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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 quarter ended September 30, 2007**

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

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

**Commission File Number 1-8796**

**QUESTAR CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

**STATE OF UTAH**

**87-0407509**

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

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

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

(Address of principal executive offices)

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

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

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

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

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

Yes  No

On October 31, 2007, 172,745,262 shares of the registrant's common stock, without par value, were outstanding.

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## PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

## QUESTAR CORPORATION

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Unaudited)

	3 Months Ended Sept. 30,		9 Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	(in millions, except per-share amounts)			
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Market Resources	<b>\$372.8</b>	\$427.9	<b>\$1,191.3</b>	\$1,227.1
Questar Pipeline	<b>31.9</b>	28.3	<b>94.0</b>	87.9
Questar Gas	<b>92.7</b>	99.0	<b>640.9</b>	747.8
Total Revenues	<b>497.4</b>	555.2	<b>1,926.2</b>	2,062.8
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>				
Cost of natural gas and other products sold	<b>89.2</b>	183.7	<b>601.2</b>	867.3
Operating and maintenance	<b>71.5</b>	69.5	<b>221.9</b>	211.9
General and administrative	<b>39.6</b>	34.1	<b>118.9</b>	96.7
Production and other taxes	<b>21.2</b>	27.9	<b>78.2</b>	87.3
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	<b>89.7</b>	78.8	<b>273.4</b>	224.8
Exploration	<b>1.6</b>	16.8	<b>6.7</b>	30.2
Abandonment and impairment	<b>2.3</b>	2.0	<b>6.4</b>	5.5
Total Operating Expenses	<b>315.1</b>	412.8	<b>1,306.7</b>	1,523.7
Net gain (loss) from asset sales	<b>(0.2)</b>	25.3	<b>0.3</b>	25.5
<b>OPERATING INCOME</b>	<b>182.1</b>	167.7	<b>619.8</b>	564.6
Interest and other income	<b>3.7</b>	3.8	<b>9.6</b>	9.8
Income from unconsolidated affiliates	<b>2.4</b>	1.8	<b>6.8</b>	5.3
Net mark-to-market gain (loss) on basis-only swaps	<b>9.0</b>	(5.2)	<b>14.2</b>	(10.8)
Loss on early extinguishment of debt				(1.7)

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Interest expense	<b>(17.3)</b>	(17.8)	<b>(53.0)</b>	(55.0)
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	<b>179.9</b>	150.3	<b>597.4</b>	512.2
Income taxes	<b>66.6</b>	55.3	<b>220.8</b>	189.6
NET INCOME	<b>\$113.3</b>	\$ 95.0	<b>\$ 376.6</b>	\$ 322.6
EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE				
Basic	<b>\$ 0.66</b>	\$ 0.56	<b>\$ 2.19</b>	\$ 1.89
Diluted	<b>0.64</b>	0.54	<b>2.14</b>	1.84
Weighted-average common shares outstanding				
Used in basic calculation	<b>172.2</b>	171.1	<b>171.9</b>	170.8
Used in diluted calculation	<b>175.9</b>	175.4	<b>175.8</b>	175.1
Dividends per common share	<b>\$0.1225</b>	\$0.1175	<b>\$0.3625</b>	\$0.3475

See notes accompanying the condensed consolidated financial statements

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## QUESTAR CORPORATION

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

Sept. 30, 2007

(Unaudited) Dec. 31, 2006  
(in millions)

## ASSETS

## Current Assets

Cash and cash equivalents		\$ 24.6
Accounts receivable, net	\$ 227.3	343.3
Unbilled-gas accounts receivable	10.8	67.5
Fair value of derivative contracts	133.4	155.5
Gas and oil storage	70.6	77.9
Materials and supplies	44.5	56.9
Prepaid expenses and other	22.3	27.7
Total Current Assets	508.9	753.4
Property, Plant and Equipment	7,390.2	6,414.1
Accumulated depreciation, depletion and amortization	(2,552.4)	(2,322.7)
Net Property, Plant and Equipment	4,837.8	4,091.4
Investment in unconsolidated affiliates	45.9	37.5
Goodwill	70.7	70.7
Regulatory assets	34.9	32.7
Fair value of derivative contracts	41.4	49.0
Other noncurrent assets, net	28.5	30.0
Total Assets	\$5,568.1	\$5,064.7

## LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

## Current Liabilities

Checks outstanding in excess of cash	\$ 22.2	
Short-term debt	190.5	\$ 40.0
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	394.9	520.0
Questar Gas customer credit balances	37.0	31.4
Fair value of derivative contracts	0.8	8.2
Purchase-gas adjustment	46.6	34.3
Deferred income taxes - current	25.0	35.0
Current portion of long-term debt	53.0	10.0
Total Current Liabilities	770.0	678.9
Long-term debt, less current portion	979.5	1,022.4



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Deferred income taxes	<b>895.1</b>	763.9
Asset retirement obligations	<b>144.5</b>	132.4
Pension and postretirement benefits	<b>146.1</b>	143.8
Fair value of derivative contracts	<b>1.1</b>	0.2
Other long-term liabilities	<b>123.6</b>	117.6
<b>COMMON SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY</b>		
Common stock	<b>426.7</b>	409.6
Retained earnings	<b>2,064.3</b>	1,750.2
Accumulated other comprehensive income	<b>17.2</b>	45.7
Total Common Shareholders Equity	<b>2,508.2</b>	2,205.5
Total Liabilities and Common Shareholders Equity	<b>\$5,568.1</b>	\$5,064.7

See notes accompanying the condensed consolidated financial statements

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## QUESTAR CORPORATION

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited)

	9 Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	2007	2006
	(in millions)	
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Net income	<b>\$376.6</b>	\$322.6
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided from operating activities:		
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	<b>278.4</b>	230.9
Deferred income taxes	<b>138.2</b>	65.2
Share-based compensation	<b>9.5</b>	6.9
Abandonment and impairment	<b>6.4</b>	5.5
Dry exploratory-well expenses	<b>(0.2)</b>	24.0
Net (gain) from asset sales	<b>(0.3)</b>	(25.5)
Income from unconsolidated affiliates	<b>(6.8)</b>	(5.3)
Distributions from unconsolidated affiliates	<b>7.3</b>	4.9
Net mark-to-market (gain) loss on basis-only swaps	<b>(14.2)</b>	10.8
Loss on early extinguishment of debt		1.7
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	<b>55.5</b>	116.2
<b>NET CASH PROVIDED FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>850.4</b>	757.9
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Capital expenditures		
Property, plant and equipment	<b>(987.6)</b>	(621.7)
Other investments	<b>(8.9)</b>	(6.3)
Total capital expenditures	<b>(996.5)</b>	(628.0)
Proceeds from disposition of assets	<b>3.7</b>	29.4
<b>NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>(992.8)</b>	(598.6)
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Common stock issued	<b>5.8</b>	9.3
Common stock repurchased	<b>(8.2)</b>	(5.5)
Long-term debt issued, net of issue costs		247.0
Long-term debt repaid		(200.0)
Early extinguishment of debt costs		(1.7)

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Change in short-term debt	<b>150.5</b>	(94.5)
Checks outstanding in excess of cash	<b>22.2</b>	
Dividends paid	<b>(62.5)</b>	(59.5)
Excess tax benefits from share-based compensation	<b>10.0</b>	9.9
NET CASH PROVIDED FROM (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES	<b>117.8</b>	(95.0)
Change in cash and cash equivalents	<b>(24.6)</b>	64.3
Beginning cash and cash equivalents	<b>24.6</b>	13.4
Ending cash and cash equivalents	\$ -	\$ 77.7

See notes accompanying the condensed consolidated financial statements

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NOTES ACCOMPANYING THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**Note 1 Nature of Business**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Questar's common stock was split two-for-one June 18, 2007. Historical share and per-share amounts have been restated for the stock split.

