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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

February 16, 2001  
(Date of earliest event reported)

KINDER MORGAN, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

KANSAS  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

1-6446  
(Commission  
File Number)

48-0290000  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

500 Dallas, Suite 1000  
Houston, Texas 77002  
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

713-369-9000  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Item 5. Other Events.

The following financial information of Kinder Morgan, Inc., a Kansas corporation, is included herein commencing on page F-1:

- (1) Financial statements as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, and for the years ended December 31, 2000, 1999 and 1998;
- (2) Quarterly financial information (unaudited) for 2000 and 1999;
- (3) Selected financial data for each of the five years in the period ended December 31, 2000;
- (4) Management's discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operation;
- (5) Quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risk; and
- (6) Schedule II - Valuation and Qualifying Accounts.

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The consolidated financial statements and related notes of Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P. (an equity method investee of Kinder Morgan, Inc.) included as exhibit 99.1 in its Form 8-K filing dated February 16, 2001 are filed herewith as exhibit 99.1 and are incorporated herein by reference.

### Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

23.1 Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

23.2 Consent of Arthur Andersen LLP

99.1 Form 8-K of Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P. dated February 16, 2001, including the consolidated financial statements of Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P.

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### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

To the Board of Directors  
and Stockholders of Kinder Morgan, Inc.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated balance sheets and the related consolidated statements of income, of comprehensive income, of stockholders' equity and of cash flows present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Kinder Morgan, Inc. (formerly K N Energy, Inc.) and its subsidiaries at December 31, 2000 and 1999, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In addition, in our opinion, the financial statement schedule listed in the index appearing under Item 5 of this Form 8-K presents fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein when read in conjunction with the related consolidated financial statements. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management; our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits of these statements in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We also audited the adjustments described in Note 2 that were applied to restate the 1998 consolidated financial statements. In our opinion, such adjustments are appropriate and have been properly applied.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Houston, Texas  
February 14, 2001

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### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

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To Kinder Morgan, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows of Kinder Morgan, Inc. (formerly K N Energy, Inc. and a Kansas corporation) and subsidiaries for the year ended December 31, 1998 prior to the restatement (and, therefore, are not presented herein) for the retroactive application of the equity method of accounting for an investment as described in Note 2 to the restated financial statements. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the results of operations and cash flows of Kinder Morgan, Inc. and subsidiaries for the year ended December 31, 1998, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

/s/ Arthur Andersen LLP

Denver, Colorado

February 2, 1999 (except with respect to the matters discussed in Note 6, as to which the dates are March 16, 2000 and February 14, 2001)

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME  
KINDER MORGAN, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,		
	2000	1999	
	RESTATED - SEE NOTE 2		
	(In Thousands)	Except Per Share	Amount
<b>OPERATING REVENUES:</b>			
Natural Gas Sales	\$ 1,999,648	\$ 1,004,097	\$
Natural Gas Transportation and Storage	596,774	745,179	
Other	117,315	87,092	
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>2,713,737</b>	<b>1,836,368</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>OPERATING COSTS AND EXPENSES:</b>			
Gas Purchases and Other Costs of Sales	1,960,083	1,050,250	
Operations and Maintenance	164,286	184,888	

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General and Administrative	58,087	85,591	
Depreciation and Amortization	108,165	147,933	
Taxes, Other Than Income Taxes	27,973	34,561	
Merger-related and Severance Costs	--	37,443	
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Total Operating Costs and Expenses	2,318,594	1,540,666	1
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OPERATING INCOME	395,143	295,702	
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OTHER INCOME AND (EXPENSES):			
Kinder Morgan Energy Partners:			
Equity in Earnings	140,913	15,733	
Amortization of Excess Investment	(28,317)	(7,335)	
Equity in Earnings (Losses) of Other Equity Investments	(6,586)	24,651	
Interest Expense, Net	(243,155)	(251,920)	
Minority Interests	(24,121)	(24,845)	
Other, Net	72,565	194,405	
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Total Other Income and (Expenses)	(88,701)	(49,311)	
	-----	-----	
INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS BEFORE INCOME TAXES	306,442	246,391	
Income Taxes	122,727	90,733	
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INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	183,715	155,658	
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DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS, NET OF TAX:			
Loss from Discontinued Operations	--	(50,941)	
Loss on Disposal of Discontinued Operations	(31,734)	(344,378)	
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Total Loss From Discontinued Operations	(31,734)	(395,319)	
	-----	-----	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	151,981	(239,661)	
Less - Preferred Dividends	--	129	
Less - Premium Paid on Preferred Stock Redemption	--	350	
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EARNINGS (LOSS) AVAILABLE FOR COMMON STOCK	\$ 151,981	\$ (240,140)	\$
	=====	=====	=====
Number of Shares Used in Computing Basic Earnings Per Common Share (Thousands)	114,063	80,284	
	=====	=====	
BASIC EARNINGS (LOSS) PER COMMON SHARE:			
Continuing Operations	\$ 1.61	\$ 1.93	\$
Loss from Discontinued Operations	--	(0.63)	
Loss on Disposal of Discontinued Operations	(0.28)	(4.29)	
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Total Basic Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share	\$ 1.33	\$ (2.99)	\$
	=====	=====	=====
Number of Shares Used in Computing Diluted Earnings Per Common Share (Thousands)	115,030	80,358	
	=====	=====	
DILUTED EARNINGS (LOSS) PER COMMON SHARE:			
Continuing Operations	1.60	1.93	
Loss from Discontinued Operations	--	(0.63)	

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Loss on Disposal of Discontinued Operations	(0.28)	(4.29)	
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Total Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share	\$ 1.32	\$ (2.99)	\$
	=====	=====	=====
DIVIDENDS PER COMMON SHARE	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.65	\$
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME  
KINDER MORGAN, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,		
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		RESTATED - SEE NOTE 2	
	2000	1999	1998
	-----	-----	-----
	(In Thousands)		
NET INCOME (LOSS)	151,981	(239,661)	62,211
Realized Gain on Equity Securities, Net of Tax	1,602	852	--
Unrealized Loss on Equity Securities, Net of Tax	--	--	(6,697)
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COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)	\$ 153,583	\$ (238,809)	\$ 55,514
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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS  
KINDER MORGAN, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

	DECEMBER 31,	
	-----	
	2000	
	-----	-----
	(In Thousands)	
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 141,923	\$
Restricted Deposits	14,063	
Customer Accounts Receivable, Net	104,209	

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Receivable From Kinder Morgan Energy Partners	--	
Other Receivables	64,309	
Inventories	19,600	
Gas Imbalances	40,838	
Other	48,700	
Net Current Assets of Discontinued Operations	--	
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	433,642	
	-----	
INVESTMENTS:		
Kinder Morgan Energy Partners	1,850,397	
Other	143,698	
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	1,994,095	
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PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, NET	5,724,617	
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DEFERRED CHARGES AND OTHER ASSETS	265,751	
	-----	
NET NON-CURRENT ASSETS OF DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS	--	
	-----	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 8,418,105	\$
	=====	=====
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Current Maturities of Long-term Debt	\$ 808,167	\$
Notes Payable	100,000	
Accounts Payable	126,267	
Accounts Payable - Kinder Morgan Energy Partners	13,534	
Accrued Interest	72,222	
Accrued Taxes	26,584	
Gas Imbalances	39,496	
Payable for Purchase of Thermo Companies	15,000	
Reserve for Loss on Disposal of Discontinued Operations	23,694	
Other	143,761	
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	1,368,725	
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OTHER LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED CREDITS:		
Deferred Income Taxes	2,284,496	
Other	208,570	
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	2,493,066	
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LONG-TERM DEBT	2,478,983	
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KINDER MORGAN-OBLIGATED MANDATORILY REDEEMABLE PREFERRED CAPITAL TRUST SECURITIES OF SUBSIDIARY TRUST HOLDING SOLELY DEBENTURES OF KINDER MORGAN	275,000	
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MINORITY INTERESTS IN EQUITY OF SUBSIDIARIES	4,910	
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COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES (NOTES 9 AND 17)		
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY:		
Preferred Stock (Note 13)	--	
Common Stock-	--	

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Authorized - 150,000,000 Shares, Par Value \$5 Per Share		
Outstanding - 114,578,800 and 112,838,379 Shares,		
Before Deducting 96,140 and 172,402 Shares Held in Treasury	572,894	
Additional Paid-in Capital	1,189,270	
Retained Earnings (Deficit)	37,584	
Other, Including Shares Held in Treasury	(2,327)	
Total Stockholders' Equity	1,797,421	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 8,418,105	\$

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY  
KINDER MORGAN, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER			
	2000		1999	
	SHARES	AMOUNT	SHARES	AMOUNT
	(Dollars In Thousands)			
<b>PREFERRED STOCK:</b>				
Beginning Balance	--	\$ --	70,000	\$ --
Redemption of Preferred Stock	--	--	(70,000)	( -- )
Ending Balance	--	--	--	--
<b>COMMON STOCK:</b>				
Beginning Balance	112,838,379	564,192	68,645,906	34,000
Sale of Common Stock, Net	--	--	--	--
Acquisition of Kinder Morgan Delaware	--	--	41,683,323	20,000
Acquisitions/Sales of Other Businesses	946,207	4,731	2,065,909	1,000
Employee and Executive Benefit Plans	794,214	3,971	443,241	2,000
Common Stock Split	--	--	--	--
Ending Balance	114,578,800	572,894	112,838,379	56,000
<b>ADDITIONAL PAID-IN CAPITAL:</b>				
Beginning Balance		1,203,008		69,000
Sale of Common Stock, Net		--		--
Costs Related to PEPS Offering		(1,151)		--
Revaluation of KMEP Investment (Note 5)		(51,074)		--
Acquisition of Kinder Morgan Delaware		--		47,000
Acquisition of Other Businesses		23,824		3,000
Employee and Executive Benefit Plans		14,663		--
Common Stock Split		--		--
Ending Balance		1,189,270		1,200,000

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RETAINED EARNINGS (DEFICIT):				
Beginning Balance - as Previously Reported		(95,615)		19
Restatement (Note 2)		4,005		
Beginning Balance - As Restated		(91,610)		19
Net Income (Loss) - as Previously Reported		151,981		(24)
Restatement (Note 2)		--		
Cash Dividends:				
Common		(22,787)		(4)
Preferred		--		
Ending Balance		37,584		(9)
OTHER:				
DEFERRED COMPENSATION:				
Beginning Balance		--		(1)
Executive Benefit Plans		--		1
Ending Balance		--		
TREASURY STOCK, AT COST:				
Beginning Balance	(172,402)	(4,142)	(48,598)	(
Treasury Stock Acquired	(1,743)	(62)	(135,510)	(
Treasury Stock Issued	78,005	1,877	--	
Acquisition of Businesses	--	--	--	
Dividend Reinvestment Plan	--	--	11,706	
Common Stock Split	--	--	--	
Ending Balance	(96,140)	(2,327)	(172,402)	(
ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (NET OF TAX):				
Beginning Balance		(1,602)		(
Sale of Tom Brown, Inc. Common Stock		1,602		
Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Equity Securities		--		
Ending Balance		--		(
TOTAL OTHER	(96,140)	(2,327)	(172,402)	(
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	114,482,660	\$ 1,797,421	112,665,977	\$ 1,66

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INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	YEAR END
	----- 2000 -----
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 151,981
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income (Loss) to	
Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities:	
Loss from Discontinued Operations, Net of Tax	31,734
Depreciation and Amortization	108,165
Deferred Income Taxes	105,424
Equity in Earnings of Kinder Morgan Energy Partners	(112,596)
Distributions from Kinder Morgan Energy Partners	121,323
Deferred Purchased Gas Costs	2,685
Net Gains on Sales of Facilities	(61,684)
Proceeds from Buyout of Contractual Gas Obligations	--
Changes in Other Working Capital Items [Note 1(M)]	(48,466)
Changes in Deferred Revenues	(4,457)
Other, Net	(16,622)
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Net Cash Flows Provided by Continuing Operations	277,487
Net Cash Flows Provided by (Used in) Discontinued Operations	(110,399)
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<b>NET CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>167,088</b>
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<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Capital Expenditures	(137,477)
Proceeds from Sales to Kinder Morgan Energy Partners	500,302
Cash Paid for Acquisition of MidCon Corp., Net of Cash Acquired	--
Other Acquisitions	(19,412)
Investments	(28,688)
Proceeds from Sale of Tom Brown, Inc. Stock	14,823
Sale of U.S. Government Securities	--
Purchase of U.S. Government Securities	--
Proceeds from Sales of Other Assets	14,998
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Net Cash Flows Provided By (Used In) Continuing Investing Activities	344,546
Net Cash Flows Provided By (Used In) Discontinued Investing Activities	154,176
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<b>NET CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY (USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>498,722</b>
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<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>	
Short-Term Debt, Net	(474,400)
Long-Term Debt - Issued	--
Long-Term Debt - Retired	(14,055)
Common Stock Issued in Public Offering	--
Other Common Stock Issued	17,773
Other Financing, Net	(45,239)
Mandatorily Redeemable Trust Securities Issued	--
Preferred Stock Redeemed	--
Treasury Stock, Issued	1,877
Treasury Stock, Acquired	(62)
Cash Dividends, Common and Preferred	(22,787)
Minority Interests, Net	(2,436)

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Premium Equity Participating Securities Contract Fee and Securities Issuance Costs	(10,936)
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NET CASH FLOWS (USED IN) PROVIDED BY FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(550,265)
	-----
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	115,545
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year	26,378
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Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	\$ 141,923
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

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### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

##### (A) Nature of Operations

Kinder Morgan, Inc. is one of the largest midstream energy companies in America, operating more than 30,000 miles of natural gas and products pipelines. Our common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "KMI." We are an energy services provider and have operations in 16 states in the Rocky Mountain and mid-continent regions, with principal operations in Arkansas, Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Texas and Wyoming. Energy services we offer include: storing, transporting and selling natural gas, providing retail natural gas distribution services, and generating and selling electricity. We have both regulated and nonregulated operations. During 1999, we made significant acquisitions, including Kinder Morgan Delaware. As a result, through our general partner interest, we operate Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P., a publicly traded pipeline master limited partnership, referred to in these Notes as "Energy Partners," and receive a substantial portion of our earnings from returns on this investment.

In October 1999, K N Energy, Inc., (as we were then named) a Kansas corporation, acquired Kinder Morgan, Inc., a Delaware corporation, referred to in these Notes as "Kinder Morgan Delaware." We then changed our name to Kinder Morgan, Inc. Unless the context requires otherwise, references to "we," "us," "our," or the "Company" are intended to mean Kinder Morgan, Inc. (a Kansas corporation and formerly known as K N Energy, Inc.) and its consolidated subsidiaries. During the third and fourth quarters of 1999, we adopted and implemented plans to discontinue our businesses involved in (i) wholesale marketing of natural gas and natural gas liquids, (ii) gathering and processing of natural gas, including field services and short-haul intrastate pipelines, (iii) direct marketing of non-energy products and services and (iv) international operations. During the fourth quarter of 2000, we decided that, due to the start-up nature of these operations and the unwillingness of buyers to pay for the value created to date, it was not in the best interests of the Company to dispose of our international operations and, accordingly, we decided to retain them. Additional information concerning these discontinued operations is contained in Note 6.

##### (B) Basis of Presentation

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions. These estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and

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liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Kinder Morgan, Inc. and its majority-owned subsidiaries. Investments in jointly owned operations in which we have the ability to exercise significant influence over their operating and financial policies are accounted for under the equity method, as is our investment in Energy Partners, which is further described in Note 2. All material intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated. Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current presentation.

### (C) Accounting for Regulatory Activities

Our regulated public utilities are accounted for in accordance with the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 71, "Accounting for the Effects of Certain Types of Regulation," which prescribes the circumstances in which the application of generally accepted accounting principles is affected by the economic effects of regulation.

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Regulatory assets and liabilities represent probable future revenues or expenses associated with certain charges and credits that will be recovered from or refunded to customers through the ratemaking process. The following regulatory assets and liabilities are reflected in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets:

	DECEMBER 31,	
	2000	1999
	(In Thousands)	
REGULATORY ASSETS:		
Employee Benefit Costs	\$ 6,576	\$ 6,909
Debt Refinancing Costs	1,664	1,992
Deferred Income Taxes	16,801	16,853
Purchased Gas Costs	23,470	27,043
Plant Acquisition Adjustments	454	454
Rate Regulation and Application Costs	3,040	3,095
	-----	-----
Total Regulatory Assets	52,005	56,346
	-----	-----
REGULATORY LIABILITIES:		
Employee Benefit Costs	5,967	5,967
Deferred Income Taxes	28,930	31,235
Purchased Gas Costs	14,415	25,926
	-----	-----
Total Regulatory Liabilities	49,312	63,128
	-----	-----
NET REGULATORY ASSETS (LIABILITIES)	\$ 2,693	\$ (6,782)
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As of December 31, 2000, \$45.0 million of our regulatory assets and \$43.3 million of our regulatory liabilities were being recovered from or refunded to customers through rates over periods ranging from 1 to 13 years.

### (D) Revenue Recognition Policies

We recognize revenues as services are rendered or goods are delivered and, if applicable, title has passed. Our rate-regulated retail natural gas distribution business bills customers on a monthly cycle billing basis. Revenues are recorded on an accrual basis, including an estimate at the end of each accounting period for gas delivered and, if applicable, title has passed but for which bills have not yet been rendered. With respect to our construction activities, we utilize the percentage of completion method whereby revenues and associated expenses are recognized over the construction period based on work performed in relation to the total expected for the entire project.

### (E) Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share is computed based on the monthly weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during each period. Diluted earnings per share is computed based on the monthly weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the periods, increased by the assumed exercise or conversion of securities (stock options and premium equity participating security units) convertible into common stock for which the effect of conversion or exercise using the treasury stock method would be dilutive. Dilutive securities assumed to have been converted or exercised totaled 967,700 for 2000, 73,800 for 1999 and 614,500 for 1998. Remaining stock options outstanding totaling 307,100 for 2000, 3,824,000 for 1999 and 785,000 for 1998 were not included in the earnings per share calculation because to do so would have been antidilutive. Note 12(B) contains more information regarding premium equity participating security units, while Note 16 contains more information regarding stock options.

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### (F) Restricted Deposits

Restricted Deposits consist of monies on deposit with brokers that are restricted to meet exchange trading requirements; see Note 14.

### (G) Inventories

	DECEMBER 31,	
	2000	1999
	(In Thousands)	
Gas in Underground Storage (Current)	\$ 5,145	\$38,499
Materials and Supplies	14,455	11,829
	\$19,600	\$50,328
	=====	=====

Inventories are accounted for using the following methods, with the percent of the total dollars at December 31, 2000 shown in parentheses: average cost (85.32%), last-in, first-out (10.26%) and first-in, first-out (4.42%). All non-utility inventories held for resale are valued at the lower of cost or

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market. We also maintain gas in our underground storage facilities on behalf of certain third parties. We receive a fee from our storage service customers but do not reflect the value of their gas stored in our facilities in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets.

### (H) Other Investments

	DECEMBER 31,	
	2000	1999
	(In Thousands)	
Thermo Companies	\$ 72,457	\$ 63,528
TransColorado Pipeline Company	34,824	31,160
Tom Brown, Inc. Common Stock (Note 5)	--	12,283
Other	36,417	26,000
	-----	-----
	\$143,698	\$132,971
	=====	=====

Investments consist primarily of equity method investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and joint ventures, and include ownership interests in net profits and net cash flows. At December 31, 2000, "Other" included a \$13.5 million investment in Wrightsville Development, LLC, a \$6.0 million investment in Igasamex USA, Ltd, a \$5.3 million investment in Front Range Holding, LLC, and approximately \$4.5 million in assets held for deferred employee compensation, among other individually insignificant items. At December 31, 1999, "Other" included a \$10.4 million investment in Front Range Holding, LLC, a \$6.3 million investment in Igasamex USA, Ltd, and approximately \$4.9 million in assets held for deferred employee compensation, among other individually insignificant items.

### (I) Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment is stated at historical cost, which for constructed plant includes indirect costs such as payroll taxes, fringe benefits, administrative and general costs. Expenditures that increase capacities, improve efficiencies or extend useful lives are capitalized. Routine maintenance, repairs and renewal costs are expensed as incurred. The cost of normal retirements of depreciable utility property, plant and equipment, plus the cost of removal less salvage, is recorded in accumulated depreciation with no effect on current period earnings. Gains or losses are recognized upon retirement of non-utility property, plant and equipment, and utility property, plant and equipment constituting an operating unit or system, when sold or abandoned.

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In accordance with the provisions of SFAS 121, "Accounting for the Impairment of Long-Lived Assets and for Long-Lived Assets to Be Disposed Of," we review the carrying values of our long-lived assets whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that such carrying values may not be recoverable. As yet, no asset or group of assets has been identified for which the sum of expected future cash flows (undiscounted and without interest charges) is less than the carrying amount of the asset(s) and, accordingly, no impairment losses have been recorded. However, currently unforeseen events and changes in circumstances

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could require the recognition of impairment losses at some future date.

