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REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

SARATOGA RESOURCES, INC.

(exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas <i>(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)</i>	1311 <i>(Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number)</i>	76-0314489 <i>(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)</i>
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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Registration Statement.

If the securities being registered on this Form are being offered in connection with the formation of a holding company and there is compliance with General Instruction G, check the following box.

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Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer Smaller reporting company

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Exchange Act Rule 13e-4(i) (Cross-Border Issuer Tender Offer)
Exchange Act Rule 13d-1(d) (Cross-Border Third-Party Issuer Tender Offer)

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered ⁽¹⁾	Amount to be Registered	Proposed Maximum	Proposed Maximum	Amount of
		Offering Price per Note ⁽¹⁾		
10.0% Senior Secured Notes due 2015 Guarantees ⁽²⁾	\$ 54,600,000	100%	\$ 54,600,000	\$ 7,032.48
	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Total	\$ 54,600,000		\$ 54,600,000	\$ 7,032.48

(1)

Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee in accordance with Rule 457(f) under the Securities Act of 1933.

(2)

No separate consideration will be received for the guarantees, and no separate fee is payable pursuant to Rule 457(a) under the Securities Act of 1933.

(3)

In accordance with Rule 457(n) under the Securities Act of 1933, no separate fee is payable with respect to guarantees of the securities being registered.

(4)

Previously paid

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

TABLE OF ADDITIONAL REGISTRANT GUARANTORS

Exact Name of Registrant Guarantors (1)	State or Other	Primary	IRS
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	Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Formation	Standard Industrial Classification Code Number	Employer Identification Number
Harvest Oil & Gas, LLC	Louisiana	1311	20-1430003
The Harvest Group LLC	Louisiana	1311	20-1233158
Lobo Resources, Inc.	Texas	1311	74-2697201
Lobo Operating, Inc.	Texas	1311	76-0436990

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The address for each of the Guarantors is 3 Riverway, Suite 1810, Houston, Texas 77056 and the telephone number for the Registrant Guarantors (713) 458-1560.

The information in this preliminary prospectus is not complete and may be changed without notice. This preliminary prospectus is not an offer to sell nor does it seek an offer to buy these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted.

Subject to Completion, dated April 24, 2014

PROSPECTUS

Saratoga Resources, Inc.

Offer to Exchange

\$54,600,000 of 10.0% Senior Secured Notes due 2015

that have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933

for

\$54,600,000 of 10.0% Senior Secured Notes due 2015

that have not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933

Saratoga Resources, Inc. is offering to exchange registered 10.0% Senior Secured Notes due 2015, or the exchange notes, for any and all of its unregistered 10.0% Senior Secured Notes due 2015, or the outstanding notes, that were issued pursuant to a private placement on November 22, 2013. We refer to the outstanding notes and the exchange notes together in this prospectus as the notes. We refer to this exchange as the exchange offer. The exchange notes are substantially identical to the outstanding notes, except the exchange notes are registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act), and the transfer restrictions and registration rights, and related additional interest provisions, applicable to the outstanding notes will not apply to the exchange notes. The exchange notes will represent the same debt as the outstanding notes and we will issue the exchange notes under the same indenture used in issuing the outstanding notes.

Terms of the exchange offer:

The exchange offer expires at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on _____, 2014, unless we extend it.

The exchange offer is subject to customary conditions, which we may waive.

We will exchange all outstanding notes that are validly tendered and not withdrawn prior to the expiration of the exchange offer for an equal principal amount of exchange notes. All interest due and payable on the outstanding notes will become due and payable on the same terms under the exchange notes.

You may withdraw your tender of outstanding notes at any time prior to the expiration of the exchange offer.

If you fail to tender your outstanding notes, you will continue to hold unregistered, restricted securities, and your ability to transfer them could be adversely affected.

We believe that the exchange of exchange notes for outstanding notes will not be a taxable transaction for U.S. federal income tax purposes, but you should see the discussion under the caption **Material U.S. Federal Income and Estate Tax Considerations** for more information.

We will not receive any proceeds from the exchange offer.

Please read Risk Factors beginning on page 7 for a discussion of factors you should consider before deciding whether to participate in the exchange offer.

Each broker-dealer that receives the exchange notes for its own account pursuant to this exchange offer must acknowledge by way of the letter of transmittal that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of the exchange notes. The letter of transmittal states that by so acknowledging and by delivering a prospectus, such broker-dealer will not be deemed to admit that it is an underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act. This prospectus, as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time, may be used by a broker-dealer in connection with resales of the exchange notes received in exchange for outstanding notes where such outstanding notes were acquired by such broker-dealer as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities. Until _____, 2014 all dealers that effect transactions in the exchange notes, whether or not participating in this offering, may be required to deliver a prospectus. This is in addition to the dealers' obligation to deliver a prospectus when acting as underwriters with respect to their unsold allotments or subscriptions. We have agreed that, until _____, 2014, we will make this prospectus available to any broker-dealer for use in connection with any such resale. See Plan of Distribution.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

YOU SHOULD READ THIS ENTIRE DOCUMENT AND THE ACCOMPANYING LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL AND RELATED DOCUMENTS AND ANY AMENDMENTS OR SUPPLEMENTS CAREFULLY BEFORE MAKING YOUR DECISION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE EXCHANGE OFFER.

The date of this prospectus is _____, 2014.

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This prospectus is part of a registration statement we filed with the SEC. In making your decision whether to participate in this exchange offer, you should rely only on the information contained in or incorporated by reference into this prospectus and in the letter of transmittal accompanying this prospectus. We have not authorized any other person to provide you with additional or different information. If you receive any unauthorized information, you must not rely on it. We are not making an offer to sell these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted. You should not assume that the information contained in this prospectus or in the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front cover of this prospectus or the date of such incorporated documents, as the case may be.

This prospectus incorporates by reference business and financial information about us that is not included in or delivered with this prospectus. This information is available without charge upon written or oral request directed to: Saratoga Resources, Inc., Attention: Investor Relations, 3 Riverway, Suite 1810, Houston, Texas 77056; telephone number: (713) 458-1560.

GLOSSARY OF OIL AND NATURAL GAS TERMS

We have included below the definitions for certain oil and natural gas terms used in this prospectus:

3-D seismic Geophysical data that depict the subsurface strata in three dimensions. 3-D seismic typically provides a more detailed and accurate interpretation of the subsurface strata than 2-D, or two dimensional, seismic.

anticline An arch-shaped fold in rock in which rock layers are upwardly convex. The oldest rock layers form the core of the fold, and outward from the core progressively younger rocks occur.

Bbl One stock tank barrel, or 42 U.S. gallons liquid volume, used in this offering circular in reference to oil and other liquid hydrocarbons.

Bcf One billion cubic feet of natural gas.

behind pipe Reserves which are expected to be recovered from zones behind casing in existing wells, which require additional completion work or a future recompletion prior to the start of production.

Boe Barrels of crude oil equivalent, determined using the ratio of six Mcf of natural gas to one Bbl of crude oil, condensate or natural gas liquids.

Boepd Boe per day.

Bopd Bbls of oil (or condensate) per day.

Btu One British thermal unit.

completion The installation of permanent equipment for the production of oil or natural gas, or in the case of a dry hole, the reporting of abandonment to the appropriate agency.

condensate Hydrocarbons which are in the gaseous state under reservoir conditions and which become liquid when temperature or pressure is reduced. A mixture of pentanes and higher hydrocarbons.

development well A well drilled within the proved area of an oil and gas reservoir to the depth of a stratigraphic horizon known to be productive.

drilling locations Total gross locations specifically quantified by management to be included in the company's multi-year drilling activities on existing acreage. The company's actual drilling activities may change depending on the availability of capital, regulatory approvals, seasonal restrictions, oil and natural gas prices, costs, drilling results and other factors.

dry hole An exploratory or development well found to be incapable of producing either oil or gas in sufficient quantities to justify completion as an oil or gas well.

exploratory well A well drilled to find and produce oil or gas in an unproved area, to find a new reservoir in a field previously found to be productive of oil or gas in another reservoir, or to extend a known reservoir.

farm-in An agreement between a participant who brings a property into the venture and another participant who agrees to spend an agreed amount to explore and develop the property and has no right of reimbursement but may gain a vested interest in the venture. A *farm-in* describes the position of the participant who agrees to spend the agreed-upon sum of money to gain a vested interest in the venture.

field An area consisting of a single reservoir or multiple reservoirs all grouped on, or related to, the same individual geological structural feature or stratigraphic condition. The field name refers to the surface area, although it may refer to both the surface and the underground productive formations.

formation An identifiable layer of rocks named after its geographical location and dominant rock type.

gross wells Total number of producing wells in which we have an interest.

held by production or *HBP* A provision in an oil and gas lease that perpetuates a company's right to operate a property or concession as long as the property or concession produces a minimum paying quantity of oil or gas.

Henry Hub The pricing point for natural gas futures contracts traded on the NYMEX.

HLS Heavy Louisiana Sweet crude oil, being a high quality low-sulfur content low API gravity, high viscosity premium crude oil.

lease A legal contract that specifies the terms of the business relationship between an energy company and a landowner or mineral rights holder on a particular tract of land.

leasehold Mineral rights leased in a certain area to form a project area.

lease operating expenses The expenses, usually recurring, which pay for operating the wells and equipment on a producing lease.

LLS Light Louisiana Sweet crude oil, being a high quality low-sulfur content high API gravity low viscosity premium crude oil.

MBbl One thousand barrels of oil or other liquid hydrocarbons.

MBoe Thousand barrels of crude oil equivalent, determined using the ratio of six Mcf of natural gas to one Bbl of crude oil, condensate or natural gas liquids.

MBoepd Thousand barrels of crude oil equivalent, determined using the ratio of six Mcf of natural gas to one Bbl of crude oil, condensate or natural gas liquids per day.

Mcf One thousand cubic feet of natural gas.

Mcfpd Mcf per day.

MMBbl One million barrels of oil or other liquid hydrocarbons.

MMBoe Million barrels of crude oil equivalent, determined using the ratio of six Mcf of natural gas to one Bbl of crude oil, condensate or natural gas liquids.

MMBtu One million British Thermal Units.

MMcf One million cubic feet of natural gas.

net acre Fractional ownership working interest multiplied by gross acres. The number of net acres is the sum of the fractional working interests owned in gross acres expressed as whole numbers and fractions thereof.

net revenue interest A share of production after all burdens, such as royalty and overriding royalty, have been deducted from the working interest. It is the percentage of production that each party actually receives.

net wells The sum of our fractional interests owned in gross wells.

NGLs Natural gas liquids.

NYMEX The New York Mercantile Exchange.

overriding royalty interest A right to receive revenues, created out of the working interest, from the production of oil and gas from a well free of obligation to pay any portion of the development or operating costs of the well and limited in life to the duration of the lease under which it is created.

pay The vertical thickness of an oil and natural gas producing zone. Pay can be measured as either gross pay, including non-productive zones or net pay, including only zones that appear to be productive based upon logs and test data.

PDP Proved developed producing.