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

### **Note 3 Share-Based Compensation**

Questar issues stock options and restricted shares to certain officers, employees and non-employee directors under its Long-term Stock Incentive Plan (LTSIP) and accounts for the transactions according to Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) 123R Share-Based Payment. Share-based compensation expense for the first nine months amounted to \$9.5 million in 2007 compared with \$6.9 million in 2006. At September 30, 2007, deferred share-based compensation amounted to \$19.7 million, of which \$16.3 million was attributed to unvested restricted shares. Cash flow from tax deductions in excess of recognized compensation expense for the first nine months amounted to \$10.0 million in 2007 and \$9.9 million in 2006. There were 10,231,196 shares available for future grant at September 30, 2007. Unvested stock options increased by 140,000 shares in the first nine months of 2007. Stock-option transactions under the terms of the LTSIP are summarized below:



	Options		Weighted-average	
	Outstanding	Price Range		Price
Balance at January 1, 2007	5,372,708	\$7.50	\$38.57	\$14.32
Granted	140,000		41.08	41.08
Exercised	(793,225)	7.50	17.55	12.76
<b>Balance at September 30, 2007</b>	<b>4,719,483</b>	<b>\$7.50</b>	<b>\$41.08</b>	<b>\$15.37</b>

Options Outstanding				Options Exercisable			Unvested Options	
Range of exercise prices	Number outstanding at Sept. 30, 2007	Weighted-average remaining term in years	Weighted-average exercise price	Number exercisable at Sept. 30, 2007	Weighted-average exercise price	Number unvested at Sept. 30, 2007	Weighted-average exercise price	
\$ 7.50	\$							
8.50	822,866	2.2	\$ 7.71	822,866	\$ 7.71			
9.57								
11.98	984,389	4.1	11.51	984,389	11.51			
13.56								
14.86	2,251,152	4.7	13.72	2,251,152	13.72			
17.55								
24.33	121,076	7.2	23.15	96,076	22.84	25,000		\$24.33
38.57								
41.08	540,000	5.7	39.22			540,000		39.22
	<b>4,719,483</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>\$15.37</b>	<b>4,154,483</b>	<b>\$12.22</b>	<b>565,000</b>		<b>\$38.56</b>

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

	Restricted		Weighted-average	
	Shares	Price Range	Price	
Balance at January 1, 2007	731,222	\$13.56	\$44.77	\$28.04
Granted	348,156	38.96	55.42	44.41
Distributed	(223,400)	13.56	44.77	22.17
Forfeited	(17,170)	18.45	45.65	36.61

<b>Balance at September 30, 2007</b>	<b>838,808</b>	<b>\$13.56 - \$55.42</b>	<b>\$36.22</b>
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**Note 4 Earnings Per Share (EPS)**

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

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

	3 Months Ended Sept. 30,		9 Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
			(in millions)	
Weighted-average basic common shares outstanding	<b>172.2</b>	171.1	<b>171.9</b>	170.8
Potential number of shares issuable under the LTSIP	<b>3.7</b>	4.3	<b>3.9</b>	4.3
Average diluted common shares outstanding	<b>175.9</b>	175.4	<b>175.8</b>	175.1

**Note 5 Operations by Line of Business**

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

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	3 Months Ended Sept. 30,		9 Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	(in millions)			
<b>Revenues from Unaffiliated Customers</b>				
Questar E&P	\$233.2	\$206.0	\$ 702.0	\$ 615.2
Wexpro	6.0	6.1	17.4	16.1
Gas Management	44.4	41.5	137.8	123.2
Energy Trading and other	89.2	174.3	334.1	472.6
Market Resources total	372.8	427.9	1,191.3	1,227.1
Questar Pipeline	31.9	28.3	94.0	87.9
Questar Gas	92.7	99.0	640.9	747.8
	\$497.4	\$555.2	\$1,926.2	\$2,062.8
<b>Revenues from Affiliated Companies</b>				
Wexpro	\$ 35.6	\$ 36.4	\$118.4	\$111.6
Gas Management	3.7	3.9	12.1	11.4
Energy Trading and other	111.2	148.2	400.5	557.4
Market Resources total	150.5	188.5	531.0	680.4
Questar Pipeline	19.1	19.3	59.0	60.0
Questar Gas	1.2	1.7	4.4	4.5
	\$170.8	\$209.5	\$594.4	\$744.9
<b>Operating Income (Loss)</b>				
Questar E&P	\$120.0	\$117.1	\$357.0	\$340.1
Wexpro	22.4	18.7	66.3	55.2
Gas Management	20.2	16.7	61.8	46.7
Energy Trading and other	5.1	3.7	21.2	7.8
Market Resources total	167.7	156.2	506.3	449.8
Questar Pipeline	24.2	22.8	69.4	70.7
Questar Gas	(9.7)	(11.2)	43.1	42.7
Corporate	(0.1)	(0.1)	1.0	1.4
	\$182.1	\$167.7	\$619.8	\$564.6
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>				
Questar E&P	\$ 76.4	\$66.0	\$220.3	\$192.6
Wexpro	14.8	12.1	43.4	36.1
Gas Management	13.3	11.0	40.6	30.9
Energy Trading and other	4.2	2.9	16.0	6.4

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Market Resources total	<b>108.7</b>	92.0	<b>320.3</b>	266.0
Questar Pipeline	<b>12.0</b>	10.8	<b>33.2</b>	33.8
Questar Gas	<b>(8.5)</b>	(9.2)	<b>19.5</b>	19.5
Corporate	<b>1.1</b>	1.4	<b>3.6</b>	3.3
	<b>\$113.3</b>	\$95.0	<b>\$376.6</b>	\$322.6

**Note 6 Asset Retirement Obligations (ARO)**

Questar recognizes ARO in accordance with SFAS 143 Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations. SFAS 143 addresses the financial accounting and reporting of the fair value of legal obligations associated with the retirement of tangible long-lived assets.

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The Company's ARO applies primarily to abandonment costs associated with gas and oil wells and certain other properties. The fair value of abandonment costs are estimated and depreciated over the life of the related assets. Revisions to estimates of the ARO result from changes in expected cash flows. The ARO liability is adjusted to present value each period through an accretion calculation using a credit-adjusted risk-free interest rate. Changes in ARO were as follows:

	2007	2006
	(in millions)	
ARO liability at January 1,	<b>\$132.4</b>	\$ 78.2
Accretion	<b>6.2</b>	4.6
Liabilities incurred	<b>6.1</b>	7.0
Revisions	<b>1.4</b>	22.3
Liabilities settled	<b>(1.6)</b>	(1.9)
ARO liability at September 30,	<b>\$144.5</b>	\$110.2

**Note 7 Employee Benefits**

Questar has defined-benefit pension and postretirement medical and life insurance plans covering about half of its employees. Questar is subject to and complies with minimum-required and maximum-allowed annual contribution levels for its qualified retirement plan as determined by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act and Internal Revenue Code. Subject to these limitations, Questar seeks to fund the qualified retirement plan approximately equal to the yearly expense, which is estimated to be \$17.8 million for 2007.

The Company also has a nonqualified pension plan for eligible employees that provides a benefit in addition to the benefit limit defined by the Internal Revenue Service for qualified pension plans. The nonqualified pension plan is unfunded. Claims are paid from the Company's general funds. The 2007 expense is estimated to be \$2.1 million.

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

	3 Months Ended Sept. 30,		9 Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	(in millions)			
Service cost	<b>\$ 2.5</b>	\$ 2.0	<b>\$ 7.8</b>	\$ 7.3
Interest cost	<b>6.6</b>	6.0	<b>18.5</b>	17.1
Expected return on plan assets	<b>(6.0)</b>	(5.4)	<b>(18.1)</b>	(15.8)

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Prior service and other costs	<b>0.3</b>	0.4	<b>0.9</b>	1.2
Recognized net-actuarial loss	<b>2.4</b>	2.0	<b>5.4</b>	4.7
Settlement costs	<b>0.1</b>	0.4	<b>0.4</b>	0.9
Pension expense	<b>\$ 5.9</b>	\$ 5.4	<b>\$ 14.9</b>	\$ 15.4

The Company currently estimates a \$3.9 million expense for postretirement benefits other than pensions in 2007 before \$0.8 million for accretion of a regulatory liability. Expense components are listed below:

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	3 Months Ended Sept. 30,		9 Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	<b>2007</b>	2006	<b>2007</b>	2006
	(in millions)			
Service cost	<b>\$ 0.2</b>	\$ 0.2	<b>\$ 0.7</b>	\$ 0.7
Interest cost	<b>1.0</b>	1.1	<b>3.3</b>	3.4
Expected return on plan assets	<b>(1.0)</b>	(0.7)	<b>(2.5)</b>	(2.2)
Amortization of transition obligation	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	<b>1.4</b>	1.4
Amortization of losses			<b>0.1</b>	0.1
Accretion of regulatory liability	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	<b>0.6</b>	0.6
Postretirement benefits expense	<b>\$ 0.9</b>	\$ 1.3	<b>\$ 3.6</b>	\$ 4.0

