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#### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Amount to be registered/ **Proposed** maximum offering price per unit/Proposed **Amount of** Title of each class of maximum registration securities to be registered offering price fee Senior Notes \$300,000,000 (1) Guarantees of Senior Notes (2) None

- (1) In respect of the senior notes of Mariner Energy registered hereby, a filing fee of \$59,847.85 has already been paid pursuant to the Registration Statements on Form S-1 (Registration Nos. 333-124858 and 333-134506) initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 12, 2005 and May 26, 2006, respectively. After the transfer of fees contemplated hereby, no securities remain registered under such prior registration statements.
- (2) No separate consideration will be received for such guarantees. Pursuant to Rule 457(n) under the Securities Act, no registration fee is required with respect to such guarantees.

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\$300,000,000 8% Senior Notes due 2017

*Interest payable on May 15 and November 15* 

The notes will mature on May 15, 2017. Interest will accrue from April 30, 2007, and the first interest payment date will be November 15, 2007.

We may redeem all or part of the notes at any time on or after May 15, 2012. We may also redeem up to 35% of the notes using the proceeds of certain equity offerings. The redemption prices are described on page 22. If we undergo a change of control, we must offer to purchase the notes.

The notes will be our senior unsecured obligations and will rank equally to all our existing and future senior debt and senior to any future subordinated debt. The notes will be guaranteed by certain of our subsidiaries. The notes and guarantees will be effectively subordinated to any existing or future secured debt, including our bank credit facility, to the extent of the assets securing such debt.

See Risk factors beginning on page 11 for a discussion of certain risks that you should consider in connection with an investment in the notes.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

	Pu	blic Offering Price(1)	Di	nderwriting scounts and ommissions	Proceeds to us Before Expenses(1)		
Per Note Total	\$	100% 300,000,000	\$	1.75% 5,250,000	\$	98.25% 294,750,000	

(1) Plus accrued interest, if any, from the date of original issuance.

The notes will not be listed on any securities exchange. Currently there is no public market for the notes.

We expect that delivery of the notes will be made to investors in book-entry form through The Depository Trust Company on or about April 30, 2007.

Sole Book Running Manager

JPMorgan

Goldman, Sachs & Co.

**BNP PARIBAS** 

Calyon Securities (USA) Inc.

**Raymond James** 

**April 25, 2007** 

You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with different information. If anyone provides you with different information, you should not rely on it.

We are not making an offer of the securities in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted.

You should assume that the information included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus is accurate only as of the respective date on the cover page. Our business, results of operations, financial condition and prospects may have changed since such date.

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### **About this prospectus**

This prospectus is part of a registration statement that we have filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission using a shelf registration process. Using this process, we may offer the securities described in this prospectus in one or more offerings from time to time. A prospectus supplement, if any, may add to, update or change the information contained in this prospectus. Please carefully read this prospectus and any prospectus supplement, in addition to the information contained in the documents we refer to under the heading. Where you can find more information. Except as otherwise indicated or where the context requires otherwise, in this prospectus, references to Mariner, the Company, we, us and our refer to Mariner Energy, Inc. and its subsidiaries.

#### Where you can find more information

Mariner files annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You can read and copy these materials at the SEC s public reference room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. You can obtain information about the operation of the SEC s public reference room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. The SEC also maintains an Internet site that contains information Mariner has filed electronically with the SEC, which you can access over the Internet at <a href="http://www.sec.gov">http://www.sec.gov</a>. You can also obtain information about Mariner at the offices of the New York Stock Exchange, 20 Broad Street, New York, New York 10005.

This prospectus is part of a registration statement we have filed with the SEC relating to the securities we may offer. As permitted by SEC rules, this prospectus does not contain all of the information we have included in the registration statement and the accompanying exhibits and schedules we file with the SEC. You may refer to the registration statement, exhibits and schedules for more information about us and the securities. The registration statement, exhibits and schedules are available at the SEC s public reference room or through its Internet site.

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference the information Mariner has filed with it, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents. The information we incorporate by reference is an important part of this prospectus, and later information that Mariner files with the SEC will automatically update and supersede this information. We incorporate by reference the documents listed below (excluding any portions of such documents that have been furnished but not filed for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act )) and any future filings we make with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act until the termination of this offering:

Our annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006, filed with the SEC on April 2, 2007;

Our current reports on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 24, 2007 and on Form 8-K/A filed with the SEC on March 31, 2006; and

The description of our common stock contained in our registration statement on Form 8-A, filed on February 10, 2006 pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act, including any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

Any statement contained in this prospectus or a document incorporated by reference in this prospectus will be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this prospectus to the extent that a statement contained in this prospectus or in any other subsequently filed document that is incorporated by reference in this prospectus modifies or supersedes the statement. Any statement so modified or superseded will not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this prospectus.

The documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus are available from us upon request. We will provide a copy of any and all of the information that is incorporated by reference in this

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prospectus to any person, without charge, upon written or oral request. Requests for such copies should be directed to the following:

Mariner Energy, Inc.
One BriarLake Plaza, Suite 2000
2000 West Sam Houston Parkway South
Houston, Texas 77042
Telephone Number: (713) 954-5500
Attention: General Counsel

#### Cautionary statement concerning forward-looking statements

Various statements in this prospectus and in the documents incorporated by reference herein, including those that express a belief, expectation, or intention, as well as those that are not statements of historical fact, are forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements may include projections and estimates concerning the timing and success of specific projects and our future production, revenues, income and capital spending. Our forward-looking statements are generally accompanied by words such as may, estimate, project, predict, believe. anticipate, potential, plan, goal or other words that convey the uncertainty of future events or outcomes. forward-looking statements in this prospectus speak only as of the date of this prospectus; we disclaim any obligation to update these statements unless required by securities law, and we caution you not to rely on them unduly. We have based these forward-looking statements on our current expectations and assumptions about future events. While our management considers these expectations and assumptions to be reasonable, they are inherently subject to significant business, economic, competitive, regulatory and other risks, contingencies and uncertainties, most of which are difficult to predict and many of which are beyond our control. We disclose important factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from our expectations under Risk Factors, Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in our annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006 and elsewhere in this prospectus and in the documents incorporated by reference herein. These risks, contingencies and uncertainties relate to, among other matters, the following:

the volatility of oil and natural gas prices;
discovery, estimation, development and replacement of oil and natural gas reserves;
cash flow, liquidity and financial position;
business strategy;
amount, nature and timing of capital expenditures, including future development costs;
availability and terms of capital;
timing and amount of future production of oil and natural gas;
availability of drilling and production equipment;
operating costs and other expenses;
prospect development and property acquisitions;

risks arising out of our hedging transactions;

marketing of oil and natural gas;

competition in the oil and natural gas industry;

the impact of weather and the occurrence of natural events and natural disasters such as loop currents, hurricanes, fires, floods and other natural events, catastrophic events and natural disasters;

governmental regulation of the oil and natural gas industry;

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environmental liabilities;

developments in oil-producing and natural gas-producing countries;

uninsured or underinsured losses in our oil and natural gas operations;

risks related to our level of indebtedness;

our merger with Forest Energy Resources, including strategic plans, expectations and objectives for future operations, and the realization of expected benefits from the transaction; and

disruption from the merger with Forest Energy Resources making it more difficult to manage Mariner s business.

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## **Summary**

This summary highlights information contained herein and incorporated by reference in this prospectus. It does not contain all of the information you may wish to consider before investing in the shares. We urge you to read this entire prospectus and the information incorporated herein by reference carefully, including the Risk factors included herein and beginning on page 19 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006, which is incorporated by reference herein and the financial statements incorporated by reference in this prospectus. Except as otherwise indicated or where the context otherwise requires, references to Mariner, the Company, we, us, and ou refer to Mariner Energy, Inc. and its subsidiaries (except in the Description of senior notes). The estimates of our proved reserves as of December 31, 2006, 2005 and 2004 included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus are based on reserve reports prepared by Ryder Scott Company, L.P., independent petroleum engineers (Ryder Scott).

#### Our company

Mariner Energy, Inc. is an independent oil and gas exploration, development, and production company with principal operations in three geographic areas:

The shallow water, or shelf operations of the Gulf of Mexico, where we conduct operations in water depths up to 1,300 feet and operate projects at subsurface depths up to 20,000 total vertical feet. Conducting operations below subsurface depths of 15,000 feet entails more risk and expense than shallower operations due to geological and mechanical factors attendant to deeper projects. As a result, we categorize our shelf projects according to their targeted subsurface depth, referring to shallower projects at depths above 15,000 feet as conventional shelf projects and projects below 15,000 feet as deep shelf projects;

The deepwater operations of the Gulf of Mexico, where we are an active operator of exploration and development projects in water depths up to 7,000 feet; and

West Texas, where we are one of the most active drillers in the prolific Spraberry, Dean, and Wolfcamp trends in the Permian Basin.

