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## **UNITED STATES**

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

#### WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

## **FORM 10-Q**

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

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2010

OR

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

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMISSION FILE NUMBER 001-33164** 

## **DOMTAR CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE (State of Incorporation)

ARE 20-5901152 rporation) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) 395 de Maisonneuve West, Montreal, Quebec H3A 1L6 Canada

(Address of principal executive offices) (zip code)

(514) 848-5555

(Registrant s telephone number)

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

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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 ST (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 "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 definition of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act:

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

At May 4, 2010, 42,165,330 shares of the issuer s voting common stock were outstanding.

#### DOMTAR CORPORATION

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#### For the Quarterly Period Ended March 31, 2010

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#### PART I: FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### ITEM 1: FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

#### DOMTAR CORPORATION

#### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS (LOSS)

#### For the three months ended March 31, 2010 and March 31, 2009

#### (IN MILLIONS OF DOLLARS, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

	March 31, 2010 (Una	March 31, 2009 udited)
	\$	\$
Sales	1,457	1,302
Operating expenses		
Cost of sales, excluding depreciation and amortization	1,142	1,123
Depreciation and amortization	102	99
Selling, general and administrative	84	83
Impairment and write-down of property, plant and equipment (NOTE 8)	22	35
Closure and restructuring costs (NOTE 8)	20	24
Other operating income, net	(29)	(40)
	1,341	1,324
	,	
Operating income (loss)	116	(22)
Interest expense	32	31
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	84	(53)
Income tax expense (benefit)	26	(8)
neone ax expense (benefit)	20	(0)
Net earnings (loss)	58	(45)
	•••	(10)
Per common share (in dollars) (NOTE 4)		
Net earnings (loss)		
Basic	1.35	(1.05)
Diluted	1.34	(1.05)
Weighted average number of common and exchangeable shares outstanding (millions)		
Basic	43.0	43.0
Diluted	43.3	43.0
The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.		

#### DOMTAR CORPORATION

#### CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

#### (IN MILLIONS OF DOLLARS, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

	March 31.	At December 31
	2010	2009
		audited)
	\$	\$
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	314	32
Receivables, less allowances of \$8 and \$8	628	53
Inventories (NOTE 6)	743	74
Prepaid expenses	42	4
Income and other taxes receivable	404	41
Deferred income taxes	139	13
Total current assets	2,270	2,20
Property, plant and equipment, at cost	9,618	9,57
Accumulated depreciation	(5,548)	(5,44
Net property, plant and equipment	4,070	4,12
Intangible assets, net of amortization (NOTE 7)	86	4,12
Other assets	102	10
	102	10
Total assets	6,528	6,51
Liabilities and shareholders equity		
Current liabilities		
Bank indebtedness	19	4
Trade and other payables	668	68
Income and other taxes payable	36	3
Long-term debt due within one year	31	1
Total current liabilities	754	77
Long-term debt	1,600	1,70
Deferred income taxes and other	1,000	1,70
Other liabilities and deferred credits	388	36
Commitments and contingencies (NOTE 10)	500	50
Shareholders equity		
Common stock		

\$0.01 par value; authorized 2,000,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding: 42,110,305 and 42,062,408 shares Exchangeable shares

No par value; unlimited shares authorized; issued and held by nonaffiliates: 981,189 and 982,321 shares	78	78
Additional paid-in capital	2,815	2,816
Accumulated deficit	(158)	(216)
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	13	(16)
Total shareholders equity	2,748	2,662

#### Total liabilities and shareholders equity

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

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**6,528** 6,519

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#### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY

#### (IN MILLIONS OF DOLLARS, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

	Issued and outstanding common and exchangeable shares (millions of shares)	Exchangeable shares \$	Additional paid-in capital (Una \$	Accumulated deficit udited) \$	Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) \$	Total shareholders equity \$
Balance at December 31,		Ŧ	Ŷ	Ψ	Ψ	Ŧ
2009	43.0	78	2,816	(216)	(16)	2,662
Stock-based compensation	0.1		1			1
Net earnings				58		58
Net derivative losses on cash						
flow hedges:						
Net loss arising during the						
period, net of tax of \$3					(1)	(1)
Less: Reclassification						
adjustments for losses						
included in net earnings, net						
of tax of \$1					(9)	(9)
Foreign currency translation						
adjustments					39	39
Other			(2)			(2)
Balance at March 31, 2010	43.1	78	2,815	(158)	13	2,748
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

#### DOMTAR CORPORATION

#### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

#### For the three months ended March 31, 2010 and March 31, 2009

#### (IN MILLIONS OF DOLLARS)

	March 31, 2010	March 31, 2009
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	udited)
	\$	\$
Operating activities	<b>-</b> 0	(45)
Net earnings (loss)	58	(45)
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings (loss) to cash flows from operating activities	102	99
Depreciation and amortization	102 15	
Deferred income taxes and tax uncertainties		(15)
Impairment and write-down of property, plant and equipment	22	35
Net gains on disposals of property, plant and equipment	(1)	4
Stock-based compensation expense	1	4
Other	(1)	3
Changes in assets and liabilities		
Receivables	(90)	(36)
Inventories	10	34
Prepaid expenses	(5)	(2)
Trade and other payables	(25)	(46)
Income and other taxes	23	14
Difference between employer pension and other post-retirement contributions and pension and other		
post-retirement expense	10	13
Other assets and other liabilities	4	(1)
Cash flows provided from operating activities	123	57
Investing activities		
Additions to property, plant and equipment	(31)	(24)
Proceeds from disposals of property, plant and equipment	7	
Cash flows used for investing activities	(24)	(24)
Financing activities		
Net change in bank indebtedness	(23)	9
Change of revolving bank credit facility		90
Repayment of long-term debt	(103)	(3)
Borrowings under accounts receivable securitization program	20	
Other	(3)	
Cash flows provided from (used for) financing activities	(109)	96
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Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(10)	129
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	324	16
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	314	145
Supplemental cash flow information		

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Net cash payments for:		
Interest	21	24
Income taxes refund	(1)	

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

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#### MARCH 31, 2010

#### (IN MILLIONS OF DOLLARS, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

#### (UNAUDITED)

#### NOTE 1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the instructions to Form 10-Q and, in the opinion of Management, include all adjustments that are necessary for the fair presentation of Domtar Corporation s ( the Company ) financial position, results of operations, and cash flows for the interim periods presented. Except as disclosed in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, such adjustments are of a normal, recurring nature. Results for the first three months of the year may not necessarily be indicative of full year results. It is suggested that these consolidated financial statements be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included in the Domtar Corporation Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The December 31, 2009 Consolidated Balance Sheet, presented for comparative purposes in this interim report, was derived from audited consolidated financial statements, but does not include all disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Certain reclassifications of prior period balances have been made for consistent presentation with the present period.

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#### NOTE 2. RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

#### ACCOUNTING CHANGES IMPLEMENTED

#### TRANSFERS OF FINANCIAL ASSETS

In June 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting for Transfers of Financial Assets, which amends the derecognition guidance required by the Transfers and Servicing Topic of FASB Accounting Standards Codification (ASC). Some of the major changes undertaken by this amendment include:

Eliminating the concept of a Qualified Special Purpose Entity ( QSPE ).

Modifying the derecognition provisions as required by the Transfers and Servicing Topic of FASB ASC:

- o require that all arrangements made in connection with a transfer of financial assets be considered in the derecognition analysis,
- o clarify when a transferred asset is considered legally isolated from the transferor,
- o modify the requirements related to a transferee s ability to freely pledge or exchange transferred financial assets, and
- o provide guidance on when a portion of a financial asset can be derecognized, thereby restricting the circumstances when sale accounting can be achieved to the following cases:

transfers of individual or groups of financial assets in their entirety and

#### transfers of participating interests.

The new amendment is effective for financial asset transfers occurring after the beginning of an entity s first fiscal year that begins after November 15, 2009. The Company adopted the new requirements in its March 31, 2010 consolidated financial statements. The adoption of the new guidance resulted in an increase in Subordinated interest in securitized receivables of \$20 million presented in Receivables and a corresponding increase in Long-term debt due within one year in the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

#### VARIABLE INTEREST ENTITIES

In June and December 2009, the FASB issued guidance which requires an enterprise to perform an analysis to determine whether the enterprise s variable interest or interests give it a controlling financial interest in a variable interest entity. This guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2009, and for interim and annual reporting periods thereafter. The Company adopted the new requirements in its March 31, 2010 consolidated financial statements with no significant impact as the Company has no interests in variable interest entities.

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#### NOTE 3. DERIVATIVES AND HEDGING ACTIVITIES AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT

#### INTEREST RATE RISK

The Company is exposed to interest rate risk arising from fluctuations in interest rates on its cash and cash equivalents, its bank indebtedness, its bank credit facility and its long-term debt. The Company may manage this interest rate exposure through the use of derivative instruments such as interest rate swap contracts.

#### **CREDIT RISK**

The Company is exposed to credit risk on the accounts receivable from its customers. In order to reduce this risk, the Company reviews new customers credit history before granting credit and conducts regular reviews of existing customers credit performance. As at March 31, 2010, the Company did not have any customers that represented more than 10% of the receivables (2009 the Company did not have any customers that represented more than 10%).

The Company is also exposed to credit risk in the event of non-performance by counterparties to its financial instruments. The Company minimizes this exposure by entering into contracts with counterparties that are believed to be of high credit quality. Collateral or other security to support financial instruments subject to credit risk is usually not obtained. The credit standing of counterparties is regularly monitored. The Company is exposed to credit risk in the event of non-performance by its insurers. The Company minimizes this exposure by doing business only with large reputable insurance companies.

#### COST RISK

#### Cash flow hedges:

The Company purchases natural gas and oil at the prevailing market price at the time of delivery. In order to manage the cash flow risk associated with purchases of natural gas and oil, the Company may utilize derivative financial instruments or physical purchases to fix the price of forecasted natural gas and oil purchases. The Company formally documents the hedge relationships, including identification of the hedging instruments and the hedged items, the risk management objectives and strategies for undertaking the hedge transactions, and the methodologies used to assess effectiveness and measure ineffectiveness. Current contracts are used to hedge forecasted purchases over the next three years. The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivative contracts designated as cash flow hedges is recorded as a component of Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) within Shareholders equity, and is recognized in Cost of sales in the period in which the hedged transaction occurs.

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#### NOTE 3. DERIVATIVES AND HEDGING ACTIVITIES AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT (CONTINUED)

The following table presents the volumes under derivative financial instruments for natural gas contracts outstanding as of March 31, 2010 to hedge forecasted purchases:

			Notional c	ontractua	l		
			va	lue			
			un	der			
			deriv	ative			
			cont	racts	Percen	tage of forec	asted
	Notional contractual quantity		(in m	illions	purchas	es under deri	ivative
Commodity	under derivative contracts		of do	llars)	co	ntracts for (a	)
					2010	2011	2012
Natural gas		MMBTU					
	6,525,000	(1)	\$	48	29%	17%	5%

(1) MMBTU: Millions of British thermal units

(a) The percentage of coverage represents the derivative financial instrument positions. The percentage of natural gas purchases under fixed price contracts for both derivative financial instruments and physical delivery for 2010 are 29%, 2011 are 17% and 2012 are 5%. The natural gas derivative contracts were fully effective for accounting purposes as of March 31, 2010. The critical terms of the hedging instruments and the hedged items match. As a result, there were no amounts reflected in the Consolidated Statements of Earnings (Loss) for the three months ended March 31, 2010 resulting from hedge ineffectiveness (2009 nil).

