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FORM 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF  $^{\rm x}$  1934

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2015

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

For the transition period from to

Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-33366 20-5913059

(Commission File (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

organization) Number)

700 Milam Street, Suite 1900

77002 Houston, Texas

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(713) 375-5000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes x No " Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes x No "

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

Large accelerated filer x Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer Smaller reporting company

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

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

As of July 21, 2015, the issuer had 57,095,348 common units, 145,333,334 Class B units and 135,383,831 subordinated units outstanding.

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#### **DEFINITIONS**

As commonly used in the liquefied natural gas industry, to the extent applicable, and as used in this quarterly report, the following terms have the following meanings:

Common Industry and Other Terms

Bcf/d billion cubic feet per day
Bcf/yr billion cubic feet per year
Bcfe billion cubic feet equivalent
DOE U.S. Department of Energy

EPC engineering, procurement and construction FERC Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

FTA countries countries with which the United States has a free trade agreement providing for national treatment

for trade in natural gas

GAAP generally accepted accounting principles in the United States

the final settlement price (in USD per MMBtu) for the New York Mercantile Exchange's Henry

Henry Hub Hub natural gas futures contract for the month in which a relevant cargo's delivery window is

scheduled to begin

LIBOR London Interbank Offered Rate

LNG liquefied natural gas, a product of natural gas consisting primarily of methane (CH4) that is in

liquid form at near atmospheric pressure

MMBtu million British thermal units, an energy unit

mtpa million tonnes per annum

non-FTA countries without a free trade agreement providing for national treatment for trade in natural gas

countries and with which trade is permitted
SEC Securities and Exchange Commission
SPA LNG sale and purchase agreement

Train a refrigerant compressor train used in the industrial process to convert natural gas into LNG

TUA terminal use agreement

#### Abbreviated Organizational Structure

The following diagram depicts our abbreviated organizational structure as of June 30, 2015, including our ownership of certain subsidiaries, and the references to these entities used in this quarterly report:

Unless the context requires otherwise, references to "Cheniere Partners," "the Partnership," "we," "us" and "our" refer to Cheniere Energy Partners, L.P. (NYSE MKT: CQP) and its consolidated subsidiaries, including SPLNG, SPL and CTPL.

### PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION ITEM 1. CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands, except unit data)

ASSETS Current assets	June 30, 2015 (unaudited)	December 31, 2014
Cash and cash equivalents	\$194,914	\$248,830
Restricted cash	374,508	195,702
Accounts and interest receivable	410	333
Accounts receivable—affiliate	2,084	3,651
Advances to affiliate	24,783	27,323
LNG inventory	12,462	4,293
Other current assets	15,197	6,388
Total current assets	624,358	486,520
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Non-current restricted cash	732,076	544,465
Property, plant and equipment, net	10,511,970	8,978,356
Debt issuance costs, net	292,450	241,909
Non-current derivative assets	426	11,744
Other non-current assets	147,257	124,521
Total assets	\$12,308,537	\$10,387,515
LIABILITIES AND PARTNERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$10,527	\$8,598
Accrued liabilities	312,292	136,578
Due to affiliates	49,672	18,952
Deferred revenue	26,671	26,655
Deferred revenue—affiliate	708	708
Derivative liabilities	7,839	23,247
Other current liabilities	599	18
Total current liabilities	408,308	214,756
Long-term debt, net	10,993,119	8,991,333
Non-current deferred revenue	11,500	13,500
Other non-current liabilities	1,833	2,452
Other non-current liabilities—affiliate	51,248	34,745
Partners' equity		
Common unitholders' interest (57.1 million units issued and outstanding at June 30,	377,702	495,597
2015 and December 31, 2014)  Class Provide address' interact (145.3 million posits issued and outstanding at Ivas 20		
Class B unitholders' interest (145.3 million units issued and outstanding at June 30,	(38,146	(38,216)
2015 and December 31, 2014)		ŕ

Subordinated unitholders' interest (135.4 million units issued and outstanding at June	483,802	648.414
30, 2015 and December 31, 2014)	,	040,414
General partner's interest (2% interest with 6.9 million units issued and outstanding at	10 171	24,934
June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014)	19,171	24,934
Total partners' equity	842,529	1,130,729
Total liabilities and partners' equity	\$12,308,537	\$10,387,515

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

#### CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P. AND SUBSIDIARIES

### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(in thousands, except per unit data) (unaudited)

(shaddidd)	Three Months Ended June 30,			Six Months June 30,	Ended			
	2015		2014		2015		2014	
Revenues								
Revenues	\$66,490		\$66,594		\$133,208		\$133,043	
Revenues—affiliate	1,199		734		2,011		1,506	
Total revenues	67,689		67,328		135,219		134,549	
Operating costs and expenses								
Operating and maintenance expense	9,095		24,232		41,082		33,451	
Operating and maintenance expense—affiliate	7,501		4,860		12,274		9,291	
Depreciation expense	15,991		14,722		30,870		29,040	
Development expense	1,367		3,792		2,518		7,288	
Development expense—affiliate	206		242		410		394	
General and administrative expense	4,081		4,234		7,596		7,600	
General and administrative expense—affiliate	33,472		22,972		55,069		50,125	
Total operating costs and expenses	71,713		75,054		149,819		137,189	
Loss from operations	(4,024	)	(7,726	)	(14,600	)	(2,640	)
Other income (expense)								
Interest expense, net	(50,148	)	(43,789	)	(92,993	)	(84,059	)
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	(7,281	)	(114,335	)	(96,273	)	(114,335	)
Derivative gain (loss), net	1,175		(60,178	)	(35,209	)	(94,859	)
Other income (expense)	235		(196	)	356		(64	)
Total other expense	(56,019	)	(218,498	)	(224,119	)	(293,317	)
Net loss	\$(60,043	)	\$(226,224	)	\$(238,719	)	\$(295,957	)
Basic and diluted net loss per common unit	\$(0.01	)	\$(0.85	)	\$(0.62	)	\$(0.91	)
Weighted average number of common units outstanding used for basic and diluted net loss per common unit calculation	57,080		57,079		57,080		57,079	

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#### CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PARTNERS' EQUITY (in thousands)

(unaudited)

	Common Unitholders' Interest		Class B Unitholders' Interest		'Subordinated Unitholder's Interest			al Partner's t	Partners'	
	Units	Amount	Units	Amount	Units	Amount	Units	Amount	Equity	
Balance at December 31, 2014	57,080	\$495,597	145,333	\$(38,216)	135,384	\$648,414	6,894	\$24,934	\$1,130,729	
Net loss		(69,383)	_	_	_	(164,562)		(4,774)	(238,719 )	
Distributions	_	(48,518)	_	_	_	_	_	(990)	(49,508)	
Issuance of common units as compensation to non-management directors	1	26	_	_	_	_	_	1	27	
Amortization of beneficial conversion feature of Class B units	<u> </u>	(20 )	_	70	_	(50)	_	_	_	
Balance at June 30, 2015	57,081	\$377,702	145,333	\$(38,146)	135,384	\$483,802	6,894	\$19,171	\$842,529	

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### CHENIERE ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P. AND SUBSIDIARIES

### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(in thousands) (unaudited)

	Six Months June 30,	εE	Inded	
	2015		2014	
Cash flows from operating activities				
Net loss	\$(238,719	)	\$(295,957	)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation expense	30,870		29,040	
Non-cash LNG inventory write-downs	17,366		14,978	
Amortization of debt issuance costs and discount	5,019		5,639	
Total losses on derivatives, net	35,128		94,859	
Net cash used for settlement of derivative instruments	(38,028	)	(17,520	)
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	96,273		114,335	
Other	25		139	
Changes in restricted cash for certain operating activities	15,954		64,705	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Accounts and interest receivable	(77	)	(31	)
Accounts receivable—affiliate	1,441		173	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	84,580		1,025	
Due to affiliates	12,627		5,875	
Deferred revenue	(1,985	)	(1,955	)
Advances to affiliate	2,541		12,838	
LNG inventory	(25,534	)	(14,445	)
Other, net	(11,402	)	(6,613	)
Other, net—affiliate	16,501		(151	)
Net cash provided by operating activities	2,580		6,934	
Cash flows from investing activities				
Property, plant and equipment, net	(1,427,603	)	(1,305,506	)
Use of restricted cash for the acquisition of property, plant and equipment	1,471,632		1,302,039	_
Other	(51,017		2,495	
Net cash used in investing activities	(6,988	)	(972	)
Cash flows from financing activities				
Proceeds from issuances of long-term debt	2,000,000		2,584,500	
Investment in restricted cash	(1,854,002	)		)
Debt issuance and deferred financing costs	(145,998	)	(85,197	)
Repayments of long-term debt			(177,000	)
Distributions to owners	(49,508	)	(49,508	)
Other	_		(1,049	)
Net cash used in financing activities	(49,508	)	(49,507	)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(53,916	)	(43,545	)
Cash and cash equivalents—beginning of period	248,830	_	351,032	-
Cash and cash equivalents—end of period	\$194,914		\$307,487	
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

#### NOTE 1—BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements of Cheniere Partners have been prepared in accordance with GAAP for interim financial information and with Rule 10-01 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. In our opinion, all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring adjustments necessary for a fair presentation, have been included. Certain reclassifications have been made to conform prior period information to the current presentation. The reclassifications had no effect on our overall consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Results of operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations that will be realized for the year ending December 31, 2015.

