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FORM 10-K

(Mark One)

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number	Exact name of registrants as specified in their charters	I.R.S. Employer Identification Number
001-08489	DOMINION RESOURCES, INC.	54-1229715
333-178772	VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY	54-0418825
	VIRGINIA	
	<i>(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)</i>	
	120 TREDEGAR STREET	
	RICHMOND, VIRGINIA	23219
	<i>(Address of principal executive offices)</i>	<i>(Zip Code)</i>
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(Registrants telephone number)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each Class	Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered
DOMINION RESOURCES, INC. Common Stock, no par value 2009 Series A 8.375%	New York Stock Exchange New York Stock Exchange
Enhanced Junior Subordinated Notes VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY Preferred Stock (cumulative), \$100 par value, \$5.00 dividend	New York Stock Exchange

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

None

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.

Dominion Resources, Inc. Yes No Virginia Electric and Power Company Yes No

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act.

Dominion Resources, Inc. Yes No Virginia Electric and Power Company Yes No

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.

Dominion Resources, Inc. Yes No Virginia Electric and Power Company 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 (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

Dominion Resources, Inc. Yes No Virginia Electric and Power Company Yes No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (§229.405 of this chapter) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Dominion Resources, Inc. Virginia Electric and Power Company

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

Dominion Resources, Inc.

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer Smaller reporting company
 Virginia Electric and Power Company

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

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

Dominion Resources, Inc. Yes No Virginia Electric and Power Company Yes No

The aggregate market value of Dominion Resources, Inc. common stock held by non-affiliates of Dominion was approximately \$22.3 billion based on the closing price of Dominion's common stock as reported on the New York Stock Exchange as of the last day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter. Dominion is the sole holder of Virginia Electric and Power Company common stock. As of January 31, 2012, Dominion had 570,127,118 shares of common stock outstanding and Virginia Power had 274,723 shares of common stock outstanding.

DOCUMENT INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE.

Portions of Dominion's 2012 Proxy Statement are incorporated by reference in Part III.

This combined Form 10-K represents separate filings by Dominion Resources, Inc. and Virginia Electric and Power Company. Information contained herein relating to an individual registrant is filed by that registrant on its own behalf. Virginia Power makes no representations as to the information relating to Dominion's other operations.

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Virginia Electric and Power Company

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The following abbreviations or acronyms used in this Form 10-K are defined below:

Abbreviation or Acronym	Definition
2009 Base Rate Review	Order entered by the Virginia Commission in January 2009, pursuant to the Regulation Act, initiating reviews of the base rates and terms and conditions of all investor-owned utilities in Virginia
2012 Proxy Statement	Dominion 2012 Proxy Statement, File No. 001-08489
ABO	Accumulated benefit obligation
AES	Alternative Energy Solutions
AFUDC	Allowance for funds used during construction
AIP	Annual Incentive Plan
AMR	Automated meter reading program deployed by East Ohio
AOCI	Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)
AROs	Asset retirement obligations
ARP	Acid Rain Program, a market-based initiative for emissions allowance trading, established pursuant to Title IV of the CAA
ASA	Average Speed of Answer, a primary metric used to measure customer service
ASLB	Atomic Safety and Licensing Board
bcf	Billion cubic feet
Bear Garden	A 590 MW combined cycle, natural gas-fired power station in Buckingham County, Virginia
Biennial Review Order	Order issued by the Virginia Commission in November 2011 concluding the 2009 - 2010 biennial review of Virginia Power's base rates, terms and conditions
BP	BP Wind Energy North America Inc.
Brayton Point	Brayton Point power station
BREDL	Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League
Bremo	Bremo power station
BRP	Dominion Retirement Benefit Restoration Plan
BVP	Book Value Performance
CAA	Clean Air Act
CAIR	Clean Air Interstate Rule
CAO	Chief Accounting Officer
Carson-to-Suffolk line	Virginia Power 60-mile 500-kV transmission line in southeastern Virginia
CD&A	Compensation Discussion and Analysis
CDO	Collateralized debt obligation
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980
CFO	Chief Financial Officer
CFTC	Commodity Futures Trading Commission
CGN Committee	Compensation, Governance and Nominating Committee
Chesapeake	Chesapeake power station
CNG	Consolidated Natural Gas Company
CNO	Chief Nuclear Officer
CO ₂	Carbon dioxide
COL	Combined Construction Permit and Operating License
Companies	Dominion and Virginia Power, collectively
CONSOL	CONSOL Energy, Inc.
COO	Chief Operating Officer
Cooling degree days	Units measuring the extent to which the average daily temperature is greater than 65 degrees Fahrenheit, calculated as the difference between 65 degrees and the average temperature for that day
Cove Point	Dominion Cove Point LNG, LP
CSAPR	Cross State Air Pollution Rule
CWA	Clean Water Act

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DCI	Dominion Capital, Inc.
DD&A	Depreciation, depletion and amortization expense
DEI	Dominion Energy, Inc.
Dodd-Frank Act	The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010
DOE	Department of Energy
Dominion	The legal entity, Dominion Resources, Inc., one or more of Dominion Resources, Inc.'s consolidated subsidiaries (other than Virginia Power) or operating segments or the entirety of Dominion Resources, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries
Dominion Direct [®]	A dividend reinvestment and open enrollment direct stock purchase plan
Dooms-to-Bremo line	Virginia Power project to rebuild approximately 53 miles of existing 115-kV to 230-kV lines, between the Dooms and Bremo substations

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Glossary of Terms, continued

Abbreviation or Acronym	Definition
DPP	Dominion's Defined Benefit Pension Plan
Dresden	Partially-completed merchant generation facility sold in 2007
DRS	Dominion Resources Services, Inc.
DSM	Demand-side management
DTI	Dominion Transmission, Inc.
DVP	Dominion Virginia Power operating segment
E&P	Exploration & production
East Ohio	The East Ohio Gas Company, doing business as Dominion East Ohio
EGWP	Employer Group Waiver Plan
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
EPACT	Energy Policy Act of 2005
EPS	Earnings per share
ERISA	The Employment Retirement Income Security Act of 1974
ERO	Electric Reliability Organization
ESRP	Dominion Executive Supplemental Retirement Plan
Excess Tax Benefits	Benefits of tax deductions in excess of the compensation cost recognized for stock-based compensation
Fairless	Fairless power station
FASB	Financial Accounting Standards Board
FCM	Futures Commission Merchant
FERC	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
Fitch	Fitch Ratings Ltd.
Fowler Ridge	A wind-turbine facility joint venture with BP in Benton County, Indiana
Frozen Deferred Compensation Plan	Dominion Resources, Inc. Executives' Deferred Compensation Plan
Frozen DSOP	Dominion Resources, Inc. Security Option Plan
FTRs	Financial transmission rights
GAAP	U.S. generally accepted accounting principles
GHG	Greenhouse gas
GWSA	Global Warming Solutions Act
Hayes-to-Yorktown line	Virginia Power project to construct an approximately eight-mile 230-kV transmission line in southeastern Virginia
Heating degree days	Units measuring the extent to which the average daily temperature is less than 65 degrees Fahrenheit, calculated as the difference between 65 degrees and the average temperature for that day
Hope	Hope Gas, Inc., doing business as Dominion Hope
IOGA	Independent Oil and Gas Association of West Virginia, Inc.
INPO	Institute of Nuclear Power Operations
IRC	Internal Revenue Code
IRS	Internal Revenue Service
ISO	Independent system operator
ISO-NE	ISO New England
Joint Committee	U.S. Congressional Joint Committee on Taxation
June 2006 hybrids	2006 Series A Enhanced Junior Subordinated Notes due 2066
June 2009 hybrids	2009 Series A Enhanced Junior Subordinated Notes due 2064, subject to extensions no later than 2079
Juniper	Juniper Capital L.P.
Kewaunee	Kewaunee nuclear power station
Kincaid	Kincaid power station
kV	Kilovolt
LIBOR	London Interbank Offered Rate

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LIFO	Last-in-first-out inventory method
LNG	Liquefied natural gas
LTIP	Long-term incentive program
MATS	Utility Mercury and Air Toxics Standard Rule
Manchester Street	Manchester Street power station
mcf	million cubic feet
MD&A	Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations
Meadow Brook-to-Loudoun line	An approximately 65-mile 500-kV transmission line that begins in Warren County, Virginia and terminates in Loudoun County, Virginia
Medicare Act	The Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003
Medicare Part D	Prescription drug benefit introduced in the Medicare Act
MF Global	MF Global Inc.

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Abbreviation or Acronym	Definition
MGD	Million gallons a day
Millstone	Millstone nuclear power station
MISO	Midwest Independent Transmission System Operators, Inc.
MNES	Mitsubishi Nuclear Energy Systems, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Inc.
Moody's	Moody's Investors Service
Mt. Storm-to-Doubs line	Virginia Power project to rebuild approximately 96 miles of an existing 500-kV transmission line in Virginia and West Virginia
MW	Megawatt
MWh	Megawatt hour
NAAQS	National Ambient Air Quality Standards
NAV	Net asset value
NCEMC	North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation
NedPower	A wind-turbine facility joint venture with Shell in Grant County, West Virginia
NEIL	Nuclear Electric Insurance Limited
NEOs	Named executive officers
NERC	North American Electric Reliability Corporation
NGLs	Natural gas liquids
NO ₂	Nitrogen dioxide
Non-Employee Directors Plan	Non-Employee Directors Compensation Plan
North Anna	North Anna nuclear power station
North Branch	North Branch power station
North Carolina Commission	North Carolina Utilities Commission
North Carolina Settlement Approval Order	Order issued by the North Carolina Commission in December 2010 approving the Stipulation and Settlement Agreement filed by Virginia Power in connection with the ending of its North Carolina base rate moratorium
NO _x	Nitrogen oxide
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
NRC	Nuclear Regulatory Commission
NSPS	New Source Performance Standards
NYMEX	New York Mercantile Exchange
NYSE	New York Stock Exchange
ODEC	Old Dominion Electric Cooperative
Ohio Commission	Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
PBGC	Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation
Peaker facilities	Collectively, the three natural gas-fired merchant generation peaking facilities sold in 2007
Pennsylvania Commission	Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Peoples	The Peoples Natural Gas Company
Pipeline Safety Act	The Pipeline Safety, Regulatory Certainty and Job Creation Act of 2011
PIPP	Percentage of Income Payment Plan
PIR	Pipeline Infrastructure Replacement program deployed by East Ohio
PJM	PJM Interconnection, LLC
PM&P	Pearl Meyer & Partners
PNG Companies LLC	An indirect subsidiary of Steel River Infrastructure Fund North America
RCCs	Replacement Capital Covenants
RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
Regulation Act	Legislation effective July 1, 2007, that amended the Virginia Electric Utility Restructuring Act and fuel factor statute, which legislation is also known as the Virginia Electric Utility Regulation Act
REIT	Real estate investment trust
RGGI	Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative
Rider B	Rate adjustment clause associated with the recovery of costs related to the proposed conversion of three of Virginia Power's coal-fired power stations to biomass
Rider R	A rate adjustment clause associated with the recovery of costs related to Bear Garden

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Rider S	A rate adjustment clause associated with the recovery of costs related to the Virginia City Hybrid Energy Center
Rider T	A rate adjustment clause associated with the recovery of certain electric transmission-related expenditures
Rider W	A rate adjustment clause associated with the recovery of costs related to Warren County
Riders C1 and C2	Rate adjustment clauses associated with the recovery of costs related to certain DSM programs
ROE	Return on equity
ROIC	Return on invested capital

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Abbreviation or Acronym	Definition
RPM Buyers	The Maryland Public Service Commission, Delaware Public Service Commission, Pennsylvania Commission, New Jersey Board of Public Utilities and several other organizations representing consumers in the PJM region
RPS	Renewable Portfolio Standard
RTEP	Regional transmission expansion plan
RTO	Regional transmission organization
SAIDI	Metric used to measure electric service reliability, System Average Interruption Duration Index
Salem Harbor	Salem Harbor power station
SEC	Securities and Exchange Commission
September 2006 hybrids	2006 Series B Enhanced Junior Subordinated Notes due 2066
Shell	Shell WindEnergy, Inc.
SO ₂	Sulfur dioxide
Standard & Poor's	Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of the McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.
State Line	State Line power station
Surry	Surry nuclear power station
TGP	Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company
TSR	Total shareholder return
U.S.	United States of America
U.S. DOT	United States Department of Transportation
UAO	Unilateral Administrative Order
UEX Rider	Uncollectible Expense Rider
US-APWR	Mitsubishi Heavy Industry's Advanced Pressurized Water Reactor
VEBA	Voluntary Employees' Beneficiary Association
VIE	Variable interest entity
Virginia City Hybrid Energy Center	A 585 MW baseload carbon-capture compatible, clean coal powered electric generation facility under construction in Wise County, Virginia
Virginia Commission	Virginia State Corporation Commission
Virginia Power	The legal entity, Virginia Electric and Power Company, one or more of its consolidated subsidiaries or operating segments or the entirety of Virginia Power and its consolidated subsidiaries
Virginia Settlement	
Approval Order	Order issued by the Virginia Commission in March 2010 concluding Virginia Power's 2009 Base Rate Review
VPDES	Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
VSWCB	Virginia State Water Control Board
Warren County	A 1,300 MW, combined-cycle, natural gas-fired power station under construction in Warren County, Virginia
Waxpool-Brambleton-BECO line	A Virginia Power project to construct an approximately 1.5 mile double circuit 230-kV line to a new Waxpool substation, and a new 230-kV line between the Brambleton and BECO substations
West Virginia Commission	Public Service Commission of West Virginia
Yorktown	Yorktown power station

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Part I

Item 1. Business

GENERAL

Dominion, headquartered in Richmond, Virginia and incorporated in Virginia in 1983, is one of the nation's largest producers and transporters of energy. *Dominion's* strategy is to be a leading provider of electricity, natural gas and related services to customers primarily in the eastern region of the U.S. *Dominion's* portfolio of assets includes approximately 28,142 MW of generating capacity, 6,300 miles of electric transmission lines, 56,800 miles of electric distribution lines, 11,000 miles of natural gas transmission, gathering and storage pipeline and 21,800 miles of gas distribution pipeline, exclusive of service lines of two inches in diameter or less. *Dominion* also operates the nation's largest underground natural gas storage system, with approximately 947 bcf of storage capacity, and serves nearly 6 million utility and retail energy customers in 15 states.

Dominion is focused on expanding its investment in regulated electric generation, transmission and distribution and regulated natural gas transmission and distribution infrastructure within and around its existing footprint. As a result, regulated capital projects will continue to receive priority treatment in its spending plans. *Dominion* expects this will increase its earnings contribution from regulated operations, while reducing the sensitivity of its earnings to commodity prices.

Dominion continues to expand and improve its regulated electric and natural gas businesses, in accordance with its five-year investment program. A major impetus for this program is to meet the anticipated increase in electricity demand in its electric utility service territory as forecasted by PJM. Other drivers for the capital investment program include the need to construct infrastructure to handle the increase in natural gas production from the Marcellus and Utica Shale formations; and to upgrade its gas distribution and electric transmission and distribution network. *Dominion* has announced that it may make further substantial investments in other gas projects over the next five years.

Dominion's nonregulated operations include merchant generation, energy marketing and price risk management activities and retail energy marketing operations. *Dominion's* operations are conducted through various subsidiaries, including *Virginia Power*.

Virginia Power, headquartered in Richmond, Virginia and incorporated in Virginia in 1909 as a Virginia public service corporation, is a regulated public utility that generates, transmits and distributes electricity for sale in Virginia and North Carolina. In Virginia, *Virginia Power* conducts business under the name *Dominion Virginia Power*. In North Carolina, it conducts business under the name *Dominion North Carolina Power* and serves retail customers located in the northeastern region of the state, excluding certain municipalities. In addition, *Virginia Power* sells electricity at wholesale prices to rural electric cooperatives, municipalities and into wholesale electricity markets. All of *Virginia Power's* common stock is owned by *Dominion*.

Amounts disclosed for *Dominion* are inclusive of *Virginia Power*, where applicable.

EMPLOYEES

As of December 31, 2011, *Dominion* had approximately 15,800 full-time employees, of which approximately 5,900 employees are subject to collective bargaining agreements. As of December 31, 2011, *Virginia Power* had approximately 6,800 full-time employees, of which approximately 3,100 employees are subject to collective bargaining agreements.

PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES

Dominion and Virginia Power's principal executive offices are located at 120 Tredegar Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219 and their telephone number is (804) 819-2000.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION ABOUT DOMINION AND VIRGINIA POWER

Dominion and Virginia Power file their annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. Their SEC filings are available to the public over the Internet at the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov>. You may also read and copy any document they file at the SEC's public reference room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the public reference room.

Dominion and Virginia Power make their SEC filings available, free of charge, including the annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and any amendments to those reports, through Dominion's internet website, www.dom.com, as soon as practicable after filing or furnishing the material to the SEC. You may also request a copy of these filings, at no cost, by writing or telephoning Dominion at: Corporate Secretary, Dominion, 120 Tredegar Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, Telephone (804) 819-2000. Information contained on Dominion's website is not incorporated by reference in this report.

ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSITIONS

Following are significant divestitures by Dominion and Virginia Power during the last five years. There were no significant acquisitions by either registrant during this period.

SALE OF E&P PROPERTIES

In 2010, Dominion completed the sale of substantially all of its Appalachian E&P operations, including its rights to associated Marcellus acreage, to a newly-formed subsidiary of CONSOL for approximately \$3.5 billion. See Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information.

In 2007, Dominion completed the sale of its non-Appalachian natural gas and oil E&P operations and assets for approximately \$13.9 billion.

The historical results of the non-Appalachian E&P operations are included in the Corporate and Other segment. The historical results of the Appalachian E&P operations are included in the Dominion Energy segment.

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SALE OF PEOPLES

In February 2010, Dominion completed the sale of Peoples to PNG Companies LLC and netted after-tax proceeds of approximately \$542 million. The historical results of these operations are included in the Corporate and Other segment and presented in discontinued operations. See Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information.

ASSIGNMENT OF MARCELLUS ACREAGE

In 2008, Dominion completed a transaction with Antero Resources to assign drilling rights to approximately 117,000 acres in the Marcellus Shale formation located in West Virginia and Pennsylvania. Dominion received proceeds of approximately \$347 million. Under the agreement, Dominion received a 7.5% overriding royalty interest on future natural gas production from the assigned acreage. The overriding royalty interest was transferred to CONSOL as part of the sale of substantially all of Dominion's Appalachian E&P operations in 2010.

SALE OF MERCHANT FACILITIES

In March 2007, Dominion sold three Peaker facilities for net cash proceeds of \$254 million. The Peaker facilities included the 625 MW Armstrong facility in Shelocta, Pennsylvania; the 600 MW Troy facility in Luckey, Ohio; and the 313 MW Pleasants facility in St. Mary's, West Virginia. The results of these operations were presented in discontinued operations.

SALE OF DRESDEN

In September 2007, Dominion completed the sale of Dresden to AEP Generating Company for \$85 million.

SALE OF CERTAIN DCI OPERATIONS

In March 2008, Dominion reached an agreement to sell its remaining interest in the subordinated notes of a third-party CDO entity held as an investment by DCI and in April 2008 received proceeds of \$54 million, including accrued interest. Dominion deconsolidated the CDO entity as of March 31, 2008.

In August 2007, Dominion completed the sale of Gichner, LLC, all of the issued and outstanding shares of the capital stock of Gichner, Inc. (an affiliate of Gichner, LLC) and Dallastown Realty for approximately \$30 million.

OPERATING SEGMENTS

Dominion manages its daily operations through three primary operating segments: DVP, Dominion Generation and Dominion Energy. Dominion also reports a Corporate and Other segment, which includes its corporate, service company and other functions (including unallocated debt) and the net impact of the operations and sale of Peoples, which is discussed in Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. In addition, Corporate and Other includes specific items attributable to Dominion's operating segments that are not included in profit measures evaluated by executive management in assessing the segments' performance or allocating resources among the segments.

Virginia Power manages its daily operations through two primary operating segments: DVP and Dominion Generation. It also reports a Corporate and Other segment that primarily includes specific items attributable to its operating segments that

are not included in profit measures evaluated by executive management in assessing the segments' performance or allocating resources among the segments.

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While daily operations are managed through the operating segments previously discussed, assets remain wholly-owned by Dominion and Virginia Power and their respective legal subsidiaries.

A description of the operations included in the Companies' primary operating segments is as follows:

Primary Operating

Segment	Description of Operations	Dominion	Virginia Power
DVP	Regulated electric distribution	X	X
	Regulated electric transmission	X	X
	Nonregulated retail energy marketing (electric and gas)	X	
Dominion Generation	Regulated electric fleet	X	X
	Merchant electric fleet	X	
Dominion Energy	Gas transmission and storage	X	
	Gas distribution and storage	X	
	LNG import and storage	X	
	Producer services	X	

For additional financial information on operating segments, including revenues from external customers, see Note 26 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. For additional information on operating revenue related to Dominion's and Virginia Power's principal products and services, see Notes 2 and 5 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

DVP

The DVP Operating Segment of Virginia Power includes Virginia Power's regulated electric transmission and distribution (including customer service) operations, which serve approximately 2.4 million residential, commercial, industrial and governmental customers in Virginia and North Carolina.

Virginia Power has announced its five-year investment plan, which includes spending approximately \$4 billion from 2012 through 2016 to upgrade or add new transmission and distribution lines, substations and other facilities to meet growing electricity demand within its service territory and maintain reliability. The proposed electric delivery infrastructure projects are intended to address both continued population growth and increases in electricity consumption by the typical consumer. In addition, data centers continue to contribute to anticipated demand growth, with an expected load of approximately 715 MW by the end of 2013.

Revenue provided by electric distribution operations is based primarily on rates established by state regulatory authorities and state law. Variability in earnings is driven primarily by changes in rates, weather, customer growth and other factors impacting consumption such as the economy and energy conservation, in addition to operating and maintenance expenditures. Operationally, electric distribution continues to focus on improving service levels while striving to reduce costs and link investments to operational results. As a result, electric service reliability and customer service have improved. The three-year average SAIDI has improved from 127 minutes at the end of 2006 to 111 minutes at the end of 2011. Likewise, ASA has also shown significant improvement. The three-year average ASA has improved from 60

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seconds at the end of 2006 to 40 seconds at the end of 2011. Customer service options continue to be enhanced and expanded through the use of technology. Customers now have the ability to use the Internet for routine billing and payment transactions, connecting and disconnecting service, reporting outages and obtaining outage updates. Additionally, customers can follow progress to restore electric service following major outages by accessing Facebook or Twitter. As electric distribution moves forward, safety, electric service reliability and customer service will remain key focal areas.

Revenue provided by Virginia Power's electric transmission operations is based primarily on rates approved by FERC. The profitability of this business is dependent on its ability, through the rates it is permitted to charge, to recover costs and earn a reasonable return on its capital investments. Variability in earnings primarily results from changes in rates and the timing of property additions, retirements and depreciation.

Virginia Power is a member of PJM, an RTO, and its electric transmission facilities are integrated into PJM wholesale electricity markets. Consistent with the increased authority given to NERC by EPACT, Virginia Power's electric transmission operations are committed to meeting NERC standards, modernizing its infrastructure and maintaining superior system reliability. Virginia Power's electric transmission operations will continue to focus on safety, operational performance, NERC compliance and execution of PJM's RTEP.

The DVP Operating Segment of Dominion includes all of Virginia Power's regulated electric transmission and distribution operations as discussed above, as well as Dominion's nonregulated retail energy marketing operations.

Dominion's retail energy marketing operations compete in nonregulated energy markets. The retail business requires limited capital investment and currently employs approximately 190 people. The retail customer base includes 2.2 million customers and is diversified across three product lines—natural gas, electricity and home warranty services. Dominion has a heavy concentration of natural gas customers in markets where utilities have a long-standing commitment to customer choice. Dominion pursues customers in electricity markets where utilities have divested of generation assets and where customers are permitted and have opted to purchase from the market. Major growth drivers are net customer additions, new market penetration, product development and expanded sales channels and supply optimization.

COMPETITION

DVP Operating Segment Dominion and Virginia Power

Within Virginia Power's service territory in Virginia and North Carolina, there is no competition for electric distribution service. Additionally, since its electric transmission facilities are integrated into PJM, electric transmission services are administered by PJM and are not subject to competition in relation to transmission service provided to customers within the PJM region. Virginia Power is seeing continued growth in new customers in its transmission and distribution operations.

DVP Operating Segment Dominion

Dominion's retail energy marketing operations compete against incumbent utilities and other energy marketers in nonregulated

energy markets for natural gas and electricity. Customers in these markets have the right to select a retail marketer and typically do so based upon price savings or price stability; however, incumbent utilities have the advantage of long-standing relationships with their customers and greater name recognition in their markets.

REGULATION

Virginia Power's electric retail service, including the rates it may charge to jurisdictional customers, is subject to regulation by the Virginia Commission and the North Carolina Commission. Virginia Power's electric transmission rates, tariffs and terms of service are subject to regulation by FERC. Electric transmission siting authority remains the jurisdiction of the Virginia and North Carolina Commissions. However, EPACT provides FERC with certain backstop authority for transmission siting. See *State Regulations and Federal Regulations in Regulation* and Note 14 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information, including a discussion of the 2011 Biennial Review Order.

PROPERTIES

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Virginia Power has approximately 6,300 miles of electric transmission lines of 69 kV or more located in the states of North Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia. Portions of Virginia Power's electric transmission lines cross national parks and forests under permits entitling the federal government to use, at specified charges, any surplus capacity that may exist in these lines. While Virginia Power owns and maintains its electric transmission facilities, they are a part of PJM, which coordinates the planning, operation, emergency assistance and exchange of capacity and energy for such facilities.

Each year, as part of PJM's RTEP process, reliability projects are authorized. In 2011, Virginia Power completed construction of two of the major construction projects authorized in 2006, Meadow Brook-to-Loudoun and Carson-to-Suffolk, which are each designed to improve the reliability of service to customers and the region.

As part of subsequent annual PJM RTEP processes, PJM authorized additional electric transmission upgrade projects including Hayes-to-Yorktown in December 2008 and Mt. Storm-to-Doubs and Dooms-to-Bremo in December 2010. See Note 14 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information on these and other electric transmission projects.

In addition, Virginia Power's electric distribution network includes approximately 56,800 miles of distribution lines, exclusive of service level lines, in Virginia and North Carolina. The grants for most of its electric lines contain rights-of-way that have been obtained from the apparent owner of real estate, but underlying titles have not been examined. Where rights-of-way have not been obtained, they could be acquired from private owners by condemnation, if necessary. Many electric lines are on publicly-owned property, where permission to operate can be revoked.

SOURCES OF ENERGY SUPPLY

DVP Operating Segment Dominion and Virginia Power

DVP's supply of electricity to serve Virginia Power customers is produced or procured by Dominion Generation. See *Dominion Generation* for additional information.

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DVP Operating Segment Dominion

The supply of electricity to serve Dominion's retail energy marketing customers is procured through market wholesalers and RTO or ISO transactions. DVP's supply of gas to serve its customers is procured through market wholesalers or by Dominion Energy. See *Dominion Energy* for additional information.

SEASONALITY

DVP Operating Segment Dominion and Virginia Power

DVP's earnings vary seasonally as a result of the impact of changes in temperature and the availability of alternative sources for heating on demand by residential and commercial customers. Generally, the demand for electricity peaks during the summer and winter months to meet cooling and heating needs. An increase in heating degree-days for DVP's electric utility related operations does not produce the same increase in revenue as an increase in cooling degree-days, due to seasonal pricing differentials and because alternative heating sources are more readily available.

DVP Operating Segment Dominion

The earnings of Dominion's retail energy marketing operations also vary seasonally. Generally, the demand for electricity peaks during the summer and winter months to meet cooling and heating needs, while the demand for gas peaks during the winter months to meet heating needs.

Dominion Generation

The Dominion Generation Operating Segment of Virginia Power includes the generation operations of the Virginia Power regulated electric utility and its related energy supply operations. Virginia Power's utility generation operations primarily serve the supply requirements for the DVP segment's utility customers.

Earnings for the Generation operating segment of Virginia Power primarily result from the sale of electricity generated by its utility fleet. Revenue is based primarily on rates established by state regulatory authorities and state law. Approximately 80% of revenue comes from serving Virginia jurisdictional customers. Rates for the Virginia jurisdiction are set using a modified cost-of-service rate model. The cost of fuel and purchased power is generally collected through fuel cost-recovery mechanisms established by regulators and does not materially impact net income. Variability in earnings for Virginia Power's generation operations results from changes in rates, the demand for services, which is primarily weather dependent, and labor and benefit costs, as well as the timing, duration and costs of scheduled and unscheduled outages. See *Electric Regulation in Virginia* under *Regulation* and Note 14 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information, including a discussion of the 2011 Biennial Review Order.

The Dominion Generation Operating Segment of Dominion includes Virginia Power's generation facilities and its related energy supply operations described above as well as the generation operations of Dominion's merchant fleet and energy marketing and price risk management activities for these assets. The Generation operating segment of Dominion derives its earnings primarily from the sale of electricity generated by Virginia Power's utility and Dominion's merchant generation assets, as well as

associated capacity and ancillary services from Dominion's merchant generation assets.

Variability in earnings provided by Dominion's merchant fleet relates to changes in market-based prices received for electricity and capacity. Market-based prices for electricity are largely dependent on commodity prices, primarily natural gas, and the demand for electricity, which is primarily dependent upon weather. Capacity prices are dependent upon resource requirements in relation to the supply available (both existing and new) in the forward capacity auctions, which are held approximately three years in advance of the associated delivery year. Dominion manages electric and capacity price volatility of its merchant fleet by hedging a substantial portion of its expected near-term sales with derivative instruments and also entering into long-term power sales agreements. However, earnings have been adversely impacted due to a sustained decline in commodity prices. Variability also results from changes in the cost of fuel consumed, labor and benefits and the timing, duration and costs of scheduled and unscheduled outages.

COMPETITION

Dominion Generation Operating Segment Dominion and Virginia Power

Virginia Power's generation operations are not subject to significant competition as only a limited number of its Virginia jurisdictional electric utility customers have retail choice. See *Regulation-State Regulations-Electric* for more information. Currently, North Carolina does not offer retail choice to electric customers.

Dominion Generation Operating Segment Dominion

Unlike Dominion Generation's regulated generation fleet, its merchant generation fleet is dependent on its ability to operate in a competitive environment and does not have a predetermined rate structure that allows for a rate of return on its capital investments. Competition for the merchant fleet is impacted by electricity and fuel prices, new market entrants, construction by others of generating assets and transmission capacity, technological advances in power generation, the actions of environmental and other regulatory authorities and other factors. These competitive factors may negatively impact the merchant fleet's ability to profit from the sale of electricity and related products and services.

Dominion Generation's merchant generation fleet owns and operates several facilities in the Midwest that operate within functioning RTOs. A significant portion of the output from these facilities is sold under long-term contracts, with expiration dates ranging from December 31, 2012 to August 31, 2017, and is therefore largely unaffected by price competition during the term of these contracts. Following expiration of these contracts, earnings could be adversely impacted if prevailing prices for energy, capacity and ancillary services are lower than the levels currently received under these contracts.

Dominion Generation's other merchant assets also operate within functioning RTOs and primarily compete on the basis of price. Competitors include other generating assets bidding to operate within the RTOs. These RTOs have clearly identified market rules that ensure the competitive wholesale market is

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functioning properly. Dominion Generation's merchant units have a variety of short- and medium-term contracts, and also compete in the spot market with other generators to sell a variety of products including energy, capacity and ancillary services. It is difficult to compare various types of generation given the wide range of fuels, fuel procurement strategies, efficiencies and operating characteristics of the fleet within any given RTO. However, Dominion applies its expertise in operations, dispatch and risk management to maximize the degree to which its merchant fleet is competitive compared to similar assets within the region.

REGULATION

Virginia Power's utility generation fleet and Dominion's merchant generation fleet are subject to regulation by FERC, the NRC, the EPA, the DOE, the Army Corps of Engineers and other federal, state and local authorities. Virginia Power's utility generation fleet is also subject to regulation by the Virginia Commission and the North Carolina Commission. See *State Regulations* and *Federal Regulations in Regulation* for more information.

PROPERTIES

For a listing of Dominion's and Virginia Power's existing generation facilities, see Item 2. Properties.

Dominion Generation Operating Segment Dominion and Virginia Power

The generation capacity of Virginia Power's electric utility fleet totals 18,985 MW. The generation mix is diversified and includes coal, nuclear, gas, oil, hydro and renewables. Virginia Power's generation facilities are located in Virginia, West Virginia and North Carolina and serve load in Virginia and northeastern North Carolina.

Based on available generation capacity and current estimates of growth in customer demand in its utility service area, Virginia Power will need additional generation capacity over the next decade. Virginia Power has announced a comprehensive generation growth program, referred to as *Powering Virginia*, which involves the development, financing, construction and operation of new multi-fuel, multi-technology generation capacity to meet the anticipated growing demand in its core market in Virginia. Significant projects under construction or development include:

The Virginia City Hybrid Energy Center located in Wise County, Virginia, is expected to generate about 585 MW when completed. The baseload facility is estimated to cost \$1.8 billion, excluding financing costs. Construction was approximately 95% complete at the end of 2011, and commercial operations are expected to commence in the summer of 2012.

Warren County is expected to generate more than 1,300 MW of electricity when operational. In February 2012, the Virginia Commission authorized the construction of this power station, which is estimated to cost approximately \$1.1 billion, excluding financing costs.

Commercial operations are scheduled to commence by late 2014. In connection with the air permit process for Warren County, Virginia Power reached an agreement to permanently retire North Branch, a 74 MW coal-fired plant located in West Virginia, once Warren County begins commercial operations.

Virginia Power plans to convert three coal-fired Virginia generating stations to biomass, a renewable energy source. The conversions of the power stations in Altavista, Hopewell and Southampton County would increase Dominion's renewable generation by more than 150 MW and are expected to cost approximately \$165 million, excluding financing costs. After approvals by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality and the Virginia Commission, construction will begin; these conversions are expected to be complete by the end of 2013.

Subject to the receipt of certain regulatory approvals, Virginia Power plans to construct a combined-cycle natural gas-fired power station in Brunswick County, Virginia, that is expected to generate more than 1,300 MW. If the project is approved, commercial operations are expected to commence in 2016. Brunswick County has approved a conditional use permit to allow for construction of the plant. This facility would more than offset the expected reduction in capacity caused by the anticipated retirement of coal-fired units at Chesapeake and Yorktown during 2015 and 2016 primarily due to the cost of compliance with MATS. The facility would be similar to the power station being built in Warren County, Virginia, which is estimated to cost approximately \$1.1 billion, excluding financing costs.

In May 2011, Virginia Power completed construction of Bear Garden, at a total cost of approximately \$620 million, excluding financing costs, and the 590 MW combined-cycle, natural gas-fired power station commenced commercial operations.

In addition to the projects above, Virginia Power is considering the construction of a third nuclear unit at a site located at North Anna. See Note 14 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for more information on this project.

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Dominion Generation Operating Segment Dominion

The generation capacity of Dominion's merchant fleet totals 9,157 MW. The generation mix is diversified and includes nuclear, coal, gas, oil and renewables. Merchant generation facilities are located in Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, West Virginia and Wisconsin with a majority of that capacity concentrated in New England. Dominion is the largest generator in ISO-NE and, mirroring the region's load demand, has principally baseload units with the remainder split between intermediate and peaking.

In the first quarter of 2011, Dominion decided to pursue the sale of Kewaunee. Any sale of Kewaunee would be subject to the approval of Dominion's Board of Directors, as well as applicable state and federal approvals.

During the second quarter of 2011, Dominion announced its intention to retire State Line by mid-2014 and to retire two of the four units at Salem Harbor by the end of 2011 and the remaining two Salem Harbor units on June 1, 2014. These decisions were prompted by the economic outlook for both facilities, in combination with the expectation that State Line would be impacted by potential environmental regulations that would likely require significant capital expenditures. During the third quarter of 2011, Dominion announced an accelerated schedule for State Line, with the facility to be retired in the first quarter of 2012, given a continued decline in power prices and the expected cost to comply with environmental regulations.

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Salem Harbor units 1 and 2 were retired as planned on December 31, 2011.

SOURCES OF ENERGY SUPPLY*Dominion Generation Operating Segment Dominion and Virginia Power*

Dominion Generation uses a variety of fuels to power its electric generation and purchases power for utility system load requirements and to satisfy physical forward sale requirements, as described below. Some of these agreements have fixed commitments and are included as contractual obligations in *Future Cash Payments for Contractual Obligations and Planned Capital Expenditures* in Item 7. MD&A.

Nuclear Fuel Dominion Generation primarily utilizes long-term contracts to support its nuclear fuel requirements. Worldwide market conditions are continuously evaluated to ensure a range of supply options at reasonable prices which are dependent on the market environment. Current agreements, inventories and spot market availability are expected to support current and planned fuel supply needs. Additional fuel is purchased as required to ensure optimal cost and inventory levels.

Fossil Fuel Dominion Generation primarily utilizes coal, oil and natural gas in its fossil fuel plants.

Dominion Generation's coal supply is obtained through long-term contracts and short-term spot agreements from both domestic and international suppliers.

Dominion Generation's natural gas and oil supply is obtained from various sources including: purchases from major and independent producers in the Mid-Continent and Gulf Coast regions, purchases from local producers in the Appalachian area, purchases from gas marketers and withdrawals from underground storage fields owned by Dominion or third parties.

Dominion Generation manages a portfolio of natural gas transportation contracts (capacity) that allows flexibility in delivering natural gas to its gas turbine fleet, while minimizing costs.

Purchased Power Dominion Generation purchases electricity from the PJM spot market and through power purchase agreements with other suppliers to provide for utility system load requirements.

Dominion Generation also occasionally purchases electricity from the PJM, ISO-NE and MISO spot markets to satisfy physical forward sale requirements as part of its merchant generation operations.

Dominion Generation Operating Segment Virginia Power

Presented below is a summary of Virginia Power's actual system output by energy source:

Source	2011	2010	2009
Purchased power, net	33%	29%	25%
Nuclear ⁽¹⁾	28	28	32
Coal ⁽²⁾	26	31	33
Natural gas	12	10	9
Other ⁽³⁾	1	2	1
Total	100%	100%	100%

(1) Excludes ODEC's 11.6% ownership interest in North Anna.

(2) Excludes ODEC's 50.0% ownership interest in the Clover power station. The average cost of coal for 2011 Virginia in-system generation was \$33.55 per MWh.

(3) Includes oil, hydro and biomass.

SEASONALITY

Sales of electricity for Dominion Generation typically vary seasonally as a result of the impact of changes in temperature and the availability of alternative sources for heating on demand by residential and commercial customers. Generally, the demand for electricity peaks during the summer and winter months to meet cooling and heating needs. An increase in heating degree-days does not produce the same increase in revenue as an increase in cooling degree-days, due to seasonal pricing differentials and because alternative heating sources are more readily available.

NUCLEAR DECOMMISSIONING

In June 2011, the NRC amended its regulations to improve decommissioning planning. As applied to the operators of nuclear power plants, these amendments require licensees to conduct operations in a manner minimizing introduction of residual radioactivity into the site, perform additional surveys, and maintain records of their results. In addition, the amendments make minor changes to financial assurance methods and require additional information on decommissioning and spent fuel management costs after a plant permanently ceases operations. The revised regulations will become effective in December 2012 and are not expected to significantly affect the decommissioning cost estimates or funding for Dominion's or Virginia Power's units.

Dominion Generation Operating Segment Dominion and Virginia Power

Virginia Power has a total of four licensed, operating nuclear reactors at its Surry and North Anna power stations in Virginia.

Decommissioning involves the decontamination and removal of radioactive contaminants from a nuclear power station once operations have ceased, in accordance with standards established by the NRC. Amounts collected from ratepayers and placed into trusts have been invested to fund the expected future costs of decommissioning the Surry and North Anna units.

Virginia Power believes that the decommissioning funds and their expected earnings for the Surry and North Anna units will be sufficient to cover expected decommissioning costs, particularly when combined with future ratepayer collections and contributions to these decommissioning trusts, if such future collections and contributions are required. This reflects the long-term investment horizon, since the units will not be decommissioned for decades, and a positive long-term outlook for trust fund investment returns. Virginia Power will continue to monitor these trusts to ensure they meet the NRC minimum financial assurance requirement, which may include the use of parent company guarantees, surety bonding or other financial guarantees recognized by the NRC.

The total estimated cost to decommission Virginia Power's four nuclear units is \$2.2 billion in 2011 dollars and is primarily based upon site-specific studies completed in 2009. The current cost estimates assume decommissioning activities will begin shortly after cessation of operations, which will occur when the operating licenses expire. Virginia Power expects to decommission the Surry and North Anna units during the period 2032 to 2067.

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In addition to the four nuclear units discussed above, Dominion has three licensed, operating nuclear reactors, two at Millstone in Connecticut and one at Kewaunee in Wisconsin. A third Millstone unit ceased operations before Dominion acquired the power station. As part of Dominion's acquisition of both Millstone and Kewaunee, it acquired decommissioning funds for the related units. Any funds remaining in Kewaunee's trust after decommissioning is completed are required to be refunded to Wisconsin ratepayers. Dominion believes that the amounts currently available in the decommissioning trusts and their expected earnings will be sufficient to cover expected decommissioning costs for the Millstone and Kewaunee units. Dominion will continue to monitor these trusts to ensure they meet the NRC minimum financial assurance requirement, which may include the use of parent company guarantees, surety bonding or other financial guarantees recognized by the NRC. The total estimated cost to decommission Dominion's eight units is \$4.7 billion in 2011 dollars and is primarily based upon site-specific studies completed in 2009. For the Millstone and Kewaunee operating units, the current cost estimate assumes decommissioning activities will begin shortly after cessation of operations, which will occur when the operating licenses expire. Millstone Unit 1 is not in service and selected minor decommissioning activities are being performed. This unit will continue to be monitored until full decommissioning activities begin for the remaining Millstone operating units. Dominion expects to start minor decommissioning activities at Millstone Unit 2 in 2035, with full decommissioning of Millstone Units 1, 2 and 3 at the permanent cessation of operations of Millstone Unit 3 during the period 2045 to 2069. In February 2011, the NRC approved the renewal of the Kewaunee operating license. The renewal permits Kewaunee to operate through December 21, 2033 with full decommissioning of Kewaunee during the period 2033 to 2065.

The estimated decommissioning costs and license expiration dates for the nuclear units owned by Dominion and Virginia Power are shown in the following table.

	NRC license expiration year	Most recent cost estimate (2011 dollars) ⁽¹⁾	Funds in trusts at December 31, 2011	2011 Contributions To Trusts
(dollars in millions)				
Surry				
Unit 1	2032	\$ 562	\$ 387	\$ 0.6
Unit 2	2033	584	382	0.6
North Anna				
Unit 1 ⁽²⁾	2038	509	310	0.4
Unit 2 ⁽²⁾	2040	522	291	0.3
Total (Virginia Power)		2,177	1,370	1.9
Millstone				
Unit 1 ⁽³⁾	n/a	450	321	
Unit 2	2035	676	398	
Unit 3 ⁽⁴⁾	2045	706	393	
Kewaunee				
Unit 1	2033	681	517	
Total (Dominion)		\$ 4,690	\$ 2,999	\$ 1.9

(1) The cost estimates shown above are total decommissioning cost estimates and differ from the cost estimates used to calculate Dominion's and Virginia Power's nuclear decommissioning AROs. Among other items, the cost estimates above do not reflect any reduction for the expected future recovery from the DOE of certain spent fuel costs based on the Companies' contracts with the DOE for disposal of spent nuclear fuel.

(2) North Anna is jointly owned by Virginia Power (88.4%) and ODEC (11.6%). However, Virginia Power is responsible for 89.26% of the decommissioning obligation. Amounts reflect 89.26% of the decommissioning cost for both of North Anna's units.

(3) Unit 1 ceased operations in 1998, before Dominion's acquisition of Millstone.

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Millstone Unit 3 is jointly owned by Dominion Nuclear Connecticut, with a 6.53% undivided interest in Unit 3 owned by Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company and Central Vermont Public Service Corporation. Decommissioning cost is shown at 100% and the trust funds are shown at Dominion's ownership percentage. At December 31, 2011, the minority owners held approximately \$27 million of trust funds related to Millstone Unit 3 that are not reflected in the table above.

Also see Note 15 and Note 23 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for further information about AROs and nuclear decommissioning, respectively.

Dominion Energy

Dominion Energy includes Dominion's regulated natural gas distribution companies, regulated gas transmission pipeline and storage operations, natural gas gathering and by-products extraction activities and regulated LNG operations. Dominion Energy also includes producer services, which aggregates natural gas supply, engages in natural gas trading and marketing activities and natural gas supply management and provides price risk management services to Dominion affiliates.

The gas transmission pipeline and storage business serves gas distribution businesses and other customers in the Northeast, mid-Atlantic and Midwest. Included in Dominion's gas transmission pipeline and storage business is its gas gathering and extraction activity, which sells extracted products at market rates. Dominion's LNG operations involve the import and storage of LNG at Cove Point and the transportation of regasified LNG to the interstate pipeline grid and mid-Atlantic and Northeast markets. In connection with the recent increase in Eastern U.S. natural gas production, including from the Marcellus and Utica shale formations, Dominion has requested regulatory authority to operate Cove Point as a bi-directional facility, able to import LNG, and vaporize it as natural gas, and liquefy natural gas and export it as LNG. See *Future Issues and Other Matters* in MD&A for more information.

Revenue provided by Dominion's regulated gas transmission and storage and LNG operations is based primarily on rates established by FERC. Additionally, Dominion receives revenue from firm fee-based contractual arrangements, including negotiated rates, for certain gas transportation, gas storage, LNG storage and regasification services. Dominion's gas distribution operations serve residential, commercial and industrial gas sales and transportation customers. Revenue provided by its gas distribution operations is based primarily on rates established by the Ohio and West Virginia Commissions. The profitability of these businesses is dependent on Dominion's ability, through the rates it is permitted to charge, to recover costs and earn a reasonable return on its capital investments. Variability in earnings results from operating and maintenance expenditures, as well as changes in rates and the demand for services, which are dependent on weather, changes in commodity prices and the economy.

In October 2008, East Ohio implemented a rate case settlement which provided for a straight-fixed-variable rate design.

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Under this rate design, East Ohio recovers a larger portion of its fixed operating costs through a flat monthly charge accompanied by a reduced volumetric base delivery rate. Accordingly, East Ohio's revenue is less impacted by weather-related fluctuations in natural gas consumption than under the traditional rate design.

Earnings from Dominion Energy's producer services business are unregulated, and are subject to variability associated with changes in commodity prices. Producer services uses physical and financial arrangements to hedge this price risk.

COMPETITION

Dominion Energy's gas transmission operations compete with domestic and Canadian pipeline companies. Dominion also competes with gas marketers seeking to provide or arrange transportation, storage and other services. Alternative energy sources, such as oil or coal, provide another level of competition. Although competition is based primarily on price, the array of services that can be provided to customers is also an important factor. The combination of capacity rights held on certain long-line pipelines, a large storage capability and the availability of numerous receipt and delivery points along its own pipeline system enable Dominion to tailor its services to meet the needs of individual customers.

Retail competition for gas supply exists to varying degrees in the two states in which Dominion's gas distribution subsidiaries operate. In Ohio, there has been no legislation enacted to require supplier choice for residential and commercial natural gas consumers. However, Dominion offers an Energy Choice program to customers, in cooperation with the Ohio Commission. At December 31, 2011, approximately 1 million of Dominion's 1.2 million Ohio customers were participating in this Energy Choice Program. West Virginia does not require customers to choose their provider in its retail natural gas markets at this time. However, the West Virginia Commission has issued regulations to govern pooling services, one of the tools that natural gas suppliers may utilize to provide retail customers a choice in the future and has issued rules requiring competitive gas service providers to be licensed in West Virginia. See *Regulation-State Regulations-Gas* for additional information.

REGULATION

Dominion Energy's natural gas transmission pipeline, storage and LNG operations are regulated primarily by FERC. Dominion Energy's gas distribution service, including the rates that it may charge customers, is regulated by the Ohio and West Virginia Commissions. See *State Regulations* and *Federal Regulations in Regulation* for more information.

