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**FORM 10-Q**

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

**For the quarter ended June 30, 2007**

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

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

**Commission File Number 1-8796**

**QUESTAR CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

**STATE OF UTAH**

**87-0407509**

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**180 East 100 South Street, P.O. Box 45433 Salt Lake City, Utah 84145-0433**

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(801) 324-5000**

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No

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

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes  No

On July 31, 2007, 172,633,536 shares of the registrant's common stock, without par value, were outstanding.

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## PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

## QUESTAR CORPORATION

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Unaudited)

	3 Months Ended June 30,		6 Months Ended June 30,	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	(in millions, except per-share amounts)			
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Market Resources	\$ 384.6	\$ 384.1	\$ 818.5	\$ 799.2
Questar Pipeline	30.4	30.2	62.1	59.6
Questar Gas	141.7	181.9	548.2	648.8
Total Revenues	556.7	596.2	1,428.8	1,507.6
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>				
Cost of natural gas and other products sold	119.6	220.8	512.0	683.6
Operating and maintenance	72.7	68.3	150.4	142.4
General and administrative	42.1	30.3	79.3	62.6
Production and other taxes	27.2	25.9	57.0	59.4
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	92.6	73.2	183.7	146.0
Exploration	3.1	10.1	5.1	13.4
Abandonment and impairment	2.1	1.8	4.1	3.5
Total Operating Expenses	359.4	430.4	991.6	1,110.9
Net gain from asset sales	0.1	0.3	0.5	0.2
<b>OPERATING INCOME</b>	<b>197.4</b>	<b>166.1</b>	<b>437.7</b>	<b>396.9</b>
Interest and other income	2.9	3.4	5.9	5.9
Income from unconsolidated affiliates	2.2	1.7	4.4	3.5
Net mark-to-market gain (loss) on basis-only swaps	(6.6)	(5.6)	5.2	(5.6)
Loss on early extinguishment of debt		(1.7)		(1.7)

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Interest expense	<b>(17.7)</b>	(19.8)	<b>(35.7)</b>	(37.2)
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	<b>178.2</b>	144.1	<b>417.5</b>	361.8
Income taxes	<b>66.0</b>	53.7	<b>154.2</b>	134.3
NET INCOME	<b>\$ 112.2</b>	\$ 90.4	<b>\$ 263.3</b>	\$ 227.5
EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE				
Basic	<b>\$ 0.65</b>	\$ 0.53	<b>\$ 1.53</b>	\$ 1.33
Diluted	<b>0.64</b>	0.52	<b>1.50</b>	1.30
Weighted-average common shares outstanding				
Used in basic calculation	<b>172.0</b>	170.7	<b>171.8</b>	170.6
Used in diluted calculation	<b>175.9</b>	175.0	<b>175.7</b>	175.0
Dividends per common share	<b>\$0.1225</b>	\$0.1175	<b>\$ 0.24</b>	\$ 0.23

See notes accompanying the condensed consolidated financial statements

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## QUESTAR CORPORATION

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	<b>June 30,</b>	
	<b>2007</b>	December 31,
	<b>(Unaudited)</b>	2006
	(in millions)	
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents		\$ 24.6
Accounts receivable, net	<b>\$ 259.3</b>	343.3
Unbilled-gas accounts receivable	<b>7.6</b>	67.5
Fair value of derivative contracts	<b>109.9</b>	155.5
Gas and oil storage	<b>45.5</b>	77.9
Materials and supplies	<b>49.8</b>	56.9
Prepaid expenses and other	<b>22.4</b>	27.7
Total Current Assets	<b>494.5</b>	753.4
Property, Plant and Equipment	<b>7,011.1</b>	6,414.1
Accumulated depreciation, depletion and amortization	<b>(2,477.4)</b>	(2,322.7)
Net Property, Plant and Equipment	<b>4,533.7</b>	4,091.4
Investment in unconsolidated affiliates	<b>45.2</b>	37.5
Goodwill	<b>70.7</b>	70.7
Regulatory assets	<b>32.0</b>	32.7
Fair value of derivative contracts	<b>3.4</b>	49.0
Other noncurrent assets, net	<b>34.6</b>	30.0
Total Assets	<b>\$5,214.1</b>	\$5,064.7
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY</b>		
Current Liabilities		
Checks outstanding in excess of cash	<b>\$ 23.5</b>	
Short-term debt	<b>62.5</b>	\$ 40.0
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	<b>379.4</b>	520.0
Questar Gas customer credit balances	<b>16.4</b>	31.4
Fair value of derivative contracts	<b>2.4</b>	8.2
Purchase-gas adjustment	<b>54.1</b>	34.3
Deferred income taxes - current	<b>16.1</b>	35.0
Current portion of long-term debt	<b>53.0</b>	10.0



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Total Current Liabilities	<b>607.4</b>	678.9
Long-term debt, less current portion	<b>979.4</b>	1,022.4
Deferred income taxes	<b>827.8</b>	763.9
Asset retirement obligations	<b>140.9</b>	132.4
Pension and postretirement benefits	<b>144.8</b>	143.8
Fair value of derivative contracts	<b>17.2</b>	0.2
Other long-term liabilities	<b>127.7</b>	117.6
<b>COMMON SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
Common stock	<b>423.0</b>	409.6
Retained earnings	<b>1,972.1</b>	1,750.2
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	<b>(26.2)</b>	45.7
Total Common Shareholders' Equity	<b>2,368.9</b>	2,205.5
Total Liabilities and Common Shareholders' Equity	<b>\$5,214.1</b>	\$5,064.7

See notes accompanying the condensed consolidated financial statements

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## QUESTAR CORPORATION

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited)

	6 Months Ended June 30,	
	2007	2006
	(in millions)	
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Net income	<b>\$263.3</b>	\$227.5
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided from operating activities:		
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	<b>187.0</b>	150.5
Deferred income taxes	<b>88.6</b>	17.8
Share-based compensation	<b>6.2</b>	4.5
Abandonment and impairment	<b>4.1</b>	3.5
Dry exploratory-well expenses		9.9
Net (gain) from asset sales	<b>(0.5)</b>	(0.2)
Income from unconsolidated affiliates	<b>(4.4)</b>	(3.5)
Distributions from unconsolidated affiliates	<b>3.2</b>	2.8
Net mark-to-market (gain) loss on basis-only swaps	<b>(5.2)</b>	5.6
Loss on early extinguishment of debt		1.7
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	<b>11.0</b>	92.9
<b>NET CASH PROVIDED FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>553.3</b>	513.0
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Capital expenditures		
Property, plant and equipment	<b>(587.0)</b>	(369.9)
Other investments	<b>(6.5)</b>	(2.5)
Total capital expenditures	<b>(593.5)</b>	(372.4)
Proceeds from disposition of assets	<b>3.8</b>	2.8
<b>NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>(589.7)</b>	(369.6)
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Common stock issued	<b>5.5</b>	4.5
Common stock repurchased	<b>(7.9)</b>	(3.1)
Long-term debt issued, net of issue costs		247.0
Long term debt repaid		(200.0)
Early extinguishment of debt costs		(1.7)

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Change in short-term debt	<b>22.5</b>	(94.5)
Checks outstanding in excess of cash	<b>23.5</b>	
Dividends paid	<b>(41.4)</b>	(39.4)
Excess tax benefits from share-based compensation	<b>9.6</b>	4.2
NET CASH PROVIDED FROM (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES	<b>11.8</b>	(83.0)
Change in cash and cash equivalents	<b>(24.6)</b>	60.4
Beginning cash and cash equivalents	<b>24.6</b>	13.4
Ending cash and cash equivalents	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 73.8</b>

See notes accompanying the condensed consolidated financial statements

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NOTES ACCOMPANYING THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**Note 1 Nature of Business**

Questar Corporation (Questar or the Company) is a natural gas-focused energy company with four major lines of business – gas and oil exploration and production, midstream field services, interstate gas transportation, and retail gas distribution – which are conducted through its three principal subsidiaries:

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Questar Market Resources, Inc. (Market Resources) is a subholding company that operates through four principal subsidiaries. Questar Exploration and Production Company (Questar E&P) acquires, explores for, develops and produces natural gas, oil and NGL. Wexpro Company (Wexpro) manages, develops and produces cost-of-service reserves for gas utility affiliate Questar Gas. Questar Gas Management Company (Gas Management) provides midstream field services including natural gas-gathering and processing services for affiliates and third parties. Questar Energy Trading Company (Energy Trading) markets equity and third-party natural gas and oil, provides risk-management services and owns and operates an underground gas-storage reservoir.

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Questar Pipeline Company (Questar Pipeline) provides interstate natural gas transportation and storage and other energy services.

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Questar Gas Company (Questar Gas) provides retail natural gas distribution services in Utah, Wyoming and Idaho.

**Note 2 Basis of Presentation of Interim Consolidated Financial Statements**

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements contain the accounts of Questar and its majority-owned or controlled subsidiaries. The condensed consolidated financial statements were prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and with the instructions for quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and Regulations S-X and S-K. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

The condensed consolidated financial statements reflect all normal, recurring adjustments and accruals that are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair presentation of financial position and results of operations for the interim periods presented. Interim condensed consolidated financial statements do not include all of the information and notes required by GAAP for audited annual consolidated financial statements. These condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006. Certain reclassifications were made to prior-period financial statements to conform with the current presentation.

The preparation of the condensed consolidated financial statements and notes in conformity with GAAP requires that management make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from estimates. The results of operations for the six months ended June 30, 2007, are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2007.

All dollar and share amounts in this quarterly report on Form 10-Q are in millions, except per-share information and where otherwise noted.

