned broker-dealer of NCI during a portion of that time. From January 2000 to March 2001, Mr. Berger was president of DotPlanet.com, an Internet services provider. From 1983 to December 1999, Mr. Berger was employed by KPMG, LLP, an independent public accounting firm, where he served as a partner from August 1991 to December 1999; he was in charge of the national corporate finance practice for three of those years. Mr. Berger was a Director and Chair of the Audit and Compensation Committees of Boise, Inc. He is a Certified Public Accountant and holds a Bachelor of Science from Cornell University and an M.B.A. from Emory University.

Kyle D. Johnson, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer

Mr. Johnson was promoted to Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer in 2013. He had served the Company as a Senior Vice President of Operations from 2010. Previously, he held the position of Vice President and Chief Contract Manager since 2006. He joined the Company in 1983 as a Mechanical Engineer and has since held positions of increasing responsibility in domestic and international engineering, operations and management. Mr. Johnson was named Vice President in 2002. Mr. Johnson earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering from Purdue University and a Master s of Science degree in Construction Engineering & Management from Stanford University.

Mark W. Marinko, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Mr. Marinko has served as our Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer since June 2014. Mr. Marinko has a strong background in operations and finance working for TransUnion, LLC, a global information solutions company, through August 2013. Mr. Marinko was most recently President of the Consumer Services division at TransUnion leading the direct to consumer and business market, customer service, consumer compliance and marketing for the credit information company. Prior to his position as president, Mr. Marinko has been in increasing accounting and financial roles as Controller and Vice President of Finance at TransUnion since 1996. Prior to TransUnion, Mr. Marinko served as controller of Official Airline Guides. In his over 30 years of professional experience, Mr. Marinko has held roles specializing in accounting, finance, sales, systems and business operations.

David E. Simonelli, President of Dredging Operations

Mr. Simonelli was named President of Dredging Operations in April 2010. Mr. Simonelli has overall responsibility for the Dredging Division which includes safety, estimating, engineering, domestic and international operations and plant and equipment. He was named a Vice President of the Company in 2002 and Special Projects Manager in 1996. He joined the Company in 1978 as a Civil Engineer and has since held positions of increasing responsibility in domestic and international operations and project management. Mr. Simonelli earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil and Environmental Engineering from the University of Rhode Island. He is a member of the Hydrographic Society, the American Society of Civil Engineers and the Western Dredging Association.

Maryann Waryjas, Senior Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary

Ms. Waryjas was named Senior Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary in August 2012. From 2000 until joining Great Lakes, Ms. Waryjas was a partner at Katten Muchin Rosenman, LLP (Katten), where she

most recently was co-chair of the firm s Corporate Governance and Mergers and

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Acquisitions Practices. Ms. Waryjas served two consecutive terms on Katten s Board of Directors. Prior to Katten, Ms. Waryjas was a partner at the Chicago offices of Jenner & Block and Kirkland & Ellis. She received her B.S. degree, magna cum laude, from Loyola University and her J.D. degree, cum laude, from Northwestern University School of Law.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

The following risk factors address the material risks and uncertainties concerning our business. You should carefully consider the following risks and other information contained or incorporated by reference into this Annual Report on Form 10-K when evaluating our business and financial condition and an investment in our common stock. Should any of the following risks or uncertainties develop into actual events, such developments could have material adverse effects on our business, financial condition, cash flows or results of operations. We have grouped our Risk Factors under captions that we believe describe various categories of potential risk. For the reader s convenience, we have not duplicated risk factors that could be considered to be included in more than one category.

Risks Related to our Business

We depend on our ability to continue to obtain federal government dredging and other contracts, and are therefore impacted by the amount of government funding for dredging and other projects. A reduction in government funding for dredging or other contracts, or government cancellation of such contracts, could materially adversely affect our business operations, revenues and profits.

A substantial portion of our revenue is derived from federal government contracts, particularly dredging contracts. Revenues related to dredging contracts with federal agencies or companies operating under contracts with federal agencies and the percentage as a total of dredging revenue for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 were as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
Federal government dredging revenue (in US $1,000)	$ 487,647	$ 329,185	$ 405,434
Percent of dredging revenue from federal government	70%	51%	69%

Amounts spent by the federal government on dredging and remediation are subject to the budgetary and legislative processes. We would expect the federal government to continue to improve and maintain ports as it has for many years, which will necessitate a certain level of federal spending. However, there can be no assurance that the federal government will allocate any particular amount or level of funds to be spent on dredging or remediation projects for any specified period.

In addition, potential contract cancellations, modifications, protests, suspensions or terminations may arise from resolution of these issues and could cause our revenues, profits and cash flows to be lower. Federal government contracts can be canceled at any time without penalty to the government, subject to, in most cases, our contractual right to recover our actual committed costs and profit on work performed up to the date of cancellation. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the federal government will not cancel any federal government contracts that have been or are awarded to us. Even if a contract is not cancelled, the government may elect to not award further work pursuant to a contract. A significant reduction in government funding for dredging or remediation contracts, could materially

adversely affect our business, operations, revenues and profits.

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We depend on our ability to qualify as an eligible bidder under government contract criteria and to compete successfully against other qualified bidders in order to obtain government dredging and other contracts. Our inability to qualify or to compete successfully for certain contracts could materially adversely affect our business operations, revenues and profits.

The U.S. government and various state, local and foreign government agencies conduct rigorous competitive processes for awarding many contracts. Some contracts include multiple award task order contracts in which several contractors are selected as eligible bidders for future work. We will face strong competition and pricing pressures for any additional contract awards from the U.S. government and other domestic and foreign government agencies, and we may be required to qualify or continue to qualify under various multiple award task order contract criteria. Our inability to qualify as an eligible bidder under government contract criteria could preclude us from competing for certain government contract awards. In addition, our inability to qualify as an eligible bidder, or to compete successfully when bidding for certain government contracts and to win those contracts, could materially adversely affect our business, operations, revenues and profits.

The nature of our contracts, particularly those that are fixed-price, subjects us to risks associated with cost over-runs, operating cost inflation and potential claims for liquidated damages. If we are unable to accurately estimate our costs to complete our projects, our profitability could suffer.

We conduct our business under various types of contracts where costs are estimated in advance of our performance. Most dredging contracts are fixed-price contracts where the customer pays a fixed price per unit (e.g., cubic yard) of material dredged. In addition, most of our environmental remediation contracts carry similar risks to our fixed-price dredging contracts. Fixed-price contracts carry inherent risks, including risks of losses from underestimating costs, operational difficulties, and other changes that can occur over the contract period. If our estimates prove inaccurate, if there are errors or ambiguities as to contract specifications, or if circumstances change due to, among other things, unanticipated conditions or technical problems, difficulties in obtaining permits or approvals, changes in local laws or labor conditions, inclement or hazardous weather conditions, changes in cost of equipment or materials, or our suppliers or subcontractor s inability to perform, then cost over-runs and delays in performance are likely to occur. We may not be able to obtain compensation for additional work performed or expenses incurred, or may be delayed in receiving necessary approvals or payments. Additionally, we may be required to pay liquidated damages upon our failure to meet schedule or performance requirements of our contracts. Our failure to accurately estimate the resources and time required for fixed-price contracts or our failure to perform our contractual obligations within the expected time frame and costs could result in reduced profits or, in certain cases, a loss for that contract. If we were to significantly underestimate the costs on one or more significant contracts, the resulting losses could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows or financial condition.

Our results of operations depend on the award of new contracts and the timing of the performance of these contracts. As a result, our quarterly operating results may vary significantly.

Our quarterly and annual results of operations have fluctuated from period to period in the past and may continue to fluctuate in the future. Accordingly, you should not rely on the results of any past quarter or quarters as an indication of future performance in our business operations or valuation of our stock. Our operating results could vary greatly from period to period due to factors such as:

- the timing of contract awards and the commencement or progress of work under awarded contracts;

inclement or hazardous weather conditions that may result in underestimated delays in dredging or remediation, disruption or early termination of projects, unanticipated recovery costs or liability exposure, and additional contract expenses;

planned and unplanned equipment downtime;

our ability to recognize revenue from pending change orders, which is not recognized until the recovery is probable and collectability is reasonably assured;

environmental restrictions requiring that certain projects be performed in winter months to protect wildlife habitats; and

equipment mobilization to and from projects.

If our results of operations from quarter to quarter fail to meet the expectations of public market analysts and investors, our stock price could be negatively impacted. See Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Primary Factors that Determine Operating Profitability.

If we fail to comply with government contracting regulations, our revenue could suffer, and we could be subject to significant potential liabilities.

Our contracts with federal, state local and foreign governmental customers are subject to various procurement regulations and contract provisions. These regulations also subject us to examinations by government auditors and investigators, from time to time, to ensure compliance and to review costs. Violations of government contracting regulations could result in the imposition of civil and criminal penalties, which could include termination of contracts, forfeiture of profits, imposition of payments and fines and suspension or debarment from future government contracting. If we fail to continue to qualify for or are suspended from work under a government contract for any reason, we could suffer a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows or financial condition

In addition, we may be subject to litigation brought by private individuals on behalf of the government relating to our government contracts, referred to in this annual report as *qui tam* actions, which could include claims for up to treble damages. *Qui tam* actions are sealed by the court at the time of filing. The only parties privy to the information in the complaint are the complainant, the U.S. government and the court. Therefore, it is possible that *qui tam* actions have been filed against us and that we are not aware of such actions or have been ordered by the court not to discuss them until the seal is lifted. Thus, it is possible that we are subject to liability exposure arising out of *qui tam* actions.

We are subject to risks related to our international dredging operations.

Revenue from foreign contracts and its percentage to total dredging revenue for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 were as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
Foreign revenue (in US $1,000)	$ 155,000	$ 138,436	$ 112,242
Percent of dredging revenue from foreign countries	22%	22%	19%

The international dredging market is highly competitive and competition in the international market is dominated by four large European dredging companies, all of which operate larger equipment and fleets that are more extensive than the Company s. In addition, there are several governmentally supported dredging companies that operate on a local or regional basis. Competing for international dredging projects requires a substantial investment of resources, skilled personnel and capital investment in equipment and technology, and may adversely affect our ability to deploy resources for domestic dredging projects.

International operations subject us to additional potential risks, including:

uncertainties concerning import and export license requirements, tariffs and other trade barriers;

political and economic instability and risks of terrorist activities;

reduced demand as a result of fluctuations in the price of oil, the primary export in the Middle East;

- restrictions on repatriating foreign profits back to the United States;
- difficulties in enforcing contractual rights and agreements through certain foreign legal systems;
- requirements of, and changes in, foreign laws, policies and regulations;
- difficulties in staffing and managing international operations without additional expense;
- taxation issues;
- greater difficulty in accounts receivable collection and longer collection periods;
- compliance with the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act;
- currency fluctuations;
- logistical and communication challenges; and
- inability to effectively insure against political, cultural and economic uncertainties, including acts of terrorism, civil unrest, war or other armed conflict.

In addition, our international operations are subject to U.S. and other laws and regulations regarding operations in foreign jurisdictions. These numerous and sometimes conflicting laws and regulations include anti-boycott laws, anti-competition laws, anti-corruption laws, tax laws, immigration laws, privacy laws and accounting requirements. There is a risk that some provisions may be breached, for example through inadvertence or mistake, fraudulent or negligent behavior of individual employees or of agents, or failure to comply with certain formal documentation requirements or otherwise. Violations of these laws and regulations could result in fines and penalties, criminal sanctions against us, our officers, or our employees, prohibitions on the conduct of our business and on our ability to operate in one or more countries, and could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial condition. In addition, military action, terrorist activities or continued unrest in the Middle East could affect the safety of our personnel in the region and significantly increase the costs of, or disrupt our operations in, the region and could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows or financial condition.

A significant portion of our international revenue is earned from large, single customer contracts.

The Company earns significant revenue from governmental entities and private parties in the Middle East. Revenue from foreign projects has been concentrated in Bahrain and primarily with the government of Bahrain which comprised 15%, 15% and 71% of our foreign dredging revenues in the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively. In 2014, a large, single customer contract was signed in Saudi Arabia with a private party. This contract represented 9% of the Company s foreign dredging revenue from all sources in the year ended December 31,

2014. Another large, single customer contract was signed in Egypt with a local government agency in the fourth quarter of 2014. This contract represented 15% of the Company s foreign dredging revenue from all sources in the year ended December 31, 2014. The Company continues to maintain significant equipment in the Middle East region and continues to pursue additional contracts in the region.

Certain factors have occurred suggesting that future revenues from projects with governments in the Middle East could decrease. Historically lower oil prices and the contraction in Middle East commercial and real estate development have slowed the rate of the region s infrastructure development. If our commercial relationship with the government of Bahrain or Qatar is significantly negatively impacted or terminated, the Company s international revenues would be materially and adversely impacted. If the government of Bahrain or Qatar further curtails its infrastructure investment or diversifies its use of dredging vendors, our revenue from these customers could decline further.

Other Middle East governments have national dredging companies and may be incentivized to use the national dredging company of another Middle East government or have significant history with competitive dredging vendors other than the Company. The Company could lose future contracts for work in the Middle East

to these competitors or could be forced to accept lower margins on contracts in order to utilize the equipment that is in the Middle East. In addition, the Company may be forced to shrink the workforce in place or relocate dredging assets from this region in reaction to lower contract earnings. Lower utilization, workforce reductions or asset relocations could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows or financial condition.

In 2014, the Company earned significant revenue from another large, single customer foreign contract outside of the Middle East, which was completed before year-end.

Regional instability in the Middle East may adversely affect business conditions and may disrupt our operations.

Since February 2011, Egypt has experienced political turbulence and an increase in terrorist activity in the Sinai Peninsula. In February 2015, Egypt engaged in armed conflict against the terror group, the Islamic State, in Libya. Deterioration in the political, economic, and social conditions or other relevant policies of the Egyptian government, such as changes in laws or regulations, export restrictions, expropriation of our assets or resource nationalization, could materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition, and results of operations. Similar civil unrest and political turbulence has occurred in other countries in the region.

Bahrain continues to experience civil unrest and political protests that could result in governmental instability. In response thereto, the government of Bahrain may institute measures, such as a national curfew, that may impact our ability to execute on projects in Bahrain. It is uncertain whether civil unrest will continue, whether the current protests and other activities may lead to any meaningful government changes, and what restrictions, if any, the Bahrain government may establish. In addition, such events may affect the Bahrain government s plans for infrastructure investment. If the government changes or significant restrictions are established, our Bahrain dredging operations, including the value of our assets related to such operations, may be adversely affected.

Our use of the percentage-of-completion method of accounting could result in a change in previously recorded revenue and profit.

We recognize contract revenue using the percentage-of-completion method. The majority of our work is performed on a fixed-price basis. Contract revenue is accrued based on engineering estimates for the physical percent complete for dredging and estimates of remaining costs to complete for environmental & remediation. We use generally accepted accounting principles in the United States relating to the percentage-of-completion method, estimating costs, revenue recognition, combining and segmenting contracts and change order/claim recognition. Percentage-of-completion accounting relies on the use of estimates in the process of determining income earned. The cumulative impact of revisions to estimates is reflected in the period in which these changes are experienced or become known. Given the risks associated with the variables in these types of estimates, it is possible for actual costs to vary from estimates previously made, which may result in reductions or reversals of previously recorded net revenues and profits.

Lapses in disclosure controls and procedures or internal control over financial reporting could materially and adversely affect our operations, profitability or reputation.

There can be no assurance that our disclosure controls and procedures will be effective in the future or that we will not experience a material weakness or significant deficiency in internal control over financial reporting. Any such lapses or deficiencies may materially and adversely affect our business, operating results, cash flows or financial condition, restrict our ability to access the capital markets, require us to expend significant resources to correct the lapses or deficiencies, expose us to regulatory or legal proceedings, including litigation brought by private individuals, subject us to fines, penalties or judgments, harm our reputation, or otherwise cause a decline in investor confidence and our stock price.

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The amount of our estimated backlog is subject to change and not necessarily indicative of future revenues.

Our contract backlog represents our estimate of the revenues that we will realize under the portion of the contracts remaining to be performed. For dredging contracts these estimates are based primarily upon the time and costs required to mobilize the necessary assets to and from the project site, the amount and type of material to be dredged and the expected production capabilities of the equipment performing the work. For environmental remediation contracts, these estimates are based on the time and remaining costs required to complete the project relative to total estimated project costs and project revenues agreed to with the customer. However, these estimates are necessarily subject to variances based upon actual circumstances. From time to time, changes in project scope may occur with respect to contracts reflected in our backlog and could reduce the dollar amount of our backlog and the timing of the revenue and profits that we actually earn. Projects may remain in our backlog for an extended period of time because of the nature of the project and the timing of the particular services or equipment required by the project.

Because of these factors, as well as factors affecting the time required to complete each job, backlog is not necessarily indicative of future revenues or profitability. In addition, a significant amount of our dredging backlog (60% in 2014) relates to federal government contracts, which can be canceled at any time without penalty to the government, subject, in most cases, to our contractual right to recover our actual committed costs and profit on work performed up to the date of cancellation.

Below is our dredging backlog from federal government contracts as of December 31, 2014, 2013, and 2012 and the percentage of those contracts to total backlog as of the same date.

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	**2013**	**2012**
Federal government dredging backlog (in US $1,000)	$ 357,650	$ 385,141	$ 85,675
Percentage of dredging backlog from federal government	60%	75%	22%

In addition, as of December 31, 2014, 18% of our total backlog relates to a contract with a foreign government agency in an international market. At times we may have backlog with foreign governments that use local laws and regulations to change terms of a contract in backlog or to limit our ability to receive payment on a timely basis. Other contracts in backlog are with state and local municipalities or private companies that may have funding constraints or impose restrictions on timing. The termination, modification or suspension of projects currently in backlog could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows or financial condition.

Our business would be adversely affected if we failed to comply with Section 27 of the Merchant Marine Act of 1920 (the Jones Act) provisions on coastwise trade, or if those provisions were modified or repealed.

We are subject to the Jones Act and other federal laws that restrict dredging in U.S. waters and maritime transportation between points in the United States to vessels operating under the U.S. flag, built in the United States, at least 75% owned and operated by U.S. citizens and manned by U.S. crews. We are responsible for monitoring the ownership of our common stock to ensure compliance with these laws. If we do not comply with these restrictions, we would be prohibited from operating our vessels in the U.S. market, and under certain circumstances we would be deemed to have undertaken an unapproved foreign transfer, resulting in severe penalties, including permanent loss of U.S. dredging rights for our vessels, fines or forfeiture of the vessels.

In the past, interest groups have unsuccessfully lobbied Congress to modify or repeal the Jones Act to facilitate foreign flag competition for trades and cargoes currently reserved for U.S. flag vessels under the Jones Act. We

believe that continued efforts may be made to modify or repeal the Jones Act or other federal laws currently benefiting U.S. flag vessels. If these efforts are ever successful, it could result in significantly increased competition and have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, cash flows or financial condition.