#### FOREIGN CURRENCY RISK

#### Cash flow hedges:

The Company has manufacturing operations in the United States and Canada. As a result, it is exposed to movements in the foreign currency exchange rate in Canada. Also, certain assets and liabilities are denominated in Canadian dollars and are exposed to foreign currency movements. As a result, the Company s earnings are affected by increases or decreases in the value of the Canadian dollar relative to the U.S. dollar. The Company s risk management policy allows it to hedge a significant portion of its exposure to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates for periods up to three years. The Company may use derivative instruments (currency options and foreign exchange forward contracts) to mitigate its exposure to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates. Foreign exchange forward contracts are contracts whereby the Company has the obligation to buy Canadian dollars at a specific rate. Currency options purchased are contracts whereby the Company has the obligation to buy Canadian dollars at the strike rate if the Canadian dollar trades above that rate. Currency options sold are contracts whereby the Company has the obligation to buy Canadian dollars at the strike rate if the Canadian dollar trades below that rate.

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The Company formally documents the relationship between hedging instruments and hedged items, as well as its risk management objectives and strategies for undertaking the hedge transactions. Foreign exchange forward contracts and currency options contracts used to hedge forecasted purchases in Canadian dollars are designated as cash flow hedges. Current contracts are used to hedge forecasted purchases over the next 12 months. The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivative contracts designated as cash flow hedges is recorded as a component of Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) within Shareholders equity, and is recognized in Cost of sales in the period in which the hedged transaction occurs.

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#### NOTE 3. DERIVATIVES AND HEDGING ACTIVITIES AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT (CONTINUED)

The following table presents the currency values under contracts pursuant to currency options outstanding as of March 31, 2010 to hedge forecasted purchases:

				Percentage of CDN denominated forecasted expenses,		
				net revenues		
Contract		Notional contractual value		contrac	ts for	
				2010	2011	
Currency options purchased	CDN	\$	350	66%	6%	
Currency options sold	CDN	\$	350	66%	6%	

The currency options are fully effective as at March 31, 2010. The critical terms of the hedging instruments and the hedged items match. As a result, there were no amounts reflected in the Consolidated Statements of Earnings (Loss) for the three months ended March 31, 2010 resulting from hedge ineffectiveness (2009 nil).

## The Effect of Derivative Instruments on the Consolidated Statements of Earnings (Loss) and Consolidated Statement of Shareholders Equity

Derivatives Designated					
as Cash Flow Hedging					
Instruments under the	Gain (Loss) R	ecognized in	Gain (Loss) Re Accum	classified from ulated	
<b>Derivatives and Hedging</b>	Accumulated Other Comprehensive		Other Comprehensive Incom		
Topic of FASB ASC	Income (Loss) on Derivatives (Effective Portion) For the three months ended		Income (Loss) (H	) into Effective Portion) months ended	
	March 31, 2010 \$	March 31, 2009 \$	March 31, 2010 \$	March 31, 2009 \$	
Natural gas swap contracts (a)	(5)	(2)	(1)		
Currency options (a)	4	(13)	10	(18)	

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Total	(1)	(15)	9	(18)

(a) The Gain (Loss) reclassified from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss) into Income (Loss) (Effective Portion) is recorded in Cost of Sales.

The gain (loss) recorded in Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) relating to natural gas contracts will be recognized in Cost of sales upon maturity of the derivatives over the next three years at the then prevailing values, which may be different from those at March 31, 2010.

The gain (loss) recorded in Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) relating to currency options will be recognized in Cost of sales upon maturity of the derivatives over the next 12 months at the then prevailing values, which may be different from those at March 31, 2010.

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#### NOTE 3. DERIVATIVES AND HEDGING ACTIVITIES AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT (CONTINUED)

Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures Topic of FASB ASC establishes a fair value hierarchy, which prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three levels. A financial instrument s categorization within the fair value hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of input that is available and significant to the fair value measurement. Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures Topic of FASB ASC establishes and prioritizes three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

Level 1 - Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 - Observable inputs other than quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets, or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities.

Level 3 - Inputs that are generally unobservable and typically reflect management s estimates of assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability.

The following tables present information about the Company s financial assets and financial liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis for the periods ended March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009, in accordance with Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures Topic of FASB ASC and indicates the fair value hierarchy of the valuation techniques utilized by the Company to determine such fair value.

#### Fair Value of financial instruments at:

Derivatives designated as cash flow hedging instruments under the Derivatives and Hedging Topic of FASB ASC:	March 31, 2010 \$	Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (Level 1) \$	Significant observable inputs (Level 2) \$	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) \$	Balance sheet classification
Asset derivatives					
Currency options	16		16		(a) Prepaid expenses
Total Assets	16		16		
Liabilities derivatives					
Currency options	1		1		(a) Trade and other payables
Natural gas swap contracts	13		13		(a) Trade and other payables
Natural gas swap contracts	3		3		(a) Other liabilities and deferred credits

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Total Liabilities	17		17	
Other Instruments:				
Long-term debt	1,777	1,777		(b) Long-term debt

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#### NOTE 3. DERIVATIVES AND HEDGING ACTIVITIES AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT (CONTINUED)

#### Fair Value of financial instruments at:

Derivatives designated as cash flow hedging instruments under the Derivatives and Hedging Topic of FASB ASC:	December 31, 2009 \$	Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (Level 1) \$	Significant observable inputs (Level 2) \$	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) \$		Balance sheet classification
Asset derivatives						
Currency options	25		25		(a)	Prepaid expenses
Total Assets	25		25			
Liabilities derivatives						
Currency options	3		3		(a)	Trade and other payables
Natural gas swap contracts	9		9		(a)	Trade and other payables
Natural gas swap contracts	2		2		(a)	Other liabilities and deferred credits
Total Liabilities	14		14			
Other Instruments:						
Long-term debt	1,805	1,805			(b)	Long-term debt

(a) Fair value of the Company s derivatives is classified under Level 2 (inputs that are observable; directly or indirectly) as it is measured as follows:

- For currency options: Fair value is measured using techniques derived from the Black-Scholes pricing model. Interest rates, forward market rates and volatility are used as inputs for such valuation techniques.
- For natural gas contracts: Fair value is measured using the discounted difference between contractual rates and quoted market future rates.

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(b) Fair value of the Company s long-term debt is measured by comparison to market prices of our debt. In accordance with the accounting standards, the Company s long-term debt is not carried at fair value on the Consolidated Balance Sheets at March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009. However, fair value disclosure is required.

Due to their short-term maturity, the carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, receivables, bank indebtedness, trade and other payables and income and other taxes approximate their fair values.

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#### (UNAUDITED)

#### NOTE 4. EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE

On May 29, 2009 the Company s Board of Directors authorized the implementation of a reverse stock split at a 1-for-12 ratio of its outstanding common stock. Shareholder approval for the reverse stock split was obtained at the Company s Annual General Meeting held on May 29, 2009 and the reverse stock split became effective June 10, 2009 at 6:01 PM (ET). At the effective time, every 12 shares of the Company s common stock that was issued and outstanding was automatically combined into one issued and outstanding share, without any change in par value of such shares.

The following table provides the reconciliation between basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share:

	For	the three	months	s ended
		ch 31, 010		rch 31, 2009
Net earnings (loss)	\$	58	\$	(45)
Weighted average number of common and exchangeable shares outstanding (millions)		43.0		43.0
Effect of dilutive securities (millions)		0.3		
Weighted average number of diluted common and exchangeable shares outstanding (millions)		43.3		43.0
Basic net earnings (loss) per share (in dollars)	\$	1.35	\$	(1.05)
Diluted net earnings (loss) per share (in dollars)	\$	1.34	\$	(1.05)

The following table provides the securities that could potentially dilute basic earnings per share in the future, but were not included in the computation of diluted earnings (loss) per share because to do so would have been anti-dilutive:

	March 31, 2010	March 31, 2009
Restricted stock units		39,731
Options	368,627	417,183
Performance-based awards		92,076

The calculation of earnings (loss) per common share for the three months ended March 31, 2010 and March 31, 2009 is based on the weighted average number of Domtar common stock outstanding during the period. The calculation for diluted earnings per common share recognizes the effect of all potential dilutive common stock. A portion of the stock options to purchase common shares is excluded in the computation of diluted net earnings (loss) per share in periods of loss because to do so would have been anti-dilutive.

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#### (UNAUDITED)

#### NOTE 5. PENSION PLANS AND OTHER POST-RETIREMENT BENEFIT PLANS

#### DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLANS

The Company has several defined contribution plans and multi-employer plans. The pension expense under these plans is equal to the Company s contribution. For the three months ended March 31, 2010, the pension expense was \$9 million (2009 \$6 million).

#### DEFINED BENEFIT PLANS AND OTHER POST-RETIREMENT BENEFIT PLANS

The Company has several defined benefit pension plans covering substantially all employees. Non-unionized employees in Canada joining the Company after June 1, 2000 participate in defined contribution plans. The defined benefit plans are generally contributory in Canada and non-contributory in the United States. The Company also provides other post-retirement plans to eligible Canadian and U.S. employees; the plans are unfunded and include life insurance programs, medical and dental benefits and short-term and long-term disability programs.

Components of net periodic benefit cost for pension plans and other post-retirement benefit plans

		For the three months ended			
	March	March 31, 2010 March			
	Pension	Other post- retirement benefit	post- etirement benefit Pension		
	plans \$	plans \$	plans \$	plans \$	
Service cost	9	2	8	1	
Interest expense	22	2	20	2	
Expected return on plan assets	(23)		(18)		
Amortization of net actuarial loss	1		1		
Curtailment loss			2		
Settlement loss			2		
Amortization of prior year service costs	1		1		
Special termination benefits			1		
Net periodic benefit cost	10	4	17	3	

The Company contributed \$4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2010 (2009 \$6 million) to the pension plans and nil to the other post-retirement benefit plans (2009 \$1 million).

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#### NOTE 6. INVENTORIES

The following table presents the components of inventories:

	March 31, 2010 \$	December 31, 2009 \$
Work in process and finished goods	424	430
Raw materials	124	114
Operating and maintenance supplies	195	201
	743	745

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#### NOTE 7. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

The following table presents the components of intangible assets:

	Weighted average useful lives	March 31, 2010 \$	December 31, 2009 \$
Intangible assets subject to amortization			
Water rights	40	15	15
Power purchase agreements	25	32	31
Customer relationships	20	11	11
Trade names	7	7	7
Supplier agreements	5	6	6
Cutting rights	Units of production method	28	23
		99	93
Accumulated amortization		(13)	(8)
		97	05
Total intangible assets		86	85

Amortization expense related to intangible assets for the three months ended March 31, 2010 was \$1 million (2009 \$2 million).

Amortization expense for the next five years related to intangible assets is expected to be as follows:

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Amortization expense related to intangible assets	5	5	5	4	4

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#### NOTE 8. CLOSURE AND RESTRUCTURING LIABILITY

The Company regularly reviews its overall production capacity with the objective of adjusting its production capacity with anticipated long-term demand.

During the first quarter of 2010, the Company recorded \$13 million of accelerated depreciation related to the reconfiguration of the Plymouth, North Carolina mill, announced on October 20, 2009.

On March 16, 2010, the Company announced that it will permanently close its coated groundwood paper mill in Columbus, Mississippi. This measure will result in the permanent curtailment of 238,000 tons of coated groundwood and 70,000 metric tons of thermo-mechanical pulp, as well as affect 219 employees. The Company recorded a \$9 million write-down for the related fixed assets. Operations ceased in April 2010.

