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## FORM S-1

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

# **SEACOR Holdings Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

13-3542736

(I.R.S. employer identification number)

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#### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Security to be Registered	Amount to be Registered	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering per Unit(1)	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price(1)	Registration Fee
2.875% Convertible Senior Debentures due 2024	\$250,000,000	\$1,070.62	\$267,655,000	\$31,503
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	3,417,625(2)	n/a	n/a	(3)

- (1) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act, based on the average of the bid and asked prices of the debentures in the over the counter market on March 23, 2005 of \$1,070.62 per \$1,000 aggregate principal amount of debentures.
- Represents the maximum number of shares of common stock initially issuable upon conversion of the debentures registered hereby. The number of shares of common stock to be included in this registration statement upon conversion of the debentures was calculated based on the number of shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the debentures at the initial conversion price of \$73.15, which equals a conversion rate of 13.6705 shares per \$1,000 principal amount of the debentures. In addition to the shares of common stock set forth in the table above, pursuant to Rule 416 under the Securities Act, an indeterminate number of shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the debentures by means of adjustment of the conversion price pursuant to the terms of the debentures is being registered hereby.
- Pursuant to Rule 457(i), there is no additional filing fee with respect to the shares of common stock issuable on conversion of the debentures because no additional consideration will be received by the registrant.

The registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act, or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and it is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

**SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED MARCH 25, 2005** 

**PROSPECTUS** 

# **SEACOR Holdings Inc.**

## 2.875% Convertible Senior Debentures due December 15, 2024

We previously issued and sold \$250,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 2.875% convertible senior debentures due 2024.

The selling security holders identified herein may, from time to time, use this prospectus to resell the debentures and/or any shares of common stock acquired upon conversion of the debentures. We will not sell any securities under this prospectus or receive the proceeds of any securities sold under this prospectus.

The debentures bear interest at the rate of 2.875% per year. Interest on the debentures is payable on June 15 and December 15 of each year, beginning June 15, 2005. The debentures will mature on December 15, 2024, unless earlier converted, redeemed, or repurchased.

At any time on or after December 20, 2009, we may redeem for cash, in whole or in part, the debentures that have not been previously converted or purchased at the redemption prices set forth herein. Holders may require us to repurchase for cash all or part of their debentures on December 15, 2011, 2014, and 2019, or in the event of a fundamental change, at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the debentures plus accrued and unpaid interest, including contingent interest and additional interest, if any, up to but not including the date of repurchase. We may also be required to pay a make-whole premium, based on our common stock price and the effective date of the change, on debentures converted in connection with the fundamental change.

The debentures are our general unsecured senior obligations, ranking equally in right of payment with all of our existing and future unsecured senior indebtedness, and senior in right of payment to any of our existing and future indebtedness that is expressly subordinated to the debentures. The debentures are effectively subordinated to all of our secured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the collateral securing those obligations and all indebtedness and liabilities of our subsidiaries, including trade credit.

Our common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange (the "NYSE") under the symbol "CKH."

Investing in the notes involves risks. "Risk Factors" begins on page 8 of this prospectus.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus or any accompanying prospectus supplement is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is , 2005

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You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus. We have not authorized any person to provide you with any information different from what is contained in this prospectus. We are offering to sell, and seeking offers to buy, shares of our debentures and common stock only in jurisdictions where offers and sales are permitted. The information contained in this prospectus is accurate only as of the date of this prospectus, regardless of the time of delivery of the prospectus or of any sale of the debentures or common stock.

#### **SUMMARY**

This is a summary of material information contained elsewhere in this prospectus. This summary does not contain all of the information that may be important to you. You should carefully consider the information contained in this prospectus, including "Risk Factors" beginning on page 8 and the historical consolidated financial statements of SEACOR Holdings Inc. and Seabulk International, Inc., including the notes to those financial statements, contained in this prospectus. In this prospectus, the terms "we", "us", "our", "ours", "the Company" and "SEACOR" refer to SEACOR Holdings Inc. and its subsidiaries unless the context indicates otherwise.

#### Overview

We are in the business of owning, operating, investing in, marketing and remarketing equipment, primarily in the offshore oil and gas and marine transportation industries. We also provide emergency environmental response and related services. We operate a diversified fleet of offshore support vessels and helicopters servicing oil and gas exploration, development and production facilities worldwide. We also operate a fleet of inland river barges transporting grain and other bulk commodities on the U.S. inland waterways. The environmental services segment provides oil spill response, handles environmental remediation projects and offers related consulting services worldwide to those who store, transport, produce or handle petroleum products and environmentally hazardous materials.

We are a Delaware corporation whose principal executive offices are located at 11200 Richmond Avenue, Suite 400, Houston, Texas 77082. Our telephone number at that address is (713) 782-5990.

#### **Recent Developments**

Seabulk Merger

On March 16, 2005, we and Seabulk International, Inc. entered into a definitive merger agreement. The Boards of Directors of both companies have unanimously approved the transaction. Under the terms of the merger agreement, Seabulk's stockholders will, subject to limited adjustments, receive 0.2694 shares of our common stock plus cash of \$4.00 for each issued and outstanding share of Seabulk common stock, which represents a 29% premium over Seabulk's closing share price on March 16, 2005 (based on the closing price of our common stock on that date). Under certain circumstances, the portion of the merger consideration payable in cash may be reduced and shares of our common stock, having a value on the closing date equal to the cash reduction, may be substituted therefor. The aggregate equity value of the transaction is approximately \$532 million, based on our closing share price as of March 16, 2005. In addition, we will assume approximately \$471 million in net debt obligations. The transaction is expected to be tax-free to Seabulk stockholders, other than with respect to any cash received.

After giving effect to the transaction, the combined company will be a leader in world-wide offshore support services, domestic Jones Act tankers, domestic helicopter services to the offshore oil and gas industry, domestic inland river barge transportation, environmental services, and domestic harbor tugs. Additionally, the companies have investments in international product tankers and dry bulk shipping.

The merger is expected to close by the end of the second quarter of 2005, subject to approval by Seabulk's stockholders of the merger and our stockholders of the issuance of shares of our common stock in the merger, the receipt of certain regulatory approvals and the satisfaction of customary closing conditions, in accordance with terms of the merger agreement.

As part of the transaction, entities associated with DLJ Merchant Banking Partners III, L.P. and Carlyle/Riverstone Global Energy and Power Fund I, L.P., who collectively own approximately 75% of

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Seabulk's common shares, have entered into an agreement to support the transaction. In this prospectus, we refer to the transaction as the "Seabulk merger."

Era Aviation Acquisition

On December 31, 2004, we acquired Era Aviation, Inc. from Rowan Companies, Inc. for \$118.1 million, subject to post-closing working capital adjustments. Era provides contract and charter helicopter services and operates a regional fixed-wing passenger airline. We intend to combine the existing helicopter operations of our wholly-owned subsidiary, Tex-Air Helicopters Inc., with those of Era. The two companies combined have a fleet of 127 helicopters and 17 operating bases supporting primarily offshore oil and gas industry activities. Era's airline service in Alaska utilizes 12 fixed-wing aircraft. We are actively seeking a purchaser of the regional airline and intend to sell that business this year. In December 2004 and February 2005, we placed orders with manufacturers for 32 helicopters to be delivered over a five-year period beginning in 2005.

## **Summary Terms of the Notes**

Issuer	SEACOR Holdings Inc.
Debentures Offered	\$250,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 2.875% Convertible Senior Debentures due December 15, 2024.
Maturity Date	December 15, 2024, unless earlier converted, redeemed or repurchased.
Interest	2.875% per annum from December 17, 2004, payable semiannually, in arrears, on each June 15 and December 15, beginning June 15, 2005, to the holders of record at the close of business on the preceding June 1 and December 1, respectively. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year comprised of twelve 30-day months.
Contingent Interest	We will pay contingent interest to the holders of debentures during any period from December 15 to June 14 and from June 15 to December 14, commencing with the period beginning December 15, 2011 if the average "market price" of a debenture for the five trading days ending on the third trading day immediately preceding the first day of the relevant period equals 120% or more of the principal amount of such debenture. The amount of contingent interest payable per debenture in respect of any such period will be equal to 0.35% per annum of such average debenture price.
Ranking	The debentures are our general unsecured senior obligations, ranking equally in right of payment with all of our existing and future unsecured senior indebtedness, and senior in right of payment to any of our existing and future indebtedness that is expressly subordinated to the debentures. The debentures are effectively subordinated to all of our secured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the collateral securing those obligations and all indebtedness and liabilities of our subsidiaries, including trade credit. As of December 31, 2004, SEACOR Holdings had no secured indebtedness outstanding and its subsidiaries had approximately \$410.9 million of liabilities, including approximately \$13.3 million of indebtedness outstanding. We and our subsidiaries are not prohibited from incurring senior indebtedness or other debt under the indenture. See "Description of the Debentures "General."