PROPERTIES

Dominion Energy's gas distribution network is located in the states of Ohio and West Virginia. This network involves approximately 21,800 miles of pipe, exclusive of service lines of two inches in diameter or less. The rights-of-way grants for many natural gas pipelines have been obtained from the actual owner of real estate, as underlying titles have been examined. Where rights-of-way have not been obtained, they could be acquired from private owners by condemnation, if necessary. Many natural gas pipelines are on publicly-owned property, where company rights and actions are determined on a case-by-case basis, with results that range from reimbursed relocation to revocation of permission to operate.

Dominion Energy has approximately 11,000 miles of gas transmission, gathering and storage pipelines located in the states of Maryland, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia. Dominion Energy operates gas processing and fractionation facilities in West Virginia with a total processing capacity of 267,000 mcf per day and fractionation capacity of 582,000 gallons per day. Dominion Energy also operates 20 underground gas storage fields located in New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia, with almost 2,000 storage wells and approximately 349,000 acres of operated leaseholds.

The total designed capacity of the underground storage fields operated by Dominion Energy is approximately 947 bcf. Certain storage fields are jointly-owned and operated by Dominion Energy. The capacity of those fields owned by Dominion's partners totals about 242 bcf. Dominion Energy also has about 15 bcf of above-ground storage capacity at Cove Point. Dominion Energy has about 128 compressor stations with more than 777,000 installed compressor horsepower.

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In August 2009, Dominion announced the proposed development of the Keystone Connector Project, a joint venture with The Williams Companies that would transport new natural gas supplies from the Appalachian Basin to Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation's Station 195, providing access to markets throughout the eastern U.S. The joint venture was terminated in June 2011. DTI is currently independently marketing its Keystone Connector Project. Project timing is subject to producer drilling plans in the Appalachian Basin, as well as customer demand throughout the mid-Atlantic and Northeast regions.

In January 2011, Dominion completed the \$50 million Cove Point Pier Reinforcement Project to upgrade, expand and modify the existing pier at the Cove Point terminal to accommodate the next generation of LNG vessels (up to 267,000 cubic meters) that are much larger than those that could previously be accommodated (no larger than 148,000 cubic meters).

DTI has announced the Gathering Enhancement Project, a \$253 million expansion of its natural gas gathering, processing and liquids facilities in West Virginia. The project is designed to increase the efficiency and reduce high pressures in its gathering system, thus increasing the amount of natural gas local producers can move through DTI's West Virginia system. Construction started in 2009 and is expected to be completed by the fourth quarter of 2012. The cost of the project will be paid for by rates charged to producers.

In June 2011, FERC approved DTI's \$634 million Appalachian Gateway Project. The project is expected to provide approximately 484,000 dekatherms per day of firm transportation services for new Appalachian gas supplies in West Virginia and southwestern Pennsylvania to an interconnection with Texas Eastern Transmission, LP at Oakford, Pennsylvania. Construction has commenced and transportation services are scheduled to begin by September 2012.

In August 2011, DTI received FERC authorization for the Northeast Expansion Project. The project is expected to provide approximately 200,000 dekatherms per day of firm transportation services for CONSOL's Marcellus Shale natural gas production from various receipt points in central and southwestern Pennsylvania to a nexus of market pipelines and storage facilities in Leidy, Pennsylvania. The project is expected to cost approximately \$100 million. Construction of new compression facilities

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at three existing compressor stations in central Pennsylvania is expected to begin in March 2012, with a projected in-service date of November 2012.

In September 2011, FERC approved DTI's proposed Ellisburg-to-Craigs project. The project is expected to have capacity of approximately 150,000 dekatherms per day, which will be leased by TGP to move Marcellus shale natural gas supplies from TGP's 300 Line pipeline system in northern Pennsylvania to its 200 Line pipeline system in upstate New York. The project is expected to cost approximately \$46 million. Construction of additional compression facilities and a new measurement and regulating station is expected to begin in March 2012, with a projected in-service date of November 2012.

In November 2011, DTI filed a FERC application for approval to construct the \$17 million Sabinsville to Morrisville project, a pipeline to move additional Marcellus supplies from a TGP pipeline in northeast Pennsylvania to its line in upstate New York. DTI executed a binding precedent agreement with TGP in October 2010 to provide this firm transportation service up to 92,000 dekatherms per day for a 14-year term. Construction is expected to commence April 2013 with an expected in service date of November 2013.

DTI is developing the Allegheny Storage Project, which is expected to provide approximately 7.5 bcf of incremental storage service and 125,000 dekatherms per day of associated year-round firm transportation service to three local distribution companies under 15-year contracts. Storage capacity for the project will be provided from storage pool enhancements at DTI and capacity leased from East Ohio. DTI intends to construct additional compression facilities and upgrade measurement and regulation in order to provide 115,000 dekatherms per day of transportation service. The remaining 10,000 dekatherms per day of transportation service will not require construction of additional facilities. The \$112 million project is expected to be in service in 2014, subject to FERC approval, which DTI requested in February 2012.

In February 2011, DTI concluded a binding open season for its \$67 million Tioga Area Expansion Project, which is designed to provide approximately 270,000 dekatherms per day of firm transportation service from supply interconnects in Tioga and Potter Counties in Pennsylvania to DTI's Crayne interconnect with Texas Eastern Transmission, LP in Greene County, Pennsylvania and the Leidy interconnect with Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company in Clinton County, Pennsylvania. Two customers have contracted for the service under 15-year terms. DTI filed a certificate application with FERC in November 2011. Subject to the receipt of regulatory approvals, the project is anticipated to be in service in November 2013.

In January 2011, Dominion announced the development of a natural gas processing and fractionation facility in Natrium, West Virginia, and in July 2011 it executed a contract for the construction of the first phase of the facility. This phase of the project is fully contracted and is expected to be in service by December 2012. The Phase 1 costs for processing, fractionation, plant inlet and outlet natural gas transportation, gathering, and various modes of NGL transportation is approximately \$500 million. Dominion is also in negotiations for the possible construction of Phase 2 at Natrium, which could be in service by the fourth quar-

ter of 2013. The complete project is designed to process up to 400,000 mcf of natural gas per day and fractionate up to 59,000 barrels of NGLs per day.

In March 2011, East Ohio filed a request with the Ohio Commission to accelerate the PIR program by nearly doubling its PIR spending to more than \$200 million annually. East Ohio identified 1,450 miles of pipeline that need to be replaced, in addition to the pipeline originally identified in the PIR project scope. See Note 14 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information.

SOURCES OF ENERGY SUPPLY

Dominion Energy's natural gas supply is obtained from various sources including purchases from major and independent producers in the Mid-Continent and Gulf Coast regions, local producers in the Appalachian area and gas marketers. Dominion's large underground natural gas storage network and the location of its pipeline system are a significant link between the country's major interstate gas pipelines, including the Rockies Express East pipeline, and large markets in the Northeast and mid-Atlantic regions. Dominion's pipelines are part of an interconnected gas transmission system, which provides access to supplies nationwide for local distribution companies, marketers, power generators and industrial and commercial customers.

Dominion's underground storage facilities play an important part in balancing gas supply with consumer demand and are essential to serving the Northeast, mid-Atlantic and Midwest regions. In addition, storage capacity is an important element in the effective management of both gas

supply and pipeline transmission capacity.

SEASONALITY

Dominion Energy's natural gas distribution business earnings vary seasonally, as a result of the impact of changes in temperature on demand by residential and commercial customers for gas to meet heating needs. Historically, the majority of these earnings have been generated during the heating season, which is generally from November to March, however implementation of the straight-fixed-variable rate design at East Ohio has reduced the earnings impact of weather-related fluctuations. Demand for services at Dominion's pipeline and storage business can also be weather sensitive. Commodity prices can be impacted by seasonal weather changes, the effects of unusual weather events on operations and the economy. Dominion's producer services business is affected by seasonal changes in the prices of commodities that it transports, stores and actively markets and trades.

Corporate and Other

Corporate and Other Segment - Virginia Power

Virginia Power's Corporate and Other segment primarily includes certain specific items attributable to its operating segments that are not included in profit measures evaluated by executive management in assessing the segments' performance or allocating resources among the segments.

Corporate and Other Segment - Dominion

Dominion's Corporate and Other segment includes its corporate, service company and other functions (including unallocated debt) and the net impact of the operations and sale of Peoples, which is

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discussed in Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. In addition, Corporate and Other includes specific items attributable to Dominion's operating segments that are not included in profit measures evaluated by executive management in assessing the segments' performance or allocating resources among the segments.

ENVIRONMENTAL STRATEGY

Dominion and Virginia Power are committed to being good environmental stewards. Their ongoing objective is to provide reliable, affordable energy for their customers while being environmentally responsible. The integrated strategy to meet this objective consists of five major elements:

- Compliance with applicable environmental laws, regulations and rules;
- Conservation and load management;
- Renewable generation development;
- Other generation development to maintain fuel diversity, including clean coal, advanced nuclear energy, and natural gas; and
- Improvements in other energy infrastructure.

This strategy incorporates Dominion's and Virginia Power's efforts to voluntarily reduce GHG emissions, which are described below. See *Dominion Generation Properties* for more information on certain of the projects described below, as well as other projects under current development.

Environmental Compliance

Dominion and Virginia Power remain committed to compliance with all applicable environmental laws, regulations and rules related to their operations. Additional information related to Dominion's and Virginia Power's environmental compliance matters can be found in *Future Issues and Other Matters* in MD&A and in Note 23 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Conservation and Load Management

Conservation plays a significant role in meeting the growing demand for electricity. The Regulation Act provides incentives for energy conservation and sets a voluntary goal to reduce electricity consumption by retail customers in 2022 by ten percent of the amount consumed in 2006 through the implementation of conservation programs. Legislation in 2009 added definitions of peak-shaving and energy efficiency programs and allowed for a margin on operating expenses and revenue reductions related to energy efficiency programs.

Virginia Power's DSM programs provide important incremental steps toward achieving the voluntary ten percent energy conservation goal. The conservation and load management plan includes the following DSM programs, which were approved by the Virginia Commission in March 2010 and were rolled out in May 2010:

- Residential Lighting Program – an instant, in-store discount on the purchase of qualifying compact fluorescent lights;
- Home Energy Improvement – energy audits and improvements for homes of low-income customers;
- Smart Cooling Rewards – incentives for residential customers who voluntarily enroll to allow Virginia Power to cycle their air conditioners and heat pumps during periods of peak demand;
- Commercial Heating, Ventilating and Air Conditioning Upgrade Program – incentives for commercial customers to improve the energy efficiency of their heating and/or cooling units; and
- Commercial Lighting Program – incentives for commercial customers to install energy-efficient lighting.

In September 2011, Virginia Power filed an application for approval of six additional DSM programs and to expand the approved Commercial Lighting and Commercial Heating, Ventilating and Air Conditioning Upgrade programs, in addition to requesting annual recovery of DSM program costs. The proposed DSM programs include:

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Commercial Energy Audit Program an on-site energy audit providing commercial customers with information to evaluate potential energy cost savings options;

Commercial Duct Testing & Sealing an incentive for commercial customers to seal duct and air distribution systems to improve system efficiency;

Commercial Refrigeration Program an incentive for commercial customers to install more efficient refrigeration technologies;

Commercial Distributed Generation a redesigned distributed generation program allowing customers to commit their on-site back-up generators to Virginia Power during periods of peak demand;

Residential Lighting Phase II an extension of the initial in-store discount on the purchase of qualifying compact fluorescent lighting as well as light-emitting diode bulbs to phase out and replace conventional incandescent bulbs; and

Residential Bundle Program a bundle of four residential programs to be available to residential customers, including a Residential Home Energy Check-up Program, Residential Duct Testing & Sealing Program, Residential Heat Pump Tune-Up Program and Residential Heat Pump Upgrade Program.

In September 2010, Virginia Power filed with the North Carolina Commission an application for approval and its initial request for cost recovery of the five DSM programs initially approved in Virginia, as well as the distributed generation program. In February 2011, the North Carolina Commission approved the five DSM programs approved in Virginia, and Virginia Power subsequently launched the residential lighting program in May 2011 and the remainder of the approved programs in June 2011. In a separate order issued in September of 2011, the North Carolina Commission denied approval of Virginia Power's proposed distributed generation program.

Virginia Power continues to assess smart grid technologies through a demonstration designed to indicate how these technologies may enhance Virginia Power's electric distribution system by allowing energy to be delivered more efficiently. The demonstration involves a limited deployment, within Virginia Power's Virginia service territory, of smart meters that use digital technology to enable two-way communication between the meter and Virginia Power's electric distribution system. Dependent upon the outcome of the demonstration and certain regulatory proceedings, Virginia Power may make a significant investment in replacing existing meters with Advanced Metering Infrastructure. The technology is intended to help customers monitor and control their

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energy use. It is also expected to lead to more efficient use of the power grid, which is expected to result in energy savings and lower environmental emissions. Moreover, deployment of smart grid technology is expected to provide more accurate outage information, fewer service calls, and faster service restoration.

Renewable Generation

Renewable energy is also an important component of a diverse and reliable energy mix. Both Virginia and North Carolina have passed legislation setting targets for renewable power. Virginia Power is committed to meeting Virginia's goals of 12% renewable power by 2022 and 15% by 2025, and North Carolina's RPS of 12.5% by 2021. In May 2010, the Virginia Commission approved Virginia Power's participation in the state's RPS program. As a participant, Virginia Power is permitted to seek recovery, through rate adjustment clauses, of the costs of programs designed to meet RPS goals. Virginia Power plans to meet the respective RPS targets in Virginia and North Carolina by utilizing existing renewable facilities, as well as through additional renewable generation where it makes sense for customers. In addition, Virginia Power intends to purchase renewable energy certificates, as permitted by each RPS program, to meet any remaining annual requirement needs. Virginia Power continues to explore opportunities to develop new renewable facilities within its service territory, the energy attributes of which would qualify for inclusion in the RPS programs.

Dominion has invested in wind energy through two joint ventures. Dominion is a 50% owner of NedPower. Dominion's share of this project produces 132 MW of renewable energy. Dominion is also a 50% owner with BP of the first phase of Fowler Ridge, which has a generating capacity of 300 MW. Dominion has a long-term agreement with Fowler Ridge to purchase 200 MW of energy, capacity and environmental attributes from this first phase. In the first quarter of 2011, Dominion completed the sale of its remaining share of the development assets of the second phase of Fowler Ridge to BP.

In October 2011, Virginia Power filed with the Virginia Commission an application to conduct a solar distributed generation demonstration program, consisting of up to a combined 30 MW of company-owned solar distributed generation facilities to be located at selected commercial, industrial and community locations throughout its Virginia service territory, as well as up to a combined 3 MW of customer-owned solar distributed generation facilities that will be subject to a tariff filed with the Virginia Commission in 2012. If approved, this program is expected to generate enough electricity to power about 6,000 homes during peak daylight hours.

Other Generation Development

Virginia Power has announced a comprehensive generation growth program, referred to as *Powering Virginia*, which involves the development, financing, construction and operation of new multi-fuel, multi-technology generation capacity to meet the anticipated growth in demand in its core market of Virginia. Virginia Power expects that these investments collectively will provide the following benefits: expanded electricity production capability, increased technological and fuel diversity and a reduction in the CO₂ emission intensity of its generation fleet.

Improvements in Other Energy Infrastructure

Virginia Power's five-year investment plan includes significant capital expenditures to upgrade or add new transmission and distribution lines, substations and other facilities to meet growing electricity demand within its service territory and maintain reliability. These enhancements are primarily aimed at meeting Virginia Power's continued goal of providing reliable service, and are intended to address both continued population growth and increases in electricity consumption by the typical consumer. An additional benefit will be added capacity to efficiently deliver electricity from the renewable projects now being developed or to be developed in the future.

Virginia Power is taking measures to ensure that its electrical infrastructure can support the expected demand from electric vehicles, which have significantly lower carbon intensity than conventional vehicles. Virginia Power has partnered with Ford Motor Company to help prepare Virginia for the operation of electric vehicles, in a collaboration that involves consumer outreach, educational programs and the exchange of information on vehicle charging requirements.

Dominion, in connection with its five-year growth plan, is also pursuing the construction or upgrade of regulated infrastructure in its natural gas business.

Dominion and Virginia Power's Strategy for Voluntarily Reducing GHG Emissions

While Dominion and Virginia Power have not established a standalone GHG emissions reduction target or timetable, they are actively engaged in voluntary reduction efforts, as well as working toward achieving required RPS standards established by existing state regulations, as set forth above. The Companies have an integrated voluntary strategy for reducing overall GHG emission intensity that is based on maintaining a diverse fuel mix, including nuclear, coal, gas, oil, hydro and renewable energy, investing in renewable energy projects and promoting energy conservation and efficiency efforts. Below are some of the Companies' efforts that have or are expected to reduce the Companies' overall carbon emissions or intensity:

In 2003, Virginia Power retired two oil-fired units at its Possum Point power station, replacing them with a new 559 MW combined-cycle natural gas unit. Virginia Power also converted two coal-fired units at Possum Point to cleaner burning natural gas.

Since 2000, Dominion has added over 2,600 MW of non-emitting nuclear generation and over 3,500 MW of new lower-emitting natural gas-fired generation including nearly 1,600 MW at Virginia Power (excluding Possum Point), to its generation mix.

Virginia Power added 83 MW of renewable biomass and has plans to convert three coal-fired power stations to biomass, which is anticipated to be considered carbon neutral by regulatory agencies.

Dominion has over 800 MW of wind energy in operation or development.

Virginia Power completed construction of the natural gas-fired Bear Garden generating facility in May 2011.

Virginia Power is constructing the natural gas-fired Warren County power station. In connection with the air permit process for Warren County, Virginia Power reached an

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agreement with the National Park Service to permanently retire the North Branch power station, a 74 MW coal fired plant located in West Virginia, once Warren County begins commercial operations.

Virginia Power plans to construct an additional combined-cycle natural gas-fired power station similar in size to Warren County to replace coal-fired units at Chesapeake and Yorktown that are anticipated to be retired in 2015 and 2016.

Virginia Power has received an Early Site Permit from the NRC for the possible addition of approximately 1,500 MW of nuclear generation in Virginia. Virginia Power has not yet committed to building a new nuclear unit.

Virginia Power has developed the DSM programs described above.

Virginia Power has initiated a demonstration of smart grid technologies as described above.

In October 2011, Virginia Power announced plans to develop the community solar power program described above.

Dominion retired two coal-fired units at Salem Harbor in 2011 and announced that the remaining units at Salem Harbor will be retired during the second quarter of 2014.

Dominion has announced its plans to retire State Line during the first quarter of 2012.

While Virginia Power's new Virginia City Hybrid Energy Center, which is currently under construction in southwest Virginia, will be a new source of GHG emissions upon entering service, Virginia Power has taken steps to minimize the impact on the environment. The new plant is expected to use at least 10% biomass for fuel and is designed to be carbon-capture compatible, meaning that technology to capture CO₂ can be added to the station if or when it becomes commercially available. Also, Virginia Power has announced plans to convert its coal units at Bremon to natural gas, contingent upon the Virginia City Hybrid Energy Center entering service and receipt of necessary approvals. It is currently estimated that the Virginia City Hybrid Energy Center will have the potential to emit about 4.8 million metric tonnes of direct CO₂ emissions in a year assuming a 100% capacity factor and 100% coal-fired operation. Actual emissions will depend on the capacity factor of the facility and the extent to which biomass is burned.

Dominion also developed a comprehensive GHG inventory for calendar year 2010. For Dominion Generation, Dominion's and Virginia Power's direct CO₂ equivalent emissions, based on equity share (ownership), were approximately 52.4 million metric tonnes and 32.4 million metric tonnes, respectively. For the DVP operating segment's electric transmission and distribution operations, direct CO₂ equivalent emissions were approximately 0.2 million metric tonnes. DTI's (including Cove Point) direct CO₂ equivalent emissions were approximately 3.0 million metric tonnes and East Ohio's direct CO₂ equivalent emissions were approximately 1.4 million metric tonnes. While the Companies do not have final 2011 emissions data, they do not expect a significant variance in emissions from 2010 amounts. With respect to electric generation, primary facility stack emissions of CO₂ from carbon based fuel combustion are directly measured via continuous emissions monitor system methods set forth under 40 CFR Part 75 of the U.S. Electric Code of Federal Regulation. For those emission sources not covered under 40 CFR Part 75, and

for methane and nitrous oxide emissions, quantification is based on fuel combustion, higher heating values, emission factors, and global warming potentials as specified in the EPA's Mandatory Reporting of Greenhouse Gases Rule. For the DVP operating segment's electric transmission and distribution emissions, the protocol used was *The Climate Registry*. For Dominion's natural gas businesses, combustion related emissions were calculated using the EPA Mandatory Reporting of Greenhouse Gases Rule as described above. For DTI, the protocol used to calculate the non-combustion related emissions reported above was *Greenhouse Gas Emission Estimation Guidelines for Natural Gas Transmission and Storage, Volume 1-GHG Estimation Methodologies and Procedures-Revision 2, September 28, 2005* developed by the Interstate Natural Gas Association of America. For East Ohio, the protocol used to calculate the non-combustion related emissions was the American Gas Association's April 2008 Greenhouse Emissions Estimation Methodologies and Procedures for Natural Gas Distribution Operations.

Since 2000, the Companies have tracked the emissions of their electric generation fleet. Their electric generation fleet employs a mix of fuel and renewable energy sources. Comparing annual year 2000 to annual year 2010, Dominion and Virginia Power's electric generating fleet (based on ownership percentage) reduced their average CO₂ emissions rate per MWh of energy produced from electric generation by about 21% and 10%, respectively. During such time period the capacity of Dominion and Virginia Power's electric generation fleet has grown.

Alternative Energy Initiatives

In addition to the environmental strategy described above, Dominion formed the AES department in April 2009 to conduct research in the renewable and alternative energy technologies sector and to support strategic investments to advance Dominion's base of understanding of such technologies. AES participates in federal and state policy development on alternative energy and identifies potential alternative energy resource and technology opportunities for Dominion's business units. For example, in March 2011, AES initiated a Dominion scoping study for a high-voltage underwater transmission line from Virginia Beach into the ocean to support multiple offshore wind farms; the first of many steps with the goal being the development of a transmission line making offshore wind resources available to its customers. A 2010 Dominion study

of its existing transmission system in eastern Virginia showed that it is possible to interconnect large scale wind facilities up to an installed capability of 4,500 MW.

REGULATION

Dominion and Virginia Power are subject to regulation by the Virginia Commission, North Carolina Commission, SEC, FERC, EPA, DOE, NRC, Army Corps of Engineers and other federal, state and local authorities.

State Regulations

ELECTRIC

Virginia Power's electric utility retail service is subject to regulation by the Virginia Commission and the North Carolina Commission.

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Virginia Power holds certificates of public convenience and necessity which authorize it to maintain and operate its electric facilities now in operation and to sell electricity to customers. However, Virginia Power may not construct generating facilities or large capacity transmission lines without the prior approval of various state and federal government agencies. In addition, the Virginia Commission and the North Carolina Commission regulate Virginia Power's transactions with affiliates, transfers of certain facilities and the issuance of certain securities.

Electric Regulation in Virginia

The enactment of the Regulation Act in 2007 significantly changed electric service regulation in Virginia by instituting a modified cost-of-service rate model. With respect to most classes of customers, the Regulation Act ended Virginia's planned transition to retail competition for its electric supply service. Base rates are set by a process that allows Virginia Power to recover its operating costs and an ROIC. The Virginia Commission reviews Virginia Power's base rates, terms and conditions for generation and distribution services on a biennial basis in a proceeding that involves the determination of Virginia Power's actual earned ROE during a combined two-year historic test period, and the determination of Virginia Power's authorized ROE prospectively. If, as a result of the earnings test review, the Virginia Commission determines that Virginia Power's historic earnings for the two-year test period are more than 50 basis points above the authorized level, between 60% and 100% of earnings above this level must be shared with customers through a refund process. Under certain circumstances described in the Regulation Act, the Virginia Commission may also order a base rate increase or reduction during the biennial review. Circumstances where the Virginia Commission may order a base rate decrease include a determination by the Virginia Commission that Virginia Power has exceeded its authorized level of earnings by more than 50 basis points for two consecutive biennial review periods. Virginia Power's authorized ROE can be set no lower than the average, for a three-year historic period, of the actual returns reported to the SEC by not less than a majority of comparable utilities within the Southeastern U.S., with certain limitations as described in the Regulation Act. Virginia Power's ROE may be increased or decreased by up to 100 basis points based on operating performance criteria, or alternatively, will be increased by 50 basis points for compliance with Virginia's RPS.

In addition, the Regulation Act authorizes stand-alone rate adjustment clauses for recovery of costs for new generation facilities or major unit modifications of existing facilities, FERC-approved transmission costs, environmental compliance, conservation and energy efficiency programs and renewable energy programs. It provides for enhanced returns on capital expenditures relating to the construction or major modification of facilities that are nuclear-powered, clean coal/carbon capture compatible-powered, or renewable-powered, as well as conventional coal and combined-cycle combustion turbine facilities. Costs of fuel used for the generation of electricity, along with costs of purchased power, are recovered from customers through an annually approved fuel rider, as provided under a separate section of the Virginia Code. Decisions of the Virginia Commission may be appealed to the Supreme Court of Virginia.

If the Virginia Commission's future rate decisions, including actions relating to Virginia Power's rate adjustment clause filings,

differ materially from Virginia Power's expectations, it could adversely affect its results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

2009 BASE RATE REVIEW

Pursuant to the Regulation Act, the Virginia Commission initiated a review of Virginia Power's base rates, terms and conditions in 2009, including a review of Virginia Power's earnings for test year 2008. In March 2010, the Virginia Commission issued the Virginia Settlement Approval Order, thus concluding the 2009 case and resolving open issues relating to Virginia Power's base rates, fuel factor and Riders R, S, T, C1 and C2.

2011 BIENNIAL REVIEW

Pursuant to the Regulation Act and the Virginia Settlement Approval Order, in March 2011, Virginia Power submitted its base rate filing and accompanying schedules in support of the first biennial review of its base rates, terms and conditions, as well as of its earnings for the 2009 and 2010 test period. In November 2011, the Virginia Commission issued the Biennial Review Order.

In the 2011 Biennial Review Order, the Virginia Commission determined that Virginia Power earned an ROE of approximately 13.3% during the 2009 and 2010 combined test years, which exceeded the authorized ROE earnings band of 11.4% to 12.4% established in the Virginia Settlement Approval Order, resulting in an order that Virginia Power refund 60% of earnings above the upper end of the authorized ROE earnings band, or approximately \$78 million, to its customers. The actual refund amount is expected to total approximately \$81 million, taking

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into account refunds to be paid to certain non-jurisdictional customers pursuant to their customer contracts. The Virginia Commission also determined that Virginia Power's new authorized ROE is 10.9%, inclusive of a performance incentive of 50 basis points for meeting RPS targets. Subject to the outcome of Virginia Power's petition for rehearing or reconsideration described below, this ROE will serve as the ROE against which Virginia Power's earned return will be compared for all or part of the test periods in the 2013 biennial review proceeding.

With respect to Virginia Power's rate adjustment clauses, the Virginia Commission determined that, effective December 1, 2011, the ROE applicable to Riders C1 and C2 is 10.4% and the ROE applicable to Riders R and S is 11.4%, inclusive of a statutory enhancement of 100 basis points. The Virginia Commission also found that, as a result of its determination that credits will be applied to customers' bills, the Regulation Act requires the combination of its existing Riders T, C1, and C2 with Virginia Power's base costs, revenues and investments, and these Riders will thereafter be considered part of Virginia Power's base costs, revenues and investments for purposes of future biennial review proceedings. Accordingly, the Virginia Commission directed that Virginia Power's tariff filings pursuant to the Biennial Review Order reflect such combination. The Virginia Commission has initiated a proceeding to address further implementation of this directive. As a result of the Virginia Settlement Approval Order and the Regulation Act, Virginia Power's base rates will otherwise remain unchanged through at least December 1, 2013.

In December 2011, Virginia Power filed a petition with the Virginia Commission seeking rehearing or reconsideration of the Biennial Review Order, to clarify whether the effective date of the

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newly authorized base ROE is prospective from the date the Virginia Commission issued the Biennial Review Order or retrospective to January 1, 2011. Also, in December 2011, Virginia Power filed with the Virginia Commission a Notice of Appeal of the Biennial Review Order to the Supreme Court of Virginia.

See Note 14 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information.

Electric Regulation in North Carolina

Virginia Power's retail electric base rates in North Carolina are regulated on a cost-of-service/rate-of-return basis subject to North Carolina statutes and the rules and procedures of the North Carolina Commission. North Carolina base rates are set by a process that allows Virginia Power to recover its operating costs and an ROIC. If retail electric earnings exceed the returns established by the North Carolina Commission, retail electric rates may be subject to review and possible reduction by the North Carolina Commission, which may decrease Virginia Power's future earnings. Additionally, if the North Carolina Commission does not allow recovery of costs incurred in providing service on a timely basis, Virginia Power's future earnings could be negatively impacted. Fuel rates are subject to revision under annual fuel cost adjustment proceedings. Virginia Power intends to file an application with the North Carolina Commission by March 30, 2012, to increase its base rates. See Note 14 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information.

GAS

Dominion's gas distribution services are regulated by the Ohio Commission and the West Virginia Commission.

Status of Competitive Retail Gas Services

Both of the states in which Dominion has gas distribution operations have considered legislation regarding a competitive deregulation of natural gas sales at the retail level.

Ohio Ohio has not enacted legislation requiring supplier choice for residential or commercial natural gas consumers. However, in cooperation with the Ohio Commission, Dominion offers retail choice to residential and commercial customers. At December 31, 2011, approximately 1.0 million of Dominion's 1.2 million Ohio customers were participating in this Energy Choice program. In October 2006, East Ohio implemented a program approved by the Ohio Commission as a transitional step towards the improvement and expansion of the Energy Choice program, under which East Ohio entered into gas purchase contracts with selected suppliers at a fixed price above the NYMEX month-end settlement. This Standard Service Offer pricing mechanism replaced the traditional gas cost recovery rate with a monthly market price that eliminated the true-up adjustment, making it easier for customers to compare and switch to competitive suppliers if they so choose.

In June 2008, the Ohio Commission approved a settlement filed in response to East Ohio's application seeking approval of Phase 2 of its plan to restructure its commodity service. Under that settlement, the existing Standard Service Offer program was continued through March 2009 with an update to the fixed rate adder to the NYMEX price. Starting in April 2009, East Ohio buys natural gas under the Standard Service Offer program for customers not eligible to participate in the Energy Choice program and places Energy Choice-eligible customers in a direct

retail relationship with selected suppliers, which is designated on the customers' bills. Subject to the Ohio Commission's approval, East Ohio may eventually exit the gas merchant function in Ohio entirely and have all customers select an alternate gas supplier. East Ohio continues to be the provider of last resort in the event of default by a supplier. Large industrial customers in Ohio also source their own natural gas supplies.

West Virginia At this time, West Virginia has not enacted legislation to require customers to choose in the retail natural gas markets served by Hope. However, the West Virginia Commission has issued regulations to govern pooling services, one of the tools that natural gas suppliers may utilize to provide retail customers a choice in the future and has issued rules requiring competitive gas service providers to be licensed in West Virginia.

Rates

Dominion's gas distribution subsidiaries are subject to regulation of rates and other aspects of their businesses by the states in which they operate - Ohio and West Virginia. When necessary, Dominion's gas distribution subsidiaries seek general base rate increases to recover increased operating costs and a fair return on rate base investments. Base rates are set based on the cost of service by rate class. A straight-fixed-variable rate design, in which the majority of operating costs are recovered through a monthly charge rather than a volumetric charge, is utilized to establish rates for a majority of East Ohio's customers pursuant to a 2008 rate case settlement. Base rates for Hope are designed primarily based on a rate design methodology in which the majority of operating costs are recovered through volumetric charges. In addition to general rate increases, Dominion's gas distribution subsidiaries make routine separate filings with their respective state regulatory commissions to reflect changes in the costs of purchased gas. The majority of these purchased gas costs are subject to rate recovery through a mechanism that ensures dollar for dollar recovery of prudently incurred costs. Costs that are expected to be recovered in future rates are deferred as regulatory assets. The purchased gas cost recovery filings generally cover prospective one-, three- or twelve-month periods. Approved increases or decreases in gas cost recovery rates result in increases or decreases in revenues with corresponding increases or decreases in net purchased gas cost expenses. The Ohio Commission has also approved several stand-alone cost recovery mechanisms to recover specified costs and a return for infrastructure projects and certain other costs that vary widely over time; such costs are excluded from general base rates. See Note 14 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information.

Federal Regulations

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Electric

Under the Federal Power Act, FERC regulates wholesale sales and transmission of electricity in interstate commerce by public utilities. Virginia Power purchases and sells electricity in the PJM wholesale market and Dominion's merchant generators sell electricity in the PJM, MISO and ISO-NE wholesale markets under Dominion's market-based sales tariffs authorized by FERC. In addition, Virginia Power has FERC approval of a tariff to sell wholesale power at capped rates based on its embedded cost of

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generation. This cost-based sales tariff could be used to sell to loads within or outside Virginia Power's service territory. Any such sales would be voluntary.

Dominion and Virginia Power are subject to FERC's Standards of Conduct that govern conduct between transmission function employees of interstate gas and electricity transmission providers and the marketing function employees of their affiliates. The rule defines the scope of transmission and marketing-related functions that are covered by the standards and is designed to prevent transmission providers from giving their affiliates undue preferences.

Dominion and Virginia Power are also subject to FERC's affiliate restrictions that (1) prohibit power sales between Virginia Power and Dominion's merchant plants without first receiving FERC authorization, (2) require the merchant plants and Virginia Power to conduct their wholesale power sales operations separately, and (3) prohibit Virginia Power from sharing market information with merchant plant operating personnel. The rules are designed to prohibit Virginia Power from giving the merchant plants a competitive advantage.

EPACT included provisions to create an ERO. The ERO is required to promulgate mandatory reliability standards governing the operation of the bulk power system in the U.S. FERC has certified NERC as the ERO and also issued an initial order approving many reliability standards that went into effect in 2007. Entities that violate standards will be subject to fines of between \$1 thousand and \$1 million per day, and can also be assessed non-monetary penalties, depending upon the nature and severity of the violation.

Dominion and Virginia Power plan and operate their facilities in compliance with approved NERC reliability requirements. Dominion and Virginia Power employees participate on various NERC committees, track the development and implementation of standards, and maintain proper compliance registration with NERC's regional organizations. Dominion and Virginia Power anticipate incurring additional compliance expenditures over the next several years as a result of the implementation of new cybersecurity programs as well as efforts to ensure appropriate facility ratings for Virginia Power's transmission lines. In October 2010, NERC issued an industry alert identifying possible discrepancies between the design and actual field conditions of transmission facilities as a potential reliability issue. The alert recommends that entities review their current facilities rating methodology to verify that the methodology is based on actual field conditions, rather than solely on design documents, and to take corrective action if necessary. Virginia Power is evaluating its transmission facilities for any discrepancies between design and actual field conditions. In addition, NERC has requested the industry to increase the number of assets subject to NERC reliability standards that are designated as critical assets, including cybersecurity assets. While Dominion and Virginia Power expect to incur additional compliance costs in connection with the above NERC requirements and initiatives, such expenses are not expected to significantly affect results of operations.

In April 2008, FERC granted an application for Virginia Power's electric transmission operations to establish a forward-looking formula rate mechanism that updates transmission rates on an annual basis and approved an ROE of 11.4%, effective as of January 1, 2008. The formula rate is designed to recover the

expected revenue requirement for each calendar year and is updated based on actual costs. The FERC-approved formula method, which is based on projected costs, allows Virginia Power to earn a current return on its growing investment in electric transmission infrastructure.

Gas

FERC regulates the transportation and sale for resale of natural gas in interstate commerce under the Natural Gas Act of 1938 and the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978, as amended. Under the Natural Gas Act, FERC has authority over rates, terms and conditions of services performed by Dominion's interstate natural gas company subsidiaries, including DTI, Cove Point and the Dominion South Pipeline Company, LP. FERC also has jurisdiction over siting, construction and operation of natural gas import facilities and interstate natural gas pipeline facilities.

Dominion's interstate gas transmission and storage activities are generally conducted on an open access basis, in accordance with certificates, tariffs and service agreements on file with FERC.

Dominion is also subject to the Pipeline Safety Acts of 2002 and 2011, which mandate inspections of interstate and intrastate natural gas transmission and storage pipelines, particularly those located in areas of high-density population. Dominion has evaluated its natural gas transmission and storage properties, as required by the Department of Transportation regulations under these Acts, and has implemented a program of identification, testing and potential remediation activities. These activities are ongoing.

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See *Future Issues and Other Matters* in MD&A and Note 14 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information.

Environmental Regulations

Each of Dominion's and Virginia Power's operating segments faces substantial laws, regulations and compliance costs with respect to environmental matters. In addition to imposing continuing compliance obligations, these laws and regulations authorize the imposition of substantial penalties for noncompliance, including fines, injunctive relief and other sanctions. The cost of complying with applicable environmental laws, regulations and rules is expected to be material to the Companies. If expenditures for pollution control technologies and associated operating costs are not recoverable from customers through regulated rates (in regulated jurisdictions) or market prices (in deregulated jurisdictions), those costs could adversely affect future results of operations and cash flows. Dominion and Virginia Power have applied for or obtained the necessary environmental permits for the operation of their facilities. Many of these permits are subject to reissuance and continuing review. For a discussion of significant aspects of these matters, including current and planned capital expenditures relating to environmental compliance required to be discussed in this Item, see *Environmental Matters* in *Future Issues and Other Matters* in MD&A, which information is incorporated herein by reference. Additional information can also be found in Item 3. Legal Proceedings and Note 23 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE

The national and international attention in recent years on GHG emissions and their relationship to climate change has resulted in federal, regional and state legislative or regulatory action in this

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area. Dominion and Virginia Power support national climate change legislation that would provide a consistent, economy-wide approach to addressing this issue and are currently taking action to protect the environment and address climate change while meeting the future needs of their growing service territory. Dominion's CEO and operating segment CEOs are responsible for compliance with the laws and regulations governing environmental matters, including climate change, and Dominion's Board of Directors receives periodic updates on these matters. See *Environmental Strategy* above, *Environmental Matters in Future Issues and Other Matters* in MD&A and Note 23 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for information on climate change legislation and regulation, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

Nuclear Regulatory Commission

All aspects of the operation and maintenance of Dominion's and Virginia Power's nuclear power stations, which are part of the Dominion Generation segment, are regulated by the NRC. Operating licenses issued by the NRC are subject to revocation, suspension or modification, and the operation of a nuclear unit may be suspended if the NRC determines that the public interest, health or safety so requires.

From time to time, the NRC adopts new requirements for the operation and maintenance of nuclear facilities. In many cases, these new regulations require changes in the design, operation and maintenance of existing nuclear facilities. If the NRC adopts such requirements in the future, it could result in substantial increases in the cost of operating and maintaining Dominion's and Virginia Power's nuclear generating units. See *Nuclear Matters in Future Issues and Other Matters* in MD&A for further information.

The NRC also requires Dominion and Virginia Power to decontaminate their nuclear facilities once operations cease. This process is referred to as decommissioning, and the Companies are required by the NRC to be financially prepared. For information on decommissioning trusts, see *Dominion Generation-Nuclear Decommissioning* and Note 10 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. See Note 23 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for information on spent nuclear fuel.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

Dominion's and Virginia Power's businesses are influenced by many factors that are difficult to predict, involve uncertainties that may materially affect actual results and are often beyond their control. A number of these factors have been identified below. For other factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated in any forward-looking statement or projection contained in this report, see *Forward-Looking Statements* in Item 7. MD&A.

Dominion's and Virginia Power's results of operations can be affected by changes in the weather. Weather conditions directly influence the demand for electricity and natural gas, and affect the price of energy commodities. In addition, severe weather, including hurricanes and winter storms, can be destructive, causing outages and property damage that require incurring additional expenses. Droughts can result in reduced water levels that could adversely affect operations at some of the Companies' power stations. Furthermore, the Companies' operations could be adversely

affected and their physical plant placed at greater risk of damage should changes in global climate produce, among other possible conditions, unusual variations in temperature and weather patterns, resulting in more intense, frequent and extreme weather events, abnormal levels of precipitation and, for operations located on or near coastlines, a change in sea level.

Dominion and Virginia Power are subject to complex governmental regulation that could adversely affect their results of operations. Dominion's and Virginia Power's operations are subject to extensive federal, state and local regulation and require numerous permits, approvals and certificates from various governmental agencies. These operations are also subject to legislation governing taxation at the federal, state and local level. They must also comply with environmental legislation and associated regulations. Management believes that the necessary approvals have been obtained for existing operations and that the business is conducted in accordance with applicable laws. However, new laws or regulations, the revision or reinterpretation of existing laws or regulations, or penalties imposed for non-compliance with existing laws or regulations may result in substantial expense.

Dominion and Virginia Power could be subject to penalties as a result of mandatory reliability standards. As a result of EPACT, owners and operators of generation facilities and bulk electric transmission systems, including Dominion and Virginia Power, are subject to mandatory reliability standards enacted by NERC and enforced by FERC. Compliance with the mandatory reliability standards may subject the Companies to higher operating costs and may result in increased capital expenditures. If either Dominion or Virginia Power is found not to be in compliance with the mandatory reliability standards it could be subject to remediation costs, as well as sanctions, including substantial monetary penalties.

Dominion's and Virginia Power's costs of compliance with environmental laws are significant. The costs of compliance with future environmental laws, including laws and regulations designed to address global climate change, air quality, coal combustion by-products, cooling water and other matters could make certain of the Companies' generation facilities uneconomical to maintain or operate. Dominion's and Virginia Power's operations are subject to extensive federal, state and local environmental statutes, rules and regulations relating to air quality, water quality, waste management, natural resources, and health and safety. Compliance with these legal requirements requires the Companies to commit significant capital toward permitting, emission fees, environmental monitoring, installation and operation of pollution control equipment and purchase of allowances and/or offsets. Additionally, the Companies could be responsible for expenses relating to remediation and containment obligations, including at sites where they have been identified by a regulatory agency as a potentially responsible party. Expenditures relating to environmental compliance have been significant in the past, and Dominion and Virginia Power expect that they will remain significant in the future.

Existing environmental laws and regulations may be revised and/or new laws may be adopted or become applicable to Dominion or Virginia Power. The EPA is expected to issue additional regulations with respect to air quality under the CAA, including revised NAAQS and regulations governing the emissions of GHGs from electric generating units. Risks relating to potential regulation of GHG emissions are discussed below. Dominion and

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Virginia Power also expect additional federal water and waste regulations, including regulations concerning cooling water intake structures and coal combustion by-product handling and disposal practices that are expected to be applicable to at least some of its generating facilities.

Compliance costs cannot be estimated with certainty due to the inability to predict the requirements and timing of implementation of any new environmental rules or regulations. Other factors which affect the ability to predict future environmental expenditures with certainty include the difficulty in estimating clean-up costs and quantifying liabilities under environmental laws that impose joint and several liability on all responsible parties. However, such expenditures, if material, could make the Companies' generation facilities uneconomical to operate, result in the impairment of assets, or otherwise adversely affect Dominion's or Virginia Power's results of operations, financial performance or liquidity.

If additional federal and/or state requirements are imposed on energy companies mandating limitations on GHG emissions or requiring efficiency improvements, such requirements may result in compliance costs that alone or in combination could make some of Dominion's or Virginia Power's electric generation units or natural gas facilities uneconomical to maintain or operate. The EPA, environmental advocacy groups, other organizations and some state and other federal agencies are focusing considerable attention on GHG emissions from power generation facilities and their potential role in climate change. Dominion and Virginia Power expect that additional EPA regulations, and possibly additional state legislation and/or regulations, may be issued resulting in the imposition of additional limitations on GHG emissions or requiring efficiency improvements from fossil fuel-fired electric generating units.

There are also potential impacts on Dominion's natural gas businesses as federal or state GHG legislation or regulations may require GHG emission reductions from the natural gas sector and could affect demand for natural gas. Additionally, GHG requirements could result in increased demand for energy conservation and renewable products. Several regions of the U.S. have moved forward with GHG emission regulations including regions where Dominion has operations. For example, Massachusetts and Rhode Island have implemented regulations requiring reductions in CO₂ emissions through RGGI, a cap and trade program covering CO₂ emissions from power plants in the Northeast, which affects several of Dominion's facilities.

Compliance with GHG emission reduction requirements may require increasing the energy efficiency of equipment at facilities, committing significant capital toward carbon capture and storage technology, purchase of allowances and/or offsets, fuel switching, and/or retirement of high-emitting generation facilities and potential replacement with lower emitting generation facilities. The cost of compliance with GHG emission legislation and/or regulation is subject to significant uncertainties due to the outcome of several interrelated assumptions and variables, including timing of the implementation of rules, required levels of reductions, allocation requirements of the new rules, the maturation and commercialization of carbon capture and storage technology, and the selected compliance alternatives. The Companies cannot estimate the aggregate effect of such requirements on their results of operations, financial condition or their customers. However,

such expenditures, if material, could make the Companies' generation facilities uneconomical to operate, result in the impairment of assets, or otherwise adversely affect Dominion's or Virginia Power's results of operations, financial performance or liquidity.

The rates of Virginia Power are subject to regulatory review. In the Biennial Review Order, the Virginia Commission determined that Virginia Power's actual ROE during the 2009 and 2010 combined test years exceeded the upper end of the authorized ROE earnings band for that period, resulting in an order that Virginia Power refund approximately \$78 million to its customers. The Virginia Commission also determined that Virginia Power's new authorized ROE is 10.9%, inclusive of a performance incentive of 50 basis points for meeting certain renewable energy targets. Subject to the outcome of the petition for rehearing or reconsideration described below, this ROE will serve as the ROE against which Virginia Power's earned return will be compared for all or part of the test periods in the 2013 biennial review proceeding. In December 2011, Virginia Power filed a petition with the Virginia Commission seeking a rehearing or reconsideration of the Biennial Review Order to clarify whether the effective date of the newly authorized ROE is the date the Virginia Commission issued the 2011 Biennial Review Order or January 1, 2011. If the Virginia Commission orders that the effective date of the newly authorized ROE is January 1, 2011, such effective date may adversely affect the outcome of the earnings test in the 2013 biennial review. In addition, Virginia Power's base rates are subject to reduction if the Virginia Commission concludes, in the 2013 biennial review, that Virginia Power's actual ROE during the test period exceeded the upper end of the authorized ROE earnings band for that period, under circumstances described in the Regulation Act. The Virginia Commission could also order Virginia Power to refund to customers 60% of any such excess earnings for the 2011-2012 earnings test period. The Virginia Commission may alternatively order Virginia Power to refund up to 100% of earnings that exceed the earnings band in a biennial review if it finds that Virginia Power's total aggregate regulated rates have exceeded annual increases in the U.S. Consumer Price Index, as described in the Regulation Act.

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In the 2011 Biennial Review Order, as a result of the Virginia Commission's determination that credits will be applied to customers' bills, the Virginia Commission, as required by the Regulation Act, directed Virginia Power to combine its existing Riders T, C1, and C2 with Virginia Power's base costs, revenues and investments, and to file revised tariffs reflecting such combination. These existing Riders will thereafter be considered part of Virginia Power's base costs, revenues and investments for purposes of future biennial review proceedings. The Virginia Commission has initiated a proceeding to address how this combination will be implemented. Depending on how the Virginia Commission orders the combination of existing Riders T, C1 and C2 to be effected, Virginia Power may be required to discontinue deferral accounting and could potentially not receive full recovery of costs associated with these existing riders. At this time, Virginia Power is not able to estimate the impact, if any, of the outcome of these proceedings.

The rates of Virginia Power's electric transmission operations and Dominion's gas transmission and distribution operations are subject to regulatory review. Revenue provided by Virginia Power's electric

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transmission operations and Dominion's gas transmission and distribution operations is based primarily on rates approved by federal and state regulatory agencies. The profitability of these businesses is dependent on their ability, through the rates that they are permitted to charge, to recover costs and earn a reasonable rate of return on their capital investment.