### Note 8 Comprehensive Income

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

	3 Months Ended Sept. 30,		9 Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	<b>2007</b>	2006	<b>2007</b>	2006
	(in millions)			
Net income	<b>\$ 113.3</b>	\$ 95.0	<b>\$376.6</b>	\$322.6
Other comprehensive income (loss)				
Net unrealized gain (loss) on derivatives	<b>69.9</b>	196.6	<b>(45.6)</b>	479.9
Income taxes	<b>(26.5)</b>	(74.4)	<b>17.1</b>	(181.7)
Net other comprehensive income (loss)	<b>43.4</b>	122.2	<b>(28.5)</b>	298.2
Total comprehensive income	<b>\$ 156.7</b>	\$217.2	<b>\$348.1</b>	\$620.8

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

	<b>Sept. 30,</b>	Dec. 31,	
	<b>2007</b>	2006	Change
	(in millions)		

Net unrealized gain on derivatives	<b>\$ 99.6</b>	\$128.1	(\$28.5)
Pension liability	<b>(68.9)</b>	(68.9)	
Postretirement benefits liability	<b>(13.5)</b>	(13.5)	
Accumulated other comprehensive income	<b>\$ 17.2</b>	\$ 45.7	(\$28.5)

### Note 9 – Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes

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

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

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

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

### RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

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

	3 Months Ended Sept. 30,			9 Months Ended Sept. 30,		
	2007	2006	Change	2007	2006	Change
	(in millions, except per-share amounts)					
Market Resources						
Questar E&P	\$ 76.4	\$66.0	\$ 10.4	\$220.3	\$192.6	\$ 27.7
Wexpro	14.8	12.1	2.7	43.4	36.1	7.3
Gas Management	13.3	11.0	2.3	40.6	30.9	9.7
Energy Trading and other	4.2	2.9	1.3	16.0	6.4	9.6
Market Resources total	108.7	92.0	16.7	320.3	266.0	54.3
Questar Pipeline	12.0	10.8	1.2	33.2	33.8	(0.6)
Questar Gas	(8.5)	(9.2)	0.7	19.5	19.5	
Corporate	1.1	1.4	(0.3)	3.6	3.3	0.3
Net income	\$113.3	\$95.0	\$ 18.3	\$376.6	\$322.6	\$ 54.0
Earnings per diluted share	\$ 0.64	\$0.54	\$ 0.10	\$ 2.14	\$ 1.84	\$ 0.30
Average diluted shares	175.9	175.4	0.5	175.8	175.1	0.7

### Market Resources

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Market Resources reported net income of \$108.7 million in the third quarter of 2007 compared with \$92.0 million in the third quarter of 2006, an 18% increase, and \$320.3 million net income in the first nine months of 2007 compared with \$266.0 million in the 2006 period. Operating income increased \$11.5 million or 7% in the 2007 third quarter and increased \$56.5 million or 13% in the 2007 first nine months compared to the 2006 periods due primarily to higher realized natural gas, crude oil and NGL prices, increased gas-gathering volumes driven by an increase in third-party volumes at Gas Management and an increased investment base at Wexpro. Net mark-to-market gains (losses) on natural gas basis-only swaps increased net income by \$8.9 million in the first nine months of 2007 and decreased net income by \$6.7 million in the first nine months of 2006. Following is a summary of Market Resources financial and operating results:

	3 Months Ended Sept. 30,		9 Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	<b>2007</b>	2006	<b>2007</b>	2006

(in millions)

**OPERATING INCOME**

Revenues

Natural gas sales	<b>\$188.2</b>	\$168.7	<b>\$584.3</b>	\$512.8
Oil and NGL sales	<b>48.9</b>	42.0	<b>131.6</b>	115.0
Cost-of-service gas operations	<b>35.6</b>	36.5	<b>117.9</b>	111.0
Energy marketing	<b>89.8</b>	174.9	<b>335.5</b>	484.2

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Gathering	<b>26.4</b>	22.1	<b>82.3</b>	63.0
Processing	<b>21.3</b>	23.0	<b>66.6</b>	70.7
Other	<b>1.6</b>	0.7	<b>2.9</b>	3.0
Total revenues	<b>411.8</b>	467.9	<b>1,321.1</b>	1,359.7
Operating expenses				
Energy purchases	<b>83.3</b>	170.0	<b>310.8</b>	473.4
Operating and maintenance	<b>44.7</b>	44.4	<b>139.0</b>	132.0
General and administrative	<b>23.4</b>	18.2	<b>67.3</b>	50.3
Production and other taxes	<b>15.9</b>	22.0	<b>61.2</b>	70.2
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	<b>71.3</b>	61.8	<b>218.7</b>	169.4
Exploration	<b>1.6</b>	16.8	<b>6.7</b>	30.2
Abandonment and impairment	<b>2.3</b>	2.0	<b>6.4</b>	5.5
Wexpro Agreement oil-income sharing	<b>1.3</b>	1.7	<b>4.4</b>	4.5
Total operating expenses	<b>243.8</b>	336.9	<b>814.5</b>	935.5
Net gain (loss) from asset sales	<b>(0.3)</b>	25.2	<b>(0.3)</b>	25.6
Operating income	<b>\$167.7</b>	\$156.2	<b>\$506.3</b>	\$449.8

**OPERATING STATISTICS**

Questar E&P production volumes

Natural gas (Bcf)	<b>29.2</b>	29.4	<b>91.0</b>	85.5
Oil and NGL (MMbbl)	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	<b>2.2</b>	2.0
Total production (Bcfe)	<b>33.9</b>	33.8	<b>104.3</b>	97.4
Average daily production (MMcfe)	<b>368.6</b>	367.4	<b>382.2</b>	356.7

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

Natural gas (per Mcf)	<b>\$6.44</b>	\$5.73	<b>\$6.42</b>	\$5.99
Oil and NGL (per bbl)	<b>\$54.95</b>	\$49.81	<b>\$51.51</b>	\$50.10

Wexpro investment base at September 30, net

of depreciation and deferred income taxes (millions)	<b>\$284.6</b>	\$224.8
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Natural gas processing volumes

NGL sales (MMgal)	<b>16.5</b>	20.8	<b>54.5</b>	65.3
NGL sales price (per gal)	<b>\$1.00</b>	\$0.89	<b>\$0.94</b>	\$0.89

Fee-based processing volumes (millions of MMBtu)

For unaffiliated customers	<b>14.2</b>	10.2	<b>34.9</b>	27.3
For affiliated customers	<b>19.5</b>	20.3	<b>62.8</b>	59.8
Total fee-based processing volumes	<b>33.7</b>	30.5	<b>97.7</b>	87.1
Fee-based processing (per MMBtu)	<b>\$0.14</b>	\$0.14	<b>\$0.15</b>	\$0.14

Natural gas gathering volumes (millions of MMBtu)

For unaffiliated customers	<b>43.1</b>	34.3	<b>127.0</b>	88.0
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For affiliated customers	<b>28.3</b>	37.8	<b>97.2</b>	107.8
Total gas gathering volumes	<b>71.4</b>	72.1	<b>224.2</b>	195.8
Gas gathering revenue (per MMBtu)	<b>\$0.32</b>	\$0.28	<b>\$0.31</b>	\$0.29
Natural gas and oil marketing volumes (MMdthe)				
For unaffiliated customers	<b>24.6</b>	29.3	<b>74.6</b>	84.6
For affiliated customers	<b>24.7</b>	24.9	<b>75.6</b>	74.8
Total marketing volumes	<b>49.3</b>	54.2	<b>150.2</b>	159.4

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**Questar E&P**

Questar E&P reported net income of \$76.4 million in the third quarter of 2007, up 16% from \$66.0 million in the 2006 quarter. Net income for the first nine months of 2007 rose 14% to \$220.3 million compared to \$192.6 million a year earlier. The impact of increased realized prices for natural gas, crude oil, and NGL was partially offset by a higher average production cost structure.