### **Note 3 Two-for-One Stock Split**

On May 14, 2007, Questar Corporation's board of directors declared a two-for-one stock split. The split was distributed June 18, 2007, to shareholders of record on June 4, 2007. Historical share and per-share amounts have been restated for the stock split.

### **Note 4 Earnings Per Share (EPS)**

Basic EPS is computed by dividing net income available to common shareholders by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the reporting period. Diluted EPS includes the potential increase in the number of outstanding shares that could result from the exercise of in-the-money stock options plus an estimated number of nonvested restricted shares.

A reconciliation of the components of basic and diluted shares used in the EPS calculation follows:



	3 Months Ended June 30,		6 Months Ended June 30,	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	(in millions)			
Weighted-average basic common shares outstanding	172.0	170.7	171.8	170.6
Potential number of shares issuable under the LTSIP	3.9	4.3	3.9	4.4
Average diluted common shares outstanding	175.9	175.0	175.7	175.0

## Note 5 Share-Based Compensation

Questar issues stock options and restricted shares to certain officers, employees and non-employee directors under its Long-term Stock Incentive Plan (LTSIP) and accounts for the transactions according to Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) 123R Share-Based Payment. First-half share-based compensation expense amounted to \$6.2 million in 2007 compared with \$4.5 million in 2006. At June 30, 2007, deferred share-based compensation amounted to \$18.9 million, of which \$15.2 million was attributed to unvested restricted shares. First-half cash flow from tax deductions in excess of recognized compensation expense amounted to \$9.6 million in 2007 and \$4.2 million in 2006. There were 10,312,768 shares available for future grant at June 30, 2007. Unvested stock options increased by 140,000 shares in the first six months of 2007. Stock-option transactions under the terms of the LTSIP are summarized below:

	Outstanding		Weighted-average	
	Options	Price Range	Price	
	Balance at January 1, 2007	5,372,708	\$7.50 - \$38.57	\$14.32
Granted	140,000		41.08	
Exercised	(773,027)	7.50 - 17.55	12.77	
<b>Balance at June 30, 2007</b>	<b>4,739,681</b>	<b>\$7.50 - \$41.08</b>	<b>\$15.36</b>	

Range of exercise	Options Outstanding			Options Exercisable		Unvested Options	
	Number outstanding at June 30, 2007	Weighted-average remaining term in years	Weighted-average exercise price	Number exercisable at June 30, 2007	Weighted-average exercise price	Number unvested at June 30, 2007	Weighted-average exercise price

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prices

\$ 7.50	\$								
8.50	825,866	2.5	\$ 7.71	825,866	\$ 7.71				
9.57									
11.98	985,289	4.4	11.51	985,289	11.51				
13.56									
14.86	2,267,450	4.9	13.72	2,267,450	13.72				
17.55									
24.33	121,076	7.4	23.15	83,576	23.63	37,500	\$22.07		
38.57									
41.08	540,000	5.9	39.22			540,000	39.22		
	<b>4,739,681</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>\$15.36</b>	<b>4,162,181</b>	<b>\$12.20</b>	<b>577,500</b>	<b>\$38.11</b>		

Restricted-share grants typically vest in equal installments over a three to five year period from the grant date while a few grants vest in a single installment after a specified period. The weighted-average vesting period of unvested restricted shares at June 30, 2007, was 18 months. Transactions involving restricted shares under the terms of the LTSIP are summarized below:

	Restricted Shares	Price Range	Weighted-average Price
Balance at January 1, 2007	731,222	\$13.56 - \$44.77	\$28.04
Granted	261,486	38.96 - 55.42	42.55
Distributed	(207,866)	13.56 - 40.74	16.83
Forfeited	(12,072)	18.45 - 45.65	36.81
<b>Balance at June 30, 2007</b>	<b>772,770</b>	<b>\$13.56 - \$55.42</b>	<b>\$34.67</b>

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**Note 6 Operations by Line of Business**

Line-of-business information is presented according to senior management's basis for evaluating performance including differences in the nature of products, services and regulation. Following is a summary of operations by line of business:

	3 Months Ended June 30,		6 Months Ended June 30,	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	(in millions)			
<b>Revenues from Unaffiliated Customers</b>				
Questar E&P	\$239.0	\$198.4	\$ 468.8	\$ 409.2
Wexpro	4.9	3.7	11.4	10.0
Gas Management	49.4	40.5	93.4	81.7
Energy Trading and other	91.3	141.5	244.9	298.3
Market Resources total	384.6	384.1	818.5	799.2
Questar Pipeline	30.4	30.2	62.1	59.6
Questar Gas	141.7	181.9	548.2	648.8
	\$556.7	\$596.2	\$1,428.8	\$1,507.6
<b>Revenues from Affiliated Companies</b>				
Wexpro	\$ 42.1	\$ 36.5	\$ 82.8	\$ 75.2
Gas Management	4.1	3.6	8.4	7.5
Energy Trading and other	133.3	159.0	289.3	409.2
Market Resources total	179.5	199.1	380.5	491.9
Questar Pipeline	19.3	20.0	39.9	40.7
Questar Gas	2.1	1.2	3.2	2.8
	\$200.9	\$220.3	\$ 423.6	\$ 535.4
<b>Operating Income</b>				
Questar E&P	\$119.9	\$104.2	\$ 237.0	\$ 223.0
Wexpro	22.5	18.3	43.9	36.5
Gas Management	22.8	15.3	41.6	30.0
Energy Trading and other	7.9	0.8	16.1	4.1
Market Resources total	173.1	138.6	338.6	293.6
Questar Pipeline	21.4	23.3	45.2	47.9
Questar Gas	1.9	2.7	52.8	53.9
Corporate	1.0	1.5	1.1	1.5
	\$197.4	\$166.1	\$ 437.7	\$ 396.9

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**Net Income (Loss)**

Questar E&P	<b>\$ 66.7</b>	\$ 56.1	<b>\$ 143.9</b>	\$ 126.6
Wexpro	<b>14.7</b>	12.0	<b>28.6</b>	23.9
Gas Management	<b>14.9</b>	10.2	<b>27.3</b>	19.9
Energy Trading and other	<b>5.8</b>	1.0	<b>11.8</b>	3.5
Market Resources total	<b>102.1</b>	79.3	<b>211.6</b>	173.9
Questar Pipeline	<b>10.0</b>	11.0	<b>21.2</b>	23.0
Questar Gas	<b>(1.1)</b>	(0.7)	<b>28.0</b>	28.7
Corporate	<b>1.2</b>	0.8	<b>2.5</b>	1.9
	<b>\$112.2</b>	\$ 90.4	<b>\$ 263.3</b>	\$ 227.5

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**Note 7 Asset Retirement Obligations (ARO)**

Questar recognizes ARO in accordance with SFAS 143 Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations. SFAS 143 addresses the financial accounting and reporting of the fair value of legal obligations associated with the retirement of tangible long-lived assets. The Company's ARO applies primarily to abandonment costs associated with gas and oil wells and certain other properties. The fair value of abandonment costs are estimated and depreciated over the life of the related assets. Revisions to estimates of the ARO result from changes in expected cash flows. The ARO liability is adjusted to present value each period through an accretion calculation using a credit-adjusted risk-free interest rate. Changes in ARO were as follows:

	2007	2006
	(in millions)	
ARO liability at January 1,	\$132.4	\$78.2
Accretion	4.1	2.5
Liabilities incurred	4.1	3.4
Revisions	1.3	
Liabilities settled	(1.0)	(0.7)
ARO liability at June 30,	\$140.9	\$83.4

**Note 8 Employee Benefits**

Questar has defined-benefit pension and postretirement medical and life insurance plans covering the majority of its employees. Questar is subject to and complies with minimum-required and maximum-allowed annual contribution levels for its qualified retirement plan as determined by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act and Internal Revenue Code. Subject to these limitations, Questar seeks to fund the qualified retirement plan approximately equal to the yearly expense, which is estimated to be \$16.3 million for 2007.

The Company also has a nonqualified pension plan for eligible employees that provides a benefit in addition to the benefit limit defined by the Internal Revenue Service for qualified pension plans. The nonqualified pension plan is unfunded. Claims are paid from the Company's general funds. The 2007 expense is estimated to be \$1.7 million.

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Components of the qualified and nonqualified pension expense included in the determination of net income are listed below:

	3 Months Ended June 30,		6 Months Ended June 30,	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	(in millions)			
Service cost	\$ 2.6	\$ 2.7	\$ 5.3	\$ 5.3
Interest cost	5.9	5.5	11.9	11.1
Expected return on plan assets	(6.0)	(5.2)	(12.1)	(10.4)
Prior service and other costs	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.8
Recognized net-actuarial loss	1.5	1.4	3.0	2.7
Settlement costs	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.5
Pension expense	\$ 4.5	\$ 5.0	\$ 9.0	\$ 10.0

The Company currently estimates a \$4.7 million expense for postretirement benefits other than pensions in 2007 before \$0.8 million for accretion of a regulatory liability. Expense components are listed below:

	3 Months Ended June 30,		6 Months Ended June 30,	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	(in millions)			
Service cost	\$ 0.3	\$ 0.3	\$ 0.5	\$ 0.5
Interest cost	1.1	1.1	2.3	2.3
Expected return on plan assets	(0.7)	(0.8)	(1.5)	(1.5)

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Amortization of transition obligation	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	<b>0.9</b>	0.9
Amortization of losses		0.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1
Accretion of regulatory liability	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	<b>0.4</b>	0.4
Postretirement benefits expense	<b>\$ 1.3</b>	\$ 1.3	<b>\$ 2.7</b>	\$ 2.7