Virginia Power's wholesale charges for electric transmission service are adjusted on an annual basis through operation of a FERC-approved formula rate mechanism. Through this mechanism, Virginia Power's wholesale electric transmission cost of service is estimated and thereafter adjusted as appropriate to reflect actual costs allocated to Virginia Power by PJM. These wholesale rates are subject to FERC review and prospective adjustment in the event that customers and/or interested state commissions file a complaint with FERC and are able to demonstrate that Virginia Power's wholesale revenue requirement is no longer just and reasonable.

Similarly, various rates and charges assessed by Dominion's gas transmission businesses are subject to review by FERC. In addition, Dominion's gas distribution businesses are subject to state regulatory review in the jurisdictions in which they operate.

Risks arising from the reliability of electric generation, transmission and distribution equipment, supply chain disruptions or personnel issues could result in lost revenues and increased expenses, including higher maintenance costs. Operation of the Companies' generation, transmission and distribution facilities involves risk, including the risk of potential breakdown or failure of equipment or processes due to aging infrastructure, fuel supply or transportation disruptions, accidents, labor disputes or work stoppages by employees, acts of terrorism or sabotage, construction delays or cost overruns, shortages of or delays in obtaining equipment, material and labor, operational restrictions resulting from environmental limitations and governmental interventions, and performance below expected levels. In addition, weather-related incidents, earthquakes and other natural disasters can disrupt generation, transmission and distribution facilities. Because Virginia Power's transmission facilities are interconnected with those of third parties, the operation of its facilities could be adversely affected by unexpected or uncontrollable events occurring on the systems of such third parties.

Operation of the Companies' generation facilities below expected capacity levels could result in lost revenues and increased expenses, including higher maintenance costs. Unplanned outages of generating units and extensions of scheduled outages due to mechanical failures or other problems occur from time to time and are an inherent risk of the Companies' business. Unplanned outages typically increase the Companies' operation and maintenance expenses and may reduce their revenues as a result of selling less energy or may require the Companies to incur significant costs as a result of operating higher cost units or obtaining replacement energy and capacity from third parties in the open market to satisfy forward energy and capacity obligations. Moreover, if the Companies are unable to perform their contractual obligations, penalties or liability for damages could result.

Dominion's merchant power business is operating in a challenging market, which could adversely affect its results of operations and future growth. The success of Dominion's merchant power business depends upon favorable market conditions including the ability to

purchase and sell power at prices sufficient to cover its operating costs. Dominion operates in active wholesale markets that expose it to price volatility for electricity and fuel as well as the credit risk of counterparties. Dominion attempts to manage its price risk by entering into hedging transactions, including short-term and long-term fixed price sales and purchase contracts.

In these wholesale markets, the spot market price of electricity for each hour is generally determined by the cost of supplying the next unit of electricity to the market during that hour. In many cases, the next unit of electricity supplied would be provided by generating stations that consume fossil fuels, primarily natural gas. Consequently, the open market wholesale price for electricity generally reflects the cost of natural gas plus the cost to convert the fuel to electricity. Therefore, changes in the price of natural gas generally affect the open market wholesale price of electricity. To the extent Dominion does not enter into long-term power purchase agreements or otherwise effectively hedge its output, these changes in market prices could adversely affect its financial results.

Dominion purchases fuel under a variety of terms, including long-term and short-term contracts and spot market purchases. Dominion is exposed to fuel cost volatility for the portion of its fuel obtained through short-term contracts or on the spot market. Fuel prices can be volatile and the price that can be obtained for power produced from such fuel may not change at the same rate as fuel costs, thus adversely impacting Dominion's financial results.

Dominion's and Virginia Power's generation business may be negatively affected by possible FERC actions that could change market design in the wholesale markets or affect pricing rules or revenue calculations in the RTO markets. Dominion's and Virginia Power's generation stations operating

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in RTO markets sell capacity, energy and ancillary services into wholesale electricity markets regulated by FERC. The wholesale markets allow these generation stations to take advantage of market price opportunities, but also expose them to market risk. Properly functioning competitive wholesale markets in PJM, MISO and ISO-NE depend upon FERC's continuation of clearly identified market rules. From time to time FERC may investigate and authorize PJM, MISO and ISO-NE to make changes in market design. FERC also periodically reviews Dominion's authority to sell at market-based rates. Material changes by FERC to the design of the wholesale markets, Dominion's or Virginia Power's authority to sell power at market-based rates, or changes to pricing rules or rules involving revenue calculations, could adversely impact the future results of Dominion's or Virginia Power's generation business.

War, acts and threats of terrorism, natural disaster and other significant events could adversely affect Dominion's and Virginia Power's operations. Dominion and Virginia Power cannot predict the impact that any future terrorist attacks may have on the energy industry in general, or on the Companies' business in particular. Any retaliatory military strikes or sustained military campaign may affect the Companies' operations in unpredictable ways, such as changes in insurance markets and disruptions of fuel supplies and markets. In addition, infrastructure facilities, such as electric generation, electric and gas transmission and distribution facilities could be direct targets of, or indirect casualties of, an act of terror. Furthermore, the physical or cybersecurity compromise of the Companies' facilities could adversely affect the Companies' ability to manage these facilities effectively. Instability in financial mar-

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kets as a result of terrorism, war, natural disasters, pandemic, credit crises, recession or other factors could result in a significant decline in the U.S. economy and increase the cost of insurance coverage. This could negatively impact the Companies' results of operations and financial condition.

Dominion and Virginia Power have substantial ownership interests in and operate nuclear generating units; as a result, each may incur substantial costs and liabilities. Dominion's and Virginia Power's nuclear facilities are subject to operational, environmental, health and financial risks such as the on-site storage of spent nuclear fuel, the ability to dispose of such spent nuclear fuel, the ability to maintain adequate reserves for decommissioning, limitations on the amounts and types of insurance available, potential operational liabilities and extended outages, the costs of replacement power, the costs of maintenance and the costs of securing the facilities against possible terrorist attacks. Dominion and Virginia Power maintain decommissioning trusts and external insurance coverage to minimize the financial exposure to these risks; however, it is possible that future decommissioning costs could exceed amounts in the decommissioning trusts and/or damages could exceed the amount of insurance coverage. If Dominion and Virginia Power are not allowed to recover the additional costs incurred through insurance, or in the case of Virginia Power through regulatory mechanisms, their results of operations could be negatively impacted.

Dominion's and Virginia Power's nuclear facilities are also subject to complex government regulation which could negatively impact their results of operations. The NRC has broad authority under federal law to impose licensing and safety-related requirements for the operation of nuclear generating facilities. In the event of noncompliance, the NRC has the authority to impose fines, set license conditions, shut down a nuclear unit, or take some combination of these actions, depending on its assessment of the severity of the situation, until compliance is achieved. Revised safety requirements promulgated by the NRC could require Dominion and Virginia Power to make substantial expenditures at their nuclear plants. In addition, although the Companies have no reason to anticipate a serious nuclear incident at their plants, if an incident did occur, it could materially and adversely affect their results of operations and/or financial condition. A major incident at a nuclear facility anywhere in the world, such as the nuclear events in Japan in 2011, could cause the NRC to adopt increased safety regulations or otherwise limit or restrict the operation or licensing of domestic nuclear units.

The use of derivative instruments could result in financial losses and liquidity constraints. Dominion and Virginia Power use derivative instruments, including futures, swaps, forwards, options and FTRs, to manage commodity and financial market risks. In addition, Dominion purchases and sells commodity-based contracts primarily in the natural gas market for trading purposes. The Companies could recognize financial losses on these contracts, including as a result of volatility in the market values of the underlying commodities, if a counterparty fails to perform under a contract or upon the failure or insolvency of a financial intermediary, exchange or clearinghouse used to enter, execute or clear these transactions. In the absence of actively-quoted market prices and pricing information from external sources, the valuation of these contracts involves management's judgment or use of estimates. As a result, changes in the under-

lying assumptions or use of alternative valuation methods could affect the reported fair value of these contracts.

The use of derivatives to hedge future sales may limit the benefit Dominion would otherwise receive from increases in commodity prices. These hedge arrangements generally include collateral requirements that require Dominion to deposit funds or post letters of credit with counterparties, financial intermediaries or clearinghouses to cover the fair value of covered contracts in excess of agreed upon credit limits. For instance, when commodity prices rise to levels substantially higher than the levels where it has hedged future sales, Dominion may be required to use a material portion of its available liquidity or obtain additional liquidity to cover these collateral requirements. In some circumstances, this could have a compounding effect on Dominion's financial liquidity and results of operations. In addition, the availability or security of the collateral delivered by Dominion may be adversely affected by the failure or insolvency of a financial intermediary, exchange or clearinghouse used to enter, execute or clear these types of transactions.

Derivatives designated under hedge accounting, to the extent not fully offset by the hedged transaction, can result in ineffectiveness losses. These losses primarily result from differences between the location and/or specifications of the derivative hedging instrument and the hedged item and could adversely affect Dominion's results of operations.

Dominion's and Virginia Power's operations in regards to these transactions are subject to multiple market risks including market liquidity, price volatility, credit strength of the Companies' counterparties and the financial condition of the financial intermediaries, exchanges and clearinghouses used for the types of transactions. These market risks are beyond the Companies' control and could adversely affect their results of operations, liquidity and future growth.

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The Dodd-Frank Act, which was enacted into law in July 2010, includes provisions that will require certain over-the-counter derivatives, or swaps, to be centrally cleared and executed through an exchange or other approved trading platform. Final rules for the over-the-counter derivatives-related provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act, including the clearing, exchange trading and capital and margin requirements, will be established through the on-going rulemaking process of each applicable regulator, including the CFTC and SEC. In June 2011, both the CFTC and SEC confirmed that they would not complete the required rulemakings by the July 2011 deadline under the Dodd-Frank Act. Each agency has granted temporary relief from most derivative-related provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act until the effective date of the applicable rules. Currently, the CFTC's temporary relief would expire no later than July 16, 2012, if not extended. If, as a result of the rulemaking process, Dominion's or Virginia Power's derivative activities are not exempted from the clearing, exchange trading or margin requirements, the Companies could be subject to higher costs for their derivative activities, including from higher margin requirements. In addition, implementation of, and compliance with, the over-the-counter derivatives provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act by the Companies' swap counterparties could result in increased costs related to the Companies' derivative activities.

Dominion depends on third parties to produce the natural gas it gathers and processes, and the NGLs it fractionates at its facilities. A reduction in these quantities could reduce Dominion's revenues.

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Dominion obtains its supply of natural gas and NGLs from numerous third-party producers. Such producers are under no obligation to deliver a specific quantity of natural gas or NGLs to Dominion's facilities, although the producers that have contracted to supply natural gas to Dominion's natural gas processing and fractionation facility under development in Natrium, West Virginia will generally be subject to contractual minimum fee payments. If producers were to decrease the supply of natural gas or NGLs to Dominion's systems and facilities for any reason, Dominion could experience lower revenues to the extent it is unable to replace the lost volumes on similar terms.

Exposure to counterparty performance may adversely affect the Companies' financial results of operations. Dominion and Virginia Power are exposed to credit risks of their counterparties and the risk that one or more counterparties may fail or delay the performance of their contractual obligations, including but not limited to payment for services. Counterparties could fail or delay the performance of their contractual obligations for a number of reasons, including the effect of regulations on their operations. Such defaults by customers, suppliers or other third parties may adversely affect the Companies' financial results.

Dominion and Virginia Power may not complete plant construction or expansion projects that they commence, or they may complete projects on materially different terms or timing than initially anticipated and they may not be able to achieve the intended benefits of any such project, if completed. Several plant construction and expansion projects have been announced and additional projects may be considered in the future. Projects may not be able to be completed on time as a result of weather conditions, delays in obtaining or failure to obtain regulatory approvals, delays in obtaining key materials, labor difficulties, difficulties with partners or potential partners, a decline in the credit strength of their counterparties or vendors, or other factors beyond their control. Even if plant construction and expansion projects are completed, the total costs of the projects may be higher than anticipated and the performance of the business of Dominion and Virginia Power following the projects may not meet expectations. Additionally, Dominion and Virginia Power may not be able to timely and effectively integrate the projects into their operations and such integration may result in unforeseen operating difficulties or unanticipated costs. Further, regulators may disallow recovery of some of the costs of a project if they are deemed not to be prudently incurred. Any of these or other factors could adversely affect the Companies' ability to realize the anticipated benefits from the plant construction and expansion projects.

Energy conservation could negatively impact Dominion's and Virginia Power's financial results. Certain regulatory and legislative bodies have introduced or are considering requirements and/or incentives to reduce energy consumption by a fixed date. Additionally, technological advances driven by federal laws mandating new levels of energy efficiency in end-use electric devices, including lighting and electric heat pumps, could lead to declines in per capita energy consumption. To the extent conservation results in reduced energy demand or significantly slowed growth in demand, the value of the Companies' business activities could be adversely impacted.

An inability to access financial markets could adversely affect the execution of Dominion's and Virginia Power's business plans. Dominion and Virginia Power rely on access to short-term money markets and longer-term capital markets as significant sources of funding and liquidity for capital expenditures, normal working

capital and collateral requirements related to hedges of future sales and purchases of energy-related commodities. Deterioration in the Companies' creditworthiness, as evaluated by credit rating agencies or otherwise, or declines in market reputation either for the Companies or their industry in general, or general financial market disruptions outside of Dominion's and Virginia Power's control could increase their cost of borrowing or restrict their ability to access one or more financial markets. Further market disruptions could stem from delays in the current economic recovery, the bankruptcy of an unrelated company, general market disruption due to general credit market or political events, or the failure of financial institutions on which the Companies rely. Increased costs and restrictions on the Companies' ability to access financial markets may be severe enough to affect their ability to execute their business plans as scheduled.

Market performance and other changes may decrease the value of decommissioning trust funds and benefit plan assets or increase Dominion's liabilities, which could then require significant additional funding. The performance of the capital markets affects the value of the assets that are held in trusts to satisfy future obligations to decommission Dominion's nuclear plants and under its pension and other postretirement benefit plans. Dominion has significant obligations in these areas and holds significant assets in these trusts. These assets are subject to market fluctuation and will yield uncertain returns, which may fall below expected return rates.

With respect to decommissioning trust funds, a decline in the market value of these assets may increase the funding requirements of the obligations to decommission Dominion's nuclear plants or require additional NRC-approved funding assurance.

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A decline in the market value of the assets held in trusts to satisfy future obligations under Dominion's pension and other postretirement benefit plans may increase the funding requirements under such plans. Additionally, changes in interest rates affect the liabilities under Dominion's pension and other postretirement benefit plans; as interest rates decrease, the liabilities increase, potentially requiring additional funding. Further, changes in demographics, including increased numbers of retirements or changes in life expectancy assumptions, may also increase the funding requirements of the obligations related to the pension and other postretirement benefit plans.

If the decommissioning trust funds and benefit plan assets are negatively impacted by market fluctuations or other factors, Dominion's results of operations, financial condition and/or cash flows could be negatively affected.

Changing rating agency requirements could negatively affect Dominion's and Virginia Power's growth and business strategy. In order to maintain appropriate credit ratings to obtain needed credit at a reasonable cost in light of existing or future rating agency requirements, Dominion and Virginia Power may find it necessary to take steps or change their business plans in ways that may adversely affect their growth and earnings. A reduction in Dominion's credit ratings or the credit ratings of Virginia Power could result in an increase in borrowing costs, loss of access to certain markets, or both, thus adversely affecting operating results and could require Dominion to post additional collateral in connection with some of its price risk management activities.

Potential changes in accounting practices may adversely affect Dominion's and Virginia Power's financial results. Dominion and Virginia Power cannot predict the impact that future changes in accounting standards or practices may have on public companies

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in general, the energy industry or their operations specifically. New accounting standards could be issued that could change the way they record revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities. These changes in accounting standards could adversely affect reported earnings or could increase reported liabilities.

Failure to retain and attract key executive officers and other skilled professional and technical employees could have an adverse effect on Dominion's and Virginia Power's operations. Dominion's and Virginia Power's business strategy is dependent on their ability to recruit, retain and motivate employees. Competition for skilled employees in some areas is high and the inability to retain and attract these employees could adversely affect their business and future operating results.

Hostile cyber intrusions could severely impair Dominion's and Virginia Power's operations, lead to the disclosure of confidential information, damage the reputation of the Companies and otherwise have an adverse effect on Dominion's and Virginia Power's business. The Companies own assets deemed as critical infrastructure, the operation of which is dependent on information technology systems. Further, the computer systems that run the Companies' facilities are not completely isolated from external networks. Parties that wish to disrupt the U.S. bulk power system or the Companies' operations could view the Companies' computer systems, software or networks as attractive targets for cyber attack. In addition, the Companies' business requires that they collect and maintain sensitive customer data, as well as confidential employee and shareholder information, which is subject to electronic theft or loss.

A successful cyber attack on the systems that control the Companies' electric generation, electric or gas transmission or distribution assets could severely disrupt business operations, preventing the Companies from serving customers or collecting revenues. The breach of certain business systems could affect the Companies' ability to correctly record, process and report financial information. A major cyber incident could result in significant expenses to investigate and repair security breaches or system damage and could lead to litigation, fines, other remedial action, heightened regulatory scrutiny and damage to the Companies' reputation. In addition, the misappropriation, corruption or loss of personally identifiable information and other confidential data could lead to significant breach notification expenses and mitigation expenses such as credit monitoring. The Companies maintain property and casualty insurance that may cover certain damage caused by potential cybersecurity incidents, however, other damage and claims arising from such incidents may not be covered or may exceed the amount of any insurance available. For these reasons, a significant cyber incident could materially and adversely affect the Companies business, financial condition and results of operations.

In an effort to reduce the likelihood and severity of cyber intrusions, the Companies have a comprehensive cybersecurity program designed to protect and preserve the confidentiality, integrity and availability of data and systems. In addition, Dominion and Virginia Power are subject to mandatory cybersecurity regulatory requirements. However, cyber threats continue to evolve and adapt, and, as a result, there is a risk that the Companies could experience a successful cyber attack despite their current security posture and regulatory compliance efforts.

Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

None.

Item 2. Properties

As of December 31, 2011, Dominion owned its principal executive office and three other corporate offices, all located in Richmond, Virginia. Dominion also leases corporate offices in other cities in which its subsidiaries operate. Virginia Power shares its principal office in Richmond,

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Virginia, which is owned by Dominion. In addition, Virginia Power's DVP and Generation segments share certain leased buildings and equipment. See Item 1. Business for additional information about each segment's principal properties, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

Dominion's assets consist primarily of its investments in its subsidiaries, the principal properties of which are described here and in Item 1. Business.

Substantially all of Virginia Power's property is subject to the lien of the Indenture of Mortgage securing its First and Refunding Mortgage Bonds. There were no bonds outstanding as of December 31, 2011; however, by leaving the indenture open, Virginia Power retains the flexibility to issue mortgage bonds in the future. Certain of Dominion's merchant generation facilities are also subject to liens.

POWER GENERATION

Dominion and Virginia Power generate electricity for sale on a wholesale and a retail level. The Companies supply electricity demand either from their generation facilities or through purchased power contracts. As of December 31, 2011, Dominion Generation's total utility and merchant generating capacity was 28,142 MW.

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The following tables list Dominion Generation's utility and merchant generating units and capability, as of December 31, 2011:

VIRGINIA POWER UTILITY GENERATION

Plant	Location	Net Summer Capability (MW)	Percentage Net Summer Capability
Coal			
Mt. Storm	Mt. Storm, WV	1,591	
Chesterfield	Chester, VA	1,240	
Chesapeake ⁽¹⁾	Chesapeake, VA	595	
Clover	Clover, VA	433 ⁽⁵⁾	
Yorktown ⁽¹⁾	Yorktown, VA	323	
Bremo ⁽²⁾	Bremo Bluff, VA	227	
Mecklenburg	Clarksville, VA	138	
North Branch ⁽³⁾	Bayard, WV	74	
Altavista ^{(3),(4)}	Altavista, VA	63	
Hopewell ⁽⁴⁾	Hopewell, VA	63	
Southampton ⁽⁴⁾	Southampton, VA	63	
Total Coal		4,810	25%
Gas			
Ladysmith (CT)	Ladysmith, VA	783	
Remington (CT)	Remington, VA	608	
Bear Garden (CC)	Buckingham County, VA	590	
Possum Point (CC)	Dumfries, VA	559	
Chesterfield (CC)	Chester, VA	397	
Elizabeth River (CT)	Chesapeake, VA	348	
Possum Point	Dumfries, VA	316	
Bellemeade (CC)	Richmond, VA	267	
Gordonsville Energy (CC)	Gordonsville, VA	218	
Gravel Neck (CT)	Surry, VA	170	
Darbytown (CT)	Richmond, VA	168	
Rosemary (CC)	Roanoke Rapids, NC	165	
Total Gas		4,589	24
Nuclear			
Surry	Surry, VA	1,678	
North Anna	Mineral, VA	1,647 ⁽⁶⁾	
Total Nuclear		3,325	18
Oil			
Yorktown	Yorktown, VA	818	
Possum Point	Dumfries, VA	786	
Gravel Neck (CT)	Surry, VA	198	
Darbytown (CT)	Richmond, VA	168	
Possum Point (CT)	Dumfries, VA	72	
Chesapeake (CT)	Chesapeake, VA	51	
Low Moor (CT)	Covington, VA	48	
Northern Neck (CT)	Lively, VA	47	
Total Oil		2,188	12
Hydro			
Bath County	Warm Springs, VA	1,802 ⁽⁷⁾	
Gaston	Roanoke Rapids, NC	220	

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Roanoke Rapids	Roanoke Rapids, NC	95	
Other	Various	3	
Total Hydro		2,120	11
Biomass			
Pittsylvania	Hurt, VA	83	
Various			
Other	Various	11	
		17,126	
Power Purchase Agreements		1,859	10
Total Utility Generation		18,985	100%

Note: (CT) denotes combustion turbine and (CC) denotes combined cycle.

(1) Certain coal-fired units are expected to be retired at Chesapeake and Yorktown during 2015 and 2016 as a result of the issuance of the MATS rule.

(2) Planned to convert to gas subject to Virginia City Hybrid Energy Center entering service and necessary approvals.

(3) Facility has been placed into cold reserve status, but can be restarted within a reasonably short period if necessary. North Branch will be permanently retired upon commencement of commercial operations at Warren County.

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(4) Seeking regulatory approval to convert to biomass.

(5) Excludes 50% undivided interest owned by ODEC.

(6) Excludes 11.6% undivided interest owned by ODEC.

(7) Excludes 40% undivided interest owned by Allegheny Generating Company, a subsidiary of Allegheny Energy, Inc.

DOMINION MERCHANT GENERATION

Plant	Location	Net Summer Capability (MW)	Percentage Net Summer Capability
Coal			
Kincaid ⁽¹⁾	Kincaid, IL	1,158	
Brayton Point	Somerset, MA	1,103	
State Line ⁽²⁾	Hammond, IN	515	
Salem Harbor ⁽³⁾	Salem, MA	314	
Total Coal		3,090	34%
Nuclear			
Millstone	Waterford, CT	2,016 ⁽⁶⁾	
Kewaunee ⁽⁴⁾	Kewaunee, WI	556	
Total Nuclear		2,572	28
Gas			
Fairless (CC) ⁽¹⁾⁽⁵⁾	Fairless Hills, PA	1,196	
Elwood (CT) ⁽¹⁾	Elwood, IL	712 ⁽⁷⁾	
Manchester (CC)	Providence, RI	432	
Total Gas		2,340	26
Oil			
Salem Harbor ⁽³⁾	Salem, MA	440	
Brayton Point	Somerset, MA	425	
Total Oil		865	9
Wind			
Fowler Ridge ⁽¹⁾	Benton County, IN	150 ⁽⁸⁾	
NedPower Mt. Storm ⁽¹⁾	Grant County, WV	132 ⁽⁹⁾	
Total Wind		282	3
Various			
Other	Various	8	
Total Merchant Generation		9,157	100%

Note: (CT) denotes combustion turbine and (CC) denotes combined cycle.

(1) Subject to a lien securing the facility's debt. Also see Note 18 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information on liens related to Kincaid and Fairless.

(2) State Line will be retired in the first quarter of 2012.

(3) Two coal-fired units at Salem Harbor with capacity of 163 MW were retired at the end of 2011 and the Company plans to retire the remaining units on June 1, 2014.

(4) In the first quarter of 2011, Dominion decided to pursue the sale of Kewaunee.

(5) Includes generating units that Dominion operates under leasing arrangements.

(6) Excludes 6.53% undivided interest in Unit 3 owned by Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company and Central Vermont Public Service Corporation.

(7) Excludes 50% membership interest owned by J. POWER Elwood, LLC.

(8) Excludes 50% membership interest owned by BP.

(9) Excludes 50% membership interest owned by Shell.

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Item 3. Legal Proceedings

From time to time, Dominion and Virginia Power are alleged to be in violation or in default under orders, statutes, rules or regulations relating to the environment, compliance plans imposed upon or agreed to by the Companies, or permits issued by various local, state and/or federal agencies for the construction or operation of facilities. Administrative proceedings may also be pending on these matters. In addition, in the ordinary course of business, the Companies and their subsidiaries are involved in various legal proceedings.

In February 2008, Dominion received a request for information pursuant to Section 114 of the CAA from the EPA. The request concerns historical operating changes and capital improvements undertaken at State Line and Kincaid. In April 2009, Dominion received a second request for information. Dominion provided information in response to both requests. Also in April 2009, Dominion received a Notice and Finding of Violations from the EPA claiming violations of the CAA New Source Review requirements, New Source Performance Standards, and Title V permit program and the stations' respective State Implementation Plans. The Notice states that the EPA may issue an order requiring compliance with the relevant CAA provisions and may seek injunctive relief and/or civil penalties, all pursuant to the EPA's enforcement authority under the CAA.

Dominion believes that it complied with applicable laws and the EPA regulations and interpretations in effect at the time the work in question took place. The CAA authorizes maximum civil penalties of \$25,000 to \$37,500 per day, per violation at each generating unit, depending on the date of the alleged violation. In addition to any such penalties that may be awarded, an adverse outcome could require substantial capital expenditures or affect the timing of currently budgeted capital expenditures that cannot be determined at this time. Such expenditures could affect future results of operations, cash flows, and financial condition. Dominion is currently unable to make an estimate of the potential financial statement impacts related to these matters.

See Notes 14 and 23 to the Consolidated Financial Statements and *Future Issues and Other Matters* in MD&A, which information is incorporated herein by reference, for discussion of various environmental and other regulatory proceedings to which the Companies are a party.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable.

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Executive Officers of Dominion

Information concerning the executive officers of Dominion, each of whom is elected annually, is as follows:

Name and Age	Business Experience Past Five Years ⁽¹⁾
Thomas F. Farrell II (57)	Chairman of the Board of Directors of Dominion from April 2007 to date; President and CEO of Dominion from January 2006 to date; Chairman of the Board of Directors and CEO of Virginia Power from February 2006 to date; Chairman of the Board of Directors, President and CEO of CNG from January 2006 to June 2007; Director of Dominion from March 2005 to April 2007.
Mark F. McGettrick (54)	Executive Vice President and CFO of Dominion and Virginia Power from June 2009 to date; Executive Vice President of Dominion from April 2006 to May 2009; President and COO-Generation of Virginia Power from February 2006 to May 2009.
Paul D. Koonce (52)	Executive Vice President of Dominion from April 2006 to date; President and COO of Virginia Power from June 2009 to date; President and COO-Energy of Virginia Power from February 2006 to September 2007.
David A. Christian (57)	Executive Vice President of Dominion from May 2011 to date; President and COO of Virginia Power from June 2009 to date; President and CNO of Virginia Power from October 2007 to May 2009; Senior Vice President-Nuclear Operations and CNO of Virginia Power from April 2000 to September 2007.
David A. Heacock (54)	President and CNO of Virginia Power from June 2009 to date; Senior Vice President of Dominion and President and COO-DVP of Virginia Power from June 2008 to May 2009; Senior Vice President-DVP of Virginia Power from October 2007 to May 2008; Senior Vice President-Fossil & Hydro of Virginia Power from April 2005 to September 2007.
Gary L. Sypolt (58)	Executive Vice President of Dominion from May 2011 to date; President of DTI from June 2009 to date; President-Transmission of DTI from January 2003 to May 2009; President and COO-Transmission of Virginia Power from February 2006 to September 2007.
Robert M. Blue (44)	Senior Vice President-Law, Public Policy and Environment of Dominion, Virginia Power and DRS from January 2011 to date; Senior Vice President-Public Policy and Environment of Dominion and DRS from February 2010 to December 2010; Senior Vice President-Public Policy and Corporate Communications of Dominion and DRS from May 2008 to January 2010; Vice President-State and Federal Affairs of DRS from September 2006 to May 2008.
Steven A. Rogers (50)	Senior Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer of Dominion and President and Chief Administrative Officer of DRS from October 2007 to date; Senior Vice President and CAO of Dominion and Virginia Power from January 2007 to September 2007 and CNG from January 2007 to June 2007.
Ashwini Sawhney (62)	Vice President-Accounting and Controller (CAO) of Dominion from May 2010 to date; Vice President and Controller (CAO) of Dominion from July 2009 to May 2010; Vice President-Accounting of Virginia Power from April 2006 to date; Vice President and Controller of Dominion from April 2007 to June 2009; Vice President-Accounting and Controller of Dominion from January 2007 to April 2007 and of CNG from January 2007 to June 2007.

(1) Any service listed for Virginia Power, CNG, DTI, DEI and DRS reflects service at a subsidiary of Dominion.

Table of Contents**Part II****Item 5. Market for the Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities****Dominion**

Dominion's common stock is listed on the NYSE. At January 31, 2012, there were approximately 142,000 record holders of Dominion's common stock. The number of record holders is comprised of individual shareholder accounts maintained on Dominion's transfer agent records and includes accounts with shares held in (1) certificate form, (2) book-entry in the Direct Registration System and (3) book-entry under Dominion Direct. Discussions of expected dividend payments and restrictions on Dominion's payment of dividends required by this Item are contained in *Liquidity and Capital Resources* in Item 7. MD&A and Notes 18 and 21 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. Cash dividends were paid quarterly in 2011 and 2010. Quarterly information concerning stock prices and dividends is disclosed in Note 27 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

The following table presents certain information with respect to Dominion's common stock repurchases during the fourth quarter of 2011.

DOMINION PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

Period	Total Number of Shares (or Units) Purchased ⁽¹⁾	Average Price Paid per Share (or Unit) ⁽²⁾	Total Number of Shares (or Units) of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	
			Purchased as Part	Maximum Number (or Approximate Dollar Value) of Shares (or Units) that May Yet Be Purchased under the Plans or Programs ⁽³⁾
10/1/2011-10/31/11	1,284	\$ 50.77	N/A	19,629,059 shares/\$ 1.18 billion
11/1/2011-11/30/11	361	\$ 51.59	N/A	19,629,059 shares/\$ 1.18 billion
12/1/2011-12/31/11	294	\$ 51.62	N/A	19,629,059 shares/\$ 1.18 billion
Total	1,939	\$ 51.05	N/A	19,629,059 shares/\$ 1.18 billion

(1) In October, November and December 2011, 1,284 shares, 361 shares and 294 shares, respectively, were tendered by employees to satisfy tax withholding obligations on vested restricted stock.

(2) Represents the weighted-average price paid per share.

(3) The remaining repurchase authorization is pursuant to repurchase authority granted by the Dominion Board of Directors in February 2005, as modified in June 2007. The aggregate authorization granted by the Dominion Board of Directors was 86 million shares (as adjusted to reflect a two-for-one stock split distributed in November 2007) not to exceed \$4 billion.

Virginia Power

There is no established public trading market for Virginia Power's common stock, all of which is owned by Dominion. Restrictions on Virginia Power's payment of dividends are discussed in *Dividend Restrictions* in Item 7. MD&A and Note 21 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. Virginia Power paid quarterly cash dividends on its common stock as follows:

(millions)	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter	Full Year
2011	\$ 131	\$ 118	\$ 199	\$ 109	\$ 557
2010	108	81	171	140	500

Table of Contents**Item 6. Selected Financial Data****DOMINION**

Year Ended December 31, (millions, except per share amounts)	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Operating revenue	\$ 14,379	\$ 15,197	\$ 14,798	\$ 15,895	\$ 14,456
Income from continuing operations before extraordinary item ⁽¹⁾	1,408	2,963	1,261	1,644	2,661
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax ⁽¹⁾		(155)	26	190	36
Extraordinary item, net of tax ⁽¹⁾					(158)
Net income attributable to Dominion	1,408	2,808	1,287	1,834	2,539
Income from continuing operations before extraordinary item per common share-basic	2.46	5.03	2.13	2.84	4.09
Net income attributable to Dominion per common share-basic	2.46	4.77	2.17	3.17	3.90
Income from continuing operations before extraordinary item per common share-diluted	2.45	5.02	2.13	2.83	4.06
Net income attributable to Dominion per common share-diluted	2.45	4.76	2.17	3.16	3.88
Dividends paid per common share	1.97	1.83	1.75	1.58	1.46
Total assets	45,614	42,817	42,554	42,053	39,139
Long-term debt	17,394	15,758	15,481	14,956	13,235

(1) Amounts attributable to Dominion's common shareholders.

2011 results include a \$139 million after-tax charge reflecting generation plant balances that are not expected to be recovered in future periods due to the anticipated retirement of certain utility coal-fired generating units and a \$59 million after-tax charge reflecting restoration costs associated with damage caused by Hurricane Irene.

2010 results include a \$1.4 billion after-tax net income benefit from the sale of substantially all of Dominion's Appalachian E&P operations, net of charges related to the divestiture and a \$206 million after-tax charge primarily reflecting severance pay and other benefits related to a workforce reduction program, as discussed in Notes 4 and 23 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, respectively. Also in 2010, Dominion recorded \$127 million of after-tax impairment charges at certain merchant generation facilities, as discussed in Note 7 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. The loss from discontinued operations in 2010 includes a \$140 million after-tax loss on the sale of Peoples.

2009 results include a \$435 million after-tax charge in connection with the settlement of Virginia Power's 2009 base rate case proceedings discussed in Note 14 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. Also in 2009, Dominion recorded a \$281 million after-tax ceiling test impairment charge related to the carrying value of its Appalachian E&P properties.

2008 results include \$109 million of after-tax charges reflecting other-than-temporary declines in the fair value of certain securities held as investments in nuclear decommissioning trusts. In addition, income from discontinued operations in 2008 includes a \$120 million after-tax benefit due to the reversal of deferred tax liabilities associated with the sale of Peoples.

2007 results include a \$1.5 billion after-tax benefit from the disposition of Dominion's non-Appalachian E&P operations and a \$252 million after-tax impairment charge associated with the sale of Dresden. Also in 2007, Dominion recorded a \$137 million after-tax charge resulting from the termination of the long-term power sales agreement associated with State Line. In addition, the reapplication of accounting guidance for cost-based rate regulation to the Virginia jurisdiction of Virginia Power's generation operations in 2007 resulted in a \$158 million after-tax extraordinary charge.

VIRGINIA POWER

Year Ended December 31,	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
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(millions)

Operating revenue	\$ 7,246	\$ 7,219	\$ 6,584	\$ 6,934	\$ 6,181
Income from operations before extraordinary item	822	852	356	864	606
Extraordinary item, net of tax					(158)
Net income	822	852	356	864	448
Balance available for common stock	805	835	339	847	432
Total assets	23,544	22,262	20,118	18,802	17,063
Long-term debt	6,246	6,702	6,213	6,000	5,316

2011 results include a \$139 million after-tax charge reflecting generation plant balances that are not expected to be recovered in future periods due to the anticipated retirement of certain coal-fired generating units and a \$59 million after-tax charge reflecting restoration costs associated with damage caused by Hurricane Irene.

2010 results include a \$123 million after-tax charge primarily reflecting severance pay and other benefits related to a workforce reduction program, discussed in Note 23 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

2009 results include a \$427 million after-tax charge in connection with the settlement of Virginia Power's 2009 base rate case proceedings discussed in Note 14 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

2007 results reflect the reapplication of accounting guidance for cost-based rate regulation to the Virginia jurisdiction of Virginia Power's generation operations, which resulted in a \$158 million after-tax extraordinary charge.

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Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

MD&A discusses Dominion's and Virginia Power's results of operations and general financial condition. MD&A should be read in conjunction with Item 1. Business and the Consolidated Financial Statements in Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data.

CONTENTS OF MD&A

MD&A consists of the following information:

- Forward-Looking Statements
- Accounting Matters
- Dominion
 - Results of Operations
 - Segment Results of Operations
- Virginia Power
 - Results of Operations
 - Segment Results of Operations
- Liquidity and Capital Resources
- Future Issues and Other Matters

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This report contains statements concerning Dominion's and Virginia Power's expectations, plans, objectives, future financial performance and other statements that are not historical facts. These statements are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. In most cases, the reader can identify these forward-looking statements by such words as anticipate, estimate, forecast, expect, believe, should, could, plan, may, continue, target or other similar words.

Dominion and Virginia Power make forward-looking statements with full knowledge that risks and uncertainties exist that may cause actual results to differ materially from predicted results. Factors that may cause actual results to differ are often presented with the forward-looking statements themselves. Additionally, other factors may cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated in any forward-looking statement. These factors include but are not limited to:

- Unusual weather conditions and their effect on energy sales to customers and energy commodity prices;
- Extreme weather events and other natural disasters, including hurricanes, high winds, severe storms, and earthquakes that can cause outages and property damage to facilities;
- Federal, state and local legislative and regulatory developments;
- Changes to federal, state and local environmental laws and regulations, including those related to climate change, the tightening of emission or discharge limits for GHGs and other emissions, more extensive permitting requirements and the regulation of additional substances;
- Cost of environmental compliance, including those costs related to climate change;

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Risks associated with the operation of nuclear facilities, including costs associated with the disposal of spent nuclear fuel, decommissioning, plant maintenance and changes in existing regulations governing such facilities;

Unplanned outages of the Companies' facilities;

Fluctuations in energy-related commodity prices and the effect these could have on Dominion's earnings and Dominion's and Virginia Power's liquidity position and the underlying value of their assets;

Counterparty credit and performance risk;

Capital market conditions, including the availability of credit and the ability to obtain financing on reasonable terms;

Risks associated with Virginia Power's membership and participation in PJM, including risks related to obligations created by the default of other participants;

Price risk due to investments held in nuclear decommissioning trusts by Dominion and Virginia Power and in benefit plan trusts by Dominion;

Fluctuations in interest rates;

Changes in federal and state tax laws and regulations;

Changes in rating agency requirements or credit ratings and their effect on availability and cost of capital;

Changes in financial or regulatory accounting principles or policies imposed by governing bodies;

Employee workforce factors including collective bargaining agreements and labor negotiations with union employees;

The risks of operating businesses in regulated industries that are subject to changing regulatory structures;

Receipt of approvals for and timing of closing dates for acquisitions and divestitures;

Changes in rules for RTOs and ISOs in which Dominion and Virginia Power participate, including changes in rate designs, pricing rules and rules involving revenue calculations and new and evolving capacity models;

Political and economic conditions, including inflation and deflation;

Domestic terrorism and other threats to the Companies' physical and intangible assets, as well as threats to cybersecurity;

Industrial, commercial and residential growth or decline in the Companies' service areas and changes in customer growth or usage patterns, including as a result of energy conservation programs;

Additional competition in electric markets in which Dominion's merchant generation facilities operate;

Changes in technology, particularly with respect to new, developing or alternative sources of generation and smart grid technologies;

Changes to regulated electric rates collected by Virginia Power and regulated gas distribution, transportation and storage rates, including LNG storage, collected by Dominion;

Timing and receipt of regulatory approvals necessary for planned construction or expansion projects;

The inability to complete planned construction projects within the terms and time frames initially anticipated; and

Adverse outcomes in litigation matters.

Additionally, other risks that could cause actual results to differ from predicted results are set forth in Item 1A. Risk Factors.

ACCOUNTING MATTERS

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Dominion and Virginia Power have identified the following accounting policies, including certain inherent estimates, that as a result of the judgments, uncertainties, uniqueness and complexities of the underlying accounting standards and operations involved, could result in material changes to their financial condition or results of operations under different conditions or using different assumptions. Dominion and Virginia Power have discussed the

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development, selection and disclosure of each of these policies with the Audit Committees of their Boards of Directors. Virginia Power's Board of Directors also serves as its Audit Committee.

ACCOUNTING FOR REGULATED OPERATIONS

The accounting for Virginia Power's regulated electric and Dominion's regulated gas operations differs from the accounting for nonregulated operations in that they are required to reflect the effect of rate regulation in their Consolidated Financial Statements. For regulated businesses subject to federal or state cost-of-service rate regulation, regulatory practices that assign costs to accounting periods may differ from accounting methods generally applied by nonregulated companies. When it is probable that regulators will permit the recovery of current costs through future rates charged to customers, these costs are deferred as regulatory assets that otherwise would be expensed by nonregulated companies. Likewise, regulatory liabilities are recognized when it is probable that regulators will require customer refunds through future rates or when revenue is collected from customers for expenditures that have yet to be incurred. Generally, regulatory assets and liabilities are amortized into income over the period authorized by the regulator.

The Companies evaluate whether or not recovery of their regulatory assets through future rates is probable and make various assumptions in their analyses. The expectations of future recovery are generally based on orders issued by regulatory commissions or historical experience, as well as discussions with applicable regulatory authorities. If recovery of a regulatory asset is determined to be less than probable, it will be written off in the period such assessment is made. See Notes 13 and 14 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information.

ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATIONS

Dominion and Virginia Power recognize liabilities for the expected cost of retiring tangible long-lived assets for which a legal obligation exists and the ARO can be reasonably estimated. These AROs are recognized at fair value as incurred and are capitalized as part of the cost of the related long-lived assets. In the absence of quoted market prices, the Companies estimate the fair value of their AROs using present value techniques, in which they make various assumptions including estimates of the amounts and timing of future cash flows associated with retirement activities, credit-adjusted risk free rates and cost escalation rates. The impact on measurements of new AROs or remeasurements of existing AROs, using different cost escalation rates in the future, may be significant. When the Companies revise any assumptions used to calculate the fair value of existing AROs, they adjust the carrying amount of both the ARO liability and the related long-lived asset. The Companies accrete the ARO liability to reflect the passage of time.

In 2011, 2010 and 2009, Dominion recognized \$84 million, \$85 million and \$89 million, respectively, of accretion, and expects to recognize \$75 million in 2012. In 2011, 2010 and 2009, Virginia Power recognized \$36 million, \$35 million and \$35 million, respectively, of accretion, and expects to recognize \$35 million in 2012. Virginia Power records accretion and depreciation associated with utility nuclear decommissioning AROs as an adjustment to its regulatory liability for nuclear decommissioning.

A significant portion of the Companies' AROs relates to the future decommissioning of Dominion's merchant and Virginia Power's utility nuclear facilities. These nuclear decommissioning AROs are reported in the Dominion Generation segment. At December 31, 2011, Dominion's nuclear decommissioning AROs totaled \$1.2 billion, representing approximately 83% of its total AROs. At December 31, 2011, Virginia Power's nuclear decommissioning AROs totaled \$559 million, representing approximately 89% of its total AROs. Based on their significance, the following discussion of critical assumptions inherent in determining the fair value of AROs relates to those associated with the Companies' nuclear decommissioning obligations.

The Companies obtain from third-party specialists periodic site-specific base year cost studies in order to estimate the nature, cost and timing of planned decommissioning activities for their nuclear plants. These cost studies are based on relevant information available at the time they are performed; however, estimates of future cash flows for extended periods of time are by nature highly uncertain and may vary significantly from actual results. In addition, the Companies' cost estimates include cost escalation rates that are applied to the base year costs. The Companies determine cost escalation rates, which represent projected cost increases over time due to both general inflation and increases in the cost of specific decommissioning activities, for each nuclear facility. The selection of these cost escalation rates is dependent on subjective factors which are considered to be a critical assumption.

In December 2011, Dominion recorded a decrease of \$290 million in the nuclear decommissioning AROs for its units. Virginia Power recorded a decrease of \$95 million in the nuclear decommissioning AROs for its units. The ARO revision was driven by a reduction in anticipated future

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decommissioning costs due to the expected future recovery from the DOE of certain spent fuel costs based on the Companies' contracts with the DOE for disposal of spent nuclear fuel, as well as updated escalation rates. In 2009, as a result of updated decommissioning cost studies and applicable escalation rates, Dominion recorded a decrease of \$309 million in the nuclear decommissioning AROs of its units, including a \$103 million (\$62 million after-tax) reduction in other operations and maintenance expense due to a downward revision in the nuclear decommissioning ARO for a power station unit that is no longer in service. Virginia Power recorded a decrease of \$119 million in the nuclear decommissioning AROs for its units.

INCOME TAXES

Judgment and the use of estimates are required in developing the provision for income taxes and reporting of tax-related assets and liabilities. The interpretation of tax laws involves uncertainty, since tax authorities may interpret the laws differently. Ultimate resolution of income tax matters may result in favorable or unfavorable impacts to net income and cash flows, and adjustments to tax-related assets and liabilities could be material.

Given the uncertainty and judgment involved in the determination and filing of income taxes, there are standards for recognition and measurement in financial statements of positions taken or expected to be taken by an entity in its income tax returns. Positions taken by an entity in its income tax returns that are recognized in the financial statements must satisfy a more-likely-than-not recognition threshold, assuming that the position will be

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examined by tax authorities with full knowledge of all relevant information. At December 31, 2011, Dominion had \$347 million and Virginia Power had \$114 million of unrecognized tax benefits.

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are recorded representing future effects on income taxes for temporary differences between the bases of assets and liabilities for financial reporting and tax purposes. Dominion and Virginia Power evaluate quarterly the probability of realizing deferred tax assets by considering current and historical financial results, expectations for future taxable income and the availability of tax planning strategies that can be implemented, if necessary, to realize deferred tax assets. Failure to achieve forecasted taxable income or successfully implement tax planning strategies may affect the realization of deferred tax assets. The Companies establish a valuation allowance when it is more-likely-than-not that all or a portion of a deferred tax asset will not be realized. At December 31, 2011, Dominion had established \$96 million of valuation allowances and Virginia Power had no valuation allowances.

ACCOUNTING FOR DERIVATIVE CONTRACTS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS AT FAIR VALUE

Dominion and Virginia Power use derivative contracts such as futures, swaps, forwards, options and FTRs to manage commodity and financial market risks of their business operations. Derivative contracts, with certain exceptions, are reported in the Consolidated Balance Sheets at fair value. Accounting requirements for derivatives and related hedging activities are complex and may be subject to further clarification by standard-setting bodies. The majority of investments held in Dominion's and Virginia Power's nuclear decommissioning and Dominion's rabbi and benefit plan trust funds are also subject to fair value accounting. See Notes 7 and 22 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for further information on these fair value measurements.

Fair value is based on actively-quoted market prices, if available. In the absence of actively-quoted market prices, management seeks indicative price information from external sources, including broker quotes and industry publications. When evaluating pricing information provided by brokers and other pricing services, the Companies consider whether the broker is willing and able to trade at the quoted price, if the broker quotes are based on an active market or an inactive market and the extent to which brokers are utilizing a particular model if pricing is not readily available. If pricing information from external sources is not available, or if the Companies believe that observable pricing information is not indicative of fair value, judgment is required to develop the estimates of fair value. In those cases, the Companies must estimate prices based on available historical and near-term future price information and use of statistical methods, including regression analysis, that reflect their market assumptions.

The Companies maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value.

USE OF ESTIMATES IN GOODWILL IMPAIRMENT TESTING

As of December 31, 2011, Dominion reported \$3.1 billion of goodwill in its Consolidated Balance Sheet. A significant portion resulted from the acquisition of the former CNG in 2000.

In April of each year, Dominion tests its goodwill for potential impairment, and performs additional tests more frequently if

an event occurs or circumstances change in the interim that would more-likely-than-not reduce the fair value of a reporting unit below its carrying amount. The 2011, 2010 and 2009 annual tests and any interim tests did not result in the recognition of any goodwill impairment.