### (J) Depreciation and Amortization

Depreciation is computed based on the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of assets. The range of estimated useful lives used in depreciating assets for each property type are as follows:

PROPERTY TYPE	RANGE OF ESTIMATED USEFUL LIVES OF ASSETS
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	(In Years)
Natural Gas Pipelines	24 to 68 (Transmission assets: average 56)
Retail Natural Gas Distribution	33
Power Generation	10 to 30
General and Other	3 to 56

### (K) Interest Expense, Net

"Interest Expense, Net" as presented in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Income is net of (i) the debt component of the allowance for funds used during construction ("AFUDC - Interest"), (ii) in 1999, interest income related to government securities associated with the acquisition of MidCon Corp. and (iii) in 2000, interest income attributable to (i) our note receivable from Energy Partners associated with the sale of certain interests (see Note 5) and (ii) interest income associated with settlement of our net cash position with ONEOK, Inc.; see (N).

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,		
	2000	1999	1998
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	(In Millions)		
AFUDC - Interest	\$ 2.6	\$ 1.9	\$ 2.3
Interest Income	\$ 2.6	\$ 0.5	\$ 46.4

As discussed in Note 2, in conjunction with the January 30, 1998, acquisition of MidCon Corp., we were required by the definitive stock purchase agreement to assume the Substitute Note for \$1.4 billion and to collateralize the Substitute Note with bank letters of credit, a portfolio of government securities or a combination of the two. As a result, we had a significant amount of interest income during 1998 associated with the issuance of the Substitute Note, which has been reported together with the related interest expense as described above. In conjunction with our sale of certain assets to ONEOK as discussed in Note 6, we agreed to continue managing cash for these assets for a period of months, following which an audit was conducted to affirm the assignment of specific amounts to the two parties based on the timing of the underlying business transactions. We reported the interest income attributable to our net receivable resulting from this transaction together with the related interest expense as described above.

### (L) Other, Net

"Other, Net" as presented in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Income includes \$61.7 million, \$189.8 million and \$19.6 million in 2000, 1999 and 1998,

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respectively, attributable to gains from sales of assets. These transactions are discussed in Note 5.

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(M) Cash Flow Information

We consider all highly liquid investments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. "Other, Net," presented as a component of "Net Cash Flows From Operating Activities" in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows includes, among other things, undistributed equity in earnings of unconsolidated subsidiaries and joint ventures (other than Energy Partners) and other non-cash charges and credits to income.

ADDITIONAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION:

CHANGES IN OTHER WORKING CAPITAL ITEMS:  
(NET OF EFFECTS OF ACQUISITIONS AND SALES)  
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,		
	2000	1999	1998
	(In Thousands)		
Accounts Receivable	\$ (172,781)	\$ (16,483)	\$ (19,626)
Material and Supplies Inventory	(2,626)	2,894	(962)
Gas in Underground Storage - Current	32,453	(17,626)	6,598
Other Current Assets	(27,737)	114	3,329
Accounts Payable	114,908	37,506	(68,774)
Other Current Liabilities	7,317	29,714	38,929
	<u>\$ (48,466)</u>	<u>\$ 36,119</u>	<u>\$ (40,506)</u>

SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION:

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,		
	2000	1999	1998
	(In Thousands)		
CASH PAID FOR:			
Interest (Net of Amount Capitalized)	\$ 248,177	\$ 284,762	\$ 189,929
Distributions on Preferred Capital Trust Securities	\$ 21,913	\$ 21,913	\$ 14,754
Income Taxes Paid (Received)	\$ 7,674	\$ (10,883)	\$ 39,756

In April 2000, we made the final scheduled payment for our third-quarter 1998

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acquisition of interests in the Thermo Companies using 961,153 shares of our common stock, approximately \$30 million of value. For our December 31, 2000 sale of assets to Energy Partners, we received both cash and non-cash consideration; see Note 5. In October 1999, we acquired Kinder Morgan Delaware in a non-cash transaction. During 1998, we acquired MidCon Corp. and interests in assets from the Thermo Companies in transactions that included both cash and non-cash components. For additional information on these transactions, see Note 2.

### (N) Accounts Receivable

The caption "Customer Accounts Receivable, Net" in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets is presented net of allowances for doubtful accounts of \$2.3 million and \$1.7 million at December 31, 2000 and 1999, respectively. The caption "Other Receivables" principally consists of a receivable from ONEOK due to cash management services provided to them during 2000 in conjunction with their purchase of certain of our assets as discussed in Note 6.

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### (O) Stock-Based Compensation

SFAS 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation," encourages, but does not require, entities to adopt the fair value method of accounting for stock-based compensation plans. As allowed under SFAS 123, we continue to apply Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees." Accordingly, compensation expense is not recognized for stock options unless the options are granted at an exercise price lower than the market price on the grant date.

### (P) Accounting for Certain Equity Transactions by Affiliates

We account for our investment in Energy Partners (among other entities) under the equity method of accounting. In each accounting period, we record our share of these investees' earnings, and amortize any "excess" investment. We adjust the amount of our excess investment when an equity method investee or a consolidated subsidiary issues additional equity (or reacquires equity shares) in any manner that alters our ownership percentage. Differences between the per unit sales proceeds from these equity issuances (or reacquisitions) and our underlying book basis, as well as the pro rata portion of the excess investment (including associated deferred taxes), are recorded directly to paid-in capital rather than being recognized as gains or losses. Two such transactions are described in Note 5.

### (Q) Accounting for Risk Management Activities

We utilize energy derivatives for the purpose of mitigating our risk resulting from fluctuations in the market price of natural gas and associated transportation. Prior to December 31, 2000, our accounting policy for these activities was based on a number of authoritative pronouncements including SFAS No. 80, "Accounting for Futures Contracts." This policy is described in detail in Note 14, as is our new policy, which is based on the accounting standard which became effective for us on January 1, 2001, SFAS No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities."

### (R) Income Taxes

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are recognized for temporary differences between the basis of assets and liabilities for financial reporting and tax purposes. Changes in tax legislation are included in the relevant computations in the period in which such changes are effective. Deferred tax



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assets are reduced by a valuation allowance for the amount of any tax benefit we do not expect to be realized.

### 2. BUSINESS COMBINATIONS

On October 7, 1999, we completed the acquisition of Kinder Morgan Delaware, the sole stockholder of the general partner of Energy Partners. Energy Partners is the nation's largest pipeline master limited partnership. It owns and operates one of the largest product pipeline systems in the United States, delivering gasoline, diesel and jet fuel to customers through more than 10,000 miles of pipeline and over 20 associated terminals. Additional assets include 10,000 miles of natural gas transportation pipelines; natural gas gathering and storage facilities; 28 bulk terminal facilities, which transload more than 40 million tons of coal, petroleum coke and other products annually; and Kinder Morgan CO2 Company, L.P.

To effect the business combination, we issued approximately 41.5 million shares of our common stock in exchange for all of the outstanding shares of Kinder Morgan Delaware. Upon closing of the transaction, Richard D. Kinder, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Kinder Morgan Delaware, was named our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, and we were renamed Kinder Morgan, Inc. In addition, we issued 200,000 shares of our common stock to Petrie Parkman & Co., Inc. in consideration for Petrie Parkman's

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advisory services rendered in connection with the acquisition of Kinder Morgan Delaware. The issuance of these shares was exempt from registration under Section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

This acquisition was accounted for as a purchase for accounting purposes and, accordingly, the assets acquired and liabilities assumed were recorded at their respective estimated fair market values as of the acquisition date. The allocation of the purchase price resulted in an excess of the purchase price over Kinder Morgan Delaware's share of the underlying equity in the net assets of Energy Partners totaling \$1.3 billion. This excess has been fully allocated to the Kinder Morgan Delaware investment in Energy Partners and reflects the estimated fair market value of this investment at the date of acquisition. This excess investment is being amortized over 44 years, approximately the estimated remaining useful life of Energy Partners' assets, and is shown in the accompanying Consolidated Income Statements as "Amortization of Excess Investment" under the sub-heading "Kinder Morgan Energy Partners" within "Other Income and (Expenses)." The assets, liabilities and results of operations of Kinder Morgan Delaware are included with those of Kinder Morgan beginning with the October 7, 1999 acquisition date.

The following pro forma information gives effect to our acquisition of Kinder Morgan Delaware as if the business combination had occurred January 1 of each year presented. This unaudited pro forma information should be read in conjunction with the accompanying consolidated financial statements. This pro forma information does not necessarily indicate the financial results that would have occurred if this acquisition had taken place on the dates indicated, nor should it necessarily be viewed as an indicator of future financial results.

UNAUDITED PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,

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	1999	-----
		(Dollars in Millions Except Per Share)
Operating Revenues	\$ 1,745.5	\$
Net Income (Loss)	\$ (233.9)	\$
Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share	\$ (2.09)	\$
Number of Shares Used in Computing Diluted Earnings Per Common Share (In Thousands)	112,334	

During the third quarter of 1998, we completed our acquisition of interests in four independent power plants in Colorado from the Denver-based Thermo Companies, representing approximately 380 megawatts of electric generation capacity and access to approximately 130 Bcf of natural gas reserves. These generating facilities are located in Ft. Lupton, Colorado (272 megawatts) and Greeley, Colorado (108 megawatts) and sell their power output to Public Service Company of Colorado under long-term agreements. Payments for the Thermo interests were made over a two-year period, with the initial payment of 1,034,715 shares of our common stock having been made on October 21, 1998. Additional payments were made on January 4, 1999, consisting of 833,623 shares of our common stock and \$15 million in cash, on April 20, 1999, consisting of 1,232,286 shares of our common stock and \$20 million in cash and on April 20, 2000, with 961,153 shares of our common stock. This transaction was accounted for as a purchase. Under the purchase agreement, we were entitled, as soon as the consent of the other partner was obtained, to become a partner in a 50/50 joint venture in which Thermo had previously been a partner and, in the interim, to receive cash distributions from Thermo's former owners in lieu of our share of the joint venture's earnings. In the fourth quarter of 2000, we obtained the consent, became a partner in the venture and adopted the equity method of accounting for this investment. We restated all prior periods to reflect the equity method of accounting as required by the authoritative accounting guidelines. This restatement had the effect of decreasing operating revenues by \$7.4 million and \$4.9 million, increasing equity in earnings of unconsolidated subsidiaries by \$10.5 million and \$8.7 million, and increasing income from continuing operations by \$1.8 million and \$2.2 million, in each case for 1999 and 1998, respectively.

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On January 30, 1998, we acquired all of the outstanding shares of capital stock of MidCon Corp. from Occidental Petroleum Corporation for \$2.1 billion in cash and the assumption of a \$1.4 billion short-term note (which was repaid in January, 1999), at which time MidCon Corp. became our wholly owned subsidiary. MidCon was an energy company engaged in the purchase, gathering, processing, transmission and storage of natural gas and whose principal asset was Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (referred to as "Natural" in these notes). The assets, liabilities and results of operations of MidCon are included with those of Kinder Morgan beginning with the January 30, 1998 acquisition date. The acquisition was initially financed through a combination of credit agreements; see Note 12.

The acquisition was accounted for as a purchase for accounting purposes and, accordingly, the MidCon assets acquired and liabilities assumed were recorded at their fair market values as of the acquisition date. The allocation of purchase price resulted in the recognition of a gas plant acquisition adjustment of approximately \$4.0 billion, principally representing the excess of the assigned fair market value of the assets of Natural over the historical cost for ratemaking purposes. This gas plant acquisition adjustment, none of which is currently being recognized for rate-making purposes, is being amortized over 55

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years (see Note 4), approximately the estimated remaining useful life of Natural's interstate pipeline system. For the years ended December 31, 2000, 1999 and 1998, \$73.3 million, \$96.0 million and \$97.9 million of such amortization, respectively, was charged to expense; see Note 4.

The following pro forma information gives effect to our acquisition of MidCon Corp. as if the business combination had occurred at January 1, 1998. This unaudited pro forma information should be read in conjunction with the accompanying consolidated financial statements. This pro forma information does not necessarily indicate the financial results that would have occurred if this acquisition had taken place on the date indicated, nor is it necessarily comparable to subsequent financial results nor should it necessarily be viewed as an indicator of future financial results.

UNAUDITED PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION  
(Dollars in Millions Except Per Share Amounts)

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31 1998 -----
Operating Revenues	\$ 4,655.
Net Income	\$ 65.
Diluted Earnings Per Common Share	\$ 1.0
Number of Shares Used in Computing Diluted Earnings Per Common Share (In Thousands)	64,63

On February 22, 1999, Sempra Energy and we announced that our respective boards of directors had unanimously approved a definitive agreement under which Sempra and we would combine in a stock-and-cash transaction valued in the aggregate at \$6.0 billion. On June 21, 1999, Sempra and we announced that we had mutually agreed to terminate the merger agreement. Sempra reimbursed us \$5.95 million for expenses incurred in connection with the proposed merger.

### 3. MERGER-RELATED AND SEVERANCE COSTS

In anticipation of the completion of the transaction with Kinder Morgan Delaware, during the third quarter of 1999, a number of our officers terminated their employment with us, as did certain other employees. In addition, we terminated the employment of a number of additional employees during the fourth quarter of 1999 and in early 2000 as a result of cost saving initiatives implemented following the closing of the Kinder Morgan Delaware transaction. In total, approximately 150 employees were severed. In conjunction with these terminations, we agreed to provide severance benefits and incurred certain legal and other associated costs. Also in conjunction with the Kinder Morgan Delaware transaction, we elected to discontinue certain projects,

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consolidate certain facilities and relocate certain employees. The \$37.4 million pre-tax expense (\$23.6 million after tax or \$0.29 per diluted share) associated with these matters (included in the accompanying Consolidated Income Statement for 1999 under the caption "Merger-related and Severance Costs") was composed of the following: (i) severance and relocation, including restricted stock -- \$22.7 million, (ii) facilities costs, including moving expenses -- \$5.3 million, (iii) write-down/write-off of project costs -- \$8.0 million and (iv) other -- \$1.4 million. Of this total, approximately \$9.4 million remained as an accrual at

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December 31, 1999, all of which was expended during the first half of 2000. The \$5.8 million pre-tax expense (\$3.6 million after tax or \$0.06 per diluted share) included under the same caption for the year ended December 31, 1998 represents costs associated with our January 30, 1998 acquisition of MidCon Corp. For additional information on these business combinations, see Note 2.

### 4. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING ESTIMATE

Pursuant to a revised study of the useful lives of the underlying assets by an independent third party, in July 1999, we changed the depreciation rates associated with the gas plant acquisition adjustment recorded in conjunction with the acquisition of MidCon Corp. Relative to the amounts which would have been recorded utilizing the previous depreciation rates, this change had the effect of decreasing "Depreciation and Amortization" by approximately \$19.3 million for the year ended December 31, 1999. Consequently, "Income from Continuing Operations" and "Net Income" were increased by approximately \$12.1 million for the year ended December 31, 1999 (\$0.15 per diluted common share).

### 5. INVESTMENTS AND SALES

See Note 6 for information regarding sales of assets and businesses included in discontinued operations.

In December 2000, we sold approximately \$300 million of assets to Energy Partners effective December 31, 2000. The largest asset we sold was our wholly owned subsidiary Kinder Morgan Texas Pipeline, Inc. and certain associated entities (a major intrastate natural gas pipeline system). We also sold the Douglas and Casper gas processing facilities and associated natural gas gathering systems, our 50 percent interest in Coyote Gas Treating, LLC and our 25 percent interest in Thunder Creek Gas Services, L.L.C. As consideration for the sale, we received approximately \$150 million in cash (with an additional cash payment for working capital), 0.6 million Energy Partners' common limited partner units and 2.7 million Class-B Energy Partners' common limited partner units. We recorded a pre-tax gain of \$61.6 million (approximately \$37.0 million after tax or \$0.32 per diluted share) in conjunction with this sale.

In August 2000, Kinder Morgan Power Company, one of our wholly owned subsidiaries, announced plans to build a 550-megawatt electric power plant in Jackson, Michigan. All necessary regulatory permits and approvals have been obtained, and construction on the \$250 million natural gas-fired plant has begun. The plant is expected to begin producing power in June 2002. In May 2000, Kinder Morgan Power announced another 550-megawatt facility that is currently being constructed near Little Rock, Arkansas.

In April 2000, Energy Partners issued 4.5 million limited partnership units in a public offering at a price of \$39.75 per unit, receiving total net proceeds (after underwriting discount) of \$171.3 million. We did not acquire any of these units. This transaction reduced our percentage ownership of Energy Partners from approximately 19.9% to approximately 18.6% and had the associated effects of increasing our investment in the net assets of Energy Partners by \$6.1 million and reducing (i) our excess investment in Energy Partners by \$81.1 million, (ii) associated accumulated deferred income taxes by \$30.0 million, (iii) paid-in capital by \$45.0 million and (iv) the monthly amortization of the excess investment by approximately \$176 thousand. In February 2000, Energy Partners issued approximately 0.6 million common units as consideration for acquiring all the capital stock of Milwaukee Bulk Terminals, Inc. and Dakota Bulk Terminals, Inc. This transaction

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reduced our percentage ownership of Energy Partners and had the associated effects of increasing our investment in the net assets of Energy Partners by \$1.1 million and reducing (i) our excess investment in Energy Partners by \$11.3 million, (ii) associated accumulated deferred income taxes by \$4.1 million, (iii) paid-in capital by \$6.1 million and (iv) the monthly amortization of the excess investment by approximately \$21 thousand; see Notes 1(P) and 2.

In March 2000, we sold the 918,367 shares of Tom Brown, Inc. Common Stock we had held since early 1996 (see the discussion of the sale of Tom Brown Preferred Stock following). We recorded a pre-tax gain of \$1.4 million (\$0.8 million after tax or approximately \$0.01 per diluted share).

On December 30, 1999, we entered into an agreement with several of our wholly owned subsidiaries and Energy Partners. As a result, effective as of December 31, 1999, we sold all of our interests in the following to Energy Partners: (i) our wholly owned subsidiary, Kinder Morgan Interstate Gas Transmission LLC (formerly K N Interstate Gas Transmission Co.), (ii) our wholly owned subsidiary, Kinder Morgan Trailblazer LLC (formerly NGPL-Trailblazer, Inc.), which owns a one-third interest in Trailblazer Pipeline Company and (iii) our 49% interest in Red Cedar Gathering Company. In exchange, Energy Partners issued to us 9,810,000 common units representing limited partnership interest in Energy Partners. In addition, Energy Partners paid us \$330 million in cash in early 2000. We recorded a pre-tax gain of \$158.8 million (approximately \$100.9 million after tax or \$1.25 per diluted share) in conjunction with the sale of interests.

On September 30, 1999, we sold (to an unaffiliated party) our interests in Stingray Pipeline Company, L.L.C., an offshore pipeline that gathers natural gas, and West Cameron Dehydration Company, L.L.C., which dehydrates natural gas for shippers on the Stingray Pipeline. On June 30, 1999, we sold our interests in the HIOS and UTOS offshore pipeline systems and related laterals to Leviathan Gas Pipeline Partners, L. P. These two sales yielded total cash proceeds of approximately \$75.1 million, resulted in a total pretax gain of approximately \$28.9 million (approximately \$17.6 million after tax or \$0.25 per diluted share), and substantially eliminated our investment in offshore assets.

On September 3, 1999, we sold 1,000,000 shares of preferred stock of Tom Brown, Inc. for approximately \$29 million in cash, realizing a gain of \$2.2 million (approximately \$1.3 million after tax or \$0.02 per diluted share).

In May 1999, we announced plans to build the Horizon Pipeline, which, through our wholly owned subsidiary Natural, we planned to own jointly with one or more other partners. An open season closed in June 1999 with service requests from shippers of more than 800 MMcf of natural gas per day, including 300 MMcf per day from Nicor Gas. In February 2000, Nicor, Inc. announced that it had signed an agreement to become an equal partner in the planned Horizon Pipeline with Natural. The Horizon Pipeline is a \$75 million natural gas pipeline that will originate in Joliet, Illinois and extend 74 miles into northern Illinois, connecting the emerging supply hub at Joliet with Nicor Gas' distribution system and an existing Natural pipeline.

On March 31, 1999, the TransColorado Gas Transmission Company ("TransColorado"), an enterprise we jointly own with Questar Corp., placed in service a 280-mile-long natural gas pipeline. This pipeline includes two compressor stations and extends from near Rangely, Colorado, to its southern terminus at the Blanco Hub near Aztec, New Mexico. The pipeline has a design transmission capacity of approximately 300 million cubic feet of natural gas per day. On October 14, 1998, TransColorado entered into a \$200 million revolving credit agreement with a group of commercial banks. We provide a corporate guarantee for one-half of all amounts borrowed under the agreement. Beginning 24 months after the in-service date, Questar has the right, for a 12-month period, to require that we purchase Questar's ownership interest in TransColorado for \$121 million.

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This right has been stayed; see Note 9.

In September 1998, we sold some of our microwave towers and associated land and equipment to American Tower Corp., recognizing a pre-tax gain of \$10.9 million (\$6.7 million after tax or \$0.10 per diluted share). In

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March 1998, we sold our Kansas retail natural gas distribution properties to Midwest Energy, Inc., recognizing a pre-tax gain of \$8.5 million (\$5.2 million after tax or \$0.08 per diluted share). Concurrently with the sale, we received \$27.5 million in cash in exchange for release of the purchaser from certain contractual gas purchase obligations, which amount is being amortized as an offset to gas purchases over a period of years as the associated volumes are sold.