We are not subject to either federal or state income tax, as our partners are taxed individually on their allocable share of our taxable income.

For further information, refer to the Consolidated Financial Statements and accompanying notes included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014.

#### NOTE 2—UNITHOLDERS' EQUITY

The common units, Class B units and subordinated units represent limited partner interests in us. The holders of the units are entitled to participate in partnership distributions and exercise the rights and privileges available to limited partners under our partnership agreement. Our partnership agreement requires that, within 45 days after the end of each quarter, we distribute all of our available cash (as defined in our partnership agreement). Generally, our available cash is our cash on hand at the end of a quarter less the amount of any reserves established by our general partner. All distributions paid to date have been made from operating surplus as defined in the partnership agreement.

The holders of common units have the right to receive initial quarterly distributions of \$0.425 per common unit, plus any arrearages thereon, before any distribution is made to the holders of the subordinated units. The holders of subordinated units will receive distributions only to the extent we have available cash above the initial quarterly distribution requirement for our common unitholders and general partner and certain reserves. Subordinated units will convert into common units on a one-for-one basis when we meet financial tests specified in the partnership agreement. Although common and subordinated unitholders are not obligated to fund losses of the Partnership, their capital accounts, which would be considered in allocating the net assets of the Partnership were it to be liquidated, continue to share in losses.

The general partner interest is entitled to at least 2% of all distributions made by us. In addition, the general partner holds incentive distribution rights, which allow the general partner to receive a higher percentage of quarterly distributions of available cash from operating surplus after the initial quarterly distributions have been achieved and as additional target levels are met. The higher percentages range from 15% to 50%.

During 2012, Blackstone CQP Holdco LP ("Blackstone") and Cheniere completed their purchases of newly created Cheniere Partners Class B units ("Class B units") for total consideration of \$1.5 billion and \$500.0 million, respectively.

Proceeds from the financings were used to fund a portion of the costs of developing, constructing and placing into service the first two Trains of the natural gas liquefaction facilities at the Sabine Pass LNG terminal adjacent to the existing regasification facilities (the "Liquefaction Project"). In May 2013, Cheniere purchased an additional 12.0 million Class B units for consideration of \$180.0 million in connection with our acquisition of CTPL and Cheniere Pipeline GP Interests, LLC. In 2013, Cheniere formed Cheniere Holdings to hold its limited partner interests in us. The Class B units are subject to conversion, mandatorily or at the option of the Class B unitholders under specified circumstances, into a number of common units based on the then-applicable conversion value of the Class B units. The Class B units are not entitled to cash distributions except in the event of our liquidation or a merger, consolidation or other combination of us with another person or the sale of all or substantially all of our assets. On a quarterly basis beginning on the date of the initial purchase of the Class B units and ending on the conversion date of the Class B units, the conversion value of the Class B units increases at a compounded rate of 3.5% per quarter, subject to additional upward adjustment for certain equity and debt financings. The accreted conversion ratio of the Class B units owned by Cheniere Holdings and Blackstone was 1.51 and 1.49, respectively, as of June 30, 2015. We expect the Class B units to mandatorily convert into common units within 90 days

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of the substantial completion date of Train 3 of the Liquefaction Project, which we currently expect to occur before April 30, 2017. If the Class B units are not mandatorily converted by July 2019, the holders of the Class B units have the option to convert the Class B units into common units at that time.

#### NOTE 3—RESTRICTED CASH

Restricted cash consists of funds that are contractually restricted as to usage or withdrawal and have been presented separately from cash and cash equivalents on our Consolidated Balance Sheets. Restricted cash includes the following:

#### SPLNG Senior Notes Debt Service Reserve

SPLNG, our wholly owned subsidiary, has consummated private offerings of an aggregate principal amount of \$1,665.5 million, before discount, of 7.50% Senior Secured Notes due 2016 (the "2016 SPLNG Senior Notes") and \$420.0 million of 6.50% Senior Secured Notes due 2020 (the "2020 SPLNG Senior Notes" and collectively with the 2016 SPLNG Senior Notes, the "SPLNG Senior Notes"). Under the indentures governing the SPLNG Senior Notes (the "SPLNG Indentures"), except for permitted tax distributions, SPLNG may not make distributions until certain conditions are satisfied, including: (1) there must be on deposit in an interest payment account an amount equal to one-sixth of the semi-annual interest payment multiplied by the number of elapsed months since the last semi-annual interest payment, and (2) there must be on deposit in a permanent debt service reserve fund an amount equal to one semi-annual interest payment. Distributions are permitted only after satisfying the foregoing funding requirements, a fixed charge coverage ratio test of 2:1 and other conditions specified in the SPLNG Indentures.

As of both June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, we classified \$15.0 million as current restricted cash for the payment of current interest due. As of both June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, we classified the permanent debt service reserve fund of \$76.1 million as non-current restricted cash. These cash accounts are controlled by a collateral trustee; therefore, these amounts are shown as restricted cash on our Consolidated Balance Sheets.

#### SPL Reserve

During 2013, SPL entered into four credit facilities aggregating \$5.9 billion (collectively, the "2013 SPL Credit Facilities"). In June 2015, SPL entered into four credit facilities aggregating \$4.6 billion (collectively, the "2015 SPL Credit Facilities"), which replaced the 2013 SPL Credit Facilities. Under the terms and conditions of the 2015 SPL Credit Facilities, SPL is required to deposit all cash received into reserve accounts controlled by a collateral trustee. The usage or withdrawal of such cash is restricted to the payment of liabilities related to the Liquefaction Project; therefore, these amounts are shown as restricted cash on our Consolidated Balance Sheets.

During 2013, SPL issued an aggregate principal amount of \$2.0 billion, before premium, of 5.625% Senior Secured Notes due 2021 (the "2021 SPL Senior Notes"), \$1.0 billion of 6.25% Senior Secured Notes due 2022 (the "2022 SPL Senior Notes") and \$1.0 billion of 5.625% Senior Secured Notes due 2023 (the "Initial 2023 SPL Senior Notes"). During 2014, SPL issued an aggregate principal amount of \$2.0 billion of 5.75% Senior Secured Notes due 2024 (the "2024 SPL Senior Notes") and additional 5.625% Senior Secured Notes due 2023 (the "Additional 2023 SPL Senior Notes" and collectively with the Initial 2023 SPL Senior Notes, the "2023 SPL Senior Notes") in an aggregate principal amount of \$0.5 billion, before premium. In March 2015, SPL issued an aggregate principal amount of \$2.0 billion of 5.625% Senior Secured Notes due 2025 (the "2025 SPL Senior Notes" and collectively with the 2021 SPL Senior Notes, the 2022 SPL Senior Notes, the 2023 SPL Senior Notes, the "SPL Senior Notes"). The use

of cash proceeds from the SPL Senior Notes is restricted to the payment of liabilities related to the Liquefaction Project; therefore, these amounts are shown as restricted cash on our Consolidated Balance Sheets. See <a href="Note">Note</a> <a href="Tem-Long-Term Debt">Tem Debt</a> for additional details about our long-term debt.

As of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, we classified \$340.5 million and \$155.8 million, respectively, as current restricted cash held by SPL for the payment of current liabilities, including interest payments, related to the Liquefaction Project and \$656.0 million and \$457.1 million, respectively, as non-current restricted cash held by SPL for future Liquefaction Project construction costs.

#### CTPL Reserve

In May 2013, CTPL entered into a \$400.0 million term loan facility (the "CTPL Term Loan"). As of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, we classified \$19.0 million and \$24.9 million, respectively, as current restricted cash held by CTPL for the payment of current liabilities and zero and \$11.3 million, respectively, as non-current restricted cash held by CTPL because such funds may only be used for modifications of the 94-mile Creole Trail Pipeline, which interconnects the Sabine Pass LNG terminal with a number of large interstate pipelines, in order to enable bi-directional natural gas flow, and for the payment of interest during construction of such modifications. The restricted cash reserved to pay interest during construction is controlled by a collateral agent and can only be released by the collateral agent upon satisfaction of certain terms and conditions. CTPL is required to pay annual fees to the administrative and collateral agents.