PDNP Proved developed nonproducing.

plugback To shut off lower formation in a well bore.

plugging and abandonment Refers to the sealing off of fluids in the strata penetrated by a well so that the fluids from one stratum will not escape into another or to the surface. Regulations of many states require plugging of abandoned wells.

possible reserves Possible reserves are those additional reserves which analysis of geoscience and engineering data suggest are less likely to be recoverable than probable reserves. The total quantities ultimately recovered from the project have a low probability to exceed the sum of proved plus probable plus possible reserves (3P), which is equivalent to the high estimate scenario. In this context, when probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 10-percent probability that the actual quantities recovered will equal or exceed the 3P estimate.

probable reserves Probable reserves are those additional reserves which analysis of geoscience and engineering data indicate are less likely to be recovered than proved reserves but more certain to be recovered than possible reserves. It is equally likely that actual remaining quantities recovered will be greater than or less than the sum of the estimated proved plus probable reserves (2P). In this context, when probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 50-percent probability that the actual quantities recovered will equal or exceed the 2P estimate.

production Natural resources, such as oil or gas, taken out of the ground.

productive well A well that is found to be capable of producing either oil or gas in sufficient quantities to justify completion as an oil or gas well.

prospect A specific geographic area which, based on supporting geological, geophysical or other data and also preliminary economic analysis using reasonably anticipated prices and costs, is deemed to have potential for the discovery of commercial hydrocarbons.

proved developed non-producing reserves (PDNP) Reserves that can be expected to be recovered through existing wells with existing equipment and operating methods that are not currently being produced.

proved developed producing reserves (PDP) Reserves that can be expected to be recovered through existing wells with existing equipment and operating methods and that are currently being produced.

proved reserves Proved reserves are those quantities of petroleum which, by analysis of geological and engineering data can be estimated with reasonable certainty to be commercially recoverable from a given date forward from known reservoirs and under current economic conditions, operating methods and government regulations. Proved reserves can be categorized as developed or undeveloped. If deterministic methods are used, the term reasonable certainty is intended to express a high degree of confidence that the quantities will be recovered. If probabilistic methods are used, there should be at least a 90% probability that the quantities actually recovered will equal or exceed the estimate.

proved undeveloped reserves (PUD) Proved reserves that are expected to be recovered from new wells on undrilled acreage or from existing wells where a relatively major expenditure is required for recompletion.

PV-10 The discounted present value of the estimated future gross revenue to be generated from the production of proved oil and gas reserves (using pricing assumptions consistent with, and after deducting estimated abandonment costs to the extent required by, SEC guidelines), net of estimated future development and production costs, before income taxes and without giving effect to non-property related expense, discounted using an annual discount rate of 10% and calculated in a manner consistent with SEC guidelines.

recompletion After the initial completion of a well, the action and techniques of reentering the well and redoing or repairing the original completion to restore the well's productivity.

reserve life A measure of the productive life of an oil and gas property or a group of properties, expressed in years.

reservoir A porous and permeable underground formation containing a natural accumulation of producible oil and/or natural gas that is confined by impermeable rock or water barriers and is individual and separate from other reservoirs.

royalties The portion of oil and gas retained by the lessor on execution of a lease or the cash value paid by the lessee to the lessor based on a percentage of the gross production from the leased property free and clear of all costs except taxes.

sand A geological term for a formation beneath the surface of the earth from which hydrocarbons are produced. Its make-up is sufficiently homogenous to differentiate it from other formations.

shut-in To close valves on a well so that it stops producing; said of a well on which the valves are closed.

standardized measure The present value of estimated future cash inflows from proved oil and natural gas reserves, less future development, abandonment, production and income tax expenses, discounted at 10% per annum to reflect timing of future cash flows and using the same pricing assumptions as were used to calculate PV-10. Standardized measure differs from PV-10 because standardized measure includes the effect of future income taxes.

stratigraphic trap A variety of sealed geologic container capable of retaining hydrocarbons, formed by changes in rock type or pinch-outs, unconformities, or sedimentary features such as reefs.

successful A well is determined to be successful if it is producing oil or natural gas, or awaiting hookup, but not abandoned or plugged.

through tubing Pertaining to a range of products, services and techniques designed to be run through, or conducted within, the production tubing of an oil or gas well. The term implies an ability to operate within restricted-diameter tubulars and is often associated with live-well intervention since the tubing is in place.

trap A configuration of rocks suitable for containing hydrocarbons and sealed by a relatively impermeable formation through which hydrocarbons will not migrate.

undeveloped acreage Lease acreage on which wells have not been drilled or completed to a point that would permit the production of commercial quantities of oil and natural gas regardless of whether such acreage contains proved reserves.

working interest The interest in an oil and natural gas property (normally a leasehold interest) that gives the owner the right to drill, produce and conduct operations on the property and a share of production, subject to all royalties, overriding royalties and other burdens and to all costs of exploration, development and operations and all risks in connection therewith.

workover The repair or stimulation of an existing production well for the purpose of restoring, prolonging or enhancing the production of hydrocarbons.

WTI West Texas Intermediate crude oil, being light, sweet crude oil with high API gravity and low sulfur content used as a benchmark for U.S. crude oil refining and trading.

SUMMARY

This summary highlights selected information about us, but does not contain all the information that may be important to you. This prospectus includes specific information about the exchange offer and our business. You should read this prospectus carefully, including the matters set forth under the caption Risk Factors before making a decision whether to participate in the exchange offer.

In this prospectus, except under the caption Description of the Exchange Notes and unless the context indicates otherwise, references to Saratoga, the Company, we, our and us refer to Saratoga Resources, Inc. and its subsidiaries.

Our Company

We are an independent oil and natural gas company engaged in the production, development, acquisition and exploitation of crude oil and natural gas properties. As of December 31, 2013, our properties consisted of 52,103 acres under lease, including 32,289 acres gross/net located in the transitional coastline in protected in-bay environments on parish and state leases in south Louisiana and 19,814 acres gross/net under federal leases in the shallow Gulf of Mexico shelf.

Our state and parish leases span 11 fields which are characterized by over 30 years of development drilling and production history, including Grand Bay field which has over 70 years of production history and over 258 MMBoe produced to date, yet remains virtually unexplored at depths greater than 15,000 feet. Substantially all of our state and parish leases are held by production (HBP) without near-term lease expirations. Most of those properties offer multiple stacked reservoir objectives with substantial behind pipe potential.

Our shallow Gulf of Mexico shelf properties were acquired during 2013. At December 31, 2013, our shallow Gulf of Mexico shelf properties did not include any producing wells and we were engaged in efforts to seek partners to participate in development of such properties. We continually seek to enhance our acreage position through leasing and evaluation of opportunistic acquisitions primarily within, but not limited to, the transition zone and in the shallow Gulf of Mexico.

As of December 31, 2013, our total proved reserves were 17.2 MMBoe, consisting of 9.2 MMBbls of oil and 48.0 Bcf of natural gas, approximately 84% of which was attributable to state and parish properties. The PV-10 of our proved reserves at December 31, 2013 was \$410.8 million, based on SEC pricing. The PV-10 of our proved reserves, based on NYMEX strip pricing, was \$357.7 million. Additionally, we had probable reserves of 16.8 MMBoe, consisting of 6.9 MMBbls of oil and 59.5 Bcf of natural gas. Moreover, our reserve base includes significant undeveloped and exploratory drilling opportunities. We operate over 95% of the wells that comprise our PV-10, enabling us to effectively exercise management control of our operating costs, capital expenditures and the timing and method of development of our properties.

Corporate Information

Our principal executive offices are located at 3 Riverway, Suite 1810, Houston, Texas 77056. We can be reached at (713) 458-1560, and our website address is www.saratogaresources.com. Information on our website is not part of this prospectus.

The Exchange Offer

On November 22, 2013, we completed a private offering of \$54.6 million aggregate principal amount of the outstanding notes for cash in the amount of \$27.3 million and surrender for cancellation of \$27.3 million in face amount of 12½% senior secured notes due 2016. As part of this private offering, we entered into a registration rights agreement with the purchasers of the outstanding notes in which we agreed, among other things, to use our commercially reasonable efforts to complete the exchange offer no later than approximately 165 days after November 22, 2013. The following is a summary of the exchange offer.

Outstanding Notes	On November 22, 2013, we issued \$54.6 million aggregate principal amount of 10.0% Senior Secured Notes due 2015. The outstanding notes were issued for a combination of cash in the amount of \$27.3 million and surrender for cancellation of \$27.3 million in face amount of 12½% senior secured notes due 2016.
Exchange Notes	10.0% Senior Secured Notes due 2015. The terms of the exchange notes are identical to the terms of the outstanding notes, except that the transfer restrictions, registration rights and provisions for additional interest relating to the outstanding notes will not apply to the exchange notes.
Exchange Offer	We are offering to exchange up to \$54.6 million principal amount of our 10.0% Senior Secured Notes due 2015 that have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, or the Securities Act, for an equal amount of our outstanding 10.0% Senior Secured Notes due 2015 issued on November 22, 2013 to satisfy our obligations under the registration rights agreement that we entered into when we issued the outstanding notes in a transaction exempt from registration under the Securities Act.
Expiration Date	The exchange offer will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on _____, 2014, unless we extend it.
Conditions to the Exchange Offer	The registration rights agreement does not require us to accept outstanding notes for exchange if the exchange offer or the making of any exchange by a holder of the outstanding notes would violate any applicable law or SEC policy. There is no condition to the exchange offer that a minimum aggregate principal amount of outstanding notes be tendered. Please read The Exchange Offer Conditions to the Exchange Offer for more information about the conditions to the exchange offer.
Procedures for Tendering Outstanding Notes	To participate in this exchange offer, you must complete, sign and date the letter of transmittal or its facsimile and transmit it, together with your outstanding notes to be exchanged and all other documents required by the letter of transmittal, to The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as exchange agent, at its address indicated herein. In the

alternative, you can tender your original notes by book-entry delivery following the procedures described in this prospectus.

For more details, please read *The Exchange Offer Terms of the Exchange Offer* and *The Exchange Offer Procedures for Tendering*.

Guaranteed Delivery Procedures

None.

Withdrawal of Tenders

You may withdraw your tender of outstanding notes at any time prior to the expiration date. To withdraw, you must submit a notice of withdrawal to the exchange agent before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date of the exchange offer. Please read *The Exchange Offer Withdrawal of Tenders*.

Acceptance of Outstanding Notes and
Delivery of Exchange Notes

If you fulfill all conditions required for proper acceptance of outstanding notes, we will accept any and all outstanding notes that you properly tender in the exchange offer before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date. We will return to you any outstanding note that we do not accept for exchange without expense promptly after the expiration date. We will deliver the exchange notes promptly after the expiration date. Please read *The Exchange Offer* *Terms of the Exchange Offer*.

Use of Proceeds

We will not receive any proceeds from the issuance of the exchange notes. We are making the exchange offer solely to satisfy our obligations under the registration rights agreement.

Consequences of Failure to Exchange
Outstanding Notes

If you do not exchange your outstanding notes in the exchange offer, you will no longer be able to require us to register the outstanding notes under the Securities Act, except in the limited circumstances provided under our registration rights agreement. In addition, you will not be able to resell, offer to resell or otherwise transfer the outstanding notes unless we have registered the outstanding notes under the Securities Act, or unless you resell, offer to resell or otherwise transfer them under an exemption from the registration requirements of, or in a transaction not subject to, the Securities Act.