In general, Dominion estimates the fair value of its reporting units by using a combination of discounted cash flows and other valuation techniques that use multiples of earnings for peer group companies and analyses of recent business combinations involving peer group companies. For Dominion's Appalachian E&P operations and Peoples and Hope operations, negotiated sales prices were used as fair value for the tests conducted in 2010 and 2009. Fair value estimates are dependent on subjective factors such as Dominion's estimate of future cash flows, the selection of appropriate discount and growth rates, and the selection of peer group companies and recent transactions. These underlying assumptions and estimates are made as of a point in time; subsequent modifications, particularly changes in discount rates or growth rates

inherent in Dominion's estimates of future cash flows, could result in a future impairment of goodwill. Although Dominion has consistently applied the same methods in developing the assumptions and estimates that underlie the fair value calculations, such as estimates of future cash flows, and based those estimates on relevant information available at the time, such cash flow estimates are highly uncertain by nature and may vary significantly from actual results. If the estimates of future cash flows used in the most recent tests had been 10% lower, the resulting fair values would have still been greater than the carrying values of each of those reporting units tested, indicating that no impairment was present. See Note 12 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information.

USE OF ESTIMATES IN LONG-LIVED ASSET IMPAIRMENT TESTING

Impairment testing for an individual or group of long-lived assets or for intangible assets with definite lives is required when circumstances indicate those assets may be impaired. When an asset's carrying amount exceeds the undiscounted estimated future cash flows associated with the asset, the asset is considered impaired to the extent that the asset's fair value is less than its carrying amount. Performing an impairment test on long-lived assets involves judgment in areas such as identifying if circumstances indicate an impairment may exist, identifying and grouping affected assets, and developing the undiscounted and discounted estimated future cash flows (used to estimate fair value in the absence of market-based value) associated with the asset, including probability weighting such cash flows to reflect expectations about possible variations in their amounts or timing and the selection of an appropriate discount rate. Although cash flow estimates are based on relevant information available at the time the estimates are made, estimates of future cash flows are, by nature, highly uncertain and may vary significantly from actual results. For example, estimates of future cash flows would contemplate factors which may change over time, such as the expected use of the asset, including future production and sales levels, and expected fluctuations of prices of commodities sold and consumed. See Note 7 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for a discussion of impairments related to certain long-lived assets.

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EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

Dominion sponsors noncontributory defined benefit pension plans and other postretirement benefit plans for eligible active employees, retirees and qualifying dependents. The projected costs of providing benefits under these plans are dependent, in part, on historical information such as employee demographics, the level of contributions made to the plans and earnings on plan assets. Assumptions about the future, including the expected long-term rate of return on plan assets, discount rates applied to benefit obligations and the anticipated rate of increase in healthcare costs and participant compensation, also have a significant impact on employee benefit costs. The impact of changes in these factors, as well as differences between Dominion's assumptions and actual experience, is generally recognized in the Consolidated Statements of Income over the remaining average service period of plan participants, rather than immediately.

The expected long-term rates of return on plan assets, discount rates and healthcare cost trend rates are critical assumptions. Dominion determines the expected long-term rates of return on plan assets for pension plans and other postretirement benefit plans by using a combination of:

- Expected inflation and risk-free interest rate assumptions;

- Historical return analysis to determine long term historic returns as well as historic risk premiums for various asset classes;

- Expected future risk premiums, asset volatilities and correlations;

- Forward-looking return expectations derived from the yield on long-term bonds and the price earnings ratios of major stock market indices; and

- Investment allocation of plan assets. The strategic target asset allocation for Dominion's pension funds is 28% U.S. equity, 18% non-U.S. equity, 33% fixed income, 3% real estate and 18% other alternative investments, such as private equity investments.

Strategic investment policies are established for Dominion's prefunded benefit plans based upon periodic asset/liability studies. Factors considered in setting the investment policy include those mentioned above such as employee demographics, liability growth rates, future discount rates, the funded status of the plans and the expected long-term rate of return on plan assets. Deviations from the plans' strategic allocation are a function of Dominion's assessments regarding short-term risk and reward opportunities in the capital markets and/or short-term market movements which result in the plans' actual asset allocations varying from the strategic target asset allocations. Through periodic rebalancing, actual allocations are brought back in line with the target. Future asset/liability studies will focus on strategies to further reduce pension and other postretirement plan risk, while still achieving attractive levels of returns.

Dominion develops assumptions, which are then compared to the forecasts of other independent investment advisors to ensure reasonableness. An internal committee selects the final assumptions. Dominion calculated its pension cost using an expected long-term rate of return on plan assets assumption of 8.50% for 2011, 2010 and 2009. Dominion calculated its other postretirement benefit cost using an expected long-term rate of return on plan assets assumption of 7.75% for 2011, 2010 and 2009. The rate used in

calculating other postretirement benefit cost is lower than the rate used in calculating pension cost because of differences in the relative amounts of various types of investments held as plan assets.

Dominion determines discount rates from analyses of AA/Aa rated bonds with cash flows matching the expected payments to be made under its plans. The discount rates used to calculate pension cost and other postretirement benefit cost were 5.9% in 2011 and 6.60% in 2010 and 2009. Dominion selected a discount rate of 5.50% for determining its December 31, 2011 projected pension and other postretirement benefit obligations.

Dominion establishes the healthcare cost trend rate assumption based on analyses of various factors including the specific provisions of its medical plans, actual cost trends experienced and projected, and demographics of plan participants. Dominion's healthcare cost trend rate assumption as of December 31, 2011 is 7% and is expected to gradually decrease to 4.60% by 2060 and continue at that rate for years thereafter.

The following table illustrates the effect on cost of changing the critical actuarial assumptions previously discussed, while holding all other assumptions constant:

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	Change in	Increase in Net Periodic Cost	
		Actuarial Assumption	Other
			Pension Benefits
(millions, except percentages)			
Discount rate	(0.25)%	\$ 13	\$ 2
Long-term rate of return on plan assets	(0.25)%	13	3
Healthcare cost trend rate	1%	N/A	20

In addition to the effects on cost, at December 31, 2011, a 0.25% decrease in the discount rate would increase Dominion's projected pension benefit obligation by \$163 million and its accumulated postretirement benefit obligation by \$43 million, while a 1.00% increase in the healthcare cost trend rate would increase its accumulated postretirement benefit obligation by \$174 million. See Note 22 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information.

REVENUE RECOGNITION UNBILLED REVENUE

Virginia Power recognizes and records revenues when energy is delivered to the customer. The determination of sales to individual customers is based on the reading of their meters, which is performed on a systematic basis throughout the month. At the end of each month, the amount of electric energy delivered to customers, but not yet billed, is estimated and recorded as unbilled revenue. This estimate is reversed in the following month and actual revenue is recorded based on meter readings. Virginia Power's customer receivables included \$360 million and \$397 million of accrued unbilled revenue at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

The calculation of unbilled revenues is complex and includes numerous estimates and assumptions including historical usage, applicable customer rates, weather factors and total daily electric generation supplied, adjusted for line losses. Changes in generation patterns, customer usage patterns and other factors, which are the basis for the estimates of unbilled revenues, could have a significant effect on the calculation and therefore on Virginia Power's results of operations and financial condition.

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Other**ACCOUNTING STANDARDS AND POLICIES**

During 2009, Dominion and Virginia Power were required to adopt several new accounting standards, which are discussed in Note 3 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

DOMINION**RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

Presented below is a summary of Dominion's consolidated results:

Year Ended December 31, (millions, except EPS)	2011	\$ Change	2010	\$ Change	2009
Net Income attributable to Dominion	\$ 1,408	\$ (1,400)	\$ 2,808	\$ 1,521	\$ 1,287
Diluted EPS	2.45	(2.31)	4.76	2.59	2.17

Overview**2011 vs. 2010**

Net income attributable to Dominion decreased by 50%. Unfavorable drivers include the absence of a gain on the sale of Dominion's Appalachian E&P operations, lower margins from merchant generation operations, and the impact of less favorable weather, including Hurricane Irene, on electric utility operations. Favorable drivers include the absence of charges related to a workforce reduction program and the absence of a loss on the sale of Peoples, and higher earnings from rate adjustment clauses.

2010 vs. 2009

Net income attributable to Dominion increased by 118%. Favorable drivers include a gain on the sale of Dominion's Appalachian E&P operations, lower ceiling test impairment charges related to these properties, the absence of a charge in connection with the settlement of Virginia Power's 2009 base rate case proceedings and the impact of favorable weather on electric utility operations. Unfavorable drivers include charges related to a workforce reduction program, a loss on the sale of Peoples, lower margins from merchant generation operations and impairment charges related to certain merchant generation facilities.

Analysis of Consolidated Operations

Presented below are selected amounts related to Dominion's results of operations:

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Year Ended December 31, (millions)	2011	\$ Change	2010	\$ Change	2009
Operating Revenue	\$ 14,379	\$ (818)	\$ 15,197	\$ 399	\$ 14,798
Electric fuel and other energy-related purchases	4,194	44	4,150	(135)	4,285
Purchased electric capacity	454	1	453	42	411
Purchased gas	1,764	(286)	2,050	(150)	2,200
Net Revenue	7,967	(577)	8,544	642	7,902
Other operations and maintenance	3,483	(241)	3,724	12	3,712
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	1,069	14	1,055	(83)	1,138
Other taxes	554	22	532	49	483
Gain on sale of Appalachian E&P operations		(2,467)	2,467	2,467	
Other income	179	10	169	(25)	194
Interest and related charges	869	37	832	(57)	889
Income tax expense	745	(1,312)	2,057	1,461	596
Income (loss) from discontinued operations		155	(155)	(181)	26

An analysis of Dominion's results of operations follows:

2011 vs. 2010

Net Revenue decreased 7%, primarily reflecting:

A \$519 million decrease from merchant generation operations, primarily due to a decrease in realized prices (\$347 million) and lower generation (\$163 million); and

A \$125 million decrease reflecting the sale of substantially all of Dominion's Appalachian E&P operations in April 2010.

These decreases were partially offset by:

A \$32 million increase from Dominion's gas transmission business primarily related to an increase in revenue from NGLs;

A \$28 million increase in producer services primarily related to higher physical margins and favorable price changes on economic hedging positions, all associated with natural gas aggregation, marketing and trading activities;

A \$13 million increase from electric utility operations, primarily reflecting:

The impact of rate adjustment clauses (\$169 million); and

A decrease in net capacity expenses (\$44 million); partially offset by

The impact (\$120 million) of a decrease in sales to retail customers, primarily due to a decrease in heating and cooling degree days (\$220 million), partially offset by an increase in sales due to the effect of favorable economic conditions on customer usage and other factors (\$100 million); and

A decrease due to a charge based on the Biennial Review Order to refund revenues to customers (\$81 million).

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Other operations and maintenance decreased 6%, primarily reflecting:

A \$441 million decrease in salaries, wages and benefits primarily related to a 2010 workforce reduction program; partially offset by
A \$96 million increase due to restoration costs associated with damage caused by Hurricane Irene; and
An \$89 million net increase in impairment charges related to certain utility and merchant coal-fired generating units.

Gain on sale of Appalachian E&P operations reflects a gain on the sale of these operations, as described in Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Interest and related charges increased 4%, primarily due to the absence of a benefit recorded in 2010 resulting from the discontinuance of hedge accounting for certain interest rate derivatives (\$73 million) and an increase in debt issuances in 2011 (\$18 million), partially offset by the recognition of hedging gains that had previously been deferred as regulatory liabilities as a result of the Biennial Review Order (\$50 million).

Income tax expense decreased \$1.3 billion, primarily reflecting lower federal and state taxes largely due to the absence of a gain from the sale of Dominion's Appalachian E&P operations recorded in 2010.

Loss from discontinued operations reflects the sale of Peoples in 2010.

2010 vs. 2009

Net Revenue increased 8%, primarily reflecting:

A \$1.1 billion increase from electric utility operations, primarily reflecting:

The absence of a charge for the settlement of Virginia Power's 2009 base rate case proceedings (\$570 million);
The impact of rate adjustment clauses (\$279 million);

An increase in sales to retail customers primarily due to an increase in cooling degree days (\$248 million); and

An increase in ancillary revenues received from PJM (\$78 million), primarily reflecting an increase in the scheduled dispatch of gas and oil-fired generation units to meet higher demand; partially offset by

A decrease primarily due to the impact of unfavorable economic conditions on customer usage and other factors (\$75 million);

A \$98 million increase from regulated natural gas distribution operations primarily reflecting increased rider revenue associated with the recovery of bad debt expense (\$60 million) and an increase in base rates (\$40 million); and

A \$46 million increase related to natural gas transmission operations largely due to the completion of the Cove Point expansion project.

These increases were partially offset by:

A \$356 million decrease from merchant generation operations due to a decrease at certain nuclear generating facilities (\$237 million) primarily due to lower realized prices, a decline in margins at certain fossil generation facilities (\$70 million) primarily due to an increase in fuel prices and the expiration of certain requirements-based power sales contracts in December 2009 (\$49 million);

A \$222 million decrease reflecting the sale of substantially all of Dominion's Appalachian E&P operations in April 2010; and

A \$40 million decrease in producer services primarily related to unfavorable price changes on economic hedging positions and lower physical margins, all associated with natural gas aggregation, marketing and trading activities.

Other operations and maintenance increased \$12 million primarily reflecting:

A \$240 million net increase in salaries, wages and benefits primarily related to a workforce reduction program;

Impairment charges related to certain merchant generating facilities (\$194 million);

A \$103 million increase due to the absence of a benefit in 2009 from a downward revision in the nuclear decommissioning ARO for a unit that is no longer in service;

A \$56 million increase in bad debt expense at regulated natural gas distribution operations, primarily related to low income assistance programs (\$60 million). These expenses are recovered through rates and do not impact net income; and

A \$42 million increase in certain electric transmission-related expenditures.

These increases were partially offset by:

A \$434 million decrease in ceiling test impairment charges related to the carrying value of Dominion's E&P properties;

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The absence of a \$142 million write-off of previously deferred RTO costs in connection with the settlement of Virginia Power's 2009 base rate case proceedings; and

A \$48 million decrease in outage costs due to a decrease in scheduled outage days primarily at certain merchant generation facilities.

DD&A decreased 7%, primarily due to the sale of Dominion's Appalachian E&P operations (\$45 million) and lower amortization due to decreased cost of emissions allowances consumed (\$37 million).

Other taxes increased 10%, primarily due to additional property tax from increased investments and higher rates (\$16 million), an increase in gross receipts tax due to new non-regulated retail energy customers (\$14 million) and higher payroll taxes associated with a workforce reduction program (\$12 million).

Gain on sale of Appalachian E&P operations reflects a gain on the sale of these operations, as described in Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Other income decreased 13%, primarily reflecting an increase in charitable contributions (\$46 million) and a decrease in interest income (\$15 million); partially offset by the absence of an impairment loss on an equity method investment (\$30 million) and higher realized gains (including investment income) on nuclear decommissioning trust funds (\$12 million).

Interest and related charges decreased 6%, primarily due to a benefit resulting from the net effect of the discontinuance of hedge accounting for certain interest rate hedges and subsequent changes in fair value of these interest rate derivatives (\$73 million), partially offset by an increase in interest expense associated with the June 2009 hybrid issuance (\$26 million).

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Income tax expense increased \$1.5 billion, primarily reflecting higher federal and state taxes largely due to the gain on the sale of Dominion's Appalachian E&P business.

Loss from discontinued operations primarily reflects a loss on the sale of Peoples.

Outlook

Dominion's strategy is to continue focusing on its regulated businesses while maintaining upside potential in well-positioned nonregulated businesses. The goals of this strategy are to provide earnings per share growth, a growing dividend and to maintain a stable credit profile. Dominion's 2011 results were negatively impacted by lower margins from merchant generation operations and less favorable weather on electric utility operations. In 2012, Dominion is expected to experience an increase in net income on a per share basis as compared to 2011. Dominion's anticipated 2012 results reflect the following significant factors:

- The absence of charges incurred in 2011 related to expected plant retirements, impairment of emissions allowances and Hurricane Irene;
- Construction and operation of growth projects in electric utility operations and associated rate adjustment clause revenue, as well as growth projects in gas transmission and distribution operations;
- Growth in weather-normalized electric utility sales of 2-2.5% resulting from the recovering economy and rising energy demand;
- Reductions in certain operations and maintenance expenses; and
- A reduction in interest expense; partially offset by
- Lower realized margins from merchant generation operations due to lower commodity prices and the retirement of certain coal units; and
- An increase in DD&A.

Dominion expects the bonus depreciation provisions of the tax legislation enacted by the U.S. Congress in 2010, discussed in Note 6 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, to reduce income taxes otherwise payable, resulting in cash savings in 2012 and 2013 of approximately \$475 million and \$700 million, respectively.

SEGMENT RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Segment results include the impact of intersegment revenues and expenses, which may result in intersegment profit or loss. Presented below is a summary of contributions by Dominion's operating segments to net income attributable to Dominion:

Year Ended December 31,	2011	Net	2010	Net	2009
Net		Income		Income	
Income		attributable		attributable	
attributable		to		to	
to	Diluted		Diluted		Diluted
Dominion	EPS	Dominion	EPS	Dominion	EPS
(millions, except EPS)					

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DVP	\$ 501	\$ 0.87	\$ 448	\$ 0.76	\$ 384	\$ 0.65
Dominion Generation	1,003	1.74	1,291	2.19	1,281	2.16
Dominion Energy	521	0.91	475	0.80	517	0.87
Primary operating segments	2,025	3.52	2,214	3.75	2,182	3.68
Corporate and Other	(617)	(1.07)	594	1.01	(895)	(1.51)
Consolidated	\$ 1,408	\$ 2.45	\$ 2,808	\$ 4.76	\$ 1,287	\$ 2.17

DVP

Presented below are operating statistics related to DVP's operations:

Year Ended December 31,	2011	% Change	2010	% Change	2009
Electricity delivered (million MWh)	82.3	(3)%	84.5	4%	81.4
Degree days:					
Cooling	1,899	(9)	2,090	42	1,477
Heating	3,354	(12)	3,819	2	3,747
Average electric distribution customer accounts (thousands) ⁽¹⁾	2,438	1	2,422	1	2,404
Average retail energy marketing customer accounts (thousands) ⁽¹⁾	2,152	6	2,037	19	1,718

(1) Thirteen-month average.

Presented below, on an after-tax basis, are the key factors impacting DVP's net income contribution:

2011 vs. 2010

(millions, except EPS)	Increase (Decrease)	
	Amount	EPS
Regulated electric sales:		
Weather	\$ (43)	\$ (0.07)
Other	10	0.02
FERC transmission equity return	44	0.07
Retail energy marketing operations	6	0.01
Storm damage and service restoration	9	0.02
Other O&M expense ⁽¹⁾	28	0.04
Other	(1)	
Share accretion		0.02
Change in net income contribution	\$ 53	\$ 0.11

(1) Primarily reflects the 2010 implementation of cost containment measures including a workforce reduction program, and lower salaries and wages expenses.

2010 vs. 2009

(millions, except EPS)	Increase (Decrease)	
	Amount	EPS
Regulated electric sales:		
Weather	\$ 48	\$ 0.08
Other	2	
FERC transmission equity return	23	0.04
Other O&M expenses ⁽¹⁾	7	0.01
Depreciation and amortization	(8)	(0.01)
Storm damage and service restoration	(11)	(0.02)
Other	3	
Share accretion		0.01
Change in net income contribution	\$ 64	\$ 0.11

(1) Primarily reflects the 2010 implementation of cost containment measures including a workforce reduction program.

Table of Contents**Dominion Generation**

Presented below are operating statistics related to Dominion Generation's operations:

Year Ended December 31,	2011	% Change	2010	% Change	2009
Electricity supplied (million MWh):					
Utility	82.3	(3)%	84.5	4%	81.4
Merchant	43.0	(9)	47.3	(1)	48
Degree days (electric utility service area):					
Cooling	1,899	(9)	2,090	42	1,477
Heating	3,354	(12)	3,819	2	3,747

Presented below, on an after-tax basis, are the key factors impacting Dominion Generation's net income contribution:

2011 vs. 2010

(millions, except EPS)	Increase (Decrease)	
	Amount	EPS
Merchant generation margin	\$ (288)	\$ (0.50)
Regulated electric sales:		
Weather	(91)	(0.16)
Other	59	0.10
Rate adjustment clause equity return	30	0.05
Outage costs	(11)	(0.02)
Other O&M expenses ⁽¹⁾	71	0.12
Interest expense	(15)	(0.02)
Kewaunee 2010 earnings ⁽²⁾	(19)	(0.03)
Other	(24)	(0.03)
Share accretion		0.04
Change in net income contribution	\$ (288)	\$ (0.45)

(1) Primarily reflects the 2010 implementation of cost containment measures including a workforce reduction program, and lower salaries and wages expenses.

(2) Kewaunee's 2011 results of operations have been reflected in the Corporate and Other segment due to Dominion's decision, in the first quarter of 2011, to pursue a sale of the power station.

2010 vs. 2009

(millions, except EPS)	Increase (Decrease)	
	Amount	EPS
Regulated electric sales:		
Weather	\$ 104	\$ 0.18
Other	(23)	(0.04)
Rate adjustment clause equity return	66	0.11
Outage costs	29	0.05
Other O&M expenses ⁽¹⁾	32	0.05
PJM ancillary services	27	0.05

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Merchant generation margin	(209)	(0.36)
Other	(16)	(0.03)
Share accretion		0.02
Change in net income contribution	\$ 10	\$ 0.03

(1) Primarily reflects the 2010 implementation of cost containment measures including a workforce reduction program.

Dominion Energy

Presented below are selected operating statistics related to Dominion Energy's operations. As discussed in Note 4, in April 2010 Dominion completed the sale of substantially all of its Appa-

lachian E&P operations. As a result, production-related operating statistics for the Dominion Energy segment are no longer significant.

Year Ended December 31,	2011	% Change	2010	% Change	2009
Gas distribution throughput (bcf):					
Sales	30	(3)%	31	(28)%	43
Transportation	253	5	241	16	208
Heating degree days	5,584	(2)	5,682	(3)	5,847
Average gas distribution customer accounts (thousands) ⁽¹⁾ :					
Sales	256	(2)	260	(19)	321
Transportation	1,040		1,042	5	988

(1) Thirteen-month average.

Presented below, on an after-tax basis, are the key factors impacting Dominion Energy's net income contribution:

2011 vs. 2010

	Increase (Decrease)	
	Amount	EPS
(millions, except EPS)		
Producer services margin	\$ 18	\$ 0.03
Gas transmission margin ⁽¹⁾	15	0.03
Other O&M expenses ⁽²⁾	11	0.02
Gas distribution margin:		
AMR and PIR revenue	9	0.02
Base gas sales	(4)	(0.01)
E&P disposed operations	(17)	(0.03)
Other	14	0.02
Share accretion		0.03
Change in net income contribution	\$ 46	\$ 0.11

(1) Primarily reflects an increase in revenue from NGLs.

(2) Primarily reflects the 2010 implementation of cost containment measures including a workforce reduction program, and lower salaries and wages expenses.

2010 vs. 2009

	Increase (Decrease)	
	Amount	EPS
(millions, except EPS)		
E&P disposed operations	\$ (61)	\$ (0.11)
Producer services	(27)	(0.05)

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Gas distribution margin:		
AMR and PIR revenue ⁽¹⁾	11	0.02
Base gas sale ⁽²⁾	10	0.02
Weather	(2)	
Other	15	0.03
Cove Point expansion revenue	20	0.03
Other	(8)	(0.02)
Share accretion		0.01
Change in net income contribution	\$ (42)	\$ (0.07)

(1) Primarily reflects an allowed return on investment through the AMR and PIR programs.

(2) Reflects East Ohio's sale of 3 bcf of base gas in December 2010 as the Company determined that it could operate its storage system and meet existing and anticipated contractual commitments with less base gas.

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Corporate and Other

Presented below are the Corporate and Other segment's after-tax results:

Year Ended December 31, (millions, except EPS amounts)	2011	2010	2009
Specific items attributable to operating segments	\$ (375)	\$ 1,014	\$ (688)
Specific items attributable to Corporate and Other segment:			
Peoples discontinued operations		(155)	26
Other	29	(22)	7
Total specific items	(346)	837	(655)
Other corporate operations	(271)	(243)	(240)
Total net benefit (expense)	\$ (617)	\$ 594	\$ (895)
EPS impact	\$ (1.07)	\$ 1.01	\$ (1.51)
TOTAL SPECIFIC ITEMS			

Corporate and Other includes specific items attributable to Dominion's primary operating segments that are not included in profit measures evaluated by executive management in assessing the segments' performance or allocating resources among the segments. See Note 26 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for discussion of these items.

VIRGINIA POWER**RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

Presented below is a summary of Virginia Power's consolidated results:

Year Ended December 31, (millions)	2011	\$ Change	2010	\$ Change	2009
Net Income	\$ 822	\$ (30)	\$ 852	\$ 496	\$ 356
Overview					

2011 vs. 2010

Net income decreased by 4%, primarily reflecting less favorable weather, including Hurricane Irene, and an impairment charge related to certain coal-fired power stations, partially offset by higher earnings from rate adjustment clauses and the absence of charges related to a workforce reduction program.

2010 vs. 2009

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Net income increased by 139%, primarily reflecting the absence of a charge in connection with the settlement of the 2009 base rate case proceedings, favorable weather and a benefit from rate adjustment clauses, partially offset by charges related to a workforce reduction program.

Analysis of Consolidated Operations

Presented below are selected amounts related to Virginia Power's results of operations:

Year Ended December 31, (millions)	2011	\$ Change	2010	\$ Change	2009
Operating Revenue	\$ 7,246	\$ 27	\$ 7,219	\$ 635	\$ 6,584
Electric fuel and other energy-related purchases	2,506	11	2,495	(477)	2,972
Purchased electric capacity	452	3	449	40	409
Net Revenue	4,288	13	4,275	1,072	3,203
Other operations and maintenance	1,743	(2)	1,745	122	1,623
Depreciation and amortization	718	47	671	30	641
Other taxes	222	4	218	27	191
Other income	88	(12)	100	(4)	104
Interest and related charges	331	(16)	347	(2)	349
Income tax expense	540	(2)	542	395	147

An analysis of Virginia Power's results of operations follows:

2011 vs. 2010

Net Revenue increased \$13 million, primarily reflecting:

The impact of rate adjustment clauses (\$169 million); and

A decrease in net capacity expenses (\$44 million); partially offset by

The impact (\$120 million) of a decrease in sales to retail customers, primarily due to a decrease in heating and cooling degree days (\$220 million), partially offset by an increase in sales due to the effect of favorable economic conditions on customer usage and other factors (\$100 million); and

A decrease due to a charge based on the Biennial Review Order to refund revenues to customers (\$81 million).

Other operations and maintenance decreased \$2 million, primarily reflecting:

A \$267 million decrease in salaries, wages and benefits as well as certain administrative and general costs primarily due to a 2010 workforce reduction program; and

A \$54 million decrease in planned outage costs primarily due to fewer scheduled outage days at certain generation facilities; partially offset by

A \$228 million impairment charge related to certain coal-fired generating units; and

A \$96 million increase due to restoration costs associated with damage caused by Hurricane Irene.

Depreciation and amortization expense increased 7%, primarily due to property additions.

Other income decreased 12%, primarily due to a decrease in the equity component of AFUDC (\$17 million), partially offset by an increase in amounts collectible from customers for taxes in connection with contributions in aid of construction (\$5 million).

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2010 vs. 2009

Net Revenue increased 33%, primarily reflecting:

- The absence of a charge for the settlement of the 2009 base rate case proceedings (\$570 million);
- The impact of rate adjustment clauses (\$279 million);
- An increase in sales to retail customers primarily due to an increase in cooling degree days (\$248 million); and
- An increase in ancillary revenues received from PJM (\$78 million), primarily reflecting an increase in the scheduled dispatch of gas and oil-fired generation units to meet higher demand.

These increases were partially offset by:

- A decrease primarily due to the impact of unfavorable economic conditions on customer usage and other factors (\$75 million).

Other operations and maintenance increased 8%, primarily reflecting:

- A \$177 million net increase in salaries, wages and benefits primarily due to a workforce reduction program;
- A \$42 million increase in certain electric transmission-related expenditures; and
- A \$19 million increase in storm damage and service restoration costs.

These increases were partially offset by:

- The absence of a \$130 million write-off of previously deferred RTO costs in connection with the settlement of Virginia Power's 2009 base rate case proceedings.

Depreciation and amortization expense increased 5%, primarily due to property additions.

Other taxes increased 14%, primarily reflecting additional property tax due to increased investments and higher rates (\$12 million), incremental use tax that is recoverable through a customer surcharge (\$8 million) and higher payroll taxes associated with a workforce reduction program (\$7 million).

Income tax expense increased \$395 million, primarily reflecting higher pretax income in 2010.

Outlook

Virginia Power expects to provide growth in net income in 2012. Virginia Power's anticipated 2012 results reflect the following significant factors:

- The absence of charges incurred in 2011 related to expected plant retirements, impairment of emissions allowances and Hurricane Irene;
- Growth in weather-normalized electric sales of 2-2.5% resulting from the recovering economy and rising energy demand; and
- Construction and operation of growth projects and associated rate adjustment clause revenue; partially offset by
- An increase in planned outages at certain nuclear facilities.

Virginia Power expects the bonus depreciation provisions of the tax legislation enacted by the U.S. Congress in 2010, discussed in Note 6 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, to reduce income taxes otherwise payable, resulting in cash savings of approximately \$500 million in 2012.

SEGMENT RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Presented below is a summary of contributions by Virginia Power's operating segments to net income:

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Year Ended December 31, (millions)	2011	\$ Change	2010	\$ Change	2009
DVP	\$ 426	\$ 49	\$ 377	\$ 64	\$ 313
Dominion Generation	664	34	630	155	475
Primary operating segments	1,090	83	1,007	219	788
Corporate and Other	(268)	(113)	(155)	277	(432)
Consolidated	\$ 822	\$ (30)	\$ 852	\$ 496	\$ 356

DVP

Presented below are operating statistics related to Virginia Power's DVP segment:

Year Ended December 31,	2011	% Change	2010	% Change	2009
Electricity delivered (million MWh)	82.3	(3)%	84.5	4%	81.4
Degree days (electric service area):					
Cooling	1,899	(9)	2,090	42	1,477
Heating	3,354	(12)	3,819	2	3,747
Average electric distribution customer accounts (thousands) ⁽¹⁾	2,438	1	2,422	1	2,404

(1) Thirteen-month average.

Presented below, on an after-tax basis, are the key factors impacting DVP's net income contribution:

2011 vs. 2010

(millions, except EPS)	Increase (Decrease)
Regulated electric sales:	
Weather	\$ (43)
Other	10
FERC transmission equity return	44
Storm damage and service restoration	9
Other O&M expense ⁽¹⁾	28
Other	1
Change in net income contribution	\$ 49

(1) Primarily reflects the 2010 implementation of cost containment measures including a workforce reduction program, and lower salaries and wages expenses.

2010 vs. 2009

(millions)	Increase (Decrease)
Regulated electric sales:	
Weather	\$ 48
Other	2
FERC transmission equity return	23
Other O&M expense ⁽¹⁾	7
Depreciation and amortization	(8)
Storm damage and service restoration	(11)
Other	3
Change in net income contribution	\$ 64

(1) Primarily reflects the 2010 implementation of cost containment measures including a workforce reduction program.

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Dominion Generation

Presented below are operating statistics related to Virginia Power's Dominion Generation segment:

Year Ended December 31,	2011	% Change	2010	% Change	2009
Electricity supplied (million MWh)	82.3	(3)%	84.5	4%	81.4
Degree days (electric service area):					
Cooling	1,899	(9)	2,090	42	1,477
Heating	3,354	(12)	3,819	2	3,747

Presented below, on an after-tax basis, are the key factors impacting Dominion Generation's net income contribution:

2011 vs. 2010

(millions)	Increase (Decrease)
Regulated electric sales:	
Weather	\$ (91)
Other	59
Rate adjustment clause equity return	30
Outage costs	33
Other	3
Change in net income contribution	\$ 34

2010 vs. 2009

(millions)	Increase (Decrease)
Regulated electric sales:	
Weather	\$ 104
Other	(23)
Rate adjustment clause equity return	66
PJM ancillary services	27
Energy supply margin ⁽¹⁾	(13)
Other	(6)
Change in net income contribution	\$ 155

(1) Primarily reflects a reduced benefit from FTRs, due to the crediting of certain FTRs allocated to Virginia Power against Virginia jurisdictional fuel factor expenses subject to deferral accounting beginning July 1, 2009.

Corporate and Other

Presented below are the Corporate and Other segment's after-tax results.

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Year Ended December 31, (millions)	2011	2010	2009
Specific items attributable to operating segments	\$ (268)	\$ (153)	\$ (430)
Other corporate operations		(2)	(2)
Total net expense	\$ (268)	\$ (155)	\$ (432)

SPECIFIC ITEMS ATTRIBUTABLE TO OPERATING SEGMENTS

Corporate and Other primarily includes specific items attributable to Virginia Power's primary operating segments that are not included in profit measures evaluated by executive management in assessing the segments' performance or allocating resources among the segments. See Note 26 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for a discussion of these items.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Dominion and Virginia Power depend on both internal and external sources of liquidity to provide working capital and to fund capital requirements. Short-term cash requirements not met by cash provided by operations are generally satisfied with proceeds from short-term borrowings. Long-term cash needs are met through issuances of debt and/or equity securities.

At December 31, 2011, Dominion had \$1.7 billion of unused capacity under its credit facilities, including \$341 million of unused capacity under joint credit facilities available to Virginia Power. See additional discussion under *Credit Facilities and Short-Term Debt*.

A summary of Dominion's cash flows is presented below:

Year Ended December 31, (millions)	2011	2010	2009
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year ⁽¹⁾	\$ 62	\$ 50	\$ 71
Cash flows provided by (used in):			
Operating activities	2,983	1,825	3,786
Investing activities	(3,321)	419	(3,695)
Financing activities	378	(2,232)	(112)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	40	12	(21)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year ⁽²⁾	\$ 102	\$ 62	\$ 50

(1) 2009 amount includes \$5 million of cash classified as held for sale in Dominion's Consolidated Balance Sheet.

(2) 2009 amount includes \$2 million of cash classified as held for sale in Dominion's Consolidated Balance Sheet.

A summary of Virginia Power's cash flows is presented below:

Year Ended December 31, (millions)	2011	2010	2009
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	\$ 5	\$ 19	\$ 27
Cash flows provided by (used in):			
Operating activities	2,024	1,409	1,970
Investing activities	(1,947)	(2,425)	(2,568)
Financing activities	(53)	1,002	590
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	24	(14)	(8)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 29	\$ 5	\$ 19

Operating Cash Flows

In 2011, net cash provided by Dominion's operating activities increased by \$1.2 billion, primarily due to lower income tax payments, lower payments related to the Virginia Settlement Approval Order, and the absence of contributions to pension plans made in 2010; partially offset by lower merchant generation margins and the impact of less favorable weather on electric utility operations.

In 2011, net cash provided by Virginia Power's operating activities increased by \$615 million, primarily due to higher deferred fuel cost recoveries in its Virginia jurisdiction, lower payments related to the Virginia Settlement Approval Order, and the absence of contributions to Dominion's pension plans made in 2010. The increase was partially offset by the impact of less favorable weather, higher restoration costs due to

Hurricane Irene, and net changes in other working capital items.

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Dominion believes that its operations provide a stable source of cash flow to contribute to planned levels of capital expenditures and maintain or grow the dividend on common shares. In 2010, Dominion's Board of Directors adopted a new dividend policy that raised its target payout ratio. In 2012, the Board affirmed the dividend policy and established an annual dividend rate of \$2.11 per share of common stock, a 7.1% increase over the 2011 rate. Declarations of dividends are subject to further Board approval. Virginia Power believes that its operations provide a stable source of cash flow to contribute to planned levels of capital expenditures and provide dividends to Dominion.

The Companies' operations are subject to risks and uncertainties that may negatively impact the timing or amounts of operating cash flows, and which are discussed in Item 1A. Risk Factors.

CREDIT RISK

Dominion's exposure to potential concentrations of credit risk results primarily from its energy marketing and price risk management activities. Presented below is a summary of Dominion's credit exposure as of December 31, 2011 for these activities. Gross credit exposure for each counterparty is calculated as outstanding receivables plus any unrealized on- or off-balance sheet exposure, taking into account contractual netting rights.

(millions)	Gross Credit Exposure	Credit Collateral	Net Credit Exposure
Investment grade ⁽¹⁾	\$ 349	\$ 30	\$ 319
Non-investment grade ⁽²⁾	4		4
No external ratings:			
Internally rated-investment grade ⁽³⁾	84		84
Internally rated-non-investment grade ⁽⁴⁾	97		97
Total	\$ 534	\$ 30	\$ 504

(1) Designations as investment grade are based upon minimum credit ratings assigned by Moody's and Standard & Poor's. The five largest counterparty exposures, combined, for this category represented approximately 33% of the total net credit exposure.

(2) The five largest counterparty exposures, combined, for this category represented approximately 1% of the total net credit exposure.

(3) The five largest counterparty exposures, combined, for this category represented approximately 8% of the total net credit exposure.

(4) The five largest counterparty exposures, combined, for this category represented approximately 12% of the total net credit exposure.

Virginia Power's exposure to potential concentrations of credit risk results primarily from sales to wholesale customers and was not considered material at December 31, 2011.

Investing Cash Flows

In 2011, net cash used in Dominion's investing activities was \$3.3 billion as compared to net cash provided by investing activities of \$419 million in 2010, primarily reflecting the absence of the proceeds received in 2010 from the sale of Dominion's Appalachian E&P operations and the sale of Peoples.

In 2011, net cash used in Virginia Power's investing activities decreased by \$478 million, primarily due to lower capital expenditures and restricted funds spent in 2011 as compared to restricted funds deposited in 2010 for the purpose of funding certain qualifying construction projects.

Financing Cash Flows and Liquidity

Dominion and Virginia Power rely on capital markets as significant sources of funding for capital requirements not satisfied by cash provided by their operations. As discussed in *Credit Ratings*, the Companies' ability to borrow funds or issue securities and the return demanded by investors are affected by credit ratings. In addition, the raising of external capital is subject to certain regulatory requirements, including registration with

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the SEC for certain issuances and, in the case of Virginia Power, approval by the Virginia Commission.

Each of the Companies currently meets the definition of a well-known seasoned issuer under SEC rules governing the registration, communications and offering processes under the Securities Act of 1933. The rules provide for a streamlined shelf registration process to provide registrants with timely access to capital. This allows the Companies to use automatic shelf registration statements to register any offering of securities, other than those for business combination transactions.

In 2011, net cash provided by Dominion's financing activities was \$378 million as compared to net cash used in financing activities of \$2.2 billion in 2010, primarily due to net debt issuances in 2011 as compared to net debt repayments in 2010, reflecting, in part, the use of proceeds in 2010 from the sales of Dominion's Appalachian E&P operations and Peoples to repay debt.

In 2011, net cash used in Virginia Power's financing activities was \$53 million as compared to net cash provided by financing activities of \$1.0 billion in 2010, primarily reflecting lower net debt issuances in 2011 as compared to 2010 as a result of higher cash flow from operations.

CREDIT FACILITIES AND SHORT-TERM DEBT

Dominion and Virginia Power use short-term debt to fund working capital requirements and as a bridge to long-term debt financings. The levels of borrowing may vary significantly during the course of the year, depending upon the timing and amount of cash requirements not satisfied by cash from operations. In addition, Dominion utilizes cash and letters of credit to fund collateral requirements. Collateral requirements are impacted by commodity prices, hedging levels, Dominion's credit ratings and the credit quality of its counterparties.

In connection with commodity hedging activities, the Companies are required to provide collateral to counterparties under some circumstances. Under certain collateral arrangements, the Companies may satisfy these requirements by electing to either deposit cash, post letters of credit or, in some cases, utilize other forms of security. From time to time, the Companies vary the form of collateral provided to counterparties after weighing the costs and benefits of various factors associated with the different forms of collateral. These factors include short-term borrowing and short-term investment rates, the spread over these short-term rates at which the Companies can issue commercial paper, balance sheet impacts, the costs and fees of alternative collateral postings with these and other counterparties and overall liquidity management objectives.

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DOMINION

Commercial paper and letters of credit outstanding, as well as capacity available under credit facilities, were as follows:

December 31, 2011 (millions)	Facility Limit	Outstanding Commercial Paper	Outstanding Letters of Credit	Facility Capacity Available
Joint revolving credit facility ⁽¹⁾	\$ 3,000	\$ 1,814	\$	\$ 1,186
Joint revolving credit facility ⁽²⁾	500		36	464
Total	\$ 3,500	\$ 1,814 ⁽³⁾	\$ 36	\$ 1,650

(1) This credit facility was entered into in September 2010 with an original maturity date of September 2013. Effective October 1, 2011, pricing was amended and the maturity date was extended to September 2016. This credit facility can be used to support bank borrowings and the issuance of commercial paper, as well as to support up to \$1.5 billion of letters of credit.

(2) This credit facility was entered into in September 2010 with an original maturity date of September 2013. Effective October 1, 2011, pricing was amended and the maturity date was extended to September 2016. This credit facility can be used to support bank borrowings, commercial paper and letter of credit issuances.

(3) The weighted-average interest rates of the outstanding commercial paper supported by Dominion's credit facilities were 0.47% at December 31, 2011.

VIRGINIA POWER

Virginia Power's short-term financing is supported by two joint revolving credit facilities with Dominion. These credit facilities are being used for working capital, as support for the combined commercial paper programs of Dominion and Virginia Power and for other general corporate purposes.

Virginia Power's share of commercial paper and letters of credit outstanding, as well as its capacity available under its joint credit facilities with Dominion, were as follows:

December 31, 2011 (millions)	Facility Sub-limit	Outstanding Commercial Paper	Outstanding Letters of Credit	Facility Sub-limit Capacity Available
Joint revolving credit facility ⁽¹⁾	\$ 1,000	\$ 894	\$	\$ 106
Joint revolving credit facility ⁽²⁾	250		15	235
Total	\$ 1,250	\$ 894 ⁽³⁾	\$ 15	\$ 341

(1) This credit facility was entered into in September 2010 with an original maturity date of September 2013. Effective October 1, 2011, pricing was amended and the maturity date was extended to September 2016. This credit facility can be used to support bank borrowings and the issuance of commercial paper, as well as to support up to \$1.5 billion (or the sub-limit, whichever is less) of letters of credit. Virginia Power's current sub-limit under this credit facility can be increased or decreased multiple times per year.

(2) This credit facility was entered into in September 2010 with an original maturity date of September 2013. Effective October 1, 2011, pricing was amended and the maturity date was extended to September 2016. This credit facility can be used to support bank borrowings, commercial paper and letter of credit issuances. Virginia Power's current sub-limit under this credit facility can be increased or decreased multiple times per year.

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(3) The weighted-average interest rates of the outstanding commercial paper supported by these credit facilities were 0.46% at December 31, 2011.

In addition to the credit facility commitments mentioned above, Virginia Power also has a \$120 million credit facility that

was entered into in September 2010 with an original maturity date of September 2013. Effective October 1, 2011, pricing was amended and the maturity date was extended to September 2016. This facility supports certain tax-exempt financings of Virginia Power.

LONG-TERM DEBT

During 2011, Dominion issued the following long-term debt:

Type	Principal (millions)	Rate	Maturity	Issuing Company
Senior notes	\$ 400	1.80%	2014	Dominion
Senior notes	450	1.95%	2016	Dominion
Senior notes	500	4.45%	2021	Dominion
Senior notes	500	4.90%	2041	Dominion
Total notes issued	\$ 1,850			

Virginia Power did not issue senior notes during 2011.

In December 2010, Brayton Point borrowed approximately \$160 million and approximately \$75 million in connection with the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency Recovery Zone Facility Bonds, Series 2010 A and the Solid Waste Disposal Revenue Bonds, Series 2010 B, respectively, which mature in 2041. The proceeds are being used to finance certain qualifying facilities at Brayton Point. Due to unfavorable market conditions, Dominion acquired the bonds upon issuance in December 2010 with the intention of remarketing them to third parties at a later time. At December 31, 2010, these bonds had not been remarketed and thus were not reflected on the Consolidated Balance Sheet. In July 2011, the Series 2010 B bonds were remarketed to a third party using a remarketing process, and bear interest at a variable rate for the first five years, after which they will bear interest at a market rate to be determined at that time. In August 2011, the Series 2010 A bonds were remarketed to third parties using a remarketing process, and bear interest at a coupon rate of 2.25% for the first five years, after which they will bear interest at a market rate to be determined at that time.

In December 2010 and September 2009, Virginia Power borrowed \$100 million and \$60 million, respectively, in connection with the \$160 million Industrial Development Authority of Wise County Solid Waste and Sewage Disposal Revenue Bonds, Series 2009 A, which mature in 2040. The proceeds are being used to finance certain qualifying facilities at the Virginia City Hybrid Energy Center. Due to unfavorable market conditions, Virginia Power acquired the bonds upon issuance with the intention of remarketing them to third parties at a later time. At December 31, 2010, these bonds had not been remarketed and thus were not reflected on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. In March 2011, the bonds were remarketed to a third party and bear interest at a variable rate for the first five years, after which they will bear interest at a market rate to be determined at that time.

In December 2011, Virginia Power borrowed \$75 million in connection with the Economic Development Authority of the County of Chesterfield Pollution Control Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2011 A, which mature in 2017 and bear interest during the initial period at a variable rate for the first five years, after which they will bear interest at a market rate to be determined at that time, using a remarketing process. The proceeds were used to refund the principal amount of the Industrial Development Authority of the County of Chesterfield, Virginia Money Market Municipals Pollution Control Revenue Bonds,

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Series 1987 A and Series 1987 B that would otherwise have matured in June 2017.

During 2011, Dominion and Virginia Power repaid and repurchased \$637 million and \$91 million, respectively, of long-term debt and notes payable.

ISSUANCE OF COMMON STOCK

Dominion maintains Dominion Direct® and a number of employee savings plans through which contributions may be invested in the Company's common stock. These shares may either be newly issued or purchased on the open market with proceeds contributed to these plans. During 2011, Dominion Direct® and the Dominion employee savings plans purchased Dominion common stock on the open market with the proceeds received through these programs, rather than having additional new common shares issued. In January 2012, Dominion began issuing new common shares for these plans.

During 2011, Dominion issued approximately 1.2 million shares of common stock and received cash proceeds of \$38 million through the exercise of employee stock options.

In January 2012, Dominion filed a new SEC shelf registration for the sale of debt and equity securities including the ability to sell common stock through an at the market program. The Company entered into four separate Sales Agency Agreements with each of BNY Mellon Capital Markets, LLC, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, and Goldman Sachs & Co., to effect sales under the program. However, with the exception of issuing approximately \$320 million in equity through employee savings plans, direct stock purchase and dividend reinvestment plans, and other employee and director benefit plans, Dominion does not anticipate issuing common stock in 2012.

In 2011, Virginia Power did not issue any shares of its common stock to Dominion.

REPURCHASE OF COMMON STOCK

In 2011, Dominion announced that it intended to repurchase between \$600 million and \$700 million of common stock with cash tax savings resulting from the extension of the bonus depreciation allowance. During 2011, Dominion repurchased approximately 13 million shares of common stock for approximately \$601 million on the open market under this program, at an average price of \$46.37 per share. Dominion does not plan to repurchase additional shares under this program during 2012.

BORROWINGS FROM PARENT

Virginia Power has the ability to borrow funds from Dominion under both short-term and long-term borrowing arrangements and at December 31, 2011, its nonregulated subsidiaries had outstanding borrowings, net of repayments, under the Dominion money pool of \$187 million.

Credit Ratings

Credit ratings are intended to provide banks and capital market participants with a framework for comparing the credit quality of securities and are not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities. Dominion and Virginia Power believe that their current credit ratings provide sufficient access to the capital markets. However, disruptions in the banking and capital markets not specifically related to Dominion and Virginia Power may affect their ability to access these funding sources or cause an increase in the return required by investors. Dominion's and Virginia Power's credit ratings may affect their liquidity, cost of borrowing

under credit facilities and collateral posting requirements under commodity contracts, as well as the rates at which they are able to offer their debt securities.