### 6. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

Prior to mid-1999, we had major business operations in the upstream (gathering and processing), midstream (natural gas pipelines) and downstream (wholesale and retail marketing) portions of the natural gas industry and, in addition, had (i) non-energy retail marketing operations in the form of a joint venture called en\*able and (ii) limited international operations. During the third quarter of 1999, we adopted a plan to discontinue the direct marketing of non-energy products and services (principally under the "Simple Choice" brand). During the fourth quarter of 1999 and following our merger with Kinder Morgan Delaware, we adopted and implemented plans to discontinue the following lines of business: (i) gathering and processing natural gas, including short-haul intrastate pipelines and providing field services to natural gas producers, (ii) wholesale marketing of natural gas and natural gas liquids, and (iii) international operations. During the fourth quarter of 2000, we decided that, due to the start-up nature of these operations and the unwillingness of buyers to pay for the value created to date, it was not in the best interests of the Company to dispose of our international operations, which consist principally of a natural gas distribution system under development in Hermosillo, Mexico. Consequently, results from our international operations have been reclassified to continuing operations for all periods presented. The \$3.9 million estimated after-tax loss on disposal recorded in 1999, consisting principally of a write down to estimated net realizable value including estimated costs of disposal, was reversed in 2000 and is included under the caption "Loss on Disposal of Discontinued Operations" in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Income. The following table contains additional information concerning our international operations.

#### INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,		
	2000	1999	1998
(Thousands of dollars)			
Total Assets (at December 31)	\$32,347	\$25,325	\$12,838
Total Liabilities (at December 31)	\$ 3,984	\$ 29	\$ 779
Operating Revenues	\$ 5,699	\$ 1,129	\$ 4,249
Operating Loss	\$ 2,071	\$ 2,523	\$ 631

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In accordance with the provisions of Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 30, "Reporting the Results of Operations - Reporting the Effects of Disposal of a Segment of a Business, and Extraordinary, Unusual and Infrequently Occurring Events and Transactions" ("APB 30"), our consolidated financial statements have been restated to present these businesses as discontinued operations. Accordingly, the revenues, costs and expenses, assets and liabilities and cash flows of these discontinued operations have been excluded from the respective captions in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Income, Consolidated Balance Sheets and Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, and have been reported in the various statements under the captions "Loss from Discontinued Operations, Net of Tax"; "Loss on Disposal of Discontinued Operations, Net of Tax"; "Net Current Assets of Discontinued Operations"; "Net Non-current Assets of Discontinued Operations"; "Net Cash Flows Provided by (Used in) Discontinued Operations" and "Net Cash Flows Provided By (Used In) Discontinued Investing Activities" for all relevant periods. In addition, certain of these Notes have been restated for all relevant periods to reflect the discontinuance of these operations.

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Summarized financial data of discontinued operations are as follows:

	YEAR
	----- 2000 -----
Income Statement Data	
Operating Revenues:	
Wholesale Natural Gas and Liquids Marketing	\$ 580,159
Gathering and Processing, Including Field Services and Short-haul Intrastate Pipelines	\$ 436,979
Loss From Discontinued Operations, Net of Tax:	
Wholesale Marketing, Net of Tax Benefits of \$9,300 and \$7,869	
Gathering and Processing, Net of Tax Benefits of \$18,177 and \$30,733	
en*able/Orcom, Net of Tax Benefits of \$4,150 and \$2,757	
Loss on Disposal of Discontinued Operations, Net of Tax:	
Wholesale Marketing, Net of Tax Benefits of \$2,013 and \$34,588	\$ (3,013)
Gathering and Processing, Net of Tax Benefits of \$21,617 and \$169,413	\$ (32,638)
en*able/Orcom, Net of Tax Benefits of \$7,340	
International Operations, Net of \$2,430 of Tax and \$2,430 of Tax Benefits	\$ 3,917

With the exception of our international operations, which, as discussed above, we decided to retain, we completed the divestiture of our discontinued operations by December 31, 2000. In the fourth quarter of 2000, we recorded an incremental loss on disposal of discontinued operations of \$31.7 million, representing the impact of the final disposition transactions and adjustment of previously recorded estimates. We had a remaining liability of approximately \$23.7 million at December 31, 2000 associated with these discontinued operations, principally consisting of (i) indemnification obligations under the various sale agreements and (ii) retained liabilities, which were settled in cash in early 2001. Following is additional information concerning the various disposition transactions.

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We completed the disposition of our investment in en\*able and sold our businesses involved in providing field services to natural gas producers (K N Field Services, Inc. and Compressor Pump and Engine, Inc.) and MidCon Gas Products of New Mexico Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary providing natural gas gathering and processing services, prior to the end of 1999. We received \$23.3 million in cash as consideration for these sales.

Effective March 1, 2000, ONEOK purchased our gathering and processing businesses in Oklahoma, Kansas and West Texas. In addition, ONEOK purchased our marketing and trading business, as well as certain storage and transmission pipelines in the Mid-continent region. As consideration, ONEOK paid us approximately \$108 million plus approximately \$56 million for estimated net working capital at closing (subject to post-closing adjustment). In addition, ONEOK assumed (i) the operating lease associated with the Bushton, Kansas processing plant and (ii) long-term throughput capacity commitments on Natural and Kinder Morgan Interstate.

During the second quarter of 2000, we completed the sale of three natural gas gathering systems and a natural gas processing facility to WBI Holdings, Inc., the natural gas pipeline unit of MDU Resources Group, Inc. for approximately \$21 million. Gathering systems included in the sale were the Bowdoin System located in north-central Montana, the Niobrara System located in northeastern Colorado and northwestern Kansas, and the Yenter System located in northeastern Colorado and western Nebraska. The natural gas processing facility included in the sale was the Yenter Plant, located northwest of Sterling, Colorado.

During the fourth quarter of 2000, Wildhorse Energy Partners, LLC distributed all of its assets to the members and was dissolved. Formed in 1996, Wildhorse was owned 55 percent by us and 45 percent by Tom Brown. All the Wildhorse gathering and processing assets were distributed to Tom Brown and we received the Wolf

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Creek storage facility (which will be utilized in our natural gas distribution business) and cash. Also during the fourth quarter of 2000, our Douglas and Casper gas processing facilities and associated natural gas gathering systems, our 50 percent interest in Coyote Gas Treating, LLC and our 25 percent interest in Thunder Creek Gas Services, L.L.C. were included as part of a larger transaction with Energy Partners; see Note 5.

### 7. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE SALES FACILITY

In September 1999, certain of our wholly owned subsidiaries entered into a five-year agreement to sell all of their accounts receivable, on a revolving basis, to K N Receivables Corporation, our wholly owned subsidiary. K N Receivables was formed prior to the execution of that receivables agreement for the purpose of buying and selling accounts receivable and was determined to be bankruptcy remote. Also in September 1999, K N Receivables entered into a five-year agreement with a financial institution whereby K N Receivables could sell, on a revolving basis, an undivided percentage ownership interest in certain eligible accounts receivable, as defined, up to a maximum of \$150 million. This transaction was accounted for as a sale of receivables in accordance with SFAS No. 125, "Accounting for Transfer and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishment of Liabilities." Accordingly, our accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheet at December 31, 1999, reflects the portion of receivables transferred to the financial institution as a reduction of Accounts Receivable. Losses from the sale of these receivables are included in "Other, Net" in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Income during the periods in which the facility was utilized. We received compensation for



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servicing that was approximately equal to the amount an independent servicer would receive. Accordingly, no servicing assets or liabilities were recorded. The full amount of the allowance for possible losses was retained by K N Receivables. The fair value of this recourse liability approximated the allocated allowance for doubtful accounts given the short-term nature of the transferred receivables.

We received \$150 million in proceeds from the sale of receivables on September 30, 1999. The proceeds were subsequently used to retire notes payable of Kinder Morgan Delaware that were outstanding when we acquired it. Cash flows associated with this program are included with "Accounts Receivable" under "Cash Flows from Operating Activities" in the accompanying Statements of Consolidated Cash Flows. In February 2000, we reduced our participation in this receivables sale program by approximately \$120 million, principally as a result of our then pending disposition of our wholesale gas marketing business. On April 25, 2000, we repaid the residual balance and terminated this agreement.

### 8. REGULATORY MATTERS

On July 17, 2000, Natural filed its Compliance Plan, including pro forma tariff sheets, pursuant to FERC's Order Nos. 637 and 637-A. The FERC directed all interstate pipelines to file pro forma tariff sheets to comply with new regulatory requirements in the Orders regarding scheduling procedures, capacity segmentation, imbalance management services and penalty credits, or in the alternative, to explain why no changes to existing tariff provisions are necessary. Natural's filing is currently pending FERC action and any changes to its tariff provisions are not expected to take effect until after the entire Order 637 process is finished for all interstate pipelines.

On May 10, 2000, Chesapeake Panhandle Limited Partnership filed a complaint with the FERC against Natural, MidCon Gas Products Corp., MidCon Gas Services Corp., K N Energy, Inc. and us. The complaint alleges that Natural collected an unlawful gathering rate from Chesapeake for the period March 1998 through December 1999. Chesapeake is seeking a refund totaling \$5.2 million. We have responded and denied the allegations. On July 27, 2000, the FERC issued an order commencing a preliminary non-public investigation into the complaint. We believe that we have meritorious defenses to the claim.

On January 23, 1998, Kinder Morgan Interstate filed a general rate case with the FERC, requesting a \$30.2 million increase in annual revenues. As a result of the FERC's action, Kinder Morgan Interstate was allowed to

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place its rates into effect on August 1, 1998, subject to refund, and provisions for refund were recorded based on expected ultimate resolution. On November 3, 1999, Kinder Morgan Interstate filed a comprehensive Stipulation and Agreement to resolve all issues in this proceeding. The FERC approved the Stipulation and Agreement on December 22, 1999, and the settlement rates have been placed in effect. Kinder Morgan Interstate was sold to Energy Partners effective December 31, 1999; see Note 5.

In November 1997, we announced a plan to give residential and small commercial customers in Nebraska a choice of natural gas suppliers. This program, the Nebraska Choice Gas program, became effective June 1, 1998. This program separates, or "unbundles," the consumer's natural gas purchases from other utility services. As of December 31, 2000, the plan had been approved by 178 of the 181 Nebraska municipalities we serve, representing approximately 91,000 customers served by us in Nebraska.

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### 9. ENVIRONMENTAL AND LEGAL MATTERS

#### (A) Environmental Matters

On December 20, 1999, the U.S. Department of Justice filed a Complaint against Natural on behalf of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in the Federal District Court of Colorado, Civil Action 99-S-2419. The Complaint alleged that Natural failed to obtain all of the necessary air quality permits in 1979 when it constructed the Akron Compressor Station, which consisted of three compressor engines in Weld County, Colorado. Natural and the Environmental Protection Agency, through the Department of Justice, have settled this issue. The Environmental Protection Agency has agreed to dismiss all allegations and claims upon completion of the terms of the settlement.

On December 17, 1999, the State of Colorado notified us of air quality permit compliance issues for several Kinder Morgan facilities. On September 21, 2000, we entered into a consent order with the State of Colorado to resolve the outstanding issues.

In 1998, the Environmental Protection Agency published a final rule addressing transport of ground level ozone. The rule affected 22 Eastern and Midwestern states, including Illinois and Missouri, in which we operate gas compression facilities. The rule required reductions in emissions of nitrogen oxide, a precursor to ozone formation, from various emission sources, including utility and non-utility sources. The rule required that the affected states prepare and submit State Implementation Plans to the Environmental Protection Agency by September 1999, reflecting how the required emissions reductions would be achieved. Emission controls are required to be installed by May 1, 2003. The State Implementation Plans which will effectuate this rule have yet to be proposed or promulgated, and will require detailed analysis before their final economic impact can be ascertained. On March 3, 2000, the Washington D.C. Circuit Court issued a decision regarding the rule. The Circuit Court remanded certain issues back to the Environmental Protection Agency. On January 5, 2001, the Environmental Protection Agency proposed regulations concerning the remanded issues. The final regulations are expected to be promulgated later this year. While additional capital costs are likely to result from this rule, based on currently available information, we do not believe that these costs will have a material adverse effect on our business, cash flows, financial position or results of operations.

On June 17, 1999, the Environmental Protection Agency published a final rule creating a standard to limit emissions of hazardous air pollutants from oil and natural gas production as well as from natural gas transmission and storage facilities. The standard requires that the affected facilities reduce emissions of hazardous air pollutants by 95 percent. This standard will require us to achieve this reduction either by process modifications or by installing new emissions control technology. The standard will affect our competitors and us in a like manner. The rule allows affected sources three years from the publication date to come into compliance. We have conducted a detailed analysis of the final rule to determine its overall effect. While

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additional capital costs are likely to result from this rule, the rule will not have a material adverse effect on our business, cash flows, financial position or results of operations.

We have an established environmental reserve of approximately \$19 million to address remediation issues associated with 38 projects. Based on current information and taking into account reserves established for environmental

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matters, we do not believe that compliance with federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations will have a material adverse effect on our business, cash flows, financial position or results of operations. In addition, the clean-up programs in which we are engaged are not expected to interrupt or diminish our operational ability to gather or transport natural gas. However, there can be no assurances that future events, such as changes in existing laws, the promulgation of new laws, or the development of new facts or conditions will not cause us to incur significant costs.

### (B) Litigation Matters

"K N TransColorado, Inc. v. TransColorado Gas Transmission Company, et. al," Case No. 00-CV-129, District Court, County of Garfield, State of Colorado. On June 15, 2000, K N TransColorado filed suit against Questar TransColorado and several of its affiliated Questar entities, asserting claims for breach of fiduciary duties, breach of contract, constructive trust, rescission of the partnership agreement, breach of good faith and fair dealing, tortious concealment, misrepresentation, aiding and abetting a breach of fiduciary duty, dissolution of the TransColorado partnership, and seeking a declaratory judgment, among other claims. The TransColorado partnership has been made a defendant for purposes of an accounting. The lawsuit stems from Questar's failure to support the TransColorado partnership, together with its decision to seek regulatory approval for a project that competes with the Partnership, in breach of its fiduciary duties as a partner. K N TransColorado seeks to recover damages in excess of \$152 million due to Questar's breaches and, in addition, seeks punitive damages. In response to the complaint, on July 28, 2000, the Questar entities filed a counterclaim and third party claims against certain of our entities and us for claims arising out of the construction and operation of the TransColorado pipeline project. The claims allege, among other things, that the Kinder Morgan entities interfered with and delayed construction of the pipeline and made misrepresentations about marketing of capacity. The Questar entities seek to recover damages in excess of \$185 million for an alleged breach of fiduciary duty and other claims. On December 15, 2000, the parties agreed to stay the exercise of a contractual provision purportedly requiring K N TransColorado to purchase Questar's interest in the pipeline and to investigate the appointment of an independent operator for the pipeline during the litigation. On January 31, 2001, the Court dismissed Questar's counterclaims for breach of duty of good faith and fair dealing and for indemnity and contribution and dismissed Questar's Third Party Complaint. Discovery has commenced.

"Jack J. Grynberg v. K N Energy, Inc., Rocky Mountain Natural Gas Company, and GASCO, Inc.," Civil Action No. 92-N-2000. On October 9, 1992, Jack J. Grynberg filed suit in the United States District Court for the District of Colorado against us, Rocky Mountain Natural Gas Company and GASCO, Inc. alleging that these entities, the K N Entities, as well as K N Production Company and K N Gas Gathering, Inc., have violated federal and state antitrust laws. In essence, Grynberg asserts that the companies have engaged in an illegal exercise of monopoly power, have illegally denied him economically feasible access to essential facilities to store, transport and distribute gas, and illegally have attempted to monopolize or to enhance or maintain an existing monopoly. Grynberg also asserts certain state causes of action relating to a gas purchase contract. In February 1999, the Federal District Court granted summary judgment for the K N Entities as to some of Grynberg's antitrust and state law claims, while allowing other claims to proceed to trial. Grynberg has previously claimed damages in excess of \$50 million. In addition to monetary damages, Grynberg has requested that the K N Entities be ordered to divest all interests in natural gas exploration, development and production properties, all interests in distribution and marketing operations, and all interests in natural gas storage facilities, in order to separate these interests from our natural gas gathering and transportation system in northwest Colorado. No trial date has been set. However, recent settlement conferences have occurred and the parties are continuing to provide information related to a Court ordered mediation.

"Jack J. Grynberg, individually and as general partner for the Greater Green River Basin Drilling Program: 72-73 v. Rocky Mountain Natural Gas Company and K N Energy, Inc.," Case No. 90-CV-3686. On June 5, 1990, Jack J. Grynberg filed suit, which is presently pending in Jefferson County District Court for Colorado, against Rocky Mountain Natural Gas Company and us alleging breach of contract and fraud. In essence, Grynberg asserts claims that the named companies failed to pay Grynberg the proper price, impeded the flow of gas, mismeasured gas, delayed his development of gas reserves, and other claims arising out of a contract to purchase gas from a field in northwest Colorado. On February 13, 1997, the trial judge entered partial summary judgment for Mr. Grynberg on his contract claim that he failed to receive the proper price for his gas. This ruling followed an appellate decision that was adverse to us on the contract interpretation of the price issue, but which did not address the question of whether Grynberg could legally receive the price he claimed or whether he had illegally diverted gas from a prior purchase. Grynberg has previously claimed damages in excess of \$30 million. On August 29, 1997, the trial judge stayed the summary judgment pending resolution of a proceeding at the FERC to determine if Grynberg was entitled to administrative relief from an earlier dedication of the same gas to interstate commerce. The background of that proceeding is described in the immediately following paragraph. On March 15, 1999, an Administrative Law Judge for the FERC ruled, after an evidentiary hearing, that Mr. Grynberg had illegally diverted the gas when he entered the contract with the named companies and was not entitled to relief. Grynberg filed exceptions to this ruling. In late March 2000, the FERC issued an order affirming in part and denying in part the motions for rehearing of its Initial Decision. On November 21, 2000, the FERC upheld the Administrative Law Judge's factual findings and denial of retroactive abandonment. Grynberg recently filed a Notice of Appeal of the FERC's decision to the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals. The action in Colorado remains stayed pending final resolution of these proceedings.

"Jack J. Grynberg v. Rocky Mountain Natural Gas Company," Docket No. GP91-8-008. "Rocky Mountain Natural Gas Company v. Jack J. Grynberg," Docket No. GP91-10-008. On May 8, 1991, Grynberg filed a petition for declaratory order with the FERC seeking a determination whether he was entitled to the price he seeks in the Jefferson County District Court proceeding referred to in the immediately preceding paragraph. While Grynberg initially received a favorable decision from the FERC, that decision was reversed by the Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit on June 6, 1997. This matter has been remanded to the FERC for subsequent proceedings. The matter was set for an expedited evidentiary hearing, and an Initial Decision favorable to Rocky Mountain was issued on March 15, 1999. That decision determined that Grynberg had intentionally diverted gas from an earlier dedication to interstate commerce in violation of the Natural Gas Act and denied him equitable administrative relief. On November 21, 2000, the FERC upheld the Administrative Law Judge's factual findings and denial of retroactive abandonment. Grynberg recently filed a Notice of Appeal of the FERC's decision to the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals. Grynberg filed exceptions to this Initial Decision. In late March 2000, the FERC issued an order affirming in part and denying in part the motions for rehearing of its Initial Decision. In April 2000, we, together with the other parties, filed for rehearing.

"United States of America, ex rel., Jack J. Grynberg v. K N Energy," Civil Action No. 97-D-1233, filed in the U.S. District Court, District of Colorado. This action was filed pursuant to the federal False Claim Act and involves allegations of mismeasurement of natural gas produced from federal and Indian lands. The Department of Justice has decided not to intervene in support of the action. The complaint is part of a larger series of similar complaints filed by

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Mr. Grynberg against 77 natural gas pipelines (approximately 330 other defendants). An earlier single action making substantially similar allegations against the pipeline industry was dismissed by Judge Hogan of the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia on grounds of improper joinder and lack of jurisdiction. As a result, Mr. Grynberg filed individual complaints in various courts throughout the country. These cases were recently consolidated by the Judicial Panel for Multidistrict Litigation, and transferred to the District of Wyoming. Motions to Dismiss were filed on November 19, 1999. Plaintiff filed his response on January 14, 2000 and defendants filed their Reply Brief on February 14, 2000. An oral argument on the Motion to Dismiss occurred on March 17, 2000. On July 20, 2000 the United States of

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America filed a motion to dismiss those claims by Grynberg that deal with the manner in which defendants valued gas produced from federal leases.

"Quinque Operating Company, et. al. v. Gas Pipelines, et. al.," Cause No. 99-1390-CM, United States District Court for the District of Kansas. This action was originally filed in Kansas state court in Stevens County, Kansas as a class action against approximately 245 pipeline companies and their affiliates, including certain Kinder Morgan entities. The plaintiffs in the case purport to represent a class of natural gas producers and fee royalty owners who allege that they have been subject to systematic gas mismeasurement by the defendants for more than 25 years. Subsequently, one of the defendants removed the action to Kansas Federal District Court. Thereafter, we filed a motion with the Judicial Panel for Multidistrict Litigation to consolidate this action for pretrial purposes with the Grynberg False Claim Act cases referred to above, because of common factual questions. On April 10, 2000, the MDL Panel ordered that this case be consolidated with the Grynberg federal False Claims Act cases. On January 12, 2001, the Federal District Court of Wyoming issued an oral ruling remanding the case back to the State Court in Stevens County, Kansas. A Motion to Reconsider the remand was filed and is currently pending.

