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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549
FORM 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934.
For the quarterly period ended May 31, 2017.
or
TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934.
For the transition period from [ ] to [ ].
Commission File No. 001-09195
KB HOME
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	95-3666267
(State of incorporation)	(IRS employer identification number)

10990 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, California 90024
(310) 231-4000
(Address and telephone number of principal executive offices)

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 has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of “large accelerated filer,” “accelerated filer,” “smaller reporting company,” and “emerging growth company” in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer		Accelerated filer
Non-accelerated filer	(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)	Smaller reporting company
		Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer’s classes of common stock as of May 31, 2017.
There were 85,548,203 shares of the registrant’s common stock, par value $1.00 per share, outstanding on May 31, 2017. The registrant’s grantor stock ownership trust held an additional 9,153,296 shares of the registrant’s common stock on that date.

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION
Item 1. Financial Statements
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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts – Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended May 31,		Six Months Ended May 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Total revenues	$1,002,794	$811,050	$1,821,390	$1,489,421
Homebuilding:				
Revenues	$1,000,072	$808,462	$1,816,318	$1,484,204
Construction and land costs	(846,596)	(688,714)	(1,544,676)	(1,257,532)
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(103,917)	(93,810)	(196,806)	(181,742)
Operating income	49,559	25,938	74,836	44,930
Interest income	202	134	400	286
Interest expense	—	(1,970)	(6,307)	(5,667)
Equity in income (loss) of unconsolidated joint ventures	(596)	(825)	135	(1,428)
Homebuilding pretax income	49,165	23,277	69,064	38,121
Financial services:				
Revenues	2,722	2,588	5,072	5,217
Expenses	(816)	(871)	(1,635)	(1,730)
Equity in income (loss) of unconsolidated joint ventures	911	(197)	940	(784)
Financial services pretax income	2,817	1,520	4,377	2,703
Total pretax income	51,982	24,797	73,441	40,824
Income tax expense	(20,200)	(9,200)	(27,400)	(12,100)
Net income	$31,782	$15,597	$46,041	$28,724
Earnings per share:				
Basic	$.37	$.18	$.54	$.33
Diluted	$.33	$.17	$.49	$.31
Weighted average shares outstanding:				
Basic	85,445	84,196	85,285	86,704
Diluted	97,732	94,720	96,975	97,060
Cash dividends declared per common share	$.025	$.025	$.050	$.050

See accompanying notes.

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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(In Thousands – Unaudited)

	May 31, 2017	November 30, 2016
Assets		
Homebuilding:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$348,588	$592,086
Receivables	234,712	231,665
Inventories	3,488,204	3,403,228
Investments in unconsolidated joint ventures	64,000	64,016
Deferred tax assets, net	711,885	738,985
Other assets	99,996	91,145
	4,947,385	5,121,125
Financial services	11,410	10,499
Total assets	$4,958,795	$5,131,624
Liabilities and stockholders’ equity		
Homebuilding:		
Accounts payable	$186,993	$215,331
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	487,836	550,996
Notes payable	2,510,121	2,640,149
	3,184,950	3,406,476
Financial services	1,457	2,003
Stockholders’ equity:		
Common stock	116,546	116,224
Paid-in capital	703,004	696,938
Retained earnings	1,605,442	1,563,742
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(16,057)	(16,057)
Grantor stock ownership trust, at cost	(99,279)	(102,300)
Treasury stock, at cost	(537,268)	(535,402)
Total stockholders’ equity	1,772,388	1,723,145
Total liabilities and stockholders’ equity	$4,958,795	$5,131,624

See accompanying notes.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(In Thousands – Unaudited)

	Six Months Ended May 31,	
	2017	2016
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	$46,041	$28,724
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash used in operating activities:		
Equity in (income) loss of unconsolidated joint ventures	(1,075)	2,212
Amortization of discounts and issuance costs	3,314	3,770
Depreciation and amortization	1,500	1,832
Deferred income taxes	27,100	11,800
Loss on early extinguishment of debt	5,685	—
Stock-based compensation	7,037	7,506
Inventory impairments and land option contract abandonments	10,009	13,706
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Receivables	(2,905)	13,734
Inventories	(100,520)	(220,061)
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities	(54,673)	(29,546)
Other, net	(6,093)	(1,136)
Net cash used in operating activities	(64,580)	(167,459)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Contributions to unconsolidated joint ventures	(11,105)	(750)
Return of investments in unconsolidated joint ventures	6,958	—
Purchases of property and equipment, net	(4,100)	(2,876)
Net cash used in investing activities	(8,247)	(3,626)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Change in restricted cash	—	5,827
Repayment of senior notes	(105,326)	—
Payments on mortgages and land contracts due to land sellers and other loans	(61,640)	(26,639)
Issuance of common stock under employee stock plans	3,049	—
Payments of cash dividends	(4,341)	(4,364)
Stock repurchases	(2,543)	(87,531)
Net cash used in financing activities	(170,801)	(112,707)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(243,628)	(283,792)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	593,000	560,341
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	$349,372	$276,549

See accompanying notes.

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Unaudited)

1. Basis of Presentation and Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation. The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (“GAAP”) for interim financial information and the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”). Accordingly, certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in the annual financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP have been condensed or omitted.

In our opinion, the accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring accruals) necessary to present fairly our consolidated financial position as of May 31, 2017, the results of our consolidated operations for the three months and six months ended May 31, 2017 and 2016, and our consolidated cash flows for the six months ended May 31, 2017 and 2016. The results of our consolidated operations for the three months and six months ended May 31, 2017 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year due to seasonal variations in operating results and other factors. The consolidated balance sheet at November 30, 2016 has been taken from the audited consolidated financial statements as of that date. These unaudited consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended November 30, 2016, which are contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for that period.

Unless the context indicates otherwise, the terms “we,” “our,” and “us” used in this report refer to KB Home, a Delaware corporation, and its subsidiaries.

Use of Estimates. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and judgments that affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash and Cash Equivalents. We consider all highly liquid short-term investments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Our cash equivalents totaled $256.1 million at May 31, 2017 and $396.1 million at November 30, 2016. The majority of our cash and cash equivalents was invested in interest-bearing bank deposit accounts.

Comprehensive Income. Our comprehensive income was $31.8 million for the three months ended May 31, 2017 and $15.6 million for the three months ended May 31, 2016. For the six months ended May 31, 2017 and 2016, our comprehensive income was $46.0 million and $28.7 million, respectively. Our comprehensive income for each of the three-month and six-month periods ended May 31, 2017 and 2016 was equal to our net income for the respective periods.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements Not Yet Adopted. In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2014-09, “Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)” (“ASU 2014-09”). The core principle of ASU 2014-09 is that an entity should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. In August 2015, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2015-14, “Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606): Deferral of the Effective Date,” which delayed the effective date of ASU 2014-09 by one year. In 2016, the FASB issued accounting standards updates that amended several aspects of ASU 2014-09. ASU 2014-09, as amended, is effective for us for annual and interim periods beginning December 1, 2018 (with early adoption permitted beginning in our 2018 fiscal year) and allows for full retrospective or modified retrospective methods of adoption. We expect to adopt ASU 2014-09 under the modified retrospective method in our 2019 first quarter. We are currently evaluating the potential impact of adopting this guidance on our consolidated financial statements and disclosures, and have been involved in industry specific discussions with the FASB on the treatment of certain items. We do not believe the adoption of ASU 2014-09 will have a material impact on the amount or timing of our homebuilding revenues. We are also continuing to evaluate the

impact adopting this guidance may have on other aspects of our business.
In February 2016, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-02, “Leases (Topic 842)” (“ASU 2016-02”). ASU 2016-02 will require lessees to recognize on the balance sheet the assets and liabilities for the rights and obligations created by those leases. Under ASU 2016-02, a lessee will be required to recognize assets and liabilities for leases with lease terms of more than 12 months. Lessor accounting remains substantially similar to current GAAP. In addition, disclosures of leasing activities are to be expanded to include qualitative along with specific quantitative information. ASU 2016-02 will be effective for us beginning December 1, 2019 (with early adoption permitted) and mandates a modified retrospective

transition method. We are currently evaluating the potential impact of adopting this guidance on our consolidated financial statements.

In March 2016, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-09, "Compensation — Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting" ("ASU 2016-09"). ASU 2016-09 simplifies several aspects of the accounting for share-based payment transactions, including the income tax consequences, classification of awards as either equity or liabilities, and classification on the statement of cash flows. ASU 2016-09 will be effective for us beginning December 1, 2017 (with early adoption permitted). We are currently evaluating the potential impact of adopting this guidance on our consolidated financial statements.

In August 2016, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-15, "Statement of Cash Flows (Topic 230): Classification of Certain Cash Receipts and Cash Payments" ("ASU 2016-15"). ASU 2016-15 provides guidance on how certain cash receipts and cash payments are to be presented and classified in the statement of cash flows. ASU 2016-15 will be effective for us beginning after December 1, 2018 (with early adoption permitted). We are currently evaluating the potential impact of adopting this guidance on our consolidated financial statements.

In November 2016, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-18, "Statement of Cash Flows (Topic 230): Restricted Cash" ("ASU 2016-18"). ASU 2016-18 requires that a statement of cash flows explain the change during the period in the total of cash, cash equivalents, and amounts generally described as restricted cash or restricted cash equivalents. Therefore, amounts generally described as restricted cash and restricted cash equivalents should be included with cash and cash equivalents when reconciling the beginning-of-period and end-of-period total amounts shown on the statement of cash flows. ASU 2016-18 will be effective for us beginning December 1, 2018 (with early adoption permitted) and will be applied using a retrospective transition method to each period presented. We are currently evaluating the potential impact of adopting this guidance on our consolidated financial statements.

Reclassifications. Certain amounts in our consolidated financial statements for prior years have been reclassified to conform to the current period presentation.

2. Segment Information

We have identified five operating reporting segments, comprised of four homebuilding reporting segments and one financial services reporting segment. As of May 31, 2017, our homebuilding reporting segments conducted ongoing operations in the following states:

West Coast: California

Southwest: Arizona and Nevada

Central: Colorado and Texas

Southeast: Florida and North Carolina

Our homebuilding reporting segments are engaged in the acquisition and development of land primarily for residential purposes and offer a wide variety of homes that are designed to appeal to first-time, move-up and active adult homebuyers. Our homebuilding operations generate most of their revenues from the delivery of completed homes to homebuyers. They also earn revenues from the sale of land.

Our homebuilding reporting segments were identified based primarily on similarities in economic and geographic characteristics, product types, regulatory environments, methods used to sell and construct homes and land acquisition characteristics. Management evaluates segment performance primarily based on segment pretax results.