## Note 9 Comprehensive Income

Comprehensive income is the sum of net income as reported in the Consolidated Statements of Income and other comprehensive income (loss). Other comprehensive income (loss) includes changes in the market value of gas and oil-price derivatives and recognition of the under-funded position of pension and other postretirement benefit plans. Changes in the market value of derivatives during the period result from contracts realized or otherwise settled, changes in energy prices and new derivative contracts. Comprehensive income is shown below:

	3 Months Ended June 30,		6 Months Ended June 30,	
	<b>2007</b>	2006	<b>2007</b>	2006
	(in millions)			
Net income	<b>\$112.2</b>	\$90.4	<b>\$263.3</b>	\$227.5
Other comprehensive income (loss)				
Net unrealized gain (loss) on derivatives	<b>7.1</b>	44.4	<b>(115.5)</b>	283.3
Income taxes	<b>(2.7)</b>	(16.8)	<b>43.6</b>	(107.3)
Net other comprehensive income (loss)	<b>4.4</b>	27.6	<b>(71.9)</b>	176.0
Total comprehensive income	<b>\$116.6</b>	\$118.0	<b>\$191.4</b>	\$403.5

The components of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of income taxes, summarized on the consolidated balance sheet are as follows:

	<b>June 30,</b>	December 31,	Change
	<b>2007</b>	2006	
	(in millions)		
Net unrealized gain on derivatives	<b>\$56.2</b>	\$128.1	(\$71.9)
Pension liability	<b>(68.9)</b>	(68.9)	
Postretirement benefits liability	<b>(13.5)</b>	(13.5)	
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	<b>(\$26.2)</b>	\$ 45.7	(\$71.9)

**Note 10 – Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes**

In July 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued FASB Interpretation 48, “Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes” (FIN 48). The interpretation applies to all tax positions related to income taxes subject to SFAS 109 Accounting for Income Taxes. FIN 48 provides guidance for the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes by prescribing a minimum recognition threshold for a tax position to be reflected in the financial statements. If recognized, the tax benefit is measured as the largest amount of tax benefit that is more-likely-than-not to be realized upon ultimate settlement. Questar adopted the provisions of FIN 48 January 1, 2007. Management has considered the amounts and the probabilities of the outcomes that could be realized upon ultimate settlement and believes that it is more-likely-than-not that the Company’s recorded income tax benefits will be fully realized. There were no unrecognized tax benefits at the beginning or at the end of the six-month period ended June 30, 2007. Questar’s federal income tax returns for the years 1999 through 2004 are currently under examination.

The Company records interest earned on income-tax refunds in interest and other income and penalties and interest charged on tax deficiencies in interest expense. As of the date of adoption, there were no amounts accrued for penalties or interest related to unrecognized tax benefits.

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

The following discussion updates information as to Questar's financial condition provided in its previous Form 10-K filing, and analyzes the changes in the results of operations between the three-and six-month periods ended June 30, 2007 and 2006. For definitions of commonly used gas and oil terms found in this report on Form 10-Q, please refer to the Glossary of Commonly Used Terms provided in Questar's 2006 Form 10-K.

**RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

Following are comparisons of net income (loss) by line of business:

	3 Months Ended June 30,			6 Months Ended June 30,		
	2007	2006	Change	2007	2006	Change
	(in millions, except per-share amounts)					
Market Resources						
Questar E&P	\$ 66.7	\$56.1	\$10.6	\$143.9	\$126.6	\$17.3
Wexpro	14.7	12.0	2.7	28.6	23.9	4.7
Gas Management	14.9	10.2	4.7	27.3	19.9	7.4
Energy Trading and other	5.8	1.0	4.8	11.8	3.5	8.3
Market Resources total	102.1	79.3	22.8	211.6	173.9	37.7
Questar Pipeline	10.0	11.0	(1.0)	21.2	23.0	(1.8)
Questar Gas	(1.1)	(0.7)	(0.4)	28.0	28.7	(0.7)
Corporate	1.2	0.8	0.4	2.5	1.9	0.6
Net income	\$112.2	\$90.4	\$21.8	\$263.3	\$227.5	\$35.8
Earnings per diluted share	\$ 0.64	\$0.52	\$0.12	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.30	\$0.20
Average diluted shares	175.9	175.0	0.9	175.7	175.0	0.7

**Market Resources**

Market Resources reported \$102.1 million of net income for second quarter of 2007 compared with \$79.3 million in the second quarter of 2006, a 29% increase and \$211.6 million net income in the first half of 2007 compared with \$173.9 million in the 2006 period. Operating income increased \$34.5 million or 25% in the 2007 second quarter and was 15% higher in the 2007 first half compared to the 2006 periods due primarily to increased natural gas production at Questar E&P, increased gas-gathering volumes driven by an increase in third-party volumes at Gas Management and an increased investment base at Wexpro. Net mark-to-market gains (losses) on natural gas basis-only swaps increased first half 2007 net income \$3.3 million and decreased first half 2006 net income by \$3.5 million. Following is a summary of Market Resources financial and operating results:

	3 Months Ended June 30		6 Months Ended June 30,	
	2007	2006	2007	2006

(in millions)

**OPERATING INCOME**

Revenues

Natural gas sales	<b>\$200.2</b>	\$165.3	<b>\$396.1</b>	\$344.1
Oil and NGL sales	<b>44.7</b>	36.3	<b>82.7</b>	73.0
Cost-of-service gas operations	<b>40.2</b>	34.9	<b>82.3</b>	74.5
Energy marketing	<b>91.9</b>	142.1	<b>245.7</b>	309.3
Gas gathering, processing and other	<b>53.6</b>	45.7	<b>102.5</b>	90.9
Total revenues	<b>430.6</b>	424.3	<b>909.3</b>	891.8

Operating expenses

Energy purchases	<b>82.6</b>	140.3	<b>227.5</b>	303.4
Operating and maintenance	<b>47.0</b>	42.2	<b>94.3</b>	87.6

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General and administrative	<b>24.7</b>	15.5	<b>43.9</b>	32.1
Production and other taxes	<b>21.5</b>	20.3	<b>45.3</b>	48.2
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	<b>74.4</b>	54.6	<b>147.4</b>	107.6
Exploration	<b>3.1</b>	10.1	<b>5.1</b>	13.4
Abandonment and impairment	<b>2.1</b>	1.8	<b>4.1</b>	3.5
Wexpro Agreement oil-income sharing	<b>2.0</b>	1.2	<b>3.1</b>	2.8
Total operating expenses	<b>257.4</b>	286.0	<b>570.7</b>	598.6
Net gain (loss) from asset sales	<b>(0.1)</b>	0.3		0.4
Operating income	<b>\$173.1</b>	\$138.6	<b>\$338.6</b>	\$293.6

### OPERATING STATISTICS

#### Questar E&P production volumes

Natural gas (Bcf)	<b>30.9</b>	27.5	<b>61.8</b>	56.1
Oil and NGL (MMbbl)	<b>0.7</b>	0.6	<b>1.4</b>	1.2
Total production (Bcfe)	<b>35.5</b>	31.3	<b>70.4</b>	63.6
Average daily production (MMcfe)	<b>389.9</b>	343.8	<b>389.1</b>	351.2

#### Questar E&P average realized price, net to the well (including hedges)

Natural gas (per Mcf)	<b>\$6.47</b>	\$6.00	<b>\$6.41</b>	\$6.13
Oil and NGL (per bbl)	<b>\$50.55</b>	\$50.11	<b>\$49.63</b>	\$50.27

#### Wexpro investment base at June 30, net

of depreciation and deferred income taxes (millions)	<b>\$267.2</b>	\$220.1		
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#### Natural gas processing volumes

NGL sales (MMgal)	<b>20.2</b>	21.9	<b>38.0</b>	44.5
Fee-based processing (millions of MMBtu)	<b>33.4</b>	26.5	<b>64.0</b>	56.6

#### Natural gas processing revenues

NGL sales price (per gal)	<b>\$0.95</b>	\$0.89	<b>\$0.92</b>	\$0.88
Fee-based processing (per MMBtu)	<b>\$0.15</b>	\$0.14	<b>\$0.15</b>	\$0.14

#### Natural gas gathering volumes (millions of MMBtu)

For unaffiliated customers	<b>44.4</b>	28.3	<b>83.9</b>	53.7
For affiliated customers	<b>31.3</b>	34.2	<b>68.9</b>	70.0
Total gathering	<b>75.7</b>	62.5	<b>152.8</b>	123.7
Gathering revenue (per MMBtu)	<b>\$0.33</b>	\$0.29	<b>\$0.31</b>	\$0.29

#### Natural gas and oil marketing volumes (MMdthe)

For unaffiliated customers	<b>24.4</b>	25.8	<b>50.0</b>	55.3
For affiliated customers	<b>23.6</b>	24.3	<b>50.9</b>	49.9
Total marketing	<b>48.0</b>	50.1	<b>100.9</b>	105.2

## Questar E&P

Questar E&P reported net income of \$66.7 million in the second quarter, up 19% from \$56.1 million in the 2006 quarter. Net income for the first six months of 2007 rose 14% to \$143.9 million compared to \$126.6 million a year earlier. The impact of growing production combined with increased realized prices for natural gas was partially offset by a higher average production cost structure.