"Dirt Hogs, Inc. v. Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America, et al." There have been several related cases with Dirt Hogs, Inc. with allegations of breach of contract, false representations, improper requests for kickbacks and other improprieties. Essentially, the plaintiff claims that it should have been awarded extensive pipeline reclamation work without having to qualify or bid as a qualifying contractor. Case No. Civ-98-231-R, is a case which was dismissed in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma because of pleading deficiencies and is now on appeal to the 10th Circuit (Case No. 99-6-026). On April 10, 2000, the 10th Circuit upheld the dismissal of this action. Another case, arising out of the same factual allegations, was filed by Dirt Hogs in the District Court, Caddo County, Oklahoma (Case No. CJ-99-92), on March 29, 1999. By agreement of all parties, this action is currently stayed. A third related case, styled "Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America, et al. v. Dirt Hogs, Inc." (Case No. 99-360-R), resulted in a default judgment against Dirt Hogs. After initially appealing the default judgment, Dirt Hogs dismissed their appeal on September 1, 1999.

"K N Energy, Inc., et al. v. James P. Rode and Patrick R. McDonald," Case No. 99CV1239, filed in the District Court, Jefferson County, Division 8, Colorado. Defendants counterclaimed and filed third party claims against several of our former officers and/or directors. Messrs. Rode and McDonald are former principal shareholders of Interenergy Corporation. We acquired Interenergy on December 19, 1997 pursuant to a Merger Agreement dated August 25, 1997. Rode and McDonald allege that K N Energy committed securities fraud, common law fraud and negligent misrepresentation as well as breach in contract. Plaintiffs are seeking an unspecified amount of compensatory damages, greater than \$2 million,

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plus unspecified exemplary or punitive damages, attorney's fees and their costs. We filed a motion to dismiss, and on April 21, 2000, the Jefferson County District Court Judge dismissed the case against the individuals and us with prejudice. Defendants also filed a federal securities fraud action in the United States District Court for the District of Colorado on January 27, 2000 titled: "James P. Rode and Patrick R. McDonald v. K N Energy, Inc., et al.," Civil Action No. 00-N-190. This case initially raised the identical state law claims contained in the counterclaim and third party complaint in state court. Rode and McDonald filed an amended Complaint, which dropped the state-law claims. This Complaint is now the subject of a motion to dismiss filed by defendants. The case has been stayed pending the outcome of these motions. A third related class action case styled, "Adams vs. Kinder Morgan, Inc., et. al.," Civil Action No. 00-M-516, in the United States District Court for the District of Colorado was served on us on April 10, 2000. As of this date no class has been certified. We have filed a motion to dismiss this case. Oral argument on the Motions to Dismiss in the Rode/McDonald and Adams actions is scheduled for February 23, 2001. The cases remain stayed pending the resolution of these motions.

We believe that we have meritorious defenses to all lawsuits and legal proceedings in which we are defendants and will vigorously defend against them. Based on our evaluation of the above matters, and after consideration

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of reserves established, we believe that the resolution of such matters will not have a material adverse effect on our business, financial position or results of operations.

### 10. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Investments in property, plant and equipment ("PP&E"), at cost, and accumulated depreciation and amortization ("Accumulated D&A") are as follows:

	DECEMBER 31, 2000		
	PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT	ACCUMULATED D&A	NET
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	(In Thousands)		
Natural Gas Pipelines	\$5,662,880	\$262,073	\$5,400,807
Retail Natural Gas Distribution	251,660	90,966	160,694
Electric Power Generation	79,696	2,608	77,088
General and Other	142,773	56,745	86,028
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PP&E Related to Continuing Operations	\$6,137,009	\$412,392	\$5,724,617
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	DECEMBER 31, 1999		
	PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT	ACCUMULATED D&A	NET
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	(In Thousands)		

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Natural Gas Pipelines	\$5,768,566	\$240,949	\$5,527,617
Retail Natural Gas Distribution	248,998	83,010	165,988
Electric Power Generation	27,873	1,915	25,958
General and Other	121,814	51,813	70,001
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PP&E Related to Continuing Operations	\$6,167,251	\$377,687	\$5,789,564
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11. INCOME TAXES

Components of the income tax provision applicable to continuing operations for federal and state income taxes are as follows:

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,		
	2000	1999	1998
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	(Dollars in thousands)		
TAXES CURRENTLY PAYABLE:			
Federal	\$ 3,212	\$ 19,340	\$ 49,630
State	14,091	13,784	8,564
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Total	17,303	33,124	58,194
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TAXES DEFERRED:			
Federal	94,435	64,086	25,068
State	10,989	(6,477)	(552)
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Total	105,424	57,609	24,516
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TOTAL TAX PROVISION	\$122,727	\$ 90,733	\$ 82,710
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EFFECTIVE TAX RATE	40.0%	36.8%	37.1%
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The difference between the statutory federal income tax rate and our effective income tax rate is summarized as follows:

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,		
	2000	1999	1998
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FEDERAL INCOME TAX RATE	35.0%	35.0%	35.0%
INCREASE (DECREASE) AS A RESULT OF:			
State Income Tax, Net of Federal Benefit	5.6%	1.9%	2.1%
Other	(0.6)%	(0.1)%	--
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EFFECTIVE TAX RATE	40.0%	36.8%	37.1%
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Deferred tax assets and liabilities result from the following:

	DECEMBER 31,	
	2000	1999
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	(Dollars In Thousands)	
DEFERRED TAX ASSETS:		
Post-retirement Benefits	\$ 14,776	\$ 28,299
Gas Supply Realignment Deferred Receipts	17,101	15,847
State Taxes	138,976	112,049
Book Accruals	39,505	29,186
Alternative Minimum Tax Credits	9,098	8,222
Net Operating Loss Carryforwards	107,033	112,080
Discontinued Operations	9,584	208,317
Capital Loss Carryforwards	42,914	--
Other	4,269	6,765
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TOTAL DEFERRED TAX ASSETS	383,256	520,765
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DEFERRED TAX LIABILITIES:		
Property, Plant and Equipment	2,009,086	2,087,109
Investments	654,263	656,781
Other	4,403	8,099
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TOTAL DEFERRED TAX LIABILITIES	2,667,752	2,751,989
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NET DEFERRED TAX LIABILITIES	\$2,284,496	\$2,231,224
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For tax purposes we had available, at December 31, 2000, net operating loss carryforwards for regular federal income tax purposes of approximately \$306 million which will expire as follows: \$66 million in the year 2018, \$211 million in the year 2019 and \$29 million in the year 2020. We also had available, at December 31, 2000, capital loss carryforwards of \$122 million which will expire in the year 2005. We believe it is more likely than not that all of the net operating loss carryforwards and capital loss carryforwards will be utilized prior to their expiration; therefore no valuation allowance is necessary. We also had available, at December 31, 2000, approximately \$9 million of alternative minimum tax credit carryforwards which are available indefinitely.

12. FINANCING

(A) Notes Payable

At December 31, 2000, we had available a \$500 million 364-day facility dated October 25, 2000, and a \$400 million amended and restated five-year revolving credit agreement dated January 30, 1998. These bank facilities can be used for general corporate purposes, including backup for our commercial paper program, and include covenants that are common in such arrangements. For example, the \$500 million facility requires consolidated debt to be less than 68% of consolidated capitalization. The \$400 million facility requires that upon



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issuance of common stock to the holders of the premium equity participating security units at the maturity of the security units (November 2001), consolidated debt must be less than 67% of consolidated total

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capitalization. Both of the bank facilities require the debt of consolidated subsidiaries to be less than 10% of our consolidated debt and require the consolidated debt of each material subsidiary to be less than 65% of our consolidated total capitalization. The \$400 million facility requires our consolidated net worth (inclusive of trust preferred securities) be at least \$1.236 billion plus 50 percent of consolidated net income earned for each fiscal quarter beginning with the last quarter of 1998. The \$500 million facility requires our consolidated net worth (inclusive of trust preferred securities) be at least \$1.236 billion plus 50 percent of consolidated net income earned for each fiscal quarter beginning with the last quarter of 1999. Under the bank facilities, we are required to pay a facility fee based on the total commitment, at a rate that varies based on our senior debt rating. Facility fees paid in 2000 and 1999 were \$1.6 million and \$1.9 million, respectively. At December 31, 2000 and 1999, \$100 million and \$300 million, respectively, was outstanding under the bank facilities.

Commercial paper issued by us and supported by the bank facilities are unsecured short-term notes with maturities not to exceed 270 days from the date of issue. During 2000, all commercial paper was redeemed within 52 days, with interest rates ranging from 5.60 percent to 7.50 percent. No commercial paper was outstanding at December 31, 2000. Commercial paper outstanding at December 31, 1999 was \$274.4 million. The weighted-average interest rate on short-term borrowings outstanding at December 31, 1999 was 7.00 percent. Average short-term borrowings outstanding during 2000 and 1999 were \$310.6 million and \$620.9 million, respectively. During 2000 and 1999, the weighted-average interest rates on short-term borrowings outstanding were 6.52 percent and 5.56 percent (excluding the Substitute Note as described below), respectively.

Our short-term debt of \$908.2 million at December 31, 2000 consisted of (i) \$100 million of borrowings under our revolving credit facilities, (ii) the \$400 million of Reset Put Securities that are scheduled to be either remarketed or retired as of March 1, 2001, (iii) the \$400 million of 6.45% Senior Notes, due November 2001 and (iv) \$8.2 million of miscellaneous current maturities of long-term debt. We expect to retire the Reset Put Securities at March 1, 2001 utilizing a combination of cash on hand and incremental short-term borrowings, which will result in an extraordinary loss on early extinguishments of debt expected to total approximately \$15 million. We expect that the \$400 million of 6.45% Senior Notes will be retired at maturity with a portion of the \$460 million of cash to be received from the issuance of common stock upon maturity of the Premium Equity Participating Securities, which occurs concurrently as discussed following. Apart from these items, our current assets and current liabilities are approximately equal. Given our expected cash flows from operations and our unused debt capacity, including our 5-year revolving credit facility, we do not expect any liquidity issues in the foreseeable future.

Effective with the acquisition of MidCon Corp. on January 30, 1998, we entered into a \$4.5 billion credit facility consisting of (i) a \$1.4 billion 364-day credit facility to support the note issued to Occidental Petroleum Corporation in conjunction with the purchase of MidCon Corp., (ii) a \$2.1 billion 364-day revolving facility, (iii) the \$400 million facility, providing for loans and letters of credit, of which the letter of credit usage may not exceed \$100 million and (iv) a 364-day \$600 million revolving credit facility. The \$1.4 billion and \$2.1 billion facilities could be used only in conjunction with the acquisition of MidCon Corp. In addition to the working capital and acquisition

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components of the \$4.5 billion facility, we assumed a short-term note for \$1.4 billion payable to Occidental referred to as the "Substitute Note," which was initially collateralized by letters of credit issued under the \$1.4 billion facility. In March 1998, we received net proceeds of approximately \$2.34 billion from the public offerings of senior debt securities of varying maturities with principal totaling \$2.35 billion. The net proceeds from these offerings were used to refinance borrowings under the \$4.5 billion facility and to purchase U.S. government securities to replace a portion of the letters of credit that collateralized the Substitute Note. The \$2.1 billion facility was repaid in its entirety and cancelled on March 10, 1998. The Substitute Note was repaid on January 4, 1999. On January 5, 1999, we cancelled the remaining letters of credit used to collateralize the Substitute Note. On January 8, 1999, the \$600 million facility was replaced with a new \$600 million 364-day facility, which was essentially the same as the previous agreement. On November 18, 1999, we replaced our then-existing \$600 million 364-day facility with a new \$550 million 364-day facility, which has subsequently been replaced with a new \$500 million 364-day facility dated October 25, 2000 as discussed above.

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### (B) Long-term Debt and Premium Equity Participating Security Units

	DECEMBER 31,	
	2000	1999
	(In Thousands)	
<b>DEBENTURES:</b>		
6.50% Series, Due 2013	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
7.85% Series, Due 2022	24,943	25,731
8.75% Series, Due 2024	75,000	75,000
7.35% Series, Due 2026	125,000	125,000
6.67% Series, Due 2027	150,000	150,000
7.25% Series, Due 2028	493,000	500,000
7.45% Series, Due 2098	150,000	150,000
<b>SINKING FUND DEBENTURES:</b>		
9.95% Series, Due 2020	20,000	20,000
9.625% Series, Due 2021	45,000	45,000
8.35% Series, Due 2022	35,000	35,000
<b>SENIOR NOTES:</b>		
6.45% Series, Due 2001	400,000	400,000
7.27% Series, Due 2002	10,000	15,000
6.45% Series, Due 2003	500,000	500,000
6.65% Series, Due 2005	500,000	500,000
6.80% Series, Due 2008	300,000	300,000
Reset Put Securities, 6.30%, Due 2021	400,000	400,000
Other	13,617	14,883
Unamortized Debt Discount	(4,410)	(5,121)
Current Maturities of Long-term Debt	(808,167)	(7,167)
<b>TOTAL LONG-TERM DEBT</b>	<b>\$2,478,983</b>	<b>\$3,293,326</b>

Maturities of long-term debt (in thousands) for the five years ending December 31, 2005 are \$808,167, \$10,417, \$507,167, \$7,167 and \$507,167, respectively.

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The 2013 Debentures and the 2001, 2003 and 2005 Senior Notes are not redeemable prior to maturity. The 2022, 2028 and 2098 Debentures, the 2020 Sinking Fund Debentures and the 2002 and 2008 Senior Notes are redeemable in whole or in part, at our option at any time, at redemption prices defined in the associated prospectus supplements. The 2024, 2026 and 2027 Debentures are redeemable in whole or in part, at our option after October 15, 2002, August 1, 2006, and November 1, 2004, respectively, at redemption prices defined in the associated prospectus supplements. The 2021 and 2022 Sinking Fund Debentures are redeemable in whole or in part, at our option after August 1, 2001 and September 15, 2002, respectively, at redemption prices defined in the associated prospectus supplements.

In November 1998 we sold \$460 million principal amount of premium equity participating security units in an underwritten public offering. The net cash proceeds from the sale of the security units, together with additional funds we provided, were used to purchase U.S. Treasury Notes on behalf of the security unit holders. The Treasury Notes are the property of the security unit holders and are pledged to the collateral agent, for our benefit, to secure the obligation of the security unit holders to purchase our common stock. These security units obligate the holders to purchase a certain amount of our common stock, depending on the market price at November 30, 2001 (unless earlier terminated or settled at the option of the holders of the security units), and provide for the holders to receive interest at the rate of 8.25 percent per year during the three-year period. The interest is paid by the agent, which receives part of the necessary funds from the collateral agent, which holds 5.875% U.S. Treasury Notes purchased with the proceeds of the initial investment by the security unit holders. We pay the remaining 2.375 percent. We may defer the payment of all or any part of our portion of the contract fees until no later than the end of the three-year period. Any portion so deferred will accrue interest at the annual rate of 8.25 percent until paid.

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The face value of the security units is not recorded in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets. The \$29.4 million present value of the contract fee payable to the security unit holders has been recorded as a liability and as a reduction to paid-in capital. During the period in which the 2.375 percent contract fees are payable, accretion of the \$3.4 million of discount initially recorded will increase the liability and further decrease paid-in capital. In addition, paid-in capital has been reduced for the issuance costs associated with the security units and the premium paid upon purchase of the Treasury Notes pledged to the collateral agent, which amounts total approximately \$32.8 million.

The \$400 million of Reset Put Securities due March 1, 2021 are subject to mandatory redemption from the then-existing holders on March 1, 2001, either (i) through the exercise of a call option by Morgan Stanley & Co. International Limited or (ii) in the event Morgan Stanley does not exercise the call option, the automatic exercise of a mandatory put by First Trust National Association on behalf of the holders. The \$12 million of proceeds we received from Morgan Stanley as consideration for the call option are being amortized as an adjustment to the effective interest rate on the Reset Put Securities. We currently expect that these securities will not be remarketed but, instead, will be retired utilizing a combination of cash and incremental short-term borrowings. This retirement is expected to result in an extraordinary loss, net of tax, of approximately \$15 million.

At December 31, 2000 and 1999, the carrying amount of our long-term debt was \$3.3 billion and \$3.3 billion, respectively. The estimated fair values of our long-term debt at December 31, 2000 and 1999 are shown in Note 18.

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### (C) Capital Securities

In April 1998, we sold \$175 million of 7.63% Capital Trust Securities maturing on April 15, 2028, and in April 1997, we sold \$100 million of 8.56% Capital Trust Securities maturing on April 15, 2027, each in an underwritten public offering. We created wholly owned business trusts, K N Capital Trust I and K N Capital Trust III, to make the sales. The transactions and balances of K N Capital Trust I and K N Capital Trust III are included in our consolidated financial statements, with the Capital Securities treated as a minority interest, shown in our Consolidated Balance Sheets under the caption "Kinder Morgan-Obligated Mandatorily Redeemable Preferred Capital Trust Securities of Subsidiary Trust Holding Solely Debentures of Kinder Morgan." Periodic payments made to the holders of these securities are classified under "Minority Interests" in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Income. See Note 18 for the fair value of these securities.

### (D) Common Stock

On November 17, 1999, our Board of Directors approved a reduction in the quarterly dividend from \$0.20 per share to \$0.05 per share.

On November 9, 1998, our Board of Directors approved a three-for-two split of our common stock. The stock split was distributed on December 31, 1998, to shareholders of record at the close of business on December 15, 1998. The par value of the stock did not change.

In March 1998, we received net proceeds of approximately \$624.6 million from a public offering of 12.5 million shares (18.75 million shares after adjustment for the December 1998 three-for-two stock split) of our common stock. The net proceeds from this offering were used to refinance borrowings under the \$4.5 billion Facility and to purchase U.S. government securities to replace a portion of the letters of credit that collateralized the Substitute Note.

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## 13. PREFERRED STOCK

We have authorized 200,000 shares of Class A and 2,000,000 shares of Class B preferred stock, all without par value.

### (A) Class A \$5.00 Cumulative Preferred Stock

On April 13, 1999, we sent notices to holders of our Class A \$5.00 Cumulative Preferred Stock of our intent to redeem these shares on May 14, 1999. Holders of 70,000 preferred shares were advised that on April 13, 1999, funds were deposited with the First National Bank of Chicago to pay the redemption price of \$105 per share plus accrued but unpaid dividends. Under the terms of our Articles of Incorporation, upon deposit of funds to pay the redemption price, all rights of the preferred stockholders ceased and terminated except the right to receive the redemption price upon surrender of their stock certificates.

At December 31, 2000 and 1999, we did not have any outstanding shares of Class A \$5.00 Cumulative Series Preferred Stock. At December 31, 1998, we had 70,000 shares of Class A \$5.00 Cumulative Series Preferred Stock outstanding.

### (B) Class B Preferred Stock

We did not have any outstanding shares of Class B Preferred Stock at December 31, 2000, 1999 or 1998.

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### 14. RISK MANAGEMENT

We use energy financial instruments to reduce our risk of price changes in the spot and fixed price natural gas markets as discussed following. We are exposed to credit-related losses in the event of nonperformance by counterparties to these financial instruments but, given their existing credit ratings, do not expect any counterparties to fail to meet their obligations. The fair value of these risk management instruments reflects the estimated amounts that we would receive or pay to terminate the contracts at the reporting date, thereby taking into account the current unrealized gains or losses on open contracts. Market quotes are available for substantially all financial instruments we use.

Energy risk management products we use include commodity futures and options contracts, fixed-price swaps and basis swaps. Pursuant to our Board of Director's approved policy, we are to engage in these activities only as a hedging mechanism against price volatility associated with pre-existing or anticipated physical gas sales, gas purchases, system use and storage in order to protect profit margins, and are prohibited from engaging in speculative trading. Commodity-related activities of the risk management group are monitored by our Risk Management Committee, which is charged with the review and enforcement of the Board of Director's risk management policy. Gains and losses on hedging positions are deferred and recognized as gas purchases expense in the periods in which the underlying physical transactions occur.

Purchases or sales of commodity contracts require a dollar amount to be placed in margin accounts. In addition, we are required to post margins with certain over-the-counter swap partners. These margin requirements are determined based upon credit limits and mark-to-market positions. At December 31, 2000, we had \$10.0 million in margin deposits associated with commodity contract positions and \$4.0 million in margin deposits associated with over-the-counter swaps. These amounts are shown as "Restricted Deposits" in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets.

The differences between the current market value and the original physical contracts value, associated with hedging activities, are reflected, depending on maturity, as deferred charges or credits and other current assets or liabilities in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets but, in 2001, will be included with "Other

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Comprehensive Income" as discussed following. In the event energy financial instruments are terminated prior to the period of physical delivery of the items being hedged, the gains and losses on the energy financial instruments at the time of termination remain deferred until the period of physical delivery.

Given our portfolio of businesses as of December 31, 2000, our principal uses of derivative financial instruments will be to mitigate the risk associated with market movements in the price of natural gas associated with (i) the sale of in-kind fuel recoveries in excess of fuel used on Natural's pipeline system and (ii) the purchase of natural gas by Retail to serve its customers in the Choice Gas program. The "short" and "long" positions shown in the table that follows are principally associated with the activities described under (i) and (ii), respectively.