Our financial services reporting segment offers property and casualty insurance and, in certain instances, earthquake, flood and personal property insurance to our homebuyers in the same markets as our homebuilding reporting segments, and provides title services in the majority of our markets located within our Central and Southeast homebuilding reporting segments. This segment earns revenues primarily from insurance commissions and from the provision of title services. Until October 2016, we provided mortgage banking services, including residential mortgage loan ("mortgage loan") originations, to our homebuyers indirectly through Home Community Mortgage, LLC ("HCM"), a joint venture of a subsidiary of ours and a subsidiary of Nationstar Mortgage LLC ("Nationstar"). Through these respective subsidiaries, we have a 49.9% ownership interest and Nationstar has a 50.1% ownership interest in HCM, with Nationstar providing management oversight of HCM's operations. In the 2016 fourth quarter, we and Nationstar began the process to wind down HCM and transfer HCM's operations and certain assets to Stearns Lending, LLC ("Stearns Lending"). Our homebuyers may select any lender of their choice to obtain mortgage financing for the purchase of their home.

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In the 2016 fourth quarter, a subsidiary of ours and a subsidiary of Stearns Lending entered into an agreement to form KBHS Home Loans, LLC ("KBHS"), an unconsolidated mortgage banking joint venture that will offer mortgage banking services, including mortgage loan originations, to our homebuyers. We and Stearns Lending each have a 50.0% ownership interest in KBHS, with Stearns Lending providing management oversight of KBHS' operations. KBHS was operational in all of our served markets outside of California as of May 31, 2017, and became operational in California in June 2017. Our financial services reporting segment is separately reported in our consolidated financial statements.

Corporate and other is a non-operating segment that develops and oversees the implementation of company-wide strategic initiatives and provides support to our reporting segments by centralizing certain administrative functions. Corporate management is responsible for, among other things, evaluating and selecting the geographic markets in which we operate, consistent with our overall business strategy; allocating capital resources to markets for land acquisition and development activities; making major personnel decisions related to employee compensation and benefits; and monitoring the financial and operational performance of our divisions. Corporate and other includes general and administrative expenses related to operating our corporate headquarters. A portion of the expenses incurred by Corporate and other is allocated to our homebuilding reporting segments.

Our segments follow the same accounting policies used for our consolidated financial statements. The results of each segment are not necessarily indicative of the results that would have occurred had the segment been an independent, stand-alone entity during the periods presented, nor are they indicative of the results to be expected in future periods.

The following tables present financial information relating to our homebuilding reporting segments (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended May 31,		Six Months Ended May 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Revenues:				
West Coast	$460,600	$331,273	$816,432	$615,119
Southwest	126,189	111,671	243,825	212,003
Central	292,746	240,232	535,002	442,393
Southeast	120,537	125,286	221,059	214,689
Total	$1,000,072	$808,462	$1,816,318	$1,484,204
Pretax income (loss):				
West Coast	$36,496	$19,619	$59,349	$41,735
Southwest	9,949	10,134	18,621	22,637
Central	26,985	23,335	46,663	33,914
Southeast	479	(6,590)	(1,734)	(14,154)
Corporate and other	(24,744)	(23,221)	(53,835)	(46,011)
Total	$49,165	$23,277	$69,064	$38,121
Inventory impairment charges:				
West Coast	$3,144	$4,574	$3,144	$4,574
Southwest	—	—	1,343	—
Central	—	—	—	787
Southeast	1,158	5,356	3,032	5,915
Total	$4,302	$9,930	$7,519	$11,276

	Three Months Ended May 31,		Six Months Ended May 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Land option contract abandonments:				
West Coast	$1,044	$261	$1,835	$421
Southwest	—	111	—	111
Central	518	—	518	460
Southeast	137	1,438	137	1,438
Total	$1,699	$1,810	$2,490	$2,430

	May 31, 2017	November 30, 2016
Inventories:		
Homes under construction		
West Coast	$937,202	$ 695,742
Southwest	149,669	130,886
Central	334,326	297,290
Southeast	109,855	122,020
Subtotal	1,531,052	1,245,938
Land under development		
West Coast	641,669	820,088
Southwest	287,557	268,507
Central	451,551	456,508
Southeast	179,982	182,554
Subtotal	1,560,759	1,727,657
Land held for future development or sale		
West Coast	195,684	210,910
Southwest	111,608	122,927
Central	18,328	15,439
Southeast	70,773	80,357
Subtotal	396,393	429,633
Total	$3,488,204	$ 3,403,228

Assets:		
West Coast	$1,881,660	$1,847,279
Southwest	584,515	564,636
Central	918,171	909,497
Southeast	375,823	414,730
Corporate and other	1,187,216	1,384,983
Total	$4,947,385	$5,121,125

3. Financial Services

The following tables present financial information relating to our financial services reporting segment (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended May 31,		Six Months Ended May 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Revenues				
Insurance commissions	$1,408	$1,371	$2,618	$2,947
Title services	1,314	1,217	2,449	2,270
Interest income	—	—	5	—
Total	2,722	2,588	5,072	5,217
Expenses				
General and administrative	(816)	(871)	(1,635)	(1,730)
Operating income	1,906	1,717	3,437	3,487
Equity in income (loss) of unconsolidated joint ventures	911	(197)	940	(784)
Pretax income	$2,817	$1,520	$4,377	$2,703

	May 31, 2017	November 30, 2016
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	$784	$ 914
Receivables	1,622	1,764
Investments in unconsolidated joint ventures (a)	8,972	7,771
Other assets	32	50
Total assets	$11,410	$ 10,499
Liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	$1,457	$ 2,003
Total liabilities	$1,457	$ 2,003

(a) Our investments in unconsolidated joint ventures as of May 31, 2017 included a $5.3 million capital contribution we made to KBHS in the 2017 first quarter, and a $5.0 million distribution we received from HCM in the 2017 second quarter.

4. Earnings Per Share

Basic and diluted earnings per share were calculated as follows (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Three Months Ended May 31,		Six Months Ended May 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Numerator:				
Net income	$31,782	$15,597	$46,041	$28,724
Less: Distributed earnings allocated to nonvested restricted stock	(14)	(10)	(29)	(21)
Less: Undistributed earnings allocated to nonvested restricted stock	(200)	(66)	(285)	(116)
Numerator for basic earnings per share	31,568	15,521	45,727	28,587

	Three Months Ended May 31,		Six Months Ended May 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Effect of dilutive securities:				
Interest expense and amortization of debt issuance costs associated with convertible senior notes, net of taxes	664	667	1,327	1,333
Add: Undistributed earnings allocated to nonvested restricted stock	200	66	285	116
Less: Undistributed earnings reallocated to nonvested restricted stock	(175)	(59)	(251)	(104)
Numerator for diluted earnings per share	$32,257	$16,195	$47,088	$29,932
Denominator:				
Weighted average shares outstanding — basic	85,445	84,196	85,285	86,704
Effect of dilutive securities:				
Share-based payments	3,885	2,122	3,288	1,954
Convertible senior notes	8,402	8,402	8,402	8,402
Weighted average shares outstanding — diluted	97,732	94,720	96,975	97,060
Basic earnings per share	$.37	$.18	$.54	$.33
Diluted earnings per share	$.33	$.17	$.49	$.31

We compute earnings per share using the two-class method, which is an allocation of earnings between the holders of common stock and a company's participating security holders. Our outstanding nonvested shares of restricted stock contain non-forfeitable rights to dividends and, therefore, are considered participating securities for purposes of computing earnings per share pursuant to the two-class method. We had no other participating securities at May 31, 2017 or May 31, 2016.

Outstanding options to purchase 3.6 million shares of our common stock were excluded from the diluted earnings per share calculations for the three-month and six-month periods ended May 31, 2017, and outstanding options to purchase 9.7 million shares of our common stock were excluded from the diluted earnings per share calculations for the three-month and six-month periods ended May 31, 2016 because the effect of their inclusion in each case would be antidilutive. Contingently issuable shares associated with outstanding performance-based restricted stock units (each, a "PSU") were not included in the basic earnings per share calculations for the periods presented, as the applicable vesting conditions had not been satisfied.

5. Receivables

Receivables consisted of the following (in thousands):

	May 31, 2017	November 30, 2016
Due from utility companies, improvement districts and municipalities	$107,224	$ 102,780
Recoveries related to self-insurance claims	78,919	84,476
Refundable deposits and bonds	14,425	13,665
Recoveries related to warranty and other claims	11,613	14,609
Other	35,279	28,745
Subtotal	247,460	244,275
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(12,748)	(12,610)
Total	$234,712	$ 231,665

6. Inventories

Inventories consisted of the following (in thousands):

	May 31, 2017	November 30, 2016
Homes under construction	$1,531,052	$ 1,245,938
Land under development	1,560,759	1,727,657
Land held for future development or sale (a)	396,393	429,633
Total	$3,488,204	$ 3,403,228

(a) Land held for sale totaled $65.4 million at May 31, 2017 and $63.4 million at November 30, 2016.

Interest is capitalized to inventories while the related communities or land are being actively developed and until homes are completed or the land is available for immediate sale. Capitalized interest is amortized to construction and land costs as the related inventories are delivered to homebuyers or land buyers (as applicable). Interest and real estate taxes are not capitalized on land held for future development or sale.

Our interest costs were as follows (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended May 31,		Six Months Ended May 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Capitalized interest at beginning of period	$311,111	$300,314	$306,723	$288,442
Interest incurred (a)	43,344	46,258	93,423	92,509
Interest expensed (a)	—	(1,970)	(6,307)	(5,667)
Interest amortized to construction and land costs (b)	(50,471)	(35,557)	(89,855)	(66,239)
Capitalized interest at end of period (c)	$303,984	$309,045	$303,984	$309,045

(a) Interest incurred and interest expensed for the six months ended May 31, 2017 included a charge of $5.7 million for the early extinguishment of debt.

(b) Interest amortized to construction and land costs for the three months ended May 31, 2017 included $1.1 million related to land sales during the period. Interest amortized to construction and land costs for the six months ended May 31, 2017 and 2016 included $1.6 million and $.5 million, respectively, related to land sales during those periods.

(c) Capitalized interest amounts presented in the table reflect the gross amount of capitalized interest, as inventory impairment charges recognized, if any, are not generally allocated to specific components of inventory.