Material U.S. Federal Income Tax
Considerations

We believe that the exchange of exchange notes for outstanding notes in the exchange offer will not be a taxable event for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Please read *Material U.S. Federal Income and Estate Tax Considerations*.

Exchange Agent

We have appointed The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as the exchange agent for the exchange offer. You should direct questions and requests for assistance and requests for additional copies of this prospectus (including the letter of transmittal) to the exchange agent addressed as follows:

The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as Exchange
Agent
c/o The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation
Corporate Trust Operations Reorganization Unit
111 Sanders Creek Parkway
East Syracuse, NY 13057
Attention: Dacia Brown-Jones
Telephone: (315) 414-3349
Facsimile: (732) 667-9408

Terms of the Exchange Notes

The exchange notes will be identical to the outstanding notes, except that the exchange notes will be registered under the Securities Act and will not have restrictions on transfer, registration rights or provisions for additional interest. The exchange notes will evidence the same debt as the outstanding notes, and the same indenture will govern the exchange notes and the outstanding notes. We refer to both the exchange notes, the outstanding notes, and the original issuance notes together as the notes.

The following summary contains basic information about the exchange notes and is not intended to be complete. It does not contain all the information that may be important to you. For a more complete understanding of the exchange notes, please read Description of the Exchange Notes.

Issuer	Saratoga Resources, Inc.
Notes Offered	\$54,600,000 aggregate principal amount of 10.0% senior secured notes due 2015.
Maturity Date	December 31, 2015.
Interest Rate	The exchange notes will bear interest at a rate of 10.0% per year.
Interest Payment Dates	March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 of each year to holders of record as of the preceding March 15, June 15, September 15 and December 15, respectively. The initial interest payment on the exchange notes will include all accrued and unpaid interest on the outstanding notes exchanged therefor. See Description of the Exchange Notes Principal, Maturity and Interest.
Guarantees	The exchange notes will be fully and unconditionally guaranteed, jointly and severally, on a senior secured basis by each of our existing and future domestic subsidiaries, which we refer to in this prospectus as the guarantors.
Security Interest	The notes and the guarantees will be secured by liens on substantially all of our and the guarantors assets, subject to certain exceptions and permitted liens. Pursuant to the terms of an intercreditor agreement, discussed below, the notes rank senior in right, priority, operation, effect and all other respects to any liens with respect to collateral securing the obligations under the indenture (the Second Lien Indenture) relating to \$125.2 million in face amount of 12½% senior secured notes due 2016 (the Second Lien Notes).

Under the terms of the indenture governing the notes (the **First Lien Indenture**), additional notes issued under the **First Lien Indenture** and secured by collateral on a *pari passu* or senior basis with the lien on the collateral securing the notes may not exceed \$10.0 million without the prior consent of holders of at least 75% in aggregate principal amount of the notes outstanding. See **Description of the Exchange Notes Security**.

Intercreditor Agreement

Pursuant to the terms of an intercreditor agreement entered into with **The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A.**, in its capacity as trustee and collateral agent under the **First Lien Indenture** (the **First Lien Agent**), and **The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A.**, in its capacity as trustee and collateral agent (the **Second Lien Agent**) under the **Second Lien Indenture**, the holders of the notes and any other *pari passu* indebtedness will receive proceeds from the collateral prior to the holders of **Second Lien Notes**. In addition to defining the relative priorities of the respective security interests in the assets securing the notes, the intercreditor agreement sets forth certain matters relating to administration of security interests, exercise of remedies, certain bankruptcy-related provisions and other intercreditor matters. See **Description of the Exchange Notes Intercreditor Agreement**.

Ranking	<p>The exchange notes will be our and the guarantors' senior secured obligations. The exchange notes will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">rank equal in right of payment with all of our and the guarantors' existing and future senior indebtedness;rank senior in right of payment to all of our and the guarantors' existing and future subordinated indebtedness;be effectively senior to all of our and the guarantors' existing and future unsecured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the collateral securing such indebtedness;be effectively senior to our and the guarantors' obligations under the Second Lien Indenture; andbe structurally junior to all existing and future indebtedness and other liabilities of each of our non-guarantor subsidiaries, if any.
Redemption of the Notes at Our Option	<p>We may redeem some or all of the notes, at our sole option and at any time, at 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of redemption. See Description of the Exchange Notes Optional Redemption.</p>
Change of Control	<p>If we experience certain kinds of changes of control (as defined in the indenture governing the notes), the holders of the notes will have the right to require us to purchase all or a portion of their notes at an offer price in cash equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase. See Description of the Exchange Notes Repurchase at the Option of Holders Change of Control.</p>
Asset Sale	<p>Upon certain asset sales, we may be required to offer to use the net proceeds of an asset sale to purchase the notes at 100% of the aggregate principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase. See Description of the Exchange Notes Repurchase at the Option of Holders Asset Sale.</p>

Certain Covenants

The indenture governing the exchange notes contains covenants that, among other things, limit our ability and the ability of our restricted subsidiaries to:

transfer or sell assets or use asset sale proceeds;

pay dividends or make distributions, redeem subordinated debt or make other restricted payments;

make certain investments;

incur or guarantee additional debt or issue preferred equity securities;

issue or sell capital stock of certain subsidiaries;

create or incur certain liens on our assets;

incur dividend or other payment restrictions affecting our restricted subsidiaries;

merge, consolidate or transfer all or substantially all of our assets;

enter into certain transactions with affiliates;

engage in a business other than a business that is the same or similar to our current business and reasonably related businesses; and

take or omit to take any actions that would adversely affect or impair in any material respect the collateral securing the notes.

These covenants are subject to a number of important exceptions and limitations and are described in more detail under Description of the Exchange Notes Certain Covenants.

Absence of a Public Market for the Notes

The exchange notes generally will be freely transferable, but will also be new securities for which there is currently no established market. We do not intend to make a trading market in the exchange notes after the exchange offer. Accordingly, a market for the exchange notes may not develop, or if one does develop, it may not provide adequate liquidity.

Global Notes

The exchange notes will be evidenced by one or more global notes deposited with the trustee as custodian for DTC. These global notes will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as DTC's nominee.

Risk Factors

You should consider carefully all of the information set forth in this prospectus and incorporated by reference and, in particular, you should evaluate the risks described under Risk Factors in this prospectus and in our filings with the SEC before making a decision whether to participate in the exchange offer.

No Listing of the Notes

We do not intend to apply to list the notes on any securities exchange.

Trustee and Exchange Agent

The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A.

RISK FACTORS

You should consider carefully the risks discussed below before making a decision whether to participate in the exchange offer. Additional risks and uncertainties described elsewhere in this prospectus may also adversely affect our business, operating results, financial condition and prospects, as well as the value of the exchange notes.

If any of the following risks actually were to occur, our business, financial condition, results of operations or cash flow could be affected materially and adversely. In that case, you could lose all or part of your investment in or fail to achieve the expected return on the notes.

Risks Related to the Exchange Offer

If you fail to exchange outstanding notes, existing transfer restrictions will remain in effect and the market value of outstanding notes may be adversely affected because they may be more difficult to sell.

If you fail to exchange outstanding notes for exchange notes under the exchange offer, you will continue to be subject to the existing transfer restrictions on your outstanding notes. In general, the outstanding notes may not be offered or sold unless they are registered or exempt from registration under the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. Except in connection with this exchange offer or as required by the registration rights agreement, we do not intend to register resales of the outstanding notes.

Any tenders of outstanding notes under the exchange offer will reduce the principal amount of the currently outstanding notes. Due to the corresponding reduction in liquidity, this may have an adverse effect upon, and increase the volatility of, the market price of any currently outstanding notes that you continue to hold following completion of the exchange offer.

Risks Related to the Notes

Forward-looking production estimates presented in this prospectus will differ from our actual results.

Forward-looking production estimates we have included, or that may be incorporated by reference, in this prospectus are based upon a number of assumptions and on information that we believe are reliable as of today. However, these forward-looking production estimates and assumptions are inherently subject to significant business and economic uncertainties, many of which are beyond our control. These forward-looking production estimates are necessarily speculative in nature, and you should expect that some or all of the assumptions will not materialize. Actual results will vary from the forward-looking production estimates and the variations will likely be material and are likely to increase over time. Consequently, the inclusion of these forward-looking production estimates in this prospectus should not be regarded as a representation by us or any other person that the forward-looking production estimates will actually be achieved. Moreover, we do not intend to update or otherwise revise these forward-looking production estimates to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this prospectus to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on the forward-looking production estimates.

Our forward-looking production estimates were not prepared with a view toward compliance with published guidelines of the SEC, the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the Society of Petroleum Engineers, the World Petroleum Congress or any other regulatory or professional body or generally accepted accounting principles. No independent accountants or independent petroleum engineers compiled or examined the forward-looking production estimates, and accordingly no independent accountant or independent petroleum engineer has expressed an opinion or any other form of assurances with respect thereto or has assumed any responsibility for the forward-looking production estimates. Further, our independent petroleum engineers made different assumptions when calculating our respective proved reserve estimates. As a result, our forward-looking production estimates may not accurately portray our proved reserves in the future.

Our leverage and debt service obligations may adversely affect our cash flow and our ability to make payments on the notes.

We have a substantial amount of debt currently outstanding. As of December 31, 2013, we would have had approximately \$179.8 million of debt outstanding.

Our substantial level of indebtedness could have important consequences to you, including the following:

it may make it difficult for us to satisfy our obligations under the notes, our other indebtedness and contractual and commercial commitments;

we must use a substantial portion of our cash flow from operations to pay interest on the notes and our other indebtedness, which will reduce the funds available to us for other purposes;

our ability to obtain additional debt financing in the future for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions or general corporate purposes may be limited;

our flexibility in reacting to changes in the industry may be limited and we could be more vulnerable to adverse changes in our business or economic conditions in general; and

we may be at a competitive disadvantage to those of our competitors who operate on a less leveraged basis.

Despite current indebtedness levels, we may still be able to incur more debt, which would increase the risks associated with our substantial leverage.

Even with our existing debt levels, we and our subsidiaries may be able to incur additional indebtedness in the future. Although the indenture governing the notes includes restrictions on the incurrence of additional indebtedness, these restrictions are subject to a number of significant qualifications and exceptions and, under certain circumstances, the amount of indebtedness that could be incurred in compliance with these restrictions could be substantial. If we incur additional indebtedness, the related risks that we now face would intensify and could further exacerbate the risks associated with our substantial leverage.

We may not be able to generate sufficient cash flow to meet our debt service and other obligations, including the notes, due to events beyond our control.

Our ability to generate cash flows from operations and to make scheduled payments on or refinance our indebtedness, including the notes, and to fund working capital needs and planned capital expenditures will depend on our future financial performance and our ability to generate cash in the future. Our future financial performance will be affected by a range of economic, financial, competitive, business and other factors that we cannot control, such as general economic and financial conditions in the oil and gas industry, the economy generally or other risks summarized here. A significant reduction in operating cash flows resulting from adverse changes in the oil and gas industry or general economic conditions, increased competition or other events beyond our control could increase the need for additional or alternative sources of liquidity and could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, prospects and our ability to service our debt and other obligations, including the notes. If we are unable to service our indebtedness or to fund our other liquidity needs, we may be forced to adopt an alternative strategy that may include actions such as reducing or delaying capital expenditures, selling assets, restructuring or refinancing our indebtedness, seeking additional capital, or any combination of the foregoing. If we raise additional debt, it would increase our interest expense, leverage and our operating and financial costs. We cannot assure you that any of these alternative strategies could be effected on satisfactory terms, if at all, or that they would yield sufficient funds to make required payments on the notes and any other indebtedness or to fund our other liquidity needs. Reducing or delaying capital expenditures or selling assets could delay or reduce future cash flows. In addition, the terms of existing or future debt agreements, including the indenture governing the notes, may restrict us from adopting any of these alternatives. We cannot assure you that our business will generate sufficient cash flows from operations or that future borrowings will be available in an amount sufficient to enable us to pay our indebtedness, including these notes, or to fund our other liquidity needs.