On March 2, 2006, we acquired Forest Oil Corporation s (Forest) entire Gulf of Mexico operations through the acquisition of its subsidiary Forest Energy Resources, Inc. Aggregate consideration for the acquisition included 50,637,010 shares of our common stock, which was distributed directly to the stockholders of Forest. Immediately after the acquisition, approximately 59% of our outstanding common stock was held by shareholders of Forest and approximately 41% of our common stock was held by our pre-acquisition stockholders. See Note 3, Acquisitions and Dispositions in our consolidated financial statements incorporated by reference into this prospectus for more information regarding this transaction. In connection with the acquisition, our common stock began trading regular way on the New York Stock Exchange on March 3, 2006 under the symbol ME.

In 2006, we generated net income of \$121.5 million on total revenues of \$659.5 million. Production, revenues and net income increased significantly from results reported in 2005 primarily as a result of our acquisition of Forest's Gulf of Mexico operations. We produced approximately 80.5 Bcfe during 2006 and our average daily production rate was 221 MMcfe. Our average realized sales price per unit including the effects of hedging was \$8.15/Mcfe. As of December 31, 2006, we had 715.5 Bcfe of estimated proved reserves, of which approximately 60% were natural gas and 40% were oil, natural gas liquids (NGLs) and condensate. Approximately 57% of our proved reserves were classified as proved developed.

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The following table sets forth certain information with respect to our estimated proved reserves by geographic area as of December 31, 2006 based on estimates made in a reserve report prepared by Ryder Scott Company.

	Estimated Proved Reserve Quantities Natural							
Geographic Area	Oil (MMbbls)	Gas (Bcf)	Total (Bcfe)					
West Texas Gulf of Mexico Deepwater Gulf of Mexico Shelf	29.9 6.6 11.6	77.8 90.1 258.8	257.3 130.0 328.2					
Total	48.1	426.7	715.5					
Proved Developed Reserves	26.8	247.8	408.7					

### Our strategy and our competitive strengths

#### **Balanced growth strategy**

We pursue a balanced growth strategy employing varying elements of exploration, development and acquisition activities to achieve a moderate-risk growth profile intended to produce predictable growth and attractive rates of return under most industry conditions.

*Proven exploration prospect generation:* Our explorationists have a distinguished track record in the Gulf of Mexico and have made several significant discoveries in the shelf, deep shelf and deepwater.

Our successful exploration program reduces our dependency on acquisitions over time, allows us to add value through the drill bit in a moderate-risk exploration program, and exposes us to high-impact projects that have the potential to create substantial value for our stockholders. Our reputation for generating high-quality exploration prospects also creates valuable partnering opportunities which allow us the option of participating in exploration projects developed by other operators. We expect to continue our exploration emphasis by identifying and developing high-impact conventional shelf, deep shelf and deepwater projects in the Gulf of Mexico.

*Proactive operational management:* Our development engineers have demonstrated their ability to effectively develop new fields, redevelop legacy fields, rejuvenate production, reduce unit costs, and add incremental reserves at attractive finding costs in both onshore and offshore fields.

Our successful exploitation program enhances the rate of returns of our projects, allows us to establish critical operational mass from which to expand in our focus areas, and generates a rich portfolio of incremental, lower-risk engineering/exploitation projects that counterbalance our exploration activities.

Opportunistic acquisition identification: Our management team has substantial experience identifying and executing a wide variety of tactical and strategic transactions intended to enhance our growth. In 2005 we added significant proved reserves primarily through acquisitions in West Texas, and subsequently in March 2006, through the acquisition of Forest's Gulf of Mexico operations. As part of our growth strategy, although not compelled to acquire, we expect to continue to acquire producing assets that have the potential to provide acceptable risk-adjusted rates of return and further increase our reserve base.

Actively managed risk profile: We seek to manage our risk profile by targeting a balanced exposure to development, exploitation and exploration opportunities. For example, we continue to develop and expand our West Texas asset base, which contributes stable cash flows and long-lived reserves to our portfolio as a counterbalance to our high-impact, high-production Gulf of

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Mexico assets. We often mitigate and diversify our risk in drilling projects by selling partial or entire interests in projects to industry partners or by entering into arrangements with partners in which they agree to pay a disproportionate share of drilling costs and compensate us for expenses incurred in prospect generation. We also enter into trades or farm-in transactions whereby we acquire interests in third-party generated prospects, thereby gaining exposure to a greater number of prospects. We expect to continue to pursue participation in these types of prospects in the future as a result of our larger scale and increased cash flow from the Forest Gulf of Mexico operations.