7. Inventory Impairments and Land Option Contract Abandonments

Each community or land parcel in our owned inventory is assessed on a quarterly basis to determine if indicators of potential impairment exist. We record an inventory impairment charge on a community or land parcel that is active or held for future development when indicators of potential impairment exist and the carrying value of the real estate asset is greater than the undiscounted future net cash flows the asset is expected to generate. These real estate assets are written down to fair value, which is primarily determined based on the estimated future net cash flows discounted for inherent risk associated with each such asset, or other valuation techniques. We record an inventory impairment charge on land held for sale when the carrying value of a land parcel is greater than its fair value. These real estate assets are written down to fair value, less associated costs to sell. The estimated fair values of such assets are generally based on bona fide letters of intent from outside parties, executed sales contracts, broker quotes or similar information. We evaluated 43 and 32 communities or land parcels for recoverability during the six months ended May 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The carrying value of the communities or land parcels evaluated during the six months ended May 31, 2017 and 2016 was $381.1 million and $248.7 million, respectively. Some of the communities or land parcels evaluated during the six months ended May 31, 2017 and 2016 were evaluated in more than one quarterly period. Communities or land parcels evaluated for recoverability in more than one quarterly period were counted only once for each six-month period. The communities or land parcels evaluated during the six months ended May 31, 2017 included certain communities or land

parcels previously held for future development that were reactivated during 2016 or 2017 as part of our efforts to improve our asset efficiency under our returns-focused growth plan.

Based on the results of our evaluations, we recognized inventory impairment charges of $4.3 million for the three months ended May 31, 2017 and $7.5 million for the six months ended May 31, 2017. For the three months and six months ended May 31, 2016, we recognized inventory impairment charges of $9.9 million and $11.3 million, respectively. The inventory impairment charges for the three-month and six-month periods ended May 31, 2017 and 2016 reflected our decisions to make changes in our operational strategies aimed at more quickly monetizing our investment in those communities or land parcels. Inventory impairment charges for the three-month and six-month periods ended May 31, 2017 related to two communities and four communities, respectively, where we decided to accelerate the overall pace for selling, building and delivering homes on land previously held for future development. Inventory impairment charges for the three months and six months ended May 31, 2016 included $5.4 million associated with the sales of two land parcels in the Metro Washington, D.C. market as part of the wind down of our operations in that market, and $4.6 million associated with one community in California where we decided to accelerate the overall timing for selling, building and delivering homes on land that was previously held for future development. The charges for the six months ended May 31, 2016 also reflected our decision to accelerate the overall timing for selling, building and delivering homes in a community in Florida that was previously held for future development, and the sales of our last remaining land parcels in the Rio Grande Valley area of Texas, which closed in the 2016 second quarter.

The following table summarizes ranges for significant quantitative unobservable inputs we utilized in our fair value measurements with respect to the impaired communities written down to fair value during the periods presented:

	Three Months Ended May 31,		Six Months Ended May 31,	
Unobservable Input (a)	2017	2016	2017	2016
Average selling price	$231,000 - $399,800	$280,100	$231,000 - $399,800	$280,100 - $310,000
Deliveries per month	3 - 4	4	3 - 4	1 - 4
Discount rate	18%	20%	17% - 18%	17% - 20%

(a) The ranges of inputs used in each period primarily reflect differences between the housing markets where each impacted community is located, rather than fluctuations in prevailing market conditions.

As of May 31, 2017, the aggregate carrying value of our inventory that had been impacted by inventory impairment charges was $195.1 million, representing 25 communities and various other land parcels. As of November 30, 2016, the aggregate carrying value of our inventory that had been impacted by inventory impairment charges was $215.3 million, representing 28 communities and various other land parcels.

Our inventory controlled under land option contracts and other similar contracts is assessed on a quarterly basis to determine whether it continues to meet our investment return standards. When a decision is made not to exercise certain land option contracts and other similar contracts due to market conditions and/or changes in our marketing strategy, we write off the related inventory costs, including non-refundable deposits and unrecoverable pre-acquisition costs. Based on the results of our assessments, we recognized land option contract abandonment charges of $1.7 million corresponding to 134 lots for the three months ended May 31, 2017, and $2.5 million of such charges corresponding to 520 lots for the six months ended May 31, 2017. We recognized land option contract abandonment charges of $1.8 million corresponding to 312 lots for the three months ended May 31, 2016, and $2.4 million of such charges corresponding to 492 lots for the six months ended May 31, 2016. Of the land option contract abandonment charges recognized for the three months and six months ended May 31, 2016, $1.4 million related to the wind down of our Metro Washington, D.C. operations.

Due to the judgment and assumptions applied in our inventory impairment and land option contract abandonment assessment processes, particularly as to land held for future development or sale, it is possible that actual results could differ substantially from those estimated.

8. Variable Interest Entities

Unconsolidated Joint Ventures. We participate in joint ventures from time to time that conduct land acquisition, land development and/or other homebuilding activities in various markets where our homebuilding operations are located. Our investments in these joint ventures may create a variable interest in a variable interest entity ("VIE"), depending on the contractual terms of the arrangement. We analyze our joint ventures under the variable interest model to determine

whether they are VIEs and, if so, whether we are the primary beneficiary. Based on our analyses, we determined that one of our joint ventures at May 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016 was a VIE, but we were not the primary beneficiary of the VIE. All of our

joint ventures at May 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016 were unconsolidated and accounted for under the equity method because we did not have a controlling financial interest.

Land Option Contracts and Other Similar Contracts. In the ordinary course of our business, we enter into land option contracts and other similar contracts with third parties and unconsolidated entities to acquire rights to land for the construction of homes. Under these contracts, we typically make a specified option payment or earnest money deposit in consideration for the right to purchase land in the future, usually at a predetermined price. We analyze each of our land option contracts and other similar contracts under the variable interest model to determine whether the land seller is a VIE and, if so, whether we are the primary beneficiary. Although we do not have legal title to the underlying land, we are required to consolidate a VIE if we are the primary beneficiary. As a result of our analyses, we determined that as of May 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016 we were not the primary beneficiary of any VIEs from which we have acquired rights to land under land option contracts and other similar contracts. We perform ongoing reassessments of whether we are the primary beneficiary of a VIE.

The following table presents a summary of our interests in land option contracts and other similar contracts (in thousands):

	May 31, 2017		November 30, 2016	
	Cash Deposits	Aggregate Purchase Price	Cash Deposits	Aggregate Purchase Price
Unconsolidated VIEs	$19,313	$522,124	$24,910	$641,642
Other land option contracts and other similar contracts	12,099	333,792	17,919	431,954
Total	$31,412	$855,916	$42,829	$1,073,596

In addition to the cash deposits presented in the table above, our exposure to loss related to our land option contracts and other similar contracts with third parties and unconsolidated entities consisted of pre-acquisition costs of $26.2 million at May 31, 2017 and $56.0 million at November 30, 2016. These pre-acquisition costs and cash deposits were included in inventories in our consolidated balance sheets.

For land option contracts and other similar contracts where the land seller entity is not required to be consolidated under the variable interest model, we consider whether such contracts should be accounted for as financing arrangements. Land option contracts and other similar contracts that may be considered financing arrangements include those we enter into with third-party land financiers or developers in conjunction with such third parties acquiring a specific land parcel(s) on our behalf, at our direction, and those with other landowners where we or our designee make improvements to the optioned land parcel(s) during the applicable option period. For these land option contracts and other similar contracts, we record the remaining purchase price of the associated land parcel(s) in inventories in our consolidated balance sheets with a corresponding financing obligation if we determine that we are effectively compelled to exercise the option to purchase the land parcel(s). In making this determination with respect to a land option contract or other similar contract, we consider the non-refundable deposit(s) we have made and any non-reimbursable expenditures we have incurred for land improvement activities or other items up to the assessment date; additional costs associated with abandoning the contract; and our commitments, if any, to incur non-reimbursable costs associated with the contract. As a result of our evaluations of land option contracts and other similar contracts for financing arrangements, we recorded inventories in our consolidated balance sheets, with a corresponding increase to accrued expenses and other liabilities, of $13.2 million at May 31, 2017 and $50.5 million at November 30, 2016.

9. Investments in Unconsolidated Joint Ventures

We have investments in unconsolidated joint ventures that conduct land acquisition, land development and/or other homebuilding activities in various markets where our homebuilding operations are located. We and our unconsolidated joint venture partners make initial and/or ongoing capital contributions to these unconsolidated joint ventures, typically on a pro rata basis, according to our respective equity interests. The obligations to make capital contributions are governed by each such unconsolidated joint venture’s respective operating agreement and related governing documents.

We typically have obtained rights to acquire portions of the land held by the unconsolidated joint ventures in which we currently participate. When an unconsolidated joint venture sells land to our homebuilding operations, we defer

recognition of our share of such unconsolidated joint venture's earnings (losses) until a home sale is closed and title passes to a homebuyer, at which time we account for those earnings (losses) as a reduction (increase) to the cost of purchasing the land from the unconsolidated joint venture. We defer recognition of our share of such unconsolidated joint venture losses only to the extent profits are to be generated from the sale of the home to a homebuyer.

We share in the earnings (losses) of these unconsolidated joint ventures generally in accordance with our respective equity interests. In some instances, we recognize earnings (losses) related to our investment in an unconsolidated joint venture that differ from our equity interest in the unconsolidated joint venture. This typically arises from our deferral of the unconsolidated joint venture's earnings (losses) from land sales to us, or other items.

The following table presents combined condensed information from the statements of operations of our unconsolidated joint ventures (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended May 31,		Six Months Ended May 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Revenues	$7,080	$18,514	$26,802	$21,852
Construction and land costs	(6,898)	(18,501)	(24,793)	(25,996)
Other expense, net	(1,157)	(1,468)	(2,253)	(2,591)
Loss	$(975)	$(1,455)	$(244)	$(6,735)

The year-over-year decreases in combined revenues and construction and land costs for three months ended May 31, 2017 primarily reflected decreased land sale activity from unconsolidated joint ventures in California. The year-over-year increase in combined revenues for the six months ended May 31, 2017 was primarily due to increased land sale activity from unconsolidated joint ventures in California and Nevada, while the decrease in construction and land costs reflected a change in the geographic mix of sales.

The following table presents combined condensed balance sheet information for our unconsolidated joint ventures (in thousands):

	May 31, 2017	November 30, 2016
Assets		
Cash	$25,266	$ 31,928
Receivables	742	882
Inventories	149,204	165,385
Other assets	2,562	629
Total assets	$177,774	$ 198,824
Liabilities and equity		
Accounts payable and other liabilities	$20,163	$ 19,880
Notes payable (a)	33,045	44,381
Equity	124,566	134,563
Total liabilities and equity	$177,774	$ 198,824

(a) One of our unconsolidated joint ventures has a construction loan agreement with a third-party lender to finance its land development activities that is secured by the underlying property and related project assets. Outstanding debt under the agreement is non-recourse to us and is scheduled to mature in August 2018. None of our other unconsolidated joint ventures had outstanding debt at May 31, 2017 or November 30, 2016.