The failure to generate sufficient cash flows or to effect any of these alternatives could significantly adversely affect the value of the notes and our ability to pay amounts due under the notes. If for any reason we are unable to meet our debt service and repayment obligations, including under the notes, we would be in default under the terms of the

agreements governing our indebtedness, which would allow our creditors at that time to declare all outstanding indebtedness to be due and payable. This would likely in turn trigger cross-acceleration or cross-default rights between our applicable debt agreements. Under these circumstances, our lenders could compel us to apply all of our available cash to repay our borrowings or they could prevent us from making payments on the notes. In addition, these lenders could then seek to foreclose on our assets that are their collateral. If the amounts outstanding under our indebtedness, including under the notes, were to be accelerated, or were the subject of foreclosure actions, we cannot assure you that our assets would be sufficient to repay in full the money owed to our debt holders, including you as a noteholder.

In particular, we note that we have periodically experienced declines in revenues and profitability associated with curtailment or shut-in of production due to tropical storms and hurricanes and decreases in commodity prices.

Declines in revenues and profitability arising from such events may result in reduced cash flows and deferral of planned development activities which may, in turn, result in a delay in the commencement of anticipated revenues from delayed projects. Any such developments in the future could adversely affect our ability to service our debt.

We have a holding company structure in which our subsidiaries conduct our operations and own our operating assets.

We are a holding company and our subsidiaries conduct all of our operations and own all of our operating assets. We have no significant assets other than the limited liability company interests and other equity interests in our subsidiaries. As a result, our ability to make required payments on the notes will depend on the performance of our subsidiaries and their ability to distribute funds to us. The ability of our subsidiaries to make distributions to us may be restricted by, among other things, applicable state laws and other laws and regulations. If we are unable to obtain the funds necessary to pay the principal amount of the notes, or to repurchase the notes upon the occurrence of a change of control, or if our subsidiaries are unable to satisfy their obligations as guarantors of the notes, we may be required to adopt one or more alternatives, such as a refinancing of the notes. We cannot assure you that we would be able to refinance the notes.

The indenture governing the notes imposes significant operating and financial restrictions which may prevent us from pursuing certain business opportunities and restrict our ability to operate our business.

The indenture governing the notes contains customary restrictions on our activities, including covenants that limit our and our restricted subsidiaries' ability to:

transfer or sell assets or use asset sale proceeds;

incur or guarantee additional indebtedness or issue preferred equity securities;

pay dividends, redeem subordinated indebtedness or make other restricted payments;

make certain investments;

create or incur certain liens on our assets;

incur dividend or other payment restrictions affecting our restricted subsidiaries;

enter into certain transactions with affiliates;

merge, consolidate or transfer all or substantially all of our assets;

engage in a business other than a business that is the same or similar to our current business and reasonably related businesses; and

take or omit to take any actions that would adversely affect or impair in any material respect the collateral securing the notes.

The restrictions in the indenture governing the notes may prevent us from taking actions that we believe would be in the best interest of our business, and may make it difficult for us to successfully execute our business strategy or effectively compete with companies that are not similarly restricted. We also may incur future debt obligations that might subject us to additional restrictive covenants that could affect our financial and operational flexibility. We cannot assure you that we will be granted waivers or amendments to these agreements if for any reason we are unable to comply with these agreements, or that we will be able to refinance our debt on terms acceptable to us, or at all. The breach of any of these covenants and restrictions could result in a default under the indenture governing the notes. An event of default under any agreement governing our indebtedness could permit some of our lenders to declare all amounts borrowed from them to be due and payable.

Our ability to repurchase the notes with cash upon a change of control or upon an offer to repurchase the notes in the case of an asset sale, as required by the indenture, may be limited.

Upon the occurrence of a change of control, as defined in the indenture governing the notes, we will be required to offer to repurchase all of the outstanding notes at 101% of the aggregate principal amount of the notes repurchased, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of repurchase. See Description of the Exchange Notes Repurchase at the Option of Holders Change of Control. In addition, upon the occurrence of certain asset sales, as defined in the indenture governing the notes, we will be required to offer to repurchase all of the outstanding notes at 100% of the aggregate principal amount of the notes repurchased, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of repurchase. See Description of the Exchange Notes Repurchase at the Option of Holders Asset Sales.

However, it is possible that we will not have sufficient funds at the time of the change of control or upon an asset sale to make the required repurchase of notes. Our failure to purchase tendered notes would constitute an event of default under the indenture governing the notes, which, in turn, would likely constitute a default under the agreements governing any other indebtedness we may have in place. In that event, we may be required to cure or refinance our other indebtedness, if any, before making an offer to purchase.

Moreover, the agreements governing any future indebtedness we incur may restrict our ability to repurchase the notes, including following a change of control event or upon an asset sale, as required by the indenture. As a result, following such an event, we would not be able to repurchase notes unless we first repay all such indebtedness or obtain a waiver from the holders of such indebtedness to permit us to repurchase the notes. We may be unable to repay all of that indebtedness or obtain a waiver of that type. Any requirement to offer to repurchase outstanding notes may therefore require us to refinance any other outstanding debt, which we may not be able to do on commercially reasonable terms, if at all. These repurchase requirements may also delay or make it more difficult for others to obtain control of us.

In addition, certain important corporate events, such as takeovers, recapitalizations, restructurings, mergers or similar transactions, may not constitute a change of control under the indenture governing the notes and, therefore, would not permit the holders of the notes to require us to repurchase the notes. See Description of the Exchange Notes Repurchase at the Option of Holders Change of Control.

In addition, the definition of change of control includes a phrase relating to the sale or other transfer of all or substantially all of the properties or assets of the company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole. There is no precise definition of the phrase under applicable law. Accordingly, in certain circumstances there may be a degree of uncertainty in ascertaining whether a particular transaction would involve a disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the company, and, therefore, it may be unclear as to whether a change of control has occurred and whether the holders of the notes have the right to require us to repurchase such notes.

The notes are secured only to the extent of the value of the assets that have been granted as security for the notes and in the event that the security is enforced against the collateral, the holders of the notes will receive proceeds from the collateral only after certain other permitted indebtedness have been paid in full.

If we default on the notes, the holders of the notes will be secured only to the extent of the value of the assets underlying their security interest. Furthermore, upon enforcement against any collateral or insolvency, proceeds of such enforcement will first be used to pay certain other permitted indebtedness prior to paying the notes. See *The rights of holders of notes in the collateral may be adversely affected by the intercreditor agreement.*

The value of the noteholders' security interest in the collateral may not be sufficient to satisfy all our obligations under the notes.

The notes and the guarantees of the notes are secured on a senior secured basis by a lien on the assets that secure our obligations under our existing Second Lien Notes, including accounts, chattel paper, instruments, letter of credit rights, documents, equipment, general intangibles, inventory, cash and deposit accounts, investment property, owned real property and proceeds of the foregoing, in each case, subject to certain permitted liens and certain excluded assets. See Description of the Exchange Notes Security.

If we default on the notes, the holders of the notes will be secured only to the extent of the value of the assets underlying their security interest. Furthermore, upon enforcement against any collateral or insolvency, under the terms of our intercreditor agreement, proceeds of such enforcement will be used first to pay certain other permitted indebtedness and then to pay the notes. To prevent foreclosure, we may be motivated to commence voluntary bankruptcy proceedings, or the holders of the notes and/or various other interested persons may be motivated to institute bankruptcy proceedings against us. The commencement of such bankruptcy proceedings would expose the

holders of the notes to additional risks, including additional restrictions on exercising rights against collateral. See *Rights of holders of notes in the collateral may be adversely affected by bankruptcy proceedings.*

The indenture governing the notes will allow us to incur additional obligations secured by liens in amounts that may be significant. Any additional indebtedness or obligations secured by a lien on the collateral securing the notes could adversely affect the relative position of the holders of the notes with respect to the collateral securing the notes.

The collateral may be subject to exceptions, defects, encumbrances, liens and other imperfections. Further, the value of the collateral at any time will depend on market and other economic conditions, including the availability of suitable buyers for the collateral. By its nature, some or all of the collateral may be illiquid and may have no readily ascertainable market value. The value of the assets pledged as collateral for the notes could be impaired in the future as a result of changing trends in the energy markets, economic conditions, our failure to implement our business strategy, competition or other future trends. In the event of a foreclosure, liquidation, bankruptcy or similar proceeding, no assurance can be given that the proceeds from any sale or liquidation of the collateral will be sufficient to pay our obligations under the notes, in full or at all, after first satisfying our obligations under certain other permitted indebtedness. There also can be no assurance that the collateral will be saleable, and, even if saleable, the timing of its liquidation would be uncertain.

In addition, we may not have liens perfected on all of the collateral securing the notes or, in some cases, such liens may not be perfected at all. To the extent certain security interests have not been previously granted, filed and/or perfected, a covenant in the indenture governing the notes requires us to do or cause to be done all things that may be required under applicable law, or that the trustee under the indenture governing the notes from time to time may reasonably request, to grant, preserve, protect and perfect the validity and priority of the security interest in the collateral. We cannot assure you that we will be able to perfect the security interests on a timely basis, and our failure to do so may result in a default under the indenture.

Accordingly, there may not be sufficient collateral to pay all or any of the amounts due on the notes. Any claim for the difference between the amount, if any, realized by holders of the notes from the sale of the collateral securing the notes and the obligations under the notes will rank equally in right of payment with all of our other unsecured unsubordinated indebtedness and other obligations, including trade payables.

With respect to some of the collateral, the trustee's security interest and ability to foreclose will also be limited by the need to meet certain requirements, such as obtaining third-party consents and making additional filings. If we are unable to obtain these consents or make these filings, the security interests may be invalid and the holders will not be entitled to the collateral or any recovery with respect thereto. We cannot assure you that any such required consents can be obtained on a timely basis or at all. These requirements may limit the number of potential bidders for certain collateral in any foreclosure and may delay any sale, either of which events may have an adverse effect on the sale price of the collateral. Therefore, the practical value of realizing on the collateral may, without the appropriate consents and filings, be limited.

The collateral is subject to casualty risks.

We will be obligated under the indenture and collateral arrangements governing the notes to maintain adequate insurance or otherwise insure against hazards as is typically done by corporations having assets of a similar nature in the same or similar localities. There are, however, certain losses that may be either uninsurable or not economically insurable, in whole or in part. As a result, it is possible that the insurance proceeds will not compensate us fully for our losses. If there is a total or partial loss of any of the pledged collateral, we cannot assure you that any insurance proceeds received by us will be sufficient to satisfy all of our secured obligations, including the notes.