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If we are unable, in the future, to obtain bonding or letters of credit for our contracts, our ability to obtain future contracts will be limited, thereby adversely affecting our business, operating results, cash flows or financial condition.

We are generally required to post bonds in connection with our domestic dredging or remediation contracts and bonds or letters of credit with our foreign dredging contracts to ensure job completion if we ever fail to finish a project. We have entered into the Zurich Bonding Agreement with Zurich American Insurance Company (Zurich), pursuant to which Zurich acts as surety, issues bid bonds, performance bonds and payment bonds, and provides guarantees required by us in the day-to-day operations of our dredging business. However, under certain circumstances as specified in the agreement, Zurich is not obligated under the Zurich Bonding Agreement to issue future bonds for us. Historically, we have had a strong bonding capacity, but surety companies issue bonds on a project-by-project basis and can decline to issue bonds at any time or require the posting of collateral as a condition to issuing any bonds. In addition to our bonds outstanding with Zurich, we also have surety bonds outstanding with Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America. With respect to our foreign dredging business, we generally obtain letters of credit under the Credit Agreement. However, access to our senior credit facility under the Credit Agreement may be limited by failure to meet certain financial requirements or other defined requirements. If we are unable to obtain bonds or letters of credit on terms reasonably acceptable to us, our ability to take on future work would be severely limited.

In connection with the sale of our historical demolition business, we were obligated to keep in place the surety bonds on pending demolition projects for the period required under the respective contract for a project. If there should be a default triggered under any of such surety bonds, it could have a material adverse effect on our ability to obtain bonds and on our business, results of operations, cash flows or financial condition.

Capital expenditures and other costs necessary to operate and maintain our vessels tend to increase with the age of the vessel and may also increase due to changes in governmental regulations, safety or other equipment standards, which could result in a decrease in our profits.

Capital expenditures and other costs necessary to operate and maintain our vessels tend to increase with the age of the vessel. Accordingly, it is likely that the operating costs of our vessels will increase.

The average age of our more significant vessels as of December 31, 2014, by equipment type, is as follows:

Type of Equipment	Quantity	Average Age in Years
Hydraulic Dredges	19	44
Hopper Dredges	7	32
Mechanical Dredges	5	39
Unloaders	1	30
Drillboats	2	38
Material and Other Barges	140	27
Total	174	35

Remaining economic life has not been presented because it is not reasonably quantifiable because, to the extent that market conditions warrant the expenditures, we can prolong the vessels lives. In our domestic market, we operate in an industry where a significant portion of competitors equipment is of a similar age. It is common in the dredging

industry to make maintenance and capital expenditures in order to extend the economic life of equipment.

In addition, changes in governmental regulations, safety or other equipment standards, as well as compliance with standards imposed by maritime self-regulatory organizations, standards imposed by vessel classification societies and customer requirements or competition, may require us to make additional

expenditures. For example, if the U.S. Coast Guard enacts new standards, we may be required to incur expenditures for alterations or the addition of new equipment (e.g. more fuel efficient engines). Other new standard requirements could be significant. In order to satisfy any such requirement, we may need to take our vessels out of service for extended periods of time, with corresponding losses of revenues.

We may experience equipment or mechanical failures, which could increase costs, reduce revenues and result in penalties for failure to meet project completion requirements.

The successful performance of contracts requires a high degree of reliability of our vessels, barges and other equipment. The average age of our marine fleet as of December 31, 2014 was 35 years. Breakdowns not only add to the costs of executing a project, but they can also delay the completion of subsequent contracts, which are scheduled to utilize the same assets. We operate a scheduled maintenance program in order to keep all assets in good working order, but despite this, breakdowns can and do occur.

Our current business strategy includes acquisitions which present certain risks and uncertainties. There are integration and consolidation risks associated with our acquisitions. Future acquisitions, in addition to the recent acquisition of Magnus, may result in significant transaction expenses, unexpected liabilities and risks associated with entering new markets, and we may be unable to profitably operate these businesses.

We seek business acquisition activities as a means of broadening our offerings and capturing additional market opportunities by our business units. We may be exposed to certain additional risks resulting from these activities. Acquisitions may expose us to operational challenges and risks, including:

- the effects of valuation methodologies which may not accurately capture the value proposition;

- the failure to integrate acquired businesses into our operations, financial reporting and controls with the efficiency and effectiveness initially expected resulting in a potentially significant detriment to our financial results and our operations as a whole;

- the management of the growth resulting from acquisition activities;

- the inability to capitalize on expected synergies;

- the assumption of liabilities of an acquired business (for example, litigation, tax liabilities, environmental liabilities), including liabilities that were contingent or unknown at the time of the acquisition and that pose future risks to our working capital needs, cash flows and the profitability of related operations;

- the assumption of unprofitable projects that pose future risks to our working capital needs, cash flows and the profitability of related operations;

- the risks associated with entering new markets;
- diversion of management s attention from our existing business;
- failure to retain key personnel, customers or contracts of any acquired business;
- potential adverse effects on our ability to comply with covenants in our existing debt financing;
- potential impairment of acquired intangible assets; and
- additional debt financing, which may not be available on attractive terms.

We may not have the appropriate management, financial or other resources needed to integrate any businesses that we acquire. Any future acquisitions may result in significant transaction expenses and unexpected liabilities.

For example, as a result of our completion of the acquisition of Magnus, we are subject to many of the challenges and risks outlined above, including being subject to the risks and uncertainties associated with

Magnus s business and the incurrence of additional indebtedness to fund the Magnus acquisition. There could be delays, disruptions or other unexpected challenges that arise in connection with our integration of Magnus which could make it difficult to realize the expected benefits of the Magnus acquisition. We currently have a substantial amount of indebtedness, and if Magnus does not generate the earnings or cash flow we expect, our liquidity and ability to continue to service our indebtedness could be adversely impacted. There can be no assurance that we may not discover information that could affect our expectations of Magnus s ability to generate earnings and cash flow on a going forward basis. If Magnus s future results are different from the historical results provided to us by Magnus, our results of operations or liquidity could be adversely affected.

Moreover, although we completed the Magnus acquisition because we believe that it will be beneficial to us and our stockholders, there is no assurance that we will be able to integrate the operations of Magnus into our operations and achieve these benefits without encountering unexpected difficulties, including unanticipated costs, difficulty in retaining customers, challenges associated with information technology integration and failure to retain key employees.

We may in the future incur liabilities in connection with the disposition of our historical demolition business.

On April 24, 2014, the Company announced that it had completed the sale of its historical demolition business. In connection with the sale, the Company retained responsibility for various pre-closing liabilities and obligations and may incur costs and expenses related to these items and asset recoveries. It is possible that claims, which could be material, could be made against the Company pursuant to the agreement pursuant to which the Company s historical demolition business was sold. In connection with the sale of our historic demolition business, we were obligated to keep in place the surety bonds on pending demolition projects for the period required under the respective contract for a project. If there should be a default triggered under any of such surety bonds, it could have a material adverse effect on our ability to obtain bonds and on our business, results of operations, cash flows or financial condition.

Although the Company has concluded that no withdrawal liability with respect to multiemployer pension plans in which the subsidiaries in the historic demolition business participated was incurred as a result of the disposition, nevertheless, it is possible that such withdrawal liability, which could be material, could be incurred as a result of subsequent events, beyond the Company s control, relating to the entities that formerly comprised the historical demolition business.

We could face liabilities and/or damage to our reputation as a result of certain legal and regulatory proceedings.

From time to time, we are subject to legal and regulatory proceedings in the ordinary course of our business. These include proceedings relating to aspects of our businesses that are specific to us and proceedings that are typical in the businesses in which we operate. We are currently a defendant in a number of litigation matters, including those described in Item 3. Legal Proceedings of this Annual Report on Form 10-K. In certain of these matters, the plaintiffs are seeking large and/or indeterminate amounts of damages. These matters are subject to many uncertainties, and it is possible that some of these matters could ultimately be decided, resolved or settled adversely to the Company. An adverse outcome in a legal or regulatory matter could, depending on the facts, have an adverse effect on our business, results of operations, cash flows or financial condition.

In addition to its potential financial impact, legal and regulatory matters can have a significant adverse reputational impact. Allegations of improper conduct made by private litigants or regulators, whether the ultimate outcome is favorable or unfavorable to us, as well as negative publicity and press speculation about us, whether valid or not, may harm our reputation, which may be damaging to our business, results of operations, cash flows or financial condition.

Our current business strategy includes the construction of new vessels. There are substantial uncertainties associated with such construction, including the possibility of unforeseen delays and cost overruns.

We have previously disclosed our plans to build new vessels, including an ATB trailing suction hopper dredge. Our future revenues and profitability will be impacted to some extent by our ability to complete the construction of new vessels, secure financing for them and bring them into service. The Company contracts with shipyards to build new vessels and currently has vessels under construction. Construction projects are subject to risks of delay and cost overruns, resulting from shortages of equipment, materials and skilled labor; lack of shipyard availability; unforeseen design and engineering problems; work stoppages; weather interference; unanticipated cost increases; unscheduled delays in the delivery of material and equipment; and financial and other difficulties at shipyards including labor disputes, shipyard insolvency and inability to obtain necessary certifications and approvals. A significant delay in the construction of new vessels or a shipyard s inability to perform under the construction contract could negatively impact the Company s ability to fulfill contract commitments and to realize timely revenues with respect to vessels under construction. Significant cost overruns or delays for vessels under construction could also adversely affect the Company s business, operating results, cash flows or financial condition. Changes in governmental regulations, safety or other equipment standards, as well as compliance with standards imposed by maritime self-regulatory organizations and customer requirements or competition, could substantially increase the cost of such construction beyond what we currently expect such costs to be.

Specifically, with regard to our new ATB trailing suction hopper dredge, we cannot predict whether and to what extent there may be additional costs associated with building this dredge or further delays in its completion.

We may become liable for the obligations of our joint ventures, partners and subcontractors.

Some of our projects are performed through joint ventures and similar arrangements with other parties. In addition to the usual liability of contractors for the completion of contracts and the warranty of our work, if work is performed through a joint venture or similar arrangement, we also have potential liability for the work performed by the joint venture or arrangement or a performance or payment default by another member of the joint venture or arrangement. In these projects, even if we satisfactorily complete our project responsibilities within budget, we may incur additional unforeseen costs due to the failure of the other party or parties to the arrangement to perform or complete work, fund expenditures, or make payments in accordance with contract specifications. In some joint ventures and similar arrangements, we may not be the controlling member. In these cases, we may have limited control over the actions of the joint venture. In addition, joint ventures or arrangements may not be subject to the same requirements regarding internal controls and internal control over financial reporting that we follow. To the extent the controlling member makes decisions that negatively impact the joint venture or arrangement or internal control problems arise within the joint venture or arrangement, it could have a material adverse impact on our business, results of operations, cash flows or financial condition.

Depending on the nature of work required to complete the project, we may choose to subcontract a portion of the project. In our industries, the prime contractor is often responsible for the performance of the entire contract, including subcontract work. Thus, we are subject to the risk associated with the failure of one or more subcontractors to perform as anticipated. In addition, in some cases, we pay our subcontractors before our customers pay us for the related services. If we choose, or are required, to pay our subcontractors for work performed for customers who fail to pay, or delay paying us for the related work, we could experience a material decrease in profitability and liquidity.

Environmental regulations could force us to incur capital and operational costs.

Our industries, and more specifically, our operations, facilities and vessels and equipment, are subject to various environmental laws and regulations relating to, among other things: dredging operations; the disposal of dredged material; protection of wetlands; storm water and waste water discharges; environmental remediation activities; asbestos removal; transportation and disposal of hazardous wastes and other regulated materials; air

emissions; and disposal or remediation of contaminated soil, sediments, surface water and groundwater. We are also subject to laws designed to protect certain marine or land species and habitats. Compliance with these statutes and regulations can delay permitting and/or performance of particular projects and increase related project costs. These delays and increased costs could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, cash flows or financial condition. Non-compliance can also result in fines, penalties and claims by third parties seeking damages for alleged personal injury, as well as damages to property and natural resources.

Certain environmental laws such as the U.S. Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 and the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 impose strict and, under some circumstances, joint and several, liability on owners and lessees of land and facilities as well as owners and operators of vessels. Such obligations may include investigation and remediation of releases and discharges of regulated materials, and also impose liability for related damages to natural resources. Our past and ongoing operations, particularly the environmental remediation operations of Terra and Magnus, involve the use, and from time to time the release or discharge, of regulated materials which could result in liability under these and other environmental laws. We have remediated known releases and discharges as deemed necessary, but there can be no guarantee that additional costs will not be incurred if, for example, third party claims arise or new conditions are discovered.

Our projects may involve excavation, remediation, demolition, transportation, management and disposal of hazardous waste and other regulated materials. Various laws strictly regulate the removal, treatment and transportation of hazardous waste and other regulated materials and impose liability for human health effects and environmental contamination caused by these materials. Our environmental remediation business conducted by Terra and Magnus, for example, requires us to transport and dispose of hazardous substances and other wastes, such as asbestos. Services rendered in connection with hazardous substance and material removal and site development may involve professional judgments by licensed experts about the nature of soil conditions and other physical conditions, including the extent to which hazardous substances and materials are present, and about the probable effect of procedures to mitigate problems or otherwise affect those conditions. If the judgments and the recommendations based upon those judgments are incorrect, we may be liable for resulting damages, which may be material. The failure of certain contractual protections to protect us from incurring such liability, such as staying out of the ownership chain for hazardous waste and other regulated materials and securing indemnification obligations from our customers or subcontractors, could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, revenues or profits.

Environmental requirements have generally become more stringent over time, for example in the areas of air emissions controls for vessels and ballast treatment and handling. New or stricter enforcement of existing laws, the discovery of currently unknown conditions or accidental discharges of regulated materials in the future could cause us to incur additional costs for environmental matters which might be significant.

Our business could suffer in the event of a work stoppage by our unionized labor force.

We are a party to numerous collective bargaining agreements in the U.S. that govern our industry s relationships with our unionized hourly workforce. However, two unions represent approximately 70% of our hourly dredging employees the International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE), Local 25 and the Seafarers International Union. The Company s contracts with IUOE, Local 25 expire in September 2015 and September 2016. Our agreement with Seafarers International Union expired in February 2015 and we have negotiated a new agreement which is subject to ratification by its members. SIU members have continued to work as usual during negotiations and there has been no disruption to our operations. The inability to successfully renegotiate contracts with these unions as they expire, or any future strikes, employee slowdowns or similar actions by one or more unions could have a material adverse effect on our ability to operate our business.

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Our employees are covered by federal laws that may provide seagoing employees remedies for job-related claims in addition to those provided by state laws.

Substantially all of our maritime employees are covered by provisions of the Jones Act, the U.S. Longshore and Harbor Workers Compensation Act, the Seaman s Wage Act and general maritime law. These laws typically operate to make liability limits established by state workers compensation laws inapplicable to these employees and to permit these employees and their representatives to pursue actions against employers for job-related injuries in federal or state courts. Because we are not generally protected by the limits imposed by state workers compensation statutes with respect to our seagoing employees, we have greater exposure for claims made by these employees as compared to industries whose employees are not covered by these provisions.

Our business is subject to significant operating risks and hazards that could result in damage or destruction to persons or property, which could result in losses or liabilities to us.

The dredging and environmental remediation businesses are generally subject to a number of risks and hazards, including environmental hazards, industrial accidents, encountering unusual or unexpected geological formations, cave-ins below water levels, collisions, disruption of transportation services and flooding. These risks could result in personal injury, damage to, or destruction of, dredges, barges transportation vessels, other maritime vessels, other structures, buildings or equipment, environmental damage, performance delays, monetary losses or legal liability to third parties. We may also be exposed to disruption of our operations, early termination of projects, unanticipated recovery costs and loss of use of our equipment that may materially adversely affect our business, results of operations, cash flows or financial condition.

Our safety record is an important consideration for our customers. Some of our customers require that we maintain certain specified safety record guidelines to be eligible to bid for contracts with these customers. Furthermore, contract terms may provide for automatic termination or forfeiture of some of our contract revenue in the event that our safety record fails to adhere to agreed-upon guidelines during performance of the contract. As a result, if serious accidents or fatalities occur or our safety record was to deteriorate, we may be ineligible to bid on certain work, and existing contracts could be terminated or less profitable than expected. Adverse experience with hazards and claims could have a negative effect on our reputation with our existing or potential new customers and our prospects for future work.

Our current insurance coverage may not be adequate, and we may not be able to obtain insurance at acceptable rates, or at all.

We maintain various insurance policies, including hull and machinery, pollution liability, general liability and personal injury. We partially self-insure risks covered by our policies. While we reserve for such self-insured exposures when appropriate for accounting purposes, we are not required to, and do not, specifically set aside funds for the self-insured portion of claims. We may not have insurance coverage or sufficient insurance coverage for all exposures potentially arising from a project. Furthermore, in situations where there is insurance coverage, if multiple policies are involved, we may be subject to a number of self-retention or deductible amounts which in the aggregate could have an adverse effect on our business, results of operations, cash flows or financial condition. At any given time, we are subject to Jones Act personal injury claims and claims from general contractors and other third parties for personal injuries. Our insurance policies may not be adequate to protect us from liabilities that we incur in our business. We may not be able to obtain similar levels of insurance on reasonable terms, or at all. Our inability to obtain such insurance coverage at acceptable rates or at all could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, cash flows or financial condition.

If we are unable to attract and retain key personnel and skilled labor, our ability to bid for and successfully complete contracts may be negatively impacted.

Our ability to attract and retain reliable, qualified personnel is a significant factor that enables us to successfully bid for and profitably complete our work. This includes members of our management, project

managers, estimators, skilled engineers, supervisors, foremen, equipment operators and laborers. The loss of the services of any of our management could have a material adverse effect on us. If we do not succeed in retaining our current key employees and attracting, developing and retaining new highly-skilled employees, our reputation may be harmed and our operations and future earnings may be negatively impacted. We may not be able to maintain an adequate skilled labor force necessary to operate efficiently and to support our growth strategy. We have from time to time experienced, and may in the future experience, shortages of certain types of qualified equipment operating personnel. The supply of experienced engineers, project managers, field supervisors and other skilled workers may not be sufficient to meet current or expected demand. If we are unable to hire employees with the requisite skills, we may also be forced to incur significant training expenses. The occurrence of any of the foregoing could have an adverse effect on our business, results of operations, cash flows or financial condition.

We rely on information technology systems to conduct our business and disruption, failure or security breaches of these systems could adversely affect our business and results of operations.