The following tables provide the components of closure and restructuring costs by segment:

	Papers Three months ended	Total <i>March 31, 2010</i>
	\$	\$
Severance and termination costs	9	9
Inventory obsolescence (1)	7	7
Other	4	4
Closure and restructuring costs	20	20

	Papers Three month	Wood hs ended March	Total 31, 2009
	\$	\$	\$
Severance and termination costs	14	2	16
Other	8		8
Closure and restructuring costs	22	2	24

(1) Inventory obsolescence primarily relates to the write-down of operating and maintenance supplies classified as inventories on the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

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#### NOTE 8. CLOSURE AND RESTRUCTURING LIABILITY (CONTINUED)

The following table provides the activity in the closure and restructuring liability:

	March 31, 2010 \$	December 31, 2009 \$
Balance at beginning of period	41	47
Additions	11	29
Severance payments	(3)	(32)
Change in estimates		(8)
Effect of foreign currency exchange rate change	1	5
Balance at end of period	50	41

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#### NOTE 9. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

	Three months ended	
	March 31, 2010 \$	March 31, 2009 \$
Net earnings (loss)	58	(45)
Other comprehensive income (loss)		
Net derivative gains (losses) on cash flow hedges:		
Net loss arising during the period, net of tax of \$3 (2009 - \$2)	(1)	(15)
Less: Reclassification adjustment for gains (losses) included in net earnings (loss), net of tax of \$1 (2009 -		
nil)	(9)	18
Foreign currency translation adjustments	39	(32)
Comprehensive income (loss)	87	(74)

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#### NOTE 10. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

#### ENVIRONMENT

The Company is subject to environmental laws and regulations enacted by federal, provincial, state and local authorities.

During the first quarter of 2006, the pulp and paper mill in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan was closed due to poor market conditions. The Company s management determined that the Prince Albert facility was no longer a strategic fit for the Company and will not be reopened. The Province of Saskatchewan may require active decommissioning and reclamation at the Prince Albert facility. In the event decommissioning and reclamation is required at the facility, the work is likely to include investigation and remedial action for areas of significant environmental impacts. The Company has a reserve for the estimated environmental remediation of the site.

An action was commenced by Seaspan International Ltd. (Seaspan) in the Supreme Court of British Columbia, on March 31, 1999 against Domtar Inc. and others with respect to alleged contamination of Seaspan's site bordering Burrard Inlet in North Vancouver, British Columbia, including contamination of sediments in Burrard Inlet, due to the presence of creosote. As of July 3, 2002, the parties entered into a partial Settlement Agreement which provided that, while the agreement is performed in accordance with its terms, the action commenced by Seaspan will be held in abeyance. The Settlement Agreement focused on the sharing of costs between Seaspan and Domtar Inc. for certain remediation of contamination referred to in the plaintiff's claim. The Settlement Agreement did not address all of the plaintiff's claims and such claims cannot be reasonably determined at this time. On June 3, 2008, Domtar was notified by Seaspan that it had terminated the Settlement Agreement. On February 16, 2010, the government of British Columbia issued a Remediation Order to Seaspan and Domtar in order to define and implement an action plan to address soil, sediment and groundwater issues. This Order was appealed on March 17, 2010 but there is no suspension in the execution of this Order unless the Appeal Board orders otherwise. The Company has recorded an environmental reserve to address estimated exposure.

The following table reflects changes in the reserve for environmental remediation and asset retirement obligations:

	March 31, 2010 \$	December 31, 2009 \$
Balance at beginning of period	111	99
Additions		11
Revisions in estimated cash flows		(7)
Environmental spending	(2)	(5)
Accretion	1	3
Effect of foreign currency exchange rate change	2	10
Balance at end of period	112	111

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#### NOTE 10. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (CONTINUED)

At March 31, 2010, the Company had a provision of \$112 million for environmental matters and other asset retirement obligations (2009 \$111 million). Additional costs, not known or identifiable, could be incurred for remediation efforts. Based on policies and procedures in place to monitor environmental exposure, management believes that such additional remediation costs would not have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

#### Climate change regulation

Since 1997, when an international conference on global warming concluded an agreement known as the Kyoto Protocol, which called for reductions of certain emissions that may contribute to increases in atmospheric greenhouse gas (GHG) concentrations, various international, national and local laws have been proposed or implemented focusing on reducing GHG emissions. These actual or proposed laws do or may apply in the countries where the Company currently has, or may have in the future, manufacturing facilities or investments.

In the United States, the U.S. Congress is considering legislation to reduce emissions of GHGs. In June 2009, the U.S. House of Representatives passed The American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009, a cap-and-trade bill designed to reduce GHG emissions. In September 2009, the Clean Energy Jobs and American Power Act was introduced in the U.S. Senate. In December 2009, the Carbon Limits and Energy for America s Recovery (CLEAR) Act was also introduced in the U.S. Senate. In addition, several states are already requiring the reduction of GHG emissions by certain companies and public utilities, primarily through the planned development of GHG emission inventories and/or state GHG cap-and-trade programs. In addition, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is beginning to regulate GHG emissions. The U.S. Supreme Court ruled in April 2007 in *Massachusetts, et al. v. EPA*, that GHGs fall under the federal Clean Air Act s definition of air pollutant. In December 2009, EPA issued its endangerment findings which found that GHGs endanger public health and welfare. The finding itself does not impose any requirement on the Company industry but is a pre-requisite for EPA to regulate GHG emissions. Passage of climate control legislation or other regulatory initiatives by Congress or various U.S. states, or the adoption of regulations by the EPA or analogous state agencies that restrict emissions of GHGs in areas in which the Company conducts business may have a material effect on the Company s operations. The Company expects not to be disproportionately affected by these measures compared with other pulp and paper operations in the United States. There are presently no federal or provincial legislations on regulatory obligations to reduce GHG for the Company s pulp and paper operations in Canada.

While it is likely that there will be increased regulation relating to GHG and climate change, at this stage it is not possible to estimate either a timetable for the promulgation or implementation of any new regulations or the Company s cost of compliance to said regulations.

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#### NOTE 10. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (CONTINUED)

#### CONTINGENCIES

In the normal course of operations, the Company becomes involved in various legal actions mostly related to contract disputes, patent infringements, environmental and product warranty claims, and labor issues. While the final outcome with respect to actions outstanding or pending at March 31, 2010, cannot be predicted with certainty, it is management s opinion that their resolution will not have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

The pulp and paper mill in Prince Albert was closed in the first quarter of 2006 and has not been operated since. In December 2009, the Company decided to dismantle the Prince Albert facility. In a grievance relating to the closure of the Prince Albert facility, the union is claiming that it is entitled to the accumulated pension benefits during the actual layoff period because, according to the union, a majority of employees still had recall rights during the layoff. Arbitration in this matter was held in February 2010, and the parties are awaiting the arbitrator s decision. The Company cannot be certain that it will not incur a liability, which could range from \$0 to \$25 million, with respect to this grievance.

On July 31, 1998, Domtar Inc. (now a 100% owned subsidiary of Domtar Corporation) acquired all of the issued and outstanding shares of E.B. Eddy Limited and E.B. Eddy Paper, Inc. (E.B. Eddy), an integrated producer of specialty paper and wood products. The purchase agreement includes a purchase price adjustment whereby, in the event of the acquisition by a third party of more than 50% of the shares of Domtar Inc. in specified circumstances, Domtar Inc. could have been obligated to pay up to a maximum of \$118 million (CDN\$120 million), an amount gradually declining over a 25-year period. At March 7, 2007, the maximum amount of the purchase price adjustment was approximately \$108 million (CDN\$110 million). No provision was recorded for this potential purchase price adjustment.

On March 14, 2007, the Company received a letter from George Weston Limited (the previous owner of E.B. Eddy and a party to the purchase agreement) demanding payment of \$108 million (CDN\$110 million) as a result of the consummation of the March 2007 combination of the Weyerhaeuser Fine Paper Business with Domtar Inc. ( the Transaction ). On June 12, 2007, an action was commenced by George Weston Limited against Domtar Inc. in the Superior Court of Justice of the Province of Ontario, Canada, claiming that the consummation of the Transaction triggered the purchase price adjustment and sought a purchase price adjustment of \$108 million (CDN\$110 million) as well as additional compensatory damages. The Company does not believe that the consummation of the Transaction triggers an obligation to pay an increase in consideration under the purchase price adjustment and intends to defend itself vigorously against any claims with respect thereto. However, the Company may not be successful in the defense of such claims, and if the Company is ultimately required to pay an increase in consideration, such payment may have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

#### INDEMNIFICATIONS

In the normal course of business, the Company offers indemnifications relating to the sale of its businesses and real estate. In general, these indemnifications may relate to claims from past business operations, the failure to abide by covenants and the breach of representations and warranties included in the sales agreements. Typically, such representations and warranties relate to taxation, environmental, product and employee matters. The terms of these indemnification agreements are generally for an unlimited period of time. At March 31, 2010, the Company is unable to estimate the potential maximum liabilities for these types of indemnification guarantees as the amounts are contingent upon the outcome of future events, the nature and likelihood of which cannot be reasonably estimated at this time. Accordingly, no provision has been recorded. These indemnifications have not yielded a significant expense in the past.

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#### NOTE 11. SEGMENT DISCLOSURES

The Company operates in the three reportable segments described below. Each reportable segment offers different products and services and requires different technology and marketing strategies. The following summary briefly describes the operations included in each of the Company s reportable segments:

**Papers** represents the aggregation of the manufacturing and distribution businesses, commercial printing and publication, and specialty papers, as well as market pulp.

**Paper Merchants** involves the purchasing, warehousing, sale and distribution of various products made by the Company and by other manufacturers. These products include business and printing papers and certain industrial products.

**Wood** comprises the manufacturing and marketing of lumber and wood-based value-added products and the management of forest resources.

The Company evaluates performance based on operating income, which represents sales, reflecting transfer prices between segments at fair value, less allocable expenses before interest expense and income taxes.

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#### NOTE 11. SEGMENT DISCLOSURES (CONTINUED)

An analysis and reconciliation of the Company s business segment information to the respective information in the financial statements is as follows:

SEGMENT DATA		<i>months ended</i> March 31, 2009
	\$	\$
Sales		
Papers	1,245	1,106
Paper Merchants	212	217
Wood	67	43
Total for reportable segments	1,524	1,366
Intersegment sales Papers	(62)	(60)
Intersegment sales Wood	(5)	(4)
Consolidated sales	1,457	1,302
Depreciation and amortization and impairment and write-down of property, plant and equipment		
Papers	96	94
Paper Merchants	1	1
Wood	5	4
Total for reportable segments	102	99
Impairment and write-down of property, plant and equipment - Papers	22	35
Consolidated depreciation and amortization and impairment and write-down of property, plant and equipment	124	134
Operating income (loss)		
Papers <sup>(a)</sup>	120	(6)
Paper Merchants	1	2
Wood	(5)	(18)
Consolidated operating income (loss)	116	(22)
Interest expense	32	31
rr		

Earnings (loss) before income taxes	84	(53)
Income tax expense (benefit)	26	(8)
Net earnings (loss)	58	(45)

(a) The U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code ) permits a refundable excise tax credit for the production and use of alternative bio fuel mixtures derived from biomass. The Company has submitted an application with the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to be registered as an alternative fuel mixer and received notification that its registration had been accepted in March 2009. The Company began producing and consuming alternative fuel mixtures in February 2009 at its eligible mills. The Company recorded \$25 million and \$46 million in tax credits for the three months ended March 31, 2010 and March 31, 2009, respectively, in Other operating income. The \$25 million recorded in the three months ended March 31, 2010 represents an adjustment to amounts presented as deferred revenue at December 31, 2009. The \$25 million and \$18 million in income tax expense related to the alternative fuel mixture income for the three months ended March 31, 2009, respectively.

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## NOTE 12. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The following information is presented as required under Rule 3-10 of Regulation S-X, in connection with the Company s issuance of debt securities in exchange for outstanding debt securities of Domtar Inc, a 100% owned subsidiary of the Company. Pursuant to this exchange transaction, the securities that were issued (the Guaranteed Debt ) were fully and unconditionally guaranteed by Domtar Paper Company, LLC, a 100% owned subsidiaries, excluding Domtar Funding LLC), Ris Paper Company Inc., Domtar A.W., LLC (and subsidiary) and Domtar Maine LLC (and subsidiary) all 100% owned subsidiaries of the Company (Guarantor Subsidiaries ), on a joint and several basis. The Guaranteed Debt will not be guaranteed by certain of Domtar Paper Company, LLC s own 100% owned subsidiaries; including Domtar Delaware Investments Inc., Domtar Inc. and Domtar Pulp and Paper Products Inc. (collectively the Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries ).