The security interest in after-acquired property may not be perfected promptly or at all.

Applicable law requires that security interests in certain property acquired after the grant of a general security interest can only be perfected at the time such property and rights are acquired and identified. There can be no assurance that the trustee or the collateral agent will monitor, or that we will inform such trustee or collateral agent of, the future acquisition of property and rights that constitute collateral, and that the necessary action will be taken to properly perfect the security interest in such after-acquired collateral. Neither the trustee nor the collateral agent has an obligation to monitor the acquisition of additional property or rights that constitute collateral or the perfection of any security interest. Such failure may result in the loss of the security interest in certain of the after-acquired collateral or

the priority of the security interest in favor of the notes against third parties.

There are circumstances other than repayment or discharge of the notes under which the collateral securing the notes and guarantees will be released automatically, without holders consent or the consent of the trustee under the indenture governing the notes.

Under various circumstances, all or a portion of the collateral securing the notes and the guarantees may be released automatically, including:

a sale, transfer or other disposal of such collateral in a transaction not prohibited under the indenture governing the notes, including the sale of any entity in its entirety that owns or holds such collateral;

to the extent required in accordance with the intercreditor agreement;

to the extent we have defeased or satisfied and discharged the indenture governing the notes; and

with respect to collateral held by a guarantor, upon the release of such guarantor from its guarantee.

In addition, a guarantee will be automatically released in connection with a sale of such guarantor in a transaction not prohibited under the indenture governing the notes.

Certain assets will be excluded from the collateral.

Certain assets are excluded from the collateral securing the notes, as described in Description of the Exchange Notes Security, including the following:

any capital stock of any foreign subsidiaries of the guarantors in excess of 65% of the capital stock of such foreign subsidiaries;

items as to which a security interest cannot be granted without violating contract rights or applicable law;

assets securing purchase money debt or capitalized lease obligations permitted to be incurred under the indenture to the extent the documentation relating to such purchase money debt or capitalized lease obligations prohibits such assets from being collateral; and

certain other exceptions described in the security documents governing the notes.

If an event of default occurs and the notes are accelerated, the notes will rank equally with the holders of all of our other unsubordinated and unsecured indebtedness and other liabilities with respect to such excluded assets. As a result, if the value of the security interest for the notes and the guarantees is less than the value of the claims of the holders of the notes, no assurance can be provided that the holders of the notes would receive any substantial recovery from the excluded assets.

The rights of holders of notes in the collateral may be adversely affected by the intercreditor agreement.

Under the terms of the intercreditor agreement, the liens securing the obligations under certain permitted indebtedness will be paid prior to the obligations under the notes and guarantees in the event of any foreclosure or bankruptcy event. Additionally, the intercreditor agreement generally permits each of the notes trustee and the collateral agent for the existing Second Lien Notes to independently enforce their liens on the collateral (provided that distributions received on enforcement are applied as provided in the intercreditor agreement). It is possible that disputes may occur

between the holders of the notes and other secured parties as to the appropriate manner of pursuing enforcement remedies with respect to the collateral which may delay enforcement of the collateral, result in litigation and/or result in enforcement actions against the collateral that are not approved by the holders of the notes. See Description of the Exchange Notes Security and Description of the Exchange Notes Intercreditor Agreement.

Rights of holders of notes in the collateral may be adversely affected by bankruptcy proceedings.

The right of the collateral agent for the notes to repossess and dispose of the collateral securing the notes upon acceleration is likely to be significantly impaired by federal bankruptcy law if bankruptcy proceedings are commenced by or against us prior to or possibly even after the collateral agent has repossessed and disposed of the collateral. Under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, a secured creditor, such as the collateral agent for the notes, is prohibited from repossessing its security from a debtor in a bankruptcy case, or from disposing of security repossessed from a debtor, without bankruptcy court approval. Moreover, bankruptcy law permits the debtor to continue to retain and to use collateral, and the proceeds, products, rents, or profits of the collateral, even though the debtor is in default under the applicable debt instruments, provided that the secured creditor is given adequate protection. The meaning of the term adequate protection may vary according to circumstances, but it is intended in general to protect the value of the secured creditor's interest in the collateral and may include cash payments or the granting of additional security, if and at such time as the court in its discretion determines, for any diminution in the value of the collateral as a result of the stay of repossession or disposition or any use of the collateral by the debtor during the pendency of the bankruptcy case. In view of the broad discretionary powers of a bankruptcy court, it is impossible to predict how long payments under the notes could be delayed following commencement of a bankruptcy case, whether or when the collateral agent would repossess or dispose of the collateral, or whether or to what extent holders of the notes would be compensated for any delay in payment of loss of value of the collateral through the requirements of adequate protection. Furthermore, in the event the bankruptcy court determines that the value of the collateral is not sufficient to repay all amounts due on the notes, the holders of the notes would have undersecured claims as to the difference. Federal bankruptcy laws do not permit the payment or accrual of interest, costs, and attorneys' fees for

undersecured claims during the debtor's bankruptcy case. Additionally, the trustee's ability to foreclose on the collateral on your behalf may be subject to the consent of third parties, prior liens and practical problems associated with the realization of the trustee's security interest in the collateral. Moreover, the debtor or trustee in a bankruptcy case may seek to avoid an alleged security interest in collateral for the benefit of the bankruptcy estate. It may successfully do so if the security interest is not properly perfected or was perfected within a specified period of time (generally 90 days) prior to the initiation of such proceeding. Under such circumstances, a creditor may hold no security interest and be treated as holding a general unsecured claim in the bankruptcy case. It is impossible to predict what recovery (if any) would be available for such an unsecured claim if we became a debtor in a bankruptcy case. While U.S. bankruptcy law generally invalidates provisions restricting a debtor's ability to assume and/or assign a contract, there are exceptions to this rule which could be applicable in the event that we become subject to a U.S. bankruptcy proceeding.

Any future pledge of collateral may be avoidable in bankruptcy.

Any future pledge of collateral in favor of the trustee or collateral agent for the notes, including pursuant to security documents delivered after the date of the indenture governing the notes, may be avoidable in bankruptcy if certain events or circumstances exist or occur, including, among others, if:

the pledgor is insolvent at the time of the pledge, the pledge permits the holder of the notes to receive a greater recovery than if the pledge had not been given; and

a bankruptcy proceeding in respect of the pledgor is commenced within 90 days following the pledge, or, in certain circumstances, a longer period.

Federal, state and foreign fraudulent transfer laws may permit a court to avoid the notes and the guarantees, subordinate claims in respect of the notes and the guarantees and require noteholders to return payments received. If this occurs, noteholders may not receive any payments on the notes.

Federal, state and foreign fraudulent transfer and conveyance statutes may apply to the issuance of the notes and the incurrence of any guarantees. Under federal bankruptcy law and comparable provisions of state fraudulent transfer or conveyance laws, which may vary from state to state and be different from other applicable foreign jurisdictions, the notes or guarantees could be avoided as a fraudulent transfer or conveyance if (1) we or any of the guarantors, as applicable, issued the notes or incurred the guarantees with the intent of hindering, delaying or defrauding creditors or (2) we or any of the guarantors, as applicable, received less than reasonably equivalent value or fair consideration in return for either issuing the notes or incurring the guarantees and, in the case of (2) only, one of the following is also true at the time thereof:

we or any of the guarantors, as applicable, were insolvent or rendered insolvent by reason of the issuance of the notes or the incurrence of the guarantees;

the issuance of the notes or the incurrence of the guarantees left us or any of the guarantors, as applicable, with an unreasonably small amount of capital to carry on the business;

we or any of the guarantors intended to, or believed that we or such guarantor would, incur debts beyond our or such guarantor's ability to pay such debts as they mature; or

we or any of the guarantors was a defendant in an action for money damages, or had a judgment for money damages docketed against us or such guarantor if, in either case, after final judgment, the judgment is unsatisfied.

A court would likely find that we or a guarantor did not receive reasonably equivalent value or fair consideration for the notes or such guarantee if we or such guarantor did not substantially benefit directly or indirectly from the issuance of the notes or the applicable guarantee. As a general matter, value is given for a transfer or an obligation if, in exchange for the transfer or obligation, property is transferred or an antecedent debt is secured or satisfied. A debtor will generally not be considered to have received value in connection with a debt offering if the debtor uses the proceeds of that offering to make a dividend payment or otherwise retire or redeem equity securities issued by the debtor.

We cannot be certain as to the standards a court would use to determine whether or not we or the guarantors were solvent at the relevant time or, regardless of the standard that a court uses, that the issuance of the guarantees would not be further subordinated to our other debt or the debt of the guarantors. Generally, however, an entity would be considered insolvent if, at the time it incurred indebtedness:

the sum of its debts, including contingent liabilities, was greater than the fair saleable value of all its assets;

the present fair saleable value of its assets was less than the amount that would be required to pay its probable liability on its existing debts, including contingent liabilities, as they become absolute and mature; or

it could not pay its debts as they become due.

If a court were to find that the issuance of the notes or the incurrence of the guarantee was a fraudulent transfer or conveyance, the court could avoid the payment obligations under the notes or such guarantee or further subordinate the notes or such guarantee to our presently existing and future indebtedness or of the related guarantor, or require the holders of the notes to repay any amounts received with respect to such guarantee. In the event of a finding that a fraudulent transfer or conveyance occurred, noteholders may not receive any repayment on the notes. Further, the avoidance of the notes could result in an event of default with respect to our other debt that could result in acceleration of such debt.

Although each guarantee entered into by the guarantors contains a provision intended to limit that guarantor's liability to the maximum amount that it could incur without causing the incurrence of obligations under its guarantee to be a fraudulent transfer, this provision may not be effective to protect those guarantees from being avoided under fraudulent transfer law, or may reduce that guarantor's obligation to an amount that effectively makes its guarantee worthless.

In addition, different or additional fraudulent conveyance laws may exist in foreign jurisdictions which could result in the liens being avoided.

If the guarantees by the subsidiary guarantors are not enforceable, the notes would be effectively subordinated to all liabilities of the subsidiary guarantors, including trade payables.

The value of the collateral securing the notes and the guarantees may not be sufficient to secure post-petition interest.

In the event of a bankruptcy, liquidation, dissolution, reorganization or similar proceeding against us, holders of the notes will only be entitled to post-petition interest under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code to the extent that the value of their security interest in the collateral securing the notes and the guarantees is greater than their pre-bankruptcy claim. Holders of the notes that have a security interest in collateral with a value equal or less than their prebankruptcy claim will not be entitled to post-petition interest under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. No appraisal of the fair market value of the collateral has been prepared in connection with the exchange offer and therefore the value of the noteholders interest in the collateral may not equal or exceed the principal amount of the notes.

The notes could be wholly or partially voided as a preferential transfer.

If we or any guarantor become the subject of a bankruptcy proceeding within 90 days after the date of the indenture (or, with respect to any insiders specified in bankruptcy law who are holders of the notes, within one year after we issue the notes), and the court determines that we were insolvent at the time of the closing (under the preference laws, we would be presumed to have been insolvent on and during the 90 days immediately preceding the date of filing of any bankruptcy petition), the court could find that the incurrence of the obligations under the notes involved a preferential transfer. In addition, to the extent that certain of our collateral is not perfected until after closing, such 90-day preferential transfer period would begin on the date of perfection. If the court determined that the granting of the security interest was therefore a preferential transfer, which did not qualify for any defense under bankruptcy law, then holders of the notes would be unsecured creditors with claims that ranked *pari passu* with all other unsecured

creditors of the applicable obligor, including trade creditors. In addition, under such circumstances, the value of any consideration holders received pursuant to the notes, including upon foreclosure of the collateral securing the notes and the guarantees, could also be subject to recovery from such holders and possibly from subsequent assignees, or such holders might be returned to the same position they held as holders of the notes.