Right to Convert	The debentures are convertible into shares of our common stock at any time prior to the close of business on the business day immediately preceding the maturity date, at an initial conversion rate of 13.6705 shares of our common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of debentures (which represents a conversion price of approximately \$73.15 per share of common stock) under the conditions and subject to such adjustments as described under "Description of the Debentures Conversion of Debentures."
	Upon conversion of the debentures, we may, in our discretion, in lieu of delivering shares of common stock, deliver cash or a combination of cash and shares of common stock. If we elect to pay cash in lieu of shares, the payment will be based on the volume weighted average price of our common stock over a 10-trading day measurement period beginning on the third trading day following the conversion date. See "Description of the Debentures Conversion of Debentures."
	Except as described in "Description of the Debentures Conversion Rights," upon any conversion, holders will not receive any separate cash payment representing accrued and unpaid interest, including contingent interest and additional interest, if any.
	Conversion of the debentures is subject to restrictions on foreign ownership of our common stock. See "Risk Factors Relating to the Debentures Limitations on foreign ownership of our common stock may restrict the ability of holders to receive shares of our common stock upon conversion of the debentures," "Description of Debentures Conversion of Debentures" and "Limitations on Foreig Ownership of our Common Stock."
	If holders convert their debentures in connection with a fundamental change, as described in this prospectus, that occurs prior to December 20, 2009, they may also receive a make-whole premium on the debentures that they convert. See "Description of the Debentures Conversion of Debentures Payment Upon Conversion Payment Upon Conversion Upon Fundamental Change" and "Description of the Debentures Determination of the Make-Whole Premium."
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Optional Redemption	At any time on or after December 20, 2009, we may redeem for cash, in whole or in part, the debentures that have not been previously converted or purchased at the redemption prices set forth under "Description of the Debentures Optional Redemption."
Repurchase of Debentures at the Option of Holders	Holders may require us to repurchase for cash all or part of their debentures on December 15, 2011, 2014, and 2019 at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the debentures plus accrued and unpaid interest, including contingent interest and additional interest, if any, up to but not including the date of repurchase. See "Description of the Debentures Repurchase of Debentures at the Option of Holders Optional Put."
Fundamental Change	In the event of a fundamental change each holder may require us to purchase for cash all or a portion of such holder's debentures at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the debentures plus accrued and unpaid interest, including contingent interest and additional interest, if any, up to but not including the date of purchase. See "Description of the Debentures Repurchase of Debentures at the Option of Holders Repurchase of Debentures at the Option of Holders upon a Fundamental Change."
Make-Whole Premium Upon a Fundamental Change	In the event of a fundamental change prior to December 20, 2009, we may be required to pay a make-whole premium on debentures converted in connection with the fundamental change. The make-whole premium will be payable in shares of our common stock, or the consideration into which our common stock has been converted or exchanged in connection with such fundamental change, on the repurchase date for the debentures after the fundamental change.
	The amount of the make-whole premium, if any, will be based on our common stock price and the effective date of the fundamental change. A description of how the make-whole premium will be determined and a table showing the make-whole premium that would apply at various common stock prices and fundamental change effective dates is set forth under "Description of the Debentures Determination of the Make-Whole Premium."
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Sinking Fund	None.
Registration Rights Agreement	We have agreed to file with the SEC within 100 days after the original issuance of the debentures, and to use our reasonable best efforts to cause to become effective within 180 days after the original issuance of debentures, a shelf registration statement with respect to the resale of the debentures and shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the debentures.
	If we fail to comply with certain of our obligations under the registration rights agreement, additional interest will become payable on the debentures or, following conversion, additional amounts will become payable with respect to the shares of common stock issued upon conversion. See "Description of the Debentures Registration Rights."
DTC Eligibility	The debentures were issued in book-entry form and will be represented by permanent global certificates deposited with, or on behalf of, The Depository Trust Company, or DTC, and registered in the name of a nominee of DTC. Beneficial interests in any of the debentures are shown on, and transfers are effected only through, records maintained by DTC or its nominee and any such interest may not be exchanged for certificated securities, except in limited circumstances. See "Description of the Debentures Book-Entry, Delivery and Form."
Listing and Trading	The debentures are currently eligible for trading on the PORTAL system; however, the debentures sold by the selling securityholders under this prospectus are not expected to remain eligible for trading on the PORTAL system. We have not applied, and do not intend to apply, for listing of the debentures on any securities exchange or for inclusion of the debentures on any automated system. Our common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "CKH."
Risk Factors	An investment in the debentures and the common stock issuable upon conversion of the debentures involves risks. Prospective investors should carefully consider the information set forth under "Risk Factors" beginning on page 8 of this prospectus.
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U.S. Federal	Income	Tax	Considerations

The debentures and the common stock issuable upon conversion of the debentures will be subject to special and complex United States federal income tax rules applicable to contingent payment debt instruments. Holders are urged to consult their own tax advisors with respect to the federal, state, local and foreign tax consequences of purchasing, owning and disposing of the debentures and common stock issuable upon conversion of the debentures. See "Risk Factors You should consider the U.S. federal income tax consequences of owning the debentures" and "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations."

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#### RISK FACTORS

You should carefully consider the risks described below, as well as other information and data included in this prospectus, before deciding whether to invest in the debentures or the shares of our common stock. Any of the following risks could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition or results of operations, which may result in your loss of all or part of your original investment.

#### Risks Related to the Seabulk Merger and Seabulk's Business

#### Our failure to complete our proposed merger with Seabulk International could disrupt our business plan and operations.

On March 16, 2005, we entered into a definitive merger agreement with Seabulk International. Although we expect to complete the Seabulk merger during the second quarter of 2005, the transaction is subject to stockholder and requisite governmental regulatory approvals and other customary closing conditions. Our inability to complete the Seabulk merger on the expected schedule or at all would likely disrupt our operations and require us to revise our business plan and could otherwise have a material adverse effect on our business and on the trading price of our common stock.

Our inability to effectively integrate the business and operations of Seabulk International with our own could disrupt our operations and force us to incur unanticipated costs.

The Seabulk merger will significantly increase the size of our operations. Our ability to integrate the Seabulk business with our existing business is important to the future success of our business. Our integration strategies are subject to numerous conditions beyond our control, including adverse general and regional economic conditions, general negative industry trends and competition. In connection with our integration of Seabulk's operations, we will be required to assess and make any necessary adjustments to Seabulk's internal controls and procedures in order to maintain the overall effectiveness of our internal controls and procedures, to ensure that we continue to deliver accurate and timely financial information and to ensure ongoing compliance with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. Our failure to accomplish this on a timely basis or at all could compromise our compliance with the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002 and the timeliness and accuracy of our financial reporting, which could reduce investor confidence in our publicly reported financial statements. The successful integration of the Seabulk business also requires us to, among other things, retain key employees from Seabulk. Our future performance depends, in part, on our ability to successfully integrate these new employees into our company. Our failure to retain and successfully integrate these new employees, or otherwise effectively integrate the Seabulk operations with our own, could disrupt our ongoing business, force us to incur unanticipated costs and adversely affect the trading price of our stock. We also may be unable to achieve the anticipated synergies and benefits from the Seabulk merger. If we are unable to realize these anticipated benefits due to our inability to address the challenges of integrating the Seabulk business or for any other reason, it could have a material adverse effect on our business and financial and operating results and require significant additional time on the part of our senior management dedicated to

#### Following the Seabulk merger, SEACOR will have significantly more debt than prior to the Seabulk merger.

Upon completion of the Seabulk merger, SEACOR will assume approximately \$471 million of net debt obligations of Seabulk. The ability of the combined company to satisfy these obligations will depend on its ongoing operating performance, and there can be no assurance that the combined company will possess the resources or be able to secure the resources to satisfy these obligations. Any failure on the part of the combined company to satisfy or refinance these obligations when due would have a material adverse effect on its ability to continue its business. In addition, we have been informed

that, in connection with the Seabulk merger, our corporate credit rating is under review by the ratings agencies for a possible downgrade. If we were downgraded, our ability to raise capital could be impaired.