The following table presents additional information relating to our investments in unconsolidated joint ventures (dollars in thousands):

	May 31, 2017	November 30, 2016
Number of investments in unconsolidated joint ventures	6	7
Investments in unconsolidated joint ventures	$64,000	$ 64,016
Number of unconsolidated joint venture lots controlled under land option contracts and other similar contracts	397	471

We and our partner in the unconsolidated joint venture that has the construction loan agreement described above provided certain guarantees and indemnities to the lender, including a guaranty to complete the construction of improvements for the project; a guaranty against losses the lender suffers due to certain bad acts or failures to act by the unconsolidated joint venture or its partners; a guaranty of interest payments on the outstanding balance of the secured debt under the construction loan agreement; and an indemnity of the lender from environmental issues. In each case, our actual responsibility under the foregoing guaranty and indemnity obligations is limited to our pro rata interest in the unconsolidated joint venture. We do not have a guaranty or any other obligation to repay or to support the value of the collateral underlying the unconsolidated joint venture's outstanding secured debt. However, various financial and non-financial covenants apply with respect to the outstanding secured debt and the related guaranty and indemnity obligations, and a failure to comply with such covenants could result in a default and cause the lender to seek to enforce such guaranty and indemnity obligations, if and as may be applicable. As of May 31, 2017, we were in compliance with the applicable terms of our relevant covenants with respect to the construction loan agreement. We do not believe that our existing exposure under our guaranty and indemnity obligations related to the unconsolidated joint venture's outstanding secured debt is material to our consolidated financial statements.

Of the unconsolidated joint venture lots controlled under land option and other similar contracts at May 31, 2017, we are committed to purchase 99 lots from one of our unconsolidated joint ventures in quarterly takedowns over the next three years for an aggregate purchase price of approximately $43.7 million under agreements that we entered into with the unconsolidated joint venture in 2016.

10. Other Assets

Other assets consisted of the following (in thousands):

	May 31, 2017	November 30, 2016
Cash surrender value of corporate-owned life insurance contracts	$73,505	$ 70,829
Property and equipment, net	16,831	14,240
Prepaid expenses	8,699	4,894
Debt issuance costs associated with unsecured revolving credit facility	961	1,182
Total	$99,996	$ 91,145

11. Accrued Expenses and Other Liabilities

Accrued expenses and other liabilities consisted of the following (in thousands):

	May 31, 2017	November 30, 2016
Self-insurance and other litigation liabilities	$173,704	$ 170,988
Employee compensation and related benefits	111,694	130,352
Accrued interest payable	65,928	67,411
Warranty liability	60,037	56,682
Inventory-related obligations (a)	43,390	82,682
Customer deposits	18,863	18,175
Real estate and business taxes	9,347	14,370
Other	4,873	10,336
Total	$487,836	$ 550,996

(a) Represents liabilities for financing arrangements discussed in Note 8 – Variable Interest Entities, as well as liabilities for fixed or determinable amounts associated with tax increment financing entity ("TIFE") assessments. As homes are delivered, our obligation to pay the remaining TIFE assessments associated with each underlying lot is transferred to the homebuyer. As such, these assessment obligations will be paid by us only to the extent we do not deliver homes on applicable lots before the related TIFE obligations mature.

12. Income Taxes

Income Tax Expense. Our income tax expense and effective income tax rates were as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended May 31,		Six Months Ended May 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Income tax expense (a)	$20,200	$9,200	$27,400	$12,100
Effective income tax rate (a)	38.9 %	37.1 %	37.3 %	29.6 %

(a) Amounts reflect the favorable net impact of federal energy tax credits we earned from building energy-efficient homes. The net impact of these tax credits was $.1 million and $.4 million for the three months ended May 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, and $1.2 million and $3.7 million for the six months ended May 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

The majority of the federal energy tax credits for the three-month and six-month periods ended May 31, 2017 and 2016 resulted from legislation enacted in 2015 that extended the availability of a business tax credit for building new energy-efficient homes through December 31, 2016. There has not been any new legislation enacted extending the business tax credit beyond December 31, 2016.

Deferred Tax Asset Valuation Allowance. We evaluate our deferred tax assets quarterly to determine if adjustments to our valuation allowance are required based on the consideration of all available positive and negative evidence using a “more likely than not” standard with respect to whether deferred tax assets will be realized. Our evaluation considers, among other factors, our historical operating results, our expectation of future profitability, the duration of the applicable statutory carryforward periods, and conditions in the housing market and the broader economy. The ultimate realization of our deferred tax assets depends primarily on our ability to generate future taxable income during the periods in which the related temporary differences in the financial basis and the tax basis of the assets become deductible. The value of our deferred tax assets depends on applicable income tax rates.

Our deferred tax assets of $736.7 million as of May 31, 2017 and $763.8 million as of November 30, 2016 were partly offset by a valuation allowance in each period of $24.8 million. The deferred tax asset valuation allowances as of May 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016 were primarily related to certain state net operating losses (“NOLs”) that had not met the “more likely than not” realization standard at those dates. Based on our evaluation of our deferred tax assets as of May 31, 2017, we determined that most of our deferred tax assets would be realized. Therefore, we made no adjustments to our deferred tax valuation allowance during the six months ended May 31, 2017.

We will continue to evaluate both the positive and negative evidence on a quarterly basis in determining the need for a valuation allowance with respect to our deferred tax assets. The accounting for deferred tax assets is based upon estimates of future results. Changes in positive and negative evidence, including differences between estimated and actual results, could result in changes in the valuation of our deferred tax assets that could have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements. Changes in existing federal and state tax laws and corporate income tax rates could also affect our actual tax expense, the realization of our deferred tax assets over time and/or the value of our deferred tax assets on our consolidated balance sheets.

Unrecognized Tax Benefits. At both May 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016, our gross unrecognized tax benefits (including interest and penalties) totaled $.1 million, all of which, if recognized, would affect our effective income tax rate. We anticipate that these gross unrecognized tax benefits will decrease by an amount ranging from zero to $.1 million during the 12 months from this reporting date. Our fiscal years ending 2013 and later remain open to federal examinations, while fiscal years 2012 and later remain open to state examinations.

13. Notes Payable

Notes payable consisted of the following (in thousands):

	May 31, 2017	November 30, 2016
Mortgages and land contracts due to land sellers and other loans	$33,447	$ 66,927
9.10% Senior notes due September 15, 2017	164,748	263,932
7 1/4% Senior notes due June 15, 2018	299,755	299,647
4.75% Senior notes due May 15, 2019	397,874	397,364
8.00% Senior notes due March 15, 2020	345,510	344,811
7.00% Senior notes due December 15, 2021	446,253	445,911
7.50% Senior notes due September 15, 2022	346,999	346,774
7.625% Senior notes due May 15, 2023	247,562	247,404
1.375% Convertible senior notes due February 1, 2019	227,973	227,379
Total	$2,510,121	$ 2,640,149

The carrying amounts of our senior notes listed above are net of debt issuance costs and discounts, which totaled $18.3 million at May 31, 2017 and $21.8 million at November 30, 2016.

Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility. We have a $275.0 million unsecured revolving credit facility with a syndicate of financial institutions (“Credit Facility”) that will mature on August 7, 2019. The Credit Facility contains an uncommitted accordion feature under which the aggregate principal amount of available loans can be increased to a maximum of $450.0 million under certain conditions, including obtaining additional bank commitments. The Credit Facility also contains a sublimit of $137.5 million for the issuance of letters of credit, which may be utilized in combination with, or to replace, our cash-collateralized letter of credit facility with a financial institution (“LOC Facility”). Interest on amounts borrowed under the Credit Facility is payable quarterly in arrears at a rate based on either a Eurodollar or a base rate, plus a spread that depends on our consolidated leverage ratio (“Leverage Ratio”), as defined under the Credit Facility. The Credit Facility also requires the payment of a commitment fee ranging from .30% to .50% of the unused commitment, based on our Leverage Ratio. The terms of the Credit Facility require us, among other things, to maintain compliance with various covenants, including financial covenants relating to our consolidated tangible net worth, Leverage Ratio, and either a consolidated interest coverage ratio (“Interest Coverage Ratio”) or minimum level of liquidity, each as defined therein. The amount of the Credit Facility available for cash borrowings or the issuance of letters of credit depends on the total cash borrowings and letters of credit outstanding under the Credit Facility and the maximum available amount under the terms of the Credit Facility. As of May 31, 2017, we had no cash borrowings and $32.4 million of letters of credit outstanding under the Credit Facility. Therefore, as of May 31, 2017, we had $242.6 million available for cash borrowings under the Credit Facility, with up to $105.1 million of that amount available for the issuance of letters of credit.

LOC Facility. We maintain the LOC Facility to obtain letters of credit from time to time in the ordinary course of operating our business. As of May 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016, we had no letters of credit outstanding under the LOC Facility.

Mortgages and Land Contracts Due to Land Sellers and Other Loans. As of May 31, 2017, inventories having a carrying value of $61.6 million were pledged to collateralize mortgages and land contracts due to land sellers and other loans.

Shelf Registration. We have an automatically effective universal shelf registration statement that was filed with the SEC on July 18, 2014 (“2014 Shelf Registration”). Issuances of debt and equity securities under our 2014 Shelf Registration require the filing of a prospectus supplement identifying the amount and terms of the securities to be issued. Our ability to issue equity and/or debt is subject to market conditions and other factors impacting our borrowing capacity.

Senior Notes. All of the senior notes outstanding at May 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016 represent senior unsecured obligations and rank equally in right of payment with all of our existing and future indebtedness. Interest on each of these senior notes is payable semi-annually. At any time prior to the close of business on the business day immediately preceding the maturity date, holders may convert all or any portion of the 1.375% convertible senior notes due 2019 (“1.375% Convertible Senior Notes due 2019”). These notes are initially convertible into shares of our

common stock at a conversion rate of 36.5297 shares for each $1,000 principal amount of the notes, which represents an initial conversion price of approximately $27.37 per share. This initial conversion rate equates to 8,401,831 shares of our common stock and is subject to adjustment upon the occurrence of certain events, as described in the instruments governing these notes.

On December 14, 2016, we elected to exercise our optional redemption rights under the terms of the 9.100% senior notes due 2017 (“9.10% Senior Notes due 2017”). On January 13, 2017, we redeemed $100.0 million in aggregate principal amount of the notes outstanding at the redemption price calculated in accordance with the “make-whole” provisions of the notes. We used internally generated cash to fund this redemption. We paid a total of $105.3 million to redeem the notes and recorded a charge of $5.7 million for the early extinguishment of debt. Upon this redemption, $165.0 million in aggregate principal amount of the notes remained outstanding.