We rely on information technology (IT) systems in order to achieve our business objectives. Our portfolio of hardware and software products, solutions and services and our enterprise IT systems may be vulnerable to damage or disruption caused by circumstances beyond our control such as catastrophic events, power outages, natural disasters, computer system or network failures, computer viruses, cyber attacks or other malicious software programs. The failure or disruption of our IT systems to perform as anticipated for any reason could disrupt our business and result in decreased performance, significant remediation costs, transaction errors, loss of data, processing inefficiencies, downtime, failure to properly estimate the work or costs associated with projects, litigation and the loss of customers or suppliers. A significant disruption or failure could have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, cash flows or financial condition. We are incurring costs associated with designing and implementing a new enterprise resource planning software system (ERP) with the objective of gradually migrating to the new system. Capital expenditures and expenses for the ERP for 2015 and beyond will depend upon the pace of conversion. If implementation is not executed successfully, this could result in business interruptions. If we do not complete the implementation of the ERP timely and successfully, we may incur additional costs associated with completing this project and a delay in our ability to improve existing operations, support future growth and enable us to take advantage of new engineering and other applications and technologies.

We may be affected by market or regulatory responses to climate change.

Increased concern about the potential impact of greenhouse gases (GHG), such as carbon dioxide resulting from combustion of fossil fuels, on climate change has resulted in efforts to regulate their emission. For example, there is a growing consensus that new and additional regulations concerning GHG emissions including cap and trade legislation may be enacted, which could result in increased compliance costs for us. Legislation, international protocols, regulation or other restrictions on GHG emissions could also affect our customers. Such legislation or restrictions could increase the costs of projects for our customers or, in some cases, prevent a project from going forward, thereby potentially reducing the need for our services which could in turn have a material adverse effect on our operations and financial condition. Additionally, in our normal course of operations, we use a significant amount of fossil fuels. The costs of controlling our GHG emissions or obtaining required emissions allowances in response to any regulatory change in our industry could increase materially.

Risks Related to our Financing

We have indebtedness, which makes us more vulnerable to adverse economic and competitive conditions.

We currently have a substantial amount of indebtedness. As of (i) December 31, 2014, we had indebtedness of $322.4 million, consisting of $275.0 million of our senior subordinated notes, no borrowings on our revolving credit facility, and $47.4 million of senior secured debt under our term loan facility, in each case excluding

approximately $159.9 million of undrawn letters of credit and $50.1 million of additional borrowing capacity under our revolving credit facility and excluding contingent obligations, including $1.0 billion of performance bonds outstanding under the Company s Zurich Bonding Agreement. Our debt could:

- require us to dedicate a portion of our cash flow from operations to payments on our indebtedness, thereby reducing the availability of our cash flow to fund working capital and capital expenditures, pay dividends and other general corporate purposes;
- limit our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, changes in our business and our industries;
- affect our competitiveness compared to our less leveraged competitors;
- increase our exposure to both general and industry-specific adverse economic conditions; and
- limit, among other things, our ability to borrow additional funds.

In addition, although a portion of the proceeds from our term loan facility will be used to refinance a portion of the construction cost of our new ATB trailing suction hopper dredge, we currently anticipate that additional financing may be required to finance or refinance additional construction and completed costs associated with the vessel. If we are unable to secure that financing due to our current debt levels, credit ratings, size of the vessel cost and uncertainty of market conditions, it could have a material effect on the Company s results of operations, cash flows or financial condition in future periods.

We and our subsidiaries also may be able to incur substantial additional indebtedness in the future. The terms of our revolving credit facility, the indenture under which our senior subordinated notes are issued, and our term loan facility limit, but do not prohibit, us or our subsidiaries from incurring additional indebtedness. If new indebtedness is added to our current debt levels, the related risks that we and our subsidiaries now face could intensify.

Covenants in our financing arrangements limit, and other future financing agreements may limit, our ability to operate our business.

The credit agreement governing our senior revolving credit facility, the indenture governing our senior subordinated notes, the term loan facility and any of our other future financing agreements, may contain covenants imposing operating and financial restrictions on our business.

For example, the credit agreement governing our senior revolving credit facility requires us to satisfy certain net leverage and fixed charge coverage ratios. If we fail to meet or satisfy any of these covenants (after applicable cure periods), we would be in default and the lenders (through the administrative agent or collateral agent, as applicable) could elect to declare all amounts outstanding to be immediately due and payable, enforce their interests in the collateral pledged and restrict our ability to make additional borrowings, as applicable. The covenants and restrictions in the credit agreement, the indenture and the term loan facility, subject to specified exceptions and to varying degrees, restrict our ability to, among other things:

incur additional indebtedness;

create, incur, assume or permit to exist any liens;

enter into sale and leaseback transactions;

make investments, loans and advancements; merge or consolidate with, or dispose of all or substantially all assets to, a third party;

sell assets;

make acquisitions;

pay dividends;

- enter into transactions with affiliates;
- prepay other indebtedness; and
- issue capital stock.

These restrictions may interfere with our ability to obtain financings or to engage in other business activities, which could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, cash flows or financial condition.

Adverse capital and credit market conditions may affect our ability to meet liquidity needs, access to capital and cost of capital.

The domestic and worldwide capital and credit markets may experience significant volatility, disruptions and dislocations with respect to price and credit availability. Should we need additional funds or to refinance our existing indebtedness, we may not be able to obtain such additional funds.

We need liquidity to pay our operating expenses, interest on our debt and dividends on our capital stock. Without sufficient liquidity, we will be forced to curtail our operations, and our business will suffer. The principal sources of our liquidity are cash flow from operations and borrowings under our senior revolving credit facility. In the event these resources do not satisfy our liquidity needs, we may have to seek additional financing. The availability of additional financing will depend on a variety of factors such as market conditions, the general availability of credit, the volume of trading activities, our credit ratings and credit capacity, as well as the possibility that customers or lenders could develop a negative perception of our long- or short-term financial prospects if the level of our business activity decreased due to a market downturn. If internal sources of liquidity prove to be insufficient, we may not be able to successfully obtain additional financing on favorable terms, or at all.

The adoption and implementation of new statutory and regulatory requirements for derivative transactions could have an adverse impact on our ability to hedge risks associated with our business.

We may enter into interest rate swap agreements to manage the interest rate paid with respect to our fixed rate indebtedness, foreign exchange forward contracts to hedge currency risk and heating oil commodity swap contracts to hedge the risk that fluctuations in diesel fuel prices will have an adverse impact on cash flows associated with our domestic dredging contracts. The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the Financial Reform Act) provides for new statutory and regulatory requirements for derivative transactions, including foreign currency and other over-the-counter derivative hedging transactions. Several rulemaking requirements in the Financial Reform Act have not promulgated into final rules and the Company could be negatively impacted by future rulemaking. The rules currently adopted from the Financial Reform Act may significantly reduce our ability to execute strategic hedges to manage our interest expense, reduce our fuel commodity uncertainty and hedge our currency risk thus protecting our cash flows. In addition, the banks and other derivatives dealers who are our contractual counterparties are required to comply with extensive new regulation under the Financial Reform Act. The cost of our counterparties compliance will likely be passed on to customers such as ourselves, thus potentially decreasing the benefits to us of hedging transactions and potentially reducing our profitability.

We are subject to foreign exchange risks, and improper management of that risk could result in large cash losses.

We are exposed to market risk associated with changes in foreign currency exchange rates. The primary foreign currencies to which the Company has exposure are the Bahraini dinar and the Brazilian real. Our international

contracts may be denominated in foreign currencies, which will result in additional risk of fluctuating currency values and exchange rates, hard currency shortages and controls on currency exchange.

Changes in the value of foreign currencies could increase our U.S. dollar costs for, or reduce our U.S. dollar revenues from, our foreign operations. Any increased costs or reduced revenues as a result of foreign currency fluctuations could affect our profits. The value of the Bahraini dinar has historically been pegged to the value of the U.S. dollar, which has effectively eliminated the foreign currency risk with respect to that currency. However, if the dinar were no longer to be so pegged, whether due to civil unrest in Bahrain or otherwise, the Company could become subject to additional, and substantial, foreign currency risk.

Changes in macroeconomic indicators, the overall business climate, and other factors could lead to our goodwill and other intangible assets becoming impaired, which may require us to take significant non-cash charges against earnings.

Under current accounting guidelines, we must assess, at least annually and potentially more frequently, whether the value of our goodwill and other intangible assets have been impaired. Any impairment of goodwill or other intangible assets as a result of such analysis would result in a non-cash charge against earnings, which charge could materially adversely affect our business, operating results, cash flows or financial condition. We test goodwill annually for impairment in the third quarter of each year, or more frequently should circumstances dictate. A significant and sustained decline in our future cash flows, a significant adverse change in the economic environment, slower growth rates or our stock price falling below our net book value per share for a sustained period could result in the need to perform additional impairment analysis in future periods. If we were to conclude that a future write-down of goodwill or other intangible assets is necessary, then we would be required to record a non-cash charge against earnings, which, in turn, could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, cash flows or financial condition.

We have made and may continue to make debt or equity investments in privately financed projects in, or may accept extended payment terms for, privately financed projects in which we could sustain significant losses.

We have participated and may continue to participate in privately financed projects that enable state and local governments and other customers to finance dredging, demolition and remediation projects, such as dredging of local navigable waterways and lakes, coastal protection and environmental remediation projects. These projects typically include the facilitation of non-recourse financing and the provision of dredging, demolition, remediation and related services. We may incur contractually reimbursable costs and may accept extended payment terms, extend debt financing and/or make an equity investment in an entity prior to, in connection with, or as part of project financing, and in some cases we may be the sole or primary source of the project financing. Project financing may also involve the use of real estate, environmental, wetlands or similar credits. If a project is unable to obtain other financing on terms acceptable to it in amounts sufficient to repay or redeem our investments, we could incur losses on our investments and any related contractual receivables. After completion of these projects, the return on our equity investments can be dependent on the operational success of the project and market factors or sale of the aforementioned credits, which may not be under our control. As a result, we could sustain a loss of part or all of our equity investments in such projects or have to recognize the value of the credits at a lower amount than expected in the contract bid.

Risks Related to our Stock

Our common stock is subject to restrictions on foreign ownership.

We are subject to government regulations pursuant to the Dredging Act, the Jones Act, the Shipping Act and the vessel documentation laws set forth in Chapter 121 of Title 46 of the United States Code. These statutes require vessels engaged in the transport of merchandise or passengers or dredging in the navigable waters of the U.S. to be owned and controlled by U.S. citizens. The U.S. citizenship ownership and control standards require the

vessel-owning entity to be at least 75% U.S.-citizen owned. Our certificate of incorporation contains provisions limiting non-citizenship ownership of our capital stock. If our board of directors determines that persons who are not citizens of the U.S. own more than 22.5% of our outstanding capital stock or more than

22.5% of our voting power, we may redeem such stock. The required redemption price could be materially different from the current price of our common stock or the price at which the non-citizen acquired the common stock. If a non-citizen purchases our common stock, there can be no assurance that he will not be required to divest the shares and such divestiture could result in a material loss. Such restrictions and redemption rights may make our equity securities less attractive to potential investors, which may result in our common stock having a lower market price than it might have in the absence of such restrictions and redemption rights.

Delaware law and our charter documents may impede or discourage a takeover that you may consider favorable.

The provisions of our certificate of incorporation and bylaws may deter, delay or prevent a third-party from acquiring us. These provisions include:

- limitations on the ability of stockholders to amend our charter documents, including stockholder supermajority voting requirements;
- the inability of stockholders to call special meetings;
- a classified board of directors with staggered three-year terms;
- advance notice requirements for nominations for election to the board of directors and for stockholder proposals; and
- the authority of our board of directors to issue, without stockholder approval, up to 1,000,000 shares of preferred stock with such terms as the board of directors may determine and to issue additional shares of our common stock.

We are also subject to the protections of Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, which prevents us from engaging in a business combination with a person who acquires at least 15% of our common stock for a period of three years from the date such person acquired such common stock, unless board or stockholder approval was obtained.

These provisions could have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a change in control of our company, discourage others from making tender offers for our shares, lower the market price of our stock or impede the ability of our stockholders to change our management, even if such changes would be beneficial to our stockholders.

Our stockholders may not receive dividends because of restrictions in our debt agreements, Delaware law and state regulatory requirements.

Our ability to pay dividends is restricted by the agreements governing our debt, including the Credit Agreement, our bonding agreements and the indenture governing our senior unsecured notes. In addition, under Delaware law, our board of directors may not authorize payment of a dividend unless it is either paid out of our surplus, as calculated in accordance with the Delaware General Corporation Law, or, if we do not have a surplus, it is paid out of our net profits for the fiscal year in which the dividend is declared and/or the preceding fiscal year. To the extent we do not

have adequate surplus or net profits, we will be prohibited from paying dividends.

The market price of our common stock may fluctuate significantly, and this may make it difficult for holders to resell our common stock when they want or at prices that they find attractive.

The price of our common stock on the NASDAQ Global Market constantly changes. We expect that the market price of our common stock will continue to fluctuate. The market price of our common stock may fluctuate as a result of a variety of factors, many of which are beyond our control. These factors include:

- changes in market conditions;
- quarterly variations in our operating results;

- operating results that vary from the expectations of management, securities analysts and investors;
- changes in expectations as to our future financial performance;
- announcements of strategic developments, significant contracts, acquisitions and other material events by us or our competitors;
- the operating and securities price performance of other companies that investors believe are comparable to us;
- future sales of our equity or equity-related securities;
- changes in the economy and the financial markets;
- departures of key personnel;
- changes in governmental regulations; and
- geopolitical conditions, such as acts or threats of terrorism, political instability, civil unrest or military conflicts.

In addition, in recent years, global stock markets have experienced extreme price and volume fluctuations. This volatility has had a significant effect on the market price of securities issued by many companies for reasons often unrelated to their operating performance. These broad market fluctuations may adversely affect the market price of our common stock, regardless of our operating results.

Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

None.

Item 2. Properties

The Company owns or leases the properties described below. The Company believes that its existing facilities are adequate for its operations.

Dredging

The Company s headquarters are located at 2122 York Road, Oak Brook, Illinois 60523, with approximately 64,275 square feet of office space that it leases with a term expiring in 2019. As of December 31, 2014 the Company owns or leases the following additional facilities:

Dredging

Location	Type of Facility	Size		Leased or Owned
Staten Island, New York	Yard	4.4	Acres	Owned
Morgan City, Louisiana	Yard	6.4	Acres	Owned
Norfolk, Virginia	Yard	15.3	Acres	Owned
Green Cove Springs, Florida	Yard	3.0	Acres	Leased
Chickasaw, AL	Yard	2.0	Acres	Leased
Chesapeake, VA	Storage	2.5	Acres	Leased
Kingwood, Texas	Office	750	Square feet	Leased
Cape Girardeau, Missouri	Office	726	Square feet	Leased
Cape Girardeau, Missouri	Storage	7,200	Square feet	Leased
Cape Girardeau, Missouri	Yard	18.4	Acres	Leased
Little Rock, Arkansas	Yard	7.0	Acres	Leased

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Environmental & remediation

Location	Type of Facility	Size		Leased or Owned
Billerica, Massachusetts	Office	10,400	Square feet	Leased
Centennial, Colorado	Office	5,464	Square feet	Leased
Denton, Texas	Office	2,648	Square feet	Leased
Everett, Washington	Office	1,484	Square feet	Leased
Kalamazoo, Michigan*	Office	6,758	Square feet	Leased
Kalamazoo, Michigan*	Office	3,600	Square feet	Leased
Kalamazoo, Michigan*	Storage	12.0	Acres	Leased
Kalkaska, Michigan	Office	8,200	Square feet	Leased
Kalkaska, Michigan	Yard	7.0	Acres	Leased
Manistee, Michigan	Office	3,400	Square feet	Leased
Rocklin, CA	Office	12,623	Square feet	Leased
Rocklin, CA	Yard	5.0	Acres	Leased
Rocklin, CA	Storage	14,731	Square feet	Leased
Romulus, Michigan	Office	35,250	Square feet	Leased
Romulus, Michigan	Yard	40,000	Square feet	Leased
Grand Rapids, Michigan	Storage	7,500	Square feet	Leased
Cushing, Oklahoma	Office	1,200	Square feet	Leased
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	Office	4,106	Square feet	Leased
San Antonio, Texas	Storage	6,000	Square feet	Leased

* The environmental & remediation segment leases the Kalamazoo, Michigan facilities from the President of Terra Contracting Services, LLC who was also the former owner of Terra Contracting, LLC, pursuant to leases expiring in 2015. See Note 15 to the Company s consolidated financial statements.
The environmental & remediation segment leases the Rocklin, California facilities from the former shareholders of Magnus, pursuant to leases expiring in 2019. See Note 15 to the Company s consolidated financial statements.

Item 3. Legal Proceedings

Various legal actions, claims, assessments and other contingencies arising in the ordinary course of business are pending against the Company and certain of its subsidiaries. These matters are subject to many uncertainties, and it is possible that some of these matters could ultimately be decided, resolved, or settled adversely to the Company. Although the Company is subject to various claims and legal actions that arise in the ordinary course of business, except as described below, the Company is not currently a party to any material legal proceedings or environmental claims. The Company records an accrual when it is probable a liability has been incurred and the amount of loss can be reasonably estimated. Except as described below, the Company does not believe any of these proceedings, individually or in the aggregate, would be expected to have a material effect on results of operations, cash flows or financial condition.

On March 19, 2013, the Company and three of its current and former executives were sued in a securities class action in the Northern District of Illinois captioned United Union of Roofers, Waterproofers & Allied Workers Local Union No. 8 v. Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation et al., Case No. 1:13-cv-02115. The lawsuit, which was brought on

behalf of all purchasers of the Company s securities between August 7, 2012 and March 14, 2013, primarily alleges that the defendants made false and misleading statements regarding the recognition of revenue in the demolition segment and with regard to the Company s internal control over financial reporting. This suit was filed following the Company s announcement on March 14, 2013 that it would restate its second and third quarter 2012 financial statements. Two additional, similar lawsuits captioned Boozer v. Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation et al., Case No. 1:13-cv-02339, and Connors v. Great Lakes

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Dredge & Dock Corporation et al., Case No. 1:13-cv-02450, were filed in the Northern District of Illinois on March 28, 2013, and April 2, 2013, respectively. These three actions were consolidated and recaptioned In re Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation Securities Litigation, Case No. 1:13-cv-02115, on June 10, 2013. The plaintiffs filed an amended class action complaint on August 9, 2013, which the defendants moved to dismiss on October 8, 2013. After briefing and oral argument by the parties, the court entered an order on October 21, 2014 denying that motion to dismiss. The parties have reached an agreement in principle to settle this action. Once finalized, the settlement will be presented to the court for preliminary approval. The settlement is expected to be paid by insurance.