Following is selected information concerning our risk management activities:

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	COMMODITY CONTRACTS	OVER-THE-COUNTER SWAPS AND OPTIONS	TOTAL
	(In contracts and thousands of dollars)		
Deferred Net (Loss) Gain	\$ 14,036	\$ (28,466)	\$ (14,430)
Contract Amounts - Gross	\$ 65,730	\$ 163,991	\$ 229,721
Contract Amounts - Net	\$ 540	\$ (93,283)	\$ (92,743)
Credit Exposure of Loss		\$ 2,514	\$ 2,514
Notional Volumetric Positions: Long	419	1,296	
Notional Volumetric Positions: Short	(500)	(2,913)	
Net Notional Totals To Occur in 2001	(81)	(1,459)	
Net Notional Totals To Occur in 2002	--	(158)	

In June 1998, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued SFAS No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities" (the "Statement"). The Statement establishes accounting and reporting standards requiring that every derivative instrument (including certain derivative instruments embedded in other contracts) be recorded in the balance sheet as either an asset or liability measured at its fair value. The Statement requires that changes in the derivatives fair value be recognized currently in earnings unless specific hedge accounting criteria are met. If the derivatives meet these criteria, the Statement allows a derivative's gains and losses to offset related results on the hedged item in the income statement, and requires that a company formally designate a derivative as a hedge and document and assess the effectiveness of derivatives associated with transactions that receive hedge accounting.

The Statement, after amendment by SFAS 137 and SFAS 138, is effective for all quarters of all fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2000. The Statement cannot be applied retroactively. As discussed preceding, our principal use of derivative financial instruments is to mitigate the market price risk associated with anticipated transactions for the purchase and sale of natural gas. The Statement allows these transactions to continue to be treated as hedges for accounting purposes, although the changes in the market value of these instruments will affect comprehensive income in the period in which they occur and any ineffectiveness in the risk mitigation performance of the hedge will affect net income currently, although we do not expect the amount of such inefficiency to be material. The change in the market value of these instruments representing effective hedge operation will continue to affect net income in the period in which the associated physical transactions are consummated. Adoption of the Statement has resulted in the \$14.4 million deferred net loss shown in the preceding table being reported as part of other comprehensive income, as well as subsequent changes in the market value of these derivatives prior to consummation of the transaction being hedged.

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15. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

(A) Retirement Plans

We have defined benefit pension plans covering eligible full-time employees. These plans provide pension benefits that are based on the employees' compensation during the period of employment, age and years of service. These plans are tax-qualified subject to the minimum funding requirements of the

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"Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974." Our funding policy is to contribute annually the recommended contribution using the actuarial cost method and assumptions used for determining annual funding requirements. Plan assets consist primarily of pooled fixed income, equity, bond and money market funds. Plan assets included our common stock valued at \$11.5 million and \$5.1 million as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, respectively.

Net periodic pension cost includes the following components:

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,		
	2000	1999	1998
	(In Thousands)		
Service Cost	\$ 7,306	\$ 9,977	\$ 4,859
Interest Cost	8,600	8,170	7,537
Expected Return on Assets	(14,034)	(13,381)	(11,812)
Net Amortization and Deferral	(1,257)	(210)	(864)
Recognition of Curtailment Gain	--	(9)	--
Net Periodic Pension (Benefit) Cost	\$ 615	\$ 4,547	\$ (280)

The following table sets forth the reconciliation of the beginning and ending balances of the pension benefit obligation:

	2000	1999
	(In Thousands)	
Benefit Obligation at Beginning of Year	\$ (118,038)	\$ (121,076)
Service Cost	(7,306)	(9,977)
Interest Cost	(8,600)	(8,170)
Actuarial Gain	3,922	14,602
Benefits Paid	6,915	6,421
Curtailment Gain	--	162
Benefit Obligation at End of Year	\$ (123,107)	\$ (118,038)

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The following table sets forth the reconciliation of the beginning and ending balances of the fair value of the plans' assets, the plans' funded status and prepaid pension cost amounts recognized under the caption "Other Current Assets" in our Consolidated Balance Sheets:

	DECEMBER 31,	
	2000	1999

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(In Thousands)

Fair Value of Plan Assets at Beginning of Year	\$ 150,900	\$ 14
Actual Return on Plan Assets During the Year	17,294	1
Benefits Paid During the Year	(6,915)	(
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Fair Value of Plan Assets at End of Year	161,279	15
Benefit Obligation at End of Year	(123,107)	(11
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Plan Assets in Excess of Projected Benefit Obligation	38,172	3
Unrecognized Net Gain	(33,134)	(2
Prior Service Cost Not Yet Recognized in Net Periodic Pension Costs	88	
Unrecognized Net Asset at Transition	(696)	
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Prepaid Pension Cost	\$ 4,430	\$
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The rate of increase in future compensation was 3.5 percent for 2000, 1999 and 1998. The expected long-term rate of return on plan assets was 9.5 percent for 2000 and 1999, and 8.5 percent for 1998. The weighted-average discount rate used in determining the actuarial present value of the projected benefit obligation was 7.75 percent for 2000 and 1999, and 6.75 percent for 1998.

Effective January 1, 2001, we added a cash balance plan to our retirement plan. Certain collectively bargained employees and "grandfathered" employees will continue to accrue benefits through the defined pension benefit plan described above. All other employees will accrue benefits through a personal retirement account in the new cash balance plan. All employees converting to the cash balance plan will be credited with the current fair value of any benefits they have previously accrued through the defined benefit plan. We will then begin contributions on behalf of these employees equal to 3% of eligible compensation every pay period. In addition, we may make discretionary contributions to the plan based on our performance. Interest will be credited to the personal retirement accounts at the 30-year U.S. Treasury bond rate in effect each year. Employees will be fully vested in the plan after five years, and they may take a lump sum distribution upon termination or retirement.

In 2000, we merged the Kinder Morgan Bulk Terminals Retirement Savings Plan and the Kinder Morgan Retirement Savings Plan with the Kinder Morgan Profit Sharing and Savings Plan, a defined contribution plan. The merged plan was renamed the Kinder Morgan, Inc. Savings Plan. On July 2, 2000, we began making regular contributions to the Plan. Contributions are made each pay period in an amount equal to 4% of compensation on behalf of each eligible employee. All contributions are in the form of Company stock, which is immediately convertible into other available investment vehicles at the employee's discretion. On July 25, 2000, our Board of Directors authorized an additional 6 million shares to be issued through the Plan, for a total of 6.7 million shares available. In addition to the above contributions, we may make annual discretionary contributions based on our performance. These contributions are made in the year following the year for which the contribution amount is calculated. The total amount contributed for 2000 was \$3.7 million. No contribution was made to the profit sharing plan for 1999 or 1998. In January 1998, we acquired the MidCon Retirement Plan as part of our acquisition of MidCon Corp. (See Note 2.) The MidCon plan was a defined contribution plan. Contributions to the plan were based on age and earnings. Effective January 1, 1999, the MidCon plan was merged into the Profit Sharing Plan and all eligible MidCon employees joined our defined benefit pension plans. In 1999 and 1998, we contributed \$0.7 million and \$4.6 million, respectively, to the MidCon plan.



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(B) Other Postretirement Employee Benefits

We have a defined benefit postretirement plan providing medical and life insurance benefits upon retirement for eligible employees and their eligible dependents, including former MidCon employees who met the eligibility requirements on the date of acquisition of MidCon Corp. (see Note 2). The MidCon postretirement medical and life insurance plans were "grandfathered" as of the acquisition date and no new employees have or will be added to the MidCon plans subsequent to the acquisition date. We fund the future expected postretirement benefit cost under the plan by making payments to Voluntary Employee Benefit Association trusts. Plan assets consist primarily of pooled fixed income funds.

Net periodic postretirement benefit cost includes the following components:

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,		
	2000	1999	1998
	-----	-----	-----
	(In Thousands)		
Service Cost	\$ 413	\$ 450	\$ 592
Interest Cost	7,159	6,655	6,425
Expected Return on Assets	(4,790)	(3,720)	(2,854)
Net Amortization and Deferral	992	908	919
Curtailement Gain	--	--	(1,569)
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Net Periodic Postretirement Benefit Cost	\$ 3,774	\$ 4,293	\$ 3,513
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The following table sets forth the reconciliation of the beginning and ending balances of the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation:

	2000	1999
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	(In Thousands)	
Benefit Obligation at Beginning of Year	\$ (93,080)	\$ (101,988)
Service Cost	(413)	(450)
Interest Cost	(7,159)	(6,655)
Actuarial Gain (Loss)	(8,191)	3,278
Benefits Paid	15,918	15,330
Retiree Contributions	(2,253)	(2,595)
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Benefit Obligation at End of Year	\$ (95,178)	\$ (93,080)
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The following table sets forth the reconciliation of the beginning and ending balances of the fair value of plan assets; the plan's funded status and the amounts included under the caption "Other" in the category "Other Liabilities and Deferred Credits" in our Consolidated Balance Sheets:

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	DECEMBER 31,	
	2000	1999
	(In Thousands)	
Fair Value of Plan Assets at Beginning of Year	\$ 52,572	\$ 45,364
Actual Return on Plan Assets	(2,175)	4,320
Contributions by Employer	1,500	2,771
Retiree Contributions	1,726	2,246
Benefits Paid	(2,467)	(2,129)
Fair Value of Plan Assets at End of Year	51,156	52,572
Benefit Obligation at End of Year	(95,178)	(93,080)
Excess of Projected Benefit Obligation Over Plan Assets	(44,022)	(40,508)
Unrecognized Net (Gain) Loss	12,779	(2,313)
Unrecognized Net Obligations at Transition	11,149	12,078
Accrued Expense	\$ (20,094)	\$ (30,743)

The weighted-average discount rate used in determining the actuarial present value of the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation was 7.75 percent for 2000 and 1999, and 6.75 percent for 1998. The expected long-term rate of return on plan assets was 9.5 percent for 2000 and 1999, and 8.5 percent for 1998. The assumed health care cost trend rate was 7 percent per year for 1999 and beyond (3 percent per year for 1999 and beyond for the MidCon plans). A one-percentage-point increase (decrease) in the assumed health care cost trend rate for each future year would have increased (decreased) the aggregate of the service and interest cost components of the 2000 net periodic postretirement benefit cost by approximately \$23,332 (\$22,163) and would have increased (decreased) the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation as of December 31, 2000 by approximately \$205,055 (\$214,589).

16. COMMON STOCK OPTION AND PURCHASE PLANS

We have the following stock option plans: The 1982 Incentive Stock Option Plan, the 1982 Stock Option Plan for Non-Employee Directors, the 1986 Incentive Stock Option Plan, the 1988 Incentive Stock Option Plan, the 1992 Stock Option Plan for Non-Employee Directors, the 1994 Kinder Morgan, Inc. Long-term Incentive Plan (which also provides for the issuance of restricted stock), the American Oil and Gas Corporation Stock Incentive Plan and the Kinder Morgan, Inc. Amended and Restated 1999 Stock Option Plan. We also have an employee stock purchase plan. All per share amounts and shares outstanding or exercisable presented in this note have been restated to reflect the impact of the December 31, 1998, three-for-two common stock split as discussed in Note 12(D).

On October 8, 1999, our Board of Directors approved the creation of the 1999 stock option plan, a broadly based non-qualified stock option plan. Under the plan, options may be granted to individuals who are regular full-time employees, including officers and directors who are employees. The aggregate number of shares of stock that may be issued under the plan is 5.5 million. Options under the plan vest in 25 percent increments on the anniversary of the grant over a four-year period from the date of grant. All options granted under the plan have a 10-year life, and must be granted at not less than the fair market value of Kinder Morgan, Inc. common stock at the close of trading on the date of grant. On January 17, 2001, our Board of Directors approved an additional 5 million

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shares for future grants to participants in the 1999 Stock Option Plan, which brings the aggregate number of shares subject to the plan to 10.5 million. The Board also approved an additional 0.5 million shares for future grants to participants in the 1992 Directors' Plan, which will be available subject to shareholder approval.

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Under all plans, except the Long-term Incentive Plan and the AOG Plan, options are granted at not less than 100 percent of the market value of the stock at the date of grant. Under the Long-term Incentive Plan options may be granted at less than 100 percent of the market value of the stock at the date of grant. Certain restricted stock awards include provisions accelerating the lapsing of restrictions in the event certain operating goals are met. Compensation expense was recorded totaling \$0, \$8.6 million, and \$3.1 million for 2000, 1999, and 1998, respectively, relating to restricted stock grants awarded under the plans.

PLAN NAME	SHARES SUBJECT TO THE PLAN	OPTION SHARES GRANTED THROUGH 12/31/00	VESTING PERIOD	EXPIRATION PERIOD
1982 Plan	1,332,788	1,332,788	Immediate	10 Years
1982 Directors' Plan	186,590	186,590	3 Years	10 Years
1986 Plan	618,750	618,750	Immediate	10 Years
1988 Plan	618,750	618,750	Immediate	10 Years
1992 Directors' Plan	525,000	386,875	0 - 6 Months	10 Years
Long-term Incentive Plan	5,700,000	2,754,839	0 - 5 Years	5 - 10 Year
AOG Plan	775,500	775,500	3 Years	10 Years
1999 Plan	5,500,000	4,974,475	4 Years	10 Years

A summary of the status of our stock option plans at December 31, 2000, 1999 and 1998, and changes during the years then ended is presented in the table and narrative below:

	2000		1999	
	SHARES	WTD. AVG. EXERCISE PRICE	SHARES	WTD. AVG. EXERCISE PRICE
OUTSTANDING AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	7,542,898	\$ 24.92	4,218,191	\$ 24.38
Granted	1,364,500	\$ 30.42	4,837,656	\$ 23.81
Exercised	(537,400)	\$ 19.26	(602,928)	\$ 8.00
Forfeited	(2,276,179)	\$ 25.69	(910,021)	\$ 27.79
OUTSTANDING AT END OF YEAR	6,093,819	\$ 26.05	7,542,898	\$ 24.92
EXERCISABLE AT END OF YEAR	2,056,771	\$ 27.03	1,918,868	\$ 26.54
WEIGHTED-AVERAGE FAIR VALUE OF OPTIONS GRANTED		\$ 10.51		\$ 5.83

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The weighted-average fair value of each option grant is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions:

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,		
	2000	1999	1998
RISK-FREE INTEREST RATE (%)	4.97	5.5	5.5
EXPECTED WEIGHTED-AVERAGE LIFE	4.5 years	4.0 years	4.0 years
VOLATILITY	0.34	0.31	0.25
EXPECTED DIVIDEND YIELD (%)	0.38	3.2	3.5

We account for these plans under Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees." Had compensation cost for these plans been determined consistent with SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation" ("SFAS 123"), net income and diluted earnings per share would have been reduced to the pro forma amounts shown in the table below. Because the SFAS 123 method of accounting has not been applied to options granted prior to January 1, 1995, the resulting pro forma compensation cost may not be representative of that to be expected in future years. Additionally, the pro forma amounts include \$0.5

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million, \$0.6 million and \$0.6 million related to the purchase discount offered under the ESP Plan for 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively.

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,		
	2000	1999	1998
	(In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)		
NET INCOME (LOSS):			
As Reported	\$ 151,981	\$ (239,661)	\$ 62,21
Pro Forma	\$ 144,526	\$ (244,513)	\$ 58,10
EARNINGS (LOSS) PER DILUTED SHARE:			
As Reported	\$ 1.32	\$ (2.99)	\$ 0.9
Pro Forma	\$ 1.26	\$ (3.05)	\$ 0.9

The following table sets forth our December 31, 2000, common stock options outstanding, weighted-average exercise prices, weighted-average remaining contractual lives, common stock options exercisable and the exercisable weighted-average exercise price:

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OPTIONS OUTSTANDING

PRICE RANGE	NUMBER OUTSTANDING	WTD. AVG. EXERCISE PRICE	WTD. AVG. REMAINING CONTRACTUAL LIFE
\$00.00 - \$23.72	166,228	\$ 20.50	5.90 years
\$23.81 - \$23.81	3,920,421	\$ 23.81	8.77 years
\$24.04 - \$39.38	2,007,170	\$ 30.87	8.55 years
	6,093,819	\$ 26.05	8.61 years

Under the employee stock purchase plan, we may sell up to 2,400,000 shares of common stock to eligible employees. Employees purchase shares through voluntary payroll deductions. Prior to the 2000 plan year, shares were purchased annually at a 15 percent discount from the market value of the common stock, as defined in the plan, and issued in the month following the end of the plan year. Beginning with the 2000 plan year, shares are purchased quarterly at a 15 percent discount from the closing price of the common stock on the last trading day of each calendar quarter. Employees purchased 86,630 shares, 187,567 shares and 163,799 shares for plan years 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively. Using the Black-Scholes model to assign value to the option inherent in the right to purchase stock under the provisions of the employee stock purchase plan, the weighted-average fair value per share of purchase rights granted in 2000, 1999 and 1998 was \$6.60, \$6.41 and \$5.94, respectively.

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17. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

(A) Leases

Expenses incurred under operating leases were \$47.1 million in 2000, \$57.8 million in 1999, and \$56.9 million in 1998. Future minimum commitments under major operating leases as of December 31, 2000 are as follows:

YEAR	AMOUNT
	(In Thousands)
2001	\$ 11,886
2002	8,376
2003	7,813
2004	7,563
2005	7,716
Thereafter	21,605
Total	\$ 64,959

(B) Guarantees of Unconsolidated Subsidiaries' Debt

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We have executed a guarantee of the revolving credit agreement of an unconsolidated subsidiary, TransColorado, in the amount of \$100 million. As of December 31, 2000, \$100 million had been borrowed with a maturity date of October 13, 2001.

### (C) Capital Expenditures Budget

Approximately \$5.5 million of our consolidated capital expenditure budget for 2001 had been committed for the purchase of plant and equipment at December 31, 2000.

### (D) Commitment to Sell or Purchase Assets

We announced on November 30, 1999, that we entered into agreements with HS Resources, Inc. for the sale of certain assets in the Wattenberg field area of the Denver-Julesberg Basin. Under the terms of the agreements, HS Resources, Inc. commenced operating these assets. We are receiving cash payments from HS Resources, Inc. during 2000 and 2001, with the legal transfer of ownership expected to occur on or before December 15, 2001. We were committed, during a specified period, to purchase, at the option of the other party, an incremental 50% interest in a joint venture pipeline, although the ability of the other party to cause the purchase is currently stayed; see Notes 5 and 9.

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## 18. FAIR VALUE

The following fair values of Investments, Long-term Debt, Capital Securities and Kinder Morgan Preferred Stock were estimated based on an evaluation made by an independent securities analyst. Fair values of "Energy Financial Instruments, Net" reflect the estimated amounts that we would receive or pay to terminate the contracts at the reporting date, thereby taking into account the current unrealized gains or losses on open contracts. Market quotes are available for substantially all instruments we use.

	DECEMBER 31,			
	2000		1999	
	CARRYING VALUE	FAIR VALUE	CARRYING VALUE	FAIR VALUE
	(In Millions)			
<b>FINANCIAL ASSETS:</b>				
Tom Brown, Inc. Common Stock (1)	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 12.3	\$ 12.3
<b>FINANCIAL LIABILITIES:</b>				
Long-term Debt	\$3,291.6	\$3,253.4	\$3,305.6	\$3,146.6
Capital Securities	\$ 275.0	\$ 278.7	\$ 275.0	\$ 265.0
Energy Financial Instruments, Net	\$ 14.4	\$ 14.4	\$ 16.1	\$ 16.1

(1) See Note 5 regarding the sale of this stock.

## 19. BUSINESS SEGMENT INFORMATION

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In accordance with the manner in which we manage our businesses, including the allocation of capital and evaluation of business unit performance, we report our operations in the following segments: (1) Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America and certain associated entities, referred to as Natural, a major interstate natural gas pipeline and storage system; (2) Retail, the regulated sale of natural gas to residential commercial and industrial customers and non-utility sales of natural gas to certain utility customers under the Choice Gas Program and (3) Power and Other, the construction and operation of natural gas fired electric generation facilities, together with various other activities not constituting separately managed or reportable business segments. In previous periods, we owned and operated other lines of business that we discontinued during 1999. In addition, our direct investment in the natural gas transmission and storage business has significantly decreased as a result of (i) the December 2000 sale of Kinder Morgan Texas Pipeline, Inc. to Energy Partners and (ii) the December 31, 1999 sale of Kinder Morgan Interstate Gas Transmission LLC to Energy Partners. The results of operations of these two businesses are included in our financial statements until their disposition, which is discussed in Note 5.

The accounting policies applied in the generation of business unit information are generally the same as those described in Note 1 to the accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements, except that items below the "Operating Income" line are either not allocated to business units or are not considered by Management in its evaluation of business unit performance. An exception to this is that Power, which routinely conducts its business activities in the form of joint operations with other parties that are accounted for under the equity method of accounting, includes its equity in earnings of these investees in its operating results. These equity-method earnings are included in "Other Income and (Expenses)" in our consolidated income statement. In addition, certain items included in consolidated operating income (such as merger-related and severance costs and general and administrative expenses) are not allocated to individual business units. With adjustment for these items, we currently evaluate business unit performance primarily based on operating income in relation to the level of assets employed. Sales between business units are accounted for at market prices. For comparative purposes, prior period results and balances have been reclassified as necessary to conform to the current presentation.

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Natural's principal delivery market area encompasses the states of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa and portions of Wisconsin, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri and Arkansas. Natural is the largest transporter of natural gas to the Chicago, Illinois area, its largest market. During 2000, approximately 50% of Natural's transportation represented deliveries to this market. Natural's storage capacity is largely located near its transportation delivery markets, effectively serving the same customer base. Natural has a number of individually significant customers, including local gas distribution companies in the greater Chicago area and major natural gas marketers and, during 2000, approximately 50% of its operating revenues were attributable to its nine largest customers. Retail's markets are represented by residential, commercial and industrial customers located in Colorado, Nebraska and Wyoming. These markets represent varied types of customers in many industries, but a significant amount of Retail's load is represented by the use of natural gas for space heating, grain drying and irrigation. The latter two groups of customers are concentrated in the agricultural industry and all markets are affected by the weather. Power's current principal market is represented by the local electric utilities in Colorado, which purchase the power output from its generation facilities. Its market will expand geographically as a result of power generation facilities planned or under construction and it is expected that future customers may include wholesale power marketers.