Questar E&P production volumes were 33.9 Bcfe in the third quarter of 2007, compared to 33.8 Bcfe in the year-earlier period. Questar E&P shut in approximately 4.4 Bcfe (net) of unhedged third quarter 2007 natural gas and associated liquid hydrocarbon production in response to low regional-market prices for natural gas. For the first nine months of 2007 production volumes increased 7% to 104.3 Bcfe, compared to the year-earlier period despite approximately 5.4 Bcfe of net production shut in. On an energy-equivalent basis, natural gas comprised approximately 86% of Questar E&P third quarter 2007 production. A comparison of natural gas-equivalent production by major operating area is shown in the following table:

	3 Months Ended Sept. 30,			9 Months Ended Sept. 30,		
	2007	2006	Change	2007	2006	Change
	(in Bcfe)					
Pinedale Anticline	<b>11.4</b>	10.9	0.5	<b>35.0</b>	28.8	6.2
Uinta Basin	<b>6.1</b>	6.5	(0.4)	<b>18.7</b>	18.9	(0.2)
Rockies Legacy	<b>3.8</b>	4.5	(0.7)	<b>13.2</b>	*14.5	(1.3)
Rocky Mountain total	<b>21.3</b>	21.9	(0.6)	<b>66.9</b>	62.2	4.7
Midcontinent	<b>12.6</b>	11.9	0.7	<b>37.4</b>	35.2	2.2
Total Questar E&P	<b>33.9</b>	33.8	0.1	<b>104.3</b>	97.4	6.9

\*Includes an increase of 0.7 Bcfe related to a gas-imbalance settlement.

Questar E&P production from the Pinedale Anticline in western Wyoming grew 22% to 35.0 Bcfe in the first nine months of 2007 as a result of ongoing development drilling. Pinedale production growth is influenced by seasonal access restrictions imposed by the Bureau of Land Management that limit the company's ability to drill and complete wells during the mid-November to early-May period.

Questar E&P Rockies Legacy properties include all of the company's Rocky Mountain region properties except the Pinedale Anticline and the Uinta Basin. Rockies Legacy year-to-date 2007 production of 13.2 Bcfe was 1.3 Bcfe lower than a year ago. The 2006 production included a gas-imbalance settlement of 0.7 Bcfe.

In the Midcontinent, year-to-date production grew 6% to 37.4 Bcfe in 2007, driven by ongoing infill-development

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drilling in Elm Grove field in northwestern Louisiana. Net production from Elm Grove field increased to 12.0 Bcfe in the first nine months of 2007, compared to 10.4 Bcfe in the year-earlier period.

For the first nine months of 2007, the weighted-average realized natural gas price for Questar E&P (including the impact of hedging) was \$6.42 per Mcf compared to \$5.99 per Mcf for the same period in 2006, a 7% increase. Realized oil and NGL prices in the first nine months of 2007 averaged \$51.51 per bbl, compared with \$50.10 per bbl during the prior-year period, a 3% increase. A regional comparison of average realized prices, including hedges, are shown in the following table:

	3 Months Ended Sept. 30,			9 Months Ended Sept. 30,		
	2007	2006	Change	2007	2006	Change
Natural gas (per Mcf)						
Rocky Mountains	\$ 5.82	\$ 5.38	\$0.44	\$ 5.86	\$ 5.68	\$ 0.18
Midcontinent	7.48	6.36	1.12	7.41	6.54	0.87
Volume-weighted average	6.44	5.73	0.71	6.42	5.99	0.43
Oil and NGL (per bbl)						
Rocky Mountains	\$54.89	\$46.59	\$ 8.30	51.72	\$47.88	\$3.84
Midcontinent	55.06	57.68	(2.62)	51.09	55.28	(4.19)
Volume-weighted average	54.95	49.81	5.14	51.51	50.10	1.41

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Questar E&P hedged or pre-sold approximately 73% of gas production in the first nine months of 2007, and hedged or pre-sold 68% of gas production in the comparable 2006 period. Hedging increased Questar E&P gas revenues by \$174.1 million in 2007 and \$21.0 million in 2006. The company hedged or pre-sold approximately 62% of its oil production in the first nine months of 2007, and hedged or pre-sold 78% of its oil production in the same 2006 period. Oil hedges reduced revenues \$6.2 million in 2007 and \$17.1 million in 2006.

Questar may hedge up to 100% of forecasted production from proved reserves to lock in acceptable returns on invested capital and to protect returns, cash flow and net income from a decline in commodity prices. During the third quarter of 2007, Questar E&P hedged additional production through 2010. In the second quarter of 2006, the company began using basis-only swaps to protect cash flows and net income from widening natural gas-price basis differentials that may result from capacity constraints on regional gas pipelines. Net mark-to-market changes in natural gas basis-only swaps increased third quarter 2007 net income by \$5.6 million compared to a \$3.2 million reduction in the prior-year period. Derivative positions as of September 30, 2007, are summarized in Item 3 of Part I in this quarterly report.

Questar E&P production costs (the sum of depreciation, depletion and amortization expense, lease operating expense, general and administrative expense, allocated-interest expense and production taxes) per Mcfe of production increased 14% to \$3.38 per Mcfe in the third quarter of 2007 compared to \$2.97 per Mcfe in the 2006 period. Questar E&P production costs are summarized in the following table:

	3 Months Ended Sept. 30,			9 Months Ended Sept. 30,		
	2007	2006	Change	2007	2006	Change
						(per Mcfe)
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	<b>\$1.75</b>	\$1.43	\$0.32	<b>\$1.72</b>	\$1.37	\$0.35
Lease operating expense	<b>0.66</b>	0.56	0.10	<b>0.62</b>	0.55	0.07
General and administrative expense	<b>0.44</b>	0.34	0.10	<b>0.41</b>	0.32	0.09
Allocated interest expense	<b>0.18</b>	0.19	(0.01)	<b>0.18</b>	0.21	(0.03)
Production taxes	<b>0.35</b>	0.45	(0.10)	<b>0.41</b>	0.45	(0.04)
Total production costs	<b>\$3.38</b>	\$2.97	\$0.41	<b>\$3.34</b>	\$2.90	\$0.44

Production volume-weighted average depreciation, depletion and amortization rate increased in 2007 due to higher costs for drilling, completion and related services, higher cost of steel casing, other tubulars and wellhead equipment, the ongoing depletion of older, lower-cost reserves and the increasing component of Questar E&P production derived from higher-cost fields such as Elm Grove in the Midcontinent and Vermillion Basin in the Rockies. Lease operating expense per Mcfe increased due to higher costs of materials and consumables, increased produced-water disposal costs and higher well-workover activity. General and administrative expense per Mcfe grew due to increased labor and legal expenses in 2007, including expenses related to a legal settlement. Allocated interest expense per unit of production decreased in 2007 due to reduced debt expense in both periods and increased current-year production for the nine-month period. Production taxes were lower in 2007 due to lower market prices for natural gas in the Rockies region. The company pays production taxes based on sales prices before the impact of hedges.

Questar E&P exploration expense decreased \$15.2 million or 90% in the third quarter of 2007 and \$23.5 million or 78% in the first nine months compared to the 2006 periods as a result of dry-hole costs incurred in 2006. Abandonment and impairment expense increased \$0.3 million for the third quarter of 2007 and \$0.9 million for the first nine months of 2007.

## **Major Operating Areas**

### ***Pinedale Anticline***

As of September 30, 2007, Market Resources (including both Questar E&P and Wexpro) operated and had working interests in 237 producing wells on the Pinedale Anticline compared to 178 a year earlier. Of the 237 producing wells, Questar E&P has working interests in 215 wells, overriding royalty interests in an additional 21 Wexpro-operated wells, and no interest in one well operated by Wexpro. Wexpro has working interests in 71 of the 237 producing wells.

In 2005, the Wyoming Oil and Gas Conservation Commission approved 10-acre-density drilling for Lance Pool wells on about 12,700 acres of Market Resources 18,208 acre (gross) Pinedale leasehold. The area approved for increased density corresponds to the currently estimated productive limits of Market Resources core acreage in the field. At December 31, 2006, Questar E&P had booked

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316 proved undeveloped locations on a combination of 10- and 20-acre density and reported estimated net proved reserves at Pinedale of 931.9 Bcfe, or 57% of Questar E&P's total proved reserves. With 10-acre-density drilling, the company currently estimates up to 932 wells will be required to fully develop the Lance Pool on its acreage. The company is evaluating the economic potential of development on five-acre density at Pinedale.