On March 28, 2013, the Company was named as a nominal defendant, and its directors were named as defendants, in a shareholder derivative action in DuPage County Circuit Court in Illinois captioned Hammoud v. Berger et al., Case No. 2013CH001110. The lawsuit primarily alleges breaches of fiduciary duties related to allegedly false and misleading statements regarding the recognition of revenue in the demolition segment and with regard to the Company s internal control over financial reporting, which exposed the Company to securities litigation. A second, similar lawsuit captioned The City of Haverhill Retirement System v. Leight et al., Case No. 1:13-cv-02470, was filed in the Northern District of Illinois on April 2, 2013 and was voluntarily dismissed on June 10, 2013. A third, similar lawsuit captioned St. Lucie County Fire District Firefighters Pension Trust Fund v. Leight et al., Case No. 13 CH 15483, was filed in Cook County Circuit Court in Illinois on July 8, 2013, and has since been transferred to DuPage County Circuit Court and consolidated with the Hammoud action. The Hammoud/St. Lucie plaintiffs have filed a consolidated amended complaint on December 9, 2013, but the action was otherwise stayed pending a ruling on the motion to dismiss the securities class action. A fourth, similar lawsuit (that additionally named one current and one former executive as defendants) captioned Griffin v. Berger et al., Case No. 1:13-cv-04907, was filed in the Northern District of Illinois on July 9, 2013. The Griffin action was also stayed pending a ruling on the motion to dismiss the securities class action. The parties have reached an agreement in principle to settle the pending actions. Once finalized, the settlement will be presented to the DuPage County Circuit Court for preliminary approval. The settlement is expected to be paid by insurance.

On April 23, 2014, the Company completed the sale of NASDI, LLC (NASDI) and Yankee Environmental Services, LLC (Yankee), which together comprised the Company s historical demolition business, to a privately owned demolition company. Under the terms of the divestiture, the Company retained certain pre-closing liabilities relating to the disposed business. Certain of these liabilities and a legal action brought by the Company to enforce the buyer s obligations under the sale agreement are described below.

In 2009, NASDI received a letter stating that the Attorney General for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is investigating alleged violations of the Massachusetts Solid Waste Act. The Company believes that the Massachusetts Attorney General is investigating waste disposal activities at an allegedly unpermitted disposal site owned by a third party with whom NASDI contracted for the disposal of waste materials in 2007 and 2008. Per the Massachusetts Attorney General s request, NASDI executed a tolling agreement regarding the matter in 2009 and engaged in further discussions with the Massachusetts Attorney General s office. Should a claim be brought, the Company intends to defend this matter vigorously.

In 2011, NASDI received a subpoena from a federal grand jury in the District of Massachusetts directing NASDI to furnish certain documents relating to certain projects performed by NASDI since January 2005. The Company conducted an internal investigation into this matter and has cooperated with the grand jury s investigation. Based on the limited information known to the Company, the Company cannot predict the outcome of the investigation, the U.S. Attorney s views of the issues being investigated, and any action the U.S. Attorney may take.

On April 24, 2014, NASDI received a subpoena from a federal grand jury in the District of Massachusetts directing NASDI to furnish certain emails for the years 2004 to the present for the email accounts of certain former and present

NASDI employees. The Company is cooperating with the grand jury s investigation. Based on the limited information known to the Company, the Company cannot predict the outcome of the investigation, the U.S. Attorney s views of the issues being investigated, and any action the U.S. Attorney may take.

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On January 14, 2015, the Company and our subsidiary, NASDI Holdings, LLC, brought an action in the Delaware Court of Chancery to enforce the terms of the Company s agreement to sell NASDI and Yankee. Under the terms of the agreement, the Company received cash of $5.3 million and retained the right to receive additional proceeds based upon future collections of outstanding accounts receivable and work in process existing at the date of close. The Company seeks specific performance of buyer s obligation to collect and to remit the additional proceeds, and other related relief. Defendants have filed counterclaims alleging that the Company misrepresented the quality of its contracts and receivables prior to the sale. The Company denies defendants allegations and intends to vigorously defend against the counterclaims.

The Company has not accrued any amounts with respect to the above matters as the Company does not believe, based on information currently known to it, that a loss relating to these matters is probable, and an estimate of a range of potential losses relating to these matters cannot reasonably be made.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable

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Part II

Item 5. Market for Registrant s Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Market Information

Our common stock is traded under the symbol GLDD on the NASDAQ Global Market. The table below sets forth, for the calendar quarters indicated, the high and low sales prices of the common stock as reported by NASDAQ from January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014.

	Common Stock	
	High	Low
First Quarter 2013	$ 8.69	$ 6.55
Second Quarter 2013	$ 8.66	$ 6.30
Third Quarter 2013	$ 8.69	$ 6.28
Fourth Quarter 2013	$ 9.33	$ 6.99

	Common Stock	
	High	Low
First Quarter 2014	$ 9.44	$ 7.45
Second Quarter 2014	$ 9.20	$ 7.36
Third Quarter 2014	$ 8.29	$ 6.16
Fourth Quarter 2014	$ 8.73	$ 5.84

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	12/31/2010	12/31/2011	12/31/2012	12/31/2013	12/31/2014
Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corp	115.17	88.09	146.80	151.24	140.72
Peer Average (see below)	105.13	101.26	122.71	167.34	154.17
NASDAQ Composite Index	116.91	114.81	133.07	184.06	208.71

The graph above shows the cumulative total return to stockholders of the Company s common stock during a five year period ending December 31, 2014, the last trading day of our 2014 fiscal year, compared with the return on the NASDAQ Composite Index and a group of our peers which we had historically used internally as a benchmark for compensation purposes from 2011 to 2013 (minor modifications were made to the compensation peer group in 2014). The graph assumes initial investments of $100 each on December 31, 2009, in GLDD stock (assuming reinvestment of all dividends paid during the period), the NASDAQ Composite Index and the peer group companies, collectively. The peer group is comprised of the following member companies:

Company	Ticker
Dycom Industries, Inc.	DY
Global Industries, Ltd. (prior to its purchase on September 9, 2011 by Technip S.A.)	GLBL
Granite Construction Inc.	GVA
Aegion Corporations, successor to Insituform Technologies, Inc.	AEGN
Layne Christensen Company	LAYN
MasTec, Inc.	MTZ
Matrix Service Company	MTRX
MYR Group Inc.	MYRG
Orion Marine Group, Inc.	ORN
Pike Electric Corporation	PIKE
Primoris Services Corp	PRIM
Sterling Construction Company, Inc.	STRL
Team, Inc.	TISI
Willbros Group, Inc.	WG

Given the historical usage of this peer group for compensation purposes and the fact that each peer is a capital intensive business, the Company deems it appropriate to also use this peer group for showing the comparative cumulative total return to stockholders of Great Lakes.

Holders of Record

As of February 27, 2015, the Company had approximately 31 shareholders of record of the Company s common stock. A substantial number of holders of the Company s common stock are street name or beneficial holders, whose shares are held of record by banks, brokers and other financial institutions.

Dividends

The declaration and payment of future dividends will be at the discretion of Great Lakes board of directors and depends on many factors, including general economic and business conditions, the Company s strategic plans, financial results and condition, legal requirements including restrictions and limitations contained in the Company s senior credit agreement, bonding agreements and the indenture relating to the senior unsecured notes and other factors

the board of directors deems relevant. Accordingly, the Company cannot ensure the size of any such dividend or that the Company will pay any future dividend.

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Item 6. Selected Financial Data

The following table sets forth selected financial data and should be read in conjunction with Item 7. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and the Company s audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included elsewhere in this annual report. The selected financial data presented below have been derived from the Company s consolidated financial statements; items may not sum due to rounding.

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2014	**2013**	**2012**	**2011**	**2010**
	(dollars in millions except shares in thousands and per share data)				
Contract revenues	$ 806.8	$ 731.4	$ 588.4	$ 520.1	$ 609.0
Costs of contract revenues	714.3	631.1	510.3	437.5	491.7
Gross profit	92.5	100.3	78.2	82.6	117.3
General and administrative expenses	67.9	68.0	45.7	40.9	47.2
Proceeds from loss of use claim		(13.4)			
(Gain) loss on sale of assets net	0.7	(5.8)	(0.2)	(11.7)	(0.4)
Operating income	23.9	51.4	32.6	53.5	70.5
Interest expense net	(20.0)	(21.9)	(20.9)	(21.4)	(13.4)
Equity in earnings (loss) of joint ventures	2.9	1.2	0.1	(0.4)	(0.6)
Gain on bargain purchase agreement	2.2				
Other income (expense)	0.2	(0.4)	(0.1)	(0.3)	
Loss on extinguishment of debt				(5.1)	
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	9.2	30.3	11.7	26.3	56.5
Income tax provision	11.5	(10.5)	(5.4)	(9.9)	(22.1)
Income from continuing operations	20.7	19.9	6.3	16.3	34.4
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	(10.4)	(54.9)	(9.6)	0.9	(0.7)
Net income (loss)	10.3	(35.0)	(3.3)	17.3	33.7
Net (income) loss attributable to noncontrolling interests		0.6	0.6	(0.7)	0.9
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation	$ 10.3	$ (34.4)	$ (2.7)	$ 16.5	$ 34.6
Basic earnings per share attributable to income from continuing operations (1)	$ 0.35	$ 0.33	$ 0.11	$ 0.28	$ 0.59
Basic loss per share attributable to loss on discontinued operations, net of income taxes	(0.17)	(0.91)	(0.15)	0.00	(0.01)
	$ 0.18	$ (0.58)	$ (0.04)	0.28	0.57

Basic earnings (loss) per share attributable to common stockholders of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation					
Basic weighted average shares	59,938	59,495	59,195	58,891	58,647
Diluted earnings per share attributable to income from continuing operations (1)	$ 0.34	$ 0.33	$ 0.11	$ 0.28	$ 0.59
Diluted loss per share attributable to loss on discontinued operations, net of income taxes	(0.17)	(0.90)	(0.15)	0.00	(0.01)
Diluted earnings (loss) per share attributable to common stockholders of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation	$ 0.17	$ (0.57)	$ (0.04)	0.28	0.57
Diluted weighted average shares	60,522	60,101	59,673	59,230	58,871

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	Year Ended December 31,				
	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
	(in millions)				
Other Data:					
Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations (2)	$ 77.1	$ 98.9	$ 74.7	$ 90.1	$ 101.4
Net cash flows from operating activities	48.8	74.8	(1.9)	24.6	127.8
Net cash flows from investing activities	(116.7)	(46.3)	(63.4)	(16.7)	(61.9)
Net cash flows from financing activities	35.1	22.5	(23.6)	57.4	(20.3)
Depreciation and amortization	50.1	46.6	37.4	37.3	31.4
Maintenance expense	57.4	49.5	51.8	43.1	48.2
Capital expenditures	92.1	62.0	76.3	22.9	65.0

(1) Refer to Note 2 in the Company s consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 and above information for additional details regarding these calculations.

(2) See definition of Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations in Item 7. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

	As of December 31,				
	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
	(in millions)				
Balance Sheet Data:					
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 42.4	$ 75.3	$ 24.4	$ 113.3	$ 48.4
Working capital	141.7	167.2	127.7	195.3	90.1
Total assets	893.2	852.6	826.5	788.5	693.8
Long term debt, promissory notes and subordinated notes	324.4	285.0	263.0	255.0	175.0
Total stockholder s equity	256.0	242.1	273.4	292.5	276.8

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Item 7. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations
Overview

The Company is the largest provider of dredging services in the United States and a major provider of environmental and remediation services. In addition, the Company is the only U.S. dredging service provider with significant international operations.

Dredging generally involves the enhancement or preservation of the navigability of waterways or the protection of shorelines through the removal or replenishment of soil, sand or rock. Domestically, our work generally is performed in coastal waterways and deep water ports. The U.S. dredging market consists of four primary types of work: capital, coastal protection, maintenance and rivers & lakes. Capital dredging consists primarily of port expansion projects, which involve the deepening of channels to allow access by larger, deeper draft ships and the provision of land fill used to expand port facilities. In addition to port work, capital projects also include land reclamations, trench digging for pipelines, tunnels, and cables, and other dredging related to the construction of breakwaters, jetties, canals and other marine structures. Coastal protection projects involve moving sand from the ocean floor to shoreline locations where erosion threatens shoreline assets. Maintenance dredging consists of the re-dredging of previously deepened waterways and harbors to remove silt, sand and other accumulated sediments. Due to natural sedimentation, most channels generally require maintenance dredging every one to three years, thus creating a recurring source of dredging work that is typically non-deferrable if optimal navigability is to be maintained. In addition, severe weather such as hurricanes, flooding and droughts can also cause the accumulation of sediments and drive the need for maintenance dredging. Rivers & lakes dredging and related operations typically consist of lake and river dredging, inland levee and construction dredging, environmental restoration and habitat improvement and other marine construction projects.

On November 4, 2014, the Company acquired the stock of Magnus Pacific Corporation, a leading provider of environmental remediation, geotechnical construction, demolition, and sediments and wetlands construction, headquartered outside of Sacramento, California, for an aggregate purchase price of approximately $40 million. The Magnus Pacific (Magnus) business is part of the Company s environmental & remediation segment.

On December 31, 2012, the Company acquired the assets and assumed certain liabilities of Terra Contracting, LLC, a respected provider of a wide variety of essential services for environmental, maintenance and infrastructure-related applications headquartered in Kalamazoo, Michigan, for a purchase price of approximately $26 million. The Terra acquisition has broadened the Company s environmental & remediation segment with additional services and expertise as well as expanded its footprint in the Midwest. Terra Contracting Services, LLC (Terra) is part of the Company s environmental & remediation segment.

These two acquisitions comprise the environmental & remediation segment of the Company and working with our dredging segment, have the capabilities and geographic reach to perform work throughout the United States on land and in water. The Company operates in two reportable segments: dredging and environmental & remediation.

The Company and a New Jersey aggregates company each own 50% of Amboy Aggregates (Amboy). Amboy was formed in December 1984 to mine sand from the entrance channel to New York Harbor to provide sand and aggregate for use in road and building construction and for clean land fill. Amboy sold its interest in a stone import business and its holdings in land during 2014 and is winding down operations.

In addition, the Company and a New Jersey aggregates company each own 50% of Lower Main Street Development, LLC (Lower Main). Lower Main was organized in February 2003 to hold land for development or sale. This land owned in conjunction with Amboy was sold in 2014.

The Company and a European based remediation company each own 50% of TerraSea Environmental Solutions LLC (TerraSea), a remediation business. TerraSea provides water and land based environmental services in the area of clean up and remediation of sediments, soil and groundwater for both marine and land based projects. The Company has commenced the winddown of TerraSea with its joint venture partner.

On April 24, 2014, the Company completed the sale of NASDI, LLC and Yankee Environmental Services, LLC, which together comprised the Company s historical demolition business, to a privately owned demolition company for $5.3 million plus retention of certain assets and preclosing liabilities. The historical demolition business has been retrospectively presented as discontinued operations and is no longer reflected in continuing operations. See Note 16 to our consolidated financial statements included in Item 15 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

The Company s bid market is defined as the aggregate dollar value of domestic dredging projects on which the Company bid or could have bid if not for capacity constraints or other considerations (bid market). The Company experienced an average combined bid market share in the U.S. of 46% over the prior three years, including 46%, 58%, 33% and 50% of the domestic capital, coastal protection, maintenance and rivers & lakes sectors, respectively. The bid market for environmental & remediation work is highly fragmented and similar bid market statistics are not easily available.

In 2014, dredging revenues accounted for 86% of revenue. The Company s fleet of 31 dredges, of which nine are deployed internationally, 23 material transportation barges, two drillboats, and numerous other support vessels is the largest and most diverse fleet of any U.S. dredging company. For the dredging segment, the Company s fleet of dredging equipment can be utilized on one or many types of work and in various geographic locations. This flexible approach to the Company s fleet utilization, driven by the project scope and equipment, enables us to move equipment in response to changes in demand for dredging services to take advantage of the most attractive opportunities.

The Company s largest domestic dredging customer is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (the Corps), which has responsibility for federally funded projects related to navigation and flood control of U.S. waterways. The advance of multi-jurisdictional cost sharing arrangements are allowing the Corps to utilize funds from sources other than the federal budget to prioritize additional projects where waterway infrastructure improvements can have an impact to large regions. Although some of a project s funding may ultimately be derived from multiple sources, the Corps maintains the authority over the project and is the Company s customer. In 2014, the Company s dredging revenues earned from contracts with federal government agencies, including the Corps as well as other federal entities such as the U.S. Coast Guard and the U.S. Navy, were approximately 70% of dredging revenues, up from the Company s prior three year average of 59%.

In 2014, environmental & remediation revenues accounted for 14% of total revenue. The Company s environmental & remediation segment provides soil, water and sediment environmental remediation for the state and local and private party markets. Remediation involves the retrieval and removal of contamination from an environment through the use of separation techniques or disposal based on the quantity and severity of the contamination. Besides environmental remediation, the environmental & remediation segment performs industrial cleaning, abatement services and hazardous waste removal. Our recent acquisition of Magnus Pacific Corporation expands the geographic footprint of our environmental operations to include the U.S. West Coast and broadens our suite of services to include geotechnical contracting capabilities and other environmental solutions.

Contract Revenues

Most of the Company s contracts are obtained through competitive bidding on terms specified by the party inviting the bid. The types of equipment required to perform the specified service and the estimated project duration affect the cost

of performing the contract and the price that contractors will bid.

The Company recognizes contract revenues under the percentage-of-completion method based on the Company s engineering estimates of the physical percentage completed for dredging projects and based on costs incurred to date compared to total estimated costs for environmental & remediation projects. For dredging projects, costs of contract revenues are adjusted to reflect the gross profit percentage expected to be achieved upon ultimate completion of each dredging project. For environmental & remediation projects, contract revenues are adjusted to reflect the estimated gross profit percentage. Provisions for estimated losses on contracts in progress are made in the period in which such losses are determined. Change orders are not recognized in revenue until the recovery is probable and collectability is reasonably assured. Claims for additional compensation due to the Company are not recognized in contract revenues until such claims are settled. Billings on contracts are generally submitted after verification with the customers of physical progress and may not match the timing of revenue recognition. The difference between amounts billed and recognized as revenue is reflected in the balance sheet as either contract revenues in excess of billings or billings in excess of contract revenues. Contract modifications may be negotiated when a change from the original contract specifications is encountered, necessitating a change in project scope or performance methodology and/or material disposal. Significant expenditures incurred incidental to major contracts are deferred and recognized as contract costs based on contract performance over the duration of the related project. These expenditures are reported as prepaid expenses.

Costs and Expenses

The components of costs of contract revenues include labor, equipment (including depreciation, maintenance, insurance and long-term rentals), fuel, subcontracts, short-term rentals and project overhead. Hourly labor generally is hired on a project-by-project basis. Much of our domestic hourly labor force is represented by labor unions with collective bargaining agreements that expire at various dates during 2015 through 2016, which historically have been extended without disruption.