Questar E&P production volumes increased to 35.5 Bcfe in the second quarter of 2007, a 13% increase compared to the year-earlier period. For the first six months of 2007 production volumes increased to 70.4 Bcfe, an 11% increase compared to the year-earlier period. Questar E&P shut in approximately 1 Bcfe (net) of unhedged June natural gas and associated liquid hydrocarbon production in response to low regional market prices for natural gas in the Rocky Mountain producing area. Natural gas is Questar E&P's primary focus. On an energy-equivalent basis, natural gas comprised approximately 87% of Questar E&P 2007 production. A comparison of natural gas-equivalent production by major operating area is shown in the following table:

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	3 Months Ended June 30,			6 Months Ended June 30,		
	2007	2006	Change	2007	2006	Change
	(in Bcfe)					
Pinedale Anticline	<b>11.4</b>	8.2	3.2	<b>23.6</b>	17.9	5.7
Uinta Basin	<b>6.7</b>	6.2	0.5	<b>12.6</b>	12.4	0.2
Rockies Legacy	<b>4.9</b>	*4.9		<b>9.4</b>	**10.0	(0.6)
Rocky Mountain total	<b>23.0</b>	19.3	3.7	<b>45.6</b>	40.3	5.3
Midcontinent	<b>12.5</b>	12.0	0.5	<b>24.8</b>	23.3	1.5
Total Questar E&P	<b>35.5</b>	31.3	4.2	<b>70.4</b>	63.6	6.8

\*Includes 0.3 Bcfe working interest adjustment.

\*\*Includes 0.7 Bcfe gas-imbalance settlement and 0.3 Bcfe working interest adjustment.

Questar E&P production from the Pinedale Anticline in western Wyoming grew 32% to 23.6 Bcfe in the first six months of 2007 as a result of ongoing development drilling. Pinedale production growth is influenced by seasonal access restrictions imposed by the Bureau of Land Management that limit the company's ability to drill and complete wells during the mid-November to early May period.

Questar E&P Rockies Legacy properties include all of the company's Rocky Mountain region properties except the Pinedale Anticline and the Uinta Basin. Rockies Legacy year-to-date 2007 production of 9.4 Bcfe was 0.6 Bcfe lower than a year ago. The 2006 production included a gas-imbalance settlement of 0.7 Bcfe.

In the Midcontinent, year-to-date production grew 6% to 24.8 Bcfe in 2007, driven by ongoing infill-development drilling in Elm Grove field in northwestern Louisiana. Net production from Elm Grove field increased to 7.8 Bcfe in the first six months of 2007, compared to 6.7 Bcfe in the year-earlier period.

For the first six months of 2007, the weighted-average realized natural gas price for Questar E&P (including the impact of hedging) was \$6.41 per Mcf compared to \$6.13 per Mcf for the same period in 2006, a 5% increase. Realized oil and NGL prices in the first six months of 2007 averaged \$49.63 per bbl, compared with \$50.27 per bbl during the prior year period, a 1% decrease. A regional comparison of average realized prices, including hedges, are shown in the following table:

	3 Months Ended June 30,			6 Months Ended June 30,		
	2007	2006	Change	2007	2006	Change

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Natural gas (per Mcf)

Rocky Mountains	<b>\$ 5.86</b>	\$ 5.64	\$ 0.22	<b>\$ 5.88</b>	\$ 5.84	\$ 0.04
Midcontinent	<b>7.58</b>	6.54	1.04	<b>7.37</b>	6.63	0.74
Volume-weighted average	<b>6.47</b>	6.00	0.47	<b>6.41</b>	6.13	0.28

Oil and NGL (per bbl)

Rocky Mountains	<b>\$51.81</b>	\$48.57	\$ 3.24	<b>\$50.01</b>	\$48.65	\$ 1.36
Midcontinent	<b>48.21</b>	53.57	(5.36)	<b>48.88</b>	53.94	(5.06)
Volume-weighted average	<b>50.55</b>	50.11	0.44	<b>49.63</b>	50.27	(0.64)

Approximately 70% of 2007 and 67% of 2006 first half gas production was hedged or pre-sold. Hedging increased Questar E&P gas revenues by \$90.1 million in 2007 and \$2.8 million in 2006. Approximately 64% of 2007 and 79% of 2006 first half Questar E&P oil production was hedged or pre-sold. Oil hedges reduced revenues \$0.7 million in 2007 and \$10.4 million in 2006.

Questar may hedge up to 100 percent of forecasted production from proved reserves to lock in acceptable returns on invested capital and to protect returns, cash flow and net income from a decline in commodity prices. During the second quarter of 2007, Questar E&P hedged additional production through 2010. In the second quarter of 2006, the company began using basis-only swaps to protect cash flows and net income from widening natural gas-price basis differentials that may result from capacity constraints on regional gas pipelines. Net mark-to-market losses on natural gas basis-only swaps reduced second quarter 2007 net income \$4.1 million compared to a \$3.5 million reduction in the prior-year period. Derivative positions as of June 30, 2007, are summarized in Item 3 of Part I in this quarterly report.

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Questar E&P production costs (the sum of depreciation, depletion and amortization expense, lease operating expense, general and administrative expense, allocated-interest expense and production taxes) per Mcfe of production increased 17% to \$3.36 per Mcfe in the second quarter of 2007 versus \$2.86 per Mcfe in the 2006 period. Questar E&P production costs are summarized in the following table:

	3 Months Ended June 30,			6 Months Ended June 30,		
	2007	2006	Change	2007	2006	Change
	(per Mcfe)					
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	<b>\$1.71</b>	\$1.38	\$0.33	<b>\$1.70</b>	\$1.33	\$ 0.37
Lease operating expense	<b>0.62</b>	0.54	0.08	<b>0.61</b>	0.54	0.07
General and administrative expense	<b>0.44</b>	0.27	0.17	<b>0.40</b>	0.31	0.09
Allocated interest expense	<b>0.18</b>	0.26	(0.08)	<b>0.18</b>	0.23	(0.05)
Production taxes	<b>0.41</b>	0.41		<b>0.43</b>	0.46	(0.03)
Total production costs	<b>\$3.36</b>	\$2.86	\$0.50	<b>\$3.32</b>	\$2.87	\$ 0.45

Production volume-weighted average depreciation, depletion and amortization rate increased due to higher costs for drilling, completion and related services, increased cost of steel casing, other tubulars and wellhead equipment, the ongoing depletion of older, lower-cost reserves and the increasing component of Questar E&P production derived from higher-cost fields such as Elm Grove in the Midcontinent and Vermillion Basin in the Rockies. Lease operating expense per Mcfe increased due to increased costs of materials and consumables, increased produced-water disposal costs and increased well-workover activity. General and administrative expense per Mcfe grew due to increased labor and legal expenses in the 2007 quarter and the reversal of a legal expense accrual in the year-earlier quarter. Allocated interest expense per unit of production decreased in the 2007 period due to increased current-year production and refinancing costs incurred in the second quarter of 2006.

Questar E&P exploration expense decreased \$7.0 million or 69% in the second quarter of 2007 and \$8.3 million or 62% in the first six months compared to the 2006 periods as a result of dry-hole costs incurred in 2006. Abandonment and impairment expense increased \$0.3 million for the second quarter of 2007 and \$0.6 million for the first six months of 2007.

## Major Operating Areas

### *Pinedale Anticline*

As of June 30, 2007, Market Resources (including both Questar E&P and Wexpro) operated and had working interests in 213 producing wells on the Pinedale Anticline compared to 149 a year earlier. Of the 213 producing wells, Questar E&P has working interests in 191 wells, overriding royalty interests in an additional 21 Wexpro-operated wells, and

no interest in one well operated by Wexpro. Wexpro has working interests in 66 of the 213 producing wells.

In 2005, the Wyoming Oil and Gas Conservation Commission approved 10-acre-density drilling for Lance Pool wells on about 12,700 acres of Market Resources 18,208 acre (gross) Pinedale leasehold. The area approved for increased density corresponds to the currently estimated productive limits of Market Resources core acreage in the field. At December 31, 2006, Questar E&P had booked 316 proved undeveloped locations on a combination of 10- and 20-acre density and reported estimated net proved reserves at Pinedale of 931.9 Bcfe, or 57% of Questar E&P's total proved reserves. With 10-acre-density drilling, the company currently estimates up to 932 wells will be required to fully develop the Lance Pool on its acreage.

### ***Uinta Basin***

As of June 30, 2007, Questar E&P had a working interest in 861 producing wells in the Uinta Basin of eastern Utah, compared to 758 at June 30, 2006. At December 31, 2006, Questar E&P had booked 109 proved undeveloped locations and reported estimated net proved reserves in the Uinta Basin of 248.3 Bcfe or 15% of Questar E&P's total proved reserves. Uinta Basin proved reserves are found in a series of vertically stacked, laterally discontinuous reservoirs at depths of 5,000 feet to deeper than 16,000 feet. Questar E&P owns interests in over 242,000 gross leasehold acres in the Uinta Basin.

### ***Rockies Legacy***

The remainder of Questar E&P Rocky Mountain region leasehold interests, productive wells and proved reserves are distributed over a number of fields and properties managed as the company's Rockies Legacy division. Most of the properties are located in the Greater Green River Basin of western Wyoming. In aggregate, Rockies Legacy properties comprised 142.3 Bcfe or 9% of Questar E&P total proved reserves at December 31, 2006. In the Vermillion Basin on the southwestern Wyoming-northwestern Colorado state line, Market Resources companies continue to evaluate the potential of several formations under 146,000 net leasehold acres.

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As of June 30, 2007, Market Resources had recompleted two older wells, drilled and completed 18 new wells, and one well was waiting on completion. The targets are the Baxter Shale, a thick, overpressured shale found at depths of about 9,500 to about 13,000 feet and deeper Frontier and Dakota tight-sand formations at depths to about 14,000 feet.

### ***Midcontinent***

Questar E&P Midcontinent properties are distributed over a large area, including the Anadarko basin of Oklahoma and the Texas Panhandle, the Arkoma basin of Oklahoma and western Arkansas, and the Ark-La-Tex region of Louisiana, Texas and Arkansas. With the exception of the Elm Grove field in northwest Louisiana, Questar E&P Midcontinent leasehold interests are highly fragmented, with no significant concentration of property interests. In aggregate, Midcontinent properties comprised 308.9 Bcfe or 19% of Questar E&P total proved reserves at December 31, 2006.