Revenue from Seabulk's tanker business and towing business could be adversely affected by a decline in demand for domestic refined petroleum products, crude oil or chemical products, or a change in existing methods of delivery.

A reduction in domestic consumption of refined petroleum products, crude oil or chemical products may adversely affect revenue from Seabulk's tanker business and towing business and therefore our financial condition and results of operations following consummation of the Seabulk merger. Weather conditions also affect demand for Seabulk's tanker services and towing services. For example, a mild winter may reduce demand for heating oil in its areas of operation. Moreover, alternative methods of delivery of refined petroleum, natural gas or crude oil may develop, which could adversely affect demand for tanker services.

Construction of additional refined petroleum product, natural gas or crude oil pipelines, which could have a material adverse effect on Seabulk's tanker and towing revenues.

Long-haul transportation of refined petroleum products, crude oil and natural gas is generally less costly by pipeline than by tanker. Existing pipeline systems are either insufficient to meet demand in, or do not reach all of, the markets served by our tankers. New pipeline segments are being planned and approved for the Florida market. Such activity could have an adverse effect on the volume of Seabulk's tanker and towing businesses.

Seabulk may have to phase-out some of its single hull tankers from petroleum product transportation service in U.S. waters.

The Oil Pollution Act of 1990, commonly referred to as OPA 90, establishes a phase-out schedule, depending upon vessel size and age, for non-double-hull vessels carrying crude oil and petroleum products in U.S. coastwise transportation. The phase-out dates for Seabulk's non-double-hull tankers are as follows: Seabulk Magnachem 2007\$eabulk Power 2008\$eabulk Trader 2011\$eabulk Challenge 2011 and Seabulk America 2015. As a result of this requirement, these vessels will be prohibited from transporting crude oil and petroleum products in U.S. coastwise transportation after their phase-out dates unless they are modified to install double hulls. They would also be prohibited from transporting petroleum products in most foreign and international markets under a more accelerated IMO international phase-out schedule, were Seabulk to attempt to enter those markets.

#### Risks Related to our Business

Offshore Marine Services and Helicopter Services are subject to cyclicality and a significant or prolonged decline in oil and gas prices would likely reduce the level of exploration and development of offshore areas and would reduce demand for our vessels and helicopters.

The offshore oil and gas industry is highly cyclical. Activity in the offshore oil and gas exploration and production industry has a significant impact on Offshore Marine Services and Helicopter Services. The level of exploration and development of offshore areas is affected by both short-term and long-term trends in oil and gas prices. In recent years, oil and gas prices have been extremely volatile and, as a result, the level of offshore exploration and drilling activity has also been extremely volatile. Reductions in oil and gas prices generally result in decreased drilling and production and corresponding decreases in demand for our vessels, logistics services and helicopters.

Historically, Offshore Marine Services customers' capital spending has tracked with increases and decreases in oil and gas commodity prices, after giving effect to inventory levels and consumer demand.

A decline in rig demand that began in early 2001 tracked oil and natural gas commodity prices until the second half of 2002, when prices reached and remained at historical high levels into 2003 but did not produce an increase in drilling activity in the Gulf of Mexico and North Sea, two of Offshore Marine Services operating regions. High commodity prices continued throughout 2004 and Offshore Marine Services, as well as Helicopter Services, experienced a modest increase in demand in the second half of the year for marine and helicopter support services in the Gulf of Mexico and marine services in the North Sea services.

#### Offshore Marine Services faces intense competition that could adversely affect its ability to increase its market share and revenues.

Offshore Marine Services operates in a highly competitive environment. High levels of competition could reduce its operating revenues, increase expenses and reduce its profitability. In addition to price, service and reputation, important competitive factors for offshore fleets of vessels include customer flag preferences, local marine operating conditions and intended use of vessels. Other principal competitive factors include the ability to maintain logistical support given the complexity of a project and presence of equipment in the appropriate geographical locations.

#### Helicopter Services faces intense competition that could adversely affect its ability to increase its market share and revenues.

Helicopter Services operates in a highly competitive environment. High levels of competition could reduce its operating revenues, increase expenses and reduce its profitability. In addition to price, service and reputation, important competitive factors for helicopter services include local operating conditions, safety record, reliability and availability of helicopters for specific requirements. In addition, many of Helicopter Services' customers operate their own helicopters which can limit rates.

Unstable political, military and economic conditions in foreign countries where a significant proportion of Offshore Marine Services' operations are conducted could adversely impact our business.

During 2004, approximately 34% of our revenues principally resulted from Offshore Marine Services' foreign operations. These operations are subject to risks, among other things, of political instability, potential vessel seizure, terrorist attacks, nationalization of assets, currency restrictions, import-export quotas and other forms of public and governmental regulation, all of which are beyond our control. Economic sanctions or an oil embargo, for example, could have a significant negative impact on activity in the oil and gas industry and correspondingly on us should it operate vessels in the region of the embargo. In addition, our vessel operations in Mexico are significantly affected by Mexican government policy. We cannot predict whether any such conditions or events might develop in the future.

Offshore Marine Services and Helicopter Services rely on several customers for a significant share of its revenues, the loss of which could adversely affect Offshore Marine Services' and Helicopter Services' businesses and operating results.

Offshore Marine Services' and Helicopter Services' customers are primarily major oil companies, large independent oil and gas exploration and production companies. The portion of Offshore Marine Services' or Helicopter Services' revenues attributable to any single customer may change over time, depending on the level of relevant activity by such customer, Offshore Marine or Helicopter Services' ability to meet its customer's needs and other factors, many of which are beyond Offshore Marine or Helicopter Services' control.

#### We may be unable to maintain or replace our vessels as they age.

As of December 31, 2004, the average age of offshore support vessels we owned, excluding our standby safety vessels, was approximately 9.6 years. We believe that after an offshore support vessel has been in service for approximately 20 years, the expense (which typically increases with age) necessary to satisfy required marine certification standards may not be economically justifiable. There can be no assurance that we will be able to maintain our fleet by extending the economic life of existing vessels, or that our financial resources will be sufficient to enable us to make expenditures necessary for these purposes or to acquire or build replacement vessels.

An increase in the supply of offshore support vessels would likely have an adverse impact on the charter rates earned by our offshore support vessels.

Expansion of the worldwide offshore support vessel fleet would increase competition in the markets where Offshore Marine Services operates. The refurbishment of disused or "mothballed" vessels, conversion of vessels from uses other than oil and gas exploration and production support and related activities or construction of new vessels could all add vessel capacity to current worldwide levels. A significant increase in vessel capacity would lower charter rates.

If we do not restrict the amount of foreign ownership of our common stock, we could be prohibited from operating our offshore support vessels in parts of the U.S. and could be prohibited from operating our helicopters, which would adversely impact our business and operating results.

We are subject to the Shipping Acts, which govern, among other things, the ownership and operation of offshore support vessels used to carry cargo between U.S. ports. The Acts require that vessels engaged in the "U.S. coastwise trade" be owned by U.S. citizens and built in the U.S. We are also subject to regulations pursuant to the Federal Aviation Act of 1958, as amended, and other statutes ("Aviation Acts"). Generally, our aircraft operating in the U.S. must be registered in the U.S. In order to register such aircraft under the Aviation Acts, we must be owned or controlled by U.S. citizens. Although our Certificate of Incorporation and Amended and Restated By-laws contain provisions intended to assure compliance with these provisions of the Shipping Acts, we would be prohibited from operating our offshore support vessels in the U.S. coastwise trade and our helicopters in the U.S. during any period in which we did not comply with these regulations.