Costs of contract revenues vary significantly depending on the type and location of work performed and assets utilized. Generally, capital dredging projects have the highest margins due to the complexity of the projects, while coastal protection projects have the most volatile margins because they are most often exposed to variability in weather conditions. Environmental & remediation margins are based upon the specified service, the estimated project duration, seasonality, location and complexity of a project.

The Company s cost structure includes significant annual equipment related costs, including depreciation, maintenance, insurance and long-term equipment rentals, averaging approximately 22% to 23% of total costs of contract revenues over the prior three years. During any given year, both dredging equipment utilization and the timing of cost expenditures fluctuate significantly. Accordingly, the Company allocates these dredging equipment costs to interim periods in proportion to dredging revenues recognized over the year to better match revenues and expenses. Specifically, at each interim reporting date the Company compares actual dredging revenues earned to date on the Company s dredging contracts to expected annual revenues and recognizes dredging equipment costs on the same proportionate basis. In the fourth quarter, any over or under allocated equipment costs are recognized such that the expense for the year equals actual equipment costs incurred during the year. As a result of this methodology, the recorded expense in any interim period may be higher or lower than the actual equipment costs incurred in that interim period.

Primary Factors that Determine Operating Profitability

Dredging. The Company s results of operations for its dredging segment for a calendar or quarterly period are generally determined by the following three factors:

Bid wins and dredge employment The Company s dredging segment generates revenues when the Company wins a bid for a dredging contract and starts that project. Although the Company s dredging equipment is subject to downtime for scheduled periodic maintenance and repair, the Company seeks

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to maximize its revenues by employing its dredging equipment on a full-time basis, allowing for scheduled down time and mobilization. If a dredge is idle (i.e., the dredge is not employed on a dredging project or undergoing scheduled periodic maintenance and repair), the Company does not earn revenue with respect to that dredge during the time period for which it is idle.

Project and dredge mix The Company s domestic dredging projects generally involve domestic capital, maintenance and coastal protection work and its foreign dredging projects generally involve capital work. In addition, the Company s dredging projects vary in duration and, in general, projects of longer duration result in less dredge downtime in a given period. Moreover, the Company s dredges have different physical capabilities and typically work on certain types of dredging projects. Accordingly, the Company s dredges have different daily revenue generating capacities.

The Company generally expects to achieve different levels of gross profit margin (i.e., gross profit divided by revenues) for work performed on the different types of dredging projects and for work performed by different types of dredges. The Company s expected gross margin for a project is based upon the Company s estimates at the time of the bid. Although the Company seeks to bid on and win projects that will maximize its gross margin, the Company cannot control the type of dredging projects that are available for bid from time to time, the type of dredge that is needed to complete these projects, the competitive landscape at the time of bid or the time schedule upon which these projects are required to be completed. As a result, in some quarters the Company works on a mix of dredging projects that, in the aggregate, have relatively high expected gross margins (based on project type and dredges employed) and in other quarters, the Company works on a mix of dredging projects that, in the aggregate, have relatively low expected gross margins (based on project type and dredges employed).

Project execution The Company seeks to execute all of its dredging projects consistent with its project estimates. In general, the Company s ability to achieve its project estimates depends upon many factors including weather, variances from estimated project conditions, equipment mobilization time periods, unplanned equipment downtime or other events or circumstances beyond the Company s control. If the Company experiences any of these events and circumstances, the completion of a dredging project will often be accelerated or delayed, as applicable, and, consequently, the Company will experience project results that are better or worse than its estimates. The Company does its best to estimate for events and circumstances that are not within its control; however, these situations are inherent in dredging.

Environmental & remediation. The Company s environmental & remediation segment generates revenues when the Company is awarded a contract for specialty contracting services and starts the project. The Company s revenues from its environmental & remediation segment increase or decrease based upon market demand. Like the Company s dredging segment, results of operations for the Company s environmental & remediation segment fluctuate based upon project mix and the Company s ability to execute its projects consistent with its estimates.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Our significant accounting policies are discussed in the Notes to the consolidated financial statements. The application of certain of these policies requires significant judgments or an estimation process that can affect the Company s results of operations, financial position and cash flows, as well as the related footnote disclosures. The Company bases its estimates on historical experience and other assumptions that it believes are reasonable. If actual amounts are ultimately different from previous estimates, the revisions are included in the Company s results of operations for the period in which the actual amounts become known. The following accounting policies comprise those that management believes are the most critical to aid in fully understanding and evaluating the Company s reported

financial results.

Percentage-of-completion method of revenue recognition The Company s contract revenues are recognized under the percentage-of-completion method, which is by its nature based on an estimation process.

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For dredging projects, the Company uses engineering estimates of the physical percentage of completion. For environmental & remediation projects, the Company uses estimates of costs incurred to date compared to total estimated costs to determine the percentage of project completion. In preparing estimates, the Company draws on its extensive experience in the dredging and environmental & remediation businesses. In its dredging segment, the Company utilizes its database of historical dredging information to ensure that its estimates are as accurate as possible, given current circumstances. Provisions for estimated losses on contracts in progress are made in the period in which such losses are determined. Change orders are not recognized in revenue until the recovery is probable and collectability is reasonably assured. Claims for additional compensation are not recognized in contract revenues until such claims are settled. Cost and profit estimates are reviewed on a periodic basis to reflect changes in expected project performance.

Impairment of goodwill Goodwill is tested for impairment at the reporting unit level on an annual basis and between annual tests if an event occurs or circumstances change that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of the reporting unit below its carrying value. The Company believes that this estimate is a critical accounting estimate because: (i) goodwill is a material asset and (ii) the impact of an impairment could be material to the consolidated balance sheet and consolidated statement of operations. The Company performs its annual impairment test as of July 1 each year. The Company operates in two reportable segments: dredging and environmental & remediation. Four operating segments were aggregated into two reportable segments as the segments have similarity in economic margins, services, production processes, customer types, distribution methods and regulatory environment. The Company has determined that the operating segments are the Company s four reporting units.

The Company assesses the fair values of its reporting units using both a market-based approach and an income-based approach. Under the income approach, the fair value of the reporting unit is based on the present value of estimated future cash flows. The income approach is dependent on a number of factors, including estimates of future market growth trends, forecasted revenues and expenses based upon historical operating data, appropriate discount rates and other variables. The estimates are based on assumptions that the Company believes to be reasonable, but such assumptions are subject to unpredictability and uncertainty. Changes in these estimates and assumptions could materially affect the determination of fair value, and may result in the impairment of goodwill in the event that actual results differ from those estimates.

The market approach measures the value of a reporting unit through comparison to comparable companies. Under the market approach, the Company uses the guideline public company method by applying estimated market-based enterprise value multiples to the reporting unit s estimated revenue and Adjusted EBITDA. The Company analyzed companies that performed similar services or are considered peers. Due to the fact that there are no public companies that are direct competitors, the Company weighed the results of this approach less than the income approach.

In the second quarter of 2013, due to a decline in the overall financial performance and declining cash flows of the demolition reporting unit, which is now reported in discontinued operations, the Company recorded an impairment charge of $21.5 million. At both December 31, 2014 and 2013, the dredging segment s goodwill was $76.6 million. At December 31, 2014 and 2013, the environmental & remediation segment s goodwill was $9.8 million and $2.8 million, respectively.

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Results of Operations Fiscal Years Ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012

The following table sets forth the components of net income attributable to common stockholders of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation and Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations, as defined below, as a percentage of contract revenues for the years ended December 31:

	2014	2013	2012
Contract revenues	100.0 %	100.0 %	100.0 %
Costs of contract revenues	(88.5)	(86.3)	(86.7)
Gross profit	11.5	13.7	13.3
General and administrative expenses	(8.4)	(9.3)	(7.8)
Proceeds from loss of use claim		1.8	
Gain (loss) on sale of assets net	(0.1)	0.8	
Operating income	3.0	7.0	5.5
Interest expense net	(2.5)	(3.0)	(3.6)
Equity in earnings of joint ventures	0.4	0.2	
Gain on bargain purchase acquisition	0.3		
Other income			
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	1.2	4.2	1.9
Income tax (provision) benefit	1.4	(1.4)	(0.9)
Income from continuing operations	2.6	2.8	1.0
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	(1.3)	(7.5)	(1.6)
Net income (loss)	1.3	(4.7)	(0.6)
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests		0.1	0.1
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation	1.3%	(4.6)%	(0.5)%
Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations	9.6%	13.5 %	12.7 %

Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations

Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations, as provided herein, represents net income attributable to common stockholders of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, adjusted for net interest expense, income taxes, depreciation and amortization expense, debt extinguishment and accelerated maintenance expense for new international deployments, goodwill or asset impairments and gains on bargain purchase acquisitions. Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations is not a measure derived in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). The Company presents Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations as an additional measure by which to evaluate the Company s operating trends. The Company believes that Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations is a measure frequently used to evaluate performance of companies with

substantial leverage and that the Company s primary stakeholders (i.e., its stockholders, bondholders and banks) use Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations to evaluate the Company s period to period performance. Additionally, management believes that Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations provides a transparent measure of the Company s recurring operating performance and allows management to readily view operating trends, perform analytical comparisons and identify strategies to improve operating performance. For this reason, the Company uses a measure based upon Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations to assess performance for purposes of determining compensation under the Company s incentive plan. Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations should not be considered an alternative to, or more meaningful than, amounts determined in accordance with GAAP including: (a) operating income as an indicator of operating performance; or (b) cash flows from operations as a measure of liquidity. As such, the Company s use of Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations, instead of a GAAP measure, has limitations as an analytical tool, including the inability to determine profitability or liquidity due to the exclusion of accelerated maintenance

expense for new international deployments, goodwill or asset impairments, gains on bargain purchase acquisitions, interest and income tax expense and the associated significant cash requirements and the exclusion of depreciation and amortization, which represent significant and unavoidable operating costs given the level of indebtedness and capital expenditures needed to maintain the Company s business. For these reasons, the Company uses operating income to measure the Company s operating performance and uses Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations only as a supplement. The following is a reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations to net income attributable to common stockholders of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2014	2013	2012
	(in thousands)		
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation	$ 10,295	$ (34,361)	$ (2,695)
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	(10,423)	(54,850)	(9,635)
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest		632	645
Income from continuing operations	20,718	19,857	6,295
Adjusted for:			
Accelerated maintenance expenses			4,672
Interest expense net	19,967	21,941	20,925
Income tax provision (benefit)	(11,530)	10,460	5,419
Depreciation and amortization	50,129	46,622	37,430
Gain on bargain purchase acquisition	(2,197)		
Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations	$ 77,087	$ 98,880	$ 74,741

Components of Contract Revenues

The following table sets forth, by segment and type of work, the Company s contract revenues for the years ended December 31, (in thousands):

	2014	2013	2012
Revenues			
Dredging:			
Capital U.S.	$ 195,635	$ 153,781	$ 156,251
Capital foreign	155,000	138,436	77,232
Coastal protection	194,219	228,868	135,164
Maintenance	123,923	90,833	116,016
Rivers & lakes	28,934	30,684	35,471
Total dredging revenues	697,711	642,602	520,134
Environmental & remediation*	114,412	94,840	

Intersegment revenue	(5,292)	(6,024)	
Total revenues	$ 806,831	$ 731,418	$ 520,134

* Environmental & remediation revenue in 2014 and 2013 includes Terra which did not operate as part of the Company prior to January 1, 2013. Environmental & remediation revenue in 2014 also includes Magnus which did not operate as part of the Company prior to November 4, 2014.

Year Ended December 31, 2014 Compared to Year Ended December 31, 2013

Total revenue was $806.8 million in 2014, an increase of $75.4 million, or 10.3%, from 2013 total revenue of $731.4 million. The increase was largely attributable to higher domestic capital dredging revenues, which

included a port deepening project in Miami and a LNG project in Texas, and maintenance dredging revenues, which included a large maintenance project in New York. Increases in foreign capital dredging and environmental & remediation revenues, which is attributable to the acquisition of Magnus, also contributed to the overall increase in 2014. These increases were partially offset by declines in coastal protection and river & lakes revenues. The Company categorizes revenue by service type to understand the market in which the Company operates and to assess how the Company is performing on bidding work or projects and is generating revenue from backlog.

Domestic capital dredging revenues increased $41.8 million, or 27.2%, to $195.6 million in 2014 compared to 2013 revenues of $153.8 million. The increase in domestic capital dredging revenue was primarily attributable to the port deepening project in Miami and a LNG project in Texas. These increases were partially offset by two 2013 coastal restoration projects in Louisiana that did not repeat in the current year. Deepening projects in New York and on the Delaware River also contributed to increased revenues in 2014. In 2014, the Company earned 80% of its backlog carried forward from December 31, 2013.

Revenues from foreign dredging operations in 2014 totaled $155.0 million, an increase of $16.6 million, or 12.0%, from 2013 revenues of $138.4 million. Foreign dredging revenue was driven by the Wheatstone LNG Project in Western Australia, three projects in the Middle East and a project in Brazil. These five projects in our foreign operations comprise approximately 91% of the foreign dredging revenue earned. In comparison, 2013 revenue was driven by a significant project in Qatar as well as the mobilization and commencement of dredging activities for the Wheatstone LNG Project. The Company earned 100% of its backlog carried forward from December 31, 2013.

Coastal protection revenues were $194.2 million in 2014, a decrease of $34.7 million, or 15.2%, from $228.9 million in 2013. A large number of projects in New York and New Jersey for the repair of shorelines damaged as a result of Superstorm Sandy continued to add to revenue during the year ended December 31, 2014; however, the dollar value of these Superstorm Sandy projects was lower than the year ended December 31, 2013. In addition, the Company worked on large beach projects in South Carolina, North Carolina and Florida which contributed to revenue for the year ended December 31, 2014. The Company converted approximately 90% of the backlog at December 31, 2013 to revenues in 2014.

Revenues from maintenance dredging projects in 2014 were $123.9 million, an increase of $33.1 million, or 36.4%, from $90.8 million in 2013. The Company s maintenance revenues in 2014 were driven by work performed on a large project in New York as well as significant harbor work in New York, Maryland and Georgia. In comparison, the Company worked on maintenance projects in Florida, Maryland, Georgia and Tennessee during the year ended December 31, 2013. The Company executed its entire backlog from December 31, 2013.

Rivers & lakes revenues were $28.9 million for 2014, a decrease of $1.8 million, or 5.9%, from $30.7 million in 2013. The decrease in rivers & lakes revenues was mostly attributable to work on a remediation project in the Midwest and a large municipal lake project in Texas that did not repeat during 2014. Rivers & lakes revenue for the year ended December 31, 2014 was driven by a large lake project in Illinois, as well as river projects in Nebraska and Mississippi and a private company project in Florida. The Company executed nearly half of its backlog from December 31, 2013.

The environmental & remediation segment recorded revenues of $114.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, up 20.7% compared to $94.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. The increase is attributable to the acquisition of Magnus, which accounted for $15.3 million of revenue, during the fourth quarter of 2014 as well as a greater number of environmental & remediation projects for the year ended December 31, 2014, including large remediation projects in New Jersey and Michigan. Additionally, the environmental & remediation segment teamed with the dredging segment to work on a large lake project in Illinois during 2014. The Company converted approximately 75% of the backlog at December 31, 2013 to revenues in 2014.

Consolidated gross profit for the year ended December 31, 2014 decreased by $7.8 million, or 7.8%, to $92.5 million from $100.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. Gross profit margin (gross profit divided by revenue) for the full year 2014 was 11.5%, below the prior year gross profit margin of 13.7%. The lower gross profit margin for 2014 was attributable to lower gross profit at our environmental & remediation segment related to cost overruns on a project and higher plant expenses. Gross profit margin at the dredging segment remained flat year over year.

General and administrative expenses totaled $67.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2014 was down slightly from $68.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. Increases in payroll and benefit expenses of $2.1 million and technical and consulting fees of $0.9 million were offset by a reduction in the value of the Magnus contingent seller note payable of $1.1 million, a decrease in legal and professional fees of $1.6 million and the reversal of a bad debt provision, for which we received payment, of $1.0 million.

Operating income for the year ended December 31, 2014 was $23.9 million compared to $51.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. In addition to lower gross profit described above, the lower operating income as compared to 2013 is due to the $13.4 million in proceeds from a loss of use claim received during the 2013 second quarter and $5.8 million of gains from the sales of underutilized assets in 2013.

Equity in earnings of joint ventures for the year ended December 31, 2014 was $2.9 million compared to $1.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. The increase in equity in earnings of joint ventures in 2014 was driven by a $15.1 million gain on sale of real estate owned jointly by our Amboy and Lower Main joint ventures. During 2014, the Company incurred a $10.2 million loss related to the TerraSea joint venture, which partially offset the gain on sale of real estate. The loss at TerraSea is the result of the Company s share of losses on two projects which experienced site condition delays. Additionally, there were cost overruns resulting from start-up delays that prevented the job from being completed in one season, as originally estimated, forcing the joint venture to demobilize and remobilize the equipment. These additional costs caused the project estimate to forecast a loss for the entire project which was fully recognized during the current period under the percentage-of-completion method.

The Company s net interest expense for 2014 totaled $20.0 million compared with $21.9 million in 2013. The decrease is primarily due to lower interest expense associated with the Company s revolving credit facility during the current year.

Income tax expense in 2014 was a benefit of $11.5 million compared to a provision of $10.5 million in 2013. This $22.0 million change is attributable to a tax benefit related to liquidation of a domestic subsidiary which allowed the Company to claim a worthless stock deduction on its federal income tax return. The Company utilized part of the benefit to offset current year income and will carry forward the remainder as a net operating loss to offset future income. Accordingly, this benefit is characterized as a component of our continuing operations.

For the year ended December 31, 2014, net income from continuing operations was $20.7 million compared to $19.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. The increase in net income from continuing operations was largely attributable to an income tax benefit in the current year and a $15.1 million gain on the sale of real estate, as described above. Additionally, current year income from continuing operations includes a $2.2 million noncash bargain purchase gain recognized in the second quarter. These increases were partially offset by lower operating income and losses at our TerraSea joint venture for the year ended December 31, 2014.

Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations (as defined on page 44) was $77.1 million and $98.9 million for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. The decrease of $21.8 million, or 22.0%, is largely attributable to $13.4 million in proceeds from a loss of use claim received during the 2013 second quarter and $5.8 million of gains from the sales of underutilized assets in 2013. In 2014, the Company recorded $50.1 million of

depreciation and amortization expense that is included as a component of operating income, but is excluded for the purposes of calculating Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations. The depreciation and amortization expense recorded in 2013 was $46.6 million.

Results by segment

Dredging

Dredging revenues for the year ended December 31, 2014 were $697.7 million an increase of $55.1 million, or 8.6%, compared to $642.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. The increase was largely attributable higher domestic capital revenues, which included the port deepening project in Miami and a LNG project in Texas, and maintenance revenues, which included a large maintenance project in New York. Increases in foreign capital revenues from an LNG project in Australia also contributed to the overall increase.