Both quantitative (financial strength) and qualitative (business or operating characteristics) factors are considered by the credit rating agencies in establishing an individual company's credit rating. Credit ratings should be evaluated independently and are subject to revision or withdrawal at

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any time by the assigning rating organization. The credit ratings for Dominion and Virginia Power are affected by each company's financial profile, mix of regulated and nonregulated businesses and respective cash flows, changes in methodologies used by the rating agencies and event risk, if applicable, such as major acquisitions or dispositions.

Credit ratings as of February 23, 2012 follow:

	Fitch	Moody's	Standard & Poor's
Dominion			
Senior unsecured debt securities	BBB+	Baa2	A-
Junior subordinated debt securities	BBB-	Baa3	BBB
Enhanced junior subordinated notes	BBB-	Baa3	BBB
Commercial paper	F2	P-2	A-2
Virginia Power			
Mortgage bonds	A	A1	A
Senior unsecured (including tax-exempt) debt securities	A-	A3	A-
Junior subordinated debt securities	BBB	Baa1	BBB
Preferred stock	BBB	Baa2	BBB
Commercial paper	F2	P-2	A-2

As of February 23, 2012, Fitch, Moody's and Standard & Poor's maintained a stable outlook for their respective ratings of Dominion and Virginia Power.

A downgrade in an individual company's credit rating would not necessarily restrict its ability to raise short-term and long-term financing as long as its credit rating remains investment grade, but it would likely increase the cost of borrowing. Dominion and Virginia Power work closely with Fitch, Moody's and Standard & Poor's with the objective of maintaining their current credit ratings. The Companies may find it necessary to modify their business plans to maintain or achieve appropriate credit ratings and such changes may adversely affect growth and EPS.

Debt Covenants

As part of borrowing funds and issuing debt (both short-term and long-term) or preferred securities, Dominion and Virginia Power must enter into enabling agreements. These agreements contain covenants that, in the event of default, could result in the acceleration of principal and interest payments; restrictions on distributions related to capital stock, including dividends, redemptions, repurchases, liquidation payments or guarantee payments; and in some cases, the termination of credit commitments unless a waiver of such requirements is agreed to by the lenders/security holders. These provisions are customary, with each agreement specifying which covenants apply. These provisions are not necessarily unique to Dominion and Virginia Power.

Some of the typical covenants include:

- The timely payment of principal and interest;
- Information requirements, including submitting financial reports filed with the SEC and information about changes in Dominion's and Virginia Power's credit ratings to lenders;
- Performance obligations, audits/inspections, continuation of the basic nature of business, restrictions on certain matters

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related to merger or consolidation, and restrictions on disposition of all or substantially all assets;
 Compliance with collateral minimums or requirements related to mortgage bonds; and
 Limitations on liens.

Dominion and Virginia Power are required to pay annual commitment fees to maintain their credit facilities. In addition, their credit agreements contain various terms and conditions that could affect their ability to borrow under these facilities. They include maximum debt to total capital ratios and cross-default provisions.

As of December 31, 2011, the calculated total debt to total capital ratio, pursuant to the terms of the agreements, was as follows:

Company	Maximum Allowed Ratio	Actual Ratio ⁽¹⁾
Dominion	65%	57%
Virginia Power	65%	47%

(1) Indebtedness as defined by the bank agreements excludes junior subordinated notes reflected as long-term debt as well as AOCI reflected as equity in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

These provisions apply separately to Dominion and Virginia Power. If Dominion or Virginia Power or any of either company's material subsidiaries fails to make payment on various debt obligations in excess of \$100 million, the lenders could require that company to accelerate its repayment of any outstanding borrowings under the credit facility and the lenders could terminate their commitment to lend funds to that company. Accordingly, any default by Dominion will not affect the lenders' commitment to Virginia Power. However, any default by Virginia Power would affect the lenders' commitment to Dominion under the joint credit agreements.

Dominion executed RCCs in connection with its issuance of the following hybrid securities:

June 2006 hybrids;
 September 2006 hybrids; and
 June 2009 hybrids.

See Note 18 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for terms of the RCCs.

At December 31, 2011, the termination dates and covered debt under the RCCs associated with Dominion's hybrids were as follows:

Hybrid	RCC Termination Date	Designated Covered Debt Under RCC
June 2006 hybrids	6/30/2036	September 2006 hybrids
September 2006 hybrids	9/30/2036	June 2006 hybrids
June 2009 hybrids	6/15/2034 ⁽¹⁾	2008 Series B Senior Notes, 7.0% due 2038

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(1) Automatically extended, as set forth in the RCC, for additional quarterly periods, to the extent the maturity date is extended.

Dominion and Virginia Power monitor the debt covenants on a regular basis in order to ensure that events of default will not occur. As of December 31, 2011, there have been no events of default under or changes to Dominion's or Virginia Power's debt covenants.

Dividend Restrictions

The Virginia Commission may prohibit any public service company, including Virginia Power, from declaring or paying a divi-

dend to an affiliate if found to be detrimental to the public interest. At December 31, 2011, the Virginia Commission had not restricted the payment of dividends by Virginia Power.

Certain agreements associated with Dominion's and Virginia Power's credit facilities contain restrictions on the ratio of debt to total capitalization. These limitations did not restrict Dominion or Virginia Power's ability to pay dividends or receive dividends from their subsidiaries at December 31, 2011.

See Note 18 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for a description of potential restrictions on dividend payments by Dominion in connection with the deferral of interest payments on junior subordinated notes, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

Future Cash Payments for Contractual Obligations and Planned Capital Expenditures

CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

Dominion and Virginia Power are party to numerous contracts and arrangements obligating them to make cash payments in future years. These contracts include financing arrangements such as debt agreements and leases, as well as contracts for the purchase of goods and services and financial derivatives. Presented below is a table summarizing cash payments that may result from contracts to which Dominion and Virginia Power are parties as of December 31, 2011. For purchase obligations and other liabilities, amounts are based upon contract terms, including fixed and minimum quantities to be purchased at fixed or market-based prices. Actual cash payments will be based upon actual quantities purchased and prices paid and will likely differ from amounts presented below. The table excludes all amounts classified as current liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheets, other than current maturities of long-term debt, interest payable and certain derivative instruments. The majority of Dominion's and Virginia Power's current liabilities will be paid in cash in 2012.

Dominion (millions)	2012	2013- 2014	2015- 2016	2017 and thereafter	Total
Long-term debt ⁽¹⁾	\$ 1,483	\$ 2,623	\$ 2,384	\$ 12,255	\$ 18,745
Interest payments ⁽²⁾	953	1,696	1,526	11,563	15,738
Leases ⁽³⁾	83	147	112	185	527
Purchase obligations ⁽⁴⁾ :					
Purchased electric capacity for utility operations	347	710	614	507	2,178
Fuel commitments for utility operations	872	970	415	275	2,532
Fuel commitments for nonregulated operations	202	191	140	183	716
Pipeline transportation and storage	158	211	105	219	693
Energy commodity purchases for resale ⁽⁵⁾	289	52	18	99	458
Other ⁽⁶⁾	501	47	9	21	578
Other long-term liabilities ⁽⁷⁾ :					
Financial derivative-commodities ⁽⁵⁾	79	83	5	1	168
Other contractual obligations ⁽⁸⁾	22	32	68	3	125
Total cash payments	\$ 4,989	\$ 6,762	\$ 5,396	\$ 25,311	\$ 42,458

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- (1) Based on stated maturity dates rather than the earlier redemption dates that could be elected by instrument holders.
- (2) Includes interest payments over the terms of the debt. Interest is calculated using the applicable interest rate or forward interest rate curve at December 31, 2011 and outstanding principal for each instrument with the terms ending at each instrument's stated maturity. See Note 18 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. Does not reflect Dominion's ability to defer interest payments on junior subordinated notes.
- (3) Primarily consists of operating leases.
- (4) Amounts exclude open purchase orders for services that are provided on demand, the timing of which cannot be determined.
- (5) Represents the summation of settlement amounts, by contracts, due from Dominion if all physical or financial transactions among its counterparties and Dominion were liquidated and terminated.
- (6) Includes capital, operations, and maintenance commitments.
- (7) Excludes regulatory liabilities, AROs and employee benefit plan obligations, which are not contractually fixed as to timing and amount. See Notes 13, 15 and 22 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. Due to uncertainty about the timing and amounts that will ultimately be paid, \$256 million of income taxes payable associated with unrecognized tax benefits are excluded. Deferred income taxes are also excluded since cash payments are based primarily on taxable income for each discrete fiscal year. See Note 6 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.
- (8) Includes interest rate swap agreements.

Virginia Power (millions)	2012	2013- 2014	2015- 2016	2017 and thereafter	Total
Long-term debt ⁽¹⁾	\$ 616	\$ 435	\$ 704	\$ 5,111	\$ 6,866
Interest payments ⁽²⁾	373	647	609	4,094	5,723
Leases ⁽³⁾	28	50	33	29	140
Purchase obligations ⁽⁴⁾ :					
Purchased electric capacity for utility operations	347	710	614	507	2,178
Fuel commitments for utility operations	872	970	415	275	2,532
Transportation and storage	17	29	14	28	88
Other	218	13	3	12	246
Total cash payments ⁽⁵⁾	\$ 2,471	\$ 2,854	\$ 2,392	\$ 10,056	\$ 17,773

- (1) Based on stated maturity dates rather than the earlier redemption dates that could be elected by instrument holders.
- (2) Includes interest payments over the terms of the debt. Interest is calculated using the applicable interest rate or forward interest rate curve at December 31, 2011 and outstanding principal for each instrument with the terms ending at each instrument's stated maturity. See Note 18 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.
- (3) Primarily consists of operating leases.
- (4) Amounts exclude open purchase orders for services that are provided on demand, the timing of which cannot be determined.
- (5) Excludes regulatory liabilities, AROs and employee benefit plan contributions that are not contractually fixed as to timing and amount. See Notes 13, 15 and 22 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. Due to uncertainty about the timing and amounts that will ultimately be paid, \$75 million of income taxes payable associated with unrecognized tax benefits are excluded. Deferred income taxes are also excluded since cash payments are based primarily on taxable income for each discrete fiscal year. See Note 6 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

PLANNED CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

Dominion's planned capital expenditures are expected to total approximately \$4.3 billion, \$4.8 billion and \$3.9 billion in 2012, 2013 and 2014, respectively. Dominion's expenditures are expected to include construction and expansion of electric generation and natural gas transmission, processing, and storage facilities, construction improvements and expansion of electric transmission and distribution assets, purchases of nuclear fuel and the buyout of the lease at Fairless in 2013.

Virginia Power's planned capital expenditures are expected to total approximately \$2.6 billion, \$3.0 billion and \$2.6 billion in 2012, 2013 and 2014, respectively. Virginia Power's expenditures are expected to include construction and expansion of electric generation facilities, construction improvements and expansion of electric transmission and distribution assets and purchases of nuclear fuel.

Dominion and Virginia Power expect to fund their capital expenditures with cash from operations and a combination of securities issuances and short-term borrowings. Planned capital expenditures include capital projects that are subject to approval by regulators and the respective company's Board of Directors.

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Based on available generation capacity and current estimates of growth in customer demand, Virginia Power will need additional generation in the future. See *DVP, Dominion Generation* and *Dominion Energy-Properties* in Item 1. Business for a discussion of Dominion's and Virginia Power's expansion plans.

These estimates are based on a capital expenditures plan reviewed and endorsed by Dominion's Board of Directors in late 2011 and are subject to continuing review and adjustment and actual capital expenditures may vary from these estimates. The Companies may also choose to postpone or cancel certain planned capital expenditures in order to mitigate the need for future debt financings and equity issuances.

Use of Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

GUARANTEES

Dominion primarily enters into guarantee arrangements on behalf of its consolidated subsidiaries. These arrangements are not subject to the provisions of FASB guidance that dictate a guarantor's accounting and disclosure requirements for guarantees, including indirect guarantees of indebtedness of others. See Note 23 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information, which information is incorporated herein by reference.

LEASING ARRANGEMENT

Dominion leases the Fairless generating facility in Pennsylvania from Juniper, the lessor, which began commercial operations in June 2004.

Through September 30, 2011, Juniper held various power plant leases, including Fairless. In October 2011, the last lease other than Fairless expired and the related asset was sold by Juniper. With Fairless being its sole remaining asset, Juniper no longer qualified for the business scope exception as of October 2011, which required that Dominion determine whether Juniper is a VIE. Dominion concluded Juniper is a VIE because the entity's capitalization is insufficient to support its operations, the power to direct the most significant activities of the entity are not performed by the equity holders, and Dominion, through its residual value guarantee discussed above, guarantees a portion of the residual value of Fairless. The activities that most significantly impact Juniper's economic performance relate to the operation of Fairless. The decisions related to the operations of Fairless are made by Dominion and as such, Dominion is considered the primary beneficiary.

As the primary beneficiary, Dominion began consolidating Juniper in the fourth quarter of 2011. As a result, this leasing arrangement is no longer considered an off-balance sheet arrangement.

See Note 16 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information.

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FUTURE ISSUES AND OTHER MATTERS

See Item 1. Business, Item 3. Legal Proceedings, and Notes 14 and 23 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information on various environmental, regulatory, legal and other matters that may impact future results of operations and/or financial condition.

Environmental Matters

Dominion and Virginia Power are subject to costs resulting from a number of federal, state and local laws and regulations designed to protect human health and the environment. These laws and regulations affect future planning and existing operations. They can result in increased capital, operating and other costs as a result of compliance, remediation, containment and monitoring obligations.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND MONITORING EXPENDITURES

Dominion incurred approximately \$184 million, \$228 million and \$252 million of expenses (including depreciation) during 2011, 2010, and 2009 respectively, in connection with environmental protection and monitoring activities and expects these expenses to be approximately \$223 million and \$250 million in 2012 and 2013, respectively. In addition, capital expenditures related to environmental controls were \$403 million, \$351 million, and \$266 million for 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively. These expenditures are expected to be approximately \$228 million and \$103 million for 2012 and 2013, respectively.

Virginia Power incurred approximately \$129 million, \$144 million and \$134 million of expenses (including depreciation) during 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively, in connection with environmental protection and monitoring activities and expects these expenses to be approximately \$149 million and \$164 million in 2012 and 2013, respectively. In addition, capital expenditures related to environmental controls were \$77 million, \$101 million and \$109 million for 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively. These expenditures are expected to be approximately \$42 million and \$65 million for 2012 and 2013, respectively.

FUTURE ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS

Air

The CAA is a comprehensive program utilizing a broad range of regulatory tools to protect and preserve the nation's air quality. At a minimum, states are required to establish regulatory programs to address all requirements of the CAA. However, states may choose to develop regulatory programs that are more restrictive. Many of Dominion's and Virginia Power's facilities are subject to the CAA's permitting and other requirements.

The EPA has finalized rules establishing a new 1-hour NAAQS for NO₂ and a new 1-hour NAAQS for SO₂, which could require additional NO_x and SO₂ controls in certain areas where the Companies operate. Until the states have developed implementation plans for these standards, the impact on Dominion's or Virginia Power's facilities that emit NO_x and SO₂ is uncertain.

In January 2010, the EPA also proposed a new, more stringent NAAQS for ozone and had planned to finalize the rule in 2011. In September 2011, the EPA announced a delay from 2011 to 2014 of the rulemaking, therefore NO_x controls that may have

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been required by the rulemaking are also expected to be delayed. However, the EPA's decision to delay the rulemaking has been challenged in federal court and the length of delay in possible NO_x controls, if any, will depend on the outcome of that litigation. In the interim, the EPA is proceeding with implementation of the current ozone standard and is expected to make final attainment/nonattainment designations by June 2012. Until the litigation is final and the states have developed implementation plans for the new NO_x, SO₂ and ozone standards, it is not possible to determine the impact on Dominion's or Virginia Power's facilities that emit NO_x and SO₂. The Companies cannot currently predict with certainty whether or to what extent the new rules will ultimately require additional controls, however, if significant expenditures are required, it could adversely affect Dominion's results of operations, and Dominion's and Virginia Power's cash flows.

In June 2005, the EPA finalized amendments to the Regional Haze Rule, also known as the Clean Air Visibility Rule. The rule requires the states to implement Best Available Retrofit Technology requirements for sources to address impacts to visual air quality through regional haze state implementation plans, but allows other alternative options. The EPA has recently announced a schedule to complete rulemakings on regional haze state implementation plans during 2012. Although Dominion and Virginia Power anticipate that the emission reductions achieved through compliance with other CAA required programs will generally address this rule, additional emission reduction requirements may be imposed on the Companies' facilities.

Water

The CWA is a comprehensive program requiring a broad range of regulatory tools including a permit program to authorize and regulate discharges to surface waters with strong enforcement mechanisms. Dominion and Virginia Power must comply with all aspects of the CWA programs at their operating facilities. In July 2004, the EPA published regulations under CWA Section 316(b) that govern existing utilities that employ a cooling water intake structure and that have flow levels exceeding a minimum threshold. In April 2008, the U.S. Supreme Court granted an industry request to review the question of whether Section 316(b) authorizes the EPA to compare costs with benefits in determining the best technology available for minimizing adverse environmental impact at cooling water intake structures. The U.S. Supreme Court ruled in April 2009 that the EPA has the authority to consider costs versus environmental benefits in selecting the best technology available for reducing impacts of cooling water intakes at power stations. It is currently unknown how the EPA will interpret the ruling in its ongoing rulemaking activity addressing cooling water intakes as well as how the states will implement this decision. In April 2011, the EPA published the proposed rule related to Section 316(b) in the Federal Register, and agreed to publish a final rule no later than July 27, 2012.

The rule in its proposed form seeks to establish a uniform national standard for impingement, but forgoes the creation of a single technology standard for entrainment. Instead, the EPA proposes to delegate entrainment technology decisions to state regulators. State regulators are to make case-by-case entrainment technology determinations after an examination of nine facility-specific factors, including a social cost-benefit test.

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The proposed rule governs all electric generating stations with water withdrawals above two MGD, with a heightened entrainment analysis for those facilities over 125 MGD. Under this proposal, Dominion has 18 facilities that may be subject to these proposed regulations. If finalized as proposed, Dominion anticipates that it will have to install impingement control technologies at many of these stations that have once-through cooling systems. Dominion and Virginia Power cannot estimate the need or potential for entrainment controls under the proposed rule as these decisions will be made on a case-by-case basis after a thorough review of detailed biological, technology, cost and benefit studies. However, the impacts of this proposed rule may be material to results of operations, financial condition, and/or cash flows.

Solid and Hazardous Waste

In June 2010, the EPA proposed federal regulations under the RCRA for management of coal combustion by-products generated by power plants. The EPA is considering two possible options for the regulation of coal combustion by-products, both of which fall under the RCRA. Under the first proposal, the EPA would classify these by-products as special wastes subject to regulation under subtitle C, the hazardous waste provisions of the RCRA, when destined for disposal at landfills or surface impoundments. Under the second proposal, the EPA would regulate coal combustion by-products under subtitle D of the RCRA, the section for non-hazardous wastes. While the Companies cannot currently predict the outcome of this matter, regulation under either option will affect Dominion's and Virginia Power's onsite disposal facilities and coal combustion by-product management practices, and potentially require material investments.

Climate Change Legislation and Regulation

In December 2009, the EPA issued their *Final Endangerment and Cause or Contribute Findings for Greenhouse Gases under Section 202(a) of the Clean Air Act*, finding that GHGs endanger both the public health and the public welfare of current and future generations. On April 1, 2010, the EPA and the Department of Transportation's National Highway Safety Administration announced a joint final rule establishing a program that will dramatically reduce GHG emissions and improve fuel economy for new cars and trucks sold in the United States. These rules took effect in January 2011 and established GHG emissions as regulated pollutants under the CAA.

In May 2010, the EPA issued the *Final Prevention of Significant Deterioration and Title V Greenhouse Gas Tailoring Rule* that, combined with prior actions, require Dominion and Virginia Power to obtain permits for GHG emissions for new and modified facilities over certain size thresholds, and meet best available control technology for GHG emissions. The EPA has issued draft guidance for GHG permitting, including best available control technology. The EPA has also announced a schedule for proposing standards to regulate GHG emissions under the NSPS that would apply to new, modified and existing fossil-fired electric generating units. In August 2011, the EPA announced a delay in the schedule for proposing these regulations. Regulations were expected to be proposed by July 2011 and finalized by May 2012. The schedule for a proposed rulemaking governing a GHG

NSPS for existing sources is now delayed beyond January 2012, while a proposed NSPS governing new and modified units is expected to be released in early 2012.

There are other legislative proposals that may be considered that would have an indirect impact on GHG emissions. There is the potential for the U.S. Congress to consider a mandatory Clean Energy Standard. In addition to possible federal action, some regions and states in which Dominion and Virginia Power operate have already adopted or may adopt GHG emission reduction programs. Any of these new or contemplated regulations may affect capital costs, or create significant permitting delays, for new or modified facilities that emit GHGs.

In July 2008, Massachusetts passed the GWSA. Among other provisions, the GWSA sets economy-wide GHG emissions reduction goals for Massachusetts, including reductions of 25% below 1990 levels by 2020, interim goals for 2030 and 2040 and reductions of 80% below 1990 levels by 2050. No regulations impacting Dominion under the GWSA have been proposed. Dominion operates two coal/oil-fired generating power stations in Massachusetts and acts as a retail electric supplier in Massachusetts, all of which are subject to the implementation of the GWSA.

In December 2009, the governors of 11 Northeast and mid-Atlantic states, including Connecticut, Maryland, Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, and Rhode Island (RGGI states plus Pennsylvania) signed a memorandum of understanding committing their states toward developing a low carbon fuel standard to reduce GHG emissions from vehicles. The memorandum of understanding established a process to develop a regional framework by 2011 and examine the economic impacts of a low carbon fuel standard program. Although economic studies and policy options were examined in 2011, a definitive framework has yet to be established.

Dodd-Frank Act

The Dodd-Frank Act was enacted into law in July 2010 in an effort to improve regulation of financial markets. The Dodd-Frank Act includes provisions that will require certain over-the-counter derivatives, or swaps, to be centrally cleared and executed through an exchange or other approved trading platform. Non-financial entities that use swaps to hedge or mitigate commercial risk, often referred to as end users, can choose to exempt their hedging transactions from these clearing and exchange trading requirements. In addition, the Dodd-Frank Act allows applicable regulators, including the CFTC and SEC, to impose initial and variation margin requirements on entities who execute swaps. End users were not expressly exempted from these requirements for non-cleared swaps and rules have been proposed that address the margin obligations to be imposed on non-cleared swaps entered with end users. Final rules for the over-the-counter derivative-related provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act, including the clearing, exchange trading and margin requirements, will be established through the ongoing rulemaking process of the applicable regulators. In June 2011, both the CFTC and the SEC confirmed that they would not complete the required rulemakings by the July 2011 deadline under the Dodd-Frank Act. Each agency has granted temporary relief from most derivative-related provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act until the effective date of the applicable rules. Currently, the CFTC's temporary relief

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would expire no later than July 16, 2012, if not extended. If, as a result of the rulemaking process, Dominion's or Virginia Power's derivative activities are not exempted from the clearing, exchange trading or margin requirements, the Companies could be subject to higher costs, including from higher margin requirements, for their derivative activities. In addition, implementation of, and compliance with, the over-the-counter derivative provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act by the Companies' swap counterparties could result in increased costs related to the Companies' derivative activities. Due to the ongoing rulemaking process, the Companies are currently unable to assess the potential impact of the Dodd-Frank Act's derivative-related provisions on their financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

Nuclear Matters

In March 2011, a magnitude 9.0 earthquake and subsequent tsunami caused significant damage at the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power station in northeast Japan. These events have resulted in significant nuclear safety reviews required by the NRC and industry groups such as INPO. Like other U.S. nuclear operators, Dominion has been gathering supporting data and participating in industry initiatives focused on the ability to respond to and mitigate the consequences of design-basis and beyond-design-basis events at its stations. In July 2011, an NRC Task Force provided initial recommendations based on its review of the Fukushima Daiichi accident; and in October 2011, the NRC Staff provided its views on the prioritization of these recommendations and suggested several additional measures. In December 2011, the NRC Commissioners approved the agency staff's prioritization and recommendations; and that same month an Appropriations Act directed the NRC to require reevaluation of external hazards (not limited to seismic and flooding hazards) as expeditiously as possible. The NRC anticipates issuance of orders and information requests requiring specific reviews and actions by the first anniversary of the earthquake and tsunami in March 2012. These actions, if adopted, could require nuclear plant modifications and may impact future operations and/or capital requirements at U.S. nuclear facilities, including those owned by Dominion and Virginia Power.

In August 2011, a magnitude 5.8 earthquake near Mineral, Virginia caused the two reactors at North Anna to shut down immediately, as designed. Some of the earthquake's vibrations briefly exceeded North Anna's licensing design basis at certain frequencies, however, Virginia Power's inspections have shown no significant damage to equipment at the station from the earthquake. The reactors were placed in cold shutdown condition pending completion of NRC inspection and review. North Anna returned to full service in November 2011, following receipt of NRC approval to restart the two reactors.

Cove Point Export and Re-Export Projects

In September 2011, Cove Point filed the first part of a two-part domestic export authorization request with the DOE. The DOE approved the request in October 2011. The approval allows for long-term, multi-contract authority to liquefy for export domestically-produced LNG from the Cove Point terminal up to the equivalent of approximately 1 bcf of natural gas per day over a twenty-five year period. The approval also allows for Cove Point to act as an agent for third parties to liquefy for export domestically-produced LNG to other countries that (i) have a free

trade agreement with the U.S. that includes natural gas, and (ii) possess the capacity to import LNG via ocean-going carriers.

Cove Point filed the second part of the domestic export authorization application in October 2011. In the application, Cove Point requested authority to export domestically-produced LNG to other countries (i) with which the U.S. does not prohibit free trade, but does not have a free trade agreement that includes natural gas, and (ii) that possess the capacity to import LNG via ocean-going carriers.

Cove Point is not yet committed to operating an LNG export facility. Cove Point intends to secure customer commitments before deciding whether to proceed, and regulatory approvals will also be required. Subject to a final decision on pursuing the project, as well as securing applicable regulatory and other approvals, construction of liquefaction facilities to convert natural gas into LNG could begin in 2014.

In addition to the domestic export project, in August 2011, Cove Point filed an application with the DOE seeking blanket authority to re-export foreign-sourced LNG from the Cove Point terminal. In January 2012, the DOE approved the request to re-export up to the equivalent of 150 bcf of natural gas over a two-year period. The approval allows Cove Point to act as an agent for third parties to re-export LNG to other countries (i) other than those with which the U.S. prohibits free trade, and (ii) that possess the capacity to import LNG via ocean-going carriers. Cove

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Point must also obtain FERC approval prior to undertaking the minimal construction required for re-export.

Brayton Point and Salem Harbor CAA Section 114 Request

In May 2010, Dominion received a request for information pursuant to Section 114 of the CAA from the EPA. The request concerns historical operating changes and capital improvements undertaken at Brayton Point and Salem Harbor. Dominion submitted its response to the request in November 2010 and cannot predict the outcome of this matter.

Pipeline Safety Act

In January 2012, the Pipeline Safety Act was signed into law. The Pipeline Safety Act is intended to address pipeline safety issues that received national attention following a series of significant incidents involving pipelines. The Act provides the U.S. DOT with enhanced safety review authority and requires pipeline owners and operators to confirm, through records or testing, the maximum allowable operating pressure of certain gas pipelines in populated or certain high consequence areas. Operators that fail to confirm the maximum allowable operating pressure for the

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identified locations within six months of enactment must conduct new testing. The Pipeline Safety Act also requires the U.S. DOT Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration to consider certain factors and, if appropriate, to issue regulations requiring automatic shut-off valves on new or replaced pipelines where economically, technically and operationally feasible and to establish time limits for accident and incident notification. In addition, the Act doubles the maximum civil penalty for violations of the U.S. DOT's compliance and safety rules from \$100,000 to \$200,000 for an individual violation and from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000 for a series of violations. While Dominion cannot estimate the potential financial statement impacts of the Pipeline Safety Act, additional operations and maintenance expenses and/or capital expenditures required to comply with the new rules are not expected to be material.

Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

The matters discussed in this Item may contain forward-looking statements as described in the introductory paragraphs of Item 7. MD&A. The reader's attention is directed to those paragraphs and Item 1A. Risk Factors for discussion of various risks and uncertainties that may impact Dominion and Virginia Power.

MARKET RISK SENSITIVE INSTRUMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

Dominion's and Virginia Power's financial instruments, commodity contracts and related financial derivative instruments are exposed to potential losses due to adverse changes in commodity prices, interest rates and equity security prices as described below. Commodity price risk is present in Dominion's and Virginia Power's electric operations, Dominion's gas procurement operations, and Dominion's energy marketing and trading operations due to the exposure to market shifts in prices received and paid for electricity, natural gas and other commodities. The Companies use commodity derivative contracts to manage price risk exposures for these operations. Interest rate risk is generally related to their outstanding debt. In addition, they are exposed to investment price risk through various portfolios of equity and debt securities.

The following sensitivity analysis estimates the potential loss of future earnings or fair value from market risk sensitive instruments over a selected time period due to a 10% unfavorable change in commodity prices or interest rates.

Commodity Price Risk

To manage price risk, Dominion and Virginia Power primarily hold commodity-based financial derivative instruments held for non-trading purposes associated with purchases and sales of electricity, natural gas and other energy-related products. As part of its strategy to market energy and to manage related risks, Dominion also holds commodity-based financial derivative instruments for trading purposes.

The derivatives used to manage commodity price risk are executed within established policies and procedures and may

include instruments such as futures, forwards, swaps, options and FTRs that are sensitive to changes in the related commodity prices. For sensitivity analysis purposes, the hypothetical change in market prices of commodity-based financial derivative instruments is determined based on models that consider the market prices of commodities in future periods, the volatility of the market prices in each period, as well as the time value factors of the derivative instruments. Prices and volatility are principally determined based on observable market prices.

A hypothetical 10% unfavorable change in commodity prices of Dominion's non-trading commodity-based financial derivative instruments would have resulted in a decrease in fair value of approximately \$179 million and \$183 million as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

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A hypothetical 10% unfavorable change in commodity prices of Dominion's commodity-based financial derivative instruments held for trading purposes would have resulted in a decrease in fair value of approximately \$8 million and \$5 million as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

A hypothetical 10% unfavorable change in commodity prices would not have resulted in a material change in the fair value of Virginia Power's non-trading commodity-based financial derivatives as of December 31, 2011 or 2010.

The impact of a change in energy commodity prices on Dominion's and Virginia Power's non-trading commodity-based financial derivative instruments at a point in time is not necessarily representative of the results that will be realized when the contracts are ultimately settled. Net losses from commodity derivative instruments used for hedging purposes, to the extent realized, will generally be offset by recognition of the hedged transaction, such as revenue from physical sales of the commodity.

Interest Rate Risk

Dominion and Virginia Power manage their interest rate risk exposure predominantly by maintaining a balance of fixed and variable rate debt. They also enter into interest rate sensitive derivatives, including interest rate swaps and interest rate lock agreements. For financial instruments designated under fair value hedging and outstanding for Dominion and Virginia Power, a hypothetical 10% increase in market interest rates would not have resulted in a material change in annual earnings as of December 31, 2011 or 2010.

Dominion and Virginia Power may also use forward-starting interest rate swaps and interest rate lock agreements as anticipatory hedges. At December 31, 2010, Dominion and Virginia Power had no such interest rate derivatives outstanding; therefore, Dominion and Virginia Power had no sensitivity to changes in interest rates related to these interest rate derivatives. At December 31, 2011, Dominion and Virginia Power had \$2.3 billion and \$1.3 billion, respectively, in aggregate notional amounts of these interest rate derivatives outstanding. A hypothetical 10% decrease in market interest rates would have resulted in a decrease of approximately \$31 million and \$15 million, respectively, in the fair value of these interest rate derivatives held by Dominion and Virginia Power at December 31, 2011.

The impact of a change in market interest rates on these anticipatory hedges at a point in time is not necessarily representative of the results that will be realized when such contracts are settled. Net gains and/or losses from interest rate derivatives used for

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anticipatory hedging purposes, to the extent realized, will generally be amortized over the life of the respective debt issuance being hedged.

Investment Price Risk

Dominion and Virginia Power are subject to investment price risk due to securities held as investments in decommissioning and rabbi trust funds that are managed by third-party investment managers. These trust funds primarily hold marketable securities that are reported in the Consolidated Balance Sheets at fair value.

Dominion recognized net realized gains (including investment income) on nuclear decommissioning and rabbi trust investments of \$54 million and \$95 million in 2011 and 2010, respectively. Net realized gains and losses include gains and losses from the sale of investments as well as any other-than-temporary declines in fair value. In 2011 and 2010, Dominion recorded, in AOCI and regulatory liabilities, a net increase in unrealized gains on these investments of \$52 million and \$182 million, respectively.

Virginia Power recognized net realized gains (including investment income) on nuclear decommissioning trust investments of \$24 million and \$44 million in 2011 and 2010, respectively. Net realized gains and losses include gains and losses from the sale of investments as well as any other-than-temporary declines in fair value. In 2011 and 2010, Virginia Power recorded, in AOCI and regulatory liabilities, a net increase in unrealized gains on these investments of \$25 million and \$67 million, respectively.

Dominion sponsors pension and other postretirement benefit plans that hold investments in trusts to fund employee benefit payments. Virginia Power employees participate in these plans. Aggregate actual returns for Dominion's pension and other post-

retirement plan assets were \$273 million in 2011 and \$624 million in 2010, versus expected returns of \$519 million and \$479 million, respectively. Differences between actual and expected returns on plan assets are accumulated and amortized during future periods. As such, any investment-related declines in these trusts will result in future increases in the periodic cost recognized for employee benefit plans and will be included in the determination of the amount of cash to be contributed to the employee benefit plans. As of December 31, 2011 and 2010, a hypothetical 0.25% decrease in the assumed long-term rates of return on Dominion's plan assets would result in an increase in net periodic cost of approximately \$13 million for pension benefits and \$3 million for other postretirement benefits.

Risk Management Policies

Dominion and Virginia Power have established operating procedures with corporate management to ensure that proper internal controls are maintained. In addition, Dominion has established an independent function at the corporate level to monitor compliance with the credit and commodity risk management policies of all subsidiaries, including Virginia Power. Dominion maintains credit policies that include the evaluation of a prospective counterparty's financial condition, collateral requirements where deemed necessary and the use of standardized agreements that facilitate the netting of cash flows associated with a single counterparty. In addition, Dominion also monitors the financial condition of existing counterparties on an ongoing basis. Based on these credit policies and Dominion's and Virginia Power's December 31, 2011 provision for credit losses, management believes that it is unlikely that a material adverse effect on Dominion's or Virginia Power's financial position, results of operations or cash flows would occur as a result of counterparty nonperformance.

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of

Dominion Resources, Inc.

Richmond, Virginia

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Dominion Resources, Inc. and subsidiaries (Dominion) as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and the related consolidated statements of income, equity, comprehensive income, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2011. These financial statements are the responsibility of Dominion s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

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

In our opinion, such consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Dominion Resources, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2011, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As discussed in Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements, in 2009 Dominion changed its methods of accounting to adopt a new accounting standard for the impairment framework for oil and gas properties.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), Dominion s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2011, based on the criteria established in *Internal Control Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated February 27, 2012 expressed an unqualified opinion on Dominion s internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP

Richmond, Virginia

February 27, 2012

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Dominion Resources, Inc.

Consolidated Statements of Income

Year Ended December 31, (millions, except per share amounts)	2011	2010	2009
Operating Revenue	\$ 14,379	\$ 15,197	\$ 14,798
Operating Expenses			
Electric fuel and other energy-related purchases	4,194	4,150	4,285
Purchased electric capacity	454	453	411
Purchased gas	1,764	2,050	2,200
Other operations and maintenance	3,483	3,724	3,712
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	1,069	1,055	1,138
Other taxes	554	532	483
Total operating expenses	11,518	11,964	12,229
Gain on sale of Appalachian E&P operations		2,467	
Income from operations	2,861	5,700	2,569
Other income	179	169	194
Interest and related charges	869	832	889
Income from continuing operations including noncontrolling interests before income taxes	2,171	5,037	1,874
Income tax expense	745	2,057	596
Income from continuing operations including noncontrolling interests	1,426	2,980	1,278
Income (loss) from discontinued operations ⁽¹⁾		(155)	26
Net income including noncontrolling interests	1,426	2,825	1,304
Noncontrolling interests	18	17	17
Net income attributable to Dominion	1,408	2,808	1,287
Amounts attributable to Dominion:			
Income from continuing operations, net of tax	1,408	2,963	1,261
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax		(155)	26
Net income	1,408	2,808	1,287
Earnings Per Common Share-Basic:			
Income from continuing operations	\$ 2.46	\$ 5.03	\$ 2.13
Income (loss) from discontinued operations		(0.26)	0.04
Net income	\$ 2.46	\$ 4.77	\$ 2.17
Earnings Per Common Share-Diluted:			
Income from continuing operations	\$ 2.45	\$ 5.02	\$ 2.13
Income (loss) from discontinued operations		(0.26)	0.04
Net income	\$ 2.45	\$ 4.76	\$ 2.17
Dividends paid per common share	\$ 1.97	\$ 1.83	\$ 1.75

(1) Includes income tax expense of \$21 million and \$16 million in 2010 and 2009, respectively.
The accompanying notes are an integral part of Dominion's Consolidated Financial Statements.

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Dominion Resources, Inc.

Consolidated Balance Sheets

At December 31, (millions)	2011	2010
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 102	\$ 62
Customer receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$29 and \$26)	1,780	2,158
Other receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$8 and \$9)	255	88
Inventories:		
Materials and supplies	641	609
Fossil fuel	541	354
Gas stored	166	200
Derivative assets	705	739
Margin deposit assets	319	244
Regulatory assets	541	407
Prepayments	262	277
Other	118	262
Total current assets	5,430	5,400
Investments		
Nuclear decommissioning trust funds	2,999	2,897
Investment in equity method affiliates	553	571
Restricted cash equivalents	141	400
Other	292	283
Total investments	3,985	4,151
Property, Plant and Equipment		
Property, plant and equipment	42,033	39,855
Property, plant and equipment, VIE	957	
Accumulated depreciation, depletion and amortization	(13,320)	(13,142)
Total property, plant and equipment, net	29,670	26,713
Deferred Charges and Other Assets		
Goodwill	3,141	3,141
Pension and other postretirement benefit assets	681	712
Intangible assets	637	642
Regulatory assets	1,382	1,446
Other	688	612
Total deferred charges and other assets	6,529	6,553
Total assets	\$ 45,614	\$ 42,817

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At December 31, (millions)	2011	2010
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Current Liabilities		
Securities due within one year	\$ 1,479	\$ 497
Short-term debt	1,814	1,386
Accounts payable	1,250	1,562
Accrued interest, payroll and taxes	648	849
Derivative liabilities	951	633
Regulatory liabilities	243	135
Accrued severance	30	132
Other	547	579
Total current liabilities	6,962	5,773
Long-Term Debt		
Long-term debt	14,785	14,023
Long-term debt, VIE	890	
Junior subordinated notes payable to affiliates	268	268
Enhanced junior subordinated notes	1,451	1,467
Total long-term debt	17,394	15,758
Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities		
Deferred income taxes and investment tax credits	5,216	4,708
Asset retirement obligations	1,383	1,577
Pension and other postretirement benefit liabilities	962	765
Regulatory liabilities	1,324	1,392
Other	613	590
Total deferred credits and other liabilities	9,498	9,032
Total liabilities	33,854	30,563
Commitments and Contingencies (see Note 23)		
Subsidiary Preferred Stock Not Subject To Mandatory Redemption	257	257
Equity		
Common stock-no par ⁽¹⁾	5,180	5,715
Other paid-in capital	179	194
Retained earnings	6,697	6,418
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(610)	(330)
Total common shareholders' equity	11,446	11,997
Noncontrolling interest	57	
Total equity	11,503	11,997
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 45,614	\$ 42,817

(1) 1 billion shares authorized; 570 million shares and 581 million shares outstanding at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The accompanying notes are an integral part of Dominion's Consolidated Financial Statements.

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Dominion Resources, Inc.

Consolidated Statements of Equity

(millions)	Common Stock		Other Paid-In Capital	Dominion Shareholders Accumulated		Total Common Shareholders Equity	Noncontrolling Interests	Total Equity
	Shares	Amount		Retained Earnings	Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)			
December 31, 2008	583	\$ 5,994	\$ 182	\$ 4,170	\$ (269)	\$ 10,077	\$	\$ 10,077
Net income including noncontrolling interests				1,304		1,304		1,304
Issuance of stock-employee and direct stock purchase plans	6	212				212		212
Stock awards and stock options exercised (net of change in unearned compensation)	2	70				70		70
Other stock issuances ⁽¹⁾	8	249				249		249
Tax benefit from stock awards and stock options exercised			3			3		3
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle ⁽²⁾				12	(12)			
Dividends ⁽³⁾				(800)		(800)		(800)
Other comprehensive income, net of tax					70	70		70
December 31, 2009	599	6,525	185	4,686	(211)	11,185		11,185
Net income including noncontrolling interests				2,825		2,825		2,825
Issuance of stock-employee and direct stock purchase plans	1	10				10		10
Stock awards and stock options exercised (net of change in unearned compensation)	2	80				80		80
Stock repurchases	(21)	(900)				(900)		(900)
Tax benefit from stock awards and stock options exercised			9			9		9
Dividends ⁽³⁾				(1,093)		(1,093)		(1,093)
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax					(119)	(119)		(119)
December 31, 2010	581	5,715	194	6,418	(330)	11,997		11,997
Net income including noncontrolling interests				1,425		1,425	1	1,426
Consolidation of noncontrolling interests ⁽⁴⁾							61	61
Stock awards and stock options exercised (net of change in unearned compensation)	1	49				49		49
Stock repurchases	(13)	(601)				(601)		(601)

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Other stock issuances ⁽⁵⁾	1	17	(17)						
Tax benefit from stock awards and stock options exercised			2			2			2
Dividends			(1,146) ⁽³⁾			(1,146)	(5)		(1,151)
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax				(280)		(280)			(280)
December 31, 2011	570	\$ 5,180	\$ 179	\$ 6,697	\$ (610)	\$ 11,446	\$ 57	\$	11,503

(1) Includes at-the-market issuances and a debt-for-common stock exchange.

(2) See Note 3 for additional information.

(3) Includes subsidiary preferred dividends related to noncontrolling interests of \$17 million in 2011, 2010 and 2009.

(4) See Note 16 for consolidation of a VIE in October 2011.

(5) Shares issued in excess of principal amounts related to converted securities. See Note 18 for further information on convertible securities. The accompanying notes are an integral part of Dominion's Consolidated Financial Statements

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Dominion Resources, Inc.

Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

Year Ended December 31, (millions)	2011	2010	2009 ⁽¹⁾
Net income including noncontrolling interests	\$ 1,426	\$ 2,825	\$ 1,304
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of taxes:			
Net deferred gains (losses) on derivatives-hedging activities, net of \$48, \$(52) and \$(195) tax	(67)	84	323
Changes in unrealized net gains (losses) on investment securities, net of \$(7), \$(54) and \$(86) tax	11	89	134
Changes in net unrecognized pension and other postretirement benefit costs, net of \$147, \$40 and \$(99) tax	(231)	(18)	136
Amounts reclassified to net income:			
Net derivative (gains)-hedging activities, net of \$28, \$193 and \$336 tax	(38)	(314)	(549)
Net realized (gains) losses on investment securities, net of \$(4), \$9 and \$(1) tax	6	(14)	2
Net pension and other postretirement benefit costs, net of \$(25), \$(38) and \$(19) tax	39	54	24
Total other comprehensive income (loss)	(280)	(119)	70
Comprehensive income including noncontrolling interests	1,146	2,706	1,374
Comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests	18	17	17
Comprehensive income attributable to Dominion	\$ 1,128	\$ 2,689	\$ 1,357

(1) Other comprehensive income for the year ended December 31, 2009 excludes a \$20 million (\$12 million after-tax) adjustment to AOCI representing the cumulative effect of the change in accounting principle related to the recognition and presentation of other-than-temporary impairments. The accompanying notes are an integral part of Dominion's Consolidated Financial Statements.

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Dominion Resources, Inc.

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

Year Ended December 31, (millions)	2011	2010	2009
Operating Activities			
Net income including noncontrolling interests	\$ 1,426	\$ 2,825	\$ 1,304
Adjustments to reconcile net income including noncontrolling interests to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Gain from sale of Appalachian E&P operations		(2,467)	
Loss from sale of Peoples		113	
Charges (payments) related to workforce reduction program	(115)	229	
Impairment of generation assets	283	194	
Impairment of gas and oil properties		21	455
Net reserves (payments) related to rate cases	3	(500)	794
Contributions to pension plans		(650)	
Depreciation, depletion and amortization (including nuclear fuel)	1,288	1,258	1,319
Deferred income taxes and investment tax credits, net	756	682	(494)
Other adjustments	(92)	(61)	(137)
Changes in:			
Accounts receivable	365	(60)	458
Inventories	(185)	35	(10)
Prepayments	(19)	139	(234)
Deferred fuel and purchased gas costs, net	(3)	(246)	802
Accounts payable	(413)	119	(156)
Accrued interest, payroll and taxes	(216)	166	(81)
Margin deposit assets and liabilities	(71)	(147)	(273)
Other operating assets and liabilities	(24)	175	39
Net cash provided by operating activities	2,983	1,825	3,786
Investing Activities			
Plant construction and other property additions (including nuclear fuel)	(3,652)	(3,422)	(3,837)
Proceeds from sale of Appalachian E&P operations		3,450	
Proceeds from sale of Peoples		741	
Proceeds from sales of securities	1,757	2,814	1,478
Purchases of securities	(1,824)	(2,851)	(1,511)
Investment in affiliates and partnerships	(4)	(2)	(43)
Distributions from affiliates and partnerships	43	47	174
Restricted cash equivalents	259	(396)	1
Other	100	38	43
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(3,321)	419	(3,695)
Financing Activities			
Issuance (repayment) of short-term debt, net	429	91	(735)
Issuance and remarketing of long-term debt	2,320	1,090	1,695
Repayment and repurchase of long-term debt	(637)	(1,492)	(447)
Issuance of common stock	38	74	456
Repurchase of common stock	(601)	(900)	
Common dividend payments	(1,129)	(1,076)	(1,039)
Subsidiary preferred dividend payments	(17)	(17)	(17)
Other	(25)	(2)	(25)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	378	(2,232)	(112)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	40	12	(21)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year ⁽¹⁾	62	50	71

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Cash and cash equivalents at end of year ⁽²⁾	\$ 102	\$ 62	\$ 50
Supplemental Cash Flow Information			
Cash paid during the year for:			
Interest and related charges, excluding capitalized amounts	\$ 920	\$ 894	\$ 890
Income taxes	166	991	1,480
Significant noncash investing and financing activities:			
Accrued capital expenditures	328	240	240
Consolidation of VIE assets at fair value	957		
Consolidation of VIE debt	896		
Debt for equity exchange			56

(1) 2009 amount includes \$5 million of cash classified as held for sale in Dominion's Consolidated Balance Sheet.

(2) 2009 amount includes \$2 million of cash classified as held for sale in Dominion's Consolidated Balance Sheet.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of Dominion's Consolidated Financial Statements.