### ***Uinta Basin***

As of September 30, 2007, Questar E&P had a working interest in 846 producing wells in the Uinta Basin of eastern Utah, compared to 794 at September 30, 2006. At December 31, 2006, Questar E&P had booked 109 proved-undeveloped locations and reported estimated net proved reserves in the Uinta Basin of 248.3 Bcfe or 15% of Questar E&P's total proved reserves. Uinta Basin proved reserves are found in a series of vertically stacked, laterally discontinuous reservoirs at depths of 5,000 feet to deeper than 16,000 feet. Questar E&P owns interests in over 242,000 gross leasehold acres in the Uinta Basin.

### ***Rockies Legacy***

The remainder of Questar E&P Rocky Mountain region leasehold interests, productive wells and proved reserves are distributed over a number of fields and properties managed as the company's Rockies Legacy division. Most of the properties are located in the Greater Green River Basin of western Wyoming. In aggregate, Rockies Legacy properties comprised 142.3 Bcfe or 9% of Questar E&P total proved reserves at December 31, 2006. In the Vermillion Basin on the southwestern Wyoming-northwestern Colorado state line, Market Resources companies continue to evaluate the potential of several formations under 146,000 net leasehold acres. As of September 30, 2007, Market Resources had recompleted two older wells and drilled and completed 20 new wells. The targets are the Baxter Shale, a thick, overpressured shale found at depths of about 9,500 to about 13,000 feet and deeper Frontier and Dakota tight-sand formations at depths to about 14,000 feet.

### ***Midcontinent***

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

Questar E&P continues a two-rig infill-development project on its largest single Midcontinent asset, the Elm Grove field in northwest Louisiana. As of September 30, 2007, Questar E&P operated or had working interests in 278 producing wells in the Elm Grove field compared to 218 at September 30, 2006. At December 31, 2006, Questar E&P had 30 proved-undeveloped locations and reported estimated net proved reserves at Elm Grove of 80 Bcfe, or 5% of the company's total proved reserves.

### **Wexpro**

Wexpro reported net income of \$14.8 million, in the third quarter of 2007 compared to \$12.1 in the 2006 quarter, a 22% increase. For the first nine months of 2007, Wexpro net income was \$43.4 million compared to \$36.1 million in the prior year period, a 20% increase. Pursuant to the Wexpro Agreement, Wexpro recovers its costs and receives an unlevered after-tax return of approximately 19% to 20% on its investment in commercial wells and related facilities adjusted for working capital and reduced for deferred income taxes and depreciation (investment base). Wexpro investment base at September 30, 2007, was \$284.6 million, an increase of \$59.8 million or 27% since September 30, 2006. Wexpro produced 6.6 Bcf of cost-of-service gas for delivery to affiliate Questar Gas in the third quarter of 2007.

## **Gas Management**

Gas Management grew net income to \$13.3 million in the third quarter of 2007 compared to \$11.0 million in the 2006 period, a 21% increase. Net income for the first nine months of 2007 increased 31% to \$40.6 million compared to \$30.9 million in the 2006 period, driven by higher gathering and processing volumes.

Gathering volumes increased 28.4 million MMBtu, or 15% to 224.2 million MMBtu in the first nine months of 2007. New projects serving third parties in the Uinta Basin and expanded Pinedale production contributed to a 44% increase in third-party volumes during the first nine months. Total gathering margins (revenues minus direct expenses) during the first nine months of 2007 increased 42% to \$50.2 million compared to \$35.3 million in 2006. Gas Management gas-gathering volumes and revenue are summarized in the following table:

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	3 Months Ended Sept. 30,			9 Months Ended Sept. 30,		
	2007	2006	Change	2007	2006	Change
Gas gathering volumes (millions of MMBtu)						
For unaffiliated customers	<b>43.1</b>	34.3	8.8	<b>127.0</b>	88.0	39.0
For affiliated customers	<b>28.3</b>	37.8	(9.5)	<b>97.2</b>	107.8	(10.6)
Total gas gathering volumes	<b>71.4</b>	72.1	(0.7)	<b>224.2</b>	195.8	28.4
Gas gathering revenue (per MMBtu)	<b>\$0.32</b>	\$ 0.28	\$0.04	<b>\$0.31</b>	\$ 0.29	\$0.02

Fee-based gas-processing volumes were 33.7 million MMBtu in the third quarter of 2007, a 10% increase compared to the 2006 period. Fee-based gas-processing revenues increased 13% or \$0.5 million, while gross margin from keep-whole processing increased 44% or \$3.4 million in the 2007 quarter. Approximately 74% of Gas Management net operating revenue (total revenue less processing plant-shrink) is derived from fee-based contracts, compared to 78% in the 2006 period. For the first nine months of 2007, fee based gas-processing volumes were 97.7 million MMBtu compared to 87.1 million MMBtu in the 2006 period, a 12% increase. Gas Management uses forward sales contracts to reduce margin volatility associated with keep-whole contracts. Forward sales contracts reduced NGL revenues by \$1.5 million in the third quarter of 2007 and \$1.6 million for the first nine months of 2007 compared to reductions of \$2.2 million in the 2006 quarter and \$0.8 million for the first nine months of 2006. Gas Management gas-processing volumes and revenues are summarized in the following table:

	3 Months Ended Sept. 30,			9 Months Ended Sept. 30,		
	2007	2006	Change	2007	2006	Change
Natural gas processing volumes						
NGL sales (MMgal)	<b>16.5</b>	20.8	(4.3)	<b>54.5</b>	65.3	(10.8)
NGL sales price (per gal)	<b>\$1.00</b>	\$0.89	\$0.11	<b>\$0.94</b>	\$0.89	\$0.05
Fee-based processing volumes (millions of MMBtu)						
For unaffiliated customers	<b>14.2</b>	10.2	4.0	<b>34.9</b>	27.3	7.6
For affiliated customers	<b>19.5</b>	20.3	(0.8)	<b>62.8</b>	59.8	3.0
Total fee-based processing volumes	<b>33.7</b>	30.5	3.2	<b>97.7</b>	87.1	10.6
Fee-based processing revenue (per MMBtu)	<b>\$0.14</b>	\$0.14		<b>\$0.15</b>	\$0.14	\$0.01

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

## **Energy Trading and Other**

Energy Trading grew net income 45% to \$4.2 million in the third quarter of 2007, driven primarily by increased trading margins. For the first nine months of 2007, net income was \$16.0 million compared to \$6.4 million for the same period of 2006, a 150% increase. Gross marketing margin (gross revenues less costs for gas and oil purchases, transportation and gas storage) totaled \$24.7 million for the first nine months of 2007 compared to \$10.8 million a year ago.

## **Questar Pipeline**

Questar Pipeline reported third quarter 2007 net income of \$12.0 million compared with \$10.8 million in 2006, an 11% increase and \$33.2 million net income in the first nine months of 2007 compared with \$33.8 million in the 2006 period. Operating income increased \$1.4 million or 6% in the 2007 third quarter due to higher transportation and gas processing revenues. Operating income was 2% lower in the 2007 first nine months compared to the 2006 periods due primarily to increased expenses related to a system expansion and lower NGL sales. The company began collecting revenues from the Overthrust Pipeline Opal expansion in 2006 at an interim delivery point on the Kern River pipeline before completion of the new facilities in January 2007. In 2007, Questar Pipeline incurred higher operating and depreciation expenses after placing the new facilities in service. Following is a summary of Questar Pipeline financial and operating results:

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3 Months Ended Sept. 30,    9 Months Ended Sept. 30,  
**2007**                      2006                      **2007**                      2006  
(in millions)

**OPERATING INCOME**

## Revenues

Transportation	<b>\$31.3</b>	\$29.7	<b>\$ 93.5</b>	\$ 89.4
Storage	<b>9.4</b>	9.3	<b>28.4</b>	28.2
Gas processing	<b>2.4</b>	1.4	<b>6.5</b>	4.2
NGL sales	<b>2.6</b>	3.0	<b>6.7</b>	8.5
Energy services	<b>4.1</b>	2.7	<b>12.4</b>	12.3
Other	<b>1.2</b>	1.5	<b>5.5</b>	5.3
Total revenues	<b>51.0</b>	47.6	<b>153.0</b>	147.9