The following supplemental condensed consolidating financial information sets forth, on an unconsolidated basis, the Balance Sheets at March 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009 and the Statements of Earnings (Loss), and Cash Flows for the three months ended March 31, 2010 and March 31, 2009 for Domtar Corporation (the Parent Company ), and on a combined basis for the Guarantor Subsidiaries and, on a combined basis, the Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries. The supplemental condensed consolidating financial information reflects the investments of the Parent Company in the Guarantor Subsidiaries, as well as the investments of the Guarantor Subsidiaries in the Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries, using the equity method.

	For the three months ended March 31, 2010					
			Non-			
	<b>—</b> .	Guarantor	Guarantor	Consolidating	~	
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF EARNINGS (LOSS)	Parent	Subsidiaries	Subsidiaries (Unaudite	Adjustments	Consolidated	
	\$	\$	(Onadulite \$	su) \$	\$	
Sales	Ψ	1,191	486	(220)	1,457	
Operating expenses		, i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i		. ,		
Cost of sales, excluding depreciation and amortization		977	385	(220)	1,142	
Depreciation and amortization		73	29		102	
Selling, general and administrative	7	55	22		84	
Impairment and write-down of property, plant and equipment		22			22	
Closure and restructuring costs		17	3		20	
Other operating income, net		(24)	(5)		(29)	
	7	1,120	434	(220)	1,341	
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<b>Operating income (loss)</b>	(7)	71	52		116	
Interest expense (income)	31	15	(14)		32	
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	(38)	56	66		84	
Income tax expense (benefit)	(11)	19	18		26	
Share in earnings of equity accounted investees	85	48		(133)		

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Net earnings (loss)	58	85	48	(133)	58

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	For the three months ended March 31, 2009				
	Non-				
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF EARNINGS (LOSS)	Parent	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Guarantor Subsidiaries (Unaudite	Consolidating Adjustments ed)	Consolidated
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Sales		1,107	408	(213)	1,302
Operating expenses					
Cost of sales, excluding depreciation and amortization		943	393	(213)	1,123
Depreciation and amortization		76	23		99
Selling, general and administrative	4	66	13		83
Write-down of property, plant and equipment		35			35
Closure and restructuring costs		14	10		24
Other operating loss (income), net		(45)	5		(40)
	4	1.000	444	(212)	1 224
	4	1,089	444	(213)	1,324
Operating income (loss)	(4)	18	(36)		(22)
Interest expense (income)	30	12	(11)		31
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	(34)	6	(25)		(53)
Income tax expense (benefit)	(12)	4			(8)
Share in loss of equity accounted investees	(23)	(25)		48	
Net earnings (loss)	(45)	(23)	(25)	48	(45)
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## NOTE 12. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING FINANCIAL INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEET	Parent	Guarantor Subsidiaries	March 31, 24 Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	010 Consolidating Adjustments	Consolidated
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEET	ratent	Subsidiaries	(Unaudited	*	Consolidated
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Assets					
Current assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	232	52	30		314
Receivables		465	163		628
Inventories		416	327		743
Prepaid expenses	5	9	28		42
Income and other taxes receivable		454	17	(67)	404
Intercompany accounts	204	1,928	226	(2,358)	
Deferred income taxes	1	138			139
Total current assets	442	3,462	791	(2,425)	2,270
Property, plant and equipment, at cost		5,755	3,863		9,618
Accumulated depreciation		(3,026)	(2,522)		(5,548)
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Net property, plant and equipment		2,729	1,341		4,070
Intangible assets, net of amortization			86		86
Investments in affiliates	5,871	1,369	26	(7,266)	
Intercompany long-term advances	7	80	600	(687)	
Other assets	22	27	53		102
Total assets	6,342	7,667	2,897	(10,378)	6,528
	0,512	7,007	2,077	(10,570)	0,520
Liabilities and shareholders equity					
Current liabilities					
Bank indebtedness		10	9		19
Trade and other payables	45	338	285		668
Intercompany accounts	1.929	290	139	(2,358)	008
Income and other taxes payable	32	39	32	,	36
		39		(67)	
Long-term debt due within one year	8	3	20		31
Total current liabilities	2.014	680	485	(2,425)	754
	2,014	680	485	(2,425)	
Long-term debt	1,577 80	606		(607)	1,600
Intercompany long-term loans	80		1	(687)	1.020
Deferred income taxes and other		1,005	33		1,038

Other liabilities and deferred credits	1	127	260		388
Shareholders equity	2,670	5,238	2,106	(7,266)	2,748
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	6,342	7,667	2,897	(10,378)	6,528

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## NOTE 12. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING FINANCIAL INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

			December 31, Non-		
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEET	Parent	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Guarantor Subsidiaries (Unaudited	Consolidating Adjustments 1)	Consolidated
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Assets					
Current assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	237	83	4		324
Receivables		469	67		536
Inventories		446	299		745
Prepaid expenses	5	8	33		46
Income and other taxes receivable		453	23	(62)	414
Intercompany accounts	205	1,808	179	(2,192)	
Deferred income taxes	1	136			137
Total current assets	448	3,403	605	(2,254)	2,202
Property, plant and equipment, at cost		5,733	3,842		9,575
Accumulated depreciation		(2,932)	(2,514)		(5,446)
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Net property, plant and equipment		2,801	1,328		4,129
Intangible assets, net of amortization		4	81		85
Investments in affiliates	5,753	1,321	25	(7,099)	
Intercompany long-term advances	7	80	600	(687)	
Other assets	24	24	55		103
Total assets	6,232	7,633	2,694	(10,040)	6,519
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Liabilities and shareholders equity					
Current liabilities					
Bank indebtedness		27	16		43
Trade and other payables	33	393	260		686
Intercompany accounts	1,806	266	120	(2,192)	000
Income and other taxes payable	43	31	120	(2,1)2)	31
Long-term debt due within one year	+3	3	19	(02)	11
Long-term debt due within one year	0	5			11
Total current liabilities	1,890	720	415	(2,254)	771
Long-term debt	1,678	11	12	(, , , ,	1,701
Intercompany long-term loans	80	606	1	(687)	,
Deferred income taxes and other		999	20	()	1,019
					1,012

Other liabilities and deferred credits		111	255		366
Shareholders equity	2,584	5,186	1,991	(7,099)	2,662
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	6,232	7,633	2,694	(10,040)	6,519

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## NOTE 12. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING FINANCIAL INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

	For the three months ended March 31, 2010				
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS	Parent	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries (Unaudited	Consolidating Adjustments d)	Consolidated
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Operating activities					
Net earnings (loss)	58	85	48	(133)	58
Changes in operating and intercompany assets and liabilities and non					
cash items, included in net earnings (loss)	44	(56)	(56)	133	65
Cash flows provided from (used for) operating activities	102	29	(8)		123
Investing activities					
Additions to property, plant and equipment		(26)	(5)		(31)
Proceeds from disposals of property, plant and equipment			7		7
Increase in long-term advances to related parties	(2)	(17)		19	
Decrease in long-term advances to related parties			19	(19)	
Cash flows provided from (used for) investing activities	(2)	(43)	21		(24)
Financing activities					
Net change in bank indebtedness		(16)	(7)		(23)
Repayment of long-term debt	(102)	(1)			(103)
Borrowings under accounts receivable securitization program			20		20
Other	(3)				(3)
Cash flows provided from (used for) financing activities	(105)	(17)	13		(109)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(5)	(31)	26		(10)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	237	83	4		324
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	232	52	30		314

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# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## MARCH 31, 2010

## (IN MILLIONS OF DOLLARS, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

# (UNAUDITED)

## NOTE 12. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING FINANCIAL INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

	For the three months ended March 31, 2009					
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS	Parent \$	Guarantor Subsidiaries \$	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries (Unaudited \$	Consolidating Adjustments ) \$	Consolidated	
Operating activities	Þ	Ф	Φ	Φ	\$	
Net earnings (loss)	(45)	(23)	(25)	48	(45)	
Changes in operating and intercompany assets and liabilities and non	(10)	()	(20)		(10)	
cash items, included in net earnings (loss)	139	(68)	79	(48)	102	
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Cash flows provided from (used for) operating activities	94	(91)	54		57	
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Investing activities						
Additions to property, plant and equipment		(15)	(9)		(24)	
Increase in long-term advances to related parties	(110)	(-)	(* /	110	( )	
Decrease in long-term advances to related parties		97	13	(110)		
Cash flows provided from (used for) investing activities	(110)	82	4		(24)	
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Financing activities						
Net change in bank indebtedness		16	(7)		9	
Change of revolving bank credit facility	90				90	
Repayment of long-term debt	(2)	(1)			(3)	
Cash flows provided from (used for) financing activities	88	15	(7)		96	
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	72	6	51		129	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		14	2		16	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	72	20	53		145	
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## DOMTAR CORPORATION

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### MARCH 31, 2010

## (IN MILLIONS OF DOLLARS, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

#### (UNAUDITED)

## NOTE 13. SALE OF REPORTABLE SEGMENT

On March 29, 2010, the Company announced that it had entered into an agreement to sell the forest products business to EACOM Timber Corporation. The transaction includes five operating sawmills: Timmins, Nairn Centre and Gogama in Ontario, and Val-d Or and Matagami in Quebec; as well as two non-operating sawmills: Ear Falls in Ontario and Ste-Marie in Quebec. The sawmills have approximately 3.5 million cubic meters of annual harvesting rights and a production capacity of close to 900 million board feet. Also included in the transaction is the Sullivan remanufacturing facility in Quebec and the interests in two investments: Anthony-Domtar Inc. and Elk Lake Planning Mill Limited.

The expected proceeds are \$79 million (CDN\$80 million) plus elements of working capital estimated at \$30 to \$39 million (CDN\$30 to \$40 million) and 19% of the proceeds will be received in shares of EACOM giving Domtar an approximate 11% ownership interest in EACOM. The net book value of the assets being sold is \$110 million (CDN\$112 million), excluding the elements of working capital. The transaction is expected to close at the end of the second quarter or in the third quarter of 2010, subject to material consents and customary closing conditions which includes approvals of the transfers of cutting rights in Quebec and Ontario.

As a result of the signing of the definitive agreement the Company assessed whether it met the criteria for assets held for sale or whether there was an impairment charge to be recorded in the period ended March 31, 2010. Transfer of some of the cutting rights require government consent. Given that the transfer of the cutting rights has a certain degree of uncertainty the Company concluded the criteria for assets held for sale accounting was not met. The Company also considered the probability of this transaction closing when performing its impairment test. As a result of the outcome of this test, the Company concluded no impairment charge was required in the first quarter of 2010.

**ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS** This Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations (MD&A) should be read in conjunction with Domtar Corporation s unaudited interim consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included elsewhere in this Quarterly Report. You should also read the MD&A in conjunction with the historical financial information contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on February 26, 2010. Throughout this MD&A, unless otherwise specified, Domtar Corporation, the Company, Domtar, we, us and our refer to Domtar Corporation and its subsidiaries, as well investments. Domtar Corporation s common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and the Toronto Stock Exchange. Except where otherwise indicated, all financial information reflected herein is determined on the basis of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP).

In accordance with industry practice, in this report, the term ton or the symbol ST refers to a short ton, an imperial unit of measurement equal to 0.9072 metric tons. The term metric ton or the symbol ADMT refers to an air dry metric ton and the term MFBM refers to million foot board measure. In this report, unless otherwise indicated, all dollar amounts are expressed in U.S. dollars, and the term dollars and the symbol \$ refer to U.S. dollars. In the following discussion, unless otherwise noted, references to increases or decreases in income and expense items, prices, contribution to net earnings (loss), and shipment volume are based on the three-month periods ended March 31, 2010 and 2009. The three-month periods are also referred to as the first quarter of 2010 and 2009.