Failure to maintain an acceptable safety record may have an adverse impact on our ability to retain Offshore Marine Services and Helicopter Services customers.

Offshore Marine Services and Helicopter Services customers consider safety and reliability a primary concern in selecting a service provider. Offshore Marine Services and Helicopter Services must maintain a record of safety and reliability that is acceptable to our customers. Should this not be achieved, the ability to retain current customers and attract new customers may be adversely affected.

OCSLA provides the federal government with broad discretion in regulating the leasing of offshore resources for the production of oil and gas.

Because offshore marine operations rely on offshore oil and gas exploration and production, the government's exercise of OCSLA authority to restrict the availability of offshore oil and gas leases could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

#### Vessel and helicopter related risks could disrupt Offshore Marine Services and Helicopter Services operations and expose us to liability.

The operation of offshore support vessels and helicopters is subject to various risks, including catastrophic disaster, adverse weather, mechanical failure and collision, and risks with respect to vessels additionally include sea conditions, capsizing, grounding, oil and hazardous substance spills and navigation errors. These risks could endanger the safety of our personnel, equipment, cargo and other property, as well as the environment. If any of these events were to occur, we could be held liable for resulting damages. In addition, the affected vessels or helicopters could be removed from service and would not be available to generate revenues.

#### Helicopter Services may be subject to adverse weather conditions and seasonality.

Weather-related and seasonal occurrences impact Helicopter Services: poor weather conditions generally, tropical storm season in the Gulf of Mexico and other seasonal conditions in Alaska and the western U.S., as well as the number of hours of daylight. Poor visibility, high winds, and heavy precipitation can affect the operation of helicopters and result in reduced number of flight hours. In the Gulf of Mexico and Alaska, winter months have more days of adverse weather conditions than the other months of the year and June through November is tropical storm season in the Gulf of Mexico. During tropical storms, Helicopter Services is unable to operate in the area of the storm although flight activity may increase due to the evacuation of offshore workers. In addition, many of Helicopter Services' facilities are located along the U.S. Gulf of Mexico coast and tropical storms may cause damage to its property. The fall and winter months have fewer hours of daylight. Consequently, flight hours are generally lower at these times. A significant portion of our revenues from Helicopter Services is dependent on actual flight hours and prolonged periods of adverse weather and the effect of fewer hours of daylight can adversely impact Helicopter Services.

#### Spill response revenue is subject to significant volatility.

Environmental Services' spill response revenues can vary greatly between comparable years based on the number and magnitude of spill responses in any given year which may vary widely. As a result, Environmental Services' profitability may also vary greatly from year to year.

#### A relaxation of oil spill regulation or enforcement could reduce demand for Environmental Services' services.

Environmental Services is dependent upon the enforcement of regulations promulgated under OPA 90, international conventions and, to a lesser extent, upon local regulations. Less stringent oil spill regulations or less aggressive enforcement of these regulations would decrease demand for Environmental Services' services. There can be no assurance that oil spill regulation will not be relaxed or enforcement of existing or future regulation will not become less stringent. If this happens, the demand for Environmental Services' oil spill response services could be reduced.

## A change in, or revocation of, NRC's classification as an "Oil Spill Removal Organization" would result in a loss of business.

NRC is classified by the Coast Guard as an OSRO. The Coast Guard classifies OSROs based on their overall ability to respond to various types and sizes of oil spills. Coast Guard classified OSROs have a competitive advantage over non-classified service providers because customers of a classified OSRO are exempt from regulations that would otherwise require them to list their oil spill response resources in filings with the Coast Guard. A loss of NRC's classification or changes in the requirements for classification could eliminate or diminish NRC's ability to provide customers with this exemption. If this happens, Environmental Services could lose customers.

#### Environmental Services could incur liability in connection with providing spill response services.

Although Environmental Services is generally exempt from liability under the federal Clean Water Act for its own actions and omissions in providing spill response services, this exemption would not apply if it was found to have been grossly negligent or to have engaged in willful misconduct, or if it fails to provide these services consistent with applicable regulations and directives under the Clean Water Act. In addition, the exemption under the federal Clean Water Act would not protect Environmental Services against liability for personal injury or wrongful death, or against prosecution under other federal or state laws. While most of the U.S. states in which Environmental Services provides service have adopted similar exemptions, several states have not. If a court or other applicable authority determines that Environmental Services does not benefit from federal or state exemptions from liability in providing spill response services, Environmental Services could be liable together with the local contractor and the responsible party for any resulting damages, including damages caused by others.

#### Inland River Services could experience variation in freight rates.

Freight transportation rates may fluctuate from year to year as the amount of cargo transported on the inland waterways may vary as a result of various factors, such as global economic conditions and business cycles, domestic and international agricultural production and demand and foreign currency exchange rates. Barge participation in the industry will also vary year to year and is dependent on the number of barges built and retired from service. Extended periods of high barge availability and low cargo demand could adversely impact Inland River Services.

#### Inland River Services' results of operations can be adversely by the decline in U.S. grain exports.

Inland River Services' business is significantly affected by the level of grain export volume handled through Gulf of Mexico ports. Grain exports can vary due to, among other things, crop harvest yield levels in the U.S. and abroad. The shortage of available grain overseas can increase demand for U.S. grain. Conversely, an abundance of grain overseas can decrease demand for U.S. grain. A decline in exports could result in excess barge capacity, which would likely lower freight rates earned by Inland River Services.

#### Inland River Services' results of operations can be adversely affected by international economic and political factors.

The actions of foreign governments could affect the import and export of the dry-bulk commodities typically transported by Inland River Services. Foreign trade agreements and each country's adherence to the terms of such agreements can raise or lower demand for U.S. imports and exports of the dry-bulk commodities Inland River Services transports. National and international boycotts and embargoes of other countries' or U.S. imports and/or exports together with the raising or lowering of tariff rates will affect the demand for transportation of the cargoes Inland River Services transports. These actions or developments could have an adverse impact on Inland River Services.

## Inland River Services' results of operations are affected by seasonal activity.

Inland River Services' business is seasonal, and its quarterly revenues and profits have historically been lower during the first and second quarters of the year (January through June) and higher during the third and fourth quarters (July through December) during the grain harvest.

#### Inland River Services' results of operations are affected by adverse weather and river conditions.

Weather patterns can affect river levels and cause ice conditions that can hamper barge navigation during the winter months. Locks on river systems may be closed for maintenance or other causes, which may delay barge movements. These conditions could adversely impact Inland River Services.

#### Inland River Services faces intense competition and there are few barriers to entry.

There can be no assurance that competition will not adversely impact Inland River Services.

#### Inland River Services' results of operations could be materially and adversely affected by fuel price fluctuations.

For the most part, Inland River Services purchases towboat and fleeting services from third party vendors. It is indirectly exposed to increases in fuel prices, as vendors will adjust the price of the services when fuel prices escalate. If this happens, Inland River Services results of operation may be adversely affected.

## We may incur significant costs, liabilities and penalties in complying with government regulations.

Government regulations, such as international conventions, federal, state and local laws and regulations in jurisdictions where we operate, have a significant impact on our business. These regulations relate to worker health and safety, the manning, construction and operation of vessels, oil spills and other aspects of our business. Risks of incurring substantial compliance costs and liabilities and penalties for non-compliance, particularly with respect to environmental laws and regulations, are inherent in our business. We cannot predict whether we will incur such costs or penalties in the future.

#### Our insurance coverage may be inadequate to protect us from the liabilities that could arise in our businesses.

We maintain insurance coverage against the risks related to our businesses. There can be no assurance, however, that our existing insurance coverage can be renewed at commercially reasonable rates or that available coverage will be adequate to cover future claims. If a loss occurs that is partially or completely uninsured, we could be exposed to substantial liability.