#### NOTE 4—PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Property, plant and equipment consists of LNG terminal costs and fixed assets, as follows (in thousands):

	June 30,	December 31,
	2015	2014
LNG terminal costs		
LNG terminal	\$2,435,391	\$2,240,233
LNG terminal construction-in-process	8,450,486	7,082,732
LNG site and related costs, net	138	141
Accumulated depreciation	(379,201)	(348,907)
Total LNG terminal costs, net	10,506,814	8,974,199
Fixed assets		
Computer and office equipment	1,126	1,105
Vehicles	1,990	1,507
Machinery and equipment	1,508	1,508
Furniture and fixtures	1,375	1,375
Other	3,764	2,505
Accumulated depreciation	(4,607)	(3,843)
Total fixed assets, net	5,156	4,157
Property, plant and equipment, net	\$10,511,970	\$8,978,356

#### NOTE 5—DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS

We have entered into the following derivative instruments that are reported at fair value: commodity derivatives to hedge the exposure to price risk attributable to future: (1) sales of our LNG inventory and (2) purchases of natural gas to operate the Sabine Pass LNG terminal ("Natural Gas Derivatives");

commodity derivatives consisting of natural gas purchase agreements and associated economic hedges to secure natural gas feedstock for the Liquefaction Project ("Liquefaction Supply Derivatives"); and interest rate swaps to hedge the exposure to volatility in a portion of the floating-rate interest payments under the 2015 SPL Credit Facilities ("Interest Rate Derivatives").

None of our derivative instruments are designated as cash flow hedging instruments, and changes in fair value are recorded within our Consolidated Statements of Operations.

SPLNG has elected to account for a portion of the Natural Gas Derivatives as normal purchase normal sale transactions, exempt from fair value accounting. Gains and losses for these physical hedges are not reflected on our Consolidated Statements of Operations until the period of delivery. SPLNG had not posted collateral for such forward contracts as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

The following table (in thousands) shows the fair value of our derivative instruments that are required to be measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, which are classified as other current assets, non-current derivative assets, derivative liabilities and other non-current liabilities in our Consolidated Balance Sheets.

	Fair Valu	ie Measurem	ents as of					
	June 30,	2015			Decembe	er 31, 2014		
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Unobservable	<sup>e</sup> Total	Quoted Prices in Active Markets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	e Total
Natural Gas Derivatives asset	\$—	\$ 181	\$ —	\$181	\$—	\$ 1,216	\$ —	\$1,216
Liquefaction Supply Derivatives asset (liability)	_	(27 )	440	413	_	_	342	342
Interest Rate Derivatives liability	_	(8,172 )		(8,172)	_	(12,036 )	_	(12,036 )

The estimated fair values of our Natural Gas Derivatives and the economic hedges related to the Liquefaction Supply Derivatives are the amounts at which the instruments could be exchanged currently between willing parties. We value these derivatives using observable commodity price curves and other relevant data. We value our Interest Rate Derivatives using valuations based on the initial trade prices. Using an income-based approach, subsequent valuations are based on observable inputs to the valuation model including interest rate curves, risk adjusted discount rates, credit spreads and other relevant data.

The fair value of substantially all of the Liquefaction Supply Derivatives is developed through the use of internal models which are impacted by inputs that are unobservable in the marketplace. As a result, the fair value of the Liquefaction Supply Derivatives is designated as Level 3 within the valuation hierarchy. The curves used to generate the fair value of the Liquefaction Supply Derivatives are based on basis adjustments applied to forward curves for a liquid trading point. In addition, there may be observable liquid market basis information in the near term, but terms of a particular Liquefaction Supply Derivatives contract may exceed the period for which such information is available, resulting in a Level 3 classification. In these instances, fair value of the contract incorporates extrapolation assumptions made in the determination of the market basis price for future delivery periods in which applicable commodity basis prices were either not observable or lacked corroborative market data. Internal fair value models that include contractual pricing with a fixed basis include fixed basis amounts for delivery at locations for which no market currently exists. Internal fair value models also include conditions precedent to the respective long-term natural gas purchase agreements. As of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the majority of the Liquefaction Supply Derivatives existed within markets for which the pipeline infrastructure has not been developed to accommodate marketable physical gas flow. Therefore, our internal fair value models were based on a market price that equated to our own contractual pricing due to: (1) the inactive and unobservable market and (2) conditions precedent and their impact on the uncertainty in the timing of our actual receipt of the physical volumes associated with each forward. The fair value of the Liquefaction Supply Derivatives is predominantly driven by market commodity basis prices and our assessment of the associated conditions precedent, including evaluating whether the respective market is available as pipeline infrastructure is developed.

There were no transfers into or out of Level 3 Liquefaction Supply Derivatives for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014. As all of the physical Liquefaction Supply Derivatives are either purely index-priced or index-priced with a fixed basis, we do not believe that a significant change in market commodity prices would have a material impact on our Level 3 fair value measurements. The following table (in thousands, except natural gas basis spread) includes quantitative information for the unobservable inputs for the Level 3 Liquefaction Supply Derivatives as of June 30, 2015:

	Net Fair Value		Significant	Significant
		Valuation Technique	Unobservable	Unobservable
	Asset		Input	Inputs Range
Liquefaction Supply Derivatives	\$440	Income Approach	Basis Spread	\$ (0.350) - \$0.020

Derivative assets and liabilities arising from our derivative contracts with the same counterparty are reported on a net basis, as all counterparty derivative contracts provide for net settlement.

#### Commodity Derivatives

We recognize all commodity derivative instruments that qualify for derivative accounting treatment, including our Natural Gas Derivatives and the Liquefaction Supply Derivatives (collectively, "Commodity Derivatives"), as either assets or liabilities and measure those instruments at fair value. Changes in the fair value of our Commodity Derivatives are reported in earnings.

The following table (in thousands) shows the fair value and location of our Commodity Derivatives on our Consolidated Balance Sheets:

	June 30, 201 Natural Gas Derivatives (1)	Liquefaction Supply Derivatives	Total	December 3 Natural Gas Derivatives (1)	1, 2014 Liquefaction Supply Derivatives	Total	
Balance Sheet Location							
Other current assets	\$181	\$ 307	\$488	\$1,216	\$76	\$1,292	
Non-current derivative assets		426	426		586	586	
Total derivative assets	181	733	914	1,216	662	1,878	
Derivative liabilities	_	(222 )	(222 )	_	(53)	(53	)
Other non-current liabilities		(98)	(98)		(267)	(267	)
Total derivative liabilities		(320)	(320)		(320)	(320	)
Derivative asset, net	\$181	\$413	\$594	\$1,216	\$ 342	\$1,558	

Does not include a collateral deposit of \$0.2 million and a collateral call of \$1.1 million for such contracts, which (1) are included in other current assets in our Consolidated Balance Sheets as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively.

The following table (in thousands) shows the changes in the fair value and settlements and location of our Commodity Derivatives recorded on our Consolidated Statements of Operations during the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014:

		Three Months Ended				Six Months Ended June		
		June 30,				30,		
	Statement of Operations Location	n 2015		2014		2015	2014	
Natural Gas Derivatives loss	Revenues	<b>\$</b> —		\$(2	)	\$	\$(31	)
Natural Gas Derivatives gain (loss)	Derivative gain (loss), net	(294	)	(56	)	460	(258	)
Liquefaction Supply Derivative gain (1)	es Operating and maintenance expense	81		_		81	_	

(1) There were no physical settlements during the reporting period.

The use of Commodity Derivatives exposes us to counterparty credit risk, or the risk that a counterparty will be unable to meet its commitments in instances when our Commodity Derivatives are in an asset position.

#### Natural Gas Derivatives

Our Natural Gas Derivatives are executed through over-the-counter contracts which are subject to nominal credit risk as these transactions are settled on a daily margin basis with investment grade financial institutions. We are required by these financial institutions to use margin deposits as credit support for our Natural Gas Derivatives activities.

#### Liquefaction Supply Derivatives

SPL has entered into index-based physical natural gas supply contracts and associated economic hedges to secure natural gas feedstock for the Liquefaction Project. The terms of the physical contracts range from approximately one to seven years and commence upon the occurrence of conditions precedent, including the date of first commercial operation of specified Trains of the Liquefaction Project. We recognize the Liquefaction Supply Derivatives as either assets or liabilities and measure those instruments at fair value. Changes in the fair value of the Liquefaction Supply Derivatives are reported in earnings. As of June 30, 2015, SPL has secured up to approximately 2,162.8 million MMBtu of natural gas feedstock through long-term natural gas purchase agreements, of which the forward notional natural gas buy position of the Liquefaction Supply Derivatives was approximately 1,250.3 million MMBtu, which were recorded as derivatives due to minimum purchase requirements.

#### Interest Rate Derivatives

SPL has entered into Interest Rate Derivatives to protect against volatility of future cash flows and hedge a portion of the variable interest payments on the 2015 SPL Credit Facilities. The Interest Rate Derivatives hedge a portion of the expected outstanding borrowings over the term of the 2015 SPL Credit Facilities.

In March 2015, SPL settled a portion of its interest rate derivatives related to the 2013 SPL Credit Facilities, and we recognized a derivative loss of \$34.7 million within our Consolidated Statements of Operations in conjunction with the termination of approximately \$1.8 billion of commitments under the 2013 SPL Credit Facilities as discussed in Note 7—Long-Term Debt. In May 2014, SPL settled a portion of its interest rate derivatives related to the 2013 SPL Credit Facilities and recognized a derivative loss of \$9.3 million within our Consolidated Statements of Operations in conjunction with the early termination of approximately \$2.1 billion of commitments under the 2013 SPL Credit Facilities.