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Shareholder of

Virginia Electric and Power Company

Richmond, Virginia

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Virginia Electric and Power Company (a wholly-owned subsidiary of Dominion Resources, Inc.) and subsidiaries (Virginia Power) as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and the related consolidated statements of income, common shareholder s equity, comprehensive income, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2011. These financial statements are the responsibility of Virginia Power s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. Virginia Power is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audits included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Virginia Power s internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Virginia Electric and Power Company and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2011, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP

Richmond, Virginia

February 27, 2012

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Virginia Electric and Power Company

Consolidated Statements of Income

Year Ended December 31, (millions)	2011	2010	2009
Operating Revenue	\$ 7,246	\$ 7,219	\$ 6,584
Operating Expenses			
Electric fuel and other energy-related purchases	2,506	2,495	2,972
Purchased electric capacity	452	449	409
Other operations and maintenance:			
Affiliated suppliers	306	384	324
Other	1,437	1,361	1,299
Depreciation and amortization	718	671	641
Other taxes	222	218	191
Total operating expenses	5,641	5,578	5,836
Income from operations	1,605	1,641	748
Other income	88	100	104
Interest and related charges	331	347	349
Income from operations before income tax expense	1,362	1,394	503
Income tax expense	540	542	147
Net Income	822	852	356
Preferred dividends	17	17	17
Balance available for common stock	\$ 805	\$ 835	\$ 339

The accompanying notes are an integral part of Virginia Power's Consolidated Financial Statements.

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Virginia Electric and Power Company

Consolidated Balance Sheets

At December 31, (millions)	2011	2010
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 29	\$ 5
Customer receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$11 at both dates)	892	905
Other receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$7 and \$6)	145	54
Inventories (average cost method):		
Materials and supplies	359	314
Fossil fuel	438	283
Prepayments	41	65
Regulatory assets	479	318
Other	53	37
Total current assets	2,436	1,981
Investments		
Nuclear decommissioning trust funds	1,370	1,319
Restricted cash equivalents	32	169
Other	4	4
Total investments	1,406	1,492
Property, Plant and Equipment		
Property, plant and equipment	28,626	27,607
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(9,615)	(9,712)
Total property, plant and equipment, net	19,011	17,895
Deferred Charges and Other Assets		
Intangible assets	183	212
Regulatory assets	399	370
Other	109	312
Total deferred charges and other assets	691	894
Total assets	\$ 23,544	\$ 22,262

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At December 31, (millions)	2011	2010
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY		
Current Liabilities		
Securities due within one year	\$ 616	\$ 15
Short-term debt	894	600
Accounts payable	405	499
Payables to affiliates	108	76
Affiliated current borrowings	187	103
Accrued interest, payroll and taxes	226	214
Derivative liabilities	135	3
Customer deposits	106	116
Regulatory liabilities	178	109
Deferred income taxes	91	83
Accrued severance	4	58
Other	171	202
Total current liabilities	3,121	2,078
Long-Term Debt	6,246	6,702
Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities		
Deferred income taxes and investment tax credits	3,180	2,672
Asset retirement obligations	624	669
Regulatory liabilities	1,095	1,174
Other	271	203
Total deferred credits and other liabilities	5,170	4,718
Total liabilities	14,537	13,498
Commitments and Contingencies (see Note 23)		
Preferred Stock Not Subject to Mandatory Redemption	257	257
Common Shareholder's Equity		
Common stock-no par ⁽¹⁾	5,738	5,738
Other paid-in capital	1,111	1,111
Retained earnings	1,882	1,634
Accumulated other comprehensive income	19	24
Total common shareholder's equity	8,750	8,507
Total liabilities and shareholder's equity	\$ 23,544	\$ 22,262

(1) 500,000 shares and 300,000 shares authorized at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively; 274,723 shares outstanding at December 31, 2011 and 2010. The accompanying notes are an integral part of Virginia Power's Consolidated Financial Statements.

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Virginia Electric and Power Company

Consolidated Statements of Common Shareholders Equity

(millions, except for shares)	Common Stock		Other Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Total
	Shares (thousands)	Amount				
Balance at December 31, 2008	210	\$ 3,738	\$ 1,110	\$ 1,421	\$ 5	\$ 6,274
Net income				356		356
Issuance of stock to Dominion	32	1,000				1,000
Dividends				(480)		(480)
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle ⁽¹⁾				2	(2)	
Other comprehensive income, net of tax					23	23
Balance at December 31, 2009	242	4,738	1,110	1,299	26	7,173
Net income				852		852
Issuance of stock to Dominion	33	1,000				1,000
Dividends				(517)		(517)
Tax benefit from stock awards and stock options exercised			1			1
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax					(2)	(2)
Balance at December 31, 2010	275	5,738	1,111	1,634	24	8,507
Net income				822		822
Dividends				(574)		(574)
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax					(5)	(5)
Balance at December 31, 2011	275	\$ 5,738	\$ 1,111	\$ 1,882	\$ 19	\$ 8,750

(1) See Note 3 for additional information.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of Virginia Power's Consolidated Financial Statements.

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Virginia Electric and Power Company

Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

Year Ended December 31, (millions)	2011	2010	2009 ⁽¹⁾
Net income	\$ 822	\$ 852	\$ 356
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of taxes:			
Net deferred gains (losses) on derivatives-hedging activities, net of \$3, \$1 and \$(4) tax	(6)	(1)	8
Changes in unrealized net gains (losses) on nuclear decommissioning trust funds, net of \$(1), \$(6) and \$(8) tax	2	9	12
Amounts reclassified to net income:			
Net realized (gains) losses on nuclear decommissioning trust funds, net of \$, \$2 and \$(1) tax		(2)	2
Net derivative (gains) losses-hedging activities, net of \$, \$4 and \$(1) tax	(1)	(8)	1
Other comprehensive income (loss)	(5)	(2)	23
Comprehensive income	\$ 817	\$ 850	\$ 379

(1) Other comprehensive income for the year ended December 31, 2009 excludes a \$3 million (\$2 million after-tax) adjustment to AOCI representing the cumulative effect of the change in accounting principle related to the recognition and presentation of other-than-temporary impairments. The accompanying notes are an integral part of Virginia Power's Consolidated Financial Statements.

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Virginia Electric and Power Company

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

Year Ended December 31, (millions)	2011	2010	2009
Operating Activities			
Net income	\$ 822	\$ 852	\$ 356
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization (including nuclear fuel)	838	782	747
Deferred income taxes and investment tax credits, net	496	609	(409)
Impairment of generation assets	228		
Net reserves (payments) related to rate cases	3	(500)	782
Contributions to pension plans		(302)	
Charges (payments) related to workforce reduction program	(53)	98	
Other adjustments	(40)	(40)	(58)
Changes in:			
Accounts receivable	76	(9)	58
Affiliated accounts receivable and payable	(7)	11	(13)
Deferred fuel expenses, net	12	(213)	639
Inventories	(200)	17	(67)
Prepayments	24	(10)	(24)
Accounts payable	(117)	108	(58)
Accrued interest, payroll and taxes	12	1	(24)
Other operating assets and liabilities	(70)	5	41
Net cash provided by operating activities	2,024	1,409	1,970
Investing Activities			
Plant construction and other property additions	(1,885)	(2,113)	(2,338)
Purchases of nuclear fuel	(205)	(121)	(150)
Purchases of securities	(1,057)	(1,211)	(731)
Proceeds from sales of securities	1,030	1,192	715
Restricted cash equivalents	137	(165)	1
Other	33	(7)	(65)
Net cash used in investing activities	(1,947)	(2,425)	(2,568)
Financing Activities			
Issuance of short-term debt, net	294	158	145
Issuance of affiliated current borrowings, net	85	1,101	585
Issuance and remarketing of long-term debt	235	605	460
Repayment and repurchase of long-term debt	(91)	(347)	(126)
Common dividend payments	(557)	(500)	(463)
Preferred dividend payments	(17)	(17)	(17)
Other	(2)	2	6
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(53)	1,002	590
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	24	(14)	(8)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	5	19	27
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 29	\$ 5	\$ 19
Supplemental Cash Flow Information			
Cash paid (received) during the year for:			
Interest and related charges, excluding capitalized amounts	\$ 376	\$ 349	\$ 353
Income taxes	(27)	(101)	630
Significant noncash investing and financing activities:			

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Accrued capital expenditures	199	136	133
Settlement of debt and issuance of common stock to Dominion		1,000	1,000

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Combined Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

NOTE 1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS

Dominion, headquartered in Richmond, Virginia, is one of the nation's largest producers and transporters of energy. Dominion's operations are conducted through various subsidiaries, including Virginia Power, a regulated public utility that generates, transmits and distributes electricity for sale in Virginia and North Carolina. Virginia Power is a member of PJM, an RTO, and its electric transmission facilities are integrated into the PJM wholesale electricity markets. All of Virginia Power's common stock is owned by Dominion. Dominion's operations also include a regulated interstate natural gas transmission pipeline and underground storage system in the Northeast, mid-Atlantic and Midwest states, an LNG import and storage facility in Maryland and regulated gas transportation and distribution operations in Ohio and West Virginia. Dominion's nonregulated operations include merchant generation, energy marketing and price risk management activities and retail energy marketing operations.

Dominion manages its daily operations through three primary operating segments: DVP, Dominion Generation and Dominion Energy. Dominion also reports a Corporate and Other segment, which includes its corporate, service company and other functions (including unallocated debt) and the net impact of the operations and sale of Peoples, which is discussed in Note 4. In addition, Corporate and Other includes specific items attributable to Dominion's operating segments that are not included in profit measures evaluated by executive management in assessing the segments' performance or allocating resources among the segments.

Virginia Power manages its daily operations through two primary operating segments: DVP and Dominion Generation. It also reports a Corporate and Other segment that primarily includes specific items attributable to its operating segments that are not included in profit measures evaluated by executive management in assessing the segments' performance or allocating resources among the segments. See Note 26 for further discussion of Dominion's and Virginia Power's operating segments.

NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

General

Dominion and Virginia Power make certain estimates and assumptions in preparing their Consolidated Financial Statements in accordance with GAAP. These estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses for the periods presented. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

Dominion's and Virginia Power's Consolidated Financial Statements include, after eliminating intercompany transactions and balances, the accounts of their respective majority-owned subsidiaries and those VIEs where Dominion has been determined to be the primary beneficiary.

Dominion and Virginia Power report certain contracts, instruments and investments at fair value. See Note 7 for further information on fair value measurements.

Dominion maintains pension and other postretirement benefit plans. Virginia Power participates in certain of these plans. See Note 22 for further information on these plans.

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Certain amounts in the 2010 and 2009 Consolidated Financial Statements and footnotes have been reclassified to conform to the 2011 presentation for comparative purposes. The reclassifications did not affect the Companies' net income, total assets, liabilities, equity or cash flows.

Amounts disclosed for Dominion are inclusive of Virginia Power, where applicable.

Operating Revenue

Operating revenue is recorded on the basis of services rendered, commodities delivered or contracts settled and includes amounts yet to be billed to customers. The Companies collect sales, consumption and consumer utility taxes; however, these amounts are excluded from revenue. Dominion's customer receivables at December 31, 2011 and 2010 included \$423 million and \$466 million, respectively, of accrued unbilled revenue based on estimated amounts of electricity and natural gas delivered but not yet billed to its utility customers. Virginia Power's customer receivables at December 31, 2011 and 2010 included \$360 million and \$397 million, respectively, of accrued unbilled revenue based on estimated amounts of electricity delivered but not yet billed to its customers.

The primary types of sales and service activities reported as operating revenue for Dominion are as follows:

Regulated electric sales consist primarily of state-regulated retail electric sales, and federally-regulated wholesale electric sales and electric transmission services;

Nonregulated electric sales consist primarily of sales of electricity at market-based rates and contracted fixed rates, and associated derivative activity;

Regulated gas sales consist primarily of state-regulated retail natural gas sales and related distribution services;

Nonregulated gas sales consist primarily of sales of natural gas production at market-based rates and contracted fixed prices, sales of gas purchased from third parties, gas trading and marketing revenue and associated derivative activity. Revenue from sales of gas production is recognized based on actual volumes of gas sold to purchasers and is reported net of royalties;

Gas transportation and storage consists primarily of regulated sales of gathering, transmission, distribution and storage services and associated derivative activity. Also included are regulated gas distribution charges to retail distribution service customers opting for alternate suppliers; and

Other revenue consists primarily of sales of oil and NGL production and condensate, extracted products and associated derivative activity. Other revenue also includes miscellaneous service revenue from electric and gas distribution operations, and gas processing and handling revenue.

The primary types of sales and service activities reported as operating revenue for Virginia Power are as follows:

Regulated electric sales consist primarily of state-regulated retail electric sales and federally-regulated wholesale electric sales and electric transmission services; and

Other revenue consists primarily of miscellaneous service revenue from electric distribution operations and miscellaneous

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revenue from generation operations, including sales of capacity and other commodities.

Electric Fuel, Purchased Energy and Purchased Gas-Deferred Costs

Where permitted by regulatory authorities, the differences between Virginia Power's actual electric fuel and purchased energy expenses and Dominion's purchased gas expenses and the related levels of recovery for these expenses in current rates are deferred and matched against recoveries in future periods. The deferral of costs in excess of current period fuel rate recovery is recognized as a regulatory asset, while rate recovery in excess of current period fuel expenses is recognized as a regulatory liability.

Of the cost of fuel used in electric generation and energy purchases to serve utility customers, approximately 84% is currently subject to deferred fuel accounting, while substantially all of the remaining amount is subject to recovery through similar mechanisms.

Income Taxes

A consolidated federal income tax return is filed for Dominion and its subsidiaries, including Virginia Power. In addition, where applicable, combined income tax returns for Dominion and its subsidiaries are filed in various states; otherwise, separate state income tax returns are filed. Virginia Power participates in an intercompany tax sharing agreement with Dominion and its subsidiaries, and its current income taxes are based on its taxable income or loss, determined on a separate company basis.

Accounting for income taxes involves an asset and liability approach. Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are provided, representing future effects on income taxes for temporary differences between the bases of assets and liabilities for financial reporting and tax purposes. Dominion and Virginia Power establish a valuation allowance when it is more-likely-than-not that all, or a portion, of a deferred tax asset will not be realized. Where the treatment of temporary differences is different for rate-regulated operations, a regulatory asset is recognized if it is probable that future revenues will be provided for the payment of deferred tax liabilities.

Dominion and Virginia Power recognize positions taken, or expected to be taken, in income tax returns that are more-likely-than-not to be realized, assuming that the position will be examined by tax authorities with full knowledge of all relevant information.

If it is not more-likely-than-not that a tax position, or some portion thereof, will be sustained, the related tax benefits are not recognized in the financial statements. Unrecognized tax benefits may result in an increase in income taxes payable, a reduction of income tax refunds receivable or changes in deferred taxes. Also, when uncertainty about the deductibility of an amount is limited to the timing of such deductibility, the increase in income taxes payable (or reduction in tax refunds receivable) is accompanied by a decrease in deferred tax liabilities. Noncurrent income taxes payable related to unrecognized tax benefits are classified in other deferred credits and other liabilities on the consolidated balance sheets and current payables are included in accrued interest, payroll and taxes on the consolidated balance sheets, except when such amounts are presented net with amounts receivable from or amounts prepaid to tax authorities.

Dominion and Virginia Power recognize changes in estimated interest payable on net underpayments of income taxes in interest expense. Changes in interest receivable related to net overpayments of income taxes and estimated penalties that may result from the settlement of some uncertain tax positions are recognized in other income. In its Consolidated Statements of Income for 2011, Dominion recognized interest income of \$12 million and interest expense of \$7 million and a reduction in penalties of less than \$1 million. In 2010, Dominion recognized a reduction in interest expense of \$18 million and a reduction in penalties of less than \$1 million; in 2009, Dominion recognized a reduction in interest expense of \$19 million and a reduction in penalties of \$2 million. Dominion had accrued interest receivable of \$48 million, interest payable of \$10 million and penalties payable of less than \$1 million at December 31, 2011 and interest receivable of \$27 million and interest and penalties payable of less than \$1 million at December 31, 2010.

In 2011, Virginia Power recognized interest income of \$12 million, and penalties were immaterial. Virginia Power had accrued interest receivable of \$17 million at December 31, 2011. Virginia Power's interest and penalties were immaterial in 2010 and 2009.

At December 31, 2011, Virginia Power's Consolidated Balance Sheet included \$18 million of current federal income taxes receivable, \$34 million of current state income taxes payable and \$110 million of noncurrent federal and state income taxes payable. At December 31, 2010, Virginia Power's Consolidated Balance Sheet included \$46 million of prepaid federal and state income taxes and \$102 million of noncurrent federal and state income taxes payable.

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Investment tax credits are recognized by nonregulated operations in the year qualifying property is placed in service. For regulated operations, investment tax credits are deferred and amortized over the service lives of the properties giving rise to the credits. Production tax credits are recognized as energy is generated and sold.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Current banking arrangements generally do not require checks to be funded until they are presented for payment. At December 31, 2011 and 2010, Dominion's accounts payable included \$75 million and \$56 million, respectively, of checks outstanding but not yet presented for payment. At December 31, 2011 and 2010, Virginia Power's accounts payable included \$40 million and \$28 million, respectively, of checks outstanding but not yet presented for payment. For purposes of the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, cash in banks and temporary investments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less.

Derivative Instruments

Dominion and Virginia Power use derivative instruments such as futures, swaps, forwards, options and FTRs to manage the commodity, currency exchange and financial market risks of their business operations.

All derivatives, other than those for which an exception applies, are reported in the Consolidated Balance Sheets at fair value. Derivative contracts representing unrealized gain positions and purchased options are reported as derivative assets. Derivative contracts representing unrealized losses and options sold are

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reported as derivative liabilities. One of the exceptions to fair value accounting, normal purchases and normal sales, may be elected when the contract satisfies certain criteria, including a requirement that physical delivery of the underlying commodity is probable. Expenses and revenues resulting from deliveries under normal purchase contracts and normal sales contracts, respectively, are included in earnings at the time of contract performance.

Dominion and Virginia Power do not offset amounts recognized for the right to reclaim cash collateral or the obligation to return cash collateral against amounts recognized for derivative instruments executed with the same counterparty under the same master netting arrangement. Dominion had margin assets of \$319 million and \$244 million associated with cash collateral at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Dominion had margin liabilities of \$66 million and \$62 million associated with cash collateral at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Virginia Power had margin assets of \$41 million associated with cash collateral at December 31, 2011. Virginia Power's margin assets associated with cash collateral were not material at December 31, 2010. Virginia Power's margin liabilities associated with cash collateral were not material at December 31, 2011 and 2010.

To manage price risk, Dominion and Virginia Power hold certain derivative instruments that are not held for trading purposes and are not designated as hedges for accounting purposes. However, to the extent the Companies do not hold offsetting positions for such derivatives, they believe these instruments represent economic hedges that mitigate their exposure to fluctuations in commodity prices, interest rates and foreign exchange rates. As part of Dominion's strategy to market energy and manage related risks, it also manages a portfolio of commodity-based financial derivative instruments held for trading purposes. Dominion uses established policies and procedures to manage the risks associated with price fluctuations in these energy commodities and uses various derivative instruments to reduce risk by creating offsetting market positions.

Statement of Income Presentation:

Derivatives Held for Trading Purposes: All income statement activity, including amounts realized upon settlement, is presented in operating revenue on a net basis.

Derivatives Not Held for Trading Purposes: All income statement activity, including amounts realized upon settlement, is presented in operating revenue, operating expenses or interest and related charges based on the nature of the underlying risk.

In Virginia Power's generation operations, changes in the fair value of derivative instruments result in the recognition of regulatory assets or regulatory liabilities for jurisdictions subject to cost-based rate regulation. Realized gains or losses on the derivative instruments are generally recognized when the related transactions impact earnings.

DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS DESIGNATED AS HEDGING INSTRUMENTS

Dominion and Virginia Power designate a portion of their derivative instruments as either cash flow or fair value hedges for accounting purposes. For all derivatives designated as hedges, Dominion and Virginia Power formally document the relationship between the hedging instrument and the hedged item, as well as the risk management objective and the strategy for using

the hedging instrument. The Companies assess whether the hedging relationship between the derivative and the hedged item is highly effective at offsetting changes in cash flows or fair values both at the inception of the hedging relationship and on an ongoing basis. Any change in the fair value of the derivative that is not effective at offsetting changes in the cash flows or fair values of the hedged item is recognized currently in earnings. Also, the Companies may elect to exclude certain gains or losses on hedging instruments from the assessment of hedge effectiveness, such as gains or losses attributable to changes in the time value of options or changes in the difference between spot prices and forward prices, thus requiring that such changes be recorded currently in earnings. Hedge accounting is discontinued prospectively for derivatives that cease to be highly effective hedges.

Cash Flow Hedges A majority of Dominion's and Virginia Power's hedge strategies represents cash flow hedges of the variable price risk associated with the purchase and sale of electricity, natural gas and other energy-related products. The Companies also use foreign currency contracts to hedge the variability in foreign exchange rates and interest rate swaps to hedge their exposure to variable interest rates on long-term

debt. For transactions in which Dominion and Virginia Power are hedging the variability of cash flows, changes in the fair value of the derivatives are reported in AOCI, to the extent they are effective at offsetting changes in the hedged item. Any derivative gains or losses reported in AOCI are reclassified to earnings when the forecasted item is included in earnings, or earlier, if it becomes probable that the forecasted transaction will not occur. For cash flow hedge transactions, hedge accounting is discontinued if the occurrence of the forecasted transaction is no longer probable.

Fair Value Hedges Dominion also uses fair value hedges to mitigate the fixed price exposure inherent in certain firm commodity commitments and commodity inventory. In addition, Dominion and Virginia Power have designated interest rate swaps as fair value hedges on certain fixed-rate long-term debt to manage interest rate exposure. For fair value hedge transactions, changes in the fair value of the derivative are generally offset currently in earnings by the recognition of changes in the hedged item's fair value. Derivative gains and losses from the hedged item are reclassified to earnings when the hedged item is included in earnings, or earlier, if the hedged item no longer qualifies for hedge accounting. Hedge accounting is discontinued if the hedged item no longer qualifies for hedge accounting.

See Note 7 for further information about fair value measurements and associated valuation methods for derivatives. See Note 8 for further information on derivatives.

Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment, including additions and replacements is recorded at original cost, consisting of labor and materials and other direct and indirect costs such as asset retirement costs, capitalized interest and, for certain operations subject to cost-of-service rate regulation, AFUDC and overhead costs. The cost of repairs and maintenance, including minor additions and replacements, is charged to expense as it is incurred.

In 2011, 2010 and 2009, Dominion capitalized interest costs and AFUDC to property, plant and equipment of \$85 million, \$102 million and \$76 million, respectively. In 2011, 2010 and 2009, Virginia Power capitalized AFUDC to property, plant and equipment of \$31 million, \$61 million and \$47 million,

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respectively. Under Virginia law, certain Virginia jurisdictional projects qualify for current recovery of AFUDC through rate adjustment clauses. AFUDC on these projects is calculated and recorded as a regulatory asset and is not capitalized to property, plant and equipment. In 2011, 2010 and 2009, Virginia Power recorded \$20 million, \$13 million and \$34 million of AFUDC related to these projects, respectively.

For Virginia Power property subject to cost-of-service rate regulation, including electric distribution, electric transmission, and generation property and for certain Dominion natural gas property, the undepreciated cost of such property, less salvage value, is generally charged to accumulated depreciation at retirement, with gains and losses recorded on the sales of property. Cost of removal collections from utility customers not representing AROs are recorded as regulatory liabilities. For property subject to cost-of-service rate regulation that will be retired or abandoned significantly before the end of their useful lives, the net carrying value is reclassified from plant-in-service when it becomes probable they will be retired or abandoned.

For Dominion and Virginia Power property that is not subject to cost-of-service rate regulation, including nonutility property, cost of removal not associated with AROs is charged to expense as incurred. The Companies also record gains and losses upon retirement based upon the difference between the proceeds received, if any, and the property's net book value at the retirement date.

Depreciation of property, plant and equipment is computed on the straight-line method based on projected service lives. Dominion's and Virginia Power's depreciation rates on utility property, plant and equipment are as follows:

Year Ended December 31, (percent)	2011	2010	2009
Dominion			
Generation	2.68	2.59	2.62
Transmission	2.26	2.24	2.27
Distribution	3.19	3.20	3.21
Storage	2.64	2.75	2.83
Gas gathering and processing	2.52	2.39	2.18
General and other	4.66	4.60	4.33
Virginia Power			
Generation	2.68	2.59	2.62
Transmission	2.03	1.94	1.92
Distribution	3.33	3.33	3.33
General and other	4.38	4.28	3.95

Dominion's nonutility property, plant and equipment is depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Asset	Estimated Useful Lives
Merchant generation - nuclear	29 - 44 years
Merchant generation - other	27 - 40 years
General and other	3 - 25 years

Nuclear fuel used in electric generation is amortized over its estimated service life on a units-of-production basis. Dominion and Virginia Power report the amortization of nuclear fuel in electric fuel and other energy-related purchases expense in their Consolidated Statements of Income and in depreciation and amortization in their Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

Dominion follows the full cost method of accounting for its gas and oil E&P activities, which subjects capitalized costs to a quarterly ceiling test using hedge-adjusted prices. Due to the April

2010 sale of substantially all of its Appalachian E&P operations Dominion no longer has any significant gas and oil properties subject to the ceiling test calculation.

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In 2010, Dominion recorded a ceiling test impairment charge of \$21 million (\$13 million after-tax) in other operations and maintenance expense in its Consolidated Statement of Income primarily due to a decline in hedge-adjusted prices reflecting the discontinuance of hedge accounting for certain cash flow hedges, as discussed in Note 4.

In 2009, Dominion recorded a ceiling test impairment charge of \$455 million (\$281 million after-tax) in other operations and maintenance expense in its Consolidated Statement of Income. Excluding the effects of hedge-adjusted prices in calculating the ceiling limitation, the impairment would have been \$631 million (\$387 million after-tax).

In 2010, Dominion recognized a gain from the sale of substantially all of its Appalachian E&P operations as discussed in Note 4.

Emissions Allowances

Emissions allowances permit the holder of the allowance to emit certain gaseous by-products of fossil fuel combustion, including SO₂, NO_x and CO₂. SO₂ and NO_x emissions allowances are issued to Dominion and Virginia Power by the EPA and may also be purchased and sold via third party contracts. CO₂ emissions allowances are available for purchase by Dominion through quarterly auctions held by participating RGGI states. Compliance with the RGGI requirements only applies to certain of Dominion's merchant power stations located in the Northeast.

Allowances held may be transacted with third parties or consumed as these emissions are generated. Allowances allocated to or acquired by the Companies' generation operations are held primarily for consumption.

Allowances held for consumption are classified as intangible assets in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Carrying amounts are based on the cost to acquire the allowances or, in the case of a business combination, on the fair values assigned to them in the allocation of the purchase price of the acquired business. A portion of Dominion's and Virginia Power's SO₂ and NO_x allowances are issued by the EPA at zero cost.

These allowances are amortized in the periods the emissions are generated, with the amortization reflected in DD&A in the Consolidated Statements of Income. Purchases and sales of these allowances are reported as investing activities in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows and gains or losses resulting from sales are reported in other operations and maintenance expense in the Consolidated Statements of Income. See Note 7 for discussion of impairments related to emissions allowances.

Long-Lived and Intangible Assets

Dominion and Virginia Power perform an evaluation for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of long-lived assets or intangible assets with finite lives may not be recoverable. A long-lived or intangible asset is written down to fair value if the sum of its expected future undiscounted cash flows is less than its carrying amount. Intangible assets with finite lives are amortized over their estimated useful lives. See Note 7 for a discussion of impairments related to certain long-lived assets and intangible assets with finite lives.

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Regulatory Assets and Liabilities

The accounting for Dominion's regulated gas and Virginia Power's regulated electric operations differs from the accounting for nonregulated operations in that they are required to reflect the effect of rate regulation in their Consolidated Financial Statements. For regulated businesses subject to federal or state cost-of-service rate regulation, regulatory practices that assign costs to accounting periods may differ from accounting methods generally applied by nonregulated companies. When it is probable that regulators will permit the recovery of current costs through future rates charged to customers, these costs that otherwise would be expensed by nonregulated companies are deferred as regulatory assets. Likewise, regulatory liabilities are recognized when it is probable that regulators will require customer refunds through future rates or when revenue is collected from customers for expenditures that have yet to be incurred. Generally, regulatory assets and liabilities are amortized into income over the period authorized by the regulator.

The Companies evaluate whether or not recovery of their regulatory assets through future rates is probable and make various assumptions in their analyses. The expectations of future recovery are generally based on orders issued by regulatory commissions or historical experience, as well as discussions with applicable regulatory authorities. If recovery of a regulatory asset is determined to be less than probable, it will be written off in the period such assessment is made.

Asset Retirement Obligations

Dominion and Virginia Power recognize AROs at fair value as incurred or when sufficient information becomes available to determine a reasonable estimate of the fair value of future retirement activities to be performed. These amounts are generally capitalized as costs of the related tangible long-lived assets. Since relevant market information is not available, fair value is estimated using discounted cash flow analyses. Dominion reports accretion of AROs associated with its natural gas pipeline and storage well assets as an adjustment to the related regulatory liabilities when revenue is recoverable from customers for AROs. Virginia Power reports accretion of AROs associated with decommissioning its nuclear power stations as an adjustment to the regulatory liability for certain jurisdictions. Accretion of all other AROs is reported in other operations and maintenance expense in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

Amortization of Debt Issuance Costs

Dominion and Virginia Power defer and amortize debt issuance costs and debt premiums or discounts over the expected lives of the respective debt issues, considering maturity dates and, if applicable, redemption rights held by others. As permitted by regulatory authorities, gains or losses resulting from the refinancing of debt allocable to utility operations subject to cost-based rate regulation have also been deferred and are amortized over the lives of the new issuances.

Investments**MARKETABLE EQUITY AND DEBT SECURITIES**

Dominion accounts for and classifies investments in marketable equity and debt securities as trading or available-for-sale securities.

Virginia Power classifies investments in marketable equity and debt securities as available-for-sale securities.

Trading securities include marketable equity and debt securities held by Dominion in rabbi trusts associated with certain deferred compensation plans. These securities are reported in other investments in the Consolidated Balance Sheets at fair value with net realized and unrealized gains and losses included in other income in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

Available-for-sale securities include all other marketable equity and debt securities, primarily comprised of securities held in the nuclear decommissioning trusts. These investments are reported at fair value in nuclear decommissioning trust funds in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Net realized and unrealized gains and losses (including any other-than-temporary impairments) on investments held in Virginia

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Power's nuclear decommissioning trusts are recorded to a regulatory liability for certain jurisdictions subject to cost-based regulation. For all other available-for-sale securities, including those held in Dominion's merchant generation nuclear decommissioning trusts, net realized gains and losses (including any other-than-temporary impairments) are included in other income and unrealized gains and losses are reported as a component of AOCI, after-tax.

In determining realized gains and losses for marketable equity and debt securities, the cost basis of the security is based on the specific identification method.

NON-MARKETABLE INVESTMENTS

Dominion and Virginia Power account for illiquid and privately held securities for which market prices or quotations are not readily available under either the equity or cost method. Non-marketable investments include:

Equity method investments when Dominion and Virginia Power have the ability to exercise significant influence, but not control, over the investee. Dominion's investments are included in investments in equity method affiliates and Virginia Power's investments are included in other investments in their Consolidated Balance Sheets. Dominion and Virginia Power record equity method adjustments in other income in the Consolidated Statements of Income including: their proportionate share of investee income or loss, gains or losses resulting from investee capital transactions, amortization of certain differences between the carrying value and the equity in the net assets of the investee at the date of investment and other adjustments required by the equity method.

Cost method investments when Dominion and Virginia Power do not have the ability to exercise significant influence over the investee.

Dominion's and Virginia Power's investments are included in other investments and nuclear decommissioning trust funds.

OTHER-THAN-TEMPORARY IMPAIRMENT

Dominion and Virginia Power periodically review their investments to determine whether a decline in fair value should be considered other-than-temporary. If a decline in fair value of any security is determined to be other-than-temporary, the security is written down to its fair value at the end of the reporting period.

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Decommissioning Trust Investments Special Considerations

The FASB amended its guidance for the recognition and presentation of other-than-temporary impairments, which Dominion and Virginia Power adopted effective April 1, 2009. The recognition provisions of this guidance apply only to debt securities classified as available-for-sale or held-to-maturity, while the presentation and disclosure requirements apply to both debt and equity securities. Prior to the adoption of this guidance, Dominion and Virginia Power considered all debt securities held by their nuclear decommissioning trusts with market values below their cost bases to be other-than-temporarily impaired as they did not have the ability to ensure the investments were held through the anticipated recovery period.

Debt Securities Effective with the adoption of this guidance, using information obtained from their nuclear decommissioning trust fixed-income investment managers, Dominion and Virginia Power record in earnings any unrealized loss for a debt security when the manager intends to sell the debt security or it is more-likely-than-not that the manager will have to sell the debt security before recovery of its fair value up to its cost basis. If that is the case, but the debt security is deemed to have experienced a credit loss, the Companies record the credit loss in earnings and any remaining portion of the unrealized loss in other comprehensive income. Credit losses are evaluated primarily by considering the credit ratings of the issuer, prior instances of non-performance by the issuer and other factors.

Equity securities and other investments Dominion's and Virginia Power's method of assessing other-than-temporary declines requires demonstrating the ability to hold individual securities for a period of time sufficient to allow for the anticipated recovery in their market value prior to the consideration of the other criteria mentioned above. Since the Companies have limited ability to oversee the day-to-day management of nuclear decommissioning trust fund investments, they do not have the ability to ensure investments are held through an anticipated recovery period. Accordingly, they consider all equity and other securities as well as non-marketable investments held in nuclear decommissioning trusts with market values below their cost bases to be other-than-temporarily impaired.

Inventories

Materials and supplies and fossil fuel inventories are valued primarily using the weighted-average cost method. Stored gas inventory used in East Ohio gas distribution operations is valued using the LIFO method. Under the LIFO method, stored gas inventory was valued at \$48 million at December 31, 2011 and 2010. Based on the average price of gas purchased during 2011 and 2010, the cost of replacing the current portion of stored gas inventory exceeded the amount stated on a LIFO basis by approximately \$86 million and \$107 million, respectively. Stored gas inventory held by Hope and certain nonregulated gas operations is valued using the weighted-average cost method.

Gas Imbalances

Natural gas imbalances occur when the physical amount of natural gas delivered from, or received by, a pipeline system or storage facility differs from the contractual amount of natural gas deliv-

ered or received. Dominion values these imbalances due to, or from, shippers and operators at an appropriate index price at period end, subject to the terms of its tariff for regulated entities. Imbalances are primarily settled in-kind. Imbalances due to Dominion from other parties are reported in other current assets and imbalances that Dominion owes to other parties are reported in other current liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Goodwill

Dominion evaluates goodwill for impairment annually as of April 1 and whenever an event occurs or circumstances change in the interim that would more-likely-than-not reduce the fair value of a reporting unit below its carrying amount.

NOTE 3. NEWLY ADOPTED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS
2009

RECOGNITION AND PRESENTATION OF OTHER-THAN-TEMPORARY IMPAIRMENTS

The FASB amended its guidance for the recognition and presentation of other-than-temporary impairments, which Dominion and Virginia Power adopted effective April 1, 2009. The recognition provisions of this guidance apply only to debt securities classified as available-for-sale or held-to-maturity, while the presentation and disclosure requirements apply to both debt and equity securities. Prior to the adoption of this guidance, as described in Note 2, the Companies considered all debt securities held by their nuclear decommissioning trusts with market values below their cost bases to be other-than-temporarily impaired as they did not have the ability to ensure the investments were held through the anticipated recovery period.

Upon the adoption of this guidance for debt investments held at April 1, 2009, Dominion recorded a \$20 million (\$12 million after-tax) and Virginia Power recorded a \$3 million (\$2 million after-tax) cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle to reclassify the non-credit related portion of previously recognized other-than-temporary impairments from retained earnings to AOCI, reflecting the fixed-income investment managers' intent and ability to hold the debt securities until recovery of their fair values up to their cost bases.

SEC FINAL RULE, *MODERNIZATION OF OIL AND GAS REPORTING*

Effective December 31, 2009, Dominion adopted the SEC Final Rule, *Modernization of Oil and Gas Reporting*, which revised the existing Regulation S-K and Regulation S-X reporting requirements. Under the new requirements, the ceiling test is calculated using an average price based on the prior 12-month period rather than period-end prices. Due to the April 2010 sale of substantially all of its Appalachian E&P operations, Dominion no longer has any significant gas and oil properties subject to the ceiling test calculation.

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NOTE 4. DISPOSITIONS**Sale of Appalachian E&P Operations**

In April 2010, Dominion completed the sale of substantially all of its Appalachian E&P operations to a newly-formed subsidiary of CONSOL for approximately \$3.5 billion. The transaction includes the mineral rights to approximately 491,000 acres in the Marcellus Shale formation. Dominion retained certain oil and natural gas wells located on or near its natural gas storage fields. The transaction generated after-tax proceeds of approximately \$2.2 billion and resulted in an after-tax gain of approximately \$1.4 billion, which includes a \$134 million write-off of goodwill, recorded in the second quarter of 2010.

The results of operations for Dominion's Appalachian E&P business are not reported as discontinued operations in the Consolidated Statements of Income since Dominion did not sell its entire U.S. cost pool.

Due to the sale, hedge accounting was discontinued for certain cash flow hedges since it became probable that the forecasted sales of gas would not occur. In connection with the discontinuance of hedge accounting for these contracts, Dominion recognized a \$42 million (\$25 million after-tax) benefit, recorded in operating revenue in its Consolidated Statement of Income, reflecting the reclassification of gains from AOCI to earnings for these contracts in March 2010.

Sale of Peoples

In February 2010, Dominion completed the sale of Peoples to PNG Companies LLC and netted after-tax proceeds of approximately \$542 million. The sale resulted in an after-tax loss of approximately \$140 million, including post-closing adjustments, and a \$79 million write-off of goodwill. The sale also resulted in after-tax expenses of approximately \$27 million, including transaction and benefit-related costs. Prior to the sale, Peoples had income from operations of \$12 million after-tax during 2010.

The following table presents selected information regarding the results of operations of Peoples, which are reported as discontinued operations in Dominion's Consolidated Statements of Income:

Year Ended December 31, (millions)	2010	2009
Operating revenue	\$ 67	\$ 432
Income (loss) before income taxes	(134) ⁽¹⁾	42 ⁽²⁾

(1) Includes a loss and other charges related to the sale of Peoples.

(2) Includes the impact of a \$22 million charge due to a reduction of the previously established regulatory asset and a loss and other charges related to the sale.

NOTE 5. OPERATING REVENUE

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Dominion's and Virginia Power's operating revenue consists of the following:

Year Ended December 31, (millions)	2011	2010	2009
Dominion			
Electric sales:			
Regulated	\$ 7,114	\$ 7,123	\$ 6,477
Nonregulated	3,334	3,829	3,802
Gas sales:			
Regulated	287	308	494
Nonregulated	1,635	2,010	2,315
Gas transportation and storage	1,506	1,493	1,268
Other	503	434	442
Total operating revenue	\$ 14,379	\$ 15,197	\$ 14,798
Virginia Power			
Regulated electric sales	\$ 7,114	\$ 7,123	\$ 6,477
Other	132	96	107
Total operating revenue	\$ 7,246	\$ 7,219	\$ 6,584

NOTE 6. INCOME TAXES

Judgment and the use of estimates are required in developing the provision for income taxes and reporting of tax-related assets and liabilities. The interpretation of tax laws involves uncertainty, since tax authorities may interpret the laws differently. Dominion and Virginia Power are routinely audited by federal and state tax authorities. Ultimate resolution of income tax matters may result in favorable or unfavorable impacts to net income and cash flows, and adjustments to tax-related assets and liabilities could be material.

In 2010, U.S. federal legislation was enacted that allows taxpayers to fully deduct qualifying capital expenditures incurred after September 8, 2010, through the end of 2011, when placed in service before 2013, and otherwise provides an extension of the fifty percent bonus depreciation allowance for qualifying capital expenditures through 2012.

In December 2011, the IRS issued temporary regulations that provide guidance to taxpayers on the treatment of amounts paid to acquire, produce or improve tangible property and of dispositions of such property. The temporary regulations generally are effective for expenditures made on or after January 1, 2012. Any changes for tax treatment elected by Dominion or required by the regulations will be effective prospectively; however, implementation will require a calculation of the cumulative effect of the changes on prior years, and it is expected that such amount will have to be included in the determination of Dominion's taxable income in 2012, or possibly over a four-year period beginning in 2012. The IRS is expected to issue additional procedural guidance regarding 2012 tax return filing requirements and how the requirements may be implemented for electric generation operations and gas transmission and distribution systems.

Dominion believes the evaluation and implementation of the temporary regulations will require an extensive effort and may permit, or require, changes to how Dominion determines whether expenditures incurred related to plant and equipment should be deducted as repairs or capitalized and depreciated on its tax returns. Since changes will be concerned with the timing for

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deducting expenditures for tax purposes, the impact of implementation will be reflected in the amount of income taxes payable or receivable, cash flows from operations and deferred taxes. Except to the extent the implementation impacts deferred taxes and, therefore, the rate base used to establish customer rates for regulated utilities, results of operations should not be materially affected. Pending the issuance of additional procedural guidance from the IRS and progress of the evaluation process, Dominion cannot estimate the impact of implementing the temporary regulations.

Continuing Operations

Details of income tax expense for continuing operations including noncontrolling interests were as follows:

Year Ended December 31, (millions)	Dominion ⁽¹⁾			Virginia Power ⁽²⁾		
	2011	2010	2009	2011	2010	2009
Current:						
Federal	\$ (11)	\$ 891	\$ 952	\$ (35)	\$ (78)	\$ 465
State		308	129	79	10	91
Total current	(11)	1,199	1,081	44	(68)	556
Deferred:						
Federal	695	764	(424)	484	537	(339)
State	63	96	(59)	13	74	(69)
Total deferred	758	860	(483)	497	611	(408)
Amortization of deferred investment tax credits	(2)	(2)	(2)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Total income tax expense	\$ 745	\$ 2,057	\$ 596	\$ 540	\$ 542	\$ 147

(1) In 2011, Dominion's federal income tax expense includes a \$346 million benefit related to its current year operating loss that is expected to be used in future years, and state income tax expense reflects changes in the amount of income apportioned among states, higher tax credits, claims for refunds and previously unrecognized tax benefits due to the expiration of statutes of limitations.

(2) In 2011, Virginia Power's federal income tax expense includes a \$54 million benefit related to a portion of its current year operating loss that is expected to be used in future years. Also, in 2011 and 2010, Virginia Power's federal income tax expense reflects the amounts of current year operating losses realized through its participation in a tax sharing agreement with Dominion and its subsidiaries.

For continuing operations including noncontrolling interests, the statutory U.S. federal income tax rate reconciles to Dominion's and Virginia Power's effective income tax rate as follows:

Year Ended December 31,	Dominion			Virginia Power		
	2011	2010	2009	2011	2010	2009
U.S. statutory rate	35.0%	35.0%	35.0%	35.0%	35.0%	35.0%
Increases (reductions) resulting from:						
State taxes, net of federal benefit	1.6	5.0	2.4	4.4	3.8	2.8
Valuation allowances	0.2	0.1	(0.4)			
Investment and production tax credits	(0.6)	(0.3)	(1.5)			(0.2)
Amortization of investment tax credits	(0.1)		(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.2)
AFUDC equity	(0.6)	(0.4)	(1.0)	(0.8)	(1.1)	(3.4)
Employee stock ownership plan deduction	(0.7)	(0.3)	(0.8)			
Pension and other benefits	(0.1)		(0.6)			(0.6)
Domestic production activities deduction		(0.4)	(2.9)		(0.3)	(4.5)
Goodwill-sale of U.S. Appalachian E&P business		0.9				
Legislative change		1.1	0.4		1.1	
Other, net	(0.4)	0.1	1.3	1.2	0.5	0.4
Effective tax rate	34.3%	40.8%	31.8%	39.7%	38.9%	29.3%

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Dominion's and Virginia Power's effective tax rates in 2010 reflect reductions of deferred tax assets of \$57 million and \$17 million, respectively, resulting from the enactment of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and the Health Care and Education Affordability Reconciliation Act of 2010, which eliminated the employer's deduction, beginning in 2013, for that portion of its retiree prescription drug coverage cost that is being reimbursed by the Medicare Part D subsidy. In addition, Dominion's effective tax rate in 2010 includes higher state income taxes and the impact of goodwill written off that is not deductible for tax purposes associated with the sale of the Appalachian E&P operations.

Deferred income taxes reflect the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes.

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The Companies' deferred income taxes consist of the following:

At December 31, (millions)	Dominion		Virginia Power	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Deferred income taxes:				
Total deferred income tax assets	\$ 2,229	\$ 1,642	\$ 503	\$ 402
Total deferred income tax liabilities	7,424	6,233	3,759	3,139
Total net deferred income tax liabilities	\$ 5,195	\$ 4,591	\$ 3,256	\$ 2,737
Total deferred income taxes:				
Plant and equipment, primarily depreciation method and basis differences	\$ 4,008	\$ 3,027	\$ 2,758	\$ 2,109
Nuclear decommissioning	913	749	374	343
Deferred state income taxes	493	446	243	228
Federal benefit of deferred state income taxes	(173)	(156)	(85)	(80)
Deferred fuel, purchased energy and gas costs	161	120	144	111
Pension benefits	396	521	8	26
Other postretirement benefits	(167)	(186)	(13)	(14)
Loss and credit carryforwards	(577)	(181)	(55)	(56)
Reserve for rate proceedings	(54)	(56)	(54)	(56)
Partnership basis differences	274	265		
Valuation allowances	96	68		
Other	(175)	(26)	(64)	70
Total net deferred income tax liabilities	\$ 5,195	\$ 4,591	\$ 3,256	\$ 2,737

At December 31, 2011, Dominion had the following deductible loss and credit carryforwards:

Federal loss carryforwards of \$1.0 billion that expire if unutilized during the period 2021 through 2031;

Federal production tax credits of \$13 million that expire if unutilized through 2031;

State loss carryforwards of \$1.1 billion that expire if unutilized during the period 2014 through 2031. A valuation allowance on \$866 million of these carryforwards has been established;

State minimum tax credits of \$101 million that do not expire;

State investment tax credits of \$6 million that expire if unutilized through 2014; and

State investment tax credits of \$3 million that do not expire.

At December 31, 2011, Virginia Power had the following deductible loss and credit carryforwards:

Federal loss carryforwards of \$157 million that expire if unutilized through 2031; and

State minimum tax credits of \$1 million that do not expire.

Positions taken by an entity in its income tax returns that are recognized in the financial statements must satisfy a more-likely-than-not recognition threshold, assuming that the position will be examined by tax authorities with full knowledge of all relevant information. The amount of tax return positions that are not recognized in the financial statements is disclosed as unrecognized tax benefits. These unrecognized tax benefits may impact the financial statements by increasing income taxes payable, reducing tax refunds receivable or changing deferred taxes. Also, when uncertainty about the deductibility of an amount is limited to the timing of such deductibility, an increase in taxes payable (or reduction in tax refunds receivable) is accompanied by a decrease in deferred tax liabilities.

A reconciliation of changes in the Companies' unrecognized tax benefits follows:

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	Dominion			Virginia Power		
	2011	2010	2009	2011	2010	2009
(millions)						
Balance at January 1	\$ 307	\$ 291	\$ 404	\$ 117	\$ 121	\$ 180
Increases prior period positions	127	34	51	22	4	11
Decreases prior period positions	(107)	(59)	(142)	(46)	(28)	(71)
Increases current period positions	64	61	43	47	25	22
Decreases current period positions	(21)			(21)		
Prior period positions becoming otherwise deductible in current period	(12)	(16)	(36)	(5)	(5)	(9)
Settlements with tax authorities			(13)			(9)
Expiration of statutes of limitation	(11)	(4)	(16)			(3)
Balance at December 31	\$ 347	\$ 307	\$ 291	\$ 114	\$ 117	\$ 121

Certain unrecognized tax benefits, or portions thereof, if recognized, would affect the effective tax rate. Changes in these unrecognized tax benefits may result from claims for tax benefits, or portions thereof, that may not be realized, remeasurement of amounts expected to be realized, settlements with tax authorities and expiration of statutes of limitation. For Dominion and its subsidiaries, these unrecognized tax benefits were \$184 million, \$133 million and \$95 million at December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively. For Dominion, the change in these unrecognized tax benefits increased income tax expense by \$51 million in 2011 and \$38 million in 2010 and decreased income tax expense by \$26 million in 2009. For Virginia Power, these unrecognized tax benefits were \$20 million at December 31, 2011 and \$14 million at December 31, 2010 and 2009. For Virginia Power, the change in these unrecognized tax benefits increased income tax expense by \$6 million in 2011 and by less than \$1 million in 2010 and decreased income tax expense by \$7 million in 2009.