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In the first quarter of 2010, we reported operating income of \$116 million, a decrease of \$87 million compared to operating income of \$203 million in the fourth quarter of 2009. The decrease was attributable to the \$162 million in alternative fuel tax credits recorded in the fourth quarter of 2009, as compared to the \$25 million recorded in the first quarter of 2010. There was an improvement in our papers business in the first quarter of 2010, which experienced a 2% volume increase compared to the fourth quarter of 2009, as well as higher average selling prices for paper and pulp, compared to the fourth quarter of 2009. Our strategy of maintaining our production levels in line with our customer demand has resulted in taking lack-of-order downtime and machine slowdowns of 28,000 tons of paper in the first quarter of 2010 compared to 80,000 tons of paper and 5,000 metric tons of pulp in the fourth quarter of 2009. The decrease in lack-of-order downtime and machine slowdowns positively impacted our earnings. The results for our first quarter of 2010 were also impacted by higher costs of raw materials, including fiber and energy, higher freight costs, and the unfavorable impact of a stronger Canadian dollar, net of our hedging program, partially offset by lower costs related to maintenance.

Demand for our uncoated freesheet paper remained stable and we expect the increasing level of economic activity to be supportive of the recent trend. Input costs are expected to rise moderately while we may also be negatively affected by unfavorable exchange rates. We expect to benefit from price increases in pulp and paper, which are in process of being implemented. The second quarter of 2010 will be affected by higher-than-average maintenance costs.

## Restructuring activities

We regularly review our overall production capacity with the objective of aligning our production capacity with anticipated long-term demand.

In March 2010, we announced the permanent closure of our coated groundwood paper mill in Columbus. Operations have ceased in April 2010. This measure resulted in the permanent curtailment of approximately 238,000 tons of coated groundwood production capacity per year as well as approximately 70,000 metric tons of thermo-mechanical pulp and affected approximately 219 employees.

## **RECENT DEVELOPMENTS**

## Agreement for the Sale of Wood Business

On March 29, 2010, we announced that we have entered into an agreement to sell our forest products business to EACOM Timber Corporation. The transaction includes five operating sawmills: Timmins, Nairn Centre and Gogama in Ontario, and Val-d Or and Matagami in Quebec; as well as two non-operating sawmills: Ear Falls in Ontario and Ste-Marie in Quebec. The sawmills have approximately 3.5 million cubic meters of annual harvesting rights and a production capacity of close to 900 million board feet. Also included in the transaction is the Sullivan remanufacturing facility in Quebec and our interests in two investments: Anthony-Domtar Inc. and Elk Lake Planning Mill Limited.

The expected proceeds are \$79 million (CDN\$80 million) plus elements of working capital estimated at \$30 to \$39 million (CDN\$30 to \$40 million) and 19% of the proceeds will be received in shares of EACOM giving Domtar an approximate 11% ownership interest in EACOM. The net book value of the assets being sold is \$110 million (CDN\$112 million), excluding the elements of working capital. The transaction is expected to close at the end of the second quarter or in the third quarter of 2010, subject to material consents and customary closing conditions which includes approvals of the transfers of cutting rights in Quebec and Ontario.

As a result of the signing of the definitive agreement we assessed whether it met the criteria for assets held for sale or whether there was impairment charge to be recorded in the period ended March 31, 2010. Transfer of some cutting rights require government consent. Given that the transfer has a certain degree of uncertainty, we concluded the criteria for assets held for sale accounting was not met and also considered the probability of this transaction closing when performing its impairment test. As a result of the outcome of this test, we concluded no impairment charge was required in the first quarter of 2010.

#### Dividend and Share Buyback Program

On May 5, 2010, we announced that our Board of Directors has approved a quarterly dividend to holders of the Company common stock, as well as holders of exchangeable shares of Domtar (Canada) Paper Inc., a 100% owned subsidiary of Domtar Corporation. The first quarterly dividend \$0.25 per share will be paid on July 15, 2010 to shareholders of record on June 15, 2010.

In addition, our Board of Directors has authorized a share buyback program of up to \$150 million of the Company s common stock. Under the share buyback program, the Company is authorized to repurchase from time to time shares of its outstanding common stock on the open market or in privately negotiated transactions in the United States. The timing and amount of stock repurchases will depend on a variety of factors, including the market conditions as well as corporate and regulatory considerations. The share repurchase program may be suspended, modified or discontinued at any time and the Company has no obligation to repurchase any amount of its common stock under the program. The repurchase program has no set expiration date.

## **OUR BUSINESS**

Our reporting segments correspond to the following business activities: Papers, Paper Merchants and Wood. A description of our business is included in Part I, Item 1, Business of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009.



## CONSOLIDATED RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND SEGMENT REVIEW

The following table includes the consolidated financial results of Domtar Corporation for the first quarter of 2010 and 2009.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS	Three March 31, 2010	ed ch 31, 2009	
(In millions of dollars, unless otherwise noted)			
Sales	\$ 1,457	\$	1,302
Operating income (loss)	116		(22)
Net earnings (loss)	58		(45)
Net earnings (loss) per common share (in dollars) <sup>1</sup> :			
Basic	1.35		(1.05)
Diluted	1.34		(1.05)
Operating income (loss) per segment:			
Papers	\$ 120	(\$	6)
Paper Merchants	1		2
Wood	(5)		(18)
Total	\$ 116	(\$	22)
	At March 31, 2010	At Decer	nber 31, 2009
Total assets	\$ 6,528	\$	6,519
Total long-term debt, including current portion	\$ 1,631	\$	1,712

<sup>1</sup> Refer to Note 4 of the consolidated financial statements included in Item 1, for more information on the calculation of net earnings (loss) per common share.

### FIRST QUARTER 2010 VERSUS

#### **FIRST QUARTER 2009**

#### Sales

Sales for the first quarter of 2010 amounted to \$1,457 million, an increase of \$155 million, or 12%, from sales of \$1,302 million in the first quarter of 2009. The increase in sales was mainly attributable to higher shipments for paper and pulp (\$86 million) and wood (\$19 million), and higher average selling prices for pulp (\$73 million) and wood (\$4 million). These factors were partially offset by lower selling prices for paper (\$22 million).

#### Cost of Sales, excluding Depreciation and Amortization

Cost of sales, excluding depreciation and amortization, amounted to \$1,142 million in the first quarter of 2010, an increase of \$19 million, or 2%, compared to cost of sales, excluding depreciation and amortization, of \$1,123 million in the first quarter of 2009. This increase was mainly attributable to higher shipments for paper and pulp, offset by lower costs related to the decrease in lack-of-order downtime and machine slowbacks (\$58 million), higher shipments for wood (\$18 million) and the negative impact of a stronger Canadian dollar on our Canadian denominated expenses, net of our hedging program (\$7 million). These factors were partially offset by lower costs for raw materials, including fiber (\$3 million), chemicals (\$27 million), energy (\$5 million).

#### **Depreciation and Amortization**

Depreciation and amortization amounted to \$102 million in the first quarter of 2010, an increase of \$3 million, or 3%, compared to depreciation and amortization of \$99 million in the first quarter of 2009. The increase was influenced by the negative impact of a stronger Canadian dollar in the first quarter of 2010 when compared to 2009. This increase was offset by the decrease in depreciation related to the write-down of property, plant and equipment due to the permanent closure of a paper machine and manufacturing equipment in the first quarter of 2009 at our Plymouth pulp and paper mill.

#### Selling, General and Administrative Expenses ( SG&A )

SG&A expenses amounted to \$84 million in the first quarter of 2010, an increase of \$1 million, or 1%, compared to SG&A expenses of \$83 million in the first quarter of 2009. The increase was influenced by the negative impact of a stronger Canadian dollar in the first quarter of 2010 when compared to 2009. These factors were partially offset by lower overall expenses resulting from cost reduction initiatives.

#### **Other Operating Income**

Other operating income amounted to \$29 million in the first quarter of 2010, a decrease of \$11 million compared to other operating income of \$40 million in the first quarter of 2009. This decrease in other operating income is primarily due to a decrease in the refundable excise tax credit for the production and use of alternative bio fuel mixtures of \$21 million in the first quarter of 2010 versus 2009.

#### **Operating Income (Loss)**

Operating income in the first quarter of 2010 amounted to \$116 million, an increase of \$138 million compared to an operating loss in the first quarter of 2009 of \$22 million. This increase in operating income is attributable to the factors mentioned above as well as lower impairment and write-down of property, plant and equipment and closure and restructuring costs (\$17 million).

#### **Interest Expense**

We incurred \$32 million of interest expense in the first quarter of 2010, an increase of \$1 million compared to interest expense of \$31 million in the first quarter of 2009. The increase in interest expense is primarily related to a higher interest rate on the notes with the issuance of the 10.75% Notes due 2017 in the second quarter of 2009. This increase was partially offset by a lower long-term debt balance outstanding and lower variable interest rates in the first quarter of 2010 compared to the first quarter of 2009.

#### **Income Taxes**

For the first quarter of 2010, our income tax expense amounted to \$26 million, which was comprised of current tax expense of \$11 million and deferred tax expense of \$15 million compared to an income tax benefit of \$8 million in the first quarter of 2009, which was comprised of current tax expense of \$7 million and deferred tax benefit of \$15 million. We received an income tax refund, net of

payments, of \$1 million during the first quarter of 2010. In the first quarter of 2010 our effective tax rate was 31%, due to Management s current estimate that Canadian income will be entirely offset by Canadian tax assets that have been fully reserved, as compared to an effective tax rate of 15% in the first quarter of 2009. The actual effective tax rate of future interim periods in 2010 could be impacted by a change in the forecasted ratio of separate Canadian income or loss to total consolidated income or loss throughout 2010.

## Net Earnings (Loss)

Net earnings amounted to \$58 million (\$1.34 per common share on a diluted basis) in the first quarter of 2010, an increase of \$103 million compared to net loss of \$45 million (\$1.05 per common share on a diluted basis) in the first quarter of 2009 due to the factors mentioned above.

#### PAPERS

SELECTED INFORMATION (In millions of dollars, unless otherwise noted)	Three mon March 31, 2010	onths ended March 31, 2009	
Sales			
Total sales	\$ 1,245	\$ 1,106	
Intersegment sales	(62)	(60)	
Operating income (loss)	\$ 1,183 \$ 120	\$ 1,046 (\$ 6)	
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Shipments			
Paper (in thousands of ST)	960	913	
Pulp (in thousands of ADMT)	388	314	

#### Sales and Operating Income

Sales

Sales in our Papers segment amounted to \$1,183 million in the first quarter of 2010, an increase of \$137 million, or 13%, compared to sales of \$1,046 million in the first quarter of 2009. The increase in sales is attributable to higher shipments for paper of approximately 5%, and pulp of approximately 24%, reflecting stronger market demand for uncoated freesheet paper and pulp. As a result of the stronger market demand for paper and pulp, and restructuring activities undertaken in 2009, which includes the closure of one paper machine at our Plymouth pulp and paper mill effective in the first quarter of 2009. We took lower lack-of-order downtime and paper machine slowdowns in the first quarter of 2010 when compared to the first quarter of 2009. The increase in sales is also attributable to higher average selling prices for pulp. These factors were partially offset by lower average selling prices for paper.

## Operating Income (Loss)

Operating income in our Papers segment amounted to \$120 million in the first quarter of 2010, an increase of \$126 million, when compared to an operating loss of \$6 million in the first quarter of 2009. The increase is mostly attributable to the higher shipments of pulp and paper, the higher average selling price for pulp and lower cost for raw materials, including fiber, energy, and chemicals, specifically caustic soda, sulfuric acid, and starch. These factors were partially offset by the unfavorable impact of a stronger Canadian dollar, the decrease in the alternative fuel tax credits recorded in the first quarter of 2010 compared to the first quarter of 2009, and lower average selling prices for paper.