At June 30, 2015, SPL had the following Interest Rate Derivatives outstanding:

	Initial Notional Amount	Maximum Notional Amount	Effective Date	Maturity Date	Weighted Average Fixed Interest Rate Paid	Variable Interest Rate Received
Interest Rate Derivatives	\$20.0 million	\$690.8 million	August 14, 2012	July 31, 2019	1.98%	One-month LIBOR

The following table (in thousands) shows the fair value of our Interest Rate Derivatives:

		Fair Value Measurements as of		
	Balance Sheet Location	June 30, 2015	December 31, 2014	
Interest Rate Derivatives	Non-current derivative assets (Other non-current liabilities)	\$(555	\$11,158	
Interest Rate Derivatives		(7,617	) (23,194 )	1

The following table (in thousands) shows the changes in the fair value and settlements of our Interest Rate Derivatives recorded in derivative gain (loss), net on our Consolidated Statements of Operations during the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,		
	2015	2014	2015	2014	
Interest Rate Derivatives gain (loss)	\$1,469	\$(60,122	) \$(35,669	) \$(94,601	)
10					
12					

#### **Balance Sheet Presentation**

Our Commodity Derivatives and Interest Rate Derivatives are presented on a net basis on our Consolidated Balance Sheets as described above. The following table (in thousands) shows the fair value of our derivatives outstanding on a gross and net basis:

	Gross Amounts	Net Amounts	
Gross Amounts	Offset in the	Presented in the	e
Recognized	Consolidated	Consolidated	
	Balance Sheets	Balance Sheets	,
\$267	\$(86)	\$181	
733	_	733	
(320)	_	(320	)
(8,172)	_	(8,172	)
1,226	(10)	1,216	
562	_	662	
(320)	_	(320	)
11,158	_	11,158	
(23,194)		(23,194	)
	Recognized  \$267 733 320 ) 8,172 ) 1,226 662 320 ) 1,158	Gross Amounts Recognized  Gross Amounts Recognized  Gross Amounts Consolidated Balance Sheets  Gross Amounts  G	Gross Amounts         Offset in the Consolidated Balance Sheets         Presented in the Consolidated Balance Sheets           \$267         \$(86         ) \$181           733         —         733           320         ) —         (320           8,172         ) —         (8,172           1,226         (10         ) 1,216           662         —         662           320         ) —         (320           11,158         —         11,158

#### NOTE 6—ACCRUED LIABILITIES

As of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, accrued liabilities consisted of the following (in thousands):

	June 30,	December 31,
	2015	2014
Interest expense and related debt fees	\$224,690	\$112,858
Liquefaction Project costs	78,827	22,014
LNG terminal costs	6,477	1,077
Other accrued liabilities	2,298	629
Total accrued liabilities	\$312,292	\$136,578

#### NOTE 7—LONG-TERM DEBT

As of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, our long-term debt consisted of the following (in thousands):

_	Interest	June 30,	December 31,	
	Rate	2015	2014	
Long-term debt				
2016 SPLNG Senior Notes	7.500%	\$1,665,500	\$1,665,500	
2020 SPLNG Senior Notes	6.500%	420,000	420,000	
2021 SPL Senior Notes	5.625%	2,000,000	2,000,000	
2022 SPL Senior Notes	6.250%	1,000,000	1,000,000	
2023 SPL Senior Notes	5.625%	1,500,000	1,500,000	
2024 SPL Senior Notes	5.750%	2,000,000	2,000,000	
2025 SPL Senior Notes	5.625%	2,000,000	_	
2015 SPL Credit Facilities (1)	(2)	_	_	

CTPL Term Loan Total long-term debt Long-term debt premium (discount)	(3)	400,000 10,985,500	400,000 8,985,500	
2016 SPLNG Senior Notes		(6,651	(8,998	)
2021 SPL Senior Notes 2023 SPL Senior Notes		9,457 6,745	10,177 7,089	
CTPL Term Loan Total long-term debt, net		(1,932 \$10,993,119	) (2,435 \$8,991,333	)
13				

- (1) Matures on the earlier of December 31, 2020 or the second anniversary of the completion date of Trains 1 through 5 of the Liquefaction Project.
- Variable interest rate, at SPL's election, is LIBOR or the base rate plus the applicable margin. The applicable margins for LIBOR loans range from 1.30% to 1.75%, depending on the applicable 2015 SPL Credit Facility, and the applicable margin for base rate loans is 1.75%. Interest on LIBOR loans is due and payable at the end of each LIBOR period, and interest on base rate loans is due and payable at the end of each quarter.
  - Variable interest rate, at CTPL's election, is LIBOR or the base rate plus the applicable margin. CTPL has
- (3) historically elected LIBOR loans, for which the applicable margin is 3.25% and is due and payable at the end of each LIBOR period.

For the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, we incurred \$174.8 million and \$140.4 million of total interest cost, respectively, of which we capitalized and deferred \$124.7 million and \$96.6 million, respectively, of interest cost, including amortization of debt issuance costs, primarily related to the construction of the first four Trains of the Liquefaction Project. For the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, we incurred \$334.9 million and \$269.0 million of total interest cost, respectively, of which we capitalized and deferred \$241.9 million and \$184.9 million, respectively, of interest cost, including amortization of debt issuance costs, primarily related to this construction.

#### **SPLNG Senior Notes**

Under the SPLNG Indentures, except for permitted tax distributions, SPLNG may not make distributions until certain conditions are satisfied as described in <u>Note 3—Restricted Cash</u>. During the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, SPLNG made distributions of \$199.6 million and \$173.0 million, respectively, after satisfying all the applicable conditions in the SPLNG Indentures.

#### **SPL Senior Notes**

In March 2015, SPL issued an aggregate principal amount of \$2.0 billion of the 2025 SPL Senior Notes, for which borrowings accrue interest at a fixed rate of 5.625%. The terms of the 2025 SPL Senior Notes are governed by the same common indenture with the other SPL Senior Notes. In connection with the closing of the sale of the 2025 SPL Senior Notes, SPL entered into a Registration Rights Agreement dated March 3, 2015 (the "2025 SPL Registration Rights Agreement"). Under the terms of the 2025 SPL Registration Rights Agreement, SPL has agreed, and any future guarantors of the 2025 SPL Senior Notes will agree, to use commercially reasonable efforts to file with the SEC and cause to become effective a registration statement within 360 days after March 3, 2015 with respect to an offer to exchange any and all of the 2025 SPL Senior Notes for a like aggregate principal amount of debt securities of SPL with terms identical in all material respects to the respective 2025 SPL Senior Notes sought to be exchanged (other than with respect to restrictions on transfer or to any increase in annual interest rate), and that are registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Under specified circumstances, SPL has also agreed, and any future guarantors will also agree, to use commercially reasonable efforts to cause to become effective a shelf registration statement relating to resales of the 2025 SPL Senior Notes. SPL will be obligated to pay additional interest if it fails to comply with its obligations to register the 2025 SPL Senior Notes within the specified time periods.

#### 2015 SPL Credit Facilities

In June 2015, SPL entered into the 2015 SPL Credit Facilities with commitments aggregating \$4.6 billion. The 2015 SPL Credit Facilities are being used to fund a portion of the costs of developing, constructing and placing into

operation Trains 1 through 5 of the Liquefaction Project. Borrowings under the 2015 SPL Credit Facilities may be refinanced, in whole or in part, at any time without premium or penalty; however, interest rate hedging and interest rate breakage costs may be incurred. As of June 30, 2015, SPL had \$4.6 billion of available commitments and no outstanding borrowings under the 2015 SPL Credit Facilities.

SPL incurred \$89.9 million of debt issuance costs in connection with the 2015 SPL Credit Facilities. In addition to interest, SPL is required to pay insurance/guarantee premiums of 0.45% per annum on any drawn amounts under the covered tranches of the 2015 SPL Credit Facilities. The 2015 SPL Credit Facilities also require SPL to pay a quarterly commitment fee calculated at either: (1) a rate per annum equal to 40% of the applicable margin, multiplied by the average daily amount of the undrawn commitment, or (2) 0.70% of the undrawn commitment, depending on the applicable 2015 SPL Credit Facility. The principal of the loans made under the 2015 SPL Credit Facilities must be repaid in quarterly installments, commencing with the earlier of June 30, 2020 and the last day of the first full calendar quarter after the completion date of Trains 1 through 5 of the Liquefaction Project.

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Scheduled repayments are based upon an 18-year amortization profile, with the remaining balance due upon the maturity of the 2015 SPL Credit Facilities.

The 2015 SPL Credit Facilities contain conditions precedent for borrowings, as well as customary affirmative and negative covenants. The obligations of SPL under the 2015 SPL Credit Facilities are secured by substantially all of the assets of SPL as well as all of the membership interests in SPL on a pari passu basis with the SPL Senior Notes.

Under the terms of the 2015 SPL Credit Facilities, within 90 days of the closing date, SPL is required to hedge not less than 65% of the variable interest rate exposure of its projected outstanding borrowings, calculated on a weighted average basis in comparison to its anticipated draw of principal.

2013 SPL Credit Facilities

In May 2013, SPL entered into the 2013 SPL Credit Facilities to fund a portion of the costs of developing, constructing and placing into operation Trains 1 through 4 of the Liquefaction Project. As of December 31, 2014, SPL had no outstanding borrowings under the 2013 SPL Credit Facilities. In June 2015, the 2013 SPL Credit Facilities were replaced with the 2015 SPL Credit Facilities.