#### Our global operations are subject to currency exchange risks.

In some of our foreign businesses, we collect revenues and pay expenses in local currency. If the value of foreign currencies (in particular the value of the Pound Sterling, the currency in the United Kingdom, where most of our currency exchange risk arises) decline against the U.S. dollar and we do not or are not able to minimize the effects of such fluctuations through currency hedging arrangements, our operating results may be adversely affected. There can be no assurance that we will not incur losses in the future as a result of currency exchange rate fluctuations.

#### Our failure to attract and retain qualified personnel could have an adverse effect on us.

The ability to attract and retain skilled personnel across all of our business segments is an important factor in our future success. The market for the personnel we employee is very competitive. We cannot be certain that we will be successful in this process in the future.

#### Risks Related to the Debentures and our Common Stock

The debentures are unsecured and future secured indebtedness, as well as all indebtedness of our subsidiaries, will rank effectively senior to the debentures.

The debentures are unsecured and will rank equally in right of payment with our existing and future unsecured senior indebtedness. The debentures effectively will be subordinated to our secured debt to the extent of the value of the assets that secure that indebtedness. In the event of our bankruptcy, liquidation or reorganization or upon acceleration of the debentures, payment on the debentures could be less, ratably, than on any secured indebtedness. We may not have sufficient assets remaining to pay amounts due on any or all of the debentures then outstanding. As of December 31, 2004, we had no secured indebtedness outstanding to which the debentures effectively would be subordinated.

The debentures are not guaranteed by any of our subsidiaries. Our right to receive any distribution of assets of any subsidiary upon that subsidiary's liquidation, reorganization or otherwise, is subject to the prior claims of creditors of that subsidiary, except to the extent we are also recognized as a creditor of that subsidiary. As a result, the debentures are effectively subordinated to the claims of such creditors. As of December 31, 2004, our subsidiaries had approximately \$410.9 million of aggregate liabilities, including approximately \$13.3 million of indebtedness, to which the debentures effectively would be subordinated.

The indenture governing the debentures does not prohibit or limit us or our subsidiaries from incurring additional indebtedness, including additional secured indebtedness, and other liabilities, or from pledging assets to secure such indebtedness and liabilities. The incurrence of additional indebtedness and, in particular, the granting of a security interest to secure the indebtedness, could adversely affect our ability to pay our obligations on the debentures.

#### We may not be able to repay or repurchase the principal amount of the debentures when required.

At maturity, the entire outstanding principal amount of the debentures will become due and payable. In addition, on December 15, 2011, 2014 and 2019, or in the event of a fundamental change (as described in "Description of the Debentures Repurchase of Debentures at the Option of Holders"), holders of the debentures may require us to repurchase their debentures for cash at a repurchase price equal to 100% of their principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including contingent interest and additional interest, if any) to, but not including, the date of repurchase. It is possible that we will not have sufficient funds at the time of repurchase to make the required repurchases of the debentures or that restrictions in our other indebtedness may not allow these repurchases. Our failure to purchase the debentures would be a default under the indenture. We refer you to "Description of the Debentures Repurchase of Debentures at the Option of Holders."

# Limitations on foreign ownership of our common stock may restrict the ability of holders to receive shares of our common stock upon conversion of the debentures.

We are subject to the Shipping Act, 1916, as amended, and the Merchant Marine Act of 1920, as amended, which govern, among other things, the ownership and operation of vessels used to carry cargo between U.S. ports. These Acts require that vessels engaged in the U.S. coastwise trade be (i) owned by U.S. citizens and (ii) built in the United States. For a corporation engaged in the U.S. coastwise trade to be deemed a citizen of the U.S., among other things, at least 75% of the interest in such corporation must be owned by U.S. "Citizens" (as defined in those Acts). To facilitate compliance with these Acts, we have adopted a dual stock certification system to help determine such ownership. Our certificate of incorporation limits ownership by foreigners to 22.9%. Should we fail to comply with the U.S. citizenship requirements of the Acts, we would be prohibited from operating our vessels in the U.S. coastwise trade during the period of such non-compliance.

Our issuance of shares of common stock upon conversion of the debentures is subject to certain limitations on foreign ownership, and as a condition to the receipt of shares of common stock upon conversion of the debenture, holders of the debentures will be required to certify as to, and under certain circumstances, provide additional proof of, citizenship. In addition, a foreign holder of the debentures may, by reason of such limitations, receive a lesser number of shares of common stock upon conversion of the debentures than it otherwise may be entitled to receive pursuant to the terms of the debentures and the indenture.

#### Your ability to recover from our former auditors, Arthur Andersen LLP, may be limited.

Our audited historical financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2001, from which we derived financial information included elsewhere in this prospectus, were audited by Arthur Andersen LLP, or Andersen. Andersen has not participated in the preparation of this prospectus and has not consented to the inclusion of, or performed procedures to assure the continued accuracy of, its report on our historical financial statements for that period. Accordingly, your ability to seek damages from Andersen in connection with the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part will be limited. As a result, you may not have an effective remedy against Andersen in connection with a material misstatement or omission in our financial statements. Moreover, your recovery of any damages award that may be obtained may be limited as a result of Andersen's financial condition or other matters relating to the various civil and criminal lawsuits relating to Andersen.

#### You should consider the U.S. federal income tax consequences of owning the debentures.

Under the indenture governing the debentures, we will agree, and by acceptance of a beneficial interest in a debenture each holder of a debenture will be deemed to have agreed, to treat the debentures as indebtedness for U.S. federal income tax purposes that is subject to the Treasury Regulations governing contingent payment debt instruments. For U.S. federal income tax purposes, interest income on the debentures will accrue at the rate of 6.75% per year, compounded semi-annually, which rate represents our determination of the yield at which we could issue a comparable non-contingent, non-convertible, fixed-rate debt instrument with terms and conditions otherwise similar to the debentures. A United States Holder (as that term is defined in "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations") will be required to accrue interest income on a constant yield to maturity basis at this rate (subject to certain adjustments), with the result that a United States Holder generally will recognize taxable income significantly in excess of regular interest payments received while the debentures are outstanding.

A United States Holder will also recognize gain or loss on the sale, conversion, exchange, redemption or retirement of a debenture in an amount equal to the difference between the amount realized on the sale, conversion, exchange, redemption or retirement of a debenture, including the fair market value of our common stock received, and the United States Holder's adjusted tax basis in the debenture. Any gain recognized on the sale, conversion, exchange, redemption or retirement of a debenture generally will be ordinary interest income and any loss will be ordinary loss to the extent of the interest previously included in income, and thereafter, capital loss. The material U.S. federal income tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the debentures are summarized in this prospectus under the heading "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations."

Among other things, if we pay cash dividends on our common stock, an adjustment to the conversion rate may result, and you may be deemed to have received a taxable dividend subject to U.S. federal income tax without the receipt of any cash. If you are a Non-United States Holder (as defined in "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations"), such deemed dividend may be subject to U.S. federal withholding tax at a 30% rate or such lower rate as may be specified by an applicable treaty. See "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations."

#### We expect that the trading value of the debentures will be significantly affected by the price of our common stock and other factors.

The market price of the debentures is expected to be significantly affected by the market price of our common stock. This may result in greater volatility in the trading value of the debentures than would be expected for non-convertible debt securities. In addition, the debentures have a number of features, including conditions to conversion, that could result in a holder receiving less than the value of our common stock into which a debenture would otherwise be convertible. These features could adversely affect the value and the trading price for the debentures.

#### The debentures are not protected by restrictive covenants.

The indenture governing the debentures does not contain any financial or operating covenants or restrictions on the incurrence of indebtedness or liens or the issuance or repurchase of securities by us or any of our subsidiaries. The indenture contains no covenants or other provisions to afford protection to holders of the debentures in the event of a fundamental change involving us, except to the extent described under "Description of the Debentures Conversion of Debentures Payment Upon Conversion Payment Upon Conversion Upon a Fundamental Change," "Description of the Debentures Repurchase of Debentures at the Option of Holders Repurchase of Debentures at the Option of Holders upon a Fundamental Change" and "Description of the Debentures Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets."

Upon conversion of the debentures, we may pay cash in lieu of issuing shares of our common stock or a combination of cash and shares of our common stock. Therefore, holders of the debentures may receive no shares of our common stock or fewer shares than the number into which their debentures are convertible.