## **Pricing Environment**

Overall average paper sales prices decreased in the first quarter of 2010 compared to the first quarter of 2009. Our sales prices for offset 50 lb rolls were lower by \$33/ton, or 4% in the first quarter of 2010 compared to 2009, while our copy 20 lb sheets were higher by \$24/ton, or 2% in the first quarter of 2010 when compared to 2009.

Our average pulp sales prices experienced a large increase in the first quarter of 2010 compared to the first quarter of 2009. Our sales price on both Northern Bleached Softwood Kraft ( NBSK ) pulp and Northern Bleached Hardwood Kraft ( NBHK ) pulp increased by \$213/metric ton and \$238/metric ton, or 42% and 58%, respectively, in the first quarter of 2010 compared to the first quarter of 2009.

## Operations

#### Shipments

Our paper shipments increased by 47,000 tons, or 5%, in the first quarter of 2010 compared to the first quarter of 2009, primarily due to stronger market demand for uncoated freesheet paper. The softer market demand for uncoated freesheet in 2009 resulted in the closure of one paper machine at our Plymouth pulp and paper mill in the first quarter of 2009. These factors, combined with previous restructuring activities resulted in lower lack-of-order downtime and paper machine slowbacks in the first quarter of 2010.

Our pulp trade shipments increased by 74,000 metric tons, or 24%, in the first quarter of 2010 compared to the first quarter of 2009. The increase in pulp shipments resulted mostly from an increase in market demand.

#### Alternative Fuel Tax Credits

The U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code ) permits a refundable excise tax credit for the production and use of alternative bio fuel mixtures derived from biomass. We have submitted an application with the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to be registered as an alternative fuel mixter and received notification that its registration had been accepted in March 2009. We began producing and consuming alternative fuel mixtures in February 2009 at its eligible mills. We recorded \$25 million and \$46 million in tax credits for the three months ended March 31, 2010 and March 31, 2009, respectively, in Other operating income. The \$25 million recorded in the three months ended March 31, 2010 represents an adjustment to amounts presented as deferred revenue at December 31, 2009. The \$25 million was released to income following guidance issued by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service in March 2010. We recorded \$7 million and \$18 million in income tax expense related to the alternative fuel mixture income for the three months ended March 31, 2010 and March 31, 2009, respectively.

#### Labor

We have an umbrella agreement with the United Steelworkers Union, expiring in 2012, affecting approximately 4,000 employees at our U.S. locations. This agreement only covers certain economic elements, and all other issues will be negotiated at each operating location, as the related collective bargaining agreements become subject to renewal. The parties have agreed not to strike or lock-out during the terms of the respective local agreements.

We have four collective agreements that will expire in 2010, one of which expires in April at our Windsor facility, two that expire in May at our Nekoosa facility and one that expires in August at our Hawesville facility. Negotiations have not started for these collective agreements.

#### Closure and Restructuring

In March 2010, we announced the permanent shut down of the Columbus coated groundwood paper mill, which occurred at the end of April 2010, due to unfavorable market conditions. This measure resulted in the permanent curtailment of approximately 238,000 tons of coated groundwood, and 70,000 metric tons of thermo-mechanical pulp, and affects 219 employees.

In the first quarter of 2010, we incurred \$42 million of closure and restructuring costs (\$57 million in the first quarter of 2009), including the impairment and write-down of property, plant and equipment of \$22 million, compared to \$35 million in the first quarter of 2009. For more details on the closure and restructuring costs, refer to Item 1, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note 9, of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Closure and restructuring costs are based on management s best estimates. Although the Company does not anticipate significant changes, the actual costs may differ from these estimates due to subsequent developments such as the results of environmental studies, the ability to find a buyer for assets set to be dismantled and demolished and other business developments. As such, additional costs and further write-downs may be required in future periods.

## Other

## Natural Resources Canada Pulp and Paper Green Transformation Program

On June 17, 2009, the Government of Canada announced the Pulp and Paper Green Transformation Program ( the Program ) to help pulp and paper companies make investments to improve the environmental performance of their Canadian facilities. The Program is capped at

CDN\$1 billion, and the funding of capital investments at eligible mills must be completed no later than March 31, 2012.

Subject to the approval of Natural Resources Canada, eligible projects must demonstrate an environmental benefit by either improving energy efficiency or increasing renewable energy production. The investment must be made before the expiration of the program on March 31, 2012, and all projects are subject to the approval of the Government of Canada. Although amounts will not be received until qualifying capital expenditures have been made, we have been allocated \$141 million (CDN\$143 million) through this Program. The funds are to be spent on

capital projects to improve energy efficiency and environmental performance in our Canadian pulp and paper mills and any amounts received will be accounted for as an offset to the applicable plant and equipment asset amount. We received \$11 million (CDN\$11 million) in April 2010 related to two eligible projects at our Kamloops and Dryden pulp mills.

## PAPER MERCHANTS

	Three mo	Three months end			
SELECTED INFORMATION (In millions of dollars)	March 31, 2010		arch 31, 2009		
Sales	\$ 212	\$	217		
Operating income Sales and Operating Income	1		2		

#### Sales

Sales in our Paper Merchants segment amounted to \$212 million in the first quarter of 2010, a decrease of \$5 million compared to sales of \$217 million in the first quarter of 2009. This decrease in sales was mostly attributable to softer market demand, which resulted in a decrease in deliveries of approximately 3%, partially offset by an increase in selling prices.

#### **Operating Income**

Operating income amounted to \$1 million in the first quarter of 2010, a decrease of \$1 million when compared to operating income of \$2 million in the first quarter of 2009. The decrease in operating income is attributable to a decrease in deliveries in the first quarter of 2010 when compared to the first quarter of 2009.

#### Operations

#### Labor

We have collective agreements covering six locations in the U.S., of which three will expire in 2010, one in 2011 and two in 2013. We have five collective agreements covering four locations in Canada, one of which expired in 2008 and two expired in 2009 (negotiations are expected to begin shortly) and two will expire in 2010.

### WOOD

SELECTED INFORMATION (In millions of dollars, unless otherwise noted)	Three mo March 31, 2010	onths ende March	d 31, 2009
Sales			
Total sales	\$ 67	\$	43
Intersegment sales	(5)		(4)
	\$ 62	\$	39
Operating loss	(\$ 5)	(\$	18)
Shipments (millions of FBM)	164		125
Benchmark prices <sup>1</sup> :			
Lumber G.L. 2x4x8 stud (\$/MFBM)	\$ 337	\$	228
Lumber G.L. 2x4 R/L no. 1 & no. 2 (\$/MFBM)	343		240

<sup>1</sup> Source: Random Lengths. As such, these prices do not necessarily reflect our sales prices. **Sales and Operating Loss** 

#### Sales

Sales in our Wood segment amounted to \$62 million in the first quarter of 2010, an increase of \$23 million, or 59%, compared to sales of \$39 million in the first quarter of 2009. The increase in sales is attributable to higher average selling prices and higher shipments for wood products.

#### **Operating Loss**

Operating loss in our Wood segment amounted to \$5 million in the first quarter of 2010, a decrease in operating loss of \$13 million compared to an operating loss of \$18 million in the first quarter of 2009. Our operating loss was impacted by higher shipments, as well as higher average selling prices of our wood products, and \$2 million of closure and restructuring charges in the first quarter of 2009. These factors were partially offset by the unfavorable impact of a stronger Canadian dollar.

#### **Pricing Environment**

Our average sales price for Great Lakes 2x4 stud lumber increased by \$112/MFBM, or 62%, and our average sales price for Great Lakes 2x4 random length lumber increased by \$110/MFBM, or 57%, in the first quarter of 2010 compared to the first quarter of 2009.

#### Operations

#### Shipments

Our lumber and wood shipments in the first quarter of 2010 increased by 39 MFBM, or 31%, compared to shipments in the first quarter of 2009, primarily due to the increased activity in the U.S. housing industry.

#### Labor

We have two collective agreements that have expired and are currently under negotiation and one that will expire in 2010. Other collective agreements have expiring dates from 2011 to 2014.

United States imposes tariffs on softwood lumber

In February 2009, a tribunal operating under the auspices of the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA) issued its decision on a remedy in the softwood lumber arbitration in which Canada was found to have breached the 2006 Softwood Lumber Agreement (SLA) between the United States and Canada by failing to calculate quotas properly during the first six months of 2007. The LCIA tribunal determined that, as appropriate adjustment to compensate for its breach, Canada must collect an additional 10% *ad valorem* export charge on softwood lumber shipments from four Canadian provinces (Ontario, Quebec, Manitoba and Saskatchewan) until \$55 million has been collected. Starting in April 2009, the United States imposed tariffs on softwood lumber from four Canadian provinces due to Canada s failure to comply with the SLA. On September 26, 2009, the tribunal ordered Canada to impose a 10% *ad valorem* export charge on softwood lumber exports to the United States from the four provinces. Canada has indicated its intention to comply with this ruling. Once Canada has imposed a 10% export tax, the United States is expected to cease collecting its 10% import duty, with the result that the affected exports from Canada will continue to be subject to a 10% charge, as has been in effect since April 2009. This measure did not have a significant impact on our financial results for 2010.

### STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION EXPENSE

For the first quarter of 2010, compensation expense recognized in our results of operations was approximately \$6 million, compared to \$4 million in the first quarter of 2009. Compensation costs for performance awards are based on management s best estimate of the final performance measurement.

## LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Our principal cash requirements are for ongoing operating costs including pension contributions, working capital and capital expenditures, as well as principal and interest payments on our debt. We expect to fund our liquidity needs primarily with internally generated funds from our operations and, to the extent necessary, through borrowings under our revolving credit facility. Our liquidity requirements can be satisfied by drawing upon our contractually committed revolving credit facility, of which \$702 million is currently undrawn and available. Under extreme market conditions, there can be no assurance that this agreement would be available or sufficient. See Capital Resources below.

Our ability to make payments on and to refinance our indebtedness, including debt we have incurred under the Credit Agreement and outstanding Domtar Corporation notes, and for ongoing operating costs including pension contributions, working capital and capital expenditures, as well as principal and interest payments on our debt, will depend on our ability to generate cash in the future, which is subject to general economic, financial, competitive, legislative, regulatory and other factors that are beyond our control. Our Credit Agreement and debt indentures, as well as terms of any future indebtedness, impose, or may impose, various restrictions and covenants on us that could limit our ability to respond to market conditions, to provide for unanticipated capital investments or to take advantage of business opportunities.

## **Operating Activities**

Cash flows provided from operating activities totaled \$123 million in the first quarter of 2010, a \$66 million increase compared to cash flows provided from operating activities of \$57 million in the first quarter of 2009. This increase in cash flows provided from operating activities is primarily related to an increase in profitability. These factors were offset by a increase in requirements for working capital in the first quarter of 2010 when compared to the first quarter of 2009 primarily due to an increase in receivables resulting from higher sales volumes in the first quarter of 2010 as compared to the fourth quarter of 2009, including the impact of the adoption of the new accounting guidance, effective January 1, 2010, which resulted in a \$20 million use of cash related to the securitization of trade receivables.

Our operating cash flow requirements are primarily for salaries and benefits, the purchase of fiber, energy and raw materials and other expenses such as property taxes.

## **Investing Activities**

Cash flows used for investing activities in the first quarter of 2010 amounted to \$24 million, no change as compared to cash flows used for investing activities of \$24 million in the first quarter of 2009. Cash flows used for investing activities were impacted by higher capital spending of \$7 million in the first quarter of 2010 when compared to 2009, offset by higher proceeds from disposals of certain property, plant and equipment of \$7 million.