## Operating expenses

Cost of goods sold	<b>1.1</b>		<b>3.4</b>	3.9
Operating and maintenance	<b>8.4</b>	8.5	<b>27.2</b>	24.9
General and administrative	<b>7.0</b>	6.1	<b>21.9</b>	18.5
Depreciation and amortization	<b>8.6</b>	8.0	<b>25.8</b>	24.1
Other taxes	<b>1.8</b>	2.3	<b>5.9</b>	6.0
Operating expenses	<b>26.9</b>	24.9	<b>84.2</b>	77.4
Net gain from asset sales	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	<b>0.6</b>	0.2
Operating income	<b>\$24.2</b>	\$22.8	<b>\$ 69.4</b>	\$ 70.7

**OPERATING STATISTICS**

## Natural gas-transportation volumes (MMdth)

For unaffiliated customers	<b>90.8</b>	88.1	<b>251.7</b>	229.0
For Questar Gas	<b>14.2</b>	15.0	<b>81.7</b>	83.1
For other affiliated customers	<b>3.3</b>	7.2	<b>11.9</b>	16.8
Total transportation	<b>108.3</b>	110.3	<b>345.3</b>	328.9
Transportation revenue (per dth)	<b>\$0.29</b>	\$0.27	<b>\$0.27</b>	\$0.27
Firm-daily transportation demand at Sept. 30, (Mdth)	<b>2,223</b>	2,151		
Natural gas processing				
NGL sales (MMgal)	<b>2.2</b>	2.2	<b>6.1</b>	6.7
NGL sales price (per gal)	<b>\$1.22</b>	\$1.34	<b>\$1.11</b>	\$1.26

**Revenues**

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

Change in Revenues

	<b>3 Months Ended</b>	<b>9 Months Ended</b>
	<b>Sept. 30, 2007</b>	<b>Sept. 30, 2007</b>
	<b>Compared with 2006</b>	<b>Compared with 2006</b>

(in millions)

Transportation		
New transportation contracts	<b>\$ 3.3</b>	<b>\$ 6.4</b>
Expiration of transportation contracts	<b>(0.6)</b>	<b>(1.3)</b>
Other	<b>(1.1)</b>	<b>(1.0)</b>
Gas processing	<b>1.0</b>	<b>2.3</b>
NGL sales	<b>(0.4)</b>	<b>(1.8)</b>
Energy services and other	<b>1.2</b>	<b>0.5</b>
Increase	<b>\$ 3.4</b>	<b>\$ 5.1</b>

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As of September 30, 2007, Questar Pipeline had firm-transportation contracts of 2,223 Mdth per day compared with 2,151 Mdth per day as of September 30, 2006. Questar Pipeline has expanded its transportation system in response to growing regional natural gas production and transportation demand. On January 1, 2007, Questar Pipeline began operations on an expansion of the Overthrust Pipeline to a connection with Kern River pipeline at Opal, Wyoming. The majority of the contracts for this expansion were effective at the beginning of 2006 at an interim delivery point pending construction and startup of the new facilities. Questar Pipeline has increased transportation revenues by remarketing expiring contracts with discounted rates ranging from \$0.08 per dth to \$0.12 per dth into maximum rate contracts (\$0.17 per dth) for terms of up to 31 years and, where possible, has restructured single contracts into multiple contracts.

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

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

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

NGL sales decreased 13% in the third quarter of 2007 and 21% in the first nine months of 2007 compared to the 2006 periods due to lower volumes and prices because of lower quality liquids removed from the gas stream.

Energy services revenues and the related cost of goods sold were higher in the third quarter of 2007 because of additional wellhead automation equipment sales.

Questar Pipeline is currently expanding its southern system in eastern Utah and an extension of its Overthrust Pipeline to Wamsutter, Wyoming. Both of these projects are scheduled to be complete by the end of 2007. The southern system expansion is supported by long-term contracts and the Overthrust extension is supported by both a long-term contract and lease agreement. During the first nine months of 2007, Questar Pipeline recognized \$0.7 million of equity allowance for funds used during construction, which is recorded as other income, and reduced interest expense by \$4.3 million of debt allowance for funds used during construction.

### ***Expenses***

Operating, maintenance, general and administrative expenses increased by 5% in the third quarter of 2007 and 13% in the first nine months of 2007 compared to the same periods of 2006. The increase was a result of a system expansion and higher labor and service costs. Operating, maintenance, general and administrative expenses were \$0.14 per dth transported in the first nine months of 2007 compared with \$0.13 in the first nine months of 2006. Operating, maintenance, general and administrative expenses include processing and storage costs.

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

### ***Clay Basin Storage***

In 2002, the company noted a discrepancy between the book volume of cushion gas at Clay Basin and the volume implied by test-pressure data. Reservoir modeling and pressure tests over the last five years have verified the integrity of the reservoir. The company believes that 3.2 Bcf of cushion gas was lost in the course of normal operations over the past 30 years. This loss represents 0.25% of the volume of gas cycled in and out of the reservoir over those years. During the third quarter of 2007, Questar Pipeline began the purchase of 3.2 Bcf of gas to return the reservoir to the FERC-certificated cushion-gas level.

### ***Overthrust Expansion Project***

In early September 2007, the company became aware that former employees of the pipe manufacturer for its Overthrust Pipeline Expansion Project are alleging that some of the pipe may be defective. After a thorough investigation, assisted by independent consultants, the company has concluded that any defects, identified during the manufacturing process, were properly remedied and the new pipe met all industry requirements and company specifications.

**Questar Gas**

Questar Gas reported a net loss of \$8.5 million in the third quarter of 2007 compared with a net loss of \$9.2 million in the third quarter of 2006. Net income was \$19.5 million in the first nine months of 2007 equal to \$19.5 million in the first nine months of 2006. Operating loss decreased \$1.5 million in the 2007 to 2006 third quarter comparison and operating income increased \$0.4 million in the 2007 to 2006 first nine months comparison due to lower rates and higher expenses offsetting the revenues from customer growth. Following is a summary of Questar Gas's financial and operating results:

	3 Months Ended Sept. 30,		9 Months Ended Sept. 30,	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
	(in millions)			
<b>OPERATING INCOME</b>				
Revenues				
Residential and commercial sales	<b>\$80.4</b>	\$86.5	<b>\$600.8</b>	\$690.4
Industrial sales	<b>2.1</b>	2.6	<b>7.2</b>	20.6
Transportation for industrial customers	<b>2.4</b>	1.6	<b>7.0</b>	4.6
Service	<b>1.3</b>	1.5	<b>4.7</b>	5.7
Other	<b>7.7</b>	8.5	<b>25.6</b>	31.0
Total revenues	<b>93.9</b>	100.7	<b>645.3</b>	752.3
Cost of natural gas sold	<b>62.6</b>	72.7	<b>475.0</b>	581.8
Margin	<b>31.3</b>	28.0	<b>170.3</b>	170.5
Other operating expenses				
Operating and maintenance	<b>18.3</b>	16.7	<b>55.6</b>	55.1
General and administrative	<b>9.5</b>	10.1	<b>32.1</b>	30.5
Depreciation and amortization	<b>9.7</b>	8.9	<b>28.8</b>	31.1
Other taxes	<b>3.5</b>	3.5	<b>10.7</b>	10.8
Total other operating expenses	<b>41.0</b>	39.2	<b>127.2</b>	127.5
Net (loss) from asset sales				(0.3)
Operating income (loss)	<b>(\$ 9.7)</b>	(\$ 11.2)	<b>\$ 43.1</b>	\$ 42.7
<b>OPERATING STATISTICS</b>				
Natural gas volumes (MMdth)				
Residential and commercial sales	<b>9.1</b>	8.7	<b>70.1</b>	67.7
Industrial sales	<b>0.3</b>	0.4	<b>1.1</b>	2.7
Transportation for industrial customers	<b>14.0</b>	9.6	<b>34.9</b>	25.4
Total industrial	<b>14.3</b>	10.0	<b>36.0</b>	28.1
Total deliveries	<b>23.4</b>	18.7	<b>106.1</b>	95.8
Natural gas revenue (per dth)				
Residential and commercial sales	<b>\$8.83</b>	\$9.88	<b>\$8.57</b>	\$10.20
Industrial sales	<b>6.03</b>	7.23	<b>6.28</b>	7.82

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Transportation for industrial customers	<b>\$0.17</b>	\$0.16	<b>\$0.20</b>	\$ 0.18
Temperatures colder (warmer) than normal	<b>6%</b>	71%	-	(5%)
Temperature - adjusted usage per customer (dth)	<b>7.8</b>	7.9	<b>73.2</b>	76.4
Customers at September 30, (thousands)	<b>861.0</b>	835.0		