#### Our competitive strengths

We believe our core resources and strengths include:

Our high-quality assets with geographic and geological diversity. Our assets and operations are diversified among the Gulf of Mexico conventional shelf, deep shelf and deepwater and West Texas. Our asset portfolio provides a balanced exposure to long-lived West Texas reserves, Gulf of Mexico shelf growth opportunities and high-impact deepwater prospects.

Our large inventory of prospects. We believe we have significant potential for growth through the development of our existing asset base. The acquisition of Forest's Gulf of Mexico operations more than doubled our existing undeveloped acreage in the Gulf of Mexico to approximately 438,000 net acres and increased our total net leasehold acreage offshore to nearly one million acres. As of December 31, 2006, we have an inventory of approximately 812 drilling locations in West Texas, which we believe would require approximately five years to drill at our current rate.

*Our successful track record of finding and developing oil and gas reserves.* We have demonstrated our expertise in finding and developing additional proved reserves. In the three-year period ended December 31, 2006, we deployed approximately \$2.2 billion of capital on acquisitions, exploration and development, while adding approximately 664 Bcfe of proved reserves and producing approximately 148 Bcfe.

Our depth of operating experience. Our veteran team of geoscientists, engineers, geologists and other technical professionals and landmen average more than 25 years of experience in the exploration and production business (including extensive experience in the Gulf of Mexico), much of it with major oil companies. The addition of experienced Forest personnel to Mariner s team of professionals has further enhanced our ability to generate and maintain an inventory of high-quality drillable prospects and to further develop and exploit our assets. Mariner s technical team has also proven to be an effective and efficient operator in West Texas, as evidenced by our successful production and reserve growth there in recent years.

Our technology and production techniques. Our team of geoscientists currently has access to regional seismic data from multiple, recent vintage 3-D seismic databases covering a significant portion of the Gulf of Mexico that we intend to continue to use to develop prospects on acreage being evaluated for leasing and to develop and further refine prospects on our expanded acreage position. We also have extensive experience and a successful track record in the use of subsea tieback technology to connect offshore wells to existing production facilities. This technology facilitates production from offshore properties without the necessity of fabrication and installation of platforms and top-side facilities that typically are more costly and require longer lead times. We believe the appropriate use of subsea tiebacks enables us to bring production online more quickly, makes target prospects more profitable and allows us to exploit reserves that may otherwise be considered non-commercial because of the high cost of infrastructure.

#### **Corporate information**

We were incorporated in August 1983 as a Delaware corporation. We have three subsidiaries, Mariner Energy Resources, Inc., a Delaware corporation, Mariner LP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and Mariner Energy Texas LP, a Delaware limited partnership. Our principal executive office is located at One BriarLake Plaza, Suite 2000, 2000 West Sam Houston Parkway South, Houston, Texas 77042. Our telephone number is (713) 954-5500.

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#### **Summary Selected Financial Information**

The following table shows Mariner s historical consolidated financial data as of and for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005, the period from January 1, 2004 through March 2, 2004, the period from March 3, 2004 through December 31, 2004, and each of the two years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively. The historical consolidated financial data as of and for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005, the period from January 1, 2004 through March 2, 2004 ( Pre-2004 Merger ), and the period from March 3, 2004 through December 31, 2004 ( Post-2004 Merger ), are derived from Mariner s audited financial statements incorporated by reference herein, and the historical consolidated financial data as of and for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, are derived from Mariner s audited financial statements that are not included or incorporated by reference herein. You should read the following data in connection with Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in our annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006 and the consolidated financial statements included in such annual report, where there is additional disclosure regarding the information in the following table. Mariner s historical results are not necessarily indicative of results to be expected in future periods.

On March 2, 2006, a subsidiary of Mariner completed a merger transaction with Forest Energy Resources, Inc. (the Forest Merger ) pursuant to which Mariner effectively acquired Forest s Gulf of Mexico operations. Prior to the consummation of the Forest Merger, Forest transferred and contributed the assets and certain liabilities associated with its Gulf of Mexico operations to Forest Energy Resources. Immediately prior to the Forest Merger, Forest distributed all of the outstanding shares of Forest Energy Resources to Forest shareholders on a pro rata basis. Forest Energy Resources then merged with a newly-formed subsidiary of Mariner, became a new wholly-owned subsidiary of Mariner, and changed its name to Mariner Energy Resources, Inc. Immediately following the Forest Merger, approximately 59% of Mariner common stock was held by shareholders of Forest and approximately 41% of Mariner common stock was held by the pre-merger stockholders of Mariner. In the Forest Merger, Mariner issued 50,637,010 shares of common stock to the shareholders of Forest Energy Resources, Inc. Our acquisition of Forest Energy Resources added approximately 298 Bcfe of estimated proved reserves.