We intend to limit our annual capital expenditures to below 50% of annual depreciation expense in 2010, excluding the spending under the Natural Resources Canada Pulp and Paper Green Transformation Program, for which we will be reimbursed.

### **Financing Activities**

Cash flows used for financing activities totaled \$109 million in the first quarter of 2010 compared to cash flows provided from financing activities of \$96 million in the first quarter of 2009. This \$205 million increase in cash flows used for financing activities is mainly attributable to the repayment of \$102 million of our tranche B term loan in the first quarter of 2010. This was partially offset by borrowings under our accounts receivable securitization program of \$20 million. This compares to additional borrowings of \$90 million under our revolving credit facility and repayments of \$3 million of our long-term debt in the first quarter of 2009.

## **Capital Resources**

Net indebtedness, consisting of bank indebtedness and long-term debt, net of cash and cash equivalents, was \$1,336 million at March 31, 2010, compared to \$1,431 million at December 31, 2009. The \$95 million decrease in net indebtedness is primarily due to a higher cash level, as well as the repayment of \$102 million of our tranche B term loan during the first quarter of 2010. This was offset by borrowings under our accounts receivable securitization program of \$20 million.

Our Credit Agreement consists of a \$234 million senior secured tranche B term loan (remaining outstanding balance at March 31, 2010) and a \$750 million senior secured revolving credit facility. The revolving credit facility may be used by the Company, Domtar Paper Company, LLC and Domtar Inc. for general corporate purposes and a portion is available for letters of credit. Borrowings by the Company and Domtar Paper Company, LLC under the revolving credit facility are available in U.S. dollars, and borrowings by Domtar Inc. under the revolving credit facility are available in U.S. dollars and/or Canadian dollars and are limited to \$150 million (or the Canadian dollar equivalent thereof).

The tranche B term loan facility matures on March 7, 2014, and the revolving credit facility matures on March 7, 2012. The tranche B term loan amortizes in nominal quarterly installments (equal to one percent of the aggregate initial principal amount thereof per annum) with the balance due on the maturity date. In addition, under certain conditions and to the extent we generate cash flow in excess of cash flow used for operating and capital requirements and repayments of debt, excluding optional repayments of the term loan, we are obligated to apply a portion of such calculated excess cash flow amount towards repayments of the term loan, which amount would include any repayments of the term loan already made.

Amounts drawn under the tranche B term loan facility bear annual interest at either a Eurodollar rate plus a margin of 1.375%, or an alternate base rate plus a margin of 0.375%. Amounts drawn under the revolving credit facility bear annual interest at either a Eurodollar rate plus a margin of between 1.25% and 2.25%, or an alternate base rate plus a margin of between 0.25% and 1.25%. Amounts drawn under the revolving credit facility by Domtar Inc. in U.S. dollars bear annual interest at either a Eurodollar rate plus a margin of between 0.25% and 2.25% and 2.25%, or a U.S. base rate plus a margin of between 0.25% and 1.25%. Amounts drawn under the revolving credit facility by Domtar Inc. in Canadian dollars bear annual interest at the Canadian prime rate plus a margin of between 0.25% and 1.25%. Domtar Inc. may also issue bankers acceptances denominated in Canadian dollars which are subject to an acceptance fee, payable on the date of acceptance, which is calculated at a rate per annum equal to between 1.25% and 2.25%. The interest rate margins and the acceptance fee, in each case, with respect to the revolving credit facility, are subject to change based on the Company s consolidated leverage ratio.

The Credit Agreement contains a number of covenants that, among other things, limit the ability of the Company and its subsidiaries to make capital expenditures and place restrictions on other matters customarily restricted in senior secured credit facilities, including restrictions on indebtedness (including guarantee obligations), liens (including sale and leasebacks), fundamental changes, sales or disposition of property or assets, investments (including loans, advances, guarantees and acquisitions), transactions with affiliates, hedge agreements, changes in fiscal periods, environmental activity, optional payments and modifications of other material debt instruments, negative pledges and agreements restricting subsidiary distributions and changes in lines of business. As long as the revolving credit commitments are outstanding, we are required to comply with a consolidated EBITDA (as defined under the Credit Agreement) to consolidated cash interest coverage ratio of greater than 2.5x and a consolidated debt to consolidated EBITDA (as defined under the Credit Agreement) ratio of less than 4.5x. The Credit Agreement contains customary events of default, provided that non-compliance with the consolidated cash interest coverage ratio or consolidated leverage ratio will not constitute an event of default under the tranche B term loan facility unless it has not been waived by the revolving credit lenders within a period of 45 days after notice. At March 31, 2010, we were in compliance with our covenants.

A significant or prolonged downturn in general business and economic conditions may affect our ability to comply with our covenants or meet those financial ratios and tests and could require us to take action to reduce our debt or to act in a manner contrary to our current business objectives.

A breach of any of our Credit Agreement or indenture covenants or failure to maintain a required ratio or meet a required test may result in an event of default under those agreements. This may allow the counterparties to those agreements to declare all amounts outstanding thereunder, together with accrued interest, to be immediately due and payable. If this occurs, we may not be able to refinance the indebtedness on favorable terms, or at all, or repay the accelerated indebtedness.

The Company s direct and indirect, existing and future, U.S. 100% owned subsidiaries serve as guarantors of the senior secured credit facilities for any obligations thereunder of the U.S. borrowers, subject to agreed exceptions. The Company and its subsidiaries serve as guarantors of Domtar Inc. s obligations as a borrower under the senior secured credit facilities, subject to agreed exceptions. Domtar Inc. does not guarantee Domtar Corporation s obligations under the Credit Agreement.

On March 18, 2010, we entered into the Second Amendment to our Credit Agreement, dated March 7, 2007. The Second Amendment amends the Credit Agreement to permit the Company and its subsidiaries to make any optional or voluntary payment, prepayment, repurchase or redemption of or otherwise optionally or voluntarily defease or segregate funds with respect to all or a portion of the Company s Unsecured notes, so long as the consolidated senior secured leverage ratio of the Company does not exceed 1.5 to 1 and at least 50% of the revolving credit commitments under the credit agreement are unutilized, in each case at the time of prepayment and giving effect thereto.

Our obligations in respect to the senior secured credit facilities are secured by all of the equity interests of the Company s direct and indirect U.S. subsidiaries, other than 65% of the equity interests of the Company s direct and indirect first-tier foreign subsidiaries, subject to agreed exceptions, and a perfected first priority security interest in substantially all of the Company s and its direct and indirect U.S. subsidiaries tangible and intangible assets. The obligations of Domtar Inc., and the obligations of the non-U.S. guarantors, in respect of the senior secured credit facilities are secured by all of the equity interests of the Company s direct and indirect subsidiaries, subject to agreed exceptions, and a perfected first priority security interests of the Company s direct and indirect subsidiaries, subject to agreed exceptions, and a perfected first priority security interest, lien and hypothec in the inventory of Domtar Inc., its immediate parent, and its direct and indirect subsidiaries.

As of March 31, 2010, there was no amount outstanding as an overdraft recorded in Bank indebtedness under our revolving credit facility (December 31, 2009 - \$6 million outstanding as an overdraft recorded in Bank indebtedness). In addition, at March 31, 2010, we had outstanding letters of credit amounting to \$48 million under this credit facility (December 31, 2009 - \$53 million). We have no other outstanding letters of credit (December 31, 2009 - nil).

**Credit Rating** 

RATING AGENCY	SECURITY	RATING
Moody s Investors Services	Secured Credit Facility	Baa3
	Unsecured debt obligations	Ba3
Standard & Poor s	Secured Credit Facility	BBB-
	Unsecured debt obligations	BB-
The ratings by Moody s Investors Services ( Moody s	) are the fourth and fifth best ratings in terms of quality wi	thin nine rating gradations, with

the numerical modifier 3 indicating a ranking at the low end of a rating category. According to Moody s, a rating of Baa has moderate credit risk with certain speculative characteristics and the rating of Ba has speculative elements and is subject to substantial credit risk. The ratings by Standard & Poor s (S&P) are the fourth and fifth best ratings in terms of quality within ten rating gradations, with the minus indicating a ranking at the lower end of this category. According to S&P, ratings of BBB have adequate protection parameters and ratings of BB have significant speculative characteristics. Moody s have a stable outlook with respect to its ratings and S&P have a positive outlook with respect to its ratings.

A reduction in our credit ratings would have a negative impact on our access to and cost of capital and financial flexibility. The above ratings are not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the above rating agencies.

Domtar Canada Paper Inc. Exchangeable Shares

Upon the consummation of the March 7, 2007 Transaction, Domtar Inc. shareholders had the option to receive either common stock of the Company or shares of Domtar (Canada) Paper Inc. that are exchangeable for common stock of the Company. As of March 31, 2010, there were 981,189 exchangeable shares issued and outstanding. The exchangeable shares of Domtar (Canada) Paper Inc. are intended to be substantially the economical equivalent to shares of the Company s common stock. These shareholders may exchange the exchangeable shares for shares of Domtar (Canada) Paper Inc. on a one-for-one basis at any time. The exchangeable shares may be redeemed by Domtar (Canada) Paper Inc. on a redemption date to be set by the Board of Directors, which cannot be prior to July 31, 2023, or upon the occurrence of certain specified events, including, upon at least 60 days prior written notice to the holders, in the event less than 416,667 exchangeable shares (excluding any exchangeable shares held directly or indirectly by us) are outstanding at any time.

## OFF BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

In the normal course of business, we finance certain of our activities off balance sheet through leases.

#### **GUARANTEES**

#### Indemnifications

In the normal course of business, we offer indemnifications relating to the sale of our businesses and real estate. In general, these indemnifications may relate to claims from past business operations, the failure to abide by covenants and the breach of representations and warranties included in sales agreements. Typically, such representations and warranties relate to taxation, environmental, product and employee matters. The terms of these indemnification agreements are generally for an unlimited period of time. At March 31, 2010, we are unable to estimate the potential maximum liabilities for these types of indemnification guarantees as the amounts are contingent upon the outcome of future events, the nature and likelihood of which cannot be reasonably estimated at this time. Accordingly, no provisions have been recorded. These indemnifications have not yielded significant expenses in the past.

#### **Tax Sharing Agreement**

In conjunction with the March 7, 2007 Transaction, we signed a Tax Sharing Agreement that governs both our and Weyerhaeuser rights and obligations after the Transaction with respect to taxes for both pre and post-Distribution periods in regards to ordinary course taxes, and also covers related administrative matters. The Distribution refers to the distribution of shares of the Company to Weyerhaeuser shareholders. We will generally be required to indemnify Weyerhaeuser and Weyerhaeuser shareholders against any tax resulting from the Distribution if that tax results from an act or omission to act by us after the Distribution. If Weyerhaeuser, however, should recognize a gain on the Distribution for reasons not related to an act or omission to act by the Company after the Distribution, Weyerhaeuser would be responsible for such taxes and would not be entitled to indemnification by us under the Tax Sharing Agreement.

#### **Pension Plans**

We have indemnified and held harmless the trustees of our pension funds, and the respective officers, directors, employees and agents of such trustees, from any and all costs and expenses arising out of the performance of their obligations under the relevant trust agreements, including in respect of their reliance on authorized instructions from us or for failing to act in the absence of authorized instructions. These indemnifications survive the termination of such agreements. At March 31, 2010, we had not recorded a liability associated with these indemnifications, as we do not expect to make any payments pertaining to these indemnifications.

### E.B. Eddy Acquisition

In July 1998, Domtar Inc. acquired all of the issued and outstanding shares of E.B. Eddy Limited and E.B. Eddy Paper, Inc. (E.B. Eddy), an integrated producer of specialty paper and wood products. The purchase agreement relating to this agreement includes a purchase price adjustment whereby, in the event of the acquisition by a third-party of more than 50% of the shares of Domtar Inc. in specified circumstances, Domtar Inc. may be required to pay an increase in consideration of up to a maximum of \$118 million (CDN\$120 million), an amount which is gradually declining over a 25-year period. At March 7, 2007, the closing date of the Transaction, the maximum amount of the purchase price adjustment was \$108 million (CDN\$110 million). No provision was recorded for this potential purchase price adjustment.