In March 2015, in conjunction with SPL's issuance of the 2025 SPL Senior Notes, SPL terminated approximately \$1.8 billion of commitments under the 2013 SPL Credit Facilities. This termination and the replacement of the 2013 SPL Credit Facilities with the 2015 SPL Credit Facilities in June 2015 resulted in a write-off of debt issuance costs and deferred commitment fees associated with the 2013 SPL Credit Facilities of \$7.3 million and \$96.3 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively.

CTPL Term Loan

As of June 30, 2015, CTPL had borrowed the full amount of \$400.0 million available under the CTPL Term Loan. The CTPL Term Loan matures in 2017 when the full amount of the outstanding principal obligations must be repaid. The outstanding balance may be repaid, in whole or in part, at any time without premium or penalty.

#### SPL LC Agreement

In April 2014, SPL entered into a \$325.0 million senior letter of credit and reimbursement agreement (the "SPL LC Agreement") that it uses for the issuance of letters of credit for certain working capital requirements related to the Liquefaction Project. SPL pays (1) a commitment fee in an amount equal to an annual rate of 0.75% of an amount equal to the unissued portion of letters of credit available pursuant to the SPL LC Agreement and (2) a letter of credit fee equal to an annual rate of 2.5% of the undrawn portion of all letters of credit issued under the SPL LC Agreement. If draws are made upon any letters of credit issued under the SPL LC Agreement, the amount of the draw will be deemed a loan issued to SPL. SPL is required to pay the full amount of this loan on or prior to the business day immediately succeeding the deemed issuance of the loan. These loans accrue interest at a rate of 2.0% plus the base rate as defined in the SPL LC Agreement. As of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, SPL had issued letters of credit in an aggregate amount of \$72.9 million and \$9.5 million, respectively, and as of both June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, no draws had been made upon any letters of credit issued under the SPL LC Agreement.

Fair Value Disclosures

The following table (in thousands) shows the carrying amount and estimated fair value of our long-term debt:

	June 30, 2015		December 31, 2014	
	Carrying	Estimated	Carrying	Estimated
	Amount	Fair Value	Amount	Fair Value
2016 SPLNG Senior Notes, net of discount (1)	\$1,658,849	\$1,745,939	\$1,656,502	\$1,718,621
2020 SPLNG Senior Notes (1)	420,000	435,750	420,000	428,400
2021 SPL Senior Notes, net of premium (1)	2,009,457	2,049,646	2,010,177	1,985,050
2022 SPL Senior Notes (1)	1,000,000	1,027,500	1,000,000	1,020,000
2023 SPL Senior Notes, net of premium (1)	1,506,745	1,493,561	1,507,089	1,476,947
2024 SPL Senior Notes (1)	2,000,000	1,982,500	2,000,000	1,970,000
2025 SPL Senior Notes (1)	2,000,000	1,960,000	_	
2015 SPL Credit Facilities (2)		_	_	_
CTPL Term Loan, net of discount (2)	398,068	400,000	397,565	400,000

The Level 2 estimated fair value was based on quotations obtained from broker-dealers who make markets in these (1) and similar instruments based on the closing trading prices on June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, as applicable.

The Level 3 estimated fair value approximates the principal amount because the interest rates are variable and reflective of market rates and the debt may be repaid, in full or in part, at any time without penalty.

#### NOTE 8—RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

#### LNG Terminal Capacity Agreements

#### Terminal Use Agreement

SPL obtained approximately 2.0 Bcf/d of regasification capacity under a TUA with SPLNG as a result of an assignment in July 2012 by Cheniere Investments of its rights, title and interest under its TUA with SPLNG. SPL is obligated to make monthly capacity payments to SPLNG aggregating approximately \$250 million per year, continuing until at least 20 years after SPL delivers its first commercial cargo at the Liquefaction Project.

In connection with this TUA, SPL is required to pay for a portion of the cost (primarily LNG inventory) to maintain the cryogenic readiness of the regasification facilities at the Sabine Pass LNG terminal. During the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, we recorded a recovery of \$0.1 million and expense of \$15.0 million, respectively, and during the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, we recorded \$17.7 million and \$14.8 million, respectively, as operating and maintenance expense related to this obligation.

Cheniere Investments, SPL and SPLNG entered into the terminal use rights assignment and agreement (the "TURA") pursuant to which Cheniere Investments has the right to use SPL's reserved capacity under the TUA and has the obligation to make the monthly capacity payments required by the TUA to SPLNG. However, the revenue earned by SPLNG from the capacity payments made under the TUA and the loss incurred by Cheniere Investments under the TURA are eliminated upon consolidation of our financial statements. We have guaranteed the obligations of SPL under its TUA and the obligations of Cheniere Investments under the TURA.

In an effort to utilize Cheniere Investments' reserved capacity under the TURA during construction of the Liquefaction Project, Cheniere Marketing has entered into an amended and restated variable capacity rights agreement with Cheniere Investments (the "Amended and Restated VCRA") pursuant to which Cheniere Marketing is obligated to pay Cheniere Investments 80% of the expected gross margin of each cargo of LNG that Cheniere Marketing arranges for delivery to the Sabine Pass LNG terminal. We recorded no revenues—affiliate from Cheniere Marketing during the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, related to the Amended and Restated VCRA.

#### Cheniere Marketing SPA

Cheniere Marketing has entered into an amended and restated SPA with SPL to purchase, at Cheniere Marketing's option, any LNG produced by SPL in excess of that required for other customers at a price of 115% of Henry Hub plus \$3.00 per MMBtu of LNG.

#### Commissioning Agreement

In May 2015, SPL entered into an agreement with a wholly owned subsidiary of Cheniere Marketing that obligates such subsidiary in certain circumstances to buy LNG cargoes produced during the periods while Bechtel Oil, Gas and Chemicals, Inc. has control of, and is commissioning, the first four Trains of the Liquefaction Project.

#### Pre-commercial LNG Marketing Agreement

In May 2015, SPL entered into an agreement with a wholly owned subsidiary of Cheniere Marketing that authorizes such subsidiary to act on SPL's behalf to market and sell pre-commercial LNG that has not been accepted by BG Gulf Coast LNG, LLC.

#### Services Agreements

As of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, we had \$24.8 million and \$27.3 million of advances to affiliates, respectively, under the services agreements described below. During the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, we recorded general and administrative expense—affiliate of \$33.5 million and \$23.0 million, respectively, and operating and maintenance expense—affiliate of \$7.5 million and \$4.9 million, respectively, under the services agreements described below. During the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, we recorded general and administrative expense—affiliate of \$55.1 million and \$50.1 million, respectively, and operating and maintenance expense—affiliate of \$12.3 million and \$9.3 million, respectively, under the services agreements described below.

#### Cheniere Partners Services Agreement

We have entered into a services agreement with Cheniere Terminals, a wholly owned subsidiary of Cheniere, pursuant to which Cheniere Terminals is entitled to a quarterly non-accountable overhead reimbursement charge of \$2.8 million (adjusted for inflation) for the provision of various general and administrative services for our benefit. In addition, Cheniere Terminals is entitled to reimbursement for all audit, tax, legal and finance fees incurred by Cheniere Terminals that are necessary to perform the services under the agreement.

#### SPLNG O&M Agreement

SPLNG has entered into a long-term operation and maintenance agreement (the "SPLNG O&M Agreement") with Cheniere Investments pursuant to which SPLNG receives all necessary services required to operate and maintain the Sabine Pass LNG receiving terminal. SPLNG incurs a fixed monthly fee of \$130,000 (indexed for inflation) under the SPLNG O&M Agreement and the cost of a bonus equal to 50% of the salary component of labor costs in certain circumstances to be agreed upon between SPLNG and Cheniere Investments at the beginning of each operating year. In addition, SPLNG incurs costs to reimburse Cheniere Investments for its operating expenses, which consist primarily of labor expenses. Cheniere Investments provides the services required under the SPLNG O&M Agreement pursuant to a secondment agreement with a wholly owned subsidiary of Cheniere.

#### SPLNG MSA

SPLNG has entered into a long-term management services agreement (the "SPLNG MSA") with Cheniere Terminals, pursuant to which Cheniere Terminals manages the operation of the Sabine Pass LNG receiving terminal, excluding those matters provided for under the SPLNG O&M Agreement. SPLNG incurs a monthly fixed fee of \$520,000 (indexed for inflation) under the SPLNG MSA.

#### SPL O&M Agreement

SPL has entered into an operation and maintenance agreement (the "Liquefaction O&M Agreement") with Cheniere Investments pursuant to which SPL receives all of the necessary services required to construct, operate and maintain the Liquefaction Project. Before the Liquefaction Project is operational, the services to be provided include, among other services, obtaining governmental approvals on behalf of SPL, preparing an operating plan for certain periods, obtaining insurance, preparing staffing plans and preparing status reports. After the Liquefaction Project is operational, the services include all necessary services required to operate and maintain the Liquefaction Project. Before the Liquefaction Project is operational, in addition to reimbursement of operating expenses, SPL is required to pay a monthly fee equal to 0.6% of the capital expenditures incurred in the previous month. After substantial completion of each Train, for services performed while the Liquefaction Project is operational, SPL will pay, in addition to the reimbursement of operating expenses, a fixed monthly fee of \$83,333 (indexed for inflation) for services with respect to such Train. Cheniere Investments provides the services required under the Liquefaction O&M Agreement pursuant to a secondment agreement with a wholly owned subsidiary of Cheniere.