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During 2000 and 1999, we had revenues from a single customer of \$740.5 million and \$ 389.4 million, respectively, amounts in excess of 10 percent of consolidated operating revenues for each year. Both Natural and Kinder Morgan Texas made sales to this customer. With the transfer of Kinder Morgan Texas to Energy Partners as of December 31, 2000, sales to this customer are not expected to exceed 10% of consolidated operating revenues in the future, although certain of Natural's customers may meet this threshold.

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### BUSINESS SEGMENT INFORMATION

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000			
	INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	REVENUES FROM EXTERNAL CUSTOMERS	INTERSEGMENT REVENUES	DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION
	(In Thousands)			
Natural	\$ 342,887	\$ 656,035	\$ (18)	\$ 84,975
Kinder Morgan Interstate	--	--	--	--
Retail	49,732	229,510	--	11,776
Kinder Morgan Texas	29,318	1,747,499	--	2,211
Power and Other(3)	31,293	80,693	4	9,203
Discontinued Operations	--	--	--	--
	-----	-----	-----	-----
Consolidated	453,230	\$2,713,737	\$ (14)	\$ 108,165
		=====	=====	=====
General and Administrative Expenses	58,087			
Merger Related Costs	--			
	-----			
Operating Income	395,143			
Other Income and (Expenses)	(88,701)			
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Income from Continuing Operations Before Income Taxes	\$ 306,442			
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	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999			
	INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	REVENUES FROM EXTERNAL CUSTOMERS	INTERSEGMENT REVENUES	DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION
	(In Thousands)			
Natural	\$ 306,507	\$ 625,705	\$ 1,182	\$ 109,346
Kinder Morgan Interstate	53,924	96,531	16,676	16,985
Retail	20,104	182,861	51	11,382
Kinder Morgan Texas	16,554	872,161	--	2,466
Power and Other(3)	21,647	59,110	194	7,754
Discontinued Operations	--	--	--	--



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Consolidated	418,736	\$1,836,368	\$ 18,103	\$ 147,933
General and Administrative Expenses	85,591			
Merger Related Costs	37,443			
Operating Income	295,702			
Other Income and (Expenses)	(49,311)			
Income from Continuing Operations Before Income Taxes	\$ 246,391			

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998

	INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	REVENUES FROM EXTERNAL CUSTOMERS	INTERSEGMENT REVENUES	DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION
			(In Thousands)	
Natural	\$ 336,825	\$ 556,662	\$ 299	\$ 121,008
Kinder Morgan Interstate	58,006	88,244	17,333	19,474
Retail	56,214	234,307	--	11,014
Kinder Morgan Texas	2,129	739,201	--	1,615
Power and Other(3)	16,783	41,845	5,535	2,252
Discontinued Operations	--	--	--	--
Consolidated	469,957	\$1,660,259	\$ 23,167	\$ 155,363
General and Administrative Expenses	68,502			
Merger Related Costs	5,763			
Operating Income	395,692			
Other Income and (Expenses)	(172,787)			
Income from Continuing Operations Before Income Taxes	\$ 222,905			

- (1) Principally the investment in Energy Partners and corporate cash and receivables
- (2) Principally government securities held as collateral for the Substitute Note
- (3) Restated, see Note 2.

GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

All but an insignificant amount of Kinder Morgan's assets and operations are located in the continental United States.

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KINDER MORGAN, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

QUARTERLY OPERATING RESULTS FOR 2000 AND 1999

	2000 - THREE MONTHS ENDED		
	MARCH 31 (1)	JUNE 30 (1)	SEPTEMBER 30 (1)
	(In Thousands Except Per Share Amounts)		
Operating Revenues	\$ 480,481	\$ 551,088	\$ 750,466
Gas Purchases and Other Costs of Sales	277,911	381,607	577,477
Gross Margin	202,570	169,481	172,989
Other Operating Expenses	89,881	87,819	87,511
Operating Income	112,689	81,662	85,478
Other Income and (Expenses)	(35,477)	(40,581)	(40,621)
Income From Continuing Operations			
Before Income Taxes	77,212	41,081	44,844
Income Taxes	30,887	16,968	18,133
Income From Continuing Operations	46,325	24,113	26,711
Loss on Disposal of Discontinued Operations, Net of Tax (3)	--	--	--
Net Income	\$ 46,325	\$ 24,113	\$ 26,711
Number of Shares Used in Computing Basic Earnings Per Share	113,058	114,196	114,466
Number of Shares Used in Computing Diluted Earnings Per Share	113,456	114,981	116,171
BASIC EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE:			
Continuing Operations	\$ 0.41	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.23
Loss on Disposal of Discontinued Operations	--	--	--
Total Basic Earnings Per Common Share	\$ 0.41	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.23
DILUTED EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE:			
Continuing Operations	\$ 0.41	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.23
Loss on Disposal of Discontinued Operations	--	--	--
Total Diluted Earnings Per Common Share	\$ 0.41	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.23

(1) Restated for a change to the equity method of accounting for an investment and reflects the reclassification of International's operating results to continuing operations. See Notes 2 and 6 of the accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements and the table presented below.

(2) Includes the \$62 million pre-tax gain from the contribution of certain assets to Energy Partners; see Note 5 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

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(3) See Note 6 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

	2000 - THREE MONTHS ENDED		
	MARCH 31	JUNE 30	SEPTEMBER 30
	(In Thousands)		
Income From Continuing Operations as Previously Reported	\$ 46,084	\$ 24,827	\$ 26,628
Power Restatement:			
Operating Revenues	(1,072)	(598)	(97)
Other Income and (Expenses)	1,892	1,618	1,092
Income Taxes	(328)	(408)	(398)
Reclassification of International Operations	(251)	(1,326)	(517)
Income From Continuing Operations as Restated	\$ 46,325	\$ 24,113	\$ 26,708

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	1999 - THREE MONTHS ENDED		
	MARCH 31	JUNE 30	SEPTEMBER 30
	(In Thousands Except Per Share)		
Operating Revenues	\$ 425,696	\$ 429,331	\$ 495,696
Gas Purchases and Other Costs of Sales	206,158	248,449	318,449
Gross Margin	219,538	180,882	177,247
Other Operating Expenses	118,593	119,292	107,247
Merger-Related and Severance Costs	2,916	(2,916)	10,000
Operating Income	98,029	64,506	59,997
Other Income and (Expenses)	(58,162)	(44,145)	(48,000)
Income From Continuing Operations Before Income Taxes	39,867	20,361	10,997
Income Taxes	15,582	8,056	4,000
Income From Continuing Operations	24,285	12,305	6,997
Discontinued Operations, Net of Tax(3):			
Loss From Discontinued Operations	(16,720)	(14,500)	(7,000)
Loss on Disposal of Discontinued Operations	--	--	(11,000)
Total Loss From Discontinued Operations	(16,720)	(14,500)	(19,000)

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Net Income (Loss)	7,565	(2,195)	(13,
Less-Preferred Dividends	88	41	
Less-Premium Paid on Preferred Stock Redemption	--	350	
Earnings (Loss) Available for Common Stock	<u>\$ 7,477</u>	<u>\$ (2,586)</u>	<u>\$ (13,</u>
Number of Shares Used in Computing Basic Earnings Per Share	69,486	70,689	70,
Number of Shares Used in Computing Diluted Earnings Per Share	69,578	70,761	70,
BASIC EARNINGS (LOSS) PER COMMON SHARE:			
Continuing Operations	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.17	\$ 0
Discontinued Operations	(0.24)	(0.21)	(0
Loss on Disposal of Discontinued Operations	--	--	(0
Total Basic Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share	<u>\$ 0.11</u>	<u>\$ (0.04)</u>	<u>\$ (0</u>
DILUTED EARNINGS (LOSS) PER COMMON SHARE:			
Continuing Operations	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.17	\$ 0
Discontinued Operations	(0.24)	(0.21)	(0
Loss on Disposal of Discontinued Operations	--	--	(0
Total Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share	<u>\$ 0.11</u>	<u>\$ (0.04)</u>	<u>\$ (0</u>

- (1) Restated for a change to the equity method of accounting for an investment and reflects the reclassification of International's operating results to continuing operations. See Notes 2 and 6 of the accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements and the table presented below.
- (2) Includes the \$158 million pre-tax gain from the contribution of certain assets to Energy Partners; see Note 5 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.
- (3) See Note 6 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

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	1999 - THREE MONTHS ENDED		
	MARCH 31	JUNE 30	SEPTEMBER
	(In Thousands)		
Income From Continuing Operations as Previously Reported	\$ 23,908	\$ 12,380	\$ 5,886
Power Restatement:			
Operating Revenues	(2,058)	(2,580)	(1,201)
Other Income and (Expenses)	2,797	2,934	2,955
Income Taxes	(296)	(141)	(702)
Reclassification of International Operations	(66)	(288)	(935)

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Income From Continuing Operations as Restated	\$ 24,285	\$ 12,305	\$ 6,003
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SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA  
 FIVE-YEAR REVIEW  
 KINDER MORGAN, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES  
 (In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,		
	2000	1999 (1, 3)	1998 (1, 4)
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Operating Revenues	\$2,713,737	\$1,836,368	\$1,660,259
Gas Purchases and Other Costs of Sales	1,960,083	1,050,250	836,614
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Gross Margin	753,654	786,118	823,645
Other Operating Expenses	358,511	490,416	427,953
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OPERATING INCOME	395,143	295,702	395,692
Other Income and (Expenses)	(88,701)	(49,311)	(172,787)
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Income From Continuing Operations Before Income Taxes	306,442	246,391	222,905
Income Taxes	122,727	90,733	82,710
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INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	183,715	155,658	140,195
Gain (Loss) From Discontinued Operations, Net of Tax	(31,734)	(395,319)	(77,984)
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NET INCOME (LOSS)	151,981	(239,661)	62,211
Less-Preferred Dividends	--	129	350
Less-Premium Paid on Preferred Stock Redemption	--	350	--
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EARNINGS (LOSS) AVAILABLE FOR COMMON STOCK	\$ 151,981	\$ (240,140)	\$ 61,861
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Number of Shares Used in Computing Diluted Earnings Per Common Share	115,030	80,358	64,636
	=====	=====	=====
DILUTED EARNINGS (LOSS) PER COMMON SHARE:			
Continuing Operations	\$ 1.60	\$ 1.93	\$ 2.17
Discontinued Operations	(0.28)	(4.92)	(1.21)
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Total Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share	\$ 1.32	\$ (2.99)	\$ 0.96	
	=====	=====	=====	
DIVIDENDS PER COMMON SHARE	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.65	\$ 0.76	
	=====	=====	=====	
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES (2)	\$ 137,477	\$ 97,644	\$ 120,881	
	=====	=====	=====	
TOTAL ASSETS (5)	\$8,418,105	\$9,425,674	\$9,623,779	
	=====	=====	=====	
CAPITALIZATION (5) :				
Common Stockholders' Equity	\$1,797,421	40%	\$1,669,846	32%
Preferred Stock	--	--	--	--
Preferred Capital Trust Securities	275,000	6%	275,000	5%
Long-Term Debt	2,478,983	54%	3,293,326	63%
	-----	---	-----	---
Total Capitalization	\$4,551,404	100%	\$5,238,172	100%
	=====	===	=====	===
BOOK VALUE PER				
COMMON SHARE (5)	\$ 15.70	\$ 14.82	\$ 17.77	
	=====	=====	=====	

- (1) Restated, see Note 2 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.
- (2) Capital Expenditures shown are for continuing operations only.
- (3) Reflects the acquisition of Kinder Morgan Delaware on October 7, 1999. See Note 2 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.
- (4) Reflects the acquisition of MidCon Corp. on January 30, 1998. See Note 2 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.
- (5) At December 31 of each respective year

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

#### GENERAL

In this report, unless the context requires otherwise, references to "we," "us," "our," or the "Company" are intended to mean Kinder Morgan, Inc. (a Kansas corporation and formerly known as K N Energy, Inc.) and its consolidated subsidiaries. The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements and related Notes. Specifically, as discussed in Notes 2, 5 and 6 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, we have engaged in acquisitions (including the October 1999 acquisition of Kinder Morgan (Delaware), Inc., a Delaware corporation and the indirect owner of the general partner interest in Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P., a publicly-traded master limited partnership, referred to in this report as "Energy Partners"), and divestitures (including the discontinuance of certain lines of business and the transfer of certain assets

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to Energy Partners), which may affect comparisons of financial position and results of operations between periods.

Certain information contained in this report may include "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements are subject to risks and uncertainties and are based on the beliefs and assumptions of our management, based on information currently available to our management. When words such as "believes," "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "plans," "estimates," "should" or similar expressions are used, we are making forward-looking statements.

Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of performance. They involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Our future results and stockholder values may differ materially from those expressed in these forward-looking statements. Many of the factors that will determine these results and values are beyond our ability to control or predict. These statements are necessarily based upon various assumptions involving judgments with respect to the future including, among others, the ability to achieve cost savings and revenue growth, national, international, regional and local economic, competitive and regulatory conditions and developments, technological developments, capital market conditions, inflation rates, interest rates, the political and economic stability of oil producing nations, energy markets, weather conditions, business and regulatory or legal decisions, the pace of deregulation of retail natural gas and electricity, the timing and extent of changes in commodity prices for oil, natural gas, natural gas liquids, electricity and certain agricultural products, the timing and success of business development efforts, and other uncertainties, all of which are difficult to predict and many of which are beyond our control. Readers are cautioned not to put undue reliance on any forward-looking statements. For those statements, we claim the protection of the safe harbor for forward-looking statements contained in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.

### Business Strategy

On October 7, 1999, we completed the merger of Kinder Morgan, Inc. and Kinder Morgan Delaware, the owner of the general partner interest in Energy Partners. Under the terms of the merger agreement, we issued approximately 41.5 million shares of our common stock in exchange for all of the outstanding shares of Kinder Morgan Delaware. Upon closing of the transaction, Richard D. Kinder was named Chairman of the combined company, which was renamed Kinder Morgan, Inc.

In accordance with previously announced plans, we implemented and have continued to pursue our "Back to Basics" strategy. This strategy includes the following key aspects: (i) divest non-core assets and use the proceeds to reduce debt, (ii) sell certain core assets for fair market value to Energy Partners, (iii) focus on the efficiency and profitability of our remaining core assets, (iv) reduce corporate overhead costs, (v) align employee and shareholder incentives, (vi) reduce the shareholder dividend and (vii) seek accretive acquisitions and business expansions.

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During 1999, we implemented plans to dispose of our non-core businesses and as of December 31, 2000, we have effectively completed the disposition of these assets and operations, all as more fully described in Note 6 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements. The cash proceeds from these dispositions were largely used to retire debt, contributing to the reduction in leverage experienced during this period.

In addition to sales of non-core assets to third parties, we made significant

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transfers of assets to Energy Partners at the end of 1999 and the end of 2000, which, in total, represent over \$1 billion of fair market value. By contributing assets to Energy Partners that are accretive to its earnings and cash flow, we can receive fair market value in the contribution transaction, while still maintaining an indirect interest in the earnings and cash flows of the assets through our limited and general partner interests in Energy Partners. As of December 31, 2000, we owned approximately 14.0 million limited partner units of Energy Partners, representing approximately 20.7% of the total units outstanding. As a result of our general and limited partner interests in Energy Partners, at the current level of distribution including incentive distributions to the general partner, we currently are entitled to receive approximately 49% of all distributions from Energy Partners. The actual level of distributions received by us in the future will vary with the level of distributable cash determined by Energy Partners' partnership agreement. By increasing our stake in Energy Partners, we expect to receive additional future cash distributions from Energy Partners through incremental general partner incentive distributions as well as increased limited partner distributions due to our ownership of additional common units received as compensation in the transfers.

After the dispositions discussed above, our primary source of operating income is Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America, referred to in this report as "Natural," a major interstate natural gas pipeline system that runs from natural gas producing areas in West Texas and the Gulf of Mexico to its principal market area of Chicago, Illinois. In accordance with our strategy to increase operational focus on core assets, we have worked toward agreements to fully utilize the transportation and storage capacity of Natural with the result that Natural sold out its capacity through the year 2000-2001 winter season. Natural continues to pursue opportunities to connect its system to power generation facilities and, in addition, has announced plans to extend its system into the metropolitan east area of St. Louis anchored by a contract with Dynegy Marketing and Trade. Additional information on Natural's business is included under "Natural" in a subsequent section of this report.

Our other remaining core operations consist of the retail distribution of natural gas to approximately 250,000 customers in several Western and Midwestern states and the construction and operation of electric power generation facilities. Our natural gas distribution properties are located, in part, in areas where significant growth is occurring and we expect to participate in that growth through increased natural gas demand. The nation's demand for additional electric power generation is significant and immediate. Our power generation business has a beneficial master turbine purchase agreement that it plans to utilize in constructing a number of gas-fired electric generation facilities to help meet this need. These power projects, in addition to generating income in their own right, are expected to increase Natural's throughput as described above.

Even though we have made significant progress to date, we believe that opportunities remain for increasing shareholder value through cost reductions and other efficiency improvements with respect to both existing assets and future acquisitions. One measure intended to increase shareholder value is the All Employee Stock Option Plan implemented in October 1999. Through this plan, virtually all employees, with the exception of Richard D. Kinder and William V. Morgan (each of whom is currently a major shareholder), have received options to purchase shares of our common stock. By aligning employee incentives with shareholder value, we expect to increase employee productivity, retention and satisfaction. We believe these factors ultimately contribute to increased earnings and overall shareholder value. To reduce debt and provide funds for future growth, we reduced the regular quarterly common dividend from \$0.20 per share to \$0.05 per share in the fourth quarter of 1999 and have maintained it at that level.



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The final aspect of our strategy is seeking out accretive acquisitions and business expansions. Energy Partners has a multi-year history of making accretive acquisitions, which benefit us through our limited and general partner interests. This acquisitive strategy is expected to continue, with the population of potential acquisition candidates being driven by consolidation in the energy industry, as well as rationalization of asset portfolios by major corporations. In addition, we expect to, within strict guidelines as to rate of return and risk and timing of cash flows, expand Natural's pipeline system, acquire natural gas distribution properties that fit well with the current profile and build and acquire incremental power generation facilities.

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL RESULTS

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31	
	2000	1999
	(In Thousands Except Per Share)	
Operating Revenues	\$ 2,713,737	\$ 1,836,368
Gross Margin(1)	\$ 753,654	\$ 786,118
Operating Income:		
Before Merger-related and Severance Costs	\$ 395,143	\$ 333,145
Merger-related and Severance Costs	--	(37,443)
Consolidated Operating Income	\$ 395,143	\$ 295,702
Income from Continuing Operations:		
Before Merger-related and Severance Costs		
and Gains from Sales of Assets	\$ 146,735	\$ 58,848
Merger-related and Severance Costs, Net of Tax	--	(23,327)
Gains from Sales of Assets, Net of Tax	36,980	120,137
Income from Continuing Operations	183,715	155,658
Discontinued Operations, Net of Tax:		
Loss from Discontinued Operations	--	(50,941)
Loss on Disposal of Discontinued Operations	(31,734)	(344,378)
	(31,734)	(395,319)
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 151,981	\$ (239,661)
Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Share:		
From Continuing Operations Before Merger-related		
and Severance Costs and Gain from Sales of Assets	\$ 1.28	\$ 0.73
Merger-related and Severance Costs	--	(0.29)
Gain from Sales of Assets	0.32	1.49
Loss from Discontinued Operations	--	(0.63)
Loss on Disposal of Discontinued Operations	(0.28)	(4.29)

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Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Share	\$ 1.32	\$ (2.99)
	=====	=====
Number of Shares Used in Computing Diluted Earnings Per Common Share	115,030	80,358
	=====	=====

(1) Gross margin equals total operating revenues less gas purchases and other costs of sales.

Our results for 2000, in comparison to 1999, reflect an increase of \$877.4 million in operating revenues, a decrease of \$32.5 million in gross margin and an increase of \$62.0 million in operating income before merger-related and severance costs. The increase in operating revenues is principally due to (i) increased natural gas sales volumes and prices on the Kinder Morgan Texas Pipeline, (ii) weather-related increases in natural gas sales and transportation volumes from Retail Natural Gas Distribution and (iii) increased storage service revenues and operational gas sales from Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America, partially offset by the fact that 2000 results do not include the operations of Kinder Morgan Interstate Gas Transmission. Kinder Morgan Interstate Gas Transmission was contributed to Energy Partners at December 31, 1999, while Kinder Morgan Texas Pipeline was contributed to Energy Partners at December 31, 2000. These transactions are described in Note 5 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements. The decrease in gross margin that

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occurred from 1999 to 2000, despite the increased operating revenues, was principally due to the fact that 2000 results do not include the results of Kinder Morgan Interstate Gas Transmission. Results for 1999 and 1998 included merger-related and severance costs as further discussed in Note 3 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements. The individual business unit sections that follow contain more details concerning the comparison of these results down to the level of operating income.