On March 14, 2007, we received a letter from George Weston Limited (the previous owner of E.B. Eddy and a party to the purchase agreement) demanding payment of \$108 million (CDN\$110 million) as a result of the consummation of the Transaction. On June 12, 2007, an action was commenced by George Weston Limited against Domtar Inc. in the Superior Court of Justice of the Province of Ontario, Canada, claiming that the consummation of the Transaction triggered the purchase price adjustment and sought a purchase price adjustment of \$108 million (CDN\$110 million) as well as additional compensatory damages. We do not believe that the consummation of the Transaction triggers an obligation to pay an increase in consideration under the purchase price adjustment and intend to defend ourselves vigorously against any claims with respect thereto. However, we may not be successful in our defense of such claims, and if we are ultimately required to pay an increase in consideration, such payment may have a material adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

## **RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Accounting Changes Implemented**

#### Transfers of financial assets

In June 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Accounting for Transfers of Financial Assets, which amends the derecognition guidance required by the Transfers and Servicing Topic of FASB Accounting Standards Codification (ASC). Some of the major changes undertaken by this amendment include:

Eliminating the concept of a Qualified Special Purpose Entity ( QSPE ).

Modifying the derecognition provisions as required by the Transfers and Servicing Topic of FASB ASC:

require that all arrangements made in connection with a transfer of financial assets be considered in the derecognition analysis,

clarify when a transferred asset is considered legally isolated from the transferor,

modify the requirements related to a transferee s ability to freely pledge or exchange transferred financial assets, and

provide guidance on when a portion of a financial asset can be derecognized, thereby restricting the circumstances when sale accounting can be achieved to the following cases:

transfers of individual or groups of financial assets in their entirety and

#### transfers of participating interests.

The new amendment is effective for financial asset transfers occurring after the beginning of an entity s first fiscal year that begins after November 15, 2009. The Company adopted the new requirements in its March 31, 2010 consolidated financial statements. The adoption of the new guidance resulted in an increase in Subordinated interest in securitized receivables of \$20 million presented in Receivables and a corresponding increase in Long-term debt due within one year in the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

#### Variable interest entities

In June and December 2009, the FASB issued guidance which requires an enterprise to perform an analysis to determine whether the enterprise s variable interest or interests give it a controlling financial interest in a variable interest entity. This guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2009, and for interim and annual reporting periods thereafter. The Company adopted the new requirements in its March 31, 2010 consolidated financial statements with no significant impact as the Company has no interest in variable interest entities.

## CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect our results of operations and financial position. On an ongoing basis, management reviews its estimates, including those related to environmental matters and other asset retirement obligations, useful lives, impairment of long-lived assets, pension plans and other post-retirement benefit plans and income taxes based on currently available information. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Critical accounting policies reflect matters that contain a significant level of management estimates about future events, reflect the most complex and subjective judgments, and are subject to a fair degree of measurement uncertainty.

We have included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, a discussion of these critical accounting policies, which are important to the understanding of our financial condition and results of operations and require management s judgments. We did not make any changes to these critical accounting policies during the first quarter of 2010.

#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

The information included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K may contain forward-looking statements relating to trends in, or representing management s beliefs about, Domtar Corporation s future growth, results of operations, performance and business prospects and opportunities. These forward-looking statements are generally denoted by the use of words such as anticipate, believe, expect, intend, aim, target, plan should and similar expressions. These statements reflect management s current beliefs and are bas continue, estimate, project, may, will, information currently available to management. Forward-looking statements are necessarily based upon a number of estimates and assumptions that, while considered reasonable by management, are inherently subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from historical results or those anticipated. Accordingly, no assurances can be given that any of the events anticipated by the forward-looking statements will occur, or if any occurs, what effect they will have on Domtar Corporation s results of operations or financial condition. These factors include, but are not limited to:

conditions in the global capital and credit markets, and the economy generally, particularly in the U.S. and Canada;

market demand for Domtar Corporation s products, which may be tied to the relative strength of various U.S. and/or Canadian business segments;

product selling prices;

raw material prices, including wood fiber, chemical and energy;

performance of Domtar Corporation s manufacturing operations, including unexpected maintenance requirements;

the level of competition from domestic and foreign producers;

the effect of, or change in, forestry, land use, environmental and other governmental regulations (including tax), and accounting regulations;

the effect of weather and the risk of loss from fires, floods, windstorms, hurricanes and other natural disasters;

transportation costs;

the loss of current customers or the inability to obtain new customers;

legal proceedings;

changes in asset valuations, including write-downs of property, plant and equipment, inventory, accounts receivable or other assets for impairment or other reasons;

changes in currency exchange rates, particularly the relative value of the U.S. dollar to the Canadian dollar;

the effect of timing of retirements and changes in the market price of Domtar Corporation s common stock on charges for stock-based compensation;

performance of pension fund investments and related derivatives; and

the other factors described under Risk Factors, in item 1A of the Annual Report on Form 10-K, for the year ended December 31, 2009.

You are cautioned not to unduly rely on such forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date made, when evaluating the information presented in the Annual Report on Form 10-K. Unless specifically required by law, Domtar Corporation assumes no obligation to update or revise these forward-looking statements to reflect new events or circumstances.

## ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURE ABOUT MARKET RISK

Information relating to quantitative and qualitative disclosure about market risk is contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009. There has not been any material change in our exposure to market risk since December 31, 2009. In the first quarter of 2010, we have updated the following disclosure.

## COST RISK

#### Cash flow hedges

We purchase natural gas and oil at the prevailing market price at the time of delivery. In order to manage the cash flow risk associated with purchases of natural gas and oil, we may utilize derivative financial instruments or physical purchases to fix the price of forecasted natural gas and oil purchases. We formally document the hedge relationships, including identification of the hedging instruments and the hedged items, the risk management objectives and strategies for undertaking the hedge transactions, and the methodologies used to assess effectiveness and measure ineffectiveness. Current contracts are used to hedge forecasted purchases over the next three years. The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivative contracts designated as cash flow hedges is recorded as a component of Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) within Shareholders equity, and is recognized in Cost of sales in the period in which the hedged transaction occurs.

The following table presents the volumes under derivative financial instruments for natural gas contracts outstanding as of March 31, 2010 to hedge forecasted purchases:

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Commodity	Notional contractual quantity under derivative contracts		(in millions of dollars)		purchases under derivative contracts for <sup>(a)</sup>		
Commonly	under derivative contracts		01 001	1413)	2010	2011	2012
Natural gas	6,525,000	MMBTU <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	48	29%	17%	5%

<sup>(1)</sup> MMBTU: Millions of British thermal units

<sup>(a)</sup> The percentage of coverage represents the derivative financial instrument positions. The percentage of natural gas purchases under fixed price contracts for both derivative financial instruments and physical delivery for 2010 are 29%, 2011 are 17% and 2012 are 5%.
The natural gas derivative contracts were fully effective for accounting purposes as of March 31, 2010. The critical terms of the hedging

instruments and the hedged items match. As a result, there were no amounts reflected in the Consolidated Statements of Earnings (Loss) for the three month ended March 31, 2010 resulting from hedge ineffectiveness (2009 nil).

## FOREIGN CURRENCY RISK

### Cash flow hedges

We have manufacturing operations in the United States and Canada. As a result, we are exposed to movements in the foreign currency exchange rate in Canada. Also, certain assets and liabilities are denominated in Canadian dollars and are exposed to foreign currency movements. As a result, our earnings are affected by increases or decreases in the value of the Canadian dollar relative to the U.S. dollar. Our risk management policy allows us to hedge a significant portion of our exposure to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates for periods up to three years. We may use derivative instruments (currency options and foreign exchange forward contracts) to mitigate our exposure to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates. Foreign exchange forward contracts are contracts whereby we have the obligation to buy Canadian dollars at a specific rate. Currency options purchased are contracts whereby we have the right, but not the obligation to buy Canadian dollars at the strike rate if the Canadian dollar trades above that rate. Currency options sold are contracts whereby we have the obligation to buy Canadian dollars at the strike rate if the Canadian dollar trades below that rate.

We formally document the relationship between hedging instruments and hedged items, as well as our risk management objectives and strategies for undertaking the hedge transactions. Foreign exchange forward contracts and currency options contracts used to hedge forecasted purchases in Canadian dollars are designated as cash flow hedges. Current contracts are used to hedge forecasted purchases over the next twelve months. The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivative contracts designated as cash flow hedges is recorded as a component of Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) within Shareholders equity, and is recognized in Cost of sales in the period in which the hedged transaction occurs.

The following table presents the currency values under contracts pursuant to currency options outstanding as of March 31, 2010 to hedge forecasted purchases:

Contract		con	otional tractual value	denomi forecasted net revenues	Percentage of CDN denominated forecasted expenses, net of revenues, under contracts for 2010 2011	
Currency options purchased	CDN	\$	350	66%	6%	
Currency options sold	CDN	\$	350	66%	6%	

The currency options are fully effective as at March 31, 2010. The critical terms of the hedging instruments and the hedged items match. As a result, there were no amounts reflected in the Consolidated Statements of Earnings (Loss) for the first quarter of 2010 resulting from hedge ineffectiveness (2009 nil).

## ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed in our reports under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (Exchange Act), is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC s rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. As of March 31, 2010, an evaluation was performed by members of management, at the direction and with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) or 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act). Based upon this evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that, as of March 31, 2010, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective to provide reasonable assurance.

#### Change in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that have materially affected or are reasonably likely to materially affect our internal control over financial reporting during the period covered by this report.

We have ongoing initiatives to standardize and upgrade certain of our financial and operating systems. The system upgrades will be implemented in stages over the next several years. Management believes the necessary procedures are in place to maintain effective internal control over financial reporting as these initiatives continue.

## PART II OTHER INFORMATION

## ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

A discussion of material developments in the Company s litigation and settlement matters occurring in the period covered by this report is found in Note 10 to the financial statements in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

## ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

Our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, contains important risk factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those projected in any forward-looking statement. There were no material changes to the risk factors described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009, except:

On April 29, 2010, the Environmental Protection Agency issued a proposed rule that would reduce emissions of toxic air pollutants from new and existing industrial, commercial, and institutional boilers and process heaters at major source facilities.

Domtar is currently reviewing the potential impact of the proposed rule and although an estimated cost has yet to be determined, the Company believes that the proposed rule could have a significant financial impact on our U.S. pulp and paper mills.

## **ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS** Not applicable.

**ITEM 3. DEFAULT UPON SENIOR SECURITIES** Not applicable.

# ITEM 4. REMOVED AND RESERVED

# ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

Not applicable.

## ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

- Exhibit 10.1 Second Amendment, dated March 18, 2010, to the Credit Agreement, dated March 7, 2007, among the Company, Domtar Paper Company, LLC, Domtar Inc., the banks and other financial institutions from time to time parties thereto, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent.
- Exhibit 10.2 Asset Purchase Agreement, dated March 26, 2010, among Domtar Inc., Domtar Pulp and Paper Products Inc, and EACOM Timber Corporation.
- Exhibit 12.1 Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges
- Exhibit 31.1 Certification by the Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- Exhibit 31.2 Certification by the Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- Exhibit 32.1 Certification by the Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C Section 1350, as adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- Exhibit 32.2 Certification by the Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

## SIGNATURE

Date: May 6, 2010

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereto duly authorized.

## DOMTAR CORPORATION

By: /s/ DANIEL BURON Daniel Buron Senior Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer

By: /s/ RAZVAN L. THEODORU Razvan L. Theodoru Vice-President and Secretary