A portion of Dominion's and Virginia Power's unrecognized tax benefits balances at December 31, 2011 represents tax positions for which the ultimate deductibility is highly certain; however, there is uncertainty about the timing of such deductibility. When uncertainty about the deductibility of amounts is limited to the timing of such deductibility, any tax liabilities recognized for prior periods would be subject to offset with the availability of refundable amounts from later periods when such deductions could otherwise be taken. Pending resolution of these uncertainties, interest is accrued until the period in which the amounts would become deductible.

For Dominion and its subsidiaries, the U.S. federal statute of limitations has expired for years prior to 2006, except that Dominion has reserved the right to pursue refunds related to the calculation of interest to be capitalized in connection with improvements to in-service plant and equipment for the years 1995 through 2005. The IRS position provides that capitalized interest must also be computed on the adjusted tax basis of in-service assets that are idled while making improvements to them. In response to litigation initiated by Dominion in March 2008, the United States Court of Federal Claims ruled in February 2011, sustaining the IRS position. In July 2011, Dominion

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filed an appeal with the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. Dominion believes the ultimate resolution of this matter will not have a material impact on its cash flows, results of operations or financial condition.

In January 2012, the Appellate Division of the IRS informed Dominion that the Joint Committee had completed its review of the settlement of tax years 2004 and 2005 for Dominion and its consolidated subsidiaries. Since the measurement of unrecognized tax benefits in 2011 considered the results of completed settlement negotiations, Dominion's results of operations in 2012 will not be affected.

In 2011, the IRS completed its fieldwork in the examination of Dominion's consolidated tax returns for tax years 2006 and 2007. Dominion and the IRS have resolved all issues, except Dominion is reserving the right to pursue a refund related to the capitalized interest issue that is currently being litigated.

The IRS examination of tax years 2008, 2009 and 2010 will begin in the first quarter of 2012.

It is reasonably possible that resolution of the litigation related to capitalized interest and settlements with and payments to tax authorities in 2012 could reduce unrecognized tax benefits for Dominion and Virginia Power by \$24 million and \$15 million, respectively. Dominion's unrecognized tax benefits could also be reduced by up to \$18 million, including \$8 million for Virginia Power, to recognize prior period amounts becoming otherwise deductible in 2012 and the expiration of statutes of limitations. If such changes were to occur, other than revisions of the accrual for interest on tax underpayments and overpayments, Dominion's earnings could increase by up to \$7 million with no material impact on Virginia Power's earnings.

Otherwise, with regard to 2011 and prior years, Dominion and Virginia Power cannot estimate the range of reasonably possible changes to unrecognized tax benefits that may occur in 2012.

For each of the major states in which Dominion operates, the earliest tax year remaining open for examination is as follows:

State	Earliest Open Tax Year
Pennsylvania	2008
Connecticut	2007
Massachusetts	2007
Virginia ⁽¹⁾	2008
West Virginia	2008

(1) Virginia is the only state considered major for Virginia Power's operations.

Dominion and Virginia Power are also obligated to report adjustments resulting from IRS settlements to state tax authorities. In addition, if Dominion utilizes operating losses or tax credits generated in years for which the statute of limitations has expired, such amounts are subject to examination.

Discontinued Operations

Income tax expense in 2010 for Dominion's discontinued operations primarily reflects the impact of goodwill written off in the sale of Peoples that is not deductible for tax purposes and the reversal of deferred taxes for which the benefit was offset by the reversal of income tax-related regulatory assets.

NOTE 7. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability (exit price) in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. However, the use of a mid-market pricing convention (the mid-point between bid and ask prices) is permitted. Fair values are based on assumptions that market participants would use when pricing an asset or liability, including assumptions about risk and the risks inherent in valuation techniques and the inputs to valuations. This includes not only the credit standing of counterparties involved and the impact of credit enhancements but also the impact of Dominion's and Virginia Power's own nonperformance risk on their liabilities. Fair value measurements assume that the transaction occurs in the principal market for the asset or liability (the market with the most volume and activity for the asset or liability from the perspective of the reporting entity), or in the absence of a principal market, the most advantageous market for the asset or liability (the market in which the reporting entity would be able to maximize the amount received or minimize the amount paid). Dominion and Virginia Power apply fair value measurements to certain assets and liabilities including commodity and interest rate derivative instruments, and nuclear decommissioning trust and other investments including those held in Dominion's rabbi, pension and other postretirement benefit plan trusts, in accordance with the requirements described above. The Companies apply credit adjustments to their derivative fair values in accordance with the requirements described above. These credit adjustments are currently not material to the derivative fair values.

The Companies maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. Fair value is based on actively-quoted market prices, if available. In the absence of actively-quoted market prices, they seek price information from external sources, including broker quotes and industry publications. When evaluating pricing information provided by brokers and other pricing services, they consider whether the broker is willing and able to trade at the quoted price, if the broker quotes are based on an active market or an inactive market and the extent to which brokers are utilizing a particular model if pricing is not readily available. If pricing information from external sources is not available, or if the Companies believe that observable pricing is not indicative of fair value, judgment is required to develop the estimates of fair value. In those cases they must estimate prices based on available historical and near-term future price information and certain statistical methods, including regression analysis, that reflect their market assumptions.

For options and contracts with option-like characteristics where observable pricing information is not available from external sources, the Companies generally use a modified Black-Scholes Model that considers time value, the volatility of the underlying commodities and other relevant assumptions when estimating fair value. The Companies use other option models under special circumstances, including a Spread Approximation Model when contracts include different commodities or commodity locations and a Swing Option Model when contracts allow either the buyer or seller the ability to exercise within a range of quantities. For contracts with unique characteristics, the

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Companies may estimate fair value using a discounted cash flow approach deemed appropriate in the circumstances and applied consistently from period to period. For individual contracts, the use of different valuation models or assumptions could have a significant effect on the contract's estimated fair value.

The inputs and assumptions used in measuring fair value include the following:

For commodity and foreign currency derivative contracts:

- Forward commodity prices
- Forward foreign currency prices
- Price volatility
- Volumes
- Commodity location
- Interest rates
- Credit quality of counterparties and Dominion and Virginia Power
- Credit enhancements
- Time value

For interest rate derivative contracts:

- Interest rate curves
- Credit quality of counterparties and Dominion and Virginia Power
- Credit enhancements
- Time value

For investments:

- Quoted securities prices and indices
- Securities trading information including volume and restrictions
- Maturity
- Interest rates
- Credit quality
- NAV (only for alternative investments)

Dominion and Virginia Power regularly evaluate and validate the inputs used to estimate fair value by a number of methods, including review and verification of models, as well as various market price verification procedures such as the use of pricing services and multiple broker quotes to support the market price of the various commodities and investments in which the Companies transact.

The Companies also utilize the following fair value hierarchy, which prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value, into three broad levels:

Level 1 Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets and liabilities that they have the ability to access at the measurement date. Instruments categorized in Level 1 primarily consist of financial instruments such as the majority of exchange-traded derivatives, and exchange-listed equities, mutual funds and certain Treasury securities held in nuclear decommissioning trust funds for Dominion and Virginia Power and rabbi and benefit plan trust funds for Dominion.

Level 2 Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are either directly or indirectly observable for the asset or liability, including quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, and inputs that are derived from observable market data by correlation or other means. Instruments categorized in Level 2 primarily include non-exchange traded derivatives such as over-the-counter commodity forwards and swaps, interest rate swaps, foreign currency forwards and options, certain Treasury securities, money market funds, and corporate, state and municipal debt securities held in nuclear

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decommissioning trust funds for Dominion and Virginia Power and rabbi and benefit plan trust funds for Dominion.

Level 3 Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, including situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability. Instruments categorized in Level 3 for Dominion and Virginia Power consist of long-dated commodity derivatives, FTRs and other modeled commodity derivatives. Additional instruments categorized in Level 3 for Dominion include NGLs and natural gas peaking options and alternative investments, consisting of investments in partnerships, joint ventures and other alternative investments, held in benefit plan trust funds.

The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable data (Level 3). In some cases, the inputs used to measure fair value might fall in different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In these cases, the lowest level input that is significant to a fair value measurement in its entirety determines the applicable level in the fair value hierarchy. Assessing the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment, considering factors specific to the asset or liability.

Fair value measurements are categorized as Level 3 when a significant amount of price or other inputs that are considered to be unobservable are used in their valuations. Long-dated commodity derivatives are generally based on unobservable inputs due to the length of time to settlement and the absence of market activity and are therefore categorized as Level 3. For NGL derivatives, market illiquidity requires a valuation based on proxy markets that do not always correlate to the actual instrument, therefore they are categorized as Level 3. FTRs are categorized as Level 3 fair value measurements because the only relevant pricing available comes from ISO auctions, which are generally not considered to be liquid markets. Other modeled commodity derivatives have unobservable inputs in their valuation, mostly due to non-transparent and illiquid markets. Alternative investments are categorized as Level 3 due to the absence of quoted market prices, illiquidity and the long-term nature of these assets. These investments are generally valued using NAV based on the proportionate share of the fair value as determined by reference to the most recent audited fair value financial statements or fair value statements provided by the investment manager adjusted for any significant events occurring between the investment manager's and the Companies' measurement date.

For derivative contracts, Dominion and Virginia Power recognize transfers among Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 based on fair values as of the first day of the month in which the transfer occurs. Transfers out of Level 3 represent assets and liabilities that were previously classified as Level 3 for which the inputs became observable for classification in either Level 1 or Level 2. Because the activity and liquidity of commodity markets vary substantially between regions and time periods, the availability of observable

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inputs for substantially the full term and value of the Companies' over-the-counter derivative contracts is subject to change.

At December 31, 2011, Dominion's and Virginia Power's net balance of commodity derivatives categorized as Level 3 fair value measurements was a net liability of \$71 million and \$28 million, respectively. A hypothetical 10% increase in commodity prices would increase Dominion's and Virginia Power's net liability by \$73 million and \$2 million, respectively. A hypothetical 10% decrease in commodity prices would decrease Dominion's and Virginia Power's net liability by \$74 million and \$2 million, respectively.

Nonrecurring Fair Value Measurements

MERCHANT POWER STATIONS

In June 2010, Dominion evaluated State Line for impairment due to the station's relatively low level of profitability combined with the EPA's issuance of a new stringent 1-hour primary NAAQS for SO₂ that would likely require significant environmental capital expenditures in the future. As a result of this evaluation, Dominion recorded an impairment charge of \$163 million (\$107 million after-tax) in other operations and maintenance expense in its Consolidated Statement of Income, to write down State Line's long-lived assets to their estimated fair value of \$59 million.

During March 2011, Dominion determined that it was unlikely that State Line would participate in the May 2011 PJM capacity base residual auction that would commit State Line's capacity from June 2014 through May 2015. This determination reflected an expectation that margins for coal-fired generation will remain compressed in the 2014 and 2015 period in combination with the expectation that State Line may be impacted during the same time period by environmental regulations that would likely require significant capital expenditures. As a result, Dominion evaluated State Line for impairment since it was more likely than not that State Line would be retired before the end of its previously estimated useful life. As a result of this evaluation, Dominion recorded an impairment charge of \$55 million (\$39 million after-tax) reflected in other operations and maintenance expense in its Consolidated Statement of Income, to write down State Line's long-lived assets to their estimated fair value of less than \$1 million.

In December 2010, Dominion recorded an impairment charge of \$31 million (\$20 million after-tax) in other operations and maintenance expense in its Consolidated Statement of Income, to write down the long-lived assets of Salem Harbor to their estimated fair value of less than \$1 million as a result of profitability issues.

As management was not aware of any recent market transactions for comparable assets with sufficient transparency to develop a market approach to fair value, Dominion used the income approach (discounted cash flows) to estimate the fair value of State Line's and Salem Harbor's long-lived assets in these impairment tests. These were considered Level 3 fair value measurements due to the use of significant unobservable inputs including estimates of future power and other commodity prices.

EMISSIONS ALLOWANCES

In September 2010, Virginia Power evaluated its SO₂ emissions allowances not expected to be consumed by its generating units for potential impairment due to the significant decline in market prices since the July 2010 release of the EPA's proposed replacement rule for CAIR, ultimately known as CSAPR. As a result of this evaluation, Virginia Power recorded an impairment charge of \$13 million (\$8 million after-tax) in other operations and maintenance expense in its Consolidated Statement of Income, to write down its SO₂ emissions allowances not expected to be consumed to their estimated fair value of less than \$1 million.

In the third quarter of 2011, Dominion and Virginia Power evaluated their SO₂ emissions allowances not expected to be consumed by generating units for potential impairment due to the EPA's issuance of CSAPR as discussed in Note 23. Prior to the issuance of CSAPR, Dominion and Virginia Power held \$57 million and \$43 million, respectively, of SO₂ emissions allowances obtained for ARP and CAIR compliance. Due to CSAPR's establishment of a new allowance program and the elimination of CAIR, Dominion and Virginia Power have more SO₂ emissions allowances than needed for ARP compliance. As a result of this evaluation, Dominion and Virginia Power recorded an impairment charge of \$57 million (\$34 million after-tax) and \$43 million (\$26 million after-tax), respectively, in other operations and maintenance expense in their

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Consolidated Statements of Income, to write down these emissions allowances to their estimated fair value of less than \$1 million.

To estimate the value of these emissions allowances in both impairment tests, Dominion utilized a market approach by obtaining broker quotes to validate CSAPR's impact on emissions allowance prices. However, due to limited market activity for future SQvintage year allowances, these are considered a Level 3 fair value measurement.

Recurring Fair Value Measurements

Fair value measurements are separately disclosed by level within the fair value hierarchy with a separate reconciliation of fair value measurements categorized as Level 3. Fair value disclosures for assets held in Dominion's pension and other postretirement benefit plans are presented in Note 22.

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The following table presents Dominion's assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis for each hierarchy level, including both current and noncurrent portions:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
(millions)				
At December 31, 2011				
Assets:				
Derivatives:				
Commodity	\$ 44	\$ 828	\$ 93	\$ 965
Interest rate		105		105
Investments ⁽¹⁾ :				
Equity securities:				
U.S.:				
Large Cap	1,718			1,718
Other	51			51
Non-U.S.:				
Large Cap	10			10
Fixed Income:				
Corporate debt instruments		332		332
U.S. Treasury securities and agency debentures	277	181		458
State and municipal		329		329
Other		23		23
Cash equivalents and other		60		60
Restricted cash equivalents		141		141
Total assets	\$ 2,100	\$ 1,999	\$ 93	\$ 4,192
Liabilities:				
Derivatives:				
Commodity	\$ 10	\$ 714	\$ 164	\$ 888
Interest rate		269		269
Total liabilities	\$ 10	\$ 983	\$ 164	\$ 1,157
At December 31, 2010				
Assets:				
Derivatives:				
Commodity	\$ 62	\$ 734	\$ 47	\$ 843
Interest rate		54		54
Investments ⁽¹⁾ :				
Equity securities:				
U.S.:				
Large Cap	1,709			1,709
Other	56			56
Non-U.S.:				
Large Cap	12			12
Fixed Income:				
Corporate debt instruments		327		327
U.S. Treasury securities and agency debentures	228	165		393
State and municipal		286		286
Other		19		19
Cash equivalents and other	25	97		122
Restricted cash equivalents		400		400

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Total assets	\$ 2,092	\$ 2,082	\$ 47	\$ 4,221
Liabilities:				
Derivatives:				
Commodity	\$ 12	\$ 716	\$ 97	\$ 825
Interest rate		5		5
Total liabilities	\$ 12	\$ 721	\$ 97	\$ 830

(1) Includes investments held in the nuclear decommissioning and rabbi trusts.

The following table presents the net change in Dominion's assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis and included in the Level 3 fair value category:

(millions)	2011	2010	2009
Balance at January 1,	\$ (50)	\$ (66)	\$ 99
Total realized and unrealized gains (losses):			
Included in earnings	(77)	43	(148)
Included in other comprehensive income (loss)	14	(49)	(188)
Included in regulatory assets/liabilities	(42)	24	52
Settlements	88	(38)	126
Transfers out of Level 3	(4)	36	(7)
Balance at December 31,	\$ (71)	\$ (50)	\$ (66)
The amount of total gains (losses) for the period included in earnings attributable to the change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to assets still held at the reporting date	\$ 22	\$ (4)	\$ (3)

The following table presents Dominion's gains and losses included in earnings in the Level 3 fair value category:

(millions)	Operating Revenue	Electric Fuel and Energy Purchases	Purchased Gas	Total
Year Ended December 31, 2011				
Total gains (losses) included in earnings	\$ (32)	\$ (45)	\$	\$ (77)
The amount of total gains (losses) for the period included in earnings attributable to the change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to assets still held at the reporting date	22			22
Year Ended December 31, 2010				
Total gains (losses) included in earnings	\$ (4)	\$ 51	\$ (4)	\$ 43
The amount of total gains (losses) for the period included in earnings attributable to the change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to assets still held at the reporting date	(4)			(4)
Year Ended December 31, 2009				
Total gains (losses) included in earnings	\$ 29	\$ (165)	\$ (12)	\$ (148)
The amount of total gains (losses) for the period included in earnings attributable to the change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to assets still held at the reporting date	1		(4)	(3)

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The following table presents Virginia Power's assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis for each hierarchy level, including both current and noncurrent portions:

(millions)	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
At December 31, 2011				
Assets:				
Derivatives:				
Commodity	\$	\$	\$ 2	\$ 2
Investments ⁽¹⁾ :				
Equity securities:				
U.S.:				
Large Cap	679			679
Other	23			23
Fixed Income:				
Corporate debt instruments		214		214
U.S. Treasury securities and agency debentures	107	63		170
State and municipal		125		125
Other		16		16
Cash equivalents and other		40		40
Restricted cash equivalents		32		32
Total assets	\$ 809	\$ 490	\$ 2	\$ 1,301
Liabilities:				
Derivatives:				
Commodity	\$	\$ 17	\$ 30	\$ 47
Interest rate		100		100
Total Liabilities	\$	\$ 117	\$ 30	\$ 147
At December 31, 2010				
Assets:				
Derivatives:				
Commodity	\$	\$ 12	\$ 15	\$ 27
Investments ⁽¹⁾ :				
Equity securities:				
U.S.:				
Large Cap	676			676
Other	25			25
Fixed Income:				
Corporate debt instruments		215		215
U.S. Treasury securities and agency debentures	80	63		143
State and municipal		102		102
Other		15		15
Cash equivalents and other	10	61		71
Restricted cash equivalents		169		169
Total assets	\$ 791	\$ 637	\$ 15	\$ 1,443
Liabilities:				
Derivatives:				
Commodity	\$	\$ 5	\$ 1	\$ 6
Total Liabilities	\$	\$ 5	\$ 1	\$ 6

(1) Includes investments held in the nuclear decommissioning trusts.

The following table presents the net change in Virginia Power's assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis and included in the Level 3 fair value category:

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	2011	2010	2009
(millions)			
Balance at January 1,	\$ 14	\$ (10)	\$ (69)
Total realized and unrealized gains (losses):			
Included in earnings	(45)	51	(165)
Included in regulatory assets/liabilities	(42)	24	53
Settlements	45	(51)	170
Transfers out of Level 3			1
Balance at December 31,	\$ (28)	\$ 14	\$ (10)

The gains and losses included in earnings in the Level 3 fair value category, including those attributable to the change in unrealized gains and losses relating to assets still held at the reporting date, were classified in electric fuel and other energy-related purchases expense in Virginia Power's Consolidated Statements of Income for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009. There were no unrealized gains and losses included in earnings in the Level 3 fair value category relating to assets/liabilities still held at the reporting date for the years ended 2011, 2010 and 2009.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

Substantially all of Dominion's and Virginia Power's financial instruments are recorded at fair value, with the exception of the instruments described below that are reported at historical cost. Estimated fair values have been determined using available market information and valuation methodologies considered appropriate by management. The carrying amount of cash and cash equivalents, customer and other receivables, short-term debt and accounts payable are representative of fair value because of the short-term nature of these instruments. For Dominion's and Virginia Power's financial instruments that are not recorded at fair value, the carrying amounts and fair values are as follows:

At December 31,		2011 Estimated Fair Value ⁽¹⁾		2010 Estimated Fair Value ⁽¹⁾
(millions)	Carrying Amount		Carrying Amount	
Dominion				
Long-term debt, including securities due within one year ⁽²⁾	\$ 16,264	\$ 18,936	\$ 14,520	\$ 16,112
Long-term debt, VIE ⁽³⁾	890	892		
Junior subordinated notes payable to affiliates	268	268	268	261
Enhanced junior subordinated notes	1,451	1,518	1,467	1,560
Subsidiary preferred stock ⁽⁴⁾	257	256	257	249
Virginia Power				
Long-term debt, including securities due within one year ⁽²⁾	\$ 6,862	\$ 8,281	\$ 6,717	\$ 7,489
Preferred stock ⁽⁴⁾	257	256	257	249

(1) Fair value is estimated using market prices, where available, and interest rates currently available for issuance of debt with similar terms and remaining maturities. The carrying amount of debt issues with short-term maturities and variable rates refinanced at current market rates is a reasonable estimate of their fair value.

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(2) Includes amounts which represent the unamortized discount and premium. At December 31, 2011, and 2010, includes the valuation of certain fair value hedges associated with Dominion's fixed rate debt, of approximately \$105 million and \$49 million, respectively.

(3) Includes amounts which represent the unamortized premium.

(4) Includes issuance expenses of \$2 million at December 31, 2011 and 2010.

NOTE 8. DERIVATIVES AND HEDGE ACCOUNTING ACTIVITIES

Dominion and Virginia Power are exposed to the impact of market fluctuations in the price of electricity, natural gas and other energy-related products they market and purchase, as well as currency exchange and interest rate risks of their business operations. The Companies use derivative instruments to manage exposure to these risks, and designate certain derivative instruments as fair value or cash flow hedges for accounting purposes. As discussed in Note 2, for jurisdictions subject to cost-based rate regulation, changes in the fair value of derivatives are deferred as regulatory assets or regulatory liabilities until the related transactions impact earnings. See Note 7 for further information about fair value measurements and associated valuation methods for derivatives.

DOMINION

The following table presents the volume of Dominion's derivative activity as of December 31, 2011. These volumes are based on open derivative positions and represent the combined absolute value of their long and short positions, except in the case of offsetting transactions, for which they represent the absolute value of the net volume of their long and short positions.

	Current	Noncurrent
Natural Gas (bcf):		
Fixed price ⁽¹⁾	279	79
Basis ⁽¹⁾	822	400
Electricity (MWh):		
Fixed price ⁽¹⁾	19,955,507	20,056,109
FTRs	50,859,304	1,277,239
Capacity (MW)	109,416	281,185
Liquids (gallons) ⁽²⁾	140,658,000	248,220,000
Interest rate	\$ 2,200,000,000	\$ 2,090,000,000

(1) Includes options.

(2) Includes NGLs and oil.

Selected information about Dominion's hedge accounting activities follows:

Year Ended December 31, (millions)	2011	2010	2009
Portion of gains (losses) on hedging instruments determined to be ineffective and included in net income:			
Fair value hedges ⁽¹⁾	\$ (5)	\$ 3	\$ (4)
Cash flow hedges ⁽²⁾	(4)	(1)	

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Net ineffectiveness	\$ (9)	\$ 2	\$ (4)
Gains (losses) attributable to changes in the time value of options and change in the differences between spot prices and forward prices and excluded from the assessment of effectiveness ⁽³⁾ :			
Fair value hedges ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 6	\$	\$ 23
Total ineffectiveness and excluded amounts	\$ (3)	\$ 2	\$ 19

(1) For the year ended December 31, 2011, includes \$(1) million recorded in purchased gas and \$(4) million recorded in operating revenue in Dominion's Consolidated Statement of Income. For the year ended December 31, 2010, includes \$(1) million recorded in purchased gas and \$4 million recorded in operating revenue in Dominion's Consolidated Statement of Income. For the year ended December 31, 2009, includes \$(5) million recorded in purchased gas and \$1 million recorded in operating revenue in Dominion's Consolidated Statement of Income.

(2) For the year ended December 31, 2011, includes \$(5) million recorded in purchased gas and \$1 million recorded in operating revenue in Dominion's Consolidated Statement of Income. For the year ended December 31, 2010, includes \$(3) million recorded in purchased gas and \$2 million recorded in operating revenue in Dominion's Consolidated Statement of Income.

(3) Amounts excluded from the measurement of ineffectiveness related to cash flow hedges for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009 were not material.

(4) For the year ended December 31, 2011, amount was recorded in operating revenue in Dominion's Consolidated Statement of Income. For the year ended December 31, 2009, includes \$22 million recorded in operating revenue and \$1 million recorded in electric fuel and other energy-related purchases in Dominion's Consolidated Statement of Income.

The following table presents selected information related to gains (losses) on cash flow hedges included in AOCI in Dominion's Consolidated Balance Sheet at December 31, 2011:

(millions)	AOCI After-Tax	Amounts Expected to be Reclassified to Earnings during the next 12 Months After-Tax	Maximum Term
Commodities:			
Gas	\$ (33)	\$ (25)	36 months
Electricity	146	53	48 months
NGLs	(57)	(26)	36 months
Other	6	2	41 months
Interest rate	(116)	(5)	372 months
Total	\$ (54)	\$ (1)	

The amounts that will be reclassified from AOCI to earnings will generally be offset by the recognition of the hedged transactions (e.g., anticipated sales) in earnings, thereby achieving the realization of prices contemplated by the underlying risk management strategies and will vary from the expected amounts presented above as a result of changes in market prices and interest rates.

The sale of the majority of Dominion's remaining E&P operations resulted in the discontinuance of hedge accounting for certain cash flow hedges in 2010, as discussed in Note 4.

In addition, changes to Dominion's financing needs during the first and second quarters of 2010 resulted in the discontinuance of hedge accounting for certain cash flow hedges since it was determined that the forecasted interest payments would not occur. In connection with the discontinuance of hedge accounting for these contracts, Dominion recognized a benefit recorded to interest and related charges reflecting the reclassification of gains from AOCI to earnings of \$110 million (\$67 million after-tax) for 2010. The reclassification of gains from AOCI to earnings was partially offset by subsequent changes in fair value for these contracts of \$37 million (\$23 million after-tax) for 2010.

Table of Contents**Fair Value and Gains and Losses on Derivative Instruments**

The following tables present the fair values of Dominion's derivatives and where they are presented in its Consolidated Balance Sheets:

At December 31, 2011 (millions)	Fair Value - Derivatives under Hedge Accounting	Fair Value - Derivatives not under Hedge Accounting	Total Fair Value
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Commodity	\$ 176	\$ 495	\$ 671
Interest rate	34		34
Total current derivative assets	210	495	705
Noncurrent Assets			
Commodity	198	96	294
Interest rate	71		71
Total noncurrent derivative assets ⁽¹⁾	269	96	365
Total derivative assets	\$ 479	\$ 591	\$ 1,070
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Commodity	\$ 162	\$ 530	\$ 692
Interest rate	222	37	259
Total current derivative liabilities	384	567	951
Noncurrent Liabilities			
Commodity	118	78	196
Interest rate		10	10
Total noncurrent derivative liabilities ⁽²⁾	118	88	206
Total derivative liabilities	\$ 502	\$ 655	\$ 1,157
At December 31, 2010			
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Commodity	\$ 291	\$ 425	\$ 716
Interest rate	23		23
Total current derivative assets	314	425	739
Noncurrent Assets			
Commodity	44	83	127
Interest rate	31		31
Total noncurrent derivative assets ⁽¹⁾	75	83	158
Total derivative assets	\$ 389	\$ 508	\$ 897
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Commodity	\$ 178	\$ 455	\$ 633
Total current derivative liabilities	178	455	633
Noncurrent Liabilities			
Commodity	86	106	192
Interest rate	5		5
Total noncurrent derivative liabilities ⁽²⁾	91	106	197
Total derivative liabilities	\$ 269	\$ 561	\$ 830

(1) Noncurrent derivative assets are presented in other deferred charges and other assets in Dominion's Consolidated Balance Sheets.

(2) Noncurrent derivative liabilities are presented in other deferred credits and other liabilities in Dominion's Consolidated Balance Sheets.

The following tables present the gains and losses on Dominion's derivatives, as well as where the associated activity is presented in its Consolidated Balance Sheets and Statements of Income:

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Derivatives in cash flow hedging relationships Year ended December 31, 2011 (millions)	Amount of Gain (Loss) Recognized in AOCI on Derivatives (Effective Portion) ⁽¹⁾	Amount of Gain (Loss) Reclassified from AOCI to Income	Increase (Decrease) in Derivatives Subject to Regulatory Treatment ⁽²⁾
Derivative Type and Location of Gains (Losses)			
Commodity:			
Operating revenue		\$ 153	
Purchased gas		(78)	
Electric fuel and other energy-related purchases		(2)	
Purchased electric capacity		1	
Total commodity	\$ 137	\$ 74	\$ (20)
Interest rate ⁽³⁾	(252)	(8)	(143)
Total	\$ (115)	\$ 66	\$ (163)
Year ended December 31, 2010			
Derivative Type and Location of Gains (Losses)			
Commodity:			
Operating revenue		\$ 557	
Purchased gas		(155)	
Electric fuel and other energy-related purchases		(8)	
Purchased electric capacity		3	
Total commodity	\$ 139	\$ 397	\$ (17)
Interest rate ⁽³⁾	(3)	109	(27)
Foreign currency ⁽⁴⁾		1	(2)
Total	\$ 136	\$ 507	\$ (46)
Year ended December 31, 2009			
Derivative Type and Location of Gains (Losses)			
Commodity:			
Operating revenue		\$ 1,072	
Purchased gas		(179)	
Electric fuel and other energy-related purchases		(10)	
Purchased electric capacity		4	
Total commodity	\$ 358	\$ 887	\$ 6
Interest rate ⁽³⁾	159	(4)	87
Foreign currency ⁽⁴⁾		2	(3)
Total	\$ 517	\$ 885	\$ 90

(1) Amounts deferred into AOCI have no associated effect in Dominion's Consolidated Statements of Income.

(2) Represents net derivative activity deferred into and amortized out of regulatory assets/liabilities. Amounts deferred into regulatory assets/liabilities have no associated effect in Dominion's Consolidated Statements of Income.

(3) Amounts recorded in Dominion's Consolidated Statements of Income are classified in interest and related charges.

(4) Amounts recorded in Dominion's Consolidated Statements of Income are classified in electric fuel and other energy-related purchases.

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Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments Year ended December 31, (millions)	2011	Amount of Gain (Loss) Recognized in Income on Derivatives ⁽¹⁾	
		2010	2009
Derivative Type and Location of Gains (Losses)			
Commodity:			
Operating revenue	\$ 111	\$ 67	\$ 105
Purchased gas	(35)	(41)	(66)
Electric fuel and other energy-related purchases	(45)	51	(163)
Interest rate ⁽²⁾	(5)	(37)	
Total	\$ 26	\$ 40	\$ (124)

(1) Includes derivative activity amortized out of regulatory assets/liabilities. Amounts deferred into regulatory assets/liabilities have no associated effect in Dominion's Consolidated Statements of Income.

(2) Amounts recorded in Dominion's Consolidated Statements of Income are classified in interest and related charges.

VIRGINIA POWER

The following table presents the volume of Virginia Power's derivative activity at December 31, 2011. These volumes are based on open derivative positions and represent the combined absolute value of their long and short positions, except in the case of offsetting transactions, for which they represent the absolute value of the net volume of their long and short positions.

	Current	Noncurrent
Natural Gas (bcf):		
Fixed price	18	
Basis	9	
Electricity (MWh):		
Fixed price	683,200	
FTRs	49,190,007	484,288
Capacity (MW)	76,000	182,500
Interest rate	\$ 1,200,000,000	\$ 90,000,000

For the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, gains or losses on hedging instruments determined to be ineffective and amounts excluded from the assessment of effectiveness were not material. Amounts excluded from the assessment of effectiveness include gains or losses attributable to the time value of options and changes in the differences between spot prices and forward prices.

Fair Value and Gains and Losses on Derivative Instruments

The following tables present the fair values of Virginia Power's derivatives and where they are presented in its Consolidated Balance Sheets:

At December 31, 2011	Fair Value - Derivatives under Hedge	Fair Value - Derivatives not under Hedge	Total Fair Value

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(millions)	Accounting	Accounting	
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Commodity	\$	\$ 2	\$ 2
Total current derivative assets ⁽¹⁾		2	2
Total derivative assets	\$	\$ 2	\$ 2
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Commodity	\$ 14	\$ 31	\$ 45
Interest rate	53	37	90
Total current derivative liabilities	67	68	135
Noncurrent Liabilities			
Commodity	2		2
Interest rate		10	10
Total noncurrent derivative liabilities ⁽²⁾	2	10	12
Total derivative liabilities	\$ 69	\$ 78	\$ 147

At December 31, 2010

(millions)

ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Commodity	\$ 12	\$ 15	\$ 27
Total current derivative assets ⁽¹⁾	12	15	27
Total derivative assets	\$ 12	\$ 15	\$ 27
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Commodity	\$ 2	\$ 1	\$ 3
Total current derivative liabilities	2	1	3
Noncurrent Liabilities			
Commodity	3		3
Total noncurrent derivative liabilities ⁽²⁾	3		3
Total derivative liabilities	\$ 5	\$ 1	\$ 6

(1) Current derivative assets are presented in other current assets in Virginia Power's Consolidated Balance Sheets.

(2) Noncurrent derivative liabilities are presented in other deferred credits and other liabilities in Virginia Power's Consolidated Balance Sheets.

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The following tables present the gains and losses on Virginia Power's derivatives, as well as where the associated activity is presented in its Consolidated Balance Sheets and Statements of Income:

Derivatives in cash flow hedging relationships	Amount of Gain (Loss) Recognized in AOCI on Derivatives (Effective Portion) ⁽¹⁾		Amount of Gain (Loss) Reclassified from AOCI to Income	Increase (Decrease) in Derivatives Subject to Regulatory Treatment ⁽²⁾
Year Ended December 31, 2011 (millions)				
Derivative Type and Location of Gains (Losses)				
Commodity:				
Electric fuel and other energy-related purchases			\$ (1)	
Purchased electric capacity			1	
Total commodity	\$ (3)		\$ 1	\$ (20)
Interest rate ⁽³⁾	(6)		1	(143)
Total	\$ (9)		\$ 1	\$ (163)
Year Ended December 31, 2010				
Derivative Type and Location of Gains (Losses)				
Commodity:				
Electric fuel and other energy-related purchases			\$ (1)	
Purchased electric capacity			4	
Total commodity	\$ (1)		\$ 3	\$ (17)
Interest rate ⁽³⁾	(1)		9	(27)
Foreign currency ⁽⁴⁾				(2)
Total	\$ (2)		\$ 12	\$ (46)
Year Ended December 31, 2009				
Derivative Type and Location of Gains (Losses)				
Commodity:				
Electric fuel and other energy-related purchases			\$ (8)	
Purchased electric capacity			5	
Total commodity	\$ (3)		\$ (3)	\$ 6
Interest rate ⁽³⁾	15			87
Foreign currency ⁽⁴⁾			1	(3)
Total	\$ 12		\$ (2)	\$ 90

(1) Amounts deferred into AOCI have no associated effect in Virginia Power's Consolidated Statements of Income.

(2) Represents net derivative activity deferred into and amortized out of regulatory assets/liabilities. Amounts deferred into regulatory assets/liabilities have no associated effect in Virginia Power's Consolidated Statements of Income.

(3) Amounts recorded in Virginia Power's Consolidated Statements of Income are classified in interest and related charges.

(4) Amounts recorded in Virginia Power's Consolidated Statements of Income are classified in electric fuel and other energy-related purchases.

Derivatives not designated as hedging

instruments Year Ended December 31, (millions) Derivative Type and Location of Gains (Losses)	Amount of Gain (Loss) Recognized in Income on Derivatives ⁽¹⁾		
	2011	2010	2009

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Commodity ⁽²⁾	\$ (45)	\$ 51	\$ (165)
Interest rate ⁽³⁾	(5)	(3)	
Total	\$ (50)	\$ 48	\$ (165)

(1) Includes derivative activity amortized out of regulatory assets/liabilities. Amounts deferred into regulatory assets/liabilities have no associated effect in Virginia Power's Consolidated Statements of Income.

(2) Amounts recorded in Virginia Power's Consolidated Statements of Income are classified in electric fuel and other energy-related purchases.

(3) Amounts recorded in Virginia Power's Consolidated Statements of Income are classified in interest and related charges.

NOTE 9. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The following table presents the calculation of Dominion's basic and diluted EPS:

	2011	2010	2009
(millions, except EPS)			
Net income attributable to Dominion	\$ 1,408	\$ 2,808	\$ 1,287
Average shares of common stock outstanding-Basic	573.1	588.9	593.3
Net effect of potentially dilutive securities ⁽¹⁾	1.5	1.2	0.4
Average shares of common stock outstanding-Diluted	574.6	590.1	593.7
Earnings Per Common Share-Basic	\$ 2.46	\$ 4.77	\$ 2.17
Earnings Per Common Share-Diluted	\$ 2.45	\$ 4.76	\$ 2.17

(1) Potentially dilutive securities consist of options, goal-based stock and contingently convertible senior notes.

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Potentially dilutive securities with the right to acquire approximately 1.2 million common shares for the year ended December 31, 2009 were not included in the calculation of diluted EPS because the exercise or purchase prices of those instruments were greater than the average market price of Dominion's common shares. There were no potentially dilutive securities excluded from the calculation of diluted EPS for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010.

NOTE 10. INVESTMENTS**DOMINION****Equity and Debt Securities****RABBI TRUST SECURITIES**

Marketable equity and debt securities and cash equivalents held in Dominion's rabbi trusts and classified as trading totaled \$90 million and \$93 million at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Net unrealized losses on trading securities totaled less than \$1 million in 2011. Net unrealized gains on trading securities totaled \$5 million and \$11 million in 2010 and 2009, respectively. Cost-method investments held in Dominion's rabbi trusts totaled \$17 million and \$18 million at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

DECOMMISSIONING TRUST SECURITIES

Dominion holds marketable equity and debt securities (classified as available-for-sale), cash equivalents and cost method investments in nuclear decommissioning trust funds to fund future decommissioning costs for its nuclear plants. Dominion's decommissioning trust funds are summarized below.

(millions)	Amortized Cost	Total Unrealized Gains ⁽¹⁾	Total Unrealized Losses ⁽¹⁾	Fair Value
2011				
Marketable equity securities:				
U.S.:				
Large Cap	\$ 1,152	\$ 537	\$	\$ 1,689
Other	36	10		46
Marketable debt securities:				
Corporate debt instruments	314	19	(1)	332
U.S. Treasury securities and agency debentures	437	20	(1)	456
State and municipal	264	24		288
Other	23	1		24
Cost method investments	118			118
Cash equivalents and other ⁽²⁾	46			46
Total	\$ 2,390	\$ 611	\$ (2) ⁽³⁾	\$ 2,999
2010				

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Marketable equity securities:				
U.S.:				
Large Cap	\$ 1,161	\$ 515	\$	\$ 1,676
Other	39	11		50
Marketable debt securities:				
Corporate debt instruments	310	18	(1)	327
U.S. Treasury securities and agency debentures	380	12	(1)	391
State and municipal	244	7	(4)	247
Other	19			19
Cost method investments	108			108
Cash equivalents and other ⁽²⁾	79			79
Total	\$ 2,340	\$ 563	\$ (6) ⁽³⁾	\$ 2,897

(1) Included in AOCI and the decommissioning trust regulatory liability as discussed in Note 2.

(2) Includes pending purchases of securities of \$11 million and \$43 million at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

(3) The fair value of securities in an unrealized loss position was \$164 million and \$252 million at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

The fair value of Dominion's marketable debt securities held in nuclear decommissioning trust funds at December 31, 2011 by contractual maturity is as follows:

	Amount
(millions)	
Due in one year or less	\$ 99
Due after one year through five years	292
Due after five years through ten years	332
Due after ten years	377
Total	\$ 1,100

Presented below is selected information regarding Dominion's marketable equity and debt securities held in nuclear decommissioning trust funds.

Year Ended December 31, (millions)	2011	2010	2009
Proceeds from sales	\$ 1,757	\$ 1,814 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 1,478
Realized gains ⁽²⁾	79	111	215
Realized losses ⁽²⁾	92	63	211

(1) The increase in proceeds primarily reflects the replacement of commingled funds with actively managed portfolios. Does not include

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\$1 billion of proceeds reflected in Dominion's Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows from the sale of temporary investments consisting of time deposits and Treasury Bills, purchased following the sale of substantially all of Dominion's Appalachian E&P operations.

(2) Includes realized gains and losses recorded to the decommissioning trust regulatory liability as discussed in Note 2.

Dominion recorded other-than-temporary impairment losses on investments held in nuclear decommissioning trust funds as follows:

Year Ended December 31, (millions)	2011	2010	2009
Total other-than-temporary impairment losses ⁽¹⁾	\$ 75	\$ 59	\$ 175
Losses recorded to decommissioning trust regulatory liability	(24)	(21)	(80)
Losses recognized in other comprehensive income (before taxes)	(3)	(3)	(3)
Net impairment losses recognized in earnings	\$ 48	\$ 35	\$ 92

(1) Amounts include other-than-temporary impairment losses for debt securities of \$6 million, \$10 million and \$13 million at December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

Equity Method Investments

Investments that Dominion accounts for under the equity method of accounting are as follows:

Company	Ownership%	Investment Balance	Description	
As of December 31, (millions)		2011	2010	
Fowler I Holdings LLC	50%	\$ 166	\$ 180	Wind-powered merchant generation facility
NedPower Mount Storm LLC	50%	146	149	Wind-powered merchant generation facility
Elwood Energy LLC	50%	108	98	Natural gas-fired merchant generation peaking facility
Iroquois Gas Transmission System, LP	24.72%	104	106	Gas transmission system
Other	various	29	38	
Total		\$ 553	\$ 571	

Dominion's equity earnings on these investments totaled \$35 million in 2011 and \$42 million in 2010 and 2009. Excluding a \$123 million distribution in 2009 from Fowler Ridge, Dominion received distributions from these investments of \$55 million, \$60 million and \$63 million in 2011, 2010, and 2009, respectively. As of December 31, 2011 and 2010, the carrying amount of Dominion's investments exceeded Dominion's share of underlying equity in net assets by approximately \$32 million and \$7 million, respectively. The differences relate to Dominion's investments in wind projects and primarily reflect its capitalized interest during construction and the excess of its cash contributions over the book value of development assets contributed by Dominion's partners for these projects. The differences are generally being amortized over the useful lives of the underlying assets.

VIRGINIA POWER

Virginia Power holds marketable equity and debt securities (classified as available-for-sale), cash equivalents and cost method investments in nuclear decommissioning trust funds to fund future decommissioning costs for its nuclear plants. Virginia Power's decommissioning trust funds are summarized below.

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(millions)	Amortized Cost	Total Unrealized Gains ⁽¹⁾	Total Unrealized Losses ⁽¹⁾	Fair Value
2011				
Marketable equity securities:				
U.S.:				
Large Cap	\$ 460	\$ 218	\$	\$ 678
Other	18	5		23
Marketable debt securities:				
Corporate debt instruments	204	11	(1)	214
U.S. Treasury securities and agency debentures	166	4		170
State and municipal	114	10		124
Other	16	1	(1)	16
Cost method investments	118			118
Cash equivalents and other ⁽²⁾	27			27
Total	\$ 1,123	\$ 249	\$ (2)⁽³⁾	\$ 1,370
2010				
Marketable equity securities:				
U.S.:				
Large Cap	\$ 469	\$ 207	\$	\$ 676
Other	20	5		25
Marketable debt securities:				
Corporate debt instruments	205	10		215
U.S. Treasury securities and agency debentures	141	2		143
State and municipal	103	1	(2)	102
Other	15			15
Cost method investments	108			108
Cash equivalents and other ⁽²⁾	35			35
Total	\$ 1,096	\$ 225	\$ (2)⁽³⁾	\$ 1,319

(1) Included in AOCI and the decommissioning trust regulatory liability as discussed in Note 2.

(2) Includes pending purchases of securities of \$13 million and \$35 million at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

(3) The fair value of securities in an unrealized loss position was \$99 million and \$159 million at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

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The fair value of Virginia Power's debt securities at December 31, 2011, by contractual maturity is as follows:

(millions)	Amount
Due in one year or less	\$ 16
Due after one year through five years	155
Due after five years through ten years	205
Due after ten years	148
Total	\$ 524

Presented below is selected information regarding Virginia Power's marketable equity and debt securities.

Year Ended December 31, (millions)	2011	2010	2009
Proceeds from sales	\$ 1,030	\$ 1,192 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 715
Realized gains ⁽²⁾	34	52	104
Realized losses ⁽²⁾	34	23	99

(1) The increase in proceeds primarily reflects the replacement of commingled funds with actively managed portfolios.

(2) Includes realized gains and losses recorded to the decommissioning trust regulatory liability as discussed in Note 2.

Virginia Power recorded other-than-temporary impairment losses on investments as follows:

Year Ended December 31, (millions)	2011	2010	2009
Total other-than-temporary impairment losses ⁽¹⁾	\$ 29	\$ 25	\$ 94
Losses recorded to decommissioning trust regulatory liability	(24)	(21)	(80)
Losses recorded in other comprehensive income (before taxes)	(1)	(1)	
Net impairment losses recognized in earnings	\$ 4	\$ 3	\$ 14

(1) Amounts include other-than-temporary impairment losses for debt securities of \$4 million, \$6 million and \$7 million at December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

Other Investments

Dominion and Virginia Power hold restricted cash and cash equivalent balances that primarily consist of money market fund investments held in trust for the purpose of funding certain qualifying construction projects. At December 31, 2011 and 2010, Dominion had \$147 million and \$415 million, respectively, and Virginia Power had \$32 million and \$169 million, respectively, of restricted cash and cash equivalents. These balances are presented in Other Current Assets and Investments in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

NOTE 11. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

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Major classes of property, plant and equipment and their respective balances for the Companies are as follows:

At December 31, (millions)	2011	2010
Dominion		
Utility:		
Generation	\$ 11,793	\$ 11,381
Transmission	6,604	5,793
Distribution	10,401	9,883
Storage	2,060	1,892
Nuclear fuel	1,193	1,058
Gas gathering and processing	727	535
General and other	778	730
Other-including plant under construction	3,597	3,933
Total utility	37,153	35,205
Nonutility:		
Proved E&P properties being amortized	104	103
Merchant generation nuclear	1,108	1,217
Merchant generation other ⁽¹⁾	2,780	1,451
Nuclear fuel	847	762
Other including plant under construction	998	1,117
Total nonutility	5,837	4,650
Total property, plant and equipment	\$ 42,990	\$ 39,855
Virginia Power		
Utility:		
Generation	\$ 11,793	\$ 11,381
Transmission	3,823	3,080
Distribution	8,231	7,879
Nuclear fuel	1,193	1,058
General and other	631	591
Other including plant under construction	2,946	3,610
Total utility	28,617	27,599
Nonutility other	9	8
Total property, plant and equipment	\$ 28,626	\$ 27,607

(1) 2011 amount includes \$957 million due to consolidation of a VIE.

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Dominion's and Virginia Power's proportionate share of jointly-owned power stations at December 31, 2011 is as follows:

	Bath County Pumped Storage Station ⁽¹⁾	North Anna Units 1 and 2 ⁽¹⁾	Clover Power Station ⁽¹⁾	Millstone Unit 3 ⁽²⁾
(millions, except percentages)				
Ownership interest	60%	88.4%	50%	93.5%
Plant in service	\$ 1,023	\$ 2,332	\$ 564	\$ 989
Accumulated depreciation	(497)	(1,086)	(185)	(210)
Nuclear fuel		512		401
Accumulated amortization of nuclear fuel		(383)		(254)
Plant under construction	12	142	8	36

(1) Units jointly owned by Virginia Power.