The notes currently have no established trading or other public market, and an active trading market may not develop for the notes. The failure of a market to develop for the notes could affect the liquidity and value of the notes and you may not be able to sell the notes readily, or at all, or at or above the price that you paid.

The notes constitute a new issue of securities with no established trading market. We do not intend to apply for the notes to be listed on any securities exchange or to arrange for quotation on any automated dealer quotation system. A market may not develop for the notes, and you may not be able to sell any of your notes at a particular time, at favorable prices or at all. As a result, we cannot assure you as to the liquidity of any trading market for any of the notes. Accordingly, you may be required to bear the financial risk of your investment in the notes indefinitely. If a trading market were to develop, future trading prices of the notes may be volatile and will depend on many factors, including:

our operating performance and financial condition or prospects;

the prospects for a company in our industry generally;

the number of holders of the notes;

prevailing interest rates;

the interest of securities dealers in making a market for the notes; and

the market for similar securities and the overall securities market.

The trading price of the notes may be volatile.

Historically, the market for non-investment grade debt, such as the notes, has been subject to disruptions that have caused substantial volatility in the prices of securities similar to the notes. Any such disruptions could adversely affect the prices at which you may sell your notes. In addition, the notes may trade at a discount from the initial offering price of the notes, depending on the prevailing interest rates, the market for similar notes, our performance and other factors, many of which are beyond our control.

Risks Related to Our Business

The nature of our business involves numerous uncertainties and operating risks that can prevent us from realizing profits and can cause substantial losses.

We engage in exploration and development drilling activities, which are inherently risky. These activities may be unsuccessful for many reasons. In addition to a failure to find oil or natural gas, drilling efforts can be affected by adverse weather conditions (such as hurricanes and tropical storms in the U.S. Gulf Coast region), cost overruns, equipment shortages and mechanical difficulties. Therefore, the successful drilling of an oil or gas well does not ensure we will realize a profit on our investment. A variety of factors, both geological and market-related, could cause a well to become uneconomic or only marginally economic. In addition to their costs, unsuccessful wells could impede our efforts to replace reserves.

Our business involves a variety of operating risks, which include, but are not limited to:

fires;

explosions;

blow-outs and surface cratering;

uncontrollable flows of gas, oil and formation water;

natural disasters, such as hurricanes and other adverse weather conditions;

pipe, cement, subsea well or pipeline failures;

casing collapses;

mechanical difficulties, such as lost or stuck oil field drilling and service tools;

abnormally pressured formations; and

environmental hazards, such as gas leaks, oil spills, pipeline ruptures and discharge of toxic gases.

If we experience any of these problems, well bores, platforms, gathering systems and processing facilities could be affected, which could adversely affect our ability to conduct operations. We could also incur substantial losses due to costs and/or liability incurred as a result of:

injury or loss of life;

severe damage to and destruction of property, natural resources and equipment;

pollution and other environmental damage;

clean-up responsibilities;

regulatory investigations and penalties;

suspension of our operations; and

repairs to resume operations.

Our production, revenue and cash flow from operating activities are derived from assets that are concentrated in a single geographic area, making us vulnerable to risks associated with operating in one geographic area.

Unlike other entities that are geographically diversified, all of our assets and operations are located in , and offshore of, South Louisiana and we do not have the resources to effectively diversify our operations or benefit from the possible spreading of risks or offsetting of losses. Our lack of diversification may:

subject us to numerous economic, competitive and regulatory developments, any or all of which may have an adverse impact upon the particular industry in which we operate; and

result in our dependency upon a single or limited number of hydrocarbon basins.

In addition, the geographic concentration of our properties in the Gulf Coast region means that some or all of the properties could be affected should the region experience:

severe weather, such as hurricanes and other adverse weather conditions;

delays or decreases in production, the availability of equipment, facilities or services;

delays or decreases in the availability of capacity to transport, gather or process production; and/or

changes in the regulatory environment.

For example, our oil and gas properties were damaged, prior to our acquisition of those properties, by both Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, and, since our acquisition of the properties, by Hurricanes Gustav, Ike and Isaac. This damage required us, and the prior owners, to spend time and capital on inspections, repairs and debris removal. In accordance with industry practice, we maintain insurance against some, but not all, of these risks and losses. For additional information, please read [Our insurance may not protect us against all of the operating risks to which our business is exposed.](#)

Because all or a number of the properties could experience many of the same conditions at the same time, these conditions could have a relatively greater impact on our results of operations than they might have on other producers who have properties over a wider geographic area.

Oil and natural gas prices are volatile, and a substantial or extended decline in oil and natural gas prices would adversely affect our financial results and impede our growth.

Our financial condition, revenues, profitability and carrying value of our properties depend upon the prevailing prices and demand for oil and natural gas. Commodity prices also affect our cash flow available for capital expenditures and our ability to access funds through the capital markets. The markets for these commodities are volatile and even relatively modest drops in prices can affect our financial results and impede our growth.

Natural gas and oil prices historically have been volatile and are likely to continue to be volatile in the future, especially given current geopolitical and economic conditions. Prices for oil and natural gas fluctuate widely in response to relatively minor changes in the supply and demand for oil and natural gas, market uncertainty and a variety of additional factors beyond our control, such as:

domestic and foreign supplies of oil and natural gas;

price and quantity of foreign imports of oil and natural gas;

actions of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and other state-controlled oil companies relating to oil and natural gas price and production controls;

level of consumer product demand, including as a result of competition from alternative energy sources;

level of global oil and natural gas inventories;

political conditions in or affecting other oil-producing and natural gas-producing countries, including the current conflicts in the Middle East and conditions in South America and Russia;

weather conditions;

technological advances affecting oil and natural gas production and consumption;

overall U.S. and global economic conditions; and

price and availability of alternative fuels.

Further, oil prices and natural gas prices do not necessarily fluctuate in direct relationship to each other. Lower oil and natural gas prices may not only decrease our expected future revenues on a per unit basis but also may reduce the amount of oil and natural gas that we can produce economically. This may result in us having to make downward adjustments to our estimated proved reserves and could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

Our actual recovery of reserves may differ from our proved reserve estimates.

This prospectus contains estimates of our proved oil and gas reserves. Estimating crude oil and natural gas reserves is complex and inherently imprecise. It requires interpretation of the available technical data and making many assumptions about future conditions, including price and other economic conditions. In preparing such estimates, projection of production rates, timing of development expenditures and available geological, geophysical, production and engineering data are analyzed. The extent, quality and reliability of this data can vary. This process also requires economic assumptions about matters such as oil and natural gas prices, drilling and operating expenses, capital expenditures, taxes and availability of funds. If our interpretations or assumptions used in arriving at our reserve estimates prove to be inaccurate, the amount of oil and gas that will ultimately be recovered may differ materially from the estimated quantities and net present value of reserves owned by us. Any inaccuracies in these interpretations or assumptions could also materially affect the estimated quantities of reserves shown in the reserve reports summarized in this prospectus. Actual future production, oil and natural gas prices, revenues, taxes, development expenditures, operating expenses, decommissioning liabilities and quantities of recoverable oil and gas reserves most likely will vary from estimates. In addition, we may adjust estimates of proved reserves to reflect production history, results of exploration and development, prevailing oil and natural gas prices and other factors, many of which are beyond our control.

We may be limited in our ability to maintain or book additional proved undeveloped reserves under the SEC's rules.

We have included in this prospectus certain estimates of our proved reserves as of December 31, 2013 prepared in a manner consistent with our and our independent petroleum consultant's interpretation of the SEC rules relating to modernizing reserve estimation and disclosure requirements for oil and natural gas companies. Included within these SEC reserve rules is a general requirement that, subject to limited exceptions, proved undeveloped reserves may only be classified as such if a development plan has been adopted indicating that they are scheduled to be drilled within five years of the date of booking. This rule may limit our potential to book additional proved undeveloped reserves as we pursue our drilling program. Further, if we postpone drilling of proved undeveloped reserves beyond this five-year development horizon, we may have to write off reserves previously recognized as proved undeveloped. During 2013, we reclassified 2,439 MBoe of reserves previously classified as proved undeveloped reserves as a result of the failure to develop those reserves within five years of their being recorded as proved undeveloped. We may incur similar reclassifications and charges in the future if we are unable to develop some or all of our proved undeveloped reserves within five years of booking.

As of December 31, 2013, approximately 75% of our total proved reserves were undeveloped and approximately 13% of our total proved reserves were developed non-producing. There can be no assurance that all of those reserves will ultimately be developed or produced.

While we have plans or are in the process of developing plans for exploiting and producing a majority of our proved reserves, there can be no assurance that we will have the resources to fully develop those reserves or that all of those reserves will ultimately be developed or produced. While we presently act as operator on substantially all of our properties, to the extent that we are not the operator with respect to our proved undeveloped reserves, we may not be in a position to control the timing of all development activities. Furthermore, there can be no assurance that all of our undeveloped and developed non-producing reserves will ultimately be produced during the time periods we have planned, at the costs we have budgeted, or at all, which could result in the write-off of previously recognized reserves.

Unless we replace crude oil and natural gas reserves, our future reserves and production will decline.

In general, production from oil and gas properties declines as reserves are depleted, with the rate of decline depending on reservoir characteristics. Our total proved reserves decline as reserves are produced unless we conduct other successful exploration and development activities or acquire properties containing proved reserves, or both. Our ability to make the necessary capital investment to maintain or expand our asset base of crude oil and natural gas reserves would be impaired to the extent cash flow from operations is reduced and external sources of capital become limited or unavailable. We were able to substantially increase our drilling and development budget in 2011 and 2012 using cash flow and funds provided by debt and equity offerings. While we received additional debt financing during the fourth quarter of 2013, at December 31, 2013, we lacked a revolving credit facility and, accordingly, are dependent upon operating cash flow and funds on hand to support our drilling and development budget. In the absence of additional external financing, our ability to make planned capital investments to maintain and expand our reserves would be impaired to the extent cash flow from operations is reduced due to natural declines in production, declines in commodity prices or otherwise. Even if we have sufficient financing to support our optimum development plan, we may not be successful in exploring for, developing or acquiring additional reserves.

The nature and age of our wells may result in fluctuations in our production resulting from mechanical failures and other factors.

The majority of our wells have been in operation and have produced for many years. As a result of the age of those wells and their location in bay environments, those wells typically experience higher maintenance requirements than newer wells and wells located onshore. As a result, some of our wells may periodically be shut-in to perform maintenance or to restore optimal production levels or as a result of maintenance by third parties that operate facilities that serve our wells. Due to the periodic need to shut-in wells, we experience routine fluctuations in production levels with production declining below normal operating capacity during periods of maintenance. Further, because of their location in a bay environment, we sometimes experience delays in identifying and addressing production declines.

Our offshore operations involve special risks that could affect our operations adversely.