Questar E&P continues a two-rig infill-development project on its largest single Midcontinent asset, the Elm Grove field in northwest Louisiana. As of June 30, 2007, Questar E&P operated or had working interests in 263 producing wells in the Elm Grove field compared to 211 at June 30, 2006. At December 31, 2006, Questar E&P had 30 proved undeveloped locations and reported estimated net proved reserves at Elm Grove of 80 Bcfe, or 5% of the company's total proved reserves.

### **Wexpro**

Wexpro reported net income of \$14.7 million, in the second quarter of 2007 compared to \$12.0 in the 2006 quarter, a 23% increase. For the first six months of 2007, Wexpro net income was \$28.6 million compared to \$23.9 million in the prior year period, a 20% increase. Pursuant to the Wexpro Agreement, Wexpro recovers its costs and receives an unlevered after-tax return of approximately 19% to 20% on its investment in commercial wells and related facilities adjusted for working capital and reduced for deferred income taxes and depreciation (investment base). Wexpro investment base at June 30, 2007, was \$267.2 million, an increase of \$47.1 million or 21% since June 30, 2006. Wexpro produced 9.6 Bcf of cost-of-service gas for delivery to affiliate Questar Gas in the second quarter of 2007.

### **Gas Management**

Gas Management grew net income to \$14.9 million in the second quarter of 2007 compared to \$10.2 million in the 2006 period, a 46% increase. Net income for the first six months of 2007 increased 37% to \$27.3 million compared to \$19.9 million in the 2006 period, driven by higher gathering and processing volumes.

Gathering volumes increased 29.1 million MMBtu, or 24% to 152.8 million MMBtu in the first six months of 2007. New projects serving third parties in the Uinta Basin and expanded Pinedale production contributed to a 56% increase in third-party volumes during the first half. Total gathering margins (revenues minus direct expenses) during the first six months of 2007 increased 53% to \$34.1 million compared to \$22.3 million in 2006. Gas Management gas-gathering volumes and revenue are summarized in the following table:

	3 Months Ended June 30,			6 Months Ended June 30,		
	2007	2006	Change	2007	2006	Change
Gathering volumes (millions of MMBtu)						
For unaffiliated customers	<b>44.4</b>	28.3	16.1	<b>83.9</b>	53.7	30.2
For affiliated customers	<b>31.3</b>	34.2	(2.9)	<b>68.9</b>	70.0	(1.1)
Total gathering volumes	<b>75.7</b>	62.5	13.2	<b>152.8</b>	123.7	29.1
Gathering revenue (per MMBtu)	<b>\$0.33</b>	\$0.29	\$0.04	<b>\$0.31</b>	\$0.29	\$0.02

Fee-based gas-processing volumes were 33.4 million MMBtu in the second quarter of 2007, a 26% increase compared to the 2006 period. Fee-based gas-processing revenues increased 36% or \$1.3 million, while gross margin from keep-whole processing increased 45% or \$3.6 million in the 2007 quarter. Approximately 74% of Gas Management net operating revenue (total revenue less processing plant-shrink) is derived from fee-based contracts, compared to 75% in the 2006 period. For the first six months of 2007, fee based gas-processing volumes were 64.0 million MMBtu compared to 56.6 million MMBtu in the 2006 period, a 13% increase. Gas Management uses forward sales contracts to reduce margin volatility associated with keep-whole contracts. Forward sales contracts reduced NGL revenues by \$1.4 million in the second quarter of 2007 and \$0.1 million for the first six months of 2007 compared to a reduction of \$0.4 million in the 2006 quarter and an increase of \$1.3 million for the first six months of 2006. Gas Management gas-processing volumes and revenues are summarized in the following table:

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	3 Months Ended June 30,			6 Months Ended June 30,		
	2007	2006	Change	2007	2006	Change
NGL sales (MMgal)	20.2	21.9	(1.7)	38.0	44.5	(6.5)
Fee-based processing (millions of MMBtu)	33.4	26.5	6.9	64.0	56.6	7.4
NGL sales price (per gal)	\$0.95	\$0.89	\$0.06	\$0.92	\$0.88	\$0.04
Fee-based processing (per MMBtu)	\$0.15	\$0.14	\$0.01	\$0.15	\$0.14	\$0.01

During the first quarter of 2007, Gas Management placed a 20.8-mile 20-inch-diameter pipeline between Gas Management's Blacks Fork gas-processing plant and Kern River Gas Transmission Co.'s Muddy Creek compressor station into service. The FERC-regulated Rendezvous Pipeline Co., LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Gas Management, is able to deliver up to 300 MMcf of natural gas per day to markets in California and Nevada served by the Kern River pipeline.

### Energy Trading and Other

Energy Trading grew net income 480% to \$5.8 million in the second quarter of 2007, driven primarily by increased trading margins. For the first six months of 2007, net income was \$11.8 million compared to \$3.5 million for the same period of 2007, a 237% increase. Gross marketing margin (gross revenues less costs for gas and oil purchases, transportation and gas storage) totaled \$18.2 million for the first six months of 2007 compared to \$5.9 million a year ago.

### Questar Pipeline

Questar Pipeline reported second quarter 2007 net income of \$10.0 million compared with \$11.0 million in 2006, a 9% decrease and \$21.2 million net income in the first half of 2007 compared with \$23.0 million in the 2006 period. Operating income decreased \$1.9 million or 8% in the 2007 second quarter and was 6% lower in the 2007 first half compared to the 2006 periods due primarily to increased expenses related to a system expansion and lower NGL sales. The company began collecting revenues from the Overthrust Pipeline Opal expansion in 2006 at an interim delivery point on the Kern River pipeline before completion of the new facilities in January 2007. In the 2007 periods, Questar Pipeline incurred higher operating, depreciation and interest expense after placing the new facilities in service. Following is a summary of Questar Pipeline financial and operating results:

3 Months Ended June 30,		6 Months Ended June 30,	
2007	2006	2007	2006

(in millions)

### OPERATING INCOME

Revenues

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Transportation	<b>\$31.3</b>	\$29.6	<b>\$62.2</b>	\$ 59.7
Storage	<b>9.4</b>	9.3	<b>19.0</b>	18.9
Gas processing	<b>2.1</b>	1.4	<b>4.1</b>	2.8
NGL sales	<b>1.6</b>	2.9	<b>4.1</b>	5.5
Energy services and other	<b>5.3</b>	7.0	<b>12.6</b>	13.4
Total revenues	<b>49.7</b>	50.2	<b>102.0</b>	100.3
Operating expenses				
Cost of goods sold	<b>0.7</b>	2.5	<b>2.3</b>	3.9
Operating and maintenance	<b>9.5</b>	8.8	<b>18.8</b>	16.4
General and administrative	<b>7.8</b>	5.9	<b>14.9</b>	12.4
Depreciation and amortization	<b>8.6</b>	8.0	<b>17.2</b>	16.1
Other taxes	<b>1.9</b>	1.8	<b>4.1</b>	3.7
Operating expenses	<b>28.5</b>	27.0	<b>57.3</b>	52.5
Net gain from asset sales	<b>0.2</b>	0.1	<b>0.5</b>	0.1
Operating income	<b>\$21.4</b>	\$23.3	<b>\$45.2</b>	\$ 47.9

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**OPERATING STATISTICS**

Natural gas-transportation volumes (MMdth)				
For unaffiliated customers	<b>84.0</b>	78.2	<b>160.9</b>	140.9
For Questar Gas	<b>25.4</b>	27.2	<b>67.5</b>	68.1
For other affiliated customers	<b>3.9</b>	5.9	<b>8.6</b>	9.6
Total transportation	<b>113.3</b>	111.3	<b>237.0</b>	218.6
Transportation revenue (per dth)	<b>\$0.28</b>	\$0.27	<b>\$0.26</b>	\$0.27
Firm daily transportation demand at June 30, (MMdth)	<b>2.2</b>	2.1		
Natural gas processing				
NGL sales (MMgal)	<b>1.4</b>	2.3	<b>3.9</b>	4.5
NGL sales price (per gal)	<b>\$1.20</b>	\$1.25	<b>\$1.05</b>	\$1.22

**Revenues**

Following is a summary of major changes in Questar Pipeline revenues for the second quarter and first half of 2007 compared with the same periods in 2006:

	Change in Revenues	
	<b>3 Months Ended</b>	<b>6 Months Ended</b>
	<b>June 30, 2007</b>	<b>June 30, 2007</b>
	<b>Compared with 2006</b>	<b>Compared with 2006</b>
	(in millions)	
Transportation		
New transportation contracts	<b>\$2.1</b>	<b>\$3.1</b>
Expiration of transportation contracts	<b>(0.6)</b>	<b>(0.7)</b>
Other	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.1</b>
Gas processing	<b>0.7</b>	<b>1.3</b>
NGL sales	<b>(1.3)</b>	<b>(1.4)</b>
Energy services and other	<b>(1.6)</b>	<b>(0.7)</b>
Increase (decrease)	<b>(\$0.5)</b>	<b>\$1.7</b>

As of June 30, 2007, Questar Pipeline had firm-transportation contracts of 2,240 Mdth per day compared with 2,135 Mdth per day as of June 30, 2006. Questar Pipeline has expanded its transportation system in response to growing regional natural gas production and transportation demand. On January 1, 2007, operations began on an extension of the Overthrust Pipeline to a connection with Kern River pipeline at Opal, Wyoming. The majority of the contracts for this expansion were effective at the beginning of 2006 at an interim delivery point pending construction and startup of the new facilities. Questar Pipeline has increased transportation revenues by remarketing expiring contracts with discounted rates ranging from \$0.08 per dth to \$0.12 per dth into maximum rate contracts (\$0.17 per dth) for terms of

up to 31 years and, where possible, has converted contracts with multiple paths into multiple contracts.