***Margin Analysis***

Questar Gas's margin (revenues less gas costs) increased \$3.3 million in the third quarter of 2007 compared to the third quarter of 2006 and decreased \$0.2 million in the first nine months of 2007 compared to the first nine months of 2006. Following is a summary of major changes in Questar Gas's margin:

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	Change in Margin	
	3 Months Ended	9 Months Ended
	Sept. 30, 2007 Compared with 2006	Sept. 30, 2007 Compared with 2006
	(in millions)	
New customers	<b>\$ 0.7</b>	<b>\$ 4.6</b>
Conservation-enabling tariff	<b>1.7</b>	<b>5.6</b>
Change in usage per customer	<b>(0.2)</b>	<b>(5.2)</b>
Change in rates		<b>(6.2)</b>
Recovery of gas-cost portion of bad-debt costs	<b>0.9</b>	<b>(1.6)</b>
Change in transportation revenue	<b>0.8</b>	<b>2.4</b>
Other, including shifting between rate classes	<b>(0.6)</b>	<b>0.2</b>
Increase (decrease)	<b>\$ 3.3</b>	<b>(\$ 0.2)</b>

At September 30, 2007, Questar Gas served 861,036 customers, up from 835,025 at September 30, 2006. Customer growth increased margin by \$0.7 million in the third quarter of 2007 and \$4.6 million in the first nine months of 2007.

Temperature-adjusted usage-per-customer decreased 1% in the third quarter of 2007 and 4% in the first nine months of 2007 compared to the same periods of 2006. The impact on the company's margin from changes in usage-per-customer has been mitigated by a pilot conservation-enabling tariff that was approved by the Public Service Commission of Utah (PSCU) in October 2006, effective back to the beginning of 2006. The new tariff resulted in a margin increase of \$1.7 million in the third quarter of 2007 and \$5.6 million in the first nine months of 2007, largely offsetting a \$5.2 million decline in usage-per-customer.

Effective June 1, 2006, the company reduced gas rates for Utah customers by \$9.7 million per year, primarily to reflect a depreciation rate change and corresponding reduction in the company's depreciation expense. As a result, Questar Gas realized a \$6.2 million reduction in revenues in the first nine months of 2007 compared to the same period of 2006. The depreciation rate change reduced depreciation expense approximately \$3.8 million in the first nine months of 2007 compared to the prior year periods.

Weather, as measured in degree days, was 6% colder than normal in the third quarter of 2007 and normal in the first nine months of 2007. A weather-normalization adjustment on customer bills generally offsets the revenue impacts of moderate temperature variations.

### *Expenses*

Cost of natural gas sold decreased 14% in the third quarter of 2007 and 18% in the first nine months of 2007 compared to the same periods of 2006 primarily due to lower gas-purchase expenses per dth. Questar Gas accounts for purchased-gas costs in accordance with procedures authorized by the PSCU and the Public Service Commission of Wyoming. Purchased-gas costs that are different from those provided for in present rates are accumulated and recovered or credited through future rate changes. As of September 30, 2007, Questar Gas had a \$46.6 million over-collected balance in the purchased-gas adjustment account representing costs recovered from customers in excess of costs incurred.

Operating, maintenance, general and administrative expenses increased 4% in the third quarter of 2007 and 2% in the first nine months of 2007 compared to the same periods of 2006. Higher labor and benefit costs were offset by lower bad-debt costs. Operating, maintenance, general and administrative expenses per customer were \$102 in the first nine months of 2007 compared to \$103 in the first nine months of 2006.

Depreciation expense increased 9% in the third quarter of 2007 as a result of increased investment in plant for customer growth and system upgrades. Depreciation expense decreased 7% in the first nine months of 2007 compared to the same periods of 2006 primarily as a result of reduced depreciation rates effective June 1, 2006, in accordance with the PSCU order discussed above.

## **Consolidated Results after Operating Income**

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

Income from unconsolidated affiliates, primarily Rendezvous Gas Services, was \$6.8 million for the first nine months of 2007 compared to \$5.3 million in 2006. Rendezvous Gas Services provides gas-gathering services for the Pinedale and Jonah producing areas.

***Interest expense***

Interest expense declined 3% in the third quarter and 4% in the first nine months of 2007 compared to the 2006 periods. Capitalized interest charges on pipeline construction amounted to \$2.8 million in the third quarter and \$4.3 million in the first nine months of 2007.

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

The Company uses basis-only swaps to protect cash flows and net income from widening natural gas-price basis differentials that may result from capacity constraints on regional gas pipelines. The Company recognized a net mark-to-market gain of \$14.2 million on the natural gas basis-only swaps in the first nine months of 2007 compared with a net mark-to-market loss of \$10.8 million in the first nine months of 2006.

***Income taxes***

The effective combined federal and state income tax rate was 37.0% in the first nine months of 2007 and 2006.

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

Net cash provided from operating activities increased 12% in the first nine months of 2007 compared to the same period of 2006 due to higher net income and noncash adjustments to net income. Noncash adjustments to net income consist primarily of depreciation, depletion and amortization, and deferred income taxes. Cash sources from operating assets and liabilities were lower in 2007 primarily due to lower purchased-gas costs. Net cash provided from operating activities is presented below:

	9 Months Ended Sept. 30,		
	2007	2006	Change
	(in millions)		
Net income	<b>\$376.6</b>	\$322.6	\$ 54.0
Noncash adjustments to net income	<b>418.3</b>	319.1	99.2
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	<b>55.5</b>	116.2	(60.7)
Net cash provided from operating activities	<b>\$850.4</b>	\$757.9	\$ 92.5

***Investing Activities***

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

	9 Months Ended Sept. 30,		Forecast 12 Months Ending Dec. 31,
	2007	2006	2007
	(in millions)		
Market Resources	\$654.4	\$527.6	\$ 931.8
Questar Pipeline	248.5	32.2	340.7
Questar Gas	93.5	68.2	116.4
Corporate	0.1		0.3
Total	\$996.5	\$628.0	\$1,389.2

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

***Financing Activities***

Net capital expenditures plus dividends paid exceeded net cash provided from operating activities by \$204.9 million in the first nine months of 2007. As a result the Company increased short-term debt and reduced its cash balance. Questar Gas has \$53.0 million of notes maturing in the next 12 months. Both Questar Pipeline and Questar Gas intend to issue long-term debt to repay maturing debt and finance capital expenditures.

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Combined short-term and long-term debt was 33% of total capital at September 30, 2007. The Company had \$209.5 million of short-term lines of credit available and Market Resources had an unused \$182.0 million long-term revolving-credit facility with banks at September 30, 2007.

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

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

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

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

Market Resources has established policies and procedures for managing commodity-price risks through the use of derivatives. These policies and procedures are reviewed periodically by the Finance and Audit Committee of the Company's Board of Directors. Natural gas and oil-price hedging supports Market Resources rate of return and cash-flow targets and protects earnings from downward movements in commodity prices. The volume of hedged production and the mix of derivative instruments are regularly evaluated and adjusted by management in response to changing market conditions. Market Resources may hedge up to 100% of forecast production from proved reserves when prices meet earnings and cash-flow objectives. Market Resources does not enter into derivative arrangements for speculative purposes.

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

Market Resources enters into commodity-price derivative arrangements that do not require collateral deposits. Counterparties include banks and energy-trading firms with investment-grade credit ratings. The amount of credit available may vary depending on the credit ratings assigned to Market Resources debt. In addition to the counterparty arrangements, Market Resources has a \$182.0 million long-term revolving-credit facility with banks with no borrowings outstanding at September 30, 2007.