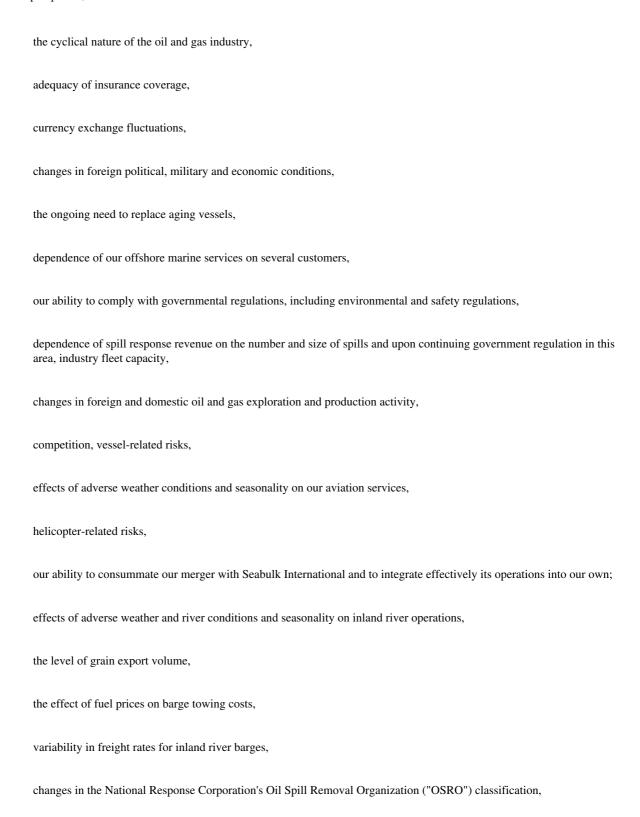
We have the right to satisfy our conversion obligation to holders by issuing shares of common stock into which the debentures are convertible, the cash value of the common stock into which the debentures are convertible, or a combination thereof. Accordingly, upon conversion of a debenture, holders may not receive any shares of our common stock, or they might receive fewer shares of common stock relative to the conversion value of the debenture. Further, our liquidity may be reduced to the extent that we choose to deliver cash rather than shares of common stock upon conversion of debentures.

### CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain of the statements contained in this prospectus are "forward-looking" statements as defined under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Generally, the words "expect", "believe", "intend", "estimate", "anticipate", "project", "will" and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements, which generally are not historical in nature. All statements which address future operating performance, events or developments that we expect or anticipate will occur in the future, and statements expressing general optimism about future operating results, are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from our historical experience and our present expectations. As and when made, management believes that these forward-looking statements are reasonable. However, caution should be taken not to place undue reliance on any such forward-looking statements since such statements speak only as of the date when made and there can be no assurance that such forward-looking statements will occur. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

Factors exist that could cause our actual results to differ materially from the expected results described in or underlying our company's forward-looking statements. Some of such factors are

described under "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Cautionary Statements" in this prospectus, and include:



liability in connection with providing spill response services,

a decline in demand for domestic refined petroleum products, crude oil or chemical products or a change in existing methods of delivery that affects Seabulk's tanker and towing operations,

construction of additional refined petroleum product, natural gas or crude oil pipelines,

Seabulk's ongoing protection under the Jones Act,

Seabulk being required to phase out some of its single hull tankers from petroleum product transportation service in U.S. waters,

restrictions imposed by the Shipping Acts on the amount of foreign ownership of our common stock, and

the effect of international economic and political factors on inland river operations and various other matters, many of which are beyond our control.

Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the forward-looking statements contained herein will occur or that objectives will be achieved. All written and verbal forward-looking statements attributable to SEACOR Holdings Inc. or persons acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by such factors.

#### **USE OF PROCEEDS**

The debentures and shares of common stock covered by this prospectus are being offered by certain selling security holders and not by us. Consequently, we will not receive any proceeds from the sale of the debentures and shares.

#### RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

The table below shows our ratio of earnings to fixed charges for each of the periods indicated. In computing the ratio of earnings to fixed charges, earnings is the result of adding "Income before Income Tax Expense, Minority Interest and Equity Earnings of 50% or Less Owned Companies", fixed charges, amortization of capitalized interest, distributed income of equity investees and our share of pre-tax losses of those equity investees for which we have guaranteed certain of their obligations and subtracting interest capitalized and the minority interest in pre-tax income of subsidiaries that have not incurred fixed charges. Fixed charges represent interest expensed and capitalized, amortized premiums and capitalized expenses related to indebtedness, and interest within rental expense.

#### Year Ended December 31,

2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
3.3x	5.5x	4.4x 19	2.3x	2.0x

#### PRICE RANGE OF COMMON STOCK AND DIVIDEND POLICY

Our common stock, \$0.01 par value, is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "CKH." The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the high and low sales prices per share of our common stock as reported on the New York Stock Exchange.

Fiscal Quarter Ended	High		Low	
2003				
March 31	\$	44.84	\$	34.27
June 30		39.58		33.80
September 30		40.45		34.90
December 31		42.08		35.60
2004				
March 31	\$	44.47	\$	39.22
June 30		44.35		37.35
September 30		47.04		40.55
December 31		56.37		44.51
2005				
March 31 (through March 24, 2005)	\$	67.09	\$	52.62

We have not paid any cash dividends in respect of our common stock since our inception in December 1989 and have no present intention to pay any dividends in the foreseeable future. Instead, we intend to retain earnings for working capital and to finance the expansion of our business. Any payment of future dividends will be at the discretion of our Board of Directors and will depend upon, among other factors, our earnings, financial condition, capital requirements, level of indebtedness and contractual restrictions, including the provisions of our revolving credit facility.

The payment of future cash dividends, if any, would be made only from assets legally available and would also depend on our financial condition, results of operations, current and anticipated capital requirements, plans for expansion, restrictions under then existing indebtedness and other factors deemed relevant by our Board of Directors in its sole discretion.

As of March 8, 2005, there were approximately 116 holders of record of our common stock.

#### UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONDENSED COMBINED FINANCIAL DATA

The following unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet as of December 31, 2004 and unaudited pro forma condensed combined statement of income for the year ended December 31, 2004 (collectively the "pro forma statements") are based on the historical financial statements of SEACOR and Seabulk after giving effect for the Seabulk merger using the purchase method of accounting and our preliminary estimates, assumptions and pro forma adjustments as described in the accompanying notes to the pro forma statements. Certain reclassifications of information as presented in SEACOR's and Seabulk's historical financial statements included elsewhere herein have been made to conform to the presentation of the pro forma statements.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet as of December 31, 2004 gives effect to the Seabulk merger as if it had occurred on that date. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined statement of income for the year ended December 31, 2004 has been prepared to illustrate the effects of the Seabulk merger as if it had occurred on January 1, 2004. Preliminary estimates, assumptions and pro forma adjustments to state the acquired assets and liabilities of Seabulk at fair value are as of the announcement date of the Seabulk merger, March 16, 2005. Shares of SEACOR common stock assumed issued in the pro forma statements to acquire the outstanding Seabulk shares as of the announcement date were valued using an average market price over a period of days shortly before and after the announcement date. The pro forma statements are presented for information purposes only and have been derived from, and should be read in conjunction with, the historical consolidated financial statements of SEACOR and Seabulk, including the notes thereto. The pro forma adjustments, as described in the notes to the pro forma statements, are based on currently available information that we believe are reasonable. These adjustments are not necessarily indicative of our financial position or results of operations that would have occurred had the Seabulk merger taken place on the dates indicated, nor are they necessarily indicative of SEACOR's future financial position or results of operations.

Pro forma adjustments reflect an allocation of the purchase price, material charges, credits and related tax effects that are directly attributable to the Seabulk merger and to conform Seabulk's accounting policies with those of SEACOR. Certain pro forma adjustments were based on a preliminary assessment of the value of assets and liabilities acquired as part of the Seabulk merger. However, changes to adjustments included in the pro forma statements are expected as valuations of assets and liabilities are finalized and additional information becomes available. The final purchase price allocations for the Seabulk merger will be affected by formal valuation analysis of certain assets by outside appraisal firms and may result in material adjustments to the amounts presented in the pro forma statements. Furthermore, the impact of integration activities and the finalization of charges and credits directly attributable to the Seabulk merger could also cause actual results to materially differ from the pro forma statements presented herein.

## Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Balance Sheet As of December 31, 2004 (in thousands)

	:	SEACOR		Seabulk Adjustments			Pro Forma Condensed Combined	
ASSETS								
Current Assets:	Φ.	214200	ф	10.040	Φ.	(100.050)()	Φ.	125 200
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	214,389	\$	18,949	\$	(108,058)(a)	\$	125,280
Restricted cash Available-for-sale securities		136,992		35,681		(12.966)(h)		35,681 124,126
		193,050		58,993		(12,866)(h)		252,043
Accounts receivable, net Inventories		18,837		7,868		(4,114)(b)		22,591
Prepaid expenses and other		35,453		3,627		(4,114)(0)		39,080
Frepaid expenses and other		33,433		3,027				39,080
Total current assets		598,721		125,118		(125,038)		598,801
Investments at Equity and Passivables From 50% or								
Investments, at Equity, and Receivables From 50% or Less Owned Companies		47,870						47,870
Property and Equipment, net		925,597		598,793		284,751 (c)		1,809,141
Construction Reserve Funds		144,006		390,193		204,731 (0)		144,006
Goodwill		28,755				143,303 (a)		172,058
Deferred Drydocking		20,733		32,377		(32,377)(d)		172,030
Deferred Debt Issuance Costs		7,338		12,676		(12,676)(e)		7,338
Other Assets		13,722		17,824		(12,070)(0)		31,546
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	\$	1,766,009	\$	786,788	\$	257,963	\$	2,810,760
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY								
Current Liabilities:								
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	63,461	\$	14,918	\$		\$	78,379
Current portion of long-term debt	Ψ	13,228	Ψ	16,653	Ψ		Ψ	29,881
Current obligations under capital leases		13,220		3,708				3,708
Other current liabilities		65,797		40,196		6,400 (f)		112,393
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Total current liabilities		142,486		75,475		6,400		224,361
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Long-Term Debt and Capital Lease Obligations		582,367		507,439		(20,572)(g)		1,069,234
Deferred Income Taxes		211,542				40,726 (i)		252,268
Deferred Income and Other Liabilities		28,988		4,879				33,867
Minority Interest in Subsidiaries		6,869						6,869
Stockholders' Equity:								
Common stock		245		234		(168)(j)		311
Additional paid-in capital		412,210		259,843		170,977 (j)		843,030
Retained earnings (deficit)		551,273		(60,379)		60,379 (j)		551,273
Treasury shares		(197,850)						(197,850)
Unearned restricted stock		(2,423)		(758)		758 (k)		(2,423)
Accumulated other comprehensive income		30,302		55		(537)(h)		29,820
Total stockholders' equity		793,757		198,995		231,409		1,224,161

	SEACOR		SEACOR		SEACOR Seabulk		P	Adjustments	Pro Forma Condensed Combined		
\$	1,766,009	\$	786,788	\$	257,963	\$	2,810,760				
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#### Notes to Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Balance Sheet

(a) The preliminary estimated consideration is allocated as follows (in thousands, except share data):

Consideration to purchase all outstanding Seabulk stock, warrants and options	
Cash consideration	\$ 98,608
Estimated direct transaction fees and expenses	9,450
Total cash consideration	108,058
Premium over par paid by SEACOR for Seabulk long-term debt (see note h)	540
6,641,270 SEACOR shares issued at \$64.88 per share (exchange ratio of 0.2694)	430,886
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Total consideration	539,484
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Preliminary allocation of consideration	
Book value of Seabulk net assets	(100 609)
	(199,698)
Adjustments to historical net book value:	2 (74
Inventories policy change, net of \$1,440 in tax (see note b)	2,674
Property and Equipment, net of \$99,663 in tax (see note c)	(185,088)
Drydocking policy change, net of \$11,332 in tax (see note d)	21,045
Write-off deferred debt issuance costs, net of \$4,437 in tax (see note e)	8,239
Compensation reserves, net of \$2,240 in tax (see note f)	4,160
Long-term debt, net of \$3,175 in tax (see note g)	(5,897)
Reduction of deferred tax valuation allowance (see note i)	(42,374)
Unearned Seabulk restricted stock (see note k)	758
Adjustment to Goodwill	\$ 143,303
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- (b)

  Represents the elimination of Seabulk's capitalized non-fuel inventories and supplies relating to its offshore marine vessel fleet to conform with SEACOR's accounting policy.
- (c)

  Represents preliminary purchase price adjustments to state Seabulk's acquired property and equipment at its estimated fair value of \$883.5 million. Final purchase price adjustments based on the final valuation may materially differ from our preliminary estimates presented herein. Deferred tax liabilities associated with non-deductible fair market value adjustments were calculated using an income tax rate of 35% as the future depreciation of the fair market value adjustments will not be tax deductible.
- (d)

  Represents the elimination of Seabulk's deferred drydocking expense to conform with SEACOR's accounting policy.
- (e)

  Represents the elimination of Seabulk's deferred debt issuance costs as a result of stating its long-term debt at fair value (see note g).
- (f) Represents accrued payments related to various employment agreements among Seabulk and its senior officers triggered by the Seabulk merger and reserves for potential redundancies of personnel.
- Represents the revaluation of Seabulk's remaining outstanding senior notes, after the elimination of \$11.5 million par value of senior notes held by SEACOR (see note h), and Seabulk's Title XI debt to their estimated fair values. All other long-term debt and capital lease obligations of Seabulk are considered to approximate fair value in the pro forma statements. Final purchase price adjustments based on the final valuation of these Seabulk obligations may materially differ from our preliminary estimate presented herein.

(h)

Represents the elimination of SEACOR's investment in Seabulk's senior notes, stated at a fair value of \$12.9 million, and the related unrealized gain of \$0.5 million, net of \$0.3 million in tax,

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against Seabulk's corresponding long-term debt of \$11.5 million par value. The premium over par paid by SEACOR for its investment in Seabulk's senior notes of \$0.5 million is included as additional consideration paid in the Seabulk merger.

- Represents additional net deferred tax liabilities of \$83.4 million recognized as a result of net of tax adjustments relating to the preliminary allocation of consideration (see note a), offset by reductions in Seabulk's valuation allowance of \$42.4 million (see note a and as discussed below) and in SEACOR's deferred tax liability for unrealized gains on marketable securities of \$0.3 million (see note h). As of December 31, 2004, Seabulk had outstanding deferred tax assets of \$189.8 million (primarily net operating loss carryforwards and foreign tax credits), deferred tax liabilities of \$127.4 million (primarily property differences) and recognized a valuation allowance of \$62.4 million to offset the entire net deferred asset. The utilization of Seabulk's net operating loss carryforwards by the combined group will be subject to significant limitations; however, we have assumed that its entire net deferred tax asset will be realized except for \$20.0 million of foreign tax credits for purposes of the pro forma statements. The final determination of these limitations may materially differ from our preliminary estimate presented herein.
- (j)

  Represents the total increase in capital for the combined group, comprised of SEACOR stock consideration of \$430.9 million issued as a result of the Seabulk merger, offset by the historical net book value of Seabulk of \$199.7 million.
- (k)

  Represents the elimination of Seabulk unvested restricted stock as a result of accelerated vesting triggered by the Seabulk merger.