Questar Gas is Questar Pipeline's largest transportation customer with contracts for 901 Mdth per day. The majority of Questar Gas transportation contracts extend through mid 2017.

Questar Pipeline owns and operates the Clay Basin underground storage complex in eastern Utah. This facility is 100% subscribed under long-term contracts. In addition to Clay Basin, Questar Pipeline also owns and operates three smaller aquifer gas storage facilities. Questar Gas has contracted for 26% of firm-storage capacity at Clay Basin for terms extending from one to 12 years and 100% of the firm-storage capacity at the aquifer facilities for terms extending for 11 years.

Questar Pipeline charges FERC-approved transportation and storage rates that are based on straight-fixed-variable rate design. Under this rate design, all fixed costs of providing service including depreciation and return on investment are recovered through the demand charge. About 95% of Questar Pipeline costs are fixed and recovered through these demand charges. Questar Pipeline's earnings are driven primarily by demand revenues from firm shippers. Since only about 5% of operating costs are recovered through volumetric charges, changes in transportation volumes do not have a significant impact on earnings.

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NGL sales decreased 45% in the second quarter of 2007 and 25% in the first half of 2007 compared to the 2006 periods due to lower volumes and prices because of lower quality liquids removed from the gas stream.

Energy services revenues and the related cost of goods sold were lower in the 2007 periods because of reduced wellhead automation equipment sales.

Questar Pipeline is currently expanding its southern system in eastern Utah and an extension of its Overthrust Pipeline to Wamsutter, Wyoming. Both of these projects are scheduled to be complete by the end of 2007. The southern system expansion is supported by long-term contracts and the Overthrust extension is supported by both a long-term contract and lease agreement. During the first half of 2007, Questar Pipeline recognized \$0.3 million of equity allowance for funds used during construction, which is recorded as other income, and reduced interest expense by \$1.5 million of debt allowance for funds used during construction.

### *Expenses*

Operating, maintenance, general and administrative expenses increased by 18% in the second quarter of 2007 and 17% in the first half of 2007 compared to the same periods of 2006. The increase was a result of the system expansion and higher labor and service costs. Operating, maintenance, general and administrative expenses were \$0.14 per dth transported in the first half of 2007 compared with \$0.13 in the first half of 2006. Operating, maintenance, general and administrative expenses include processing and storage costs.

Depreciation expense increased 8% in the second quarter of 2007 and 7% in the first half of 2007 compared to the same periods of 2006 due to investment in pipeline expansions.

### *Clay Basin Storage*

Questar Pipeline conducts periodic pressure tests on its Clay Basin storage facility. Beginning with a test in April 2002, the company noted a discrepancy between the book volumes of cushion gas at Clay Basin and the volumes implied by pressure data. Questar Pipeline retained a reservoir consultant to model the reservoir and determine the size and cause of the discrepancy. The company conducted seven additional pressure tests from April 2004 to April 2007 to validate the model.

The reservoir model indicates from zero to 3.8 Bcf of gas may be missing from Clay Basin, with the most likely amount of 3.2 Bcf. The uncertainty reflected in this estimate of potential cumulative gas loss is due to imprecision inherent in measurement of large injection and withdrawal volumes as well as reservoir heterogeneity that impacts storage-reservoir performance. The cushion-gas loss represents 0.25% of the volume of gas cycled in and out of the reservoir over more than 30 years. There is no indication that the reservoir is leaking. The Clay Basin reservoir is functioning as expected to meet customer requirements. Questar Pipeline is preparing the technical analysis to support a FERC filing to request, among other things, to account for the apparent loss of gas as a reduction of native gas

remaining in the reservoir.

### Questar Gas

Questar Gas reported a net loss of \$1.1 million in the second quarter of 2007 compared with a net loss of \$0.7 million in the second quarter of 2006. Net income was \$28.0 million in the first half of 2007 compared with \$28.7 million in the first half of 2006. Operating income decreased \$0.8 million in the 2007 to 2006 second quarter comparison and \$1.1 million in the 2007 to 2006 first half comparison due to lower rates and higher expenses offsetting the revenues from customer growth. Following is a summary of Questar Gas' s financial and operating results:

	3 Months Ended June 30,		6 Months Ended June 30,	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	(in millions)			
<b>OPERATING INCOME</b>				
Revenues				
Residential and commercial sales	<b>\$128.2</b>	\$162.4	<b>\$520.4</b>	\$603.9
Industrial sales	<b>2.3</b>	8.4	<b>5.1</b>	18.0
Transportation for industrial customers	<b>2.3</b>	1.4	<b>4.6</b>	3.0
Service	<b>1.6</b>	2.0	<b>3.4</b>	4.2
Other	<b>9.4</b>	8.9	<b>17.9</b>	22.5
Total revenues	<b>143.8</b>	183.1	<b>551.4</b>	651.6

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Cost of natural gas sold	<b>101.4</b>	137.9	<b>412.4</b>	509.1
Margin	<b>42.4</b>	45.2	<b>139.0</b>	142.5
Other operating expenses				
Operating and maintenance	<b>16.2</b>	17.3	<b>37.3</b>	38.4
General and administrative	<b>11.1</b>	10.8	<b>22.6</b>	20.4
Depreciation and amortization	<b>9.6</b>	10.6	<b>19.1</b>	22.2
Other taxes	<b>3.6</b>	3.7	<b>7.2</b>	7.3
Total other operating expenses	<b>40.5</b>	42.4	<b>86.2</b>	88.3
Net loss from asset sales		(0.1)		(0.3)
Operating income	<b>\$ 1.9</b>	\$ 2.7	<b>\$ 52.8</b>	\$ 53.9

### OPERATING STATISTICS

#### Natural gas volumes (MMdth)

Residential and commercial sales	<b>15.1</b>	16.7	<b>61.0</b>	59.0
Industrial sales	<b>0.4</b>	1.2	<b>0.8</b>	2.3
Transportation for industrial customers	<b>11.0</b>	7.3	<b>20.9</b>	15.8
Total industrial	<b>11.4</b>	8.5	<b>21.7</b>	18.1
Total deliveries	<b>26.5</b>	25.2	<b>82.7</b>	77.1

#### Natural gas revenue (per dth)

Residential and commercial sales	<b>\$8.51</b>	\$9.73	<b>\$8.53</b>	\$10.24
Industrial sales	<b>5.88</b>	7.44	<b>6.39</b>	7.91
Transportation for industrial customers	<b>\$0.21</b>	\$0.19	<b>\$0.22</b>	\$ 0.19
Temperatures (warmer) than normal	<b>(16%)</b>	(25%)	<b>normal</b>	(7%)
Temperature - adjusted usage per customer (dth)	<b>16.8</b>	18.1	<b>65.4</b>	68.5
Customers at June 30, (thousands)	<b>862.1</b>	835.5		

### Margin Analysis

Questar Gas's margin (revenues less gas costs) decreased \$2.8 million in the second quarter of 2007 compared to the second quarter of 2006 and \$3.5 million in the first half of 2007 compared to the first half of 2006. Following is a summary of major changes in Questar Gas's margin:

	Change in Margin	
	<b>3 Months Ended June 30,</b>	<b>6 Months Ended June 30,</b>
	<b>2007 Compared with 2006</b>	<b>2007 Compared with 2006</b>
	(in millions)	
New customers	<b>\$1.2</b>	<b>\$3.9</b>
Conservation-enabling tariff	<b>2.1</b>	<b>3.9</b>

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Change in usage per customer	<b>(2.0)</b>	<b>(5.0)</b>
Change in rates	<b>(1.1)</b>	<b>(6.2)</b>
Recovery of gas-cost portion of bad-debt costs	<b>(1.1)</b>	<b>(2.5)</b>
Change in transportation revenue	<b>0.9</b>	<b>1.6</b>
2006 adjustment to unbilled revenues	<b>(2.7)</b>	
Other, including shifting between rate classes	<b>(0.1)</b>	<b>0.8</b>
Decrease	<b>(\$2.8)</b>	<b>(\$3.5)</b>

At June 30, 2007, Questar Gas served 862,053 customers, up from 835,511 at June 30, 2006. Customer growth increased the margin by \$1.2 million in the second quarter of 2007 and \$3.9 million in the first half of 2007.

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Temperature-adjusted usage per customer decreased 7% in the second quarter of 2007 and 5% in the first half of 2007 compared to the same periods of 2006. The impact on the company's margin from changes in usage per customer has been mitigated by a pilot conservation-enabling tariff that was approved by the PSCU in October 2006, effective back to the beginning of 2006. The new tariff resulted in a margin increase of \$2.1 million in the second quarter of 2007 and \$3.9 million in the first half of 2007, largely offsetting the decline in usage per customer.

Effective June 1, 2006, the company reduced gas rates for Utah customers by \$9.7 million per year, primarily to reflect a depreciation rate change and corresponding reduction in the company's depreciation expense. Questar Gas realized \$1.1 million in reduced revenues from this rate change during the second quarter of 2007 and \$6.2 million in the first half of 2007 compared to the same periods of 2006. The depreciation rate change reduced depreciation expense approximately \$1.5 million in the second quarter of 2007 and \$3.8 million in the first half of 2007 compared to the prior year periods.

Weather, as measured in degree days, was 16% warmer than normal in the second quarter of 2007 and normal in the first half of 2007. A weather-normalization adjustment on customer bills generally offsets financial impacts of moderate temperature variations.

During the second quarter of 2006, Questar Gas increased its estimate of unbilled revenues, which increased the margin \$2.7 million.