In March 2005, we completed a private placement of 16,350,000 shares of our common stock to qualified institutional buyers, non-U.S. persons and accredited investors, which generated approximately \$229 million of gross proceeds, or approximately \$211 million net of initial purchaser s discount, placement fee and offering expenses. Our former sole stockholder, MEI Acquisitions Holdings, LLC, also sold 15,102,500 shares of our common stock in the private placement. We used \$166 million of the net proceeds from the sale of 12,750,000 shares of common stock to purchase and retire an equal number of shares of our common stock from our former sole stockholder. We used \$38 million of the remaining net proceeds of approximately \$44 million to repay borrowings drawn on our bank credit facility, and the balance to pay down \$6 million of a \$10 million promissory note payable to JEDI. See Note 1, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies contained in the consolidated financial statement incorporated by reference into this prospectus. As a result, after the private placement, an affiliate of MEI Acquisitions Holdings, LLC beneficially owned approximately 5.3% of our outstanding common stock.

On March 2, 2004, Mariner s former indirect parent, Mariner Energy LLC, merged with MEI Acquisitions, LLC, an affiliate of the private equity funds, Carlyle/Riverstone Global Energy and Power Fund II, L.P. and ACON Investments LLC (the Merger). Prior to the Merger, we were owned indirectly by JEDI, which was an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Enron Corp. The gross merger consideration was \$271.1 million (which excludes \$7.0 million of acquisition costs and other expenses paid directly by Mariner), \$100 million of which was provided as equity by our new owners. As a result of the Merger, we are no longer affiliated with Enron Corp. See Note 1, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies contained in the consolidated financial statements incorporated by reference into this prospectus. The Merger did not result in a change in our strategic direction or operations. The financial information contained herein is presented in the

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style of Pre-2004 Merger activity (for all periods prior to March 2, 2004) and Post-2004 Merger activity (for the March 3, 2004 through December 31, 2004 period) to reflect the impact of the restatement of assets and liabilities to fair value as required by push-down purchase accounting at the March 2, 2004 merger date. The application of push-down accounting had no effect on our 2004 results of operations other than immaterial increases in depreciation, depletion and amortization expense and interest expense and a related decrease in our provision for income taxes. To facilitate management s discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations, we have presented 2004 financial information as Pre-2004 Merger (for the January 1 through March 2, 2004 period) and Post-2004 Merger (for the March 3, 2004 through December 31, 2004 period).

The financial information set forth below is presented in the style of Post-2004 Merger activity (for the March 3, 2004 through December 31, 2004 period and the years ended December 31, 2006 and December 31, 2005) and Pre-2004 Merger activity (for all periods prior to March 2, 2004) to reflect the impact of the restatement of assets and liabilities to fair value as required by push-down purchase accounting at the March 2, 2004 merger date.

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	Year Ended December 31, 2006 2005			st-2004 Merger Period from March 3, 2004 through December 31, 2004			Period from January 1, 2004 through March 2, 2004 (In millions			Year Ended December 31, 2003 2002 , except per share data)			
<b>Statement of Operations Data:</b>													
Total revenues(1)	\$ 659.5	\$	199.7	\$	174.4		\$	39.8	\$	142.5	\$	158.2	
Lease operating expense	91.6		24.9		19.3			3.5		23.2		25.2	
Severance and ad valorem taxes	9.0		5.0		2.1			0.6		1.5		0.9	
Transportation expenses Depreciation, depletion and	5.1		2.3		1.9			1.1		6.3		10.5	
amortization Impairment of production	292.2		59.4		54.3			10.6		48.3		70.8	
equipment held for use			1.8		1.0								
Derivative settlement										3.2			
Impairment of Enron related receivables												3.2	
General and administrative expense	34.1		37.1		7.6			1.1		8.1		7.7	
Operating income	227.5		69.2		88.2			22.9		51.9		39.9	
Interest income	1.0		0.8		0.2			0.1		0.8		0.4	
Interest expense, net of amounts													
capitalized	(39.7)		(8.2)		(6.0)					(7.0)		(10.3)	
Income before taxes	188.8		61.8		82.4			23.0		45.7		30.0	
Provision for income taxes	(67.3)		(21.3)		(28.8)			(8.1)		(9.4)			
Income before cumulative effect of change in accounting method net of tax effects	121.5		40.5		53.6			14.9		36.3		30.0	
Cumulative effect of changes in					22.0								
accounting method										1.9			
Net income	\$ 121.5	\$	40.5	\$	53.6		\$	14.9	\$	38.2	\$	30.0	

(1) Includes effects of hedging.

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