(2) Unit jointly owned by Dominion.

The co-owners are obligated to pay their share of all future construction expenditures and operating costs of the jointly-owned facilities in the same proportion as their respective ownership interest. Dominion and Virginia Power report their share of operating costs in the appropriate operating expense (electric fuel and other energy-related purchases, other operations and maintenance, depreciation, depletion and amortization and other taxes, etc.) in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

NOTE 12. GOODWILL AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS**Goodwill**

In February 2010, Dominion completed the sale of Peoples to PNG Companies LLC and netted after-tax proceeds of approximately \$542 million. The sale resulted in an after-tax loss of approximately \$140 million, which included a \$79 million write-off of goodwill.

In April 2010, Dominion completed the sale of substantially all of its Appalachian E&P operations to a newly-formed subsidiary of CONSOL for approximately \$3.5 billion. The transaction resulted in an after-tax gain of approximately \$1.4 billion, which included a \$134 million write-off of goodwill.

The changes in Dominion's carrying amount and segment allocation of goodwill are presented below:

	Dominion Generation	Dominion Energy	DVP	Corporate and Other	Total
(millions)					
Balance at December 31, 2009 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 1,338	\$ 846	\$ 1,091	\$ 79	\$ 3,354
Business disposition adjustment		(134)		(79)	(213)

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Balance at December 31, 2010 ⁽¹⁾	\$	1,338	\$	712	\$	1,091	\$	3,141
Impairments/adjustments								
Balance at December 31, 2011 ⁽¹⁾	\$	1,338	\$	712	\$	1,091	\$	3,141

(1) Goodwill amounts do not contain any accumulated impairment losses.

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Other Intangible Assets

Dominion's and Virginia Power's other intangible assets are subject to amortization over their estimated useful lives. Dominion's amortization expense for intangible assets was \$78 million, \$107 million and \$155 million for 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively. In 2011, Dominion acquired \$124 million of intangible assets, primarily representing software and licenses, with an estimated weighted-average amortization period of approximately 11 years. Amortization expense for Virginia Power's intangible assets was \$22 million for 2011, and \$26 million for both 2010 and 2009. In 2011, Virginia Power acquired \$26 million of intangible assets, primarily representing software and licenses, with an estimated weighted-average amortization period of 11 years. The components of intangible assets are as follows:

At December 31,	2011		2010	
	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization
(millions)				
Dominion				
Software, software licenses and other	\$ 888	\$ 278	\$ 892	\$ 334
Emissions allowances	80	53	134	50
Total	\$ 968	\$ 331	\$ 1,026	\$ 384
Virginia Power				
Software, software licenses and other	\$ 285	\$ 102	\$ 307	\$ 140
Emissions allowances			48	3
Total	\$ 285	\$ 102	\$ 355	\$ 143

Annual amortization expense for these intangible assets is estimated to be as follows:

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
(millions)					
Dominion	\$ 78	\$ 71	\$ 48	\$ 37	\$ 27
Virginia Power	\$ 19	\$ 14	\$ 13	\$ 7	\$ 3

NOTE 13. REGULATORY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Regulatory assets and liabilities include the following:

At December 31,	2011	2010
(millions)		
Dominion		
Regulatory assets:		
Deferred cost of fuel used in electric generation ⁽¹⁾	\$ 249	\$ 174
Deferred rate adjustment clause costs ⁽²⁾	113	109
Unrecovered gas costs ⁽³⁾	48	39
Derivatives ⁽⁴⁾	45	
Virginia sales taxes ⁽⁵⁾	32	35
Plant retirement ⁽⁶⁾	27	

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PIPP ⁽⁷⁾		44
Other	27	6
Regulatory assets-current	541	407
Unrecognized pension and other postretirement benefit costs ⁽⁸⁾	887	987
Deferred cost of fuel used in electric generation ⁽¹⁾	122	153
Income taxes recoverable through future rates ⁽⁹⁾	121	90
Deferred rate adjustment clause costs ⁽²⁾	72	69
Derivatives ⁽⁴⁾	49	
Other postretirement benefit costs ⁽¹⁰⁾	26	29
Plant retirement ⁽⁶⁾	25	31
Other	80	87
Regulatory assets-non-current	1,382	1,446
Total regulatory assets	\$ 1,923	\$ 1,853
Regulatory liabilities:		
Provision for rate proceedings ⁽¹¹⁾	\$ 150	\$ 79
PIPP ⁽⁷⁾	58	
Other	35	56
Regulatory liabilities-current	243	135
Provision for future cost of removal and AROs ⁽¹²⁾	901	830
Decommissioning trust ⁽¹³⁾	399	391
Derivatives ⁽⁴⁾		68
Other	24	103
Regulatory liabilities-non-current	1,324	1,392
Total regulatory liabilities	\$ 1,567	\$ 1,527

Virginia Power

Regulatory assets:		
Deferred cost of fuel used in electric generation ⁽¹⁾	\$ 249	\$ 174
Deferred rate adjustment clause costs ⁽²⁾	113	109
Derivatives ⁽⁴⁾	45	
Virginia sales taxes ⁽⁵⁾	32	35
Plant retirement ⁽⁶⁾	27	
Other	13	
Regulatory assets-current	479	318
Deferred cost of fuel used in electric generation ⁽¹⁾	122	153
Income taxes recoverable through future rates ⁽⁹⁾	100	76
Deferred rate adjustment clause costs ⁽²⁾	70	66
Derivatives ⁽⁴⁾	49	
Plant retirement ⁽⁶⁾	25	31
Other	33	44
Regulatory assets-non-current	399	370
Total regulatory assets	\$ 878	\$ 688
Regulatory liabilities:		
Provision for rate proceedings ⁽¹¹⁾	\$ 150	\$ 79
Other	28	30
Regulatory liabilities-current	178	109
Provision for future cost of removal ⁽¹²⁾	687	622
Decommissioning trust ⁽¹³⁾	399	391
Derivatives ⁽⁴⁾		68
Other	9	93
Regulatory liabilities-non-current	1,095	1,174
Total regulatory liabilities	\$ 1,273	\$ 1,283

(1) Primarily reflects deferred fuel expenses for the Virginia jurisdiction of Virginia Power's generation operations. See Note 14 for more information.

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- (2) Reflects deferrals under the electric transmission FERC formula rate and the deferral of costs associated with certain riders. See Note 14 for more information.
- (3) Reflects unrecovered gas costs at Dominion's regulated gas operations, which are recovered through quarterly or annual filings with the applicable regulatory authority.
- (4) As discussed under Derivative Instruments in Note 2, for jurisdictions subject to cost-based rate regulation, changes in the fair value of derivative instruments result in the recognition of regulatory assets or regulatory liabilities as they are expected to be recovered from or refunded to customers.
- (5) Amounts to be recovered through an annual surcharge to reimburse Virginia Power for incremental sales taxes being incurred due to the repeal of the public service company sales tax exemption in Virginia.
- (6) Reflects costs anticipated to be recovered in base rates for certain coal units expected to be retired.
- (7) Under PIPP, eligible customers can receive energy assistance based on their ability to pay. The difference between the customer's total bill and the PIPP plan amount is deferred and collected or returned annually under the PIPP rider according to East Ohio tariff provisions. See Note 14 for more information regarding PIPP.
- (8) Represents unrecognized pension and other postretirement benefit costs expected to be recovered through future rates by certain of Dominion's rate-regulated subsidiaries.
- (9) Amounts to be recovered through future rates to pay income taxes that become payable when rate revenue is provided to recover AFUDC-equity and depreciation of property, plant and equipment for which deferred income taxes were not recognized for ratemaking purposes, including amounts attributable to tax rate changes.
- (10) Primarily reflects costs recognized in excess of amounts included in regulated rates charged by Dominion's regulated gas operations before rates were updated to reflect a change in accounting method for other postretirement benefit costs.
- (11) Reflects a reserve associated with the settlement of Virginia Power's 2009 base rate case proceedings and associated with the Biennial Review Order. See Note 14 for more information.
- (12) Rates charged to customers by the Companies' regulated businesses include a provision for the cost of future activities to remove assets that are expected to be incurred at the time of retirement.
- (13) Primarily reflects a regulatory liability representing amounts collected from Virginia jurisdictional customers and placed in external trusts (including income, losses and changes in fair value thereon) for the future decommissioning of Virginia Power's utility nuclear generation stations, in excess of the related ARO.

At December 31, 2011, approximately \$198 million of Dominion's and \$127 million of Virginia Power's regulatory assets represented past expenditures on which they do not currently earn a return. Dominion's expenditures primarily include deferred cost of fuel used in electric generation. The above expenditures are expected to be recovered within the next two years.

NOTE 14. REGULATORY MATTERS

As a result of issues generated in the ordinary course of business, Dominion and Virginia Power are involved in various regulatory matters. Certain regulatory matters may ultimately result in a loss; however, as such matters are in an initial procedural phase, involve uncertainty as to the outcome of pending reviews or orders, or involve significant factual issues that need to be resolved, such that it is not possible for the Companies to estimate a range of possible loss. For such matters that the Companies cannot estimate, a statement to this effect is made in the description of the matter. Other matters may have progressed sufficiently through the regulatory process such that the Companies are able to estimate a range of possible loss. For regulatory matters for which the Companies are able to reasonably estimate a range of possible losses, an estimated range of possible loss is provided, in

excess of the accrued liability (if any) for such matters. This estimated range is based on currently available information and involves elements of judgment and significant uncertainties. This estimated range of possible loss does not represent the Companies' maximum possible loss exposure. The circumstances of such regulatory matters will change from time to time and actual results may vary significantly from the current estimate. For current matters not specifically reported below, management does not anticipate that the outcome from such matters would have a material effect on Dominion's or Virginia Power's financial position, liquidity or results of operations. The following is a discussion of Dominion's and Virginia Power's material pending and recent regulatory matters.

Electric Regulation in Virginia

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The enactment of the Regulation Act in 2007 significantly changed electric service regulation in Virginia by instituting a modified cost-of-service rate model. With respect to most classes of customers, the Regulation Act ended Virginia's planned transition to retail competition for its electric supply service.

The Regulation Act authorizes stand-alone rate adjustment clauses for recovery of costs for new generation projects, FERC-approved transmission costs, environmental compliance, conservation and energy efficiency programs and renewable energy programs. It provides for enhanced returns on capital expenditures on specific new generation projects, including but not limited to combined cycle gas generation, nuclear generation, clean coal/carbon capture compatible generation, and renewable generation projects. The Regulation Act also continues statutory provisions directing Virginia Power to file annual fuel cost recovery cases with the Virginia Commission.

If the Virginia Commission's future rate decisions, including actions relating to Virginia Power's rate adjustment clause filings, differ materially from Virginia Power's expectations, it may adversely affect its results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

2009 Base Rate Review

Pursuant to the Regulation Act, the Virginia Commission initiated a review of Virginia Power's base rates, terms and conditions in 2009, including a review of Virginia Power's earnings for test year 2008. In March 2010, the Virginia Commission issued the Virginia Settlement Approval Order, thus concluding the 2009 case and resolving open issues relating to Virginia Power's base rates, fuel factor and Riders R, S, T, C1 and C2. Virginia Power's fourth quarter 2009 results included a charge of \$782 million (\$477 million after-tax) as a result of the 2009 Base Rate Review. Dominion's 2009 results include an additional charge of \$12 million (\$8 million after-tax) recorded in other operations and maintenance expense, reflecting the write-off of previously deferred RTO costs since recovery was no longer probable based on the 2009 Base Rate Review.

2011 Biennial Review

Pursuant to the Regulation Act and the Virginia Settlement Approval Order, in March 2011, Virginia Power submitted its base rate filing and accompanying schedules in support of the first biennial review of its base rates, terms and conditions, as well as of its earnings for the 2009 and 2010 test period. The biennial review included a determination of whether Virginia Power's

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earnings for the 2009 and 2010 combined test years were within 50 basis points of the authorized ROE of 11.9% established in the Virginia Settlement Approval Order, as well as authorization of an ROE which will be applicable to base rates and Riders R, S, C1 and C2 and which will be used to measure base rate earnings during the 2013 biennial review proceeding. As a result of the Virginia Settlement Approval Order and the Regulation Act, Virginia Power's base rates are not subject to change based on the 2011 biennial review. In November 2011, the Virginia Commission issued the Biennial Review Order.

Base ROE

The Virginia Commission determined that Virginia Power's new authorized ROE is 10.9%, inclusive of a performance incentive of 50 basis points for meeting certain RPS targets. Subject to the outcome of Virginia Power's petition for rehearing or reconsideration described below, this ROE will serve as the ROE against which Virginia Power's earned return will be compared for all or part of the test periods in the 2013 biennial review proceeding. The Virginia Commission ordered that the 50 basis point RPS performance incentive will not be included in the ROE applicable to any rate adjustment clauses. The Virginia Commission declined to award a performance incentive for generating plant performance, customer service or operating efficiency in connection with this biennial review, but instead will initiate a rulemaking proceeding to develop performance incentive criteria to be applied in future biennial review proceedings.

In December 2011, Virginia Power filed a petition with the Virginia Commission seeking rehearing or reconsideration of the Biennial Review Order, to confirm the effective date of the newly authorized 10.9% base ROE. In December 2011, Virginia Power also filed a Notice of Appeal with the Virginia Commission of the Biennial Review Order to the Supreme Court of Virginia.

ROE Applicable to Riders C1, C2, R, and S

Effective December 1, 2011, the ROE applicable to Riders C1 and C2 is 10.4%. An ROE of 11.3% applied through November 30, 2011.

For Riders R and S, effective December 1, 2011, the ROE is 11.4%, inclusive of a statutory enhancement of 100 basis points. An ROE of 12.3%, inclusive of a statutory enhancement of 100 basis points, applied through November 30, 2011.

Earned Return for 2009 and 2010

The Virginia Commission determined that Virginia Power earned an ROE of approximately 13.3% during the 2009 and 2010 combined test years, which exceeded the authorized ROE earnings band of 11.4% to 12.4% established in the Virginia Settlement Approval Order. Based on the determination that Virginia Power had excess earnings, the Virginia Commission ordered Virginia Power to refund 60% of earnings above the upper end of the authorized ROE earnings band, or approximately \$78 million, to its customers, which is being provided in the form of credits to customers' bills amortized over a six-month period during 2012. A charge for the refund was recognized in operating revenues in the 2011 Consolidated Statement of Income. The actual aggregate refund amount is expected to total approximately \$81 million, taking into account refunds to be paid to certain non-jurisdictional customers pursuant to their customer contracts.

Base Rates and Existing Riders T, C1, and C2

As a result of the Virginia Commission's determination that credits will be applied to customers' bills, the Virginia Commission, as required by the Regulation Act, directed Virginia Power to combine its existing Riders T, C1, and C2 with Virginia Power's base costs, revenues and investments, and to file revised tariffs reflecting such combination pursuant to the Biennial Review Order. These Riders will thereafter be considered part of Virginia Power's base costs, revenues and investments for purposes of future biennial review proceedings. The Virginia Commission has initiated a proceeding to address further implementation of this directive. Virginia Power's base rates will otherwise remain unchanged through at least December 1, 2013.

Earnings Test Adjustments

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The Virginia Commission ruled on numerous contested proposals to adjust Virginia Power's earnings for the 2009 and 2010 combined test periods. Among other adjustments, the Virginia Commission approved Virginia Power's ratemaking treatment of fuel inventories held by its wholly-owned subsidiaries. As a result of this finding, Virginia Power included in rate base approximately \$177 million and \$188 million in fuel inventory costs for 2009 and 2010, respectively. The Virginia Commission also adopted Virginia Power's treatment that includes, for regulatory earnings purposes, its AIP and LTIP expenses up to a 100% payout ratio. The Virginia Commission excluded from expense approximately \$21 million in incentive plan costs that exceeded a payout ratio of 100%, allowing a net recovery of approximately \$95 million of incentive compensation expense for the biennial review period. The Virginia Commission denied Virginia Power's ratemaking treatment that expensed the entire cost of its 2010 voluntary separation plan in 2010, ruling instead to amortize the cost through the end of 2011. This matches the costs of the plan with the period of realization of savings, which reduces 2010 operating costs (and, in turn, increases 2011 operating costs) by approximately \$103 million for purposes of the earnings test. Other than influencing the amount earned above the authorized ROE earnings band, the earnings test adjustments above did not have an impact to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

In addition, the Virginia Commission required Virginia Power to recognize a gain, for purposes of the earnings test, of approximately \$44 million on the settlement of certain interest rate hedging contracts in 2010, as opposed to amortizing the gains over the forecasted term of planned debt instruments that were not issued. Virginia Power determined that it was no longer probable that these derivative gains would be included in future base rates as the Virginia Commission would not allow the amortization of these amounts in future periods. As a result, Virginia Power removed approximately \$50 million in December 2011 from regulatory liabilities and recognized the deferred derivative settlement gains in Interest and Other Charges in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

Virginia Fuel Expenses

In May 2011, Virginia Power submitted its annual fuel factor filing to the Virginia Commission, proposing an annual increase for the rate year beginning July 1, 2011. This revised factor included a projected \$434 million balance of prior year under-recovered fuel expenses. To reduce the impact to customers, as an alternative, Virginia Power proposed to recover this projected

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prior year deferred fuel balance over a two-year period beginning July 1, 2011. In June 2011, the Virginia Commission approved the two-year recovery proposal, resulting in an increase of approximately \$319 million in annual fuel revenue for the rate year beginning July 1, 2011. The rate increase is designed to recover \$217 million of unrecovered fuel expenses from the prior fuel year as well as a \$102 million increase in anticipated fuel expenses for the 2012 fuel year.

Generation Riders R and S

In connection with the Bear Garden and Virginia City Hybrid Energy Center projects, in March 2011, the Virginia Commission approved annual updates for Riders R and S with revenue requirements of \$78 million and \$199 million, respectively, for the April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012 rate year, utilizing the 12.3% placeholder ROE (inclusive of a 100 basis point statutory enhancement) pending the Virginia Commission's ROE determination in the 2011 biennial review. Virginia Power's proposed revenue requirements for Riders R and S for the April 1, 2012 to March 31, 2013 rate year were adjusted to approximately \$76 million and \$231 million, respectively, and are pending final Virginia Commission approval. Future annual updates for Riders R and S will provide revenue requirements reflecting any true-ups to revenue requirements approved for the previous calendar year, including the ROE determined in the Biennial Review Order. Construction of Bear Garden was completed and the facility commenced commercial operations in the second quarter of 2011.

DSM Riders C1 and C2

In connection with Virginia Power's five DSM programs approved by the Virginia Commission, in March 2011, the Virginia Commission approved the annual updates for Riders C1 and C2 with revenue requirements of approximately \$6 million and \$12 million, respectively, for the April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012 rate year, utilizing an 11.3% placeholder ROE pending the Virginia Commission's ROE determination in the 2011 biennial review. By order issued in June 2011, the Virginia Commission extended the rates through April 2012.

In September 2011, Virginia Power filed with the Virginia Commission an application for approval of six new energy efficiency DSM programs, along with an annual update to Riders C1 and C2. Virginia Power's proposed revenue requirement for the May 1, 2012 through April 30, 2013 rate year is approximately \$72 million, as amended in February 2012 to reflect, along with other adjustments, the determination of a 10.4% ROE applicable to Riders C1 and C2 in the Biennial Review Order. As discussed above, previously implemented Riders C1 and C2 will be considered part of Virginia Power's base costs, revenues and investments for purposes of future biennial review proceedings, and the Virginia Commission has initiated a proceeding to address further implementation of this directive.

Transmission Rider T

In May 2011, Virginia Power filed its annual update to Rider T with the Virginia Commission. The proposed \$481 million annual revenue requirement, effective September 1, 2011, represented an increase of approximately \$144 million over the revenue requirement associated with the Rider T customer rates previously in effect. In July 2011, the Virginia Commission issued

an order approving a revenue requirement of \$466 million for the September 1, 2011 to August 31, 2012 rate year. As discussed above, previously implemented Rider T will be considered part of Virginia Power's base costs, revenues and investments for purposes of future biennial review proceedings, and the Virginia Commission has initiated a proceeding to address further implementation of this directive.

Generation Rider W

In May 2011, Virginia Power requested approval from the Virginia Commission to construct and operate Warren County, as well as approval of Rider W. In February 2012, the Virginia Commission approved Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for Warren County and related transmission facilities. The Virginia Commission also approved Virginia Power's proposed revised revenue requirement of \$35 million for the April 1, 2012 to March 31, 2013 rate year, reflecting an ROE of 11.4%, inclusive of a statutory enhancement of 100 basis points for Rider W, consistent with the Biennial Review Order. In addition, the Virginia Commission approved an ROE enhancement of 100 basis points for Rider W for a period of 10 years following commercial operations. The facility is expected to start commercial operations in late 2014.

Generation Rider B

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In June 2011, Virginia Power filed applications with the Virginia Commission seeking regulatory approval to convert three of its coal-fired power stations to biomass. The applications included a request for approval of Rider B. Virginia Power's proposed revenue requirement for Rider B is approximately \$6 million for the April 1, 2012 to March 31, 2013 rate year, as adjusted to reflect the base ROE authorized in the Biennial Review Order, and inclusive of a renewable generating unit statutory enhancement of 200 basis points. To qualify for federal production tax credits associated with renewable energy generation, the power stations must commence operation as biomass generation facilities by December 31, 2013. Virginia Power has requested Virginia Commission approval of the biomass conversions on a schedule that will enable qualification for these tax credits.

Solar Distributed Generation Demonstration Program

In October 2011, Virginia Power filed with the Virginia Commission an application to conduct a solar distributed generation demonstration program, consisting of up to a combined 30 MW of Company-owned solar distributed generation facilities to be located at selected commercial, industrial and community locations throughout its Virginia service territory, as well as up to a combined 3 MW of customer-owned solar distributed generation facilities that will be subject to a tariff filed with the Virginia Commission in 2012. Virginia Power proposed to construct and operate the Company-owned facilities in two phases, with Phase I (up to 10 MW) from the date of approval through the end of 2013 and Phase II (up to 20 MW) from the beginning of 2014 to the end of 2015. Virginia Power did not seek a rate adjustment clause for Phase I facilities with this filing; Phase I costs will be recovered as part of base rates in a future biennial review. Virginia Power indicated that it may seek a rate adjustment clause at a future time for Phase II costs.

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Portions of the Mt. Storm-to-Doubs line and certain associated facilities are approaching the end of their expected service lives and require replacement with new facilities to maintain reliable service. Virginia Power owns, and has been designated by PJM to rebuild, 96 miles of the line in West Virginia and Virginia, and The Potomac Edison Company owns, and has been designated by PJM to rebuild, the remaining three miles of the line in Maryland. In September 2011, the Virginia Commission approved Virginia Power's application to rebuild its portion of the Mt. Storm-to-Doubs line. The approval of the West Virginia Commission was not required. Subject to applicable state and federal regulatory approvals, Virginia Power's portion of the rebuild project is expected to be completed by June 2015.

In October 2008, the Virginia Commission authorized construction of the Meadow Brook-to-Loudoun line and Carson-to-Suffolk line. The Meadow Brook-to-Loudoun line was placed in service in April 2011 and the Carson-to-Suffolk line was placed in service in May 2011.

In June 2010, the Virginia Commission authorized the construction of the Hayes-to-Yorktown line along the proposed eight-mile route utilizing existing easements and property previously acquired for the transmission line right-of-way. In accordance with the Virginia Commission's approval, approximately 4.2 miles of the Hayes-to-Yorktown line will be constructed overhead and approximately 3.8 miles will be installed underground in order to cross under the York River. The Hayes-to-Yorktown line is expected to be completed by June 2012.

In January 2012, the Virginia Commission authorized the replacement at higher voltage of approximately 43 miles of existing transmission lines between the Dooms and Bremono substations. Subject to the receipt of other applicable state and federal regulatory approvals, Dooms-to-Bremono is expected to be completed by May 2014.

In December 2011, Virginia Power submitted an application to the Virginia Commission for approval of the Waxpool-Brambleton-BECO line. This project is required to provide requested service to a new datacenter campus in Loudoun County, Virginia. Virginia Power expects PJM to authorize Waxpool-Brambleton-BECO as part of the 2012 RTEP within the first half of 2012. Subject to the receipt of applicable state and federal regulatory approvals, Waxpool-Brambleton-BECO is expected to be completed by November 2013.

North Anna Power Station

Virginia Power is considering the construction of a third nuclear unit at a site located at North Anna, which Virginia Power owns along with ODEC. In May 2010, Virginia Power announced its decision to replace the reactor design previously selected for the potential third nuclear unit with the US-APWR technology. In June 2010, Virginia Power and ODEC amended the COL application to reflect the selection of the US-APWR technology. In January 2011, Virginia Power and the DOE terminated their cooperative agreement to share equally the cost of developing a COL. The agreement references the technology previously selected by Virginia Power. DOE funding related to COL development activities is not available under the agreement for activities related to the US-APWR technology. In February 2011, ODEC informed Virginia Power of its intent to no longer partic-

ipate in the development of a potential new unit at North Anna. In December 2011, Virginia Power acquired ODEC's interest in the project, thereby terminating ODEC's involvement in the development of a potential third unit at North Anna.

Virginia Power has not yet committed to building a new nuclear unit at North Anna. If Virginia Power decides to build the new unit, it must first receive a COL from the NRC, the approval of the Virginia Commission and certain environmental permits and other approvals. Virginia Power continues to pursue the COL from the NRC. Based on the current NRC schedule, the COL could be issued as early as late 2014.

The NRC is required to conduct a hearing in all COL proceedings. In August 2008, the ASLB of the NRC permitted BREDL to intervene in the proceeding. All of BREDL's previous contentions in this proceeding have been dismissed. In September 2011, BREDL submitted a new proposed contention seeking to litigate issues related to the August 2011 Mineral, Virginia earthquake. In October 2011, the ASLB granted a motion filed by Virginia Power, with the consent of BREDL and the NRC staff to hold any ruling on this proposed contention in abeyance until

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Virginia Power completes an assessment of this earthquake. No other persons have sought to intervene in the proceeding. If a new contention is not admitted, the mandatory NRC hearing will be uncontested with respect to other issues.

On April 14, 2011, twenty-one organizations and individuals that had previously intervened opposing various reactor licensing proceedings filed a petition requesting that the NRC suspend all decisions regarding reactor licensing and design certification pending completion of an NRC task force review of the events at Fukushima, Japan, among other requested relief. The North Anna 3 COL proceeding is one of the pending proceedings identified in this petition, and BREDL served the petition in the North Anna 3 COL proceeding on April 18, 2011. In September 2011, the NRC denied the petitioners' requests to suspend licensing and design certification proceedings. The only relief granted was the petitioners' request that the NRC perform a safety analysis of the regulatory implications of the Fukushima event to the extent it is doing so.

Virginia Power continues to pursue various environmental permits that would be needed to support future construction and operation of a third nuclear unit at North Anna.

North Carolina Regulation

In February 2010, in preparation for the end of a five-year moratorium on Virginia Power's North Carolina base rates, Virginia Power filed an application with the North Carolina Commission to increase its base rates and adjust its fuel rates. In December 2010, the North Carolina Commission issued the North Carolina Settlement Approval Order approving a settlement agreement among all parties to the base rate and fuel case except one, which did not oppose the settlement. The North Carolina Settlement Approval Order authorized an increase in base revenues of approximately \$8 million. In addition, the North Carolina Settlement Approval Order allowed the recovery through fuel rates of 85% of the net energy costs of power purchases from both PJM and other wholesale suppliers and from the non-utility generators subject to economic dispatch that do not provide actual cost data. The North Carolina Settlement Approval Order authorized an ROE of 10.7% and a capital structure composed of

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49% long-term debt and 51% common equity. The new base and fuel rates became effective on January 1, 2011.

In December 2011, the North Carolina Commission issued an order approving a settlement agreement among Virginia Power, the Public Staff of the North Carolina Commission and other interested parties in Virginia Power's fuel case for its North Carolina service territory. The settlement agreement provides for a \$36 million increase in Virginia Power's fuel revenues for one year, effective January 1, 2012, including approximately \$13 million in under recovery of fuel expenses for the previous fuel period.

Virginia Power intends to file an application with the North Carolina Commission by March 30, 2012, to increase base rates.

Ohio Regulation

PIR Program

In March 2011, East Ohio filed a request with the Ohio Commission to accelerate the PIR program by nearly doubling its PIR spending to more than \$200 million annually. East Ohio identified 1,450 miles of pipeline that need to be replaced, in addition to the pipeline originally identified in the PIR project scope. East Ohio plans to accelerate the pace of the program by investing more resources in its infrastructure in the near term, in an effort to promote ongoing public safety and reduce operating costs over the longer term. In August 2011, the Ohio Commission approved the stipulation by East Ohio, the Staff of the Ohio Commission and other interested parties in East Ohio's accelerated PIR proceeding. The stipulation provides for an increase in annual PIR capital investment from the current level of approximately \$120 million stepping up to approximately \$160 million by 2013. In addition, the stipulation provides for cost recovery over a five-year period commencing upon the approval of the Ohio Commission. In accordance with the stipulation, East Ohio requested the dismissal of its appeal at the Ohio Supreme Court regarding its opposition to the Ohio Commission's order concerning East Ohio's first year PIR cost recovery charge.

In August 2011, East Ohio submitted its annual application to adjust the cost recovery charge under the previously approved PIR program. A supplement to the application was filed in September 2011. The proposed recovery charge includes actual costs and a return related to investments made through June 30, 2011. A settlement agreement approved by the Ohio Commission in October 2011 supports the revenue requirement of \$37 million reflected in the application.

PIPP Plus Program

Under the Ohio PIPP Plus program, eligible customers can receive energy assistance based on their ability to pay their bill. The difference between the customer's total bill and the PIPP plan payment amount is deferred and collected under the PIPP rider in accordance with the rules of the Ohio Commission. The PIPP Plus program sets the customer's monthly payments at 6% of household income and provides for forgiveness credits to the customer's balance when required payments are received in full by the due date. Such credits may result in the elimination of the customer's arrearage balance over 24 months.

In March 2011, the Ohio Commission approved East Ohio's annual update of the PIPP Rider, which reflected the elimination of accumulated arrearages and projected deferred program costs of approximately \$112 million for the 12-month period from April 2011 to March 2012.

UEX Rider

East Ohio files an annual UEX Rider with the Ohio Commission, pursuant to which it seeks recovery of the bad debt expense of most customers not participating in the PIPP Plus Program. The UEX Rider is adjusted annually to achieve dollar-for-dollar recovery of East Ohio's actual write-offs of uncollectable amounts. In 2011, East Ohio deferred approximately \$62 million of bad debt expense for recovery through the UEX Rider.

House Bill 95

Ohio enacted utility reform legislation under House Bill 95, which became effective in September 2011. This law updates natural gas legislation by enabling gas companies to include more up-to-date cost levels when filing rate cases. It also allows gas companies to seek approval of capital expenditure plans under which gas companies can recognize carrying costs on associated capital investments placed in service and can defer the

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carrying costs plus depreciation and property tax expenses for recovery from ratepayers in the future. In December 2011, East Ohio filed an application requesting authority to implement a capital expenditure program under the new law. If the application is approved, East Ohio would be able to defer as a regulatory asset carrying costs, depreciation and property tax associated with approximately \$95 million in capital expenditures for assets placed in service but not yet reflected in rates.

Federal Regulation

FERC Electric

Under the Federal Power Act, FERC regulates wholesale sales and transmission of electricity in interstate commerce by public utilities. Virginia Power purchases and sells electricity in the PJM wholesale market and Dominion's merchant generators sell electricity in the PJM, MISO and ISO-NE wholesale markets under Dominion's market-based sales tariffs authorized by FERC. In addition, Virginia Power has FERC approval of a tariff to sell wholesale power at capped rates based on its embedded cost of generation. This cost-based sales tariff could be used to sell to loads within or outside Virginia Power's service territory. Any such sales would be voluntary.

Rates

In April 2008, FERC granted an application for Virginia Power's electric transmission operations to establish a forward-looking formula rate mechanism that updates transmission rates on an annual basis and approved an ROE of 11.4%, effective as of January 1, 2008. The formula rate is designed to recover the expected revenue requirement for each calendar year and is updated based on actual costs. The FERC-approved formula method, which is based on projected costs, allows Virginia Power to earn a current return on its growing investment in electric transmission infrastructure.

In July 2008, Virginia Power filed an application with FERC requesting a revision to its revenue requirement to reflect an additional ROE incentive adder for eleven electric transmission enhancement projects. Under the proposal, the cost of transmission service would increase to include an ROE incentive adder for each of the eleven projects, beginning the date each project enters commercial operation (but not before January 1, 2009). Virginia Power proposed an incentive of 1.5% for four of the

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projects (including the Meadow Brook-to-Loudoun and Carson-to-Suffolk lines, which were completed in 2011) and an incentive of 1.25% for the other seven projects. In August 2008, FERC approved the proposal, effective September 1, 2008. The total cost for all eleven projects is estimated at \$877 million, and all projects are currently expected to be completed by 2012. Numerous parties sought rehearing of the FERC order in August 2008, and rehearing is pending. Although Virginia Power cannot predict the outcome of the rehearing, it is not expected to have a material effect on results of operations.

In March 2010, ODEC and NCEMC filed a complaint with FERC against Virginia Power claiming that approximately \$223 million in transmission costs related to specific projects were unjust, unreasonable and unduly discriminatory or preferential and should be excluded from Virginia Power's transmission formula rate. ODEC and NCEMC requested that FERC establish procedures to determine the amount of costs for each applicable project that should be excluded from Virginia Power's rates. In October 2010, FERC issued an order dismissing the complaint in part and established hearings and settlement procedures on the remaining part of the complaint. In February 2012, Virginia Power submitted to FERC a settlement agreement to resolve all issues set for hearing. All transmission customer parties to the proceeding joined the settlement. The Virginia Commission, North Carolina Commission and Public Staff of the North Carolina Commission, while not parties to the settlement, have agreed to not oppose the settlement. If accepted by FERC, the settlement provides for payment by Virginia Power to the transmission customer parties of \$250,000 per year for ten years and resolves all matters other than the incremental cost of certain underground transmission facilities, which will be set for briefing. While Virginia Power cannot predict the outcome of the briefing, it is not expected to have a material effect on results of operations.

PJM

For recovery of costs of investments of new PJM-planned transmission facilities that operate at or above 500 kV, FERC established a regional rate design where all customers pay a uniform rate based on the costs of such investment. For recovery of costs of investment in new PJM-planned transmission facilities that operate below 500 kV, FERC affirmed its earlier decision to allocate costs on a beneficiary pays approach. A notice of appeal of this decision was filed in February 2008 at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit. In August 2009, the court denied the petition for review concerning the rate design for existing facilities, but granted the petition concerning the rate design for new facilities that operate at or above 500 kV, and remanded the issue of existing facilities back to FERC for further proceedings. Although Dominion and Virginia Power cannot predict the outcome of the FERC proceedings on remand, the impact of any PJM rate design changes on the Companies' results of operations is not expected to be material.

In May 2008, the RPM Buyers filed a complaint with FERC claiming that PJM's Reliability Pricing Model's transitional auctions have produced unjust and unreasonable capacity prices. The RPM Buyers requested that a refund effective date of June 1, 2008 be established and that FERC provide appropriate relief from unjust and unreasonable capacity charges within 15 months. In September 2008, FERC dismissed the complaint. The RPM

Buyers requested rehearing of the FERC order in October 2008 and rehearing was denied in June 2009. A notice of appeal was filed in August 2009 by the Maryland Public Service Commission and the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. In November 2009, the Court transferred the appeal to the Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. In February 2011, the Court of Appeals denied the petition for review, concluding that FERC had adequately explained why the rates were just and reasonable.

In November 2011, PJM issued a formal notification that it would recalculate certain ancillary service revenues that had previously been paid during 2009, 2010 and 2011. Also in November 2011, PJM requested FERC permission to suspend its rebilling and repayment obligations associated with the recalculation of such revenues and petitioned FERC to establish a proceeding to determine the appropriate recalculations for the revenues during this period. In December 2011, FERC permitted the suspension of rebilling and repayment by PJM, subject to the outcome of FERC's proceedings to determine the appropriate revenue recalculation. Virginia Power has accrued a liability of \$36 million as of December 31, 2011 for estimated future billing adjustments from PJM related to the ancillary service revenues.

FERC Gas

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FERC regulates the transportation and sale for resale of natural gas in interstate commerce under the Natural Gas Act of 1938 and the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978, as amended. Under the Natural Gas Act, FERC has authority over rates, terms and conditions of services performed by Dominion's interstate natural gas company subsidiaries, including DTI, Cove Point and the Dominion South Pipeline Company, LP. FERC also has jurisdiction over siting, construction and operation of natural gas import facilities and interstate natural gas pipeline facilities.

In December 2007, DTI and the IOGA entered into a settlement agreement on DTI's gathering and processing rates, which DTI and IOGA agreed in May 2010 to extend through December 31, 2014. DTI, at its option, may elect to extend the agreement for an additional year through December 31, 2015. The settlement extension maintains the gas retainage fee structure that DTI has had since 2001. The rates are 10.5% for gathering and 0.5% for processing. Under the settlement, DTI continues to retain all revenues from its liquids sales, thus maintaining cash flow from the liquids business. In October 2011, DTI requested and received FERC approval of the negotiated rates associated with the agreement extension.

In May 2011, Cove Point filed a general rate case for its FERC-jurisdictional services, with proposed rates to be effective July 1, 2011. Cove Point proposed an annual cost of service of approximately \$150 million. In June 2011, FERC accepted a July 1, 2011 effective date for all proposed rates but two of which were suspended to be effective December 1, 2011. In December 2011, Cove Point, FERC trial staff and the other active parties in the rate case reached a settlement in principle on all issues set for hearing by FERC, as well as on all outstanding proposed tariff changes filed in May 2011. The parties expect to file the stipulation and agreement resolving all outstanding issues in the rate case in March 2012.

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AROs represent obligations that result from laws, statutes, contracts and regulations related to the eventual retirement of certain of Dominion's and Virginia Power's long-lived assets. Dominion's and Virginia Power's AROs are primarily associated with the decommissioning of their nuclear generation facilities. In addition, Dominion's AROs include plugging and abandonment of gas and oil wells, interim retirements of natural gas gathering, transmission, distribution and storage pipeline components, and the future abatement of asbestos expected to be disturbed in the Companies' generation facilities.

The Companies have also identified, but not recognized, AROs related to retirement of Dominion's LNG facility, Dominion's gas storage wells in its underground natural gas storage network, certain Virginia Power electric transmission and distribution assets located on property with easements, rights of way, franchises and lease agreements, Virginia Power's hydroelectric generation facilities and the abatement of certain asbestos not expected to be disturbed in the Companies' generation facilities. The Companies currently do not have sufficient information to estimate a reasonable range of expected retirement dates for any of these assets since the economic lives of these assets can be extended indefinitely through regular repair and maintenance and they currently have no plans to retire or dispose of any of these assets. As a result, a settlement date is not determinable for these assets and AROs for these assets will not be reflected in the Consolidated Financial Statements until sufficient information becomes available to determine a reasonable estimate of the fair value of the activities to be performed. The Companies continue to monitor operational and strategic developments to identify if sufficient information exists to reasonably estimate a retirement date for these assets. The changes to AROs during 2010 and 2011 were as follows:

	Amount
(millions)	
Dominion	
AROs at December 31, 2009 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 1,614
Obligations incurred during the period	1
Obligations settled during the period	(9)
Revisions in estimated cash flows	5
Accretion	85
Obligations relieved due to sale of Appalachian E&P operations	(105)
AROs at December 31, 2010 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 1,591
Obligations incurred during the period	16
Obligations settled during the period	(16)
Revisions in estimated cash flows ⁽²⁾	(277)
Accretion	84
AROs at December 31, 2011 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 1,398
Virginia Power	
AROs at December 31, 2009 ⁽³⁾	\$ 637
Accretion	35
AROs at December 31, 2010 ⁽³⁾	\$ 672
Obligations incurred during the period	10
Obligations settled during the period	(3)
Revisions in estimated cash flows ⁽²⁾	(90)
Accretion	36
AROs at December 31, 2011 ⁽³⁾	\$ 625

(1) Includes \$9 million, \$14 million and \$15 million reported in other current liabilities at December 31, 2009, 2010, and 2011, respectively.

(2) Primarily reflects the effect of lower anticipated costs due to the expected future recovery from the DOE of certain spent fuel storage costs.

(3) Includes \$1 million, \$3 million and \$1 million reported in other current liabilities at December 31, 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively.

Dominion and Virginia Power have established trusts dedicated to funding the future decommissioning of their nuclear plants. At December 31, 2011 and 2010, the aggregate fair value of Dominion's trusts, consisting primarily of equity and debt securities, totaled \$3.0 billion and \$2.9 billion, respectively. At December 31, 2011 and 2010, the aggregate fair value of Virginia Power's trusts, consisting primarily of debt and equity securities, totaled \$1.4 billion and \$1.3 billion, respectively.

NOTE 16. VARIABLE INTEREST ENTITIES

The primary beneficiary of a VIE is required to consolidate the VIE and to disclose certain information about its significant variable interests in the VIE. The primary beneficiary of a VIE is the entity that has both 1) the power to direct the activities that most significantly impact the entity's economic performance and 2) the obligation to absorb losses or receive benefits from the entity that could potentially be significant to the VIE.

Virginia Power has long-term power and capacity contracts with four non-utility generators with an aggregate summer generation capacity of approximately 870 MW. These contracts contain certain variable pricing mechanisms in the form of partial fuel reimbursement that Virginia Power considers to be variable interests. After an evaluation of the information provided by these entities, Virginia Power was unable to determine whether they were VIEs. However, the information they provided, as well as Virginia Power's knowledge of generation facilities in Virginia, enabled Virginia Power to conclude that, if they were VIEs, it would not be the primary beneficiary. This conclusion reflects Virginia Power's determination that its variable interests do not convey the power to direct the most significant activities that impact the economic performance of the entities during the remaining terms of Virginia Power's contracts and for the years the entities are expected to operate after its contractual relationships expire. The contracts expire at various dates ranging from 2015 to 2021. Virginia Power is not subject to any risk of loss from these potential VIEs other than its remaining purchase commitments which totaled \$1.3 billion as of December 31, 2011. Virginia Power paid \$211 million, \$213 million, and \$210 million for electric capacity and \$125 million, \$164 million, and \$117 million for electric energy to these entities for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

Virginia Power purchased shared services from DRS, an affiliated VIE, of approximately \$389 million, \$465 million, and \$416 million for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Virginia Power determined that it is not the most closely associated entity with DRS and therefore not the primary beneficiary. DRS provides accounting, legal, finance and certain administrative and technical services to all Dominion subsidiaries, including Virginia Power. Virginia Power has no obligation to absorb more than its allocated share of DRS costs.

Dominion leases the Fairless generating facility in Pennsylvania from Juniper, the lessor, which began commercial operations in June 2004. Dominion makes annual lease payments of approximately \$53 million. The lease expires in 2013 and, at that time, Dominion may renew the lease on terms mutually agreeable to Dominion and Juniper based on original project costs and current

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market conditions; purchase Fairless for approximately \$923 million or sell Fairless, on behalf of Juniper, to an independent third party. If Fairless is sold and the proceeds from the sale are less than its original construction cost, Dominion would be required to make a payment to the lessor in an amount up to 70.75% of the original project costs adjusted for certain other costs as specified in the lease. The lease agreement does not contain any provisions that involve credit rating or stock price trigger events. Dominion expects to purchase Fairless when the lease expires in 2013.

Juniper was formed in 2003 as a limited partnership and was organized for the purpose of acquiring and constructing a number of assets for lease. Such assets were financed with proceeds from the issuance of bank debt, privately placed long-term debt and partnership capital received from Juniper's general and limited partners. Dominion has no voting equity interest in Juniper. Because Juniper had been subject to the business scope exception, Dominion was not required to evaluate whether Juniper was a VIE prior to October 2011.

Through September 30, 2011, Juniper held various power plant leases, including Fairless. In October 2011, the last lease other than Fairless expired and the related asset was sold by Juniper. With Fairless being its sole remaining asset, Juniper no longer qualified as a business as of October 2011, which required that Dominion determine whether Juniper is a VIE. Dominion concluded Juniper is a VIE because the entity's capitalization is insufficient to support its operations, the power to direct the most significant activities of the entity are not performed by the equity holders, and Dominion, through its residual value guarantee discussed above, guarantees a portion of the residual value of Fairless. The activities that most significantly impact Juniper's economic performance relate to the operation of Fairless. The decisions related to the operations of Fairless are made by Dominion and as such, Dominion is considered the primary beneficiary.

Accordingly, Dominion consolidated Juniper in October 2011 and recorded, at fair value, approximately \$957 million of property, plant and equipment, \$896 million of debt and \$61 million of noncontrolling interests. The debt is non-recourse to Dominion and is secured by Juniper's assets. The annual lease payments made by Dominion to Juniper for Fairless are now eliminated in the Consolidated Statements of Income and are excluded from the lease commitments table in Note 23.

Dominion has not provided any financial or other support to Juniper in the current period that it was not previously contractually required to provide.

NOTE 17. SHORT-TERM DEBT AND CREDIT AGREEMENTS

Dominion and Virginia Power use short-term debt to fund working capital requirements and as a bridge to long-term debt financings. The levels of borrowing may vary significantly during the course of the year, depending upon the timing and amount of cash requirements not satisfied by cash from operations. In addition, Dominion utilizes cash and letters of credit to fund collateral requirements. Collateral requirements are impacted by commodity prices, hedging levels, Dominion's credit ratings and the credit quality of its counterparties.

DOMINION

Commercial paper and letters of credit outstanding, as well as capacity available under credit facilities, were as follows:

At December 31,	Facility Limit	Outstanding Commercial	Outstanding Letters of	Facility Capacity
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(millions)		Paper	Credit	Available
2011				
Joint revolving credit facility ⁽¹⁾	\$ 3,000	\$ 1,814	\$	\$ 1,186
Joint revolving credit facility ⁽²⁾	500		36	464
Total	\$ 3,500	\$ 1,814 ⁽³⁾	\$ 36	\$ 1,650
2010				
Joint revolving credit facility ⁽¹⁾	\$ 3,000	\$ 1,386	\$ 101	\$ 1,513
Joint revolving credit facility ⁽²⁾	500		35	465
Total	\$ 3,500	\$ 1,386 ⁽³⁾	\$ 136	\$ 1,978

(1) This credit facility was entered into in September 2010 with an original maturity date of September 2013. Effective October 1, 2011, pricing was amended and the maturity date was extended to September 2016. This credit facility can be used to support bank borrowings and the issuance of commercial paper, as well as to support up to \$1.5 billion of letters of credit.

(2) This credit facility was entered into in September 2010 with an original maturity date of September 2013. Effective October 1, 2011, pricing was amended and the maturity date was extended to September 2016. This credit facility can be used to support bank borrowings, commercial paper and letter of credit issuances.

(3) The weighted-average interest rates of the outstanding commercial paper supported by Dominion's credit facilities were 0.47% and 0.41% at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

VIRGINIA POWER

Virginia Power's short-term financing is supported by two joint revolving credit facilities with Dominion. These credit facilities are being used for working capital, as support for the combined commercial paper programs of Dominion and Virginia Power and for other general corporate purposes.

Virginia Power's share of commercial paper and letters of credit outstanding, as well as its capacity available under its joint credit facilities with Dominion, were as follows:

At December 31, (millions)	Facility Sub-limit	Outstanding Commercial Paper	Outstanding Letters of Credit	Facility Sub-limit Capacity Available
2011				
Joint revolving credit facility ⁽¹⁾	\$ 1,000	\$ 894	\$	\$ 106
Joint revolving credit facility ⁽²⁾	250		15	235
Total	\$ 1,250	\$ 894 ⁽³⁾	\$ 15	\$ 341
2010				
Joint revolving credit facility ⁽¹⁾	\$ 1,000	\$ 600	\$ 91	\$ 309
Joint revolving credit facility ⁽²⁾	250			