Dredging segment gross profit in 2014 increased 6.0% to $90.3 million from $85.2 million in 2013, and dredging segment gross profit margin (dredging gross profit divided by dredging revenue) was 12.9% in 2014, consistent with 2013. The increase in dredging segment gross profit was driven by a greater amount of work during 2014 as compared to the prior year which was slightly offset by higher plant expenses associated with two dredges which were in dry dock during 2014, in addition to higher operating overhead costs compared to the full year in 2013. Further, 2014 gross profit was driven by completion of the Wheatstone LNG dredging project in Australia, which finished with strong contract margin commensurate with such a large and complex energy project. The strong margins on the Wheatstone LNG project in the second half of 2014 offset the negative margin impacts from our idle Middle East fleet during the first half of 2014.

Dredging segment operating income for 2014 decreased 24.0% to $41.6 million, from $54.7 million in 2013 due the receipt of $13.4 million in proceeds from the dredge *New York* loss of use claim and $5.8 million of gains from the sales of underutilized assets in 2013. These 2013 activities were slightly offset by the increase in segment gross profit described above.

Environmental & remediation

The environmental & remediation segment recorded revenues in 2014 of $114.4 million, a $19.6 million, or 20.7%, increase from $94.8 million in 2013. The increase is attributable to the acquisition of Magnus, which accounted for $15.3 million of revenue, during the fourth quarter of 2014 as well as a greater number of environmental & remediation projects for the year ended December 31, 2014, including large remediation projects in New Jersey and Michigan. Additionally, the environmental & remediation segment teamed with our dredging segment to work on a large lake project in Illinois during 2014.

Environmental & remediation segment gross profit was $2.2 million for year ended December 31, 2014, down $12.9 million, or 85.4% from $15.1 million in the year ended December 31, 2013, with a gross profit margin of 1.9% and 15.9%, respectively. The gross profit margin was impacted by a $4.3 million cost overrun due to a change in site conditions on one brownfield redevelopment project. The Company is currently working with the client to receive additional payment for a portion or all of these overruns. Additionally, the environmental & remediation segment experienced higher plant expenses, driven by investments in our expanded fleet of equipment. These additional costs offset the environmental & remediation segment s increased profit margins from higher fixed cost coverage during the first nine months of 2014.

Environmental & remediation segment operating loss was $17.8 million for 2014, compared to $3.3 million in 2013. This operating loss was driven by the lower segment gross profit described above.

Year Ended December 31, 2013 Compared to Year Ended December 31, 2012

Total revenue was $731.4 million in 2013, an increase of $143.0 million, or 24.3%, from 2012 total revenue of $588.4 million. The increase was largely attributable to the acquisition of our Terra business and higher coastal protection revenue, which included emergency and supplemental work as a result of Superstorm Sandy. Foreign capital dredging revenue contributed to the increase driven by significant projects in Qatar and Brazil as well as the Wheatstone LNG Project in Western Australia. The increases in total revenue were partially offset by

declines in domestic capital dredging, maintenance dredging, and river & lakes revenues. The Company categorizes revenue by service type to understand the market in which the Company operates and to assess how the Company is performing on bidding work or projects and is generating revenue from backlog.

Revenues from domestic capital dredging projects of $153.8 million in 2013 decreased $21.5 million, or 12.3%, from 2012 revenues of $175.3 million. The decrease in domestic capital dredging revenue was primarily attributable a greater amount of deepening work performed in New York and New Jersey in 2012 as well as a large project in Florida that did not reoccur in 2013. These decreases were partially offset by coastal restoration projects in Louisiana that added $78.7 million to domestic capital dredging revenue in the current year, compared to $58.4 million in the prior year. The preliminary stages of the PortMiami deepening project also contributed to revenue in 2013. In 2013, the Company earned 100% of its backlog carried forward from December 31, 2012.

Revenues from foreign dredging operations in 2013 totaled $138.4 million, an increase of $26.2 million, or 23.3%, from 2012 revenues of $112.2 million. Foreign dredging revenue was driven by a significant project in Qatar as well as mobilization and commencement of dredging activities for the Wheatstone LNG Project in Western Australia and a project in Brazil. These three contracts in our foreign operations comprise approximately 85% of the foreign dredging revenue earned.

Revenues from coastal protection projects of $228.9 million in 2013 increased $102.0 million, or 80.4%, from $126.9 million in 2012. The significant increase in coastal protection revenue is mainly attributable projects in New York and New Jersey, which included emergency work as well as supplemental work as a result of Superstorm Sandy. Additionally the Company worked on large beach projects in Florida, North Carolina and Delaware. The Company converted 90% of the backlog at December 31, 2012 to revenues during 2013. In 2012, less coastal protection projects were let to bid and those projects were awarded later in the year causing fewer days in which to earn revenue.

Revenues from maintenance dredging projects in 2013 were $90.8 million, a decrease of $47.1 million, or 34.1%, from $137.9 million in 2012. The Company performed a greater amount of harbor work in 2012 that was not repeated in 2013. Additionally, several large maintenance projects in Louisiana did not reoccur in 2013. The Company executed substantially all its backlog from 2012. The Company worked on projects in Florida, Maryland, Georgia and Tennessee.

Revenues from rivers & lakes projects were $30.7 million for 2013, a decrease of $5.2 million, or 14.5%, from $35.9 million in 2012. The decrease in rivers & lakes revenue was attributable to projects in Mississippi and along the Mississippi River that did not reoccur in 2013. During 2013, Rivers & lakes teamed with Terra on a remediation project in the Midwest and continued work on its large municipal lake project in Texas.

Consolidated gross profit for the year ended December 31, 2013 increased by $22.1 million, or 28.3%, to $100.3 million from $78.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. Gross profit margin (gross profit divided by revenue) for the full year 2013 was 13.7%, consistent with the prior year gross profit margin of 13.3%. Gross profit margin in 2013 was driven by our Wheatstone LNG Project in Australia and the addition of the Terra business in 2013 slightly offset by lower domestic capital dredging gross profit.

In May 2013, the Company concluded its litigation regarding the dredge New York loss of use claim. In January 2008, the Company filed suit against the *M/V Orange Sun* and her owners for damages incurred by the Company in connection with the allision in the approach channel to Port Newark, New Jersey. The Company received $13.4 million which is included in proceeds from loss of use claim in the consolidated statement of operations for the year ended December 31, 2013.

Operating income for the year ended December 31, 2013 was $51.4 million compared to $32.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. In addition to the higher gross profit described above, the higher operating income was driven by to the $13.4 million in proceeds from a loss of use claim, described above and $5.8 million

of gains from the sales of underutilized assets in 2013. These increases were partially offset by an increase in general and administrative expenses, specifically related to payroll, legal and professional and technical and consulting fees in 2013.

The Company s net interest expense for 2013 totaled $21.9 million compared with $20.9 million in 2012. The slight increase is primarily due to interest related to the Company s borrowings under the revolving credit facility.

Income tax expense in 2013 was $10.5 million compared to $5.4 million in 2012. This $5.1 million increase is primarily the result of the improved operating income in 2013. The effective tax rate for the year ended December 31, 2013 was 34.5% compared to 46.3% for the year ended December 31, 2012. The reduction in the effective tax rate is primarily attributable to additional benefits in 2013 from state income tax and research and development credits.

For the year ended December 31, 2013, net income from continuing operations was $19.9 million compared to net income from continuing operations of $6.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. This $13.6 million increase was primarily driven by the higher dredging operating income, as described above.

Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations (as defined on page 44) was $98.9 million and $74.7 million for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The increase of $24.2 million, or 32.4%, is related to the increase in dredging segment operating income described above. In 2013, the Company recorded $46.6 million of depreciation and amortization expense that is included as a component of operating income, but is excluded for the purposes of calculating Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations. The depreciation and amortization expense recorded in 2012 was $37.4 million. In 2013, the Company incurred $2.4 million of additional depreciation and amortization from the Terra business and $5.8 million of additional depreciation at the dredging segment for the capital expenditures from the prior year. During 2012, the Company incurred $4.7 million of accelerated maintenance expenses related to preparation of vessels for the Wheatstone project in Australia that are recognized in the Company s operating income. The Company does not frequently incur significant accelerated maintenance as a part of its international deployments. We have therefore excluded these accelerated maintenance expenses from the calculation of Adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations.

Results by segment

Dredging

Dredging revenues in 2013 were $642.6 million, a $54.4 million, 9.2% increase from $588.2 million in 2012. These increases were driven by higher coastal protection revenue, which included emergency and supplemental work as a result of Superstorm Sandy. Foreign capital dredging revenue contributed to the increase driven by significant projects in Qatar and Brazil as well as the Wheatstone LNG Project in Western Australia. The increases in total revenue were partially offset by declines in domestic capital dredging, maintenance dredging, and river & lakes revenues.

Dredging segment gross profit in 2013 increased 8.8% to $85.2 million from $78.3 million in 2012, and dredging segment gross profit margin (dredging gross profit divided by dredging revenue) was 13.3% in 2013, consistent with 2012. Gross profit margin was up primarily due to our Wheatstone LNG Project in Australia. This increase was partially offset by lower domestic capital dredging gross profit.

Dredging segment operating income for 2013 increased 66.2% to $54.7 million, from $32.9 million in 2012 due to the higher gross profit described above, the receipt of the proceeds from the dredge New York loss of use claim, as described below, and $5.8 million of gains in 2013 from the sales of underutilized assets. The increase in dredging segment operating income was partially offset by an increase in general and administrative expenses, specifically

related to payroll, legal and professional fees and technical and consulting fees in 2013.

Environmental & remediation

The environmental & remediation segment recorded revenues in 2013 of $94.8 million. Revenue was driven by our Terra business which did not operate as part of the Company prior to January 1, 2013. Environmental & remediation revenue also includes work performed on a large brownfield remediation project in New Jersey.

Environmental & remediation segment gross profit was $15.1 million in 2013 with a gross profit margin of 15.9%. The gross profit margin was mainly attributable to our acquisition of the Terra business which did not become part of the Company until the first quarter of 2013. During the year, the Company worked on two environment remediation projects with strong margins.

Environmental & remediation segment operating loss was $3.3 million for 2013. This loss was driven by general and administrative expenses of which $8.4 million related to the Terra business acquired on December 31, 2012.

Bidding Activity and Backlog

The following table sets forth, by segment and type of dredging work, the Company s backlog as of the dates indicated (in thousands):

	December 31, 2014	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Backlog			
Dredging:			
Capital U.S.	$ 135,801	$ 176,117	$ 43,177
Capital foreign	131,489	98,666	218,953
Coastal protection	211,101	143,498	80,245
Maintenance	25,108	70,633	22,406
Rivers & lakes	90,708	26,158	24,510
Dredging Backlog	594,207	515,072	389,291
Environmental & remediation	75,349*	28,330	31,006
Total Backlog	$ 669,556	$ 543,402	$ 420,297

* December 31, 2014 environmental & remediation backlog includes backlog acquired by the Company on November 4, 2014 in connection with the Magnus acquisition.
December 31, 2012 environmental & remediation backlog includes backlog acquired by the Company on December 31, 2012 in connection with the Terra acquisition.

The Company s contract backlog represents its estimate of the revenues that will be realized under the portion of the contracts remaining to be performed. For dredging contracts these estimates are based primarily upon the time and costs required to mobilize the necessary assets to and from the project site, the amount and type of material to be dredged and the expected production capabilities of the equipment performing the work. For environmental & remediation contracts, these estimates are based on the time and remaining costs required to complete the project relative to total estimated project costs and project revenues agreed to with the customer. However, these estimates are

necessarily subject to variances based upon actual circumstances. Because of these factors, as well as factors affecting the time required to complete each job, backlog is not always indicative of future revenues or profitability. Also, 60% of the Company s 2014 dredging backlog relates to federal government contracts, which can be canceled at any time without penalty to the government, subject to the Company s contractual right to recover the Company s actual committed costs and profit on work performed up to the date of cancellation. The Company s backlog may fluctuate significantly from quarter to quarter based upon the type and size of the projects the Company is awarded from the bid market. A quarterly increase or

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decrease of the Company s backlog does not necessarily result in an improvement or a deterioration of the Company s business. The Company s backlog includes only those projects for which the Company has obtained a signed contract with the customer.

Approximately 74% of the Company s backlog at December 31, 2014 is expected to be completed and converted to revenue in 2015.

Dredging

The 2014 domestic dredging bid market totaled $1,521.0 million, a 19.2% increase from the 2013 domestic dredging bid market of $1,276.1 million. The 2014 bid market increased from the prior year primarily due to additional coastal protection projects let for bid in the second half of 2014 to repair damaged shorelines in New York and New Jersey. The 2014 bid market also included the third and final phase of the PortMiami project, a large lake project in Illinois, a LNG project in Texas and a large beach project in the Gulf. Partially offsetting this increase were decreases in domestic capital market in the current year as the first two phases of the PortMiami project were awarded during 2013. The Company won 38% of the overall 2014 domestic bid market, below its 54% win rate of the overall 2013 domestic bid market. The Company s prior three-year average win rate is 46%. Variability in contract wins from period to period is not unusual. The Company believes trends in its win rate over the prior three year periods provide a historical background against which current year results can be compared.

The Company s December 31, 2014 contracted dredging backlog was $594.2 million. This represents an increase of $79.1 million, or 15.4%, over the Company s December 31, 2013 dredging backlog of $515.1 million. These amounts do not reflect approximately $113.5 million of domestic low bids pending formal award and additional phases (options) pending on projects currently in backlog. At December 31, 2013, the amount of domestic low bids pending award was $82.1 million. Backlog at December 31, 2014 includes two coastal protection projects totaling approximately $186 million which were awarded in the fourth quarter of 2014 as well as approximately $120 million for a project to deepen and widen the Suez Canal. A large lake project in Illinois in also contributes to the increase as compared to the prior year.

The Company won 33%, or $149.6 million, of the domestic capital dredging projects awarded in 2014. Significant new awards during the year include deepening projects in New York and on the Delaware River, along with a large LNG project in Texas, all of which will continue into 2015. Approximately $135.8 million, or 23%, of the Company s December 31, 2014 contracted dredging backlog consists of domestic capital dredging work, a substantial portion of which is expected to be performed in 2015. Domestic capital dredging backlog at December 31, 2014 was $40.3 million lower than the prior year. In December 2014, President Obama signed the 2015 spending bill which increases the Corps budget in 2015. Both the President and Congress continue to put a focus on the importance of our ports to the U.S. economy. Although the President s proposed fiscal year 2016 budget for dredging is disappointing, the Company anticipates that Congress will maintain its commitment to invest in our nation s infrastructure, including ports and dredging. The Company also anticipates an active bid market for coastal restoration work in the Gulf Coast over the next twelve months based on the State of Louisiana s robust budget for coastal protection projects.

Foreign capital dredging backlog increased to $131.5 million at December 31, 2014 from $98.7 million at the end of 2013. The increase in the Company s foreign backlog is a result of the award of a project to deepen and widen the Suez Canal in the fourth quarter of the current year. During 2014, the Company completed the majority of work on the Wheatstone LNG project, a project in Brazil and a project in Qatar. The Company will utilize our fleet in the Middle East on a project in Bahrain through the first quarter 2015 and on the Suez Canal deepening project in Egypt for the first nine months of 2015. Reclamation of land to support industry, population growth and tourism is continuing to expand the global need for dredging. The Middle East will continue to be a focused market for the Company, albeit

less concentrated as the Persian Gulf countries prioritize and rationalize their capital projects with the current lower price of oil in the global market. Liquefied natural gas (LNG)

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continues to expand globally and the Company is bidding dredging work required for the trenches, channels and ports needed for the construction of the advanced liquefaction and shipping plants. The Company will continue pursue ancillary work in Brazil and South America where we have positioned dredges and operate as a reputable regional provider. The Company expects these increases in global dredging to provide a continued source of future international revenue.

The Company won 44%, or $266.5 million, of the coastal protection projects awarded in 2014. A majority of coastal protection projects won during 2014 were for communities in Florida as well as beaches on the New York and New Jersey coast as a result of Superstorm Sandy which caused damage to a wide area of private and public infrastructure including severe erosion in many beachfront communities. The Company has contracted dredging backlog related to coastal protection of $211.1 million at December 31, 2014 compared to $143.5 million at the end of 2013. The Company expects another large project to repair damaged shorelines in New Jersey be let for bid in 2015. The announcement of a new coastal community caucus, and the release of important coastal studies, like the Corps Sandy comprehensive study, should bode well for the long anticipated national discussion on funding for protecting America s coastline.

The Company won 18%, or $59.3 million, of the maintenance dredging projects awarded in 2014. The maintenance dredging bid market for the year ended December 31, 2014 was down slightly compared to the prior year as several large maintenance projects in New York, New Jersey and Texas were awarded in 2013. The Company was awarded four harbor maintenance projects during the year which included Wilmington Harbor as well as three harbors in Florida totaling $37.3 million. The Company s contracted maintenance dredging backlog at December 31, 2014 of $25.1 million is $45.5 million lower than the backlog of $70.6 million at December 31, 2013. The *Water Resources Reform and Development Act* (WRRDA) calls for full use of Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund (HMTF) for maintenance of ports and waterways within ten years. As noted above, President Obama signed the 2015 spending bill which not only increases the Corps budget in 2015 but also includes the incremental increase in HMTF funding as called for in WRRDA. With the mandate to utilize the taxes collected on imports to U.S. ports for their intended purpose of maintaining future access to the waterways and ports that support our nation s economy, the Company expects the Corps to substantially increase the projects let to bid for maintenance projects in the fiscal year 2015.

The Company won 65%, or $94.5 million, of the rivers & lakes projects in the markets where the group operates. The company has contracted dredging backlog related to rivers & lakes of $90.7 million at December 31, 2014 which is $64.6 million more than the backlog at December 31, 2013. This increase was driven by the $89.0 million project on Lake Decatur in Illinois which was awarded in the first quarter of 2014. The Company continued to earn on projects in its backlog, including the Lake Decatur project as well as river projects in Nebraska and Mississippi and a private company project in Florida. Increased rainfall in the first half of 2014 which deposited additional sediment into the Mississippi River and allocation of resources from the Corps to other projects have left a backlog of projects to let from the government to maintain optimal navigation on this important waterway.

Environmental & remediation

Environmental & remediation segment backlog was $75.3 million and $28.3 million at December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively, an increase of $47.0 million year over year. The increase was driven by the acquisition of Magnus during the fourth quarter of 2014 which added $53.9 million to backlog at December 31, 2014. During 2014, the Company was awarded a large environment remediation project in Michigan. Environmental & remediation earned revenue on this project during the year along with work on the large remediation project in New Jersey.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

The Company s principal sources of liquidity are net cash flows provided by operating activities, borrowings under the Company s revolving credit facility and proceeds from issuances of long term debt. See

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Note 8 in the Company s consolidated financial statements. The Company s principal uses of cash are to meet debt service requirements, finance capital expenditures, provide working capital and other general corporate purposes.