### *Expenses*

Cost of natural gas sold decreased 26% in the second quarter of 2007 and 19% in the first half of 2007 compared to the same periods of 2006 primarily due to lower gas purchase expenses per dth. Questar Gas accounts for purchased-gas costs in accordance with procedures authorized by the PSCU and the Public Service Commission of Wyoming. Purchased-gas costs that are different from those provided for in present rates are accumulated and recovered or credited through future rate changes. As of June 30, 2007, Questar Gas had a \$54.1 million over-collected balance in the purchased-gas adjustment account representing costs recovered from customers in excess of costs incurred.

Operating, maintenance, general and administrative expenses decreased 3% in the second quarter of 2007 and increased 2% in the first half of 2007 compared to the same periods of 2006. Higher labor and benefit costs were more than offset by lower bad-debt costs. Operating, maintenance, general and administrative expenses per customer were \$69 in the first half of 2007 compared to \$70 in the first half of 2006.

Depreciation expense decreased 9% in the second quarter of 2007 and 14% in the first half of 2007 compared to the same periods of 2006 primarily as a result of reduced depreciation rates effective June 1, 2006, in accordance with the PSCU order discussed above. Reduced depreciation rates offset the depreciation impact of plant additions from customer growth.

## **Consolidated Results after Operating Income**

### ***Income from unconsolidated affiliates***

Income before income tax from Gas Management's interests in unconsolidated affiliates Rendezvous Gas Services and Uintah Basin Field Services was \$4.3 million for the first six months of 2007 compared to \$3.3 million in 2006. Rendezvous Gas Services provides gas-gathering services for the Pinedale and Jonah producing areas. Uintah Basin Field Services provides gas-gathering services for the Flat Rock area in southern Uinta Basin.

### ***Interest expense***

Interest expense declined 11% in the second quarter and 4% in the first half of 2007 compared to the 2006 periods. Capitalized interest charges on pipeline construction amounted to \$1.1 million in the second quarter and \$1.5 million in the first half of 2007 with no amounts capitalized in the 2006 periods. Second quarter 2006 interest expense included charges associated with Market Resources refinancing activities.

### ***Net mark-to-market gain (loss) on basis-only swaps***

The Company uses basis-only swaps to protect cash flows and net income from widening natural gas-price basis differentials that may result from capacity constraints on regional gas pipelines. The Company recognized a net mark-to-market gain of \$5.2 million on the NYMEX/Rockies basis-only swaps in the first half of 2007 compared with a net mark-to-market loss of \$5.6 million in the first half of 2006.

### ***Income taxes***

The effective combined federal and state income tax rate was 36.9% in the first half of 2007 compared with 37.1% in the 2006 period.

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**Liquidity and Capital Resources*****Operating Activities***

Net cash provided from operating activities increased 8% in the first half of 2007 compared to the first half of 2006 due to higher net income and noncash adjustments to net income. Noncash adjustments to net income consist primarily of depreciation, depletion and amortization, and deferred income taxes. Cash sources from operating assets and liabilities were lower in 2007 primarily due to lower purchased-gas costs. Net cash provided from operating activities is presented below:

	6 Months Ended June 30,		
	2007	2006	Change
	(in millions)		
Net income	<b>\$263.3</b>	\$227.5	\$35.8
Noncash adjustments to net income	<b>279.0</b>	192.6	86.4
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	<b>11.0</b>	92.9	(81.9)
Net cash provided from operating activities	<b>\$553.3</b>	\$513.0	\$40.3

***Investing Activities***

A comparison of capital expenditures for the first half of 2007 and 2006 plus a forecast for calendar year 2007 are presented below:

	6 Months Ended June 30,		Forecast
	2007	2006	12 Months Ending December 31, 2007
	(in millions)		
Market Resources	<b>\$411.8</b>	\$315.3	\$ 785.4
Questar Pipeline	<b>124.2</b>	12.4	340.7
Questar Gas	<b>57.5</b>	44.6	116.4
Corporate		0.1	0.3
Total	<b>\$593.5</b>	\$372.4	\$1,242.8

Expanded drilling programs and pipeline construction represented the majority of the increase in capital expenditures for the first half of 2007 compared to the 2006 period.

### ***Financing Activities***

Net capital expenditures plus dividends paid exceeded net cash provided from operating activities by \$77.8 million in the first half of 2007. As a result the Company increased short-term debt by \$22.5 million and reduced its cash balance by \$48.1 million. Questar Gas has \$53.0 million of notes maturing in the next 12 months.

Combined short-term and long-term debt was 32% of total capital at June 30, 2007. The Company had \$360.0 million of short-term lines of credit available and Market Resources had an unused \$182.0 million long-term revolving-credit facility with banks at June 30, 2007.

### **ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK.**

Questar's primary market-risk exposures arise from changes in the market price for natural gas, oil and NGL, and volatility in interest rates. Energy Trading has long-term contracts for pipeline capacity and is obligated to pay for transportation services with no guarantee that it will be able to recover the full cost of these transportation commitments.

#### **Commodity-Price Risk Management**

Market Resources uses gas and oil-price-derivatives in the normal course of business to reduce, or hedge, the risk of adverse commodity-price movements. However, these same arrangements typically limit future gains from favorable price movements. Derivative contracts are currently in place for a significant share of Questar E&P-owned gas and oil production, a portion of Energy Trading gas and oil-marketing transactions and some of Gas Management's NGL sales.

Market Resources has established policies and procedures for managing commodity-price risks through the use of derivatives. These policies and procedures are reviewed periodically by the Finance and Audit Committee of the Company's Board of Directors.



Natural gas and oil-price hedging supports Market Resources rate of return and cash-flow targets and protects earnings from downward movements in commodity prices. The volume of hedged production and the mix of derivative instruments are regularly evaluated and adjusted by management in response to changing market conditions. Market Resources may hedge up to 100% of forecast production from proved reserves when prices meet earnings and cash-flow objectives. Market Resources does not enter into derivative arrangements for speculative purposes.

Market Resources uses fixed-price swaps to realize a known price for a specific volume of production delivered into a regional sales point. A fixed-price swap is a derivative instrument that exchanges or swaps the floating or daily price of a specified volume of natural gas, oil or NGL, over a specified period, for a fixed price for the specified volume over the same period (typically three months or longer). In the normal course of business, the Company sells its equity natural gas, oil and NGL production to third parties at first-of-the-month or daily floating prices related to indices reported in industry publications. The fixed-price swap price is reduced by gathering costs and adjusted for product quality to determine the net-to-the-well price. Swap agreements do not require the physical transfer of gas between the parties at settlement. Swap transactions are settled in cash with one party paying the other for the net difference in prices, multiplied by the relevant volume, for the settlement period.

Market Resources enters into commodity-price derivative arrangements with banks and energy-trading firms having investment-grade credit ratings. Collateral deposits are not required with the exception of one arrangement that extends credit up to a threshold amount above which Market Resources is required to deposit collateral for out-of-the-money derivative contracts. The amount of credit available may vary depending on the credit ratings assigned to Market Resources debt. In addition to the counterparty arrangements, Market Resources has a \$182.0 million long-term revolving-credit facility with banks with no borrowings outstanding at June 30, 2007.

Generally, derivative instruments are matched to equity gas and oil production, thus qualifying as cash-flow hedges under the accounting provisions of SFAS 133 as amended and interpreted. Changes in the fair value of cash-flow hedges are recorded on the balance sheet and in other comprehensive income (loss) until the underlying gas or oil is produced. Gas hedges are typically structured as fixed-price swaps into regional pipelines, locking in basis and hedge effectiveness. The ineffective portion of cash-flow hedges is immediately recognized in the determination of net income.

Market Resources began using natural gas basis-only swaps in 2006 to manage the risk of a widening of basis differentials in the Rocky Mountains. These contracts are marked-to-market with any change in the valuation recognized in the determination of net income.

A summary of Market Resources derivative positions for equity production as of June 30, 2007, is shown below:

Time Periods	Rocky			Rocky		
	Mountains	Midcontinent	Total	Mountains	Midcontinent	Total

	<b>Gas (Bcf) Fixed-price Swaps</b>			Estimated		
				Average price per Mcf, net to the well		
<b>2007</b>						
Second half	28.6	17.4	46.0	\$6.72	\$7.76	\$7.12
<b>2008</b>						
First half	22.0	17.3	39.3	\$7.18	\$7.93	\$7.51
Second half	23.0	17.5	40.5	7.16	7.93	7.49
12 months	45.0	34.8	79.8	7.17	7.93	7.50
<b>2009</b>						
First half	20.1	12.0	32.1	\$7.11	\$7.66	\$7.31
Second half	20.5	12.2	32.7	7.11	7.66	7.31
12 months	40.6	24.2	64.8	7.11	7.66	7.31

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**2010**

First half	3.3	6.9	10.2	\$6.95	\$7.58	\$7.37
Second half	3.4	6.9	10.3	6.95	7.58	7.37
12 months	6.7	13.8	20.5	6.95	7.58	7.37

Estimated

**Gas (Bcf) Basis-only Swaps**

Average basis per Mcf, net to the well

**2007**

Second half	5.1		5.1	\$2.40		\$2.40
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**2008**

First half	15.3		15.3	\$1.63		\$1.63
Second half	15.4		15.4	1.63		1.63
12 months	30.7		30.7	1.63		1.63

**2009**

First half	10.1		10.1	\$1.15		\$1.15
Second half	10.3		10.3	1.15		1.15
12 months	20.4		20.4	1.15		1.15

Estimated

**Oil (Mbbbl) Fixed-price Swaps**

Average price per bbl, net to the well

**2007**

Second half	534	202	736	\$52.01	\$57.91	\$53.63
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**2008**

First half	218	146	364	\$60.93	\$66.93	\$63.33
Second half	221	147	368	60.93	66.93	63.33
12 months	439	293	732	60.93	66.93	63.33