Offshore operations are subject to a variety of operating risks specific to the marine environment, such as capsizing, collisions and damage or loss from hurricanes or other adverse weather conditions. These conditions can cause substantial damage to facilities and interrupt production. As a result, we could incur substantial liabilities that could reduce or eliminate the funds available for exploration, development or leasehold acquisitions, or result in loss of equipment and properties. In particular, we are not intending to put in place business interruption insurance due to its high cost. We therefore may not be able to rely on insurance coverage in the event of such natural phenomena.

Our participation in, and realization of value from, shallow water ultra-deep shelf wells is subject to certain financing and operating risks that may prevent us from realizing the value of our deep reserve potential and expose us to delays, unexpected costs and other adverse financial consequences.

We have identified potential ultra-deep prospects underlying our transition zone acreage. The cost of exploration of such prospects, even when limited to our proportionate interest in such costs, is likely beyond that which we could fund from our current financial resources. Accordingly, we intend to seek partners to absorb a substantial portion of our share of such exploration costs. To that end, we have entered into discussions with various parties with respect to the potential formation of a joint venture to explore one or more ultra-deep prospects. We have not, as of December 31, 2013, entered into a definitive agreement with any prospective partner to fund or participate in the exploration of our ultra-deep prospects. In the event that we enter into such a joint venture arrangement but are unable to make satisfactory arrangements to fund our portion of exploration costs, our interests in some of our ultra-deep prospects may be substantially reduced or lost with little or no benefit from such interests accruing to our benefit. Further, the shallow water ultra-deep wells are expected to be some of the deepest wells ever drilled in the world and are subject to very high pressures and temperatures. The drilling, logging and completion techniques are near the limits of existing technologies. As a result, new technologies and techniques are being developed to deal with these challenges. The use of advanced drilling technologies involves a higher risk of technological failure and potentially higher costs. In addition, there can be delays in completion due to necessary equipment that is specially ordered to handle the challenges of ultra-deep wells. Even if we are able to participate in drilling ultra-deep wells there is no assurance that such wells will be commercially viable. Such wells are presently expected to be natural gas wells and, based on the current low price of natural gas, there is no assurance that the wells can be operated in an economically feasible manner even if successfully completed.

Our participation in, and realization of value from, Gulf of Mexico shelf prospects is subject to participation of partners in the financing and development of those prospects and subjects us to risk associated with operating under BOEMRE rules.

During 2013, we acquired four leases totaling 19,814 acres in the shallow Gulf of Mexico shelf. The leases are located in the federal waters of the Gulf of Mexico and are subject to rules and regulations of the BOEMRE. We have no history of developing and operating properties subject to BOEMRE regulation or in the deeper waters that characterize those leases and lack the financial resources to develop those prospects. Accordingly, we intend to seek partners in the development of such prospects which may entail farm-outs, promoted deals or other similar arrangements with partners having greater experience and financial resources to carry out such development and operating activities. If we are unable to secure partners to participate in such activities we may realize no value from the prospects and may lose our investment in those prospects. Even if we are able to secure necessary partners to fund, develop and operate those prospects, there is no guaranty that such activities will result in commercially viable wells.

Our insurance may not protect us against all of the operating risks to which our business is exposed.

We maintain insurance for some, but not all, of the potential risks and liabilities associated with our business. For some risks, we may not obtain insurance if we believe the cost of available insurance is excessive relative to the risks presented. Due to market conditions, premiums and deductibles for certain insurance policies can increase substantially, and in some instances, certain insurance policies are economically unavailable or available only for reduced amounts of coverage. Consistent with industry practice, we are not fully insured against all risks, including high-cost business interruption insurance and drilling and completion risks that are generally not recoverable from third parties or insurance. In addition, pollution and environmental risks generally are not fully insurable. Losses and liabilities from uninsured and underinsured events and delay in the payment of insurance proceeds could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations. Due to a number of catastrophic events in recent years, including Hurricanes Ivan, Katrina, Rita, Gustav, Ike and Isaac and the April 2010 Deepwater Horizon incident, insurance underwriters increased insurance premiums for many of the coverages historically maintained and issued general notices of cancellation and significant changes for a wide variety of insurance coverages. The oil and natural gas industry suffered damage from Hurricanes Ivan, Katrina, Rita, Gustav, Ike and Isaac. As a result, insurance costs for many operators in the Gulf Coast region have increased significantly from the costs that similarly situated participants in this industry have historically incurred. Insurers are requiring higher retention levels and limit the amount of insurance proceeds that are available after a major wind storm in the event that damages are incurred. If storm activity in the future is as severe, insurance underwriters may no longer insure assets in the Gulf Coast region against weather-related damage. In addition, we do not intend to put in place business interruption insurance due to its high cost. This insurance may not be economically available in the future, which could adversely impact business prospects in the Gulf Coast region and adversely impact our operations. If an accident or other event resulting in damage to our operations, including severe weather, terrorist acts, war, civil disturbances, pollution or environmental damage, occurs and is not fully covered by insurance or a recoverable indemnity from a vendor, it could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations. Moreover, we may not be able to maintain adequate insurance in the future at rates we consider reasonable or be able to obtain insurance against certain risks.

Competition for oil and gas properties and prospects is intense and some of our competitors have larger financial, technical and personnel resources that could give them an advantage in evaluating and obtaining properties and prospects.

We operate in a highly competitive environment for reviewing prospects, acquiring properties, marketing oil and gas and securing trained personnel. Many of our competitors are major or independent oil and gas companies that possess and employ financial resources that allow them to obtain substantially greater technical and personnel resources than ours. We actively compete with other companies when acquiring new leases or oil and gas properties. For example, new leases may be acquired through a sealed bid process and are generally awarded to the highest bidder. These additional resources can be particularly important in reviewing prospects and purchasing properties. Competitors may be able to evaluate, bid for and purchase a greater number of properties and prospects than our financial or personnel resources permit. Competitors may also be able to pay more for productive oil and gas properties and exploratory prospects than we are able or willing to pay. Further, our competitors may be able to expend greater resources on the existing and changing technologies that we believe will impact attaining success in the industry. If we are unable to compete successfully in these areas in the future, our future revenues and growth may be diminished or restricted.

The present value of future net cash flows from our proved reserves is not necessarily the same as the current market value of our estimated reserves.

This prospectus contains estimates of our future net cash flows from our proved reserves. We base the estimated discounted future net cash flows from our proved reserves on average prices for the preceding twelve-month period and costs in effect on the day of the estimate. However, actual future net cash flows from our natural gas and oil properties will be affected by factors such as:

the volume, pricing and duration of our natural gas and oil hedging contracts;

supply of and demand for natural gas and oil;

actual prices we receive for natural gas and oil;

our actual operating costs in producing natural gas and oil;

the amount and timing of our capital expenditures and decommissioning costs;

the amount and timing of actual production; and

changes in governmental regulations and taxation.

The timing of both our production and our incurrence of expenses in connection with the development and production of natural gas and oil properties will affect the timing of actual future net cash flows from proved reserves, and thus their actual present value. In addition, the 10% discount factor we use when calculating discounted future net cash flows may not be the most appropriate discount factor based on interest rates in effect from time to time and risks associated with us or the natural gas and oil industry in general. Any material inaccuracies in these reserve estimates or underlying assumptions will materially affect the quantities and present value of our reserves, which could adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition.

The unavailability or high cost of drilling rigs, equipment, supplies, personnel and oil field services could adversely affect our ability to execute exploration and exploitation plans on a timely basis and within budget, and consequently could adversely affect our anticipated cash flow.

We utilize third-party services to maximize the efficiency of our organization. The cost of oil field services may increase or decrease depending on the demand for services by other oil and gas companies. There is no assurance that we will be able to contract for such services on a timely basis or that the cost of such services will remain at a satisfactory or affordable level. Shortages or the high cost of drilling rigs, equipment, supplies or personnel could delay or adversely affect our exploitation and exploration operations, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

Market conditions or transportation impediments may hinder access to oil and gas markets, delay production or increase our costs.

Market conditions, the unavailability of satisfactory oil and natural gas transportation or the remote location of our drilling operations may hinder our access to oil and natural gas markets or delay production. The availability of a ready market for oil and gas production depends on a number of factors, including the demand for and supply of oil and gas and the proximity of reserves to pipelines or trucking and terminal facilities. In offshore operations, market access depends on the proximity of and our ability to tie into existing production platforms and, where those facilities are owned or operated by third parties, the ability to negotiate commercially satisfactory arrangements with the owners or operators. We may be required to shut in wells or delay initial production for lack of a market or because of inadequacy or unavailability of pipeline or gathering system capacity. Restrictions on our ability to sell our oil and natural gas may have several other adverse effects, including higher transportation costs, fewer potential purchasers (thereby potentially resulting in a lower selling price) or, in the event we were unable to market and sustain production from a particular lease for an extended time, possible loss of a lease due to lack of production. In the event that we encounter restrictions in our ability to tie our production to a gathering system, we may face considerable delays from the initial discovery of a reservoir to the actual production of the oil and gas and realization of revenues. In some cases, our wells may be tied back to platforms owned by parties with no economic interests in these wells. There can be no assurance that owners of such platforms will continue to operate the platforms. If the owners cease to operate the platforms or their processing equipment, we may be required to shut in the associated wells, which could adversely affect our results of operations.

We may not be the operator on all of our properties and therefore are not in a position to control the timing of development efforts, the associated costs, or the rate of production of the reserves on such properties.

As we carry out our planned drilling program, we may not serve as operator of all planned wells. We currently operate over 95% of our proved reserves, but do not expect to operate any wells that may be drilled on ultra-deep prospects or the Gulf of Mexico shelf prospects acquired during 2013. As a result, we may have limited ability to exercise influence over the operations of some non-operated properties or their associated costs. Dependence on the operator and other working interest owners for these projects, and limited ability to influence operations and associated costs could prevent the realization of targeted returns on capital in drilling or acquisition activities. The success and timing of development and exploitation activities on properties operated by others depend upon a number of factors that will be largely outside of our control, including:

the timing and amount of capital expenditures;

the availability of suitable offshore drilling rigs, drilling equipment, support vessels, production and transportation infrastructure and qualified operating personnel;

the operator's expertise and financial resources;

approval of other participants in drilling wells;

selection of technology; and

the rate of production of the reserves.

Each of these factors, and others, could materially adversely affect the realization of our targeted returns on capital in drilling or acquisition activities and lead to unexpected future costs.

We are exposed to trade credit risk in the ordinary course of our business activities.

We are exposed to risks of loss in the event of nonperformance by our vendors, customers and by counterparties to our price risk management arrangements. Some of our vendors, customers and counterparties may be highly leveraged and subject to their own operating and regulatory risks. Many of our vendors, customers and counterparties finance their activities through cash flow from operations, the incurrence of debt or the issuance of equity. Declines in the credit markets and the availability of credit or declines in equity values of our vendors, customers and counterparties, as well as declines in cash flow resulting from declines in commodity prices, may result in a significant reduction in our vendors, customers and counterparties liquidity and ability to make payments or perform on their obligations to us. Even if our credit review and analysis mechanisms work properly, we may experience financial losses in our dealings with other parties. Any increase in the nonpayment or nonperformance by our vendors, customers and/or counterparties could reduce our cash flows.

We sell the majority of our production to a small number of customers.