SPL has entered into a management services agreement with Cheniere Terminals pursuant to which Cheniere Terminals manages the construction and operation of the Liquefaction Project, excluding those matters provided for under the Liquefaction O&M Agreement. The services include, among other services, exercising the day-to-day management of SPL's affairs and business, managing SPL's regulatory matters, managing bank and brokerage accounts and financial books and records of SPL's business and operations, entering into financial derivatives on our behalf and providing contract administration services for all contracts associated with the Liquefaction Project. SPL pays a monthly fee equal to 2.4% of the capital expenditures incurred in the previous month. After substantial completion of each Train, SPL will pay a fixed monthly fee of \$541,667 for services with respect to such Train.

#### CTPL O&M Agreement

CTPL has entered into an amended long-term operation and maintenance agreement (the "CTPL O&M Agreement") with Cheniere Investments pursuant to which CTPL receives all necessary services required to operate and maintain the Creole Trail Pipeline. CTPL is required to reimburse the counterparty for its operating expenses, which consist primarily of labor expenses. Cheniere Investments provides the services required under the CTPL O&M Agreement pursuant to a secondment agreement with a wholly owned subsidiary of Cheniere.

#### CTPL MSA

CTPL has entered into a management services agreement with Cheniere Terminals pursuant to which Cheniere Terminals manages the modification and operation of the Creole Trail Pipeline, excluding those matters provided for under the CTPL O&M Agreement. The services include, among other services, exercising the day-to-day management of CTPL's affairs and business, managing CTPL's regulatory matters, managing bank and brokerage accounts and financial books and records of CTPL's business and operations and providing contract administration services for all contracts associated with the pipeline facilities. CTPL pays a monthly fee equal to 3.0% of the capital expenditures to enable bi-directional natural gas flow on the Creole Trail Pipeline incurred in the previous month.

#### LNG Lease Agreement

In September 2011, Cheniere Investments entered into an agreement in the form of a lease (the "LNG Lease Agreement") with Cheniere Marketing that enables Cheniere Investments to supply the Sabine Pass LNG terminal with LNG to maintain proper LNG inventory levels and temperature. The LNG Lease Agreement also enables Cheniere Investments to hedge the exposure to variability in expected future cash flows of the LNG inventory. Under the terms of the LNG Lease Agreement, Cheniere Marketing funds all activities related to the purchase and hedging of the LNG, and Cheniere Investments reimburses Cheniere Marketing for all costs and assumes full price risk associated with these activities.

As a result of Cheniere Investments assuming full price risk associated with the LNG Lease Agreement, any LNG inventory purchased by Cheniere Marketing under this arrangement is classified as LNG inventory—affiliate on our Consolidated Balance Sheets. This amount is recorded at cost and subject to lower of cost or market ("LCM") adjustments at the end of each period.

LNG inventory—affiliate cost is determined using the average cost method. Recoveries of losses resulting from interim period LCM adjustments are made due to market price recoveries on the same LNG inventory—affiliate in the same fiscal year and are recognized as gains in later interim periods with such gains not exceeding previously recognized losses. Gains or losses on the sale of LNG inventory—affiliate and LCM adjustments are recorded as revenues on our Consolidated Statements of Operations. As of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, we had no LNG inventory—affiliate recorded on our Consolidated Balance Sheets under the LNG Lease Agreement.

Agreement to Fund SPLNG's Cooperative Endeavor Agreements ("CEAs")

In July 2007, SPLNG executed CEAs with various Cameron Parish, Louisiana taxing authorities that allow them to collect certain annual property tax payments from SPLNG from 2007 through 2016. This ten-year initiative represents an aggregate commitment of up to \$25.0 million, and SPLNG will make resources available to the Cameron Parish taxing authorities on an accelerated basis in order to aid in their reconstruction efforts following Hurricane Rita. In exchange for SPLNG's advance payments of annual ad valorem taxes, Cameron Parish will grant SPLNG a dollar-for-dollar credit against future ad valorem taxes to be levied against the Sabine Pass LNG terminal starting in 2019. In September 2007, SPLNG entered into an agreement with Cheniere Marketing, pursuant to which Cheniere Marketing would pay SPLNG additional TUA revenues equal to any and all amounts payable under the CEAs in exchange for a similar amount of credits against future TUA payments it would owe SPLNG under its TUA starting in 2019. In June 2010, Cheniere Marketing assigned its TUA to Cheniere Investments and concurrently entered into a variable capacity rights agreement, allowing Cheniere Marketing to utilize Cheniere Investments' capacity under the TUA after the assignment. In July 2012, Cheniere Investments entered into the Amended and Restated VCRA with Cheniere Marketing in order for Cheniere Investments to utilize during construction of the Liquefaction Project the capacity rights granted under the TURA. Cheniere Marketing will continue to fund the CEAs during the term of the Amended and Restated VCRA and, in exchange, Cheniere Marketing will receive the benefit of any future credits.

On a consolidated basis, these advance tax payments were recorded to other non-current assets, and payments from Cheniere Marketing that SPLNG utilized to make the ad valorem tax payments were recorded as a long-term obligation. As of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, we had \$22.1 million and \$19.6 million, respectively, of other non-current assets resulting from SPLNG's ad valorem tax payments and non-current liabilities—affiliate resulting from these payments received from Cheniere Marketing.

### Contracts for Sale and Purchase of Natural Gas and LNG

SPLNG is able to sell and purchase natural gas and LNG under agreements with Cheniere Marketing. Under these agreements, SPLNG purchases natural gas or LNG from Cheniere Marketing at a sales price equal to the actual purchase price paid by Cheniere Marketing to suppliers of the natural gas or LNG, plus any third-party costs incurred by Cheniere Marketing with respect to the receipt, purchase and delivery of natural gas or LNG to the Sabine Pass LNG terminal. As a result, SPLNG records the purchases of natural gas and LNG from Cheniere Marketing to be utilized as fuel to operate the Sabine Pass LNG terminal as operating and maintenance expense.

SPLNG recorded operating and maintenance expense of \$1.1 million and \$0.7 million in the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, and \$2.7 million and \$1.2 million in the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, for natural gas purchased from Cheniere Marketing under these agreements. SPLNG recorded revenues—affiliate of \$4.1 million and \$0.1 million in the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, and \$5.4 million and \$0.1 million in the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, for natural gas sold to Cheniere Marketing under these agreements.

## Tug Boat Lease Sharing Agreement

In connection with its tug boat lease, Sabine Pass Tug Services, LLC ("Tug Services"), a wholly owned subsidiary of SPLNG, entered into a tug sharing agreement with a wholly owned subsidiary of Cheniere to provide its LNG cargo vessels with tug boat and marine services at the Sabine Pass LNG terminal. Tug Services recorded revenues—affiliate of \$0.7 million pursuant to this agreement in each of the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, and \$1.4 million in each of the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014.

#### LNG Terminal Export Agreement

In January 2010, SPLNG and Cheniere Marketing entered into an LNG Terminal Export Agreement that provides Cheniere Marketing the ability to export LNG from the Sabine Pass LNG terminal. SPLNG did not record any revenues associated with this agreement during the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014.

### State Tax Sharing Agreements

In November 2006, SPLNG and Cheniere entered into a state tax sharing agreement. Under this agreement, Cheniere has agreed to prepare and file all state and local tax returns which SPLNG and Cheniere are required to file on a combined basis and to timely pay the combined state and local tax liability. If Cheniere, in its sole discretion, demands payment, SPLNG will pay to Cheniere an amount equal to the state and local tax that SPLNG would be required to pay if its state and local tax liability were computed on a separate company basis. There have been no state and local taxes paid by Cheniere for which Cheniere could have demanded payment from SPLNG under this agreement; therefore, Cheniere has not demanded any such payments from SPLNG. The agreement is effective for tax returns due on or after January 1, 2008.

In August 2012, SPL entered into a state tax sharing agreement with Cheniere. Under this agreement, Cheniere has agreed to prepare and file all state and local tax returns which SPL and Cheniere are required to file on a combined basis and to timely pay the combined state and local tax liability. If Cheniere, in its sole discretion, demands payment, SPL will pay to Cheniere an amount equal to the state and local tax that SPL would be required to pay if SPL's state and local tax liability were calculated on a separate company basis. There have been no state and local taxes paid by Cheniere for which Cheniere could have demanded payment from SPL under this agreement; therefore, Cheniere has not demanded any such payments from SPL. The agreement is effective for tax returns due on or after August 2012.