**2009**

First half	217	145	362	\$60.55	\$66.55	\$62.95
Second half	221	147	368	60.55	66.55	62.65
12 months	438	292	730	60.55	66.55	62.95

As of June 30, 2007, Market Resources held commodity-price hedging contracts covering about 310.6 million MMBtu of natural gas, 2.2 MMbbl of oil and 16.4 million gallons of NGL. A year earlier Market Resources hedging contracts covered 171.6 million MMBtu of natural gas, 2.7 MMbbl of oil and 33.8 million gallons of NGL. Market Resources has also entered into basis-only swaps on an additional 60.4 million MMBtu of natural gas as of June 30,



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2007 compared with 42.4 million MMBtu in 2006. Changes in the fair value of derivative contracts from December 31, 2006 to June 30, 2007 are presented below:

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	Fixed-price Swaps	Basis-only Swaps	Total
	(in millions)		
Net fair value of gas and oil-derivative contracts outstanding at December 31, 2006	\$198.0	(\$ 1.9)	\$196.1
Contracts realized or otherwise settled	(92.2)	1.2	(91.0)
Change in gas and oil prices on futures markets	(12.8)	5.4	(7.4)
Contracts added since December 31, 2006	(2.6)	(2.3)	(4.9)
Contracts re-designated as fixed-price swaps		0.9	0.9
<b>Net fair value of gas and oil-derivative contracts</b>			
<b>outstanding at June 30, 2007</b>	<b>\$ 90.4</b>	<b>\$3.3</b>	<b>\$ 93.7</b>

About \$107.5 million of the fair value of all contracts will settle in the next twelve months and the fair value of cash-flow hedges will be reclassified from other comprehensive income. The net fair value of gas and oil-derivative contracts as of June 30, 2007, is shown below:

	Fixed-price Swaps	Basis-only Swaps	Total
	(in millions)		
Contracts maturing by June 30, 2008	\$103.6	\$3.9	\$107.5
Contracts maturing between July 1, 2008 and June 30, 2009	(0.8)	(0.6)	(1.4)
Contracts maturing between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010	(10.7)		(10.7)
Contracts maturing after June 30, 2010	(1.7)		(1.7)
	<b>\$90.4</b>	<b>\$3.3</b>	<b>\$93.7</b>

The following table shows sensitivity of fair value of gas and oil-derivative contracts and basis-only swaps to changes in the market price of gas and oil and basis differentials:

	June 30, 2007	2006
	(in millions)	
Net fair value asset (liability)	\$ 93.7	(\$ 41.2)
Value if market prices of gas and oil and basis differentials decline by 10%	261.2	87.8
Value if market prices of gas and oil and basis differentials increase by 10%	(\$ 73.8)	(\$171.3)

## **Interest-Rate Risk Management**

As of June 30, 2007, Questar had \$1,033.5 million of fixed-rate long-term debt and \$50.0 million of variable-rate long-term debt.

## **Forward-Looking Statements**

This quarterly report may contain or incorporate by reference information that includes or is based upon forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Forward-looking statements give expectations or forecasts of future events. You can identify these statements by the fact that they do not relate strictly to historical or current facts. They use words such as anticipate, estimate, expect, project, intend, plan, believe, and other words of similar meaning in connection with a discussion of future operating or financial performance. In particular, these include statements relating to future actions, prospective services or products, future performance or results of current and anticipated services or products, exploration efforts, expenses, the outcome of contingencies such as legal proceedings, trends in operations and financial results.

Any or all forward-looking statements may turn out to be wrong. They can be affected by inaccurate assumptions or by known or unknown risks and uncertainties. Many such factors will be important in determining actual future results. These statements are based on current expectations and the current economic environment. They involve a number of risks and uncertainties that are difficult to predict. These statements are not guarantees of future performance. Actual results could differ materially from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements. Among factors that could cause actual results to differ materially are:

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- the risk factors discussed in Part I, Item 1A of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006;
- general economic conditions, including the performance of financial markets and interest rates;
- changes in industry trends;
- changes in laws or regulations; and
- other factors, most of which are beyond control.

Questar undertakes no obligation to publicly correct or update the forward-looking statements in this quarterly report, in other documents, or on the Web site to reflect future events or circumstances. All such statements are expressly qualified by this cautionary statement.

#### **ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.**

##### **Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures.**

The Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have evaluated the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act)) as of the end of the period covered by the report (the Evaluation Date). Based on such evaluation, such officers have concluded that, as of the Evaluation Date, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective in alerting them on a timely basis to material information relating to the Company, including its consolidated subsidiaries, required to be included in the Company's reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act. The Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer also concluded that the controls and procedures were effective in ensuring that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management including its principal executive and financial officers or persons performing similar functions as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

**Changes in Internal Controls.**

Since the Evaluation Date, there have not been any changes in the Company's internal controls or other factors during the most recent fiscal quarter that could materially affect such controls.

**PART II. OTHER INFORMATION****ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS**

**Questar may be subject to future greenhouse gas regulation.** On April 2, 2007, the U.S. Supreme Court issued its decision in *Massachusetts v. EPA*, in which the Court held that carbon dioxide, a greenhouse gas, is a pollutant regulated under the Clean Air Act and that EPA has a duty to make a determination regarding whether emissions of carbon dioxide from mobile sources endanger health and the environment. Although the decision addresses mobile source emissions, it is already being cited in other pending litigation as support for the proposition that EPA should promulgate National Ambient Air Quality Standards for carbon dioxide with attendant direct restrictions on emissions of carbon dioxide from stationary sources of air emissions. In addition to this legal development, there are a number of bills pending in Congress which would regulate greenhouse gas emissions through a cap-and-trade system under which emitters of greenhouse gases would be allocated or sold allowances to permit emissions of greenhouse gases. While it is likely that there will be regulation of greenhouse gas emissions in the next few years, it is too early to predict with any certainty how this regulation will affect Questar's business, operations or financial results.

**ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS.**

The following table sets forth the Company's purchases of common stock registered under Section 12 of the Exchange Act that occurred during the quarter ended June 30, 2007:

	Number of Shares Purchased*	Average Price per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans	Maximum Number of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans
2007				
April	31,630	\$47.94	-	-
May	56,490	51.07	-	-
June	22,868	54.21	-	-

<b>Total</b>	<b>110,988</b>	<b>\$50.83</b>	-	-
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\*The numbers include any shares purchased in conjunction with tax-payment elections under the Company's Long-term Stock Incentive Plan and rollover shares used in exercising stock options. They exclude any fractional shares purchased from terminating participants in Questar's Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan and any shares of restricted stock forfeited when failing to satisfy vesting conditions.

#### ITEM 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

The Company held its Annual Meeting on May 15, 2007. The following individuals were elected at the meeting to serve three-year terms as directors: Teresa Beck, R. D. Cash, Robert E. McKee III, Gary G. Michael and Charles B. Stanley. There was no solicitation in opposition to the nominees. The following is a tabulation of the votes (prior to the stock split) received by nominees elected at the meeting:

Name	Votes For	Votes Withheld
Teresa Beck	71,794,501	5,277,935
R. D. Cash	68,729,375	8,343,061
Robert E. McKee III	74,318,126	2,754,310
Gary G. Michael	74,184,332	2,888,103
Charles B. Stanley	74,142,810	2,929,626

The Company's directors are divided into three classes. Other directors whose terms extend beyond the meeting include: K. O. Rattie, M. W. Scoggins, Harris H. Simmons, Bruce A. Williamson, Phillips S. Baker, Jr., L. Richard Flury, and James A. Harmon

#### ITEM 6. EXHIBITS.

The following exhibits are being filed as part of this report:

Exhibit No.

Exhibits

31.1.

Certification signed by Keith O. Rattie, Questar's Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

31.2.

Certification signed by S. E. Parks, Questar's Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

32.

Certification signed by Keith O. Rattie and S. E. Parks, Questar's Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer and Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, respectively, pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

SIGNATURES

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 thereunto duly authorized.

QUESTAR CORPORATION

(Registrant)

August 3, 2007

/s/Keith O. Rattie



Keith O. Rattie, Chairman of the Board,  
President and Chief Executive Officer

August 3, 2007

/s/S. E. Parks

S. E. Parks, Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

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Exhibit 31.1.

CERTIFICATION

I, Keith O. Rattie, certify that:

1.

I have reviewed this quarterly report of Questar Corporation on Form 10-Q for the period ending June 30, 2007;

2.

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Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this quarterly report;

3.

Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4.

The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and we have:

a)

designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

b)

designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

c)

evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

d)

disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has

materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

5.

The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent function):

a)

all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

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b)

any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

August 3, 2007

/s/Keith O. Rattie

Keith O. Rattie

Chairman, President and Chief

Executive Office

Exhibit 31.2.

#### CERTIFICATION

I, S. E. Parks, certify that:

1.

I have reviewed this quarterly report of Questar Corporation on Form 10-Q for the period ending June 30, 2007;

2.

Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this quarterly report;

3.

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Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4.

The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and we have:

a)

designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

b)

designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;

c)

evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

d)

disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

5.

The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or

persons performing the equivalent function):

a)

all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

b)

any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

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August 3, 2007

/s/ S. E. Parks

S. E. Parks

Senior Vice President

and Chief Financial Officer

Exhibit No. 32.

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO  
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,  
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Questar Corporation (the Company) on Form 10-Q for the period ending June 30, 2007, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the Report), Keith O. Rattie, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, and S. E. Parks, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company, each hereby certifies, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to the best of his knowledge:

(1)

The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and



(2)

The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

QUESTAR CORPORATION

August 3, 2007

/s/Keith O. Rattie

Keith O. Rattie

Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

August 3, 2007

/s/S. E. Parks

S. E. Parks

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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