Below the operating income line, results for 2000, 1999 and 1998 included significant gains from the sale of assets. Results for 2000 and 1999 included equity in earnings (and associated amortization of excess investment) associated with our October 1999 acquisition of Kinder Morgan Delaware. Interest expense increased significantly in 1999 due, in large part, to the January 1998 acquisition of MidCon Corp., and declined in 2000 largely due to reduced short-term borrowing levels as a result of applying cash received from asset sales. Additional information on these non-operating income and expense items is included under "Other Income and (Expenses)" following, and information concerning the acquisitions and asset sales is contained in Notes 2 and 5 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Diluted earnings per common share from continuing operations before merger-related and severance costs and gains from sales of assets increased from \$0.73 per share in 1999 to \$1.28 per share in 2000. In addition to the operating and financing factors described preceding, this increase also reflects an increase of 34.7 million (43.1%) in average diluted shares outstanding, largely due to shares issued in conjunction with the acquisition of Kinder Morgan Delaware discussed above. Diluted earnings per common share increased from a loss of \$2.99 per common share in 1999 to earnings of \$1.32 per common share in 2000, reflecting, in addition to the factors discussed preceding, the impact of discontinued operations, including losses on disposal of discontinued operations, in each period. See "Discontinued Operations" following and Note 6 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

We manage our various businesses by, among other things, allocating capital and monitoring operating performance. This management process includes dividing the overall Company into business units so that performance can be effectively monitored and reported for a limited number of discrete businesses. Currently, we manage and report our operations in the following business units:

BUSINESS UNIT -----	BUSINESS CONDUCTED -----
Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America and certain affiliates	Major interstate natural gas pipeline and storage system
Retail Natural Gas Distribution	The regulated sale of natural gas to residential, commercial and industrial customers and non-utility sales of natural gas to certain utility customers under the Choice Gas Program
Power Generation and Other	The construction and operation of natural gas fired electric generation facilities, together with various other activities not constituting separately managed or reportable business segments

In previous periods, we owned and operated other lines of business, which we discontinued during 1999. In addition, our direct investment in the natural gas transmission and storage business has significantly decreased as a result of (i) the December 31, 1999 sale of Kinder Morgan Interstate Gas Transmission LLC, referred to in this report as "Kinder Morgan Interstate," to Energy Partners and (ii) the December 2000 sale of Kinder Morgan Texas Pipeline, Inc., referred to in this report as "Kinder Morgan Texas," to Energy Partners. The results of operations of these two businesses are included in our financial statements until their disposition, which is discussed under "General" in this portion of the Form 10-K and in Note 5 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

The accounting policies applied in the generation of business unit information are generally the same as those described in Note 1 to the accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements, except that items below the "Operating Income" line are either not allocated to business units or are not considered by Management in its evaluation of business unit performance. An exception to this is that Power, which routinely conducts its business activities in the form of joint operations with other parties that are accounted for under the equity method of accounting, includes its equity in earnings of these investees in its business unit operating results. These equity-method earnings are included in "Other Income and (Expenses)" in our consolidated income statement. In addition, certain items included in consolidated operating income (such as merger-related and severance costs and general and administrative expenses) are not allocated to individual business units. With adjustment for these items, we currently evaluate business unit performance primarily based on operating income in relation to the level of assets employed. Sales between business units are accounted for at market prices. For comparative purposes, prior period results

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and balances have been reclassified as necessary to conform to the current presentation.

Following are operating results by individual business unit (before intersegment eliminations), including explanations of significant variances between the periods presented.

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### NATURAL

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,		
	2000	1999	1998
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	(In Thousands Except Systems Throughput)		
Operating Revenues	\$656,017	\$626,888	\$556,961
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Operating Costs and Expenses:			
Gas Purchases and Other Costs of Sales	145,431	115,481	24,273
Operations and Maintenance	62,582	72,979	59,055
Depreciation and Amortization	84,975	109,346	121,008
Taxes, Other Than Income Taxes	20,142	22,575	15,800
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	313,130	320,381	220,136
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Operating Income Before Corporate Costs	\$342,887	\$306,507	\$336,825
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Systems Throughput (Trillion Btus)	1,459.3	1,449.9	1,296.6
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Operating results for Natural are included in our consolidated results beginning with the January 30, 1998 acquisition of MidCon Corp. See Note 2 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for more information regarding this acquisition.

Natural's operating income before corporate costs increased by \$36.4 million (11.9%) from 1999 to 2000. Operating results for 2000 were positively affected, relative to 1999, by (i) increased operational efficiency and the associated favorable impact of increased gas prices on Natural's operational gas sales in 2000, (ii) increased storage service revenues, (iii) a reduction in amortization resulting from the July 1999 change in amortization rates (see Note 4 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements), (iv) reduced 2000 operations and maintenance expenses due to successful cost control measures and to the sales of certain gathering assets and offshore laterals and (v) reduced ad valorem taxes. These positive effects were partially offset by (i) reduced 2000 revenues due to the sales of certain gathering assets and offshore laterals, (ii) decreased 2000 unit revenues largely attributable to both existing and planned competing pipeline capacity (with the attendant reduced value of transportation) in the upper Midwest, Natural's principal market area, and reduced transport revenue due to the sale of a marketing affiliate during 2000. Note 5 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

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contains additional information concerning asset sales.

Natural's operating income before corporate costs decreased by \$30.3 million (9.0%) from 1998 to 1999. Natural was negatively impacted in 1999, relative to 1998, by (i) a decrease in the margin per MMBtu of throughput from \$0.41 in 1998 to \$0.34 in 1999 resulting from (1) two recent mild winters, including the impact of the resultant high levels of gas in underground storage and (2) increased competitive pressures in Midwest markets due to actual or projected supply increases and (ii) increased operations and maintenance expenses and property taxes. These negative impacts were partially offset by (i) an increase in average monthly throughput volumes from 118 trillion Btus in 1998 to 126 trillion Btus in 1999 (although, in general, interstate pipelines receive the majority of their transportation revenues from demand charges, which are not affected by the level of throughput), (ii) reduced amortization expense in 1999 resulting from a change in the estimated useful life of Natural's assets (see Note 4 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements) and (iii) the fact that our 1999 results included 12 months of the operations of Natural, while our 1998 results included only 11 months.

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### KINDER MORGAN INTERSTATE

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,	
	1999	1998
	(In Thousands Except Systems Throughput)	
Operating Revenues:		
Transportation and Storage	\$112,732	\$105,160
Other	475	417
	113,207	105,577
Operating Costs and Expenses:		
Gas Purchases and Other Costs of Sales	13,954	3,763
Operations and Maintenance	23,737	20,026
Depreciation and Amortization	16,985	19,474
Taxes, Other Than Income Taxes	4,607	4,308
	59,283	47,571
Operating Income Before Corporate Costs	\$ 53,924	\$ 58,006
Systems Throughput (Trillion Btus)	203.1	216.6

Effective December 31, 1999, we sold Kinder Morgan Interstate to Energy Partners. See Note 5 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for more information regarding this transaction.

Kinder Morgan Interstate's operating income before corporate costs decreased by \$4.1 million (7.0%) from 1998 to 1999. This business unit was negatively

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impacted in 1999, relative to 1998, by (i) the 1999 write-off of approximately \$5.8 million of deferred fuel tracker costs that had accumulated since the initial implementation of FERC Order No. 636 and were deemed unrecoverable due to the settlement of the general rate case; (see Note 8 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for more information regarding Kinder Morgan Interstate's general rate case), (ii) a decrease in shipper supplied fuel requirements under the terms of Kinder Morgan Interstate's general rate case which, in conjunction with normal system fuel and loss requirements, caused Kinder Morgan Interstate to purchase additional system fuel supplies and (iii) increased operations and maintenance expenses, primarily related to the Pony Express Pipeline. These negative impacts were partially offset by (i) increased revenues in 1999 due to higher transportation rates under the terms of the general rate case and (ii) reduced depreciation expense in 1999 resulting from the assets of Kinder Morgan Interstate being classified as assets held for sale effective November 1, 1999, at which time further depreciation of these assets was suspended in accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 121, "Accounting for the Impairment of Long-Lived Assets and for Long-Lived Assets to Be Disposed Of."

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### RETAIL

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,		
	2000	1999	1998
	(In Thousands Except Systems Throughput)		
<b>Operating Revenues:</b>			
Gas Sales	\$171,696	\$134,208	\$186,527
Transportation	41,371	34,919	27,309
Other	16,442	13,785	20,470
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	229,509	182,912	234,306
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<b>Operating Costs and Expenses:</b>			
Gas Purchases and Other Costs of Sales	128,811	107,264	123,099
Operations and Maintenance	36,627	40,807	41,093
Depreciation and Amortization	11,776	11,382	11,014
Taxes, Other Than Income Taxes	2,563	3,355	2,886
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	179,777	162,808	178,092
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Operating Income Before Corporate Costs	\$ 49,732	\$ 20,104	\$ 56,214
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Systems Throughput (Trillion Btus)	72.6	56.6	61.7
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Retail's operating income before corporate costs increased by \$29.6 million (147.4%) from 1999 to 2000. Operating results for 2000 were positively impacted, relative to 1999, by (i) increased system throughput in 2000, although a portion of this increase represents volumes transported for relatively low margins, (ii) increased service revenues in 2000 and (iii) reduced 2000 operating expenses.

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The increase in gross margins (operating revenues minus gas purchases and other costs of sales) which resulted from increased throughput volumes was principally due to increased irrigation demand in the third quarter of 2000 and increased space heating demand in the fourth quarter. Weather-related demand in Retail's service territory was affected by colder than normal weather in the fourth quarter of 2000, compared with warmer than normal weather in the fourth quarter of 1999. The reduced 2000 operating expenses resulted from (i) a reduction in advertising and marketing expenses for the Choice Gas program (unregulated sales of natural gas made to certain of Retail's utility customers), (ii) continued focus on efficient operations, (iii) reduced ad valorem and use taxes in 2000 and (iv) reduced costs for certain administrative functions due to renegotiation of a contract with a third-party service provider.

Retail's operating income before corporate costs decreased by \$36.1 million (64.2%) from 1998 to 1999. This business unit was negatively impacted in 1999, relative to 1998, by (i) the fact that 1998 results include three months of the operations of distribution assets in Kansas that were sold in March 1998 (see Note 5 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements) and (ii) reduced margins from sales and transportation due primarily to (1) weather-related reductions in 1999 irrigation demand and (2) reduced margins related to the Nebraska Choice Gas program.

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KINDER MORGAN TEXAS

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,		
	2000	1999	1998
	(In Thousands Except Systems Throughput)		
<b>Operating Revenues:</b>			
Gas Sales	\$1,675,206	\$ 815,557	\$ 704,190
Transportation	25,468	23,971	19,192
Other	46,825	32,633	15,819
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	1,747,499	872,161	739,201
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<b>Operating Costs and Expenses:</b>			
Gas Purchases and Other Costs of Sales	1,666,169	804,674	680,766
Operations and Maintenance	45,401	45,778	51,067
Depreciation and Amortization	2,211	2,466	1,615
Taxes, Other Than Income Taxes	4,400	2,689	3,624
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	1,718,181	855,607	737,072
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<b>Operating Income Before Corporate Costs</b>	<b>\$ 29,318</b>	<b>\$ 16,554</b>	<b>\$ 2,129</b>
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 Systems Throughput (Trillion Btus)	 654.4	 575.3	 581.6
	=====	=====	=====

Operating results for Kinder Morgan Texas are included in our consolidated results beginning with the January 30, 1998 acquisition of MidCon Corp. See Note

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2 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for more information regarding this acquisition. Effective December 31, 2000, we contributed Kinder Morgan Texas to Energy Partners. See Note 5 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for more information regarding this transaction.

Operating revenues for Kinder Morgan Texas increased by \$875.3 million (100.4%) from 1999 to 2000. The \$859.6 million (105.4%) increase in natural gas sales reflected a 75% increase in the average sales price during 2000, together with a 17% increase in sales volumes. The \$14.2 million increase in other revenues was principally due to a 55% increase in the average sales price of natural gas liquids during 2000. Gross margin (operating revenues minus gas purchases and other costs of sales) increased by \$13.8 million (20.5%) from 1999 to 2000, as the increased operating revenues were offset approximately proportionally by the increased cost of natural gas purchased. Operating income before corporate costs increased by \$12.8 million (77.1%) from 1999 to 2000 as the increase in gross margin discussed preceding was partially offset by increased ad valorem taxes.

Kinder Morgan Texas' operating income before corporate costs increased by \$14.4 million from 1998 to 1999. This business unit was positively impacted in 1999, relative to 1998, by (i) the fact that 1999 results include 12 months of the operations of Kinder Morgan Texas, while 1998 results include only 11 months, (ii) increased per unit margins from sales and transportation in 1999, (iii) increased 1999 margins from natural gas liquids sales due to an improved pricing environment, (iv) reduced 1999 operations and maintenance expenses and (v) reduced 1999 ad valorem taxes. These positive impacts were partially offset by (i) reduced 1999 overall systems throughput volumes and (ii) increased 1999 depreciation expense reflecting the cumulative impact of capital expenditures made in 1998 and 1999.

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### POWER AND OTHER

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,		
	2000	1999	1998
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	(In Thousands)		
Operating Revenues	\$80,697	\$59,305	\$47,380
Equity in Earnings of Equity Investments	3,669	10,511	8,675
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	84,366	69,816	56,055
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Operating Costs and Expenses:			
Gas Purchases and Other Costs of Sales	19,653	12,921	19,441
Operations and Maintenance	19,680	15,648	7,232
Depreciation and Amortization	9,203	7,754	2,252
Taxes, Other Than Income Taxes	868	1,335	1,672
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	49,404	37,658	30,597
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Income Before Corporate Costs	\$34,962	\$32,158	\$25,458
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Results of power generation operations are included in Power and Other beginning with the acquisition of interests in power plants from the Denver-based Thermo Companies, which acquisition was completed in the third quarter of 1998. See Note 2 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for more information concerning this acquisition.

Income before corporate costs from Power and Other increased \$2.8 million (8.7%) from 1999 to 2000. Operating results for 2000 were positively impacted, relative to 1999, by profits from development of a 550-megawatt electric generating plant currently being constructed by Power near Little Rock, Arkansas. The positive impact related to development profits was partially offset by (i) a decrease in earnings from equity investments largely attributable to increased fuel (natural gas) costs related to electricity generation and (ii) increased operating expenses associated with other operations, principally our agreement with HS Resources, Inc. and certain telecommunications assets used primarily by internal business units. As we announced on November 30, 1999, we have entered into agreements with HS Resources, Inc. for the sale of certain assets in the Wattenberg field area of the Denver-Julesberg Basin. Under the terms of the agreements, HS Resources, Inc. commenced operating these assets. We are receiving payments from HS Resources, Inc. during 2000 and 2001, with the legal transfer of ownership expected to occur on or before December 15, 2001. Loss before Corporate Costs for our international activities, included in this business unit, was \$1.9 million, \$1.9 million and \$0.4 million in 2000, 1999 and 1998, respectively.

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Income before corporate costs from Power and Other increased \$6.7 million (26.3%) from 1998 to 1999. Operating results for 1999 were positively impacted, relative to 1998, by (i) 1999 results include a full year of power generation activities, while 1998 includes only partial year results and (ii) increased 1999 operating income from our agreement with HS Resources, as described above.

### OTHER INCOME AND (EXPENSES)

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,		
	2000	1999	1998
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	(In Thousands)		
Interest Expense, Net	\$ (243,155)	\$ (251,920)	\$ (205,840)
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Equity in Earnings:			
Energy Partners - Earnings	140,913	15,733	--
Energy Partners - Amortization	(28,317)	(7,335)	--
Power Segment(1)	3,669	10,511	8,675
Other	(10,255)	14,140	22,466
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Total Equity in Earnings	106,010	33,049	31,141
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Minority Interests	(24,121)	(24,845)	(19,483)
Gains from Sales of Assets	61,684	189,778	19,552
Other, Net	10,881	4,627	1,843
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	\$ (88,701)	\$ (49,311)	\$ (172,787)
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(1) See discussion under the heading "Power and Other."

The increase of \$39.4 million (79.9%) in net expense under "Other Income and (Expenses)" from 1999 to 2000 is principally due to decreased gains from sales of assets and reduced other equity in earnings in 2000, partially offset by higher 2000 equity in earnings of Energy Partners and increased "Other, Net." The decrease in gains from sales of assets in 2000 reflects the fact that 1999 results include (i) a gain of \$158.8 million from the sale of Kinder Morgan Interstate and interests in two equity method investments and (ii) a gain of \$31.0 million from the sale of two offshore pipeline assets, while 2000 results include a gain of \$61.6 million from the sale of Kinder Morgan Texas Pipeline. The equity in earnings of Energy Partners and associated amortization during 2000 and 1999 result from our October 1999 acquisition of interests in Energy Partners and, thus, 1999 includes only one quarter of earnings on this investment while 2000 reflects earnings for the full year. Energy Partners' Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000 contains additional information about its results of operations. The decrease in other equity in earnings from 1999 to 2000 is principally due to the sale of various equity method investments. In addition, 2000 results reflect increased equity in losses of the TransColorado pipeline joint venture, which was placed in service March 31, 1999. The expense associated with "Minority Interests" in each period principally represents the costs associated with our two series of Capital Trust Securities. These securities are described in Note 12 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements. The increase in "Other, Net" from 1999 to 2000 reflects the fact that, while each period includes miscellaneous items of income and expense, 2000 results also include (i) \$4.1 million due to the recovery of note receivable proceeds in excess of its carrying value and (ii) \$3.9 million due to the settlement of a regulatory matter for an amount less than that previously reserved.

The decrease of \$123.5 million in net expense reported under "Other Income and (Expenses)" from 1998 to 1999 is principally due to increased 1999 gains from the sale of assets, partially offset by increased interest expense. The decreased 1999 gains from the sale of assets reflects the fact that 1999 includes the gain from the sale of Kinder Morgan Gas Transmission and other assets as discussed above, while 1998 includes (i) a gain of \$10.9 million from the sale of certain microwave towers and (ii) a gain of \$8.5 million from the sale of Kansas natural gas distribution properties. The increase of \$46.1 million (22.4%) in "Interest Expense, Net" from 1998 to 1999 is principally due the incremental debt outstanding as a result of the January 1998 acquisition of MidCon and decreased capitalized interest in 1999 due to the reduced level of capital spending (see "Net Cash Flows from Investing Activities").

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INCOME TAXES - CONTINUING OPERATIONS

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,		
	2000	1999	1998
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	(Dollars In Thousands)		
Income Tax Provision	\$ 122,727	\$ 90,733	\$ 82,710
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Effective Tax Rate	40.0%	36.8%	37.1%

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The increase of \$32.0 million in the income tax provision from 1999 to 2000 is composed of (i) an increase of \$22.1 million due to an increase in pretax income and (ii) an increase of \$9.9 million due to an increase in the effective tax rate in 2000. The increased effective tax rate for 2000 is principally due to an increased effective rate associated with state income taxes. The increase of \$8.0 million in income tax expense from 1998 to 1999 reflected an increase of \$8.7 million due to an increase in 1999 pre-tax income, partially offset by a decrease of \$0.7 million due to a decrease in the 1999 effective tax rate. The decrease in the 1999 effective tax rate was principally due to the impact of asset sales and dispositions of certain lines of business.

### DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,	
	2000	1999
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	(In Thousands)	
Income (Loss) from Discontinued Operations, Net of Tax	\$        -- =====	\$ (50,941) =====
Loss on Disposal of Discontinued Operations, Net of Tax	\$ (31,734) =====	\$ (344,378) =====

During the third quarter of 1999, we adopted and implemented a plan to discontinue the direct marketing of non-energy products and services (principally under the "Simple Choice" brand), which activities had been carried on largely through our enable joint venture with PacifiCorp. During the fourth quarter of 1999, we adopted and implemented plans to discontinue the following lines of business: (i) gathering and processing of natural gas, including short-haul intrastate pipelines and providing field services to natural gas producers, (ii) wholesale marketing of natural gas and natural gas liquids and (iii) international operations. We recorded a loss of \$344.4 million, representing the estimated loss to be recognized upon final disposal of these businesses, including estimated operating losses prior to disposal. During 2000, we completed the disposition of these businesses, with the exception of international operations (principally consisting of a natural gas distribution system under construction in Hermosillo, Mexico), which, in the fourth quarter of 2000, we decided to retain. Neither the decision to dispose of our international operations nor our subsequent decision to retain them had any material effect on our results of operations, commitments and contingencies, known trends or capital resources. In the fourth quarter of 2000, we recorded an incremental loss on disposal of discontinued operations of \$31.7 million, representing the impact of the final disposition transactions and adjustment of previously recorded estimates. We had a remaining liability of approximately \$23.7 million at December 31, 2000 associated with these discontinued operations, principally consisting of (i) indemnification obligations under the various sale agreements and (ii) retained liabilities, which were settled in cash in early 2001. We do not expect significant additional financial impacts associated with these matters. Note 6 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements contains certain additional financial information with respect to these discontinued operations.

Losses from discontinued operations, net of tax benefits of \$29.7 million and \$46.0 million in 1999 and 1998, respectively, decreased by \$27.1 million from

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1998 to 1999. Operating results were positively impacted in 1999, relative to 1998, by (i) improvement in the natural gas liquids pricing environment in 1999 and (ii) the fact that 1998 operating results included (1) \$6.4 million of adjustments to write down certain natural gas due from third parties and in underground storage to their current market values, (2) \$3.7 million of increased provision for uncollectible accounts receivable, (3) natural gas liquids storage inventory write-downs and (4) operating losses associated with gas processing facilities that were sold in the fourth quarter of 1998. These

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factors serving to create a favorable period to period variance were partially offset by the fact that 1998 results included \$6.0 million in margin from sales of storage gas.

### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

The following table illustrates the sources of our invested capital. The balances at December 31, 1999 reflect the impacts associated with the acquisition of Kinder Morgan Delaware and the sale of certain assets to Energy Partners, while the balances at December 31, 2000 also reflect the impact of the sale of additional assets to Energy Partners effective as of that date. Notes 2 and 5 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements contain additional information on these transactions, while Note 12 contains information concerning our outstanding debt securities, short-term borrowing facilities and financing activities.

	DECEMBER 31,		
	2000	1999	
	(Dollars In Thousands)		
Long-term Debt	\$2,478,983	\$3,293,326	\$3,3
Common Equity	1,797,421	1,669,846	1,2
Preferred Stock	--	--	
Capital Trust Securities	275,000	275,000	2
	4,551,404	5,238,172	4,8
Short-term Debt	908,167	581,567	1,7
	\$5,459,571	\$5,819,739	\$6,5
	=====	=====	=====
Capitalization:			
Long-term Debt	54.5%	62.9%	
Common Equity	39.5%	31.9%	
Preferred Stock	--	--	
Capital Trust Securities	6.0%	5.2%	
Invested Capital(3):			
Total Debt	62.0%	66.6%	
Equity, Including Capital Trust Securities	38.0%	33.4%	

(1) Includes the \$1,394,846 Substitute Note assumed in conjunction with the acquisition of MidCon Corp. This note was repaid on January 4, 1999.

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- (2) If the government securities then held as collateral were offset against the related debt, the ratio of total debt to invested capital at December 31, 1998, would have been 72.3 percent.
- (3) As adjusted to reflect the November 2001 maturity of the Premium Equity Participating Units (see "Net Cash Flows from Financing Activities") and the associated \$460 million increase in equity and decrease in debt, the ratios would be: Debt - 53.6%, Equity - 46.4%.

### CASH FLOWS

The following discussion of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows and related supplemental disclosures. All highly liquid investments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less are considered to be cash equivalents.

#### Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities

"Net Cash Flows Provided by Operating Activities" decreased from \$321.2 million in 1999 to \$167.1 million in 2000, a decline of \$154.1 million (48%). This decline is primarily due to an increase in cash flows used for discontinued operations, which increased from a source of \$94.5 million in 1999 to a use of \$110.4 million in 2000, a \$204.9 million increased use of cash reflecting (i) \$124.7 million of cash outflow in 2000 attributable to the termination of our receivable sale program and (ii) 124.7 million of cash inflow in 1999 attributable to the receivable sale program (see "Net Cash Flows from Financing Activities" following). The decline in "Net Cash Flows Provided by Operating Activities" for discontinued operations was partially offset by an increase in cash flows provided by continuing operations, which increased from a source of \$226.7 million in 1999 to a source

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of \$277.5 million in 2000. This \$50.8 million of increased cash flow is primarily due to (i) \$121.3 million of cash distributions received in 2000 attributable to our interest in Energy Partners (see Note 2 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements and the discussion following) and (ii) a decrease in cash used in 2000 to make interest payments reflecting the decreased average debt balance outstanding. Partially offsetting this increase were (i) an increase in cash used for working capital of \$84.6 million and (ii) January 2000 payments associated with December 1999 gas supply purchases.

"Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities" increased from \$95.3 million in 1998 to \$321.2 million in 1999, an increase of \$225.9 million or 237 percent. This increase was principally attributable to (i) cash provided by reductions in working capital for continuing operations in 1999 and (ii) increased 1999 operating cash flows associated with discontinued operations reflecting, among other things, improved operating results and the sale of accounts receivable, partially offset by (i) reduced 1999 earnings from continuing operations before asset sales and (ii) the inclusion in 1998 results of \$27.5 million of proceeds from the buyout of certain contractual gas obligations.

In general, distributions from Energy Partners are declared in the month following the end of the quarter to which they apply and are paid in the month following the month of declaration to the general partner and unit holders of record as of the end of the declaration month. Therefore, the accompanying Statement of Consolidated Cash Flows for 2000 reflects the receipt of a total of \$121.3 million of cash distributions from Energy Partners for the fourth quarter of 1999 and the first nine months of 2000. The cash distributions attributable to our interest for the three months and twelve months ended December 31, 2000

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total \$44.5 million and \$149.9 million, respectively. The increase in distributions during 2000 reflects, among other factors, the December 31, 1999 transfer of certain properties from us to Energy Partners (see Note 5 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements).

### Net Cash Flows from Investing Activities

"Net Cash Flows Provided by Investing Activities" decreased from \$1.0 billion in 1999 to \$498.7 million in 2000, a decline of \$521.5 million principally due to the sale of approximately \$1.1 billion of government securities during 1999, with the proceeds utilized to repay the Substitute Note assumed in conjunction with the January 1998 acquisition of MidCon Corp. Partially offsetting this decrease was (i) \$500.3 million of cash received during 2000 from the sale of certain interests and assets to Energy Partners and (ii) cash flows of discontinued investing activities increasing from a use of \$46.6 million in 1999 to a source of \$154.2 million in 2000, which was principally a result of the \$163.9 million of proceeds received from ONEOK for the sale of gathering and processing businesses in Oklahoma, Kansas and West Texas.

"Net Cash Flows from Investing Activities" increased from a net outflow of \$3.5 billion in 1998 to a net inflow of \$1.0 billion in 1999. This increase was principally attributable to the net impact of (i) a net cash outflow of \$2.2 billion in 1998 for the purchase of MidCon Corp., (ii) net purchases of U.S. Government securities of \$1.1 billion in 1998, principally to act as collateral for the Substitute Note assumed in the acquisition of MidCon Corp., (iii) net sales of U.S. government securities of \$1.1 billion in 1999, which proceeds were used, together with proceeds of additional short-term borrowings, to repay the Substitute Note, (iv) additional cash used in 1999 for other acquisitions, principally the cash portion of consideration paid for the Thermo acquisition, (v) the 1999 receipt of \$28.7 million of proceeds from the sale of Tom Brown, Inc. preferred stock, (vi) increased proceeds from sales of assets in 1999 and (vi) decreased net cash outflows for investing activities of discontinued operations in 1999.

During the year 2000, major asset sales included (i) Kinder Morgan Texas Pipeline, Inc., the Casper and Douglas Natural Gas Gathering and Processing Systems, our 50 percent interest in Coyote Gas Treating, LLC and our 25 percent interest in Thunder Creek Gas Services, L.L.C. to Energy Partners, (ii) gathering and processing businesses in Oklahoma, Kansas and West Texas as well as our marketing and trading business to

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ONEOK, (iii) three natural gas gathering systems and a natural gas processing facility to WBI Holdings, Inc. and (iv) Wildhorse Energy Partners, LLC to Tom Brown, Inc. Total proceeds received in 2000 from asset sales were \$730.6 million of which \$330 million represented proceeds from the 1999 transfer of assets to Energy Partners.

Major asset sales during 1999 included (i) Kinder Morgan Interstate, Kinder Morgan Trailblazer LLC and our interest in Red Cedar Gathering Company to Energy Partners, (ii) all of our major offshore assets in the Gulf of Mexico area, including our interests in Stingray Pipeline Company L.L.C. and West Cameron Dehydration Company L.L.C., and the HIOS and UTOS offshore pipeline systems and (iii) MidCon Gas Products of New Mexico Corp. Total proceeds received in 1999 from asset sales were \$111.1 million.

Notes 2, 5 and 6 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements and "Net Cash Flows from Financing Activities" following contain more information concerning these investments and sales.

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### Net Cash Flows from Financing Activities

"Net Cash Flows Used in Financing Activities" decreased from approximately \$1.3 billion in 1999 to \$550.3 million in 2000, a decline of approximately \$786.7 million. This decrease was principally due to the first-quarter 1999 repayment of the \$1.39 billion Substitute Note as discussed preceding, partially offset by increased short-term borrowings during the same period, as well as reduced cash payments for dividends in 2000.

"Net Cash Flows from Financing Activities" decreased from a net inflow of \$3.4 billion in 1998 to a net outflow of \$1.3 billion in 1999. This decrease was principally the result of the 1998 financings associated with the acquisition of MidCon Corp. and the repayment of the Substitute Note in 1999, in each case as described following. In addition, we retired \$158.9 million of long-term debt in 1999, compared to \$35.8 million in 1998. The long-term debt retired in 1999 included \$148.6 million of debt assumed in conjunction with the acquisition of Kinder Morgan Delaware.

Our principal sources of short-term liquidity are our revolving bank facilities. As of December 31, 2000, we had available a \$500 million 364-day facility dated October 25, 2000, and a \$400 million amended and restated five-year revolving credit agreement dated January 30, 1998. These bank facilities can be used for general corporate purposes, including backup for our commercial paper program. At December 31, 2000, we had \$100 million of bank borrowings and commercial paper (which is backed by the bank facilities) issued and outstanding. The corresponding amount outstanding was \$50 million at February 9, 2001. After inclusion of applicable letters of credit, the remaining available borrowing capacity under the bank facilities was \$796.7 million and \$846.7 million at December 31, 2000 and February 9, 2001, respectively. The bank facilities include covenants that are common in such arrangements. For example, the \$500 million facility requires consolidated debt to be less than 68% of consolidated total capitalization. The \$400 million facility requires that upon issuance of common stock to the holders of the premium equity participating security units at the maturity of the security units (November 2001), consolidated debt must be less than 67% of consolidated total capitalization. Both of the bank facilities require the debt of consolidated subsidiaries to be less than 10% of our consolidated debt and require the consolidated debt of each material subsidiary to be less than 65% of our consolidated total capitalization. The \$400 million facility requires our consolidated net worth (inclusive of trust preferred securities) be at least \$1.236 billion plus 50 percent of consolidated net income earned for each fiscal quarter beginning with the last quarter of 1998. The \$500 million facility requires our consolidated net worth (inclusive of trust preferred securities) be at least \$1.236 billion plus 50 percent of consolidated net income earned for each fiscal quarter beginning with the last quarter of 1999.

Our short-term debt of \$908.2 million at December 31, 2000 consisted of (i) \$100 million of borrowings under our revolving credit facilities, (ii) the \$400 million of Reset Put Securities that are scheduled to be either remarketed or retired as of March 1, 2001, (iii) the \$400 million of 6.45% Senior Notes, due November 2001

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and (iv) \$8.2 million of miscellaneous current maturities of long-term debt. We expect to retire the Reset Put Securities at March 1, 2001 utilizing a combination of cash on hand and incremental short-term borrowings, which will result in an extraordinary loss on early extinguishments of debt expected to total approximately \$15 million. We expect that the \$400 million of 6.45% Senior

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Notes will be retired at maturity with a portion of the \$460 million of cash to be received from the issuance of common stock upon maturity of the Premium Equity Participating Securities, which occurs concurrently as discussed following. Apart from these items, our current assets and current liabilities are approximately equal. Given our expected cash flows from operations and our unused debt capacity, including our 5-year revolving credit facility, we do not expect any liquidity issues in the foreseeable future.

In September 1999, we established an accounts receivable sales facility that provided up to \$150 million of additional liquidity. In accordance with this agreement, we received proceeds of \$150 million on September 30, 1999. Cash flows associated with this facility are included with "Cash flows from Operating Activities" in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows. In February 2000, we reduced our participation in this receivables sales program by \$124.9 million, principally as a result of our then-pending disposition of our wholesale gas marketing business. On April 25, 2000, we repaid the residual balance and terminated the agreement.

In November 1998, we sold \$460 million principal amount of premium equity participating securities in a public offering. The proceeds from the security units offering was used to purchase U.S. Treasury Notes on behalf of the security unit holders, which notes are the property of the security unit holders and will be held as collateral to fund the obligation of the security unit holders to purchase our common stock at the end of a three-year period. In November 2001, the maturity of these securities will result in our receipt of \$460 million in cash as discussed above and, based on the market price of our common stock as of November 30, 2001, the issuance of approximately 13.4 million shares of common stock. The cash proceeds are expected to be used to retire the \$400 million of 6.45% Senior Notes that mature concurrently with the premium equity participating securities and to repay a portion of short-term borrowings then outstanding.

In March 1998, we issued 12.5 million shares (18.75 million shares after adjustment for the December 1998 three-for-two stock split) of common stock in an underwritten public offering, receiving net proceeds of approximately \$624.6 million. Also in March 1998, we issued \$2.35 billion principal amount of debt securities of varying maturities and interest rates in an underwritten public offering, receiving net proceeds of approximately \$2.34 billion. The net proceeds from these two offerings were used to refinance borrowings under the MidCon Corp. acquisition financing arrangements and to purchase U.S. government securities to collateralize a portion of the Substitute Note (assumed in conjunction with the acquisition). In April 1998, we sold \$175 million of 7.63% Capital Securities due April 15, 2028, in an underwritten offering, with the net proceeds of \$173.1 million used to purchase U.S. government securities to further collateralize the Substitute Note. In November 1998, we completed the underwritten public offering of \$400 million of 3-year senior notes concurrently with the \$460 million principal amount of premium equity participating security units discussed above. The \$397.4 million of net proceeds from the senior notes offering were used to retire a portion of our then-outstanding short-term borrowings. For additional information on each of these financings, including terms of the specific securities and the associated accounting treatment, see Note 12 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

On January 4, 1999, we repaid the \$1.4 billion Substitute Note payable to Occidental Petroleum as part of the MidCon Corp. acquisition. The note was repaid using the proceeds of approximately \$1.1 billion from the sale of U.S. government securities that had been held as collateral, with the balance of the funds provided by an increase in short-term borrowings.



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### Capital Expenditures and Commitments

Capital expenditures in 2000 were \$137.5 million and \$3.2 million for continuing operations and discontinued operations, respectively. The 2001 capital expenditure budget totals approximately \$197 million. We expect that funding for the budget will be provided from internal sources and, if necessary, incremental borrowings. Approximately \$5.5 million of this amount had been committed for the purchase of plant and equipment at December 31, 2000. Additional information on commitments is contained in Note 17 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

### LITIGATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL

Our anticipated environmental capital costs and expenses for 2001, including expected costs for remediation efforts, are approximately \$7 million, compared to \$5.8 million of such costs and expenses incurred in 2000. A substantial portion of our environmental costs are either recoverable through insurance and indemnification provisions or have previously recorded liabilities associated with them.

Refer to Notes 9(A) and 9(B) to the accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information on our pending litigation and environmental matters. We believe we have established adequate reserves such that the resolution of pending litigation and environmental matters will not have a material adverse impact on our business, cash flows, financial position or results of operations.

### REGULATION

See Note 8 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for information regarding regulatory matters.

### RISK MANAGEMENT

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with Note 14 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, which contains additional information on our risk management activities.

To minimize the risk of price changes in the natural gas and associated transportation markets, we use certain financial instruments for hedging purposes. These instruments include energy products traded on the New York Mercantile Exchange, the Kansas City Board of Trade and over-the-counter markets including, but not limited to, futures and options contracts and fixed-price swaps. We are exposed to credit-related losses in the event of nonperformance by counterparties to these financial instruments but, given their existing credit ratings, we do not expect any counterparties to fail to meet their obligations.

Pursuant to a policy approved by our Board of Directors, we are to engage in these activities only as a hedging mechanism against price volatility associated with (i) pre-existing or anticipated physical gas sales, (ii) physical gas purchases and (iii) system use and storage in order to protect profit margins, and not to engage in speculative trading. Commodity-related activities of the risk management group are monitored by our Risk Management Committee, which is charged with the review and enforcement of the Board of Directors' risk management policy. The Risk Management Committee reviews the types of hedging instruments used, contract limits and approval levels and may review the pricing and hedging of any or all commodity transactions. All energy futures, swaps and options are recorded at fair value. The fair value of these risk management instruments reflects the estimated amounts that we would receive or pay to terminate the contracts at the reporting date, thereby taking into account the current unrealized gains or losses on open contracts. Market quotes are

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available for substantially all financial instruments we use.

Through December 31, 2000, gains and losses on hedging positions have been deferred and recognized as gas purchases expense in the periods in which the underlying physical transactions occur. On January 1, 2001, we began accounting for derivative instruments under SFAS No. 133,

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"Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," (after amendment by SFAS 137 and SFAS 138, the "Statement"). As discussed preceding, our principal use of derivative financial instruments is to mitigate the market price risk associated with anticipated transactions for the purchase and sale of natural gas. The Statement allows these transactions to continue to be treated as hedges for accounting purposes, although the changes in the market value of these instruments will affect comprehensive income in the period in which they occur and any ineffectiveness in the risk mitigation performance of the hedge will affect net income currently. The change in the market value of these instruments representing effective hedge operation will continue to affect net income in the period in which the associated physical transactions are consummated. Adoption of the Statement has resulted in \$14.4 million of deferred net loss as of January 1, 2001, being reported as part of other comprehensive income in 2001, as well as subsequent changes in the market value of these derivatives prior to consummation of the transaction being hedged.

We measure the risk of price changes in the natural gas and natural gas liquids markets utilizing a Value-at-Risk model. Value-at-Risk is a statistical measure of how much the marked-to-market value of a portfolio could change during a period of time, within a certain level of statistical confidence. We utilize a closed form model to evaluate risk on a daily basis. The Value-at-Risk computations utilize a confidence level of 97.7 percent for the resultant price movement and a holding period of one day chosen for the calculation. The confidence level used means that there is a 97.7 percent probability that the mark-to-market losses for a single day will not exceed the Value-at-Risk number presented. Instruments evaluated by the model include forward physical gas, storage and transportation contracts and financial products including commodity futures and options contracts, fixed price swaps, basis swaps and over-the-counter options. During 2000, Value-at-Risk reached a high of \$5.4 million and a low of \$1.5 million. Value-at-Risk at December 31, 2000, was \$5.3 million and averaged \$4.5 million for 2000.

Our calculated Value-at-Risk exposure represents an estimate of the reasonably possible net losses that would be recognized on our portfolio of derivatives assuming hypothetical movements in future market rates, and is not necessarily indicative of actual results that may occur. It does not represent the maximum possible loss or any expected loss that may occur, since actual future gains and losses will differ from those estimated. Actual gains and losses may differ from estimates due to actual fluctuations in market rates, operating exposures and the timing thereof, as well as changes in our portfolio of derivatives during the year.

As a result of our recent divestiture of certain lines of business, including our wholesale natural gas and liquids marketing and natural gas gathering, processing and associated businesses, we expect that our portfolio of financial instruments held for the purposes of hedging, and corresponding exposure to loss from such instruments, will be smaller in the future. Given our portfolio of businesses as of December 31, 2000, our principal uses of derivative financial instruments will be to mitigate the risk associated with market movements in the price of natural gas associated with (i) the sale of in-kind fuel recoveries in excess of fuel used on Natural's pipeline system and (ii) the purchase of

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natural gas by Retail to serve its customers in the Choice Gas program.

From time to time, our treasury department manages interest rate exposure utilizing interest rate swaps, caps or similar derivatives within Board-established policy. None of these interest rate derivatives is leveraged. We are currently not hedging our interest rate exposure resulting from short-term borrowings. The market risk related to short-term borrowings from a one percent change in interest rates would result in a \$0.5 million annual impact on pre-tax income, based on short-term borrowing levels as of February 9, 2001.

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### Significant Operating Variables

Our principal exposure to market variability is related to the variation in natural gas prices and basis differentials, which can affect gross margins in our Natural and Retail segments. "Basis differential" is a term that refers to the difference in natural gas prices between two locations or two points in time. These price differences can be affected by, among other things, natural gas supply and demand, available transportation capacity, storage inventories and deliverability, prices of alternative fuels and weather conditions. In recent periods, additional competitive pressures have been generated in Midwest natural gas markets due to the introduction and planned introduction of additional supplies into the Chicago market area, although incremental "take away" capacity has also been constructed. We have attempted to reduce our exposure to this form of market variability by pursuing long-term, fixed-rate type contract agreements for capacity on Natural. In addition, as discussed under "Risk Management" elsewhere in this document and in Note 14 of the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, we utilize a comprehensive risk management program to mitigate our exposure to changes in the market price of natural gas and associated transportation.

### QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Information required by this item is in Item 7 under the heading "Risk Management."

#### KINDER MORGAN, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES SCHEDULE II - VALUATION AND QUALIFYING ACCOUNTS

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001		
BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	ADDITIONS CHARGED TO COST AND EXPENSES	DEDUCTIONS WRITE-OFF OF UNCOLLECTIBLE ACCOUNTS	
		(In Millions)	
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	\$ 1.7	\$ 9.9	\$ (9.3)

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DEDUCTIONS

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	BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD -----	ADDITIONS CHARGED TO COST AND EXPENSES -----	WRITE-OFF OF UNCOLLECTIBLE ACCOUNTS ----- (In Millions)
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	\$ 10.8	\$ 3.6	\$ (0.6)

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SIGNATURE

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 hereunto duly authorized.

KINDER MORGAN, INC.

Dated: February 16, 2001

By: /s/ JOSEPH LISTENGART

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Joseph Listengart  
Vice President and General Counsel

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EXHIBIT INDEX

EXHIBIT NUMBER -----	DESCRIPTION -----
23.1	Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
23.2	Consent of Arthur Andersen LLP
99.1	Form 8-K Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P. dated February 16, 2001, including the consolidated financial statements of Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P.