The Company s net cash provided by operating activities of continuing operations for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 totaled $67.2 million, $86.3 million and $19.7 million, respectively. Normal increases or decreases in the level of working capital relative to the level of operational activity impact cash flow from operating activities. In 2014, the decrease in cash provided by operating activities was primarily the result of lower adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations and an increase in working capital as compared to the prior year. The increase in cash provided by operating activities for the year ended December 31, 2013 as compared to 2012 was primarily the result of higher adjusted EBITDA from continuing operations and the recovery of investment in working capital on two significant projects as compared to the same period in the prior year. During 2012, the Company invested nearly $60 million in working capital on these two projects.

The Company s net cash flows used in investing activities of continuing operations for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 totaled $122.0 million, $46.1 million and $61.9 million, respectively. Investing activities in all periods primarily relate to normal course upgrades and capital maintenance of the Company s dredging fleet. During the year ended December 31, 2014, the Company acquired Magnus Pacific Corporation for which the Company paid $25 million at closing. Additionally, the Company spent $44.3 million on construction in progress for a vessel being built to our specifications. Comparatively, the Company spent $17.1 million and $10.4 million on construction in progress for this vessel for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. In 2013, net cash used in investing activities was lower as the Company received $6.7 million for the sale of two vessels during the year as well as $13.6 million when the Company drew upon a vendor performance obligation related to a vessel construction contract. During the year ended December 31, 2012, capital expenditures included the overhaul of engines on the dredge *Alaska* which accounted for $5.5 million, the construction of a semi-permanent pipeline for $13.7 million and the purchase of a storage yard for $6.4 million.

The Company s net cash flows provided by (used in) financing activities of continuing operations for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012 totaled $35.1 million, $22.5 million and $(23.0) million, respectively. During November 2014, the Company entered into a new senior secured term loan facility for an aggregate principal amount of $47.4 million as well as issued an additional $25 million of its 7.375% senior notes. The Company paid down borrowings on the senior revolving credit facility, slightly offsetting the increases in cash flows provided by financing activities noted above. Cash flows provided by financing activities during 2013 were primarily due to net borrowings of $35 million on the Company s revolving credit facility, slightly offset by payment of $10.5 million on a promissory note related to the Terra acquisition. For the year ended December 31, 2012, the Company paid dividends of $18.6 million. No dividends were paid in 2014 or 2013.

On June 4, 2012, the Company entered into a senior revolving credit agreement (the Credit Agreement) with certain financial institutions from time to time party thereto as lenders, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Administrative Agent, Swingline Lender and an Issuing Lender, Bank of America, N.A., as Syndication Agent and PNC Bank, National Association, BMO Harris Bank N.A. and Fifth Third Bank, as Co-Documentation Agents. The Credit Agreement, as subsequently amended, provides for a senior revolving credit facility in an aggregate principal amount of up to $210 million, multicurrency borrowings up to a $50 million sublimit and swingline loans up to a $10 million sublimit. The Credit Agreement also includes an incremental loans feature that will allow the Company to increase the senior revolving credit facility by an aggregate principal amount of up to $15 million. This is subject to lenders providing incremental commitments for such increase, provided that no default or event of default exists, and the Company being in pro forma compliance with the existing financial covenants, both before and after giving effect to the increase, and subject to other standard conditions.

On September 15, 2014, the Company entered into the fifth amendment (the Fifth Amendment) to the Credit Agreement which exercised a portion of the incremental loans feature of the Credit Agreement that allowed the Company to increase the aggregate revolving commitment. The Fifth Amendment further amended the Credit Agreement so that the Credit Agreement will remain secured and collateralized by perfected liens on certain of the Company s vessels and its domestic accounts receivable, subject to permitted liens and prior interests of other parties. In addition, Zurich American Insurance Company, the Company s surety provider, secured permitted second mortgages on the same vessels securing the obligations under the Credit Agreement.

On November 4, 2014, the Company entered into the sixth amendment (Sixth Amendment) to the Company s senior revolving credit facility dated June 4, 2012 with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as administrative agent, and the other lenders party thereto, as amended. The Sixth Amendment amends the Credit Agreement to permit the entrance into the Term Loan Facility (see below) and incurrence of liens securing the Term Loan Facility, subject to certain restrictions and conditions; permit voluntary prepayments of the Term Loan Facility so long as, after giving effect to any such voluntary prepayment, the Company s total leverage ratio is less than or equal to 3.00 to 1.00 and its fixed charge coverage ratio is greater than or equal to 1.25 to 1.00; permit the acquisition of Magnus Pacific (See Note 16) without diminishing the amount currently available under the Credit Agreement for additional Permitted Acquisitions (as defined in the Credit Agreement);exclude the potential earnout obligation of the Company in connection with the acquisition of Magnus Pacific Corporation of up to $11.4 million from Indebtedness (as defined in the Credit Agreement) and the total leverage ratio under the Credit Agreement; and permit the issuance of up to an additional $50 million in aggregate principal amount of the Company s currently outstanding 7.375% senior notes due 2019.

As of December 31, 2014, the Company had no borrowings and $159.9 million of letters of credit outstanding, resulting in $50.1 million of availability under the Credit Agreement.

Depending on the Company s consolidated leverage ratio (as defined in the Credit Agreement), borrowings under the new revolving credit facility will bear interest at the option of the Company of either a LIBOR rate plus a margin of between 1.50% to 2.50% per annum or a base rate plus a margin of between 0.50% to 1.50% per annum.

The new credit facility contains affirmative, negative and financial covenants customary for financings of this type. The Credit Agreement also contains customary events of default (including non-payment of principal or interest on any material debt and breaches of covenants) as well as events of default relating to certain actions by the Company s surety bonding provider. The Credit Agreement requires the Company to maintain a net leverage ratio less than or equal to 4.50 to 1.00 as of the end of each fiscal quarter and a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio of 1.25 to 1.00.

On September 15, 2014, the Company terminated its $24 million international letter of credit facility with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as successor by merger to Wells Fargo HSBC Trade Bank, as amended. On the date of termination, there were no letters of credit or other indebtedness outstanding under this facility, and the loan documents providing for the facility, and the liens and security interests securing it, were terminated and released.

On November 4, 2014, the Company entered into a new senior secured term loan facility consisting of a term loan in an aggregate principal amount of $50 million (the Term Loan Facility) pursuant to a Loan and Security Agreement (the Loan Agreement) by and among, the lenders party thereto from time to time and Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent. Pursuant to the term loan, the Company borrowed an aggregate principal amount of $47.4 million. The proceeds from the Term Loan Facility will be used for the working capital and general corporate purposes of the Company, including to repay borrowings under the Credit Agreement made to finance the construction of the Company s ATB.

The Term Loan Facility has a term of five years. The borrowings under the Term Loan Facility bear interest at a fixed rate of 4.655% per annum. If an event of default occurs under the Loan Agreement, the interest rate will increase by 2.00% per annum during the continuance of such event of default.

The Term Loan Facility provides for monthly amortization payments, payable in arrears, commencing on December 4, 2014, at an annual amount of (i) approximately 10% of the principal amount of the Term Loan Facility during the first two years of the term, (ii) approximately 20% of the principal amount of the Term Loan Facility during the third and fourth years of the term, and (iii) approximately 25% of the principal amount of the Term Loan Facility during the final year of the term, with the remainder due on the maturity date of the facility. In addition, the Company has usual and customary mandatory prepayment provisions and may optionally prepay the Term Loan Facility in whole or in part at any time, subject to a minimum prepayment amount.

The Loan Agreement includes customary representations, affirmative and negative covenants and events of default for financings of this type and includes the same financial covenants that are currently set forth in the Credit Agreement.

Performance and bid bonds are customarily required for dredging and marine construction projects, as well as some environmental & remediation projects. The Company has a bonding agreement with Zurich American Insurance Company (Zurich) under which the Company can obtain performance, bid and payment bonds. The Company also has outstanding bonds with Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America. Bid bonds are generally obtained for a percentage of bid value and amounts outstanding typically range from $1 million to $10 million. At December 31, 2014, the Company had outstanding performance bonds valued at approximately $1,049.3 million of which $49.0 million relates to projects accounted for in discontinued operations. The revenue value remaining in backlog related to the projects of continuing operations totaled approximately $357.4 million. December 31, 2014.

In connection with the sale of our historical demolition business, the Company was obligated to keep in place the surety bonds on pending demolition projects for the period required under the respective contract for a project.

In January 2011, the Company issued $250 million in aggregate principal amount of its 7.375% senior notes due February 1, 2019. Approximately $180 million of the net proceeds from the original issuance of the senior notes was used to prepay all of the Company s 7.75% senior subordinated notes due December 2013, including prepayment premiums and accrued and unpaid interest. In November 2014, the Company issued an additional $25 million in aggregate principal amount of its 7.375% senior notes due February 1, 2019. The proceeds from this issuance was used to repay indebtedness incurred under out senior secured revolving credit facility in connection with the acquisition of Magnus Pacific Corporation, and for general corporate purposes. The indenture governing the senior notes, among other things, limits the ability of the Company and its restricted subsidiaries to (i) pay dividends, or make certain other restricted payments or investments; (ii) incur additional indebtedness and issue disqualified stock; (iii) create liens on its assets; (iv) transfer and sell assets; (v) merge, consolidate or sell all or substantially all of its assets; (vi) enter into certain transactions with affiliates; (vii) create restrictions on dividends or other payments by its restricted subsidiaries and (viii) create guarantees of indebtedness by restricted subsidiaries. These covenants are subject to a number of important limitations and exceptions that are described in the indenture governing the senior notes.

The Company paid dividends of $3.7 million through the first three quarters of 2012. In the fourth quarter of 2012, the board of directors paid a special dividend of $14.9 million representing quarterly dividends that likely would have been declared in the fourth quarter 2012 as well as the acceleration of dividends for the four quarters of 2013 plus an additional return of capital. The future declaration and payment of dividends will be at the discretion of the Company s board of directors and will depend on many factors, including general economic and business conditions, the Company s strategic plans, its financial results and condition and legal requirements, including restrictions and

limitations contained in the Credit Agreement, bonding agreement and the indenture

relating to its senior notes. Accordingly, the Company cannot make any assurances as to the size of any such dividend or that it will pay any such dividend in future quarters.

The impact of changes in functional currency exchange rates against the U.S. dollar on non-U.S. dollar cash balances, primarily the Australian Dollar and the Brazilian Real, is reflected in the cumulative translation adjustment net within accumulated other comprehensive income (loss). Cash held in non-U.S. dollar currencies primarily is used for project-related and other operating costs in those currencies reducing the Company s exposure to future realized exchange gains and losses.

The Company believes its cash and cash equivalents, its anticipated cash flows from operations and availability under its revolving credit facility will be sufficient to fund the Company s operations, capital expenditures and the scheduled debt service requirements for the next twelve months. Beyond the next twelve months, the Company s ability to fund its working capital needs, planned capital expenditures, scheduled debt payments and dividends, if any, and to comply with all the financial covenants under the Credit Agreement and bonding agreement, depends on its future operating performance and cash flows, which in turn, are subject to prevailing economic conditions and to financial, business and other factors, some of which are beyond the Company s control.

Contractual Obligations

The following table summarizes the Company s contractual cash obligations at December 31, 2014. Additional information related to these obligations can be found in Note 8 and Note 13 to the Company s consolidated financial statements.

	Obligations coming due in year(s) ending:				
	Total (1)	**2015**	**2016-2018**	**2019-2021**	**2022 and beyond**
			(in millions)		
Equipment notes payable (2)	$ 3.0	$ 0.8	$ 2.2	$	$
Senior notes (3)	357.8	20.3	60.8	276.7	
Notes payable (4)	64.1	7.3	39.9	16.9	
Unconditional purchase commitments (5)	84.0	48.1	35.9		
Operating lease commitments	100.7	23.6	52.7	20.1	4.3
Total	$ 609.6	$ 100.1	$ 191.5	$ 313.7	$ 4.3

(1) Excluded from the above table are $0.5 million in liabilities for uncertain tax positions for which the period of settlement is not determinable.
(2) Represents principal and interest on six capital equipment leases.
(3) Includes cash interest payments calculated at stated fixed rate of 7.375%.
(4) Represents the principal on the Term Loan Facility, Magnus promissory note and one capital building lease and all corresponding interest payments.
(5) Includes payments for vessels being built to Company specifications and other contract related commitments.

Other Off-Balance Sheet and Contingent Obligations

The Company had outstanding letters of credit relating to foreign contract guarantees and insurance payment liabilities totaling $159.9 million at December 31, 2014. The Company has granted liens on a substantial portion of its owned operating equipment as security for borrowings under its Credit Agreement and other indebtedness.

The Company finances certain key vessels, office space, and other equipment used in its operations with off-balance sheet operating lease arrangements with unrelated lessors, requiring annual rentals of $23.6 million which decline to $4.3 million over the next nine years subject to future lease arrangements. These off-balance sheet leases contain default provisions, which are triggered by an acceleration of debt maturity under the terms of the Company s Credit Agreement. Additionally, the leases typically contain provisions whereby the Company indemnifies the lessors for the tax treatment attributable to such leases based on the tax rules in place at lease inception. The tax indemnifications do not have a contractual dollar limit. To date, no lessors have asserted any claims against the Company under these tax indemnification provisions.

At December 31, 2014, the Company had outstanding performance bonds with a notional amount of $1,049.3 million of which $49.0 million relates to projects accounted for in discontinued operations. The revenue value remaining in backlog related to the projects of continuing operations totaled $357.4 million. In connection with the sale of our historical demolition business, the Company was obligated to keep in place the surety bonds on pending demolition projects for the period required under the respective contract for a project.

Certain foreign projects performed by the Company have warranty periods, typically spanning no more than three to five years beyond project completion, whereby the Company retains responsibility to maintain the project site to certain specifications during the warranty period. Generally, any potential liability of the Company is mitigated by insurance, shared responsibilities with consortium partners, and/or recourse to owner-provided specifications.

The Company considers it unlikely that it would have to perform under any of the aforementioned contingent obligations, other than operating leases.

Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

A significant portion of the Company s current dredging operations are conducted outside of the U.S., primarily in the Middle East and Brazil. It is the Company s policy to hedge foreign currency exchange risk on contracts denominated in currencies other than the U.S. dollar, if available. Currently, the majority of the Company s foreign dredging work is in the Middle East. The currency in Bahrain, the Bahraini Dinar, is linked to the U.S. dollar; therefore, there is no foreign currency exposure on these transactions. The Company received a portion of a contract in Egyptian Pounds, but expects to utilize this currency for local expenses, minimizing its foreign currency exposure to the Company. Additionally, there are no current contracts in Brazil that present any foreign currency exposure. At December 31, 2014, the Company had no foreign exchange forward contracts outstanding.

At December 31, 2014, the Company had long-term senior notes outstanding with a recorded face value of $275.0 million. The fair value of these existing notes, which bear interest at a fixed rate of 7.375%, was $280.5 million at December 31, 2014 based on market prices. Assuming a 10% decrease in interest rates from the rates at December 31, 2014 the fair value of this fixed rate debt would have increased to $290.9 million.

A significant operating cost for the Company is diesel fuel, which represents approximately 10% of the Company s costs of contract revenues. The Company uses fuel commodity forward contracts, typically with durations of less than one year, to reduce the impacts of changing fuel prices on operations. The Company does not purchase fuel hedges for trading purposes. Based on the Company s 2015 projected domestic fuel consumption, a 10% increase in the average price per gallon of fuel would have an immaterial effect on fuel expense, after the effect of fuel commodity contracts in place at December 31, 2014. At December 31, 2014 the Company had outstanding arrangements to hedge the price of a portion of its fuel purchases related to domestic dredging work in backlog, representing approximately 80% of its anticipated domestic fuel requirements through September 2015. As of December 31, 2014, there were 6.5 million gallons remaining on these contracts. Under these agreements, the Company will pay fixed prices ranging from $2.08

to $3.01 per gallon. At December 31, 2014, the fair value liability on these contracts was estimated to be $3.0 million, based on quoted market prices and is recorded in accrued expenses. A 10% change in forward fuel prices would result in an immaterial change in the fair value of fuel hedges outstanding at December 31, 2014.

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Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

The consolidated financial statements (including financial statement schedules listed under Item 15 of this Report) of the Company called for by this Item, together with the Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm dated March 6, 2015, are set forth on pages 66 to 107 inclusive, of this Report, and are hereby incorporated by reference into this Item. Financial statement schedules not included in this Report have been omitted because they are not applicable or because the information called for is shown in the consolidated financial statements or notes thereto.

Quarterly Results of Operations (Unaudited)

The following tables set forth our unaudited quarterly results of operations for 2014 and 2013. We have prepared this unaudited information on a basis consistent with the audited consolidated financial statements contained in this report and this unaudited information includes all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring adjustments that we consider necessary for a fair presentation of our results of operations for the quarters presented. You should read this quarterly financial data along with the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and the related notes to those statements included in our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q filed with the Commission. The operating results for any quarter are not necessarily indicative of the results for the annual period or any future period.