The indenture governing the senior notes does not contain any financial covenants. Subject to specified exceptions, the indenture contains certain restrictive covenants that, among other things, limit our ability to incur secured indebtedness, or engage in sale-leaseback transactions involving property or assets above a certain specified value. In addition, the senior notes (with the exception of the 7 1/4% senior notes due 2018) contain certain limitations related to mergers, consolidations, and sales of assets.

As of May 31, 2017, we were in compliance with the applicable terms of all our covenants and other requirements under the Credit Facility, the senior notes, the indenture, and the mortgages and land contracts due to land sellers and other loans. Our ability to access the Credit Facility for cash borrowings and letters of credit and our ability to secure future debt financing depend, in part, on our ability to remain in such compliance.

Principal payments on senior notes, mortgages and land contracts due to land sellers and other loans are due as follows: 2017 – $195.8 million; 2018 – $302.6 million; 2019 – $630.0 million; 2020 – $350.0 million; 2021 – $0; and thereafter – $1.05 billion.

14. Fair Value Disclosures

Fair value measurements of assets and liabilities are categorized based on the following hierarchy:

Level 1	Fair value determined based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
Level 2	Fair value determined using significant observable inputs, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities or quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, or inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data, by correlation or other means.
Level 3	Fair value determined using significant unobservable inputs, such as pricing models, discounted cash flows, or similar techniques.

Fair value measurements are used for inventories on a nonrecurring basis when events and circumstances indicate that their carrying value is not recoverable. The following table presents the fair value hierarchy and our assets measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis for the six months ended May 31, 2017 and the year ended November 30, 2016 (in thousands):

Description	Fair Value Hierarchy	May 31, 2017	November 30, 2016
Inventories (a)	Level 2	$ —	$ 3,657
Inventories (a)	Level 3	12,513	37,329

(a) Amounts represent the aggregate fair value for real estate assets impacted by inventory impairment charges during the applicable period as of the date the fair value measurements were made. The carrying value for these real estate assets may have subsequently increased or decreased from the fair value reflected due to activity that has occurred since the measurement date.

Inventories with a carrying value of $20.0 million were written down to their fair value of $12.5 million during the six months ended May 31, 2017, resulting in inventory impairment charges of $7.5 million. Inventories with a carrying value of $89.1 million were written down to their fair value, less associated costs to sell (where applicable), of $39.5 million during the year ended November 30, 2016, resulting in inventory impairment charges of $49.6 million.

The fair values for inventories that were determined using Level 2 inputs were based on bona fide letters of intent from outside parties or executed sales contracts. The fair values for inventories that were determined using Level 3 inputs were based on the estimated future net cash flows discounted for inherent risk associated with each underlying asset, or, with respect to planned future land sales, were based on broker quotes.

The following table presents the fair value hierarchy, carrying values and estimated fair values of our financial instruments, except those for which the carrying values approximate fair values (in thousands):

		May 31, 2017		November 30, 2016	
	Fair Value Hierarchy	Carrying Value (a)	Estimated Fair Value	Carrying Value (a)	Estimated Fair Value
Financial Liabilities:					
Senior notes	Level 2	$2,248,701	$2,464,800	$2,345,843	$2,494,844
Convertible senior notes	Level 2	227,973	239,200	227,379	223,675

(a) The carrying values for the senior notes and convertible senior notes, as presented, include unamortized debt issuance costs. Debt issuance costs are not factored into the estimated fair values of these notes.

The fair values of our senior notes and convertible senior notes are generally estimated based on quoted market prices for these instruments. The carrying values reported for cash and cash equivalents, and mortgages and land contracts due to land sellers and other loans approximate fair values. The carrying value of corporate-owned life insurance is based on the cash surrender value of the policies and, accordingly, approximates fair value.

15. Commitments and Contingencies

Commitments and contingencies include typical obligations of homebuilders for the completion of contracts and those incurred in the ordinary course of business.

Warranty. We provide a limited warranty on all of our homes. The specific terms and conditions of our limited warranty program vary depending upon the markets in which we do business. We generally provide a structural warranty of 10 years, a warranty on electrical, heating, cooling, plumbing and certain other building systems each varying from two to five years based on geographic market and state law, and a warranty of one year for other components of the home. Our limited warranty program is ordinarily how we respond to and account for homeowners' requests to local division offices seeking repairs of certain conditions or defects, including claims where we could have liability under applicable state statutes or tort law for a defective condition in or damages to a home. Our warranty liability covers our costs of repairs associated with homeowner claims made under our limited warranty program. These claims are generally made directly by a homeowner and involve their individual home.

We estimate the costs that may be incurred under each limited warranty and record a liability in the amount of such costs at the time the revenue associated with the sale of each home is recognized. Our primary assumption in estimating the amounts we accrue for warranty costs is that historical claims experience is a strong indicator of future claims experience. Factors that affect our warranty liability include the number of homes delivered, historical and anticipated rates of warranty claims, and cost per claim. We periodically assess the adequacy of our accrued warranty liability, which is included in accrued expenses and other liabilities in our consolidated balance sheets, and adjust the amount as necessary based on our assessment. Our assessment includes the review of our actual warranty costs incurred to identify trends and changes in our warranty claims experience, and considers our home construction quality and customer service initiatives and outside events. While we believe the warranty liability currently reflected in our consolidated balance sheets to be adequate, unanticipated changes or developments in the legal environment, local weather, land or environmental conditions, quality of materials or methods used in the construction of homes or customer service practices and/or our warranty claims experience could have a significant impact on our actual warranty costs in future periods and such amounts could differ significantly from our current estimates.

The changes in our warranty liability were as follows (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended May 31,		Six Months Ended May 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Balance at beginning of period	$57,710	$50,575	$56,682	$49,085
Warranties issued	8,784	6,315	15,924	11,567
Payments	(6,457)	(8,446)	(12,569)	(12,467)
Adjustments	—	393	—	652
Balance at end of period	$60,037	$48,837	$60,037	$48,837

Guarantees. In the normal course of our business, we issue certain representations, warranties and guarantees related to our home sales and land sales. Based on historical experience, we do not believe any potential liability with respect to these representations, warranties or guarantees would be material to our consolidated financial statements.
Self-Insurance. We maintain, and require the majority of our independent subcontractors to maintain, general liability insurance (including construction defect and bodily injury coverage) and workers' compensation insurance. These insurance policies protect us against a portion of our risk of loss from claims related to our homebuilding activities, subject to certain self-insured retentions, deductibles and other coverage limits. We also maintain certain other insurance policies. In Arizona, California, Colorado and Nevada, our subcontractors' general liability insurance primarily takes the form of a wrap-up policy under a program where eligible independent subcontractors are enrolled as insureds on each community. Enrolled subcontractors contribute toward the cost of the insurance and agree to pay a contractual amount in the future if there is a claim related to their work. To the extent provided under the wrap-up program, we absorb the enrolled subcontractors' general liability associated with the work performed on our homes within the applicable community as part of our overall general liability insurance and our self-insurance.
We self-insure a portion of our overall risk through the use of a captive insurance subsidiary, which provides coverage for our exposure to construction defect, bodily injury and property damage claims and related litigation or regulatory actions, up to certain limits. Our self-insurance liability generally covers our costs of settlements and/or repairs, if any, as well as our costs to defend and resolve the following types of claims:

- Construction defect: Construction defect claims, which represent the largest component of our self-insurance liability, typically originate through a legal or regulatory process rather than directly by a homeowner and involve the alleged occurrence of a condition affecting two or more homes within the same community, or they involve a common area or homeowners' association property within a community. These claims typically involve higher costs to resolve than individual homeowner warranty claims, and the rate of claims is highly variable.
- Bodily injury: Bodily injury claims typically involve individuals (other than our employees) who claim they were injured while on our property or as a result of our operations.
- Property damage: Property damage claims generally involve claims by third parties for alleged damage to real or personal property as a result of our operations. Such claims may occasionally include those made against us by owners of property located near our communities.

Our self-insurance liability at each reporting date represents the estimated costs of reported claims, claims incurred but not yet reported, and claim adjustment expenses. The amount of our self-insurance liability is based on an analysis performed by a third-party actuary that uses our historical claim and expense data, as well as industry data to estimate these overall costs. Key assumptions used in developing these estimates include claim frequencies, severities and resolution patterns, which can occur over an extended period of time. These estimates are subject to variability due to the length of time between the delivery of a home to a homebuyer and when a construction defect claim is made, and the ultimate resolution of such claim; uncertainties regarding such claims relative to our markets and the types of product we build; and legal or regulatory actions and/or interpretations, among other factors. Due to the degree of judgment involved and the potential for variability in these underlying assumptions, our actual future costs could differ from those estimated. In addition, changes in the frequency and severity of reported claims and the estimates to resolve claims can impact the trends and assumptions used in the actuarial analysis, which could be material to our consolidated financial statements. Though state regulations vary, construction defect claims are reported and resolved over a long period of time, which can extend for 10 years or more. As a result, the majority of the estimated self-insurance liability based on the actuarial analysis relates to claims incurred but not yet reported. Therefore, adjustments related to individual existing claims generally do not significantly impact the overall estimated liability. Adjustments to our liabilities related to homes delivered in prior years are recorded in the period in which a change in our estimate occurs.
Our self-insurance liability is presented on a gross basis without consideration of insurance recoveries and amounts we have paid on behalf of and expect to recover from other parties, if any. Estimated probable self-insurance recoveries of $78.9 million and $84.5 million are included in receivables in our consolidated balance sheets at May 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016, respectively. These self-insurance recoveries are principally based on actuarially determined amounts and depend on various factors, including, among other things, the above-described claim cost estimates, our insurance policy coverage limits for the applicable policy year(s), historical third-party

recovery rates, insurance industry practices, the regulatory environment, and legal precedent, and are subject to a high degree of variability from period to period. Because of the inherent uncertainty and variability in these assumptions, our actual insurance recoveries could differ significantly from amounts currently estimated.

The changes in our self-insurance liability were as follows (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended May 31,		Six Months Ended May 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Balance at beginning of period	$159,882	$173,017	$158,584	$173,011
Self-insurance expense (a)	3,598	4,406	8,238	8,422
Payments	(2,720)	(12,029)	(4,760)	(15,435)
Reclassification of estimated probable recoveries (b)	(4,255)	(8,661)	(5,557)	(9,265)
Balance at end of period	$156,505	$156,733	$156,505	$156,733

(a) These expenses are included in selling, general and administrative expenses and are largely offset by contributions from subcontractors participating in the wrap-up policy.