Two customers accounted for approximately 89% of our total oil and natural gas revenues during the year ended December 31, 2013. Our inability to continue to sell our production to those customers, if not offset by sales with new or other existing customers, could have a material adverse effect on our business and operations.

Unanticipated decommissioning costs could materially adversely affect our future financial position and results of operations.

We may become responsible for unanticipated costs associated with abandoning and reclaiming wells, facilities and pipelines. Abandonment and reclamation of facilities and the costs associated therewith is often referred to as decommissioning. Should decommissioning be required that is not presently anticipated or the decommissioning be accelerated, such as can happen after a hurricane, such costs may exceed the value of reserves remaining at any particular time. We may have to draw on funds from other sources to satisfy such costs. The use of other funds to satisfy such decommissioning costs could have a material adverse effect on our financial position and results of operations. During 2012 and 2013, we incurred decommissioning costs in excess of our estimates and established reserve and we may incur costs in excess of our reserves in the future.

Lower oil and gas prices and other factors may result in impairments of our asset carrying values.

Under the successful efforts method of accounting, whenever circumstances indicate that an asset may be impaired, we are required to compare the expected undiscounted future cash flows at a producing field level to the unamortized capitalized cost of the asset. If the future undiscounted cash flows are lower than the unamortized capitalized cost, an impairment charge is realized to reduce the capitalized cost to fair value. In computing future undiscounted cash flows of assets, we take into account estimates of future crude oil and natural gas prices as well as operating costs, anticipated production from proved reserves and other relevant data. Accordingly, a decline in oil and natural gas prices could cause a future write-down of capitalized costs and a non-cash impairment charge against future earnings.

Our success depends on dedicated and skillful management and staff, whose departure could disrupt our business operations.

Our success depends on our ability to retain and attract experienced engineers, geoscientists and other professional staff. We depend to a large extent on the efforts, technical expertise and continued employment of these personnel and members of our management team. If a significant number of them resign or become unable to continue in their present role and if they are not adequately replaced, our business operations could be adversely affected.

Risks Related to Our Risk Management Activities

If we place hedges on future production and encounter difficulties meeting that production, we may not realize the originally anticipated cash flows.

Our assets consist of a mix of reserves, with some being developed while others are undeveloped. To the extent that we sell the production of these reserves on a forward-looking basis but do not realize that anticipated level of production, our cash flow may be adversely affected if energy prices rise above the prices for the forward-looking sales. In this case, we would be required to make payments to the purchaser of the forward-looking sale equal to the difference between the current commodity price and that in the sales contract multiplied by the physical volume of the shortfall. There is the risk that production estimates could be inaccurate or that storms or other unanticipated problems could cause the production to be less than the amount anticipated, causing us to make payments to the purchasers pursuant to the terms of the hedging contracts.

Our price risk management activities could result in financial losses or could reduce our income, which may adversely affect our cash flows.

We enter into derivative contracts to reduce the impact of natural gas and oil price volatility on our cash flow from operations. Currently, we use a combination of natural gas and crude oil swap and physical arrangements to mitigate the volatility of future natural gas and oil prices received on our production.

Our actual future production may be significantly higher or lower than we estimate at the time we enter into derivative contracts for such period. If the actual amount of production is higher than we estimate, we will have greater commodity price exposure than we intended. If the actual amount of production is lower than the notional amount that is subject to our derivative financial instruments, we might be forced to satisfy all or a portion of our derivative transactions without the benefit of the cash flow from our sale of the underlying physical commodity, resulting in a substantial decrease in our liquidity. As a result of these factors, our hedging activities may not be as effective as we intend in reducing the volatility of our cash flows, and in certain circumstances may actually increase the volatility of our cash flows. In addition, our price risk management activities are subject to the following risks:

a counterparty may not perform its obligations under the applicable derivative instrument;

production is less than expected;

there may be a change in the expected differential between the underlying commodity price in the derivative instrument and the actual price received; and

the steps we take to monitor our derivative financial instruments may not detect and prevent violations of our risk management policies and procedures.

If we are unable to effectively manage the commodity price risk of our production if energy prices fall, we may not realize the anticipated cash flows from our assets.

During the third quarter of 2012, we instituted a hedging program in an effort to manage our commodity price risk. If we fail to effectively manage the commodity price risk of our production and energy prices fall, we may not be able to realize the cash flows from our assets that are currently anticipated even if we are successful in increasing the production and ultimate recovery of reserves. Compared to some other participants in the oil and gas industry, we are a relatively small company with modest resources. Moreover, our lack of a revolving credit facility may limit the scope and nature of commodity price risk management tools available to us. There is the possibility that we may be unable to find counterparties willing to enter into derivative arrangements with us or be required to either purchase relatively expensive put options, or commit to deliver future production, to manage the commodity price risk of our future production. To the extent that we commit to deliver future production, we may be forced to make cash deposits

available to counterparties as they mark to market these financial hedges. Proposed changes in regulations affecting derivatives may further limit or raise the cost, or increase the credit support required to hedge. This funding requirement may limit the level of commodity price risk management that we are prudently able to complete. In addition, we are unlikely to hedge undeveloped reserves to the same extent that we hedge the anticipated production from proved developed reserves.

Risks Related to Our Acquisition Strategy

Our acquisitions may be stretching our existing resources.

We acquired our principal properties in 2008 and may make acquisitions in the future. Future transactions may prove to stretch our internal resources and infrastructure. As a result, we may need to invest in additional resources, which will increase our costs. Any further acquisitions we make over the short term would likely intensify these risks.

We may be unable to successfully integrate the operations of the properties we acquire.

Integration of the operations of the properties we acquire with our existing business is a complex, time-consuming and costly process. Failure to successfully integrate the acquired businesses and operations in a timely manner may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. The difficulties of combining the acquired operations include, among other things:

operating a larger organization;

coordinating geographically disparate organizations, systems and facilities;

integrating corporate, technological and administrative functions;

diverting management's attention from other business concerns;

diverting financial resources away from existing operations;

an increase in our indebtedness; and

potential environmental or regulatory liabilities and title problems.

The process of integrating our operations could cause an interruption of, or loss of momentum in, the activities of our business. Members of our senior management may be required to devote considerable amounts of time to this integration process, which will decrease the time they will have to manage our business. If our senior management is not able to effectively manage the integration process, or if any business activities are interrupted as a result of the integration process, our business could suffer.

In addition, we face the risk of identifying, competing for and pursuing other acquisitions, which takes time and expense and diverts management's attention from other activities.

We may not realize all of the anticipated benefits from our acquisitions.

We may not realize all of the anticipated benefits from our future acquisitions, such as increased earnings, cost savings and revenue enhancements, for various reasons, including difficulties integrating operations and personnel, higher than expected acquisition and operating costs or other difficulties, unknown liabilities, inaccurate reserve estimates and fluctuations in market prices.

The properties we acquire may not produce as projected, and we may be unable to determine reserve potential, identify liabilities associated with the acquired properties or obtain protection from sellers against such liabilities.

Our business strategy includes acquisitions, which may include acquisitions of exploration and production companies, producing properties and undeveloped leasehold interests. The successful acquisition of oil and natural gas properties

requires assessments of many factors that are inherently inexact and may be inaccurate, including the following:

acceptable prices for available properties;

amounts of recoverable reserves;

estimates of future oil and natural gas prices;

estimates of future exploratory, development and operating costs;

estimates of the costs and timing of plugging and abandonment; and

estimates of potential environmental and other liabilities.

Our assessment of acquired properties will not reveal all existing or potential problems nor will it permit us to become familiar enough with the properties to fully assess their capabilities and deficiencies. In the course of our due diligence, we may not physically inspect every well, platform or pipeline. Even if we physically inspect each of these, our inspections may not reveal structural and environmental problems, such as pipeline corrosion or groundwater contamination. We may not be able to obtain contractual indemnities from the seller for liabilities associated with such risks. We may be required to assume the risk of the physical condition of the properties in addition to the risk that the properties may not perform in accordance with our expectations. If an acquired property does not perform as originally estimated, we may have an impairment, which could have a material adverse effect on our financial position and results of operations.

Risks Related to Our Indebtedness and Access to Capital and Financing

Our level of indebtedness may limit our ability to borrow additional funds or capitalize on acquisition or other business opportunities.

As of December 31, 2013, we had total indebtedness of \$179.8 million. Our leverage and the current and future restrictions contained in the agreements governing our indebtedness may reduce our ability to incur additional indebtedness, engage in certain transactions or capitalize on acquisition or other business opportunities. Our indebtedness and other financial obligations and restrictions could have financial consequences. For example, they could:

impair our ability to obtain additional financing in the future for capital expenditures, potential acquisitions, general business activities or other purposes;

increase our vulnerability to general adverse economic and industry conditions;

result in higher interest expense in the event of increases in interest rates to the extent that our debt is at a variable rates of interest;

have a material adverse effect if we fail to comply with financial and restrictive covenants in any of our debt agreements, including an event of default if such event is not cured or waived;

require us to dedicate a substantial portion of future cash flow to payments of our indebtedness and other financial obligations, thereby reducing the availability of our cash flow to fund working capital, capital expenditures and other general corporate requirements;

limit our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, changes in our business and industry; and

place us at a competitive disadvantage to those who have proportionately less debt.

If we are unable to meet future debt service obligations and other financial obligations, we could be forced to restructure or refinance our indebtedness and other financial transactions, seek additional equity or sell assets. We may then be unable to obtain such financing or capital or sell assets on satisfactory terms, if at all.

To service our indebtedness, we will require a significant amount of cash. Our ability to generate cash depends on many factors beyond our control.

Our ability to make payments on and to refinance our indebtedness and to fund planned capital expenditures and development and exploration efforts will depend on our ability to generate cash in the future. Our future operating performance and financial results will be subject, in part, to factors beyond our control, including interest rates and general economic, financial and business conditions. We cannot assure that our business will generate sufficient cash flow from operations or that future borrowings or other facilities will be available to us in an amount sufficient to enable us to pay our indebtedness or to fund our other liquidity needs.

If we are unable to generate sufficient cash flow to service our debt, we may be required to:

refinance all or a portion of our debt;

obtain additional financing;

sell some of our assets or operations;

reduce or delay capital expenditures, research and development efforts and acquisitions; or

revise or delay our strategic plans.

If we are required to take any of these actions, it could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. In addition, we cannot assure that we would be able to take any of these actions, that these actions would enable us to continue to satisfy our capital requirements or that these actions would be permitted under the terms of the our various debt instruments.

The covenants in the indenture governing our senior notes impose restrictions that may limit our ability and the ability of our subsidiaries to take certain actions. Our failure to comply with these covenants could result in the acceleration of our outstanding indebtedness.

The indentures governing our senior notes contain various covenants that limit our ability and the ability of our subsidiaries to, among other things:

incur dividend or other payment obligations;

incur indebtedness and issue preferred stock; or

sell or otherwise dispose of assets, including capital stock of subsidiaries.

If we breach any of these covenants, a default could occur. A default, if not waived, would entitle certain of our debt holders to declare all amounts borrowed under the breached indenture to become immediately due and payable, which could also cause the acceleration of obligations under certain other agreements and the termination of our credit facility. In the event of acceleration of our outstanding indebtedness, we cannot assure that we would be able to repay our debt or obtain new financing to