In May 2013, CTPL entered into a state tax sharing agreement with Cheniere. Under this agreement, Cheniere has agreed to prepare and file all state and local tax returns which CTPL and Cheniere are required to file on a combined basis and to timely pay the combined state and local tax liability. If Cheniere, in its sole discretion, demands payment, CTPL will pay to Cheniere an amount equal to the state and local tax that CTPL would be required to pay if CTPL's state and local tax liability were calculated on a separate company basis. There have been no state and local taxes paid by Cheniere for which Cheniere could have demanded payment from CTPL under this agreement; therefore, Cheniere has not demanded any such payments from CTPL. The agreement is effective for tax returns due on or after May 2013.

#### NOTE 9-NET LOSS PER COMMON UNIT

Net income (loss) per common unit for a given period is based on the distributions that will be made to the unitholders with respect to the period plus an allocation of undistributed net income (loss) based on provisions of the partnership agreement, divided by the weighted average number of common units outstanding. Distributions paid by us are presented on the Consolidated Statement of Partners' Equity. On July 24, 2015, we declared a \$0.425 distribution per common unit and the related distribution to our general partner to be paid on August 14, 2015 to unitholders of record as of August 3, 2015 for the period from April 1, 2015 to June 30, 2015.

The two-class method dictates that net income (loss) for a period be reduced by the amount of available cash that will be distributed with respect to that period and that any residual amount representing undistributed net income be allocated to common unitholders and other participating unitholders to the extent that each unit may share in net

income as if all of the net income for the period had been distributed in accordance with the partnership agreement. Undistributed income is allocated to participating securities based on the distribution waterfall for available cash specified in the partnership agreement. Undistributed losses (including those resulting from distributions in excess of net income) are allocated to common units and other participating securities on a pro rata basis based on provisions of the partnership agreement. Historical income (loss) attributable to a company that was purchased from an entity under common control is allocated to the predecessor owner in accordance with the terms of the partnership agreement. Distributions are treated as distributed earnings in the computation of earnings per common unit even though cash distributions are not necessarily derived from current or prior period earnings.

The Class B units were issued at a discount to the market price of the common units into which they are convertible. This discount totaling \$2,130.0 million represents a beneficial conversion feature and is reflected as an increase in common and subordinated unitholders' equity and a decrease in Class B unitholders' equity to reflect the fair value of the Class B units at

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issuance on our Consolidated Statements of Partners' Equity. The beneficial conversion feature is considered a dividend that will be distributed ratably with respect to any Class B unit from its issuance date through its conversion date, resulting in an increase in Class B unitholders' equity and a decrease in common and subordinated unitholders' equity. We amortize the beneficial conversion feature assuming a conversion date of June 2017 and August 2017 for Cheniere Holdings' and Blackstone's Class B units, respectively, although actual conversion may occur prior to or after these assumed dates. We are amortizing using the effective yield method with a weighted average effective yield of 888.7% per year and 966.1% per year for Cheniere Holdings' and Blackstone's Class B units, respectively. The impact of the beneficial conversion feature is also included in earnings per unit for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014.

The following is a schedule by years, based on the capital structure as of June 30, 2015, of the anticipated impact to the capital accounts in connection with the amortization of the beneficial conversion feature (in thousands):

	Common Units	Class B Units	Subordinated Units	
2015	(232	) 781	(549	)
2016	(29,564	) 99,685	(70,121	)
2017	(594,404	) 2,004,209	(1,409,805	)

Under our partnership agreement, the incentive distribution rights ("IDRs") participate in net income (loss) only to the extent of the amount of cash distributions actually declared, thereby excluding the IDRs from participating in undistributed net income (loss). We did not allocate earnings or losses to IDR holders for the purpose of the two-class method earnings per unit calculation for any of the periods presented. The following table provides a reconciliation of net loss and the allocation of net loss to the common units, the subordinated units and the general partner for purposes of computing net loss per unit (in thousands, except per unit data):

		Limited Pa	Limited Partner Units			
	Total	Common Units	Class B Units	Subordinated Units	General Partner	
Three Months Ended June 30, 2015 Net loss Declared distributions Assumed allocation of undistributed net loss Assumed allocation of net loss	\$(60,043 ) 24,754 \$(84,797 )	24,259 (24,646 \$(387	 ) ) \$		495 (1,696 ) \$(1,201 )	
Weighted average units outstanding Net loss per unit		57,080 \$(0.01	145,333 ) \$—	135,384 \$(0.43)		
Three Months Ended June 30, 2014 Net loss Declared distributions Assumed allocation of undistributed net loss Assumed allocation of net loss	\$(226,224) 24,754 \$(250,978)	24,259	 ) ) \$	— (173,014 ) \$(173,014 )	495 (5,020 ) \$(4,525 )	
Weighted average units outstanding Net loss per unit		57,079 \$(0.85	145,333 ) \$—	135,384 \$(1.28 )		
Six Months Ended June 30, 2015 Net loss Declared distributions Assumed allocation of undistributed net loss Assumed allocation of net loss	\$(238,719 ) 49,508 \$(288,227 )	48,518	 ) ) \$	— (198,691 ) \$(198,691 )	990 (5,765 ) \$(4,775 )	
Weighted average units outstanding Net loss per unit		57,080 \$(0.62	145,333 ) \$—	135,384 \$(1.47)		
Six Months Ended June 30, 2014 Net loss Declared distributions Assumed allocation of undistributed net loss Assumed allocation of net loss	\$(295,957) 49,508 \$(345,465)	48,518	 ) ) \$		990 (6,909 ) \$(5,919 )	
Weighted average units outstanding Net loss per unit		57,079 \$(0.91	145,333 ) \$—	135,384 \$(1.76)		

NOTE 10—SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION

The following table provides supplemental disclosure of cash flow information (in thousands):

	Six Months Ended June 30,		
	2015	2014	
Cash paid during the year for interest, net of amounts capitalized and deferred	\$55,516	\$49,219	
Balance in property, plant and equipment, net funded with accounts payable and accrued liabilities (including affiliate)	236,549	289,453	

#### NOTE 11—RECENT ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (the "FASB") amended its guidance on revenue recognition. The core principle of this amendment is that an entity should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. This guidance is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016, including interim periods within that reporting period, with earlier adoption not permitted. This guidance may be adopted either retrospectively to each prior reporting period presented or as a cumulative-effect adjustment as of the date of adoption. We are currently evaluating the impact of the provisions of this guidance on our Consolidated Financial Statements and related disclosures.

In August 2014, the FASB issued authoritative guidance that requires an entity's management to evaluate, for each reporting period, whether there are conditions and events that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the financial statements are issued. Additional disclosures are required if management concludes that conditions or events raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern. This guidance is effective for annual reporting periods ending after December 15, 2016, and for annual periods and interim periods thereafter, with earlier adoption permitted. The adoption of this guidance is not expected to have an impact on our Consolidated Financial Statements or related disclosures.

In February 2015, the FASB amended its guidance on consolidation analysis. This amendment primarily affects asset managers and reporting entities involved with limited partnerships or similar entities, but the analysis is relevant in the evaluation of any reporting organization's requirement to consolidate a legal entity. This guidance changes (1) the identification of variable interests, (2) the variable interest entity characteristics for a limited partnership or similar entity and (3) the primary beneficiary determination. This guidance is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2015, including interim periods within that reporting period, with earlier adoption permitted. This guidance may be adopted either retrospectively to each prior reporting period presented or as a cumulative-effect adjustment as of the date of adoption. We are currently evaluating the impact of the provisions of this guidance on our Consolidated Financial Statements and related disclosures.

In April 2015, the FASB issued authoritative guidance that requires debt issuance costs related to a recognized debt liability to be presented in the balance sheet as a direct deduction from the debt liability rather than as an asset. This guidance is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2015, including interim periods within that reporting period, with earlier adoption permitted. This guidance must be adopted retrospectively to each prior reporting period presented and disclosures will be required for a change in accounting principles. We are currently evaluating the impact of the provisions of this guidance on our Consolidated Balance Sheets.

In April 2015, the FASB issued authoritative guidance that requires a master limited partnership to allocate net income (losses) of a transferred business entirely to the general partner when computing earnings per unit for periods before the dropdown transaction occurred. This guidance also requires a master limited partnership to disclose the effects of the dropdown transaction on net income (losses) per unit for the periods before and after the dropdown transaction occurred. This guidance is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2015, including interim periods within that reporting period, with earlier adoption permitted. This guidance must be adopted retrospectively to each prior reporting period presented. The adoption of this guidance is not expected to have an impact on our Consolidated Financial Statements or related disclosures.

In July 2015, the FASB issued revised guidance related to the measurement of inventory. Inventory would be measured at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Net realizable value is the estimated selling prices in the ordinary course of business, less reasonably predictable costs of completion, disposal and transportation. This guidance is effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016, including interim periods within that reporting period, with earlier adoption permitted. This guidance should be adopted prospectively. We are currently evaluating the impact of the provisions of this guidance on our Consolidated Financial Statements and related disclosures.

## ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Information Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This quarterly report contains certain statements that are, or may be deemed to be, "forward-looking statements." All statements, other than statements of historical facts, included herein or incorporated herein by reference are "forward-looking statements." Included among "forward-looking statements" are, among other things: statements regarding our ability to pay distributions to our unitholders;

statements regarding our expected receipt of cash distributions from SPLNG, SPL or CTPL;

statements that we expect to commence or complete construction of our proposed LNG terminals, liquefaction facilities, pipeline facilities or other projects, or any expansions thereof, by certain dates, or at all; statements regarding future levels of domestic and international natural gas production, supply or consumption or future levels of LNG imports into or exports from North America and other countries worldwide or purchases of natural gas, regardless of the source of such information, or the transportation or other infrastructure or demand for and prices related to natural gas, LNG or other hydrocarbon products;

statements regarding any financing transactions or arrangements, or ability to enter into such transactions; statements relating to the construction of our Trains, including statements concerning the engagement of any EPC contractor or other contractor and the anticipated terms and provisions of any agreement with any EPC or other contractor, and anticipated costs related thereto;

statements regarding any SPA or other agreement to be entered into or performed substantially in the future, including any revenues anticipated to be received and the anticipated timing thereof, and statements regarding the amounts of total LNG regasification, liquefaction or storage capacities that are, or may become, subject to contracts; statements regarding counterparties to our commercial contracts, construction contracts and other contracts; statements regarding our planned development and construction of additional Trains, including the financing of such Trains;

statements that our Trains, when completed, will have certain characteristics, including amounts of liquefaction capacities;

statements regarding our business strategy, our strengths, our business and operation plans or any other plans, forecasts, projections, or objectives, including anticipated revenues and capital expenditures, any or all of which are subject to change;

statements regarding legislative, governmental, regulatory, administrative or other public body actions, approvals, requirements, permits, applications, filings, investigations, proceedings or decisions; and any other statements that relate to non-historical or future information.

All of these types of statements, other than statements of historical fact, are forward-looking statements. In some cases, forward-looking statements can be identified by terminology such as "may," "will," "could," "should," "expect," "plan," "project," "intend," "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "predict," "potential," "pursue," "target," "continue," the negative of stother comparable terminology. The forward-looking statements contained in this quarterly report are largely based on our expectations, which reflect estimates and assumptions made by our management. These estimates and assumptions reflect our best judgment based on currently known market conditions and other factors. Although we believe that such estimates are reasonable, they are inherently uncertain and involve a number of risks and uncertainties beyond our control. In addition, assumptions may prove to be inaccurate. We caution that the forward-looking statements contained in this quarterly report are not guarantees of future performance and that such statements may not be realized or the forward-looking statements or events may not occur. Actual results may differ materially from those anticipated or implied in forward-looking statements due to factors described in this quarterly report and in the other reports and other information that we file with the SEC. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date made, and other than as required by law, we undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

Our actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of a variety of factors, including those discussed under "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014. All forward-looking statements attributable to us or persons acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by these risk factors. Other than as required under the securities laws, we assume no obligation to update or revise these forward-looking statements or provide reasons why actual results may differ.

#### Introduction

The following discussion and analysis presents management's view of our business, financial condition and overall performance and should be read in conjunction with our Consolidated Financial Statements and the accompanying notes. This information is intended to provide investors with an understanding of our past performance, current financial condition and outlook for the future. Our discussion and analysis include the following subjects:

Overview of Business

Overview of Significant Events

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Results of Operations

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

Summary of Critical Accounting Estimates

Recent Accounting Standards

#### Overview of Business

We are a publicly traded Delaware limited partnership formed by Cheniere (NYSE MKT: LNG). Through our wholly owned subsidiary, SPLNG, we own and operate the regasification facilities at the Sabine Pass LNG terminal located on the Sabine Pass deepwater shipping channel less than four miles from the Gulf Coast. The Sabine Pass LNG terminal includes existing infrastructure of five LNG storage tanks with capacity of approximately 16.9 Bcfe, two docks that can accommodate vessels with nominal capacity of up to 266,000 cubic meters and vaporizers with regasification capacity of approximately 4.0 Bcf/d. We are developing and constructing natural gas liquefaction facilities (the "Liquefaction Project") at the Sabine Pass LNG terminal adjacent to the existing regasification facilities through our wholly owned subsidiary, SPL. We plan to construct up to six Trains, which are in various stages of development. Each Train is expected to have a nominal production capacity of approximately 4.5 mtpa of LNG. We also own the 94-mile Creole Trail Pipeline through our wholly owned subsidiary, CTPL, which interconnects the Sabine Pass LNG terminal with a number of large interstate pipelines.

### Overview of Significant Events

Our significant accomplishments since January 1, 2015 and through the filing date of this Form 10-Q include the following:

SPL issued an aggregate principal amount of \$2.0 billion of 5.625% Senior Secured Notes due 2025 (the "2025 SPL Senior Notes"). Net proceeds from the offering will be used to pay a portion of the capital costs associated with the construction of the first four Trains of the Liquefaction Project.

We received authorization from the FERC to site, construct and operate Trains 5 and 6 of the Liquefaction Project. SPL received authorization from the DOE to export up to a combined total of the equivalent of 503.3 Bcf/yr of domestically produced LNG by vessel from Trains 5 and 6 of the Liquefaction Project to non-FTA countries for a 20-year term.

SPL entered into a lump sum turnkey contract for the engineering, procurement and construction of Train 5 of the Liquefaction Project (the "EPC Contract (Train 5)").

SPL entered into four credit facilities (collectively, the "2015 SPL Credit Facilities") totaling \$4.6 billion, which replaced its existing credit facilities. The 2015 SPL Credit Facilities will be used to fund a portion of the costs of developing, constructing and placing into operation Trains 1 through 5 of the Liquefaction Project.

**S**PL issued a notice to proceed to Bechtel Oil, Gas and Chemicals, Inc. ("Bechtel") under the EPC Contract (Train 5).

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Cash and Cash Equivalents

As of June 30, 2015, we had \$194.9 million of cash and cash equivalents and \$1,106.6 million of current and non-current restricted cash (which included current and non-current restricted cash available to us, SPL and SPLNG) designated for the following purposes: \$996.5 million for the Liquefaction Project; \$19.0 million for CTPL; and \$91.1 million for interest payments related to the SPLNG Senior Notes described below.

Sabine Pass LNG Terminal

#### Regasification Facilities

The Sabine Pass LNG terminal has operational regasification capacity of approximately 4.0 Bcf/d and aggregate LNG storage capacity of approximately 16.9 Bcfe. Approximately 2.0 Bcf/d of the regasification capacity at the Sabine Pass LNG terminal has been reserved under two long-term third-party TUAs, under which SPLNG's customers are required to pay fixed monthly fees, whether or not they use the LNG terminal. Each of Total Gas & Power North America, Inc. ("Total") and Chevron U.S.A. Inc. ("Chevron") has reserved approximately 1.0 Bcf/d of regasification capacity and is obligated to make monthly capacity payments to SPLNG aggregating approximately \$125 million annually for 20 years that commenced in 2009. Total S.A. has guaranteed Total's obligations under its TUA up to \$2.5 billion, subject to certain exceptions, and Chevron Corporation has guaranteed Chevron's obligations under its TUA up to 80% of the fees payable by Chevron.

The remaining approximately 2.0 Bcf/d of capacity has been reserved under a TUA by SPL. SPL is obligated to make monthly capacity payments to SPLNG aggregating approximately \$250 million annually, continuing until at least 20 years after SPL delivers its first commercial cargo at the Liquefaction Project.

Under each of these TUAs, SPLNG is entitled to retain 2% of the LNG delivered to the Sabine Pass LNG terminal.

#### Liquefaction Facilities

The Liquefaction Project is being developed and constructed at the Sabine Pass LNG terminal adjacent to the existing regasification facilities. We commenced construction of Trains 1 and 2 and the related new facilities needed to treat, liquefy, store and export natural gas in August 2012. Construction of Trains 3 and 4 and the related facilities commenced in May 2013. In April 2015, we received authorization from the FERC to site, construct and operate Trains 5 and 6. In June 2015, we commenced construction of Train 5 and the related facilities.

The DOE has authorized the export of up to a combined total of the equivalent of 16 mtpa (approximately 803 Bcf/yr) of domestically produced LNG by vessel from the Sabine Pass LNG terminal to FTA countries for a 30-year term and to non-FTA countries for a 20-year term. The DOE further issued an order authorizing SPL to export up to the equivalent of approximately 203 Bcf/yr of domestically produced LNG from the Sabine Pass LNG terminal to FTA countries for a 25-year period. SPL's application for authorization to export that same 203 Bcf/yr of domestically produced LNG from the Sabine Pass LNG terminal to non-FTA countries is currently pending at the DOE. Additionally, the DOE further issued orders authorizing SPL to export up to a combined total of 503.3 Bcf/yr of domestically produced LNG from the Sabine Pass LNG terminal to FTA countries and non-FTA countries for a 20-year term. The Sierra Club has requested a rehearing of the non-FTA order pertaining to the 503.3 Bcf/yr, and the DOE has not yet ruled on this request. In each case, the terms of these authorizations begin on the earlier of the date of first export thereunder or the date specified in the particular order, which ranges from 5 to 10 years from the date the order was issued.