(b) Amount for each period represents the changes in the estimated probable insurance and other recoveries that were reclassified to receivables to present our self-insurance liability on a gross basis.

For most of our claims, there is no interaction between our warranty liability and self-insurance liability. Typically, if a matter is identified at its outset as either a warranty or self-insurance claim, it remains as such through its resolution. However, there can be instances of interaction between the liabilities, such as where individual homeowners in a community separately request warranty repairs to their homes to address a similar condition or issue and subsequently join together to initiate, or potentially initiate, a legal process with respect to that condition or issue and/or the repair work we have undertaken. In these instances, the claims and related repair work generally are initially covered by our warranty liability, and the costs associated with resolving the legal matter (including any additional repair work) are covered by our self-insurance liability.

The payments we make in connection with claims and related repair work, whether covered within our warranty liability and/or our self-insurance liability, may be recovered from our insurers to the extent such payments exceed the self-insured retentions or deductibles under our general liability insurance policies. Also, in certain instances, in the course of resolving a claim, we pay amounts in advance of and/or on behalf of a subcontractor(s) or their insurer(s) and believe we will be reimbursed for such payments. Estimates of all such amounts, if any, are recorded as receivables in our consolidated balance sheets when any such recovery is considered probable. Such receivables associated with our warranty and other claims totaled $11.6 million at May 31, 2017 and $14.6 million at November 30, 2016. We believe collection of these receivables is probable based on our history of collections for similar claims.

Performance Bonds and Letters of Credit. We are often required to provide to various municipalities and other government agencies performance bonds and/or letters of credit to secure the completion of our projects and/or in support of obligations to build community improvements such as roads, sewers, water systems and other utilities, and to support similar development activities by certain of our unconsolidated joint ventures. At May 31, 2017, we had $564.8 million of performance bonds and $32.4 million of letters of credit outstanding. At November 30, 2016, we had $535.7 million of performance bonds and $31.0 million of letters of credit outstanding. If any such performance bonds or letters of credit are called, we would be obligated to reimburse the issuer of the performance bond or letter of credit. We do not believe that a material amount of any currently outstanding performance bonds or letters of credit will be called. Performance bonds do not have stated expiration dates. Rather, we are released from the performance bonds as the underlying performance obligations are completed. The expiration dates of some letters of credit issued in connection with community improvements coincide with the expected completion dates of the related projects or obligations. Most letters of credit, however, are issued with an initial term of one year and are typically extended on a year-to-year basis until the related performance obligations are completed.

Land Option Contracts and Other Similar Contracts. In the ordinary course of our business, we enter into land option contracts and other similar contracts to acquire rights to land for the construction of homes. At May 31, 2017, we had total cash deposits of $31.4 million to purchase land having an aggregate purchase price of $855.9 million. Our land option contracts and other similar contracts generally do not contain provisions requiring our specific performance.

16. Legal Matters

Nevada Development Contract Litigation. KB HOME Nevada Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of ours (“KB Nevada”), is a defendant in a case in the Eighth Judicial District Court in Clark County, Nevada entitled Las Vegas Development

Associates, LLC, Essex Real Estate Partners, LLC, et al. v. KB HOME Nevada Inc. In 2007, Las Vegas Development Associates, LLC ("LVDA") agreed to purchase from KB Nevada approximately 83 acres of land located near Las Vegas, Nevada. LVDA subsequently assigned its rights to Essex Real Estate Partners, LLC ("Essex"). KB Nevada and Essex entered into a

development agreement relating to certain major infrastructure improvements. LVDA's and Essex's complaint, initially filed in 2008, alleged that KB Nevada breached the development agreement, and also alleged that KB Nevada fraudulently induced them to enter into the purchase and development agreements. LVDA's and Essex's lenders subsequently filed related actions that were consolidated into the LVDA/Essex matter. The consolidated plaintiffs sought rescission of the agreements or, in the alternative, compensatory damages of $55 million plus unspecified punitive damages and other damages, and interest charges in excess of $41 million ("Claimed Damages"). KB Nevada denied the allegations, and believed it had meritorious defenses to the consolidated plaintiffs' claims. On March 15, 2013, the district court entered orders denying the consolidated plaintiffs' motions for summary judgment and granting the majority of KB Nevada's motions for summary judgment, eliminating, among other of the consolidated plaintiffs' claims, those for fraud, negligent misrepresentation, and punitive damages. After the district court's decisions, the only remaining claims against KB Nevada were for contract damages and rescission. In August 2013, the district court granted motions that further narrowed the scope of the Claimed Damages. The lender plaintiffs filed an appeal from the district court's summary judgment decisions with the Nevada Supreme Court and that court heard oral argument on June 6, 2016. On September 22, 2016, the Nevada Supreme Court rejected the lender plaintiffs' appeal and upheld the district court's summary judgment decisions against the lender plaintiffs in favor of KB Nevada. Effective March 3, 2017, KB Nevada, LVDA, Essex, the administrative agent for the LVDA/Essex lenders and a guarantor for the underlying LVDA/Essex loan reached a settlement. Under the settlement, the above-described litigation has been dismissed with prejudice, with mutual releases by the parties of all claims related to the matter. As part of the settlement, KB Nevada agreed to purchase the land, if certain conditions are satisfied, on or before February 15, 2020 (subject to a potential extension of up to six months). If the conditions are not satisfied and KB Nevada does not purchase the land, it will make a specified cash payment pursuant to the settlement agreement that is not material to our consolidated financial statements. This settlement did not have an impact on our consolidated financial statements for the three-month or six-month periods ended May 31, 2017.

San Diego Water Board Notice of Violation. In August 2015, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region ("RWQCB") issued to us and another homebuilder a Notice of Violation ("NOV") alleging violations of the California Water Code and waste discharge prohibitions of the water quality control plan for the San Diego Region (Basin Plan). According to the NOV, the alleged violations involved the unpermitted discharge of fill material into the waters of the United States and California during the grading of a required secondary access road for a community located in San Diego County, California. The work was performed pursuant to a County-issued grading permit and in reliance on third-party experts. In its NOV, the RWQCB requested to meet with us to discuss the alleged violations as part of its process to determine whether to bring any enforcement action, and we have met with the RWQCB staff in an effort to resolve the matters alleged in the NOV. An administrative hearing before the RWQCB was originally scheduled for August 10, 2016, but was continued pending ongoing discussions with the RWQCB staff. On May 26, 2017, we and the RWQCB staff reached a settlement regarding the matters alleged in the NOV, and agreed to a stipulated administrative order in lieu of formal administrative proceedings. The stipulated administrative order is subject to a thirty-day public comment period, after which it will be presented to the RWQCB, or its delegate, for approval. Under the stipulated administrative order, we agreed to pay a total of $.3 million and to enhance certain of our land development procedures. We are also seeking recovery of the costs associated with this matter from responsible parties. While the ultimate outcome is uncertain, we believe that the RWQCB will approve the stipulated administrative order with the terms agreed to with the RWQCB staff, and it is not expected to be material to our consolidated financial statements.

Other Matters. In addition to the specific proceedings described above, we are involved in other litigation and regulatory proceedings incidental to our business that are in various procedural stages. We believe that the accruals we have recorded for probable and reasonably estimable losses with respect to these proceedings are adequate and that, as of May 31, 2017, it was not reasonably possible that an additional material loss had been incurred in an amount in excess of the estimated amounts already recognized in our consolidated financial statements. We evaluate our accruals for litigation and regulatory proceedings at least quarterly and, as appropriate, adjust them to reflect (a) the facts and circumstances known to us at the time, including information regarding negotiations, settlements, rulings and other relevant events and developments; (b) the advice and analyses of counsel; and (c) the assumptions and judgment of management. Similar factors and considerations are used in establishing new accruals for proceedings as to which

losses have become probable and reasonably estimable at the time an evaluation is made. Based on our experience, we believe that the amounts that may be claimed or alleged against us in these proceedings are not a meaningful indicator of our potential liability. The outcome of any of these proceedings, including the defense and other litigation-related costs and expenses we may incur, however, is inherently uncertain and could differ significantly from the estimate reflected in a related accrual, if made. Therefore, it is possible that the ultimate outcome of any proceeding, if in excess of a related accrual or if an accrual had not been made, could be material to our consolidated financial statements.

17. Stockholders' Equity

A summary of changes in stockholders' equity is presented below (in thousands):

	Six Months Ended May 31, 2017									
	Number of Shares									
	Common Stock	Grantor Stock Ownership Trust	Treasury Stock	Common Stock	Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Grantor Stock Ownership Trust	Treasury Stock	Total Stockholders' Equity
Balance at November 30, 2016	116,224	(9,432)	(21,720)	$116,224	$696,938	$1,563,742	$(16,057)	$(102,300)	$(535,402)	$1,723,145
Net income	—	—	—	—	—	46,041	—	—	—	46,041
Dividends on common stock	—	—	—	—	—	(4,341)	—	—	—	(4,341)
Employee stock options/other	256	—	—	256	2,793	—	—	—	—	3,049
Stock awards	66	279	27	66	(3,764)	—	—	3,021	677	—
Stock-based compensation	—	—	—	—	7,037	—	—	—	—	7,037
Stock repurchases	—	—	(152)	—	—	—	—	—	(2,543)	(2,543)
Balance at May 31, 2017	116,546	(9,153)	(21,845)	$116,546	$703,004	$1,605,442	$(16,057)	$(99,279)	$(537,268)	$1,772,388

We maintain an account with our transfer agent to reserve the maximum number of shares of our common stock potentially deliverable upon conversion to holders of the 1.375% Convertible Senior Notes due 2019 based on the terms of their governing instruments. Accordingly, the common stock reserve account had a balance of 12,602,735 shares at May 31, 2017. The maximum number of shares would potentially be deliverable to holders only in certain limited circumstances as set forth in the governing instruments.

On February 15, 2017, the management development and compensation committee of our board of directors approved the payout of PSUs that were granted to certain employees on October 10, 2013. The 278,460 shares of our common stock that were granted under the terms of PSUs that vested in 2017 included an aggregate of 125,460 additional shares above the target amount awarded to the eligible recipients based on our achieving certain levels of average return on equity performance and revenue growth performance relative to a peer group of high-production public homebuilding companies over the three-year period from December 1, 2013 through November 30, 2016.

As of May 31, 2017, we were authorized to repurchase 1,627,000 shares of our common stock under a board approved share repurchase program. We did not repurchase any of our common stock under this program in the six months ended May 31, 2017.

During the six months ended May 31, 2017, we repurchased 152,569, or $2.5 million, of previously issued shares delivered to us by employees to satisfy withholding taxes on the vesting of restricted stock and PSU awards as well as shares forfeited by individuals upon their termination of employment. These transactions were not considered repurchases under the above-described board of directors authorization.