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

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

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

Time Periods	Rocky Mountains			Rocky Mountains		
	Midcontinent	Total	Estimated	Midcontinent	Total	Estimated
	<b>Gas (Bcf) Fixed-price Swaps</b>			<b>Average price per Mcf, net to the well</b>		
<b>2007</b>						
Fourth quarter	14.3	8.7	23.0	\$6.72	\$7.76	\$7.12

**2008**

First half	28.8	17.3	46.1	\$7.07	\$7.93	\$7.39
Second half	29.9	17.5	47.4	7.05	7.93	7.38
12 months	58.7	34.8	93.5	7.06	7.93	7.38

**2009**

First half	20.1	12.0	32.1	\$7.11	\$7.66	\$7.31
Second half	20.5	12.2	32.7	7.11	7.66	7.31
12 months	40.6	24.2	64.8	7.11	7.66	7.31

**2010**

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

Estimated

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

Average basis per Mcf, net to the well

**2007**

Fourth quarter	2.6		2.6	\$2.40		\$2.40
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**2008**

First half	8.4		8.4	\$1.60		\$1.60
Second half	8.6		8.6	1.60		1.60
12 months	17.0		17.0	1.60		1.60

**2009**

First half	11.8	1.7	13.5	\$1.21	\$1.08	\$1.19
Second half	12.0	1.7	13.7	1.21	1.08	1.19
12 months	23.8	3.4	27.2	1.21	1.08	1.19

**2010**

First half		1.7	1.7		\$0.94	\$0.94
Second half		1.7	1.7		0.94	0.94
12 months		3.4	3.4		0.94	0.94

Estimated

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

Average price per bbl, net to the well

**2007**

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Fourth quarter	267	101	368	\$52.01	\$57.91	\$53.63
<b>2008</b>						
First half	218	146	364	\$60.93	\$66.93	\$63.33
Second half	221	147	368	60.93	66.93	63.33
12 months	439	293	732	60.93	66.93	63.33

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**2009**

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

As of September 30, 2007, Market Resources held commodity-price hedging contracts covering about 252.5 million MMBtu of natural gas, 1.8 MMbbl of oil and 14.5 million gallons of NGL. A year earlier Market Resources hedging contracts covered 207.0 million MMBtu of natural gas, 2.2 MMbbl of oil and 31.5 million gallons of NGL. Market Resources has also entered into basis-only swaps on an additional 53.9 million MMBtu of natural gas as of September 30, 2007 compared with 50.3 million MMBtu in 2006. Changes in the fair value of derivative contracts from December 31, 2006 to September 30, 2007 are presented below:

	Fixed-price Swaps	Basis-only Swaps	Total
	(in millions)		
Net fair value of gas and oil-derivative contracts outstanding at December 31, 2006	\$198.0	(\$ 1.9)	\$196.1
Contracts realized or otherwise settled	(124.3)	0.8	(123.5)
Change in gas and oil prices on futures markets	52.7	1.1	53.8
Contracts added since December 31, 2006	34.2	11.3	45.5
Contracts redesignated as fixed-price swaps		1.0	1.0
<b>Net fair value of gas and oil-derivative contracts</b>			
<b>outstanding at September 30, 2007</b>	<b>\$160.6</b>	<b>\$12.3</b>	<b>\$172.9</b>

About \$132.6 million of the fair value of all contracts will settle in the next twelve months and the fair value of cash-flow hedges will be reclassified from other comprehensive income. The net fair value of gas and oil-derivative contracts as of September 30, 2007, is shown below:

	Fixed-price Swaps	Basis-only Swaps	Total
	(in millions)		
Contracts maturing by September 30, 2008	\$127.5	\$5.1	\$132.6
Contracts maturing between October 1, 2008 and September 30, 2009	25.9	5.4	31.3
Contracts maturing between October 1, 2009 and September 30, 2010	6.3	1.8	8.1
Contracts maturing after September 30, 2010	0.9		0.9
<b>Net fair value of gas and oil-derivative contracts</b>	<b>\$160.6</b>	<b>\$12.3</b>	<b>\$172.9</b>

**outstanding at September 30, 2007**

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

	Sept. 30,	
	<b>2007</b>	2006
	(in millions)	
Net fair value asset	<b>\$172.9</b>	\$143.3
Value if market prices of gas and oil and basis differentials decline by 10%	<b>326.1</b>	291.3
Value if market prices of gas and oil and basis differentials increase by 10%	<b>\$ 19.0</b>	\$ 9.0

**Interest-Rate Risk Management**

As of September 30, 2007, Questar had \$982.5 million of fixed-rate long-term debt and \$50.0 million of variable-rate long-term debt.

## Forward-Looking Statements

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

##### **Changes in Internal Controls.**

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

## **PART II. OTHER INFORMATION**

#### **ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

Questar is involved in various commercial and regulatory claims and litigation and other legal proceedings that arise in the ordinary course of its business. Management does not believe any of them will have a material adverse effect on Questar's financial position. An accrual is recorded for a loss contingency when its occurrence is probable and damages can be reasonably estimated based on the anticipated most likely outcome. Some of the claims involve highly complex issues relating to liability, damages and other matters subject to substantial uncertainties and, therefore, the probability of liability or an estimate of loss cannot be reasonably determined.

##### ***Pinedale Unit Net Profits Interest Litigation***

In March 2006, Doyle Hartman and others (collectively the Hartman Group) filed a declaratory judgment action against Questar E&P, Wexpro and other defendants in Sublette County District Court, Wyoming (Case No. 2006-6843) that seeks a declaratory judgment that the Hartman Group owns a 5% net profits interest (NPI) that burdens essentially all of the Pinedale Anticline oil and

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gas leases. On August 1, 2007, the court granted partial summary judgment in favor of the Hartman Group. Questar E&P and Wexpro have been dismissed with prejudice from the litigation after reaching a settlement to release all claims and end the litigation. The confidentiality settlement with the Hartman Group has the effect of converting the 5% NPI to a specified lower-percentage overriding royalty interest. The settlement, including the effect of the overriding royalty, will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial position.

### ***Grynberg Litigation***

In *Grynberg and L & R Exploration Venture v. Questar Pipeline Co.*, Civil No. 97CV0471 (D. Wyo.), Jack Grynberg brought certain claims against Questar companies related to the purchase of gas produced from wells located in Wyoming. After the federal district court granted Questar's motion for partial summary judgment on the major portion of this case, the parties reached a settlement and the case has been dismissed. The settlement will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial position.

### ***Regulatory Proceedings***

On October 12, 2007, the Supreme Court of Utah effectively ended a long-standing dispute over Questar Gas's cost recovery of carbon dioxide processing costs by dismissing an appeal filed by a group of individuals of an order by the PSCU. In October 2005, Questar Gas, the Utah Division of Public Utilities and the Committee of Consumer Services submitted a stipulation to the PSCU to resolve issues related to cost recovery of carbon dioxide processing costs. The PSCU approved the stipulation effective February 1, 2005. The stipulation was appealed to the Utah Supreme Court by a group of individuals who had not participated in the proceedings before the PSCU. The Court held that the petitioners failed to seek timely intervention and lacked standing to appeal the PSCU's order.

### ***Powder Wash Environmental Matter***

Questar Pipeline has entered into a consent agreement with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment through its Air Pollution Control Division (APCD) to resolve air permitting violations that the APCD alleges occurred at the company's Powder Wash dew point plant located in Moffat County, Colorado. Under the agreement, Questar Pipeline agrees to pay \$100,000 and take other remedial actions, but makes no admission of fault.

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

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

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	Number of Shares Purchased*	Average Price per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans	Maximum Number of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans
2007				
July	2,630	\$52.20	-	-
August	1,325	49.84	-	-
September	2,954	51.18	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,909</b>	<b>\$51.31</b>	-	-

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

**ITEM 6. EXHIBITS.**

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

Exhibit No.

Exhibits

31.1.

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

31.2.

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

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32.

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

SIGNATURES

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

QUESTAR CORPORATION

(Registrant)

November 2, 2007

/s/Keith O. Rattie

Keith O. Rattie

Chairman, President and

Chief Executive Officer

November 2, 2007

/s/S. E. Parks

S. E. Parks

Senior Vice President and

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Exhibit 31.1.

CERTIFICATION

I, Keith O. Rattie, certify that:

1.

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

2.

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

3.

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

4.

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

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a)

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

b)

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

c)

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

d)

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

5.

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

a)

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

b)

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

November 2, 2007

/s/Keith O. Rattie

Keith O. Rattie

Chairman, President and

Chief

Executive Office

Exhibit 31.2.

#### CERTIFICATION

I, S. E. Parks, certify that:

1.

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

2.

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

3.

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

4.

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

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a)

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

b)

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

c)

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

d)

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

5.

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

a)

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

b)

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

November 2, 2007

/s/S. E. Parks

S. E. Parks

Senior Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

Exhibit No. 32.

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

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

(1)

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



(2)

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

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QUESTAR CORPORATION

November 2, 2007

/s/Keith O. Rattie

Keith O. Rattie

Chairman, President and

Chief Executive Officer

November 2, 2007

/s/S. E. Parks

S. E. Parks

Senior Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

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