	Quarter Ended			
	March 31,	**June 30,**	**September 30,**	**December 31,**
	Unaudited (dollars in millions except shares in thousands and per share data)			
2014				
Contract revenues	$ 174.4	$ 184.7	$ 202.2	$ 245.5
Costs of contract revenues	(153.4)	(158.5)	(177.7)	(224.7)
Gross profit	20.9	26.2	24.5	20.9
General and administrative expenses	(17.9)	(15.9)	(16.1)	(18.0)
Loss on sale of assets net	(0.2)		(0.4)	(0.1)
Operating income	2.8	10.3	8.0	2.8
Interest expense net	(5.0)	(5.0)	(4.7)	(5.3)
Equity in earnings (loss) of joint ventures	(1.8)	(1.4)	(5.8)	11.9
Gain on bargain purchase acquisition		2.2		
Other income (expense)			0.4	(0.2)
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	(4.0)	6.1	(2.1)	9.2
Income tax provision	1.5	(2.1)	1.1	11.0
Income from continuing operations	(2.5)	4.0	(1.0)	20.2
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	(2.7)	(5.3)	(1.1)	(1.3)
	$ (5.2)	$ (1.3)	$ (2.1)	$ 18.9

Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation								
Basic earnings per share attributable to income from continuing operations	$	(0.04)	$	0.07	$	(0.02)	$	0.34
Basic loss per share attributable to loss on discontinued operations, net of income taxes		(0.05)		(0.09)		(0.02)		(0.02)
Basic earnings (loss) per share attributable to common stockholders of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation	$	(0.09)	$	(0.02)	$	(0.03)	$	0.31
Basic weighted average shares		59.7		59.9		60.0		60.1
Diluted earnings per share attributable to income from continuing operations	$	(0.04)	$	0.07	$	(0.02)	$	0.34
Diluted loss per share attributable to loss on discontinued operations, net of income taxes		(0.05)		(0.09)		(0.02)		(0.02)
Diluted earnings (loss) per share attributable to common stockholders of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation	$	(0.09)	$	(0.02)	$	(0.03)	$	0.31
Diluted weighted average shares		59.7		60.5		60.0		60.7

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	Quarter Ended			
	March 31,	June 30,	September 30,	December 31,
	Unaudited (dollars in millions except shares in thousands and per share data)			
2013				
Contract revenues	$ 180.2	$ 147.1	$ 187.9	$ 216.3
Costs of contract revenues	(149.4)	(133.4)	(160.0)	(188.3)
Gross profit	30.7	13.8	27.8	28.0
General and administrative expenses	(16.2)	(15.3)	(17.1)	(19.3)
Proceeds from loss of use claim		13.3		0.1
Gain (loss) on sale of assets net		(0.1)	3.2	(2.6)
Operating income	14.5	11.6	13.9	11.3
Interest expense net	(5.7)	(5.4)	(5.5)	(5.3)
Equity in earnings (loss) of joint ventures	(0.6)	(0.4)	1.4	0.8
Other income (expense)		(0.3)	(0.2)	0.1
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	8.2	5.6	9.6	6.9
Income tax provision	(3.5)	(4.1)	(0.7)	(2.1)
Income from continuing operations	4.7	1.5	8.9	4.7
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	(4.3)	(26.7)	(7.6)	(16.2)
Net income (loss)	0.4	(25.2)	1.3	(11.5)
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests		0.0	0.1	0.5
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation	$ 0.4	$ (25.2)	$ 1.4	$ (11.0)
Basic earnings per share attributable to income from continuing operations (1)	$ 0.08	$ 0.02	$ 0.15	$ 0.08
Basic loss per share attributable to loss on discontinued operations, net of income taxes	(0.07)	(0.45)	(0.13)	(0.27)
Basic earnings (loss) per share attributable to common stockholders of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation	$ 0.01	$ (0.42)	$ 0.02	$ (0.19)
Basic weighted average shares	59.4	59.4	59.5	59.6
Diluted earnings per share attributable to income from continuing operations (1)	$ 0.08	$ 0.02	$ 0.15	$ 0.08
Diluted loss per share attributable to loss on discontinued operations, net of income taxes	(0.07)	(0.45)	(0.13)	(0.27)

Diluted earnings (loss) per share attributable to common stockholders of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation	$	0.01	$	(0.42)	$	0.02	$	(0.19)
Diluted weighted average shares		60.0		59.4		60.1		60.3

Note: Items may not sum due to rounding.

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Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements With Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

None.

Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

Disclosure Controls and Procedures.

a) Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures

Our management, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, evaluated the effectiveness of the Company s disclosure controls and procedures, as required by Rule 13a-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act) as of December 31, 2014. Our disclosure controls and procedures are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act a) is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding disclosure and b) is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission s rules and forms.

Based on that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer have concluded that the Company s disclosure controls and procedures, as designed and implemented, were effective as of December 31, 2014. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a control system, no matter how well designed, implemented and operated can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that it will detect or uncover failures within the Company to disclose material information otherwise required to be set forth in the Company s periodic reports.

b) Changes in internal control over financial reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Exchange Act) during the fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2014 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

c) Management s annual report on internal control over financial reporting

The management of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f), and 15d-15(f) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934). Management has used the framework set forth in the report entitled *Internal Control Integrated Framework* (2013) published by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) to evaluate the effectiveness of the Company s internal control over financial reporting.

The Company completed the acquisition of Magnus Pacific Corporation on November 4, 2014. Since the Company has not fully incorporated the internal controls and procedures of this business into the Company s internal control over financial reporting, management excluded this business from its assessment of the effectiveness of the Company s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2014. As of December 31, 2014, the Magnus business constitutes approximately 6% and 10% of the Company s total and net assets, respectively, and given the date of acquisition, contributed approximately 2% of the Company s revenues in 2014.

The phrase internal control over financial reporting refers to the process designed by, or under the supervision of, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, and overseen by our Board of Directors, management and other personnel, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and includes those policies and procedures that:

Pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the Company;

Provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with general accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the Company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the Company; and

Provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the Company s assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Neither internal control over financial reporting nor disclosure controls and procedures can provide absolute assurance of achieving financial reporting objectives because of their inherent limitations. Internal control over financial reporting and disclosure controls are processes that involve human diligence and compliance, and are subject to lapses in judgment and breakdowns resulting from human failures. Internal control over financial reporting and disclosure controls also can be circumvented by collusion or improper management override. Because of such limitations, there is a risk that material misstatements may not be prevented, detected or reported on a timely basis by internal control over financial reporting or disclosure controls. However, these inherent limitations are known features of the financial reporting process. Therefore, it is possible to design safeguards for these processes that will reduce, although may not eliminate, these risks.

Our independent registered public accounting firm, Deloitte & Touche LLP, who audited Great Lakes consolidated financial statements included in this Form 10-K, has issued a report on Great Lakes internal control over financial reporting, which is included herein.

Management has concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2014.

/s/ Jonathan W. Berger
Jonathan W. Berger
Chief Executive Officer and Director

/s/ Mark W. Marinko
Mark W. Marinko
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

March 6, 2015

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of

Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation

Oak Brook, Illinois

We have audited the internal control over financial reporting of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation and subsidiaries (the Company) as of December 31, 2014, based on criteria established in Internal Control Integrated Framework (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. As described in Management s Annual Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting, management excluded from its assessment the internal control over financial reporting at Magnus Pacific Corporation, which was acquired on November 4, 2014 and whose financial statements constitute approximately 6% and 10% of the Company s total and net assets, respectively, and given the date of acquisition, contributed approximately 2% of the Company s revenues of the consolidated financial statement amounts as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014. Accordingly, our audit did not include the internal control over financial reporting at Magnus Pacific Corporation. The Company s management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management s Annual Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company s internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit 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 effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company s internal control over financial reporting is a process designed by, or under the supervision of, the company s principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, and effected by the company s board of directors, management, and other personnel to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company s internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company s assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of the inherent limitations of internal control over financial reporting, including the possibility of collusion or improper management override of controls, material misstatements due to error or fraud may not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. Also, projections of any evaluation of the effectiveness of the internal control over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that the controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2014, based on the criteria established in Internal Control   Integrated Framework (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014, of the Company and our report dated March 6, 2015 expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements and financial statement schedule.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP

Chicago, Illinois

March 6, 2015

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Item 9B. Other Information
None.

Part III

Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance
Information regarding our executive officers is incorporated by reference herein from the discussion under *Item 1. Business Executive Officers* in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Code of Ethics

The Company has adopted a written code of business conduct and ethics that applies to all of its employees, including its principal executive officer, principal financial officer, controller, and persons performing similar functions. The Company s code of ethics can be found on its website at www.gldd.com. The Company will post on our website any amendments to or waivers of the code of business conduct and ethics for executive officers or directors, in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

The remaining information called for by this Item 10 is incorporated by reference herein from the discussions under the headings Election of Directors, Board of Directors and Corporate Governance and Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance in the definitive Proxy Statement for the 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

Item 11. Executive Compensation
The information required by Item 11 of Form 10-K is incorporated by reference herein from the discussions under the headings Executive Compensation Tables and Compensation Discussion and Analysis and Board of Directors and Corporate Governance in the definitive Proxy Statement for the 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management Related Stockholder Matters
The information required by Item 12 of Form 10-K is incorporated by reference herein from the discussion under the heading Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Equity Compensation Plan Information in our definitive Proxy Statement for the 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence
The information required by Item 13 of Form 10-K is incorporated by reference herein from the discussions under the headings Board of Directors and Corporate Governance and Change of Control of the Company and Certain Relationships and Related Transactions in the definitive Proxy Statement for the 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

Item 14. Principal Accounting Fees and Services

The information required by Item 14 of Form 10-K is incorporated by reference herein from the discussion under the heading Matters Related to Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm in the definitive Proxy Statement for the 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

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Part IV

Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules
(a) Documents filed as part of this report

1. Financial Statements

The financial statements are set forth on pages 66 to 107 of this Report and are incorporated by reference in Item 8 of this Report.

2. Financial Statement Schedules

All other schedules, except Schedule II Valuation and Qualifying Accounts on page 108, are omitted because they are not required or the required information is shown in the financial statements or notes thereto.

3. Exhibits

The exhibits required to be filed by Item 601 of Regulation S-K are listed in the Exhibit Index which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

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GREAT LAKES DREDGE & DOCK CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of

Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation

Oak Brook, Illinois

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation and subsidiaries (the Company) as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income (loss), equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2014. Our audits also included the financial statement schedule listed in the Index at Item 15. These financial statements and financial statement schedule are the responsibility of the Company s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and financial statement schedule 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. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2014, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also, in our opinion, such financial statement schedule, when considered in relation to the basic consolidated financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the Company s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2014, based on the criteria established in Internal Control Integrated Framework (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated March 6, 2015, expressed an unqualified opinion on the Company s internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP

Chicago, Illinois

March 6, 2015

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GREAT LAKES DREDGE & DOCK CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Balance Sheets

As of December 31, 2014 and 2013

(in thousands, except per share amounts)

	2014	2013
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 42,389	$ 75,338
Accounts receivable net	113,188	96,515
Contract revenues in excess of billings	82,557	67,432
Inventories	34,735	32,500
Prepaid expenses	4,708	4,211
Other current assets	64,667	39,953
Assets held for sale		45,104
Total current assets	342,244	361,053
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT Net	399,445	345,620
GOODWILL	86,326	79,326
OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS Net	8,963	1,976
INVENTORIES Noncurrent	36,262	38,496
INVESTMENTS IN JOINT VENTURES	7,889	8,256
ASSETS HELD FOR SALE Noncurrent		8,856
OTHER	12,105	9,062
TOTAL	$ 893,234	$ 852,645
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	$ 119,971	$ 116,121
Accrued expenses	70,041	38,531
Billings in excess of contract revenues	4,639	6,754
Current portion of long term debt	5,859	
Liabilities held for sale		32,493
Total current liabilities	200,510	193,899
7 3/8% SENIOR NOTES	274,880	250,000
REVOLVING CREDIT FACILITY		35,000
NOTES PAYABLE	49,497	
DEFERRED INCOME TAXES	92,007	108,511
LIABILITIES HELD FOR SALE Noncurrent		1,212
OTHER	20,377	21,922

Total liabilities	637,271	610,544
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Note 13)		
EQUITY:		
Common stock $.0001 par value; 90,000 authorized, 60,170 and 59,670 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively.	6	6
Additional paid-in capital	278,166	275,183
Accumulated deficit	(21,475)	(31,770)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(734)	(473)
Total Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation equity	255,963	242,946
NONCONTROLLING INTERESTS		(845)
Total equity	255,963	242,101
TOTAL	$ 893,234	$ 852,645

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation and Subsidiaries

Consolidated Statements of Operations

For the Years Ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012

(in thousands, except per share amounts)

	2014	2013	2012
CONTRACT REVENUES	$ 806,831	$ 731,418	$ 588,430
COSTS OF CONTRACT REVENUES	714,335	631,123	510,272
GROSS PROFIT	92,496	100,295	78,158
OPERATING EXPENSES:			
GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	67,911	68,039	45,723
PROCEEDS FROM LOSS OF USE CLAIM		(13,372)	
(GAIN) LOSS ON SALE OF ASSETS Net	732	(5,773)	(198)
Total operating income	23,853	51,401	32,633
OTHER EXPENSE:			
Interest expense net	(19,967)	(21,941)	(20,925)
Equity in earnings of joint ventures	2,895	1,208	124
Gain on bargain purchase acquisition	2,197		
Other income (expense)	210	(351)	(118)
Total other expense	(14,665)	(21,084)	(20,919)
INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS BEFORE INCOME TAXES	9,188	30,317	11,714
INCOME TAX (PROVISION) BENEFIT	11,530	(10,460)	(5,419)
INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	20,718	19,857	6,295
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	(10,423)	(54,850)	(9,635)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	10,295	(34,993)	(3,340)
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest		632	645
NET INCOME (LOSS) ATTRIBUTABLE TO COMMON STOCKHOLDERS OF GREAT LAKES DREDGE & DOCK CORPORATION	$ 10,295	$ (34,361)	$ (2,695)
Basic earnings per share attributable to income from continuing operations	$ 0.35	$ 0.33	$ 0.11
Basic loss per share attributable to loss on discontinued operations, net of income taxes	(0.17)	(0.91)	(0.15)
	$ 0.18	$ (0.58)	$ (0.04)

Basic earnings (loss) per share attributable to common stockholders of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation			
Basic weighted average shares	59,938	59,495	59,195
Diluted earnings per share attributable to income from continuing operations	$ 0.34	$ 0.33	$ 0.11
Diluted loss per share attributable to loss on discontinued operations, net of income taxes	(0.17)	(0.90)	(0.15)
Diluted earnings (loss) per share attributable to common stockholders of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation	$ 0.17	$ (0.57)	$ (0.04)
Diluted weighted average shares	60,522	60,101	59,673

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation and Subsidiaries

Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss)

For the Years Ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012

(in thousands)

	2014	2013	2012
Net income (loss)	$ 10,295	$ (34,993)	$ (3,340)
Currency translation adjustment net of tax (1)	(62)	(397)	(6)
Net unrealized (gain) loss on derivatives net of tax (2)	(199)	304	(377)
Other comprehensive loss net of tax	(261)	(93)	(383)
Comprehensive income (loss)	10,034	(35,086)	(3,723)
Comprehensive loss attributable to noncontrolling interests		632	645
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation	$ 10,034	$ (34,454)	$ (3,078)

(1) Net of income tax (provision) benefit of $41, $261 and $(7) for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

(2) Net of income tax (provision) benefit of $(132), $204 and $(250) for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation and Subsidiaries

Consolidated Statements of Equity

For the Years Ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012

(in thousands)

	Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation shareholders						
	Shares of Common Stock	Common Stock	Additional Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings (Accumulated Deficit)	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Noncontrolling Interests	Total
BALANCE January 1, 2012	58,999	$ 6	$ 267,918	$ 24,042	$ 3	$ 568	$ 292,537
Share-based compensation	165		3,081				3,081
Vesting of restricted stock units, including impact of shares withheld for taxes	92		(231)				(231)
Exercise of stock options	103		461				461
Excess income tax benefit from share-based compensation			189				189
Dividends declared and paid ($0.31 per share)				(18,560)			(18,560)
Dividend equivalents paid on restricted stock units				(196)			(196)
Distributions paid to noncontrolling interests						(133)	(133)
Net loss				(2,695)		(645)	(3,340)
Other comprehensive loss net of tax					(383)		(383)
BALANCE December 31, 2012	59,359	$ 6	$ 271,418	$ 2,591	$ (380)	$ (210)	$ 273,425
Share-based compensation	96		3,251				3,251
Vesting of restricted stock units, including impact of shares withheld for taxes	75		(308)				(308)
Exercise of stock options and purchases from employee stock plans	140		668				668
Excess income tax benefit from share-based compensation			154				154
						(3)	(3)

Distributions paid to noncontrolling interests							
Net loss				(34,361)		(632)	(34,993)
Other comprehensive loss net of tax					(93)		(93)
BALANCE December 31, 2013	59,670	$ 6	$ 275,183	$ (31,770)	$ (473)	$ (845)	$ 242,101
Share-based compensation	118		2,694				2,694
Vesting of restricted stock units, including impact of shares withheld for taxes	111		(497)				(497)
Exercise of stock options and purchases from employee stock purchase plan	271		1,568				1,568
Excess income tax benefit from share-based compensation			206				206
Purchase of noncontrolling interests			(988)			845	(143)
Net income				10,295			10,295
Other comprehensive loss net of tax					(261)		(261)
BALANCE December 31, 2014	60,170	$ 6	$ 278,166	$ (21,475)	$ (734)	$	$ 255,963

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation and Subsidiaries

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

For the Years Ended December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012

(in thousands)

	2014	2013	2012
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Net income (loss)	$ 10,295	$ (34,993)	$ (3,340)
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	(10,423)	(54,850)	(9,635)
Income from continuing operations	20,718	19,857	6,295
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash flows used in operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	50,129	46,622	37,430
Equity in earnings of joint ventures	(2,895)	(1,208)	(124)
Cash distributions from joint ventures	19,955		
Deferred income taxes	(14,504)	(304)	4,471
(Gain) loss on dispositions of property and equipment	732	(5,773)	(198)
Gain on adjustment of contingent earnout	(1,086)		(240)
Amortization of deferred financing fees	1,453	1,153	1,245
Gain on bargain purchase acquisition	(2,197)		
Unrealized foreign currency (gain) loss	593	(179)	208
Unrealized net loss from mark-to-market valuations of derivatives	3,029		
Share-based compensation expense	2,694	3,251	3,081
Excess income tax benefit from share-based compensation	(206)	(154)	(189)
Changes in assets and liabilities:			
Accounts receivable	11,012	36,260	(17,795)
Contract revenues in excess of billings	(5,677)	(17,142)	(29,661)
Inventories	120	(5,144)	(2,603)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	1,780	(10,124)	(1,444)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(14,113)	22,622	20,253
Billings in excess of contract revenues	(2,624)	(2,900)	(1,177)
Other noncurrent assets and liabilities	(1,759)	(490)	184
Net cash flows provided by operating activities of continuing operations	67,154	86,347	19,736
Net cash flows used in by operating activities of discontinued operations	(18,352)	(11,524)	(21,596)
Cash provided by (used in) operating activities	48,802	74,823	(1,860)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Purchases of property and equipment	(91,910)	(66,654)	(60,516)

Proceeds from dispositions of property and equipment	68	6,953	597
Proceeds from (payments on) vendor performance obligations (Note 13)	(3,100)	13,600	
Payments for acquisitions of businesses, net of cash acquired	(27,048)		(2,000)
Net cash flows used in investing activities of continuing operations	(121,990)	(46,101)	(61,919)
Net cash flows provided by (used in) investing activities of discontinued operations	5,275	(153)	(1,524)
Cash used in investing activities	(116,715)	(46,254)	(63,443)

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	2014	2013	2012
FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Proceeds from term loan facility	47,360		
Repayments of term loan facility	(417)		
Proceeds from issuance of 7 3/8% senior notes	24,880		
Deferred financing fees	(2,532)		(2,039)
Repayment of long term note payable		(13,047)	(2,500)
Distributions paid to minority interests		(3)	(133)
Dividends paid			(18,560)
Dividend equivalents paid on restricted stock units			(196)
Taxes paid on settlement of vested share awards	(497)	(308)	(231)