During each of the three-month periods ended May 31, 2017 and 2016, our board of directors declared, and we paid, a quarterly cash dividend of $.025 per share of common stock. Quarterly cash dividends declared and paid during the six months ended May 31, 2017 and 2016 totaled $.050 per share of common stock.

18. Stock-Based Compensation

Stock Options. We estimate the grant-date fair value of stock options using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. The following table summarizes stock option transactions for the six months ended May 31, 2017:

	Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price
Options outstanding at beginning of period	12,731,545	$ 18.95
Granted	—	—
Exercised	(255,623)	11.93
Cancelled	(344,528)	18.26
Options outstanding at end of period	12,131,394	$ 19.12
Options exercisable at end of period	10,082,581	$ 19.87

As of May 31, 2017, the weighted average remaining contractual life of stock options outstanding and stock options exercisable was 4.0 years and 3.0 years, respectively. There was $2.1 million of total unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested stock option awards as of May 31, 2017 that is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.3 years. For the three months ended May 31, 2017 and 2016, stock-based compensation expense associated with stock options totaled $.3 million and $1.1 million, respectively. For the six-month periods ended May 31, 2017 and 2016, stock-based compensation expense associated with stock options totaled $1.1 million and $2.0 million, respectively. The aggregate intrinsic values of stock options outstanding and stock options exercisable were $62.8 million and $51.4 million, respectively, at May 31, 2017. (The intrinsic value of a stock option is the amount by which the market value of a share of the underlying common stock exceeds the exercise price of the stock option.)

Other Stock-Based Awards. From time to time, we grant restricted stock and PSUs to various employees as a compensation benefit. We recognized total compensation expense of $3.6 million and $3.5 million for the three months ended May 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, related to restricted stock and PSUs. We recognized total compensation expense of $5.9 million and $5.5 million for the six-month periods ended May 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, related to restricted stock and PSUs.

Director Awards. On April 13, 2017, we granted equity awards to our non-employee directors under our Non-Employee Directors Compensation Plan and pursuant to the respective elections each director made thereunder. The equity awards consisted of 22,994 shares of our common stock that were issued on an unrestricted basis to the respective directors on the grant date, and 43,499 shares that will be paid out on the earlier of a change in control or the date the respective directors leave our board.

19. Supplemental Disclosure to Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

The following are supplemental disclosures to the consolidated statements of cash flows (in thousands):

	Six Months Ended May 31,	
	2017	2016
Summary of cash and cash equivalents at end of period:		
Homebuilding	$348,588	$274,849
Financial services	784	1,700
Total	$349,372	$276,549
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:		
Interest paid, net of amounts capitalized	$2,105	$2,729
Income taxes paid	3,039	2,635

	Six Months Ended May 31,	
	2017	2016
Supplemental disclosures of noncash activities:		
Reclassification of warranty recoveries to receivables	$—	$2,151
Decrease in consolidated inventories not owned	(3)7,(3721,324)	
Increase in inventories due to distributions of land and land development from an unconsolidated joint venture	3,674,6875	
Inventories acquired through seller financing	28,13620,436	

20. Supplemental Guarantor Information

Our obligations to pay principal, premium, if any, and interest on the senior notes and borrowings, if any, under the Credit Facility are guaranteed on a joint and several basis by certain of our subsidiaries ("Guarantor Subsidiaries"). The guarantees are full and unconditional and the Guarantor Subsidiaries are 100% owned by us. Pursuant to the terms of the indenture governing the senior notes and the terms of the Credit Facility, if any of the Guarantor Subsidiaries ceases to be a "significant subsidiary" as defined by Rule 1-02 of Regulation S-X (as in effect on June 1, 1996) using a 5% rather than a 10% threshold (provided that the assets of our non-guarantor subsidiaries do not in the aggregate exceed 10% of an adjusted measure of our consolidated total assets), it will be automatically and unconditionally released and discharged from its guaranty of the senior notes and the Credit Facility so long as all guarantees by such Guarantor Subsidiary of any other of our or our subsidiaries' indebtedness are terminated at or prior to the time of such release. We have determined that separate, full financial statements of the Guarantor Subsidiaries would not be material to investors and, accordingly, supplemental financial information for the Guarantor Subsidiaries is presented. The supplemental financial information for all periods presented below reflects the relevant subsidiaries that were Guarantor Subsidiaries as of May 31, 2017.

Condensed Consolidating Statements of Operations (in thousands)

	Three Months Ended May 31, 2017				
	KB Home Corporate	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Consolidating Adjustments	Total
Revenues	$—	$ 893,561	$ 109,233	$ —	$ 1,002,794
Homebuilding:					
Revenues	$—	$ 893,561	$ 106,511	$ —	$ 1,000,072
Construction and land costs	—	(751,172)	(95,424)	—	(846,596)
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(23,322)	(70,929)	(9,666)	—	(103,917)
Operating income (loss)	(23,322)	71,460	1,421	—	49,559
Interest income	198	2	2	—	202
Interest expense	(41,693)	(426)	(1,225)	43,344	—
Intercompany interest	75,610	(29,862)	(2,404)	(43,344)	—
Equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures	—	(595)	(1)	—	(596)
Homebuilding pretax income (loss)	10,793	40,579	(2,207)	—	49,165
Financial services pretax income	—	—	2,817	—	2,817
Total pretax income	10,793	40,579	610	—	51,982
Income tax expense	(2,500)	(17,300)	(400)	—	(20,200)
Equity in net income of subsidiaries	23,489	—	—	(23,489)	—
Net income	$ 31,782	$ 23,279	$ 210	$ (23,489)	$ 31,782

	Three Months Ended May 31, 2016				
	KB Home Corporate	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Consolidating Adjustments	Total
Revenues	$—	$ 700,768	$ 110,282	$ —	$ 811,050
Homebuilding:					
Revenues	$—	$ 700,768	$ 107,694	$ —	$ 808,462
Construction and land costs	—	(586,807)	(101,907)	—	(688,714)
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(18,976)	(64,010)	(10,824)	—	(93,810)
Operating income (loss)	(18,976)	49,951	(5,037)	—	25,938
Interest income	106	24	4	—	134
Interest expense	(44,337)	(821)	(1,100)	44,288	(1,970)
Intercompany interest	75,719	(27,479)	(3,952)	(44,288)	—
Equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures	—	(822)	(3)	—	(825)
Homebuilding pretax income (loss)	12,512	20,853	(10,088)	—	23,277
Financial services pretax income	—	—	1,520	—	1,520
Total pretax income (loss)	12,512	20,853	(8,568)	—	24,797
Income tax benefit (expense)	(2,800)	(8,400)	2,000	—	(9,200)
Equity in net income of subsidiaries	5,885	—	—	(5,885)	—
Net income (loss)	$ 15,597	$ 12,453	$ (6,568)	$ (5,885)	$ 15,597

	Six Months Ended May 31, 2017				
	KB Home Corporate	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Consolidating Adjustments	Total
Revenues	$—	$ 1,623,488	$ 197,902	$ —	$ 1,821,390
Homebuilding:					
Revenues	$—	$ 1,623,488	$ 192,830	$ —	$ 1,816,318
Construction and land costs	—	(1,369,624)	(175,052)	—	(1,544,676)
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(45,589)	(133,827)	(17,390)	—	(196,806)
Operating income (loss)	(45,589)	120,037	388	—	74,836
Interest income	395	3	2	—	400
Interest expense	(90,042)	(994)	(2,387)	87,116	(6,307)
Intercompany interest	149,103	(56,465)	(5,522)	(87,116)	—
Equity in income (loss) of unconsolidated joint ventures	—	136	(1)	—	135
Homebuilding pretax income (loss)	13,867	62,717	(7,520)	—	69,064
Financial services pretax income	—	—	4,377	—	4,377
Total pretax income (loss)	13,867	62,717	(3,143)	—	73,441
Income tax expense	(1,200)	(26,100)	(100)	—	(27,400)
Equity in net income of subsidiaries	33,374	—	—	(33,374)	—
Net income (loss)	$ 46,041	$ 36,617	$ (3,243)	$ (33,374)	$ 46,041

	Six Months Ended May 31, 2016				
	KB Home Corporate	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Consolidating Adjustments	Total
Revenues	$—	$1,302,111	$ 187,310	$ —	$1,489,421
Homebuilding:					
Revenues	$—	$1,302,111	$ 182,093	$ —	$1,484,204
Construction and land costs	—	(1,087,771)	(169,761)	—	(1,257,532)
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(43,316)	(117,474)	(20,952)	—	(181,742)
Operating income (loss)	(43,316)	96,866	(8,620)	—	44,930
Interest income	240	42	4	—	286
Interest expense	(88,707)	(1,641)	(2,161)	86,842	(5,667)
Intercompany interest	149,762	(54,987)	(7,933)	(86,842)	—
Equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures	—	(1,425)	(3)	—	(1,428)
Homebuilding pretax income (loss)	17,979	38,855	(18,713)	—	38,121
Financial services pretax income	—	—	2,703	—	2,703
Total pretax income (loss)	17,979	38,855	(16,010)	—	40,824
Income tax benefit (expense)	(2,100)	(12,300)	2,300	—	(12,100)
Equity in net income of subsidiaries	12,845	—	—	(12,845)	—
Net income (loss)	$28,724	$26,555	$ (13,710)	$ (12,845)	$28,724

Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheets (in thousands)

	May 31, 2017				
	KB Home Corporate	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Consolidating Adjustments	Total
Assets					
Homebuilding:					
Cash and cash equivalents	$297,258	$42,386	$ 8,944	$—	$348,588
Receivables	4,293	145,851	84,568	—	234,712
Inventories	—	3,147,848	340,356	—	3,488,204
Investments in unconsolidated joint ventures	—	61,499	2,501	—	64,000
Deferred tax assets, net	275,558	292,017	144,310	—	711,885
Other assets	88,133	8,498	3,365	—	99,996
	665,242	3,698,099	584,044	—	4,947,385
Financial services	—	—	11,410	—	11,410
Intercompany receivables	3,666,867	—	100,359	(3,767,226)	—
Investments in subsidiaries	40,811	—	—	(40,811)	—
Total assets	$4,372,920	$3,698,099	$ 695,813	$(3,808,037)	$4,958,795
Liabilities and stockholders' equity					
Homebuilding:					
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities	$129,689	$329,052	$ 216,088	$—	$674,829
Notes payable	2,451,564	32,527	26,030	—	2,510,121
	2,581,253	361,579	242,118	—	3,184,950
Financial services	—	—	1,457	—	1,457
Intercompany payables	19,279	3,336,520	411,427	(3,767,226)	—
Stockholders' equity	1,772,388	—	40,811	(40,811)	1,772,388
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	$4,372,920	$3,698,099	$ 695,813	$(3,808,037)	$4,958,795

	November 30, 2016				
	KB Home Corporate	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Consolidating Adjustments	Total
Assets					
Homebuilding:					
Cash and cash equivalents	$463,100	$100,439	$ 28,547	$—	$592,086
Receivables	4,807	135,915	90,943	—	231,665
Inventories	—	3,048,132	355,096	—	3,403,228
Investments in unconsolidated joint ventures	—	61,517	2,499	—	64,016
Deferred tax assets, net	276,737	318,077	144,171	—	738,985
Other assets	79,526	9,177	2,442	—	91,145
	824,170	3,673,257	623,698	—	5,121,125
Financial services	—	—	10,499	—	10,499
Intercompany receivables	3,559,012	—	97,062	(3,656,074)	—
Investments in subsidiaries	35,965	—	—	(35,965)	—
Total assets	$4,419,147	$3,673,257	$ 731,259	$(3,692,039)	$5,131,624
Liabilities and stockholders’ equity					
Homebuilding:					
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities	$131,530	$397,605	$ 237,192	$—	$766,327
Notes payable	2,548,112	66,927	25,110	—	2,640,149
	2,679,642	464,532	262,302	—	3,406,476
Financial services	—	—	2,003	—	2,003
Intercompany payables	16,360	3,208,725	430,989	(3,656,074)	—
Stockholders’ equity	1,723,145	—	35,965	(35,965)	1,723,145
Total liabilities and stockholders’ equity	$4,419,147	$3,673,257	$ 731,259	$(3,692,039)	$5,131,624

Condensed Consolidating Statements of Cash Flows (in thousands)

	Six Months Ended May 31, 2017				
	KB Home Corporate	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Consolidating Adjustments	Total
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	$24,724	$(83,371)	$(5,933)	$—	$(64,580)
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Contributions to unconsolidated joint ventures	—	(5,852)	(5,253)	—	(11,105)
Return of investments in unconsolidated joint ventures	—	1,969	4,989	—	6,958
Purchases of property and equipment, net	(3,724)	(344)	(32)	—	(4,100)
Intercompany	(77,681)	—	—	77,681	—
Net cash used in investing activities	(81,405)	(4,227)	(296)	77,681	(8,247)
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Repayment of senior notes	(105,326)	—	—	—	(105,326)
Payments on mortgages and land contracts due to land sellers and other loans	—	(61,640)	—	—	(61,640)
Issuance of common stock under employee stock plans	3,049	—	—	—	3,049
Payments of cash dividends	(4,341)	—	—	—	(4,341)
Stock repurchases	(2,543)	—	—	—	(2,543)
Intercompany	—	91,185	(13,504)	(77,681)	—
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(109,161)	29,545	(13,504)	(77,681)	(170,801)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(165,842)	(58,053)	(19,733)	—	(243,628)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	463,100	100,439	29,461	—	593,000
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	$297,258	$42,386	$9,728	$—	$349,372

	Six Months Ended May 31, 2016				
	KB Home Corporate	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Consolidating Adjustments	Total
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	$6,508	$(215,372)	$41,405	$—	$(167,459)
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Contributions to unconsolidated joint ventures	—	(750)	—	—	(750)
Purchases of property and equipment, net	(2,437)	(331)	(108)	—	(2,876)
Intercompany	(167,470)	—	—	167,470	—
Net cash used in investing activities	(169,907)	(1,081)	(108)	167,470	(3,626)
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Change in restricted cash	5,827	—	—	—	5,827
Payments on mortgages and land contracts due to land sellers and other loans	—	(26,639)	—	—	(26,639)
Payments of cash dividends	(4,364)	—	—	—	(4,364)
Stock repurchases	(87,531)	—	—	—	(87,531)
Intercompany	—	209,197	(41,727)	(167,470)	—
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(86,068)	182,558	(41,727)	(167,470)	(112,707)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(249,467)	(33,895)	(430)	—	(283,792)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	444,850	96,741	18,750	—	560,341
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	$195,383	$62,846	$18,320	$—	$276,549

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations
Results of Operations
OVERVIEW
Revenues are generated from our homebuilding and financial services operations. The following table presents a summary of our consolidated results of operations (dollars in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Three Months Ended May 31,			Six Months Ended May 31,		
	2017	2016	Variance	2017	2016	Variance
Revenues:						
Homebuilding	$1,000,072	$808,462	24 %	$1,816,318	$1,484,204	22 %
Financial services	2,722	2,588	5	5,072	5,217	(3)
Total revenues	$1,002,794	$811,050	24 %	$1,821,390	$1,489,421	22 %
Pretax income:						
Homebuilding	$49,165	$23,277	111 %	$69,064	$38,121	81 %
Financial services	2,817	1,520	85	4,377	2,703	62
Total pretax income	51,982	24,797	110	73,441	40,824	80
Income tax expense	(20,200)	(9,200)	(120)	(27,400)	(12,100)	(126)
Net income	$31,782	$15,597	104 %	$46,041	$28,724	60 %
Basic earnings per share	$.37	$.18	106 %	$.54	$.33	64 %
Diluted earnings per share	$.33	$.17	94 %	$.49	$.31	58 %

The housing market recovery continued on a steady upward path in the 2017 first half supported by favorable industry fundamentals, with generally improving household formation, economic, consumer confidence, employment and income trends driving healthy demand with constrained supply. The positive impact of these dynamics in most of our served markets and our continued focus on executing on our returns-focused growth plan enabled us to increase our deliveries, revenues and pretax income in the 2017 second quarter compared to the prior-year quarter, and achieve a record-low second quarter selling, general and administrative expense ratio. Within our homebuilding operations, housing revenues for the quarter grew 23% year over year to $995.7 million, as the number of homes we delivered increased 11% to 2,580 and the overall average selling price of those homes rose 11% to $385,900. Our housing gross profits for the quarter increased 23% from the year-earlier quarter due to the higher volume of homes delivered, partly offset by a 10 basis point decrease in our housing gross profit margin to 15.4%. Inventory-related charges totaled $6.0 million for the three months ended May 31, 2017, compared to $11.7 million in the year-earlier period. Our selling, general and administrative expense ratio improved 120 basis points to 10.4% of housing revenues, reflecting enhanced operating leverage from delivering more homes and generating corresponding higher housing revenues in the current period. Homebuilding operating income for the 2017 second quarter increased 91% to $49.6 million, and as a percentage of homebuilding revenues, increased 180 basis points to 5.0%.
For the three months ended May 31, 2017, we generated net income of $31.8 million, up 104% from the corresponding period of 2016, and diluted earnings per share of $.33, up 94% year over year.
During the six months ended May 31, 2017, we invested $706.6 million in land and land development to drive community openings in 2017 and beyond as we work to increase the scale of our business within our existing geographic footprint under our core business strategy. In the corresponding period of 2016, such investments totaled $702.6 million. Approximately 48% of our total investments in the 2017 first half related to land acquisition, compared to approximately 51% in the year-earlier period.

The following table presents information concerning our net orders, cancellation rates, ending backlog and community count for the three-month and six-month periods ended May 31, 2017 and 2016 (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended May 31,		Six Months Ended May 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Net orders	3,416	3,249	5,996	5,521
Net order value (a)	$1,383,512	$1,203,002	$2,468,934	$2,027,676
Cancellation rates (b)	21 %	21 %	22 %	24 %
Ending backlog — homes	5,612	5,205	5,612	5,205
Ending backlog — value	$2,181,416	$1,829,102	$2,181,416	$1,829,102
Ending community count	236	242	236	242
Average community count	238	242	237	243

(a) Net order value represents the potential future housing revenues associated with net orders generated during a period, as well as homebuyer selections of lot and product premiums and design studio options and upgrades for homes in backlog during the same period.

(b) Cancellation rates represent the total number of contracts for new homes canceled during a period divided by the total (gross) orders for new homes generated during the same period.

Net Orders. For the three months ended May 31, 2017, net orders from our homebuilding operations grew 5% from the year-earlier period, despite a 2% decrease in our average community count, reflecting a 7% increase in absorptions to 4.8 homes per community, per month. The combination of higher net orders and a higher overall average selling price resulted in the value of our 2017 second quarter net orders increasing 15% from the year-earlier quarter. We had particularly strong growth in our West Coast and Southwest homebuilding reporting segments. In our West Coast homebuilding reporting segment, net order value increased 23% from the year-earlier quarter, reflecting 7% growth in net orders and a 15% increase in the average selling price of those orders. In our Southwest homebuilding reporting segment, net order value rose 19% year over year as a result of 16% growth in net orders and a 2% rise in the average selling price of those orders. Our cancellation rate as a percentage of gross orders for the three months ended May 31, 2017 remained even with the year-earlier quarter. As a percentage of beginning backlog, our second quarter cancellation rate improved to 19% in 2017 from 21% in 2016. For the six months ended May 31, 2017, net orders increased 9% and net order value grew 22% from the corresponding period of 2016, while the cancellation rate as a percentage of gross orders also improved.

Backlog. The number of homes in our backlog at May 31, 2017 rose 8% from May 31, 2016. The potential future housing revenues in our backlog at May 31, 2017 grew 19% from May 31, 2016, reflecting the larger number of homes in our backlog and the higher average selling price of those homes. The average selling price of our homes in backlog increased 11%. The growth in our backlog value reflected year-over-year increases in three of our four homebuilding reporting segments, ranging from 6% in our Central homebuilding reporting segment to 42% in our West Coast homebuilding reporting segment.

Community Count. We use the term “community count” to refer to the number of communities with at least five homes/lots left to sell at the end of a reporting period. Our average community count for the 2017 second quarter decreased 2% on a year-over-year basis, as increases in our West Coast, Southwest and Central homebuilding reporting segments were more than offset by a 26% decline in our Southeast homebuilding reporting segment stemming from fewer community openings over the past year, and the wind down of our Metro Washington, D.C. operations in 2016. For the six months ended May 31, 2017, our average and ending community counts each decreased 2% from the year-earlier period.

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The following table presents a summary of certain financial and operational data for our homebuilding operations (dollars in thousands, except average selling price):

	Three Months Ended May 31,		Six Months Ended May 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Revenues:				
Housing	$995,660	$807,408	$1,806,607	$1,480,054
Land	4,412	1,054	9,711	4,150
Total	1,000,072	808,462	1,816,318	1,484,204
Costs and expenses:				
Construction and land costs				
Housing				