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## Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Statement of Income For the Year Ended December 31, 2004 (in thousands, except per share data)

	SEACOR			Seabulk	Adjustments		Pro Forma Condensed Combined	
Operating Revenues	\$	491,860	\$	352,328	\$		\$	844,188
Cost and Expenses:								
Operating expenses		354,163		218,039		(3,242)(a)		568,960
Administrative and general		61,425		37,526				98,951
Depreciation and amortization		57,834		40,537		39,760 (b)		138,131
		473,422		296,102		36,518		806,042
Gains on Asset Sales		10,234		4,116				14,350
Operating Income		28,672		60,342		(36,518)		52,496
Other Income (Expense):		0.422		200				0.721
Interest income		8,422		309		1.075 (-)		8,731
Interest expense		(22,485)		(33,888)		1,075 (c)		(55,298)
Other, net		9,677	_	4,624				14,301
		(4,386)		(28,955)		1,075		(32,266)
Income Before Income Tax Expense, Minority Interest and								
Equity in Earnings of 50% or Less Owned Companies		24,286		31,387		(35,443)		20,230
Income Tax Expense (Benefit)		8,573		5,189		(6,690)(d)		7,072
Income Before Minority Interest and Equity in Earnings of								
50% or Less Owned Companies		15,713		26,198		(28,753)		13,158
Minority Interest in Net Income of Subsidiaries		(483)		(264)				(747)
Equity in Earnings of 50% or Less Owned Companies		4,659						4,659
Net Income	\$	19,889	\$	25,934	\$	(28,753)	\$	17,070
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Basic Earnings Per Common Share	\$	1.09	\$	1.11		\$	<b>5</b>	0.68
Diluted Earnings Per Common Share	\$	1.08	\$	1.09		9	\$	0.68
Weighted Average Common Shares Outstanding:								
Basic		18,306		23,264				24,947
Diluted		18,609 25		23,761				25,251

#### Notes to Unaudited Condensed Combined Pro Forma Statement of Income

- (a)

  Represents the elimination of Seabulk's capitalized non-fuel inventories and supplies amortization of \$0.6 million and a \$2.6 million reduction to restate Seabulk's drydock costs to an as incurred basis to conform with SEACOR's accounting policy.
- (b)

  Represents the restatement of Seabulk's depreciation expense to \$80.3 million resulting from our preliminary valuation of its property and equipment of \$883.5 million and to conform with SEACOR's accounting policies regarding depreciable useful lives and salvage values.
- (c)

  Represents the elimination of Seabulk's deferred debt issuance costs and premium amortization of \$1.7 million offset by an expected net increase of \$0.6 million resulting from the revaluation of Seabulk's senior notes and Title XI debt.
- (d)

  Represents the restatement of Seabulk's Income Tax Expense to an effective tax rate of 37% as a result of the recognition of Seabulk's net operating carryforwards by the combined group.

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## SELECTED HISTORICAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The following table sets forth, for the periods and at the dates indicated, selected historical and consolidated financial data for us, in thousands of dollars, except per share data. Such financial data should be read in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and our consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

		2004		2003		2002	002 2001		2000	
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Operating Revenues:										
Offshore Marine										
Services	\$	286,721	\$	316,116	\$	367,969	\$	399,123	\$	276,931
Environmental Services		115,014		44,045		22,087		26,847		24,996
Inland Services(1)		66,568		27,859		12,607		9,598		1,092
Helicopter Services(2)		27,180		20,604						
Drilling(3) Elimination and		27,100		20,00						37,380
Other		(3,623)		(2,415)		495		(778)		(458)
	\$	491,860	\$	406,209	\$	403,158	\$	434,790	\$	339,941
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Operating Income	\$	28,672	\$	23,251	\$	52,392	\$	100,965	\$	55,380
Other Income (Expenses):										
Net interest expense	\$	(14,063)	\$	(11,782)	\$	(8,231)	\$	(8,452)	\$	(10,027)
Other income (expense)(4)		9,677		9,980		21,981		11,208		16,305
	\$	(4,386)	\$	(1,802)	\$	13,750	\$	2,756	\$	6,278
	Ψ	(1,500)	Ψ	(1,002)	Ψ	13,730	Ψ	2,730	Ψ	0,270
Net Income	\$	19,889	\$	11,954	\$	46,587	\$	70,701	\$	34,120
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Income Per Share:(5)										
Basic	\$	1.09	\$	0.63	\$	2.33	\$	3.63	\$	2.02
Diluted		1.08		0.63		2.28		3.43		1.92
Statement of Cash Flows Data:										
Cash provided by operating										
activities	\$	32,976	\$	44,996	\$	66,795	\$	111,420	\$	65,251
Cash provided by (used in)		(316,572)		(1,741)		6,167		(76,638)		(31,012)

## Year Ended December 31,

investing activities Cash provided by (used in) financing activities	231,725	(127,525)	87,205	(77,455)	14,222
Balance Sheet Data (at period end):	231,723	(127,323)	87,203	(77,433)	14,222
Cash and cash equivalents, marketable securities and construction					
reserve funds	\$ 495,387	\$ 438,131	\$ 525,931	\$ 258,055	\$ 347,159
Total assets	1,766,009	1,402,611	1,487,107	1,298,138	1,132,730
Long-term debt	582,367	332,179	402,118	256,675	377,955
Stockholders' equity	793,757	770,446	804,951	743,698	552,552
Capital Expenditures	\$ 200,052	\$ 161,842	\$ 139,706	\$ 107,445	\$ 73,750

212	235	301	325	305
84.5%	76.7%	78.5%	81.1%	75.7%
\$ 12,223 \$	12,406	\$ 13,067	\$ 13,548	\$ 11,410
3,463	3,225	3,216	3,313	2,645
2,974	3,029	2,854	3,071	2,041
7,850	6,697	5,935	5,448	5,328
8,197	7,554	7,985	7,771	5,251
	1,773	1,755	1,895	1,609
127	41	36	N/A	N/A
1,092	784	535	338	262
\$	\$ 12,223 \$ 3,463 2,974 7,850 8,197	\$ 12,223 \$ 12,406 3,463 3,225 2,974 3,029 7,850 6,697 8,197 7,554 1,773 127 41	\$ 12,223 \$       12,406 \$       13,067         3,463 3,225 3,216       2,974 3,029 2,854         7,850 6,697 5,935       5,935         8,197 7,554 7,985       1,773 1,755         127 41 36	\$ 12,223       \$ 12,406       \$ 13,067       \$ 13,548         \$ 3,463       3,225       3,216       3,313         2,974       3,029       2,854       3,071         7,850       6,697       5,935       5,448         8,197       7,554       7,985       7,771         1,773       1,755       1,895         127       41       36       N/A

- (1) Inland River Services commenced operations in the third quarter of 2000 with our acquisition of SCF.
- (2) Helicopter Services commenced operations in December 2002 with our acquisition of Tex-Air.
- As a consequence of our majority ownership, we consolidated the reporting of financial information of Chiles until our ownership interest was reduced in September 2000, at which time we began using the equity method of accounting for our ownership interest until the Chiles Merger in August of 2002.
- Other income (expense) principally includes gains and losses from the sale of marketable securities, derivative transactions, the sale of investments in 50% or less owned companies, foreign currency transactions and debt extinguishment. Other income in 2002 additionally included gains resulting from the Chiles Merger and 2000 also included a gain upon the sale of shares of Chiles.
- (5) Computations of basic and diluted income per common share give effect for SEACOR's June 15, 2000 three-for-two stock split.
- (6) Offshore Marine Services' fleet includes vessels owned, chartered-in, managed, pooled and joint ventured.
- (7)
  Utilization with respect to any period is the ratio of the aggregate number of days worked for all offshore vessels that are owned and bareboat chartered-in to total calendar days available during such period.
- (8)

  Rate per day worked with respect to any period is the ratio of total time charter revenues earned by offshore vessels that are owned and chartered-in to the aggregate number of days worked by offshore vessels during such period.
- (9)

  Revenues for certain vessels included in the calculation of rates per day worked are earned in foreign currencies, primarily Pounds Sterling, and have been converted to U.S. dollars at the weighted average exchange rate for the periods indicated.

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

#### Overview

We own, operate, invest in, market and remarket equipment, primarily in the offshore oil and gas and marine transportation industries. We also provide emergency environmental response, remediation, and related services.

We conduct our activities in four business segments: Offshore Marine Services is a worldwide provider of offshore energy marine support services with a fleet of 212 vessels; with 127 helicopters, Helicopter Services also primarily services the offshore energy markets with operations in the Gulf of Mexico and a small presence in Alaska. It also leases helicopters to third parties. Inland River Services operates over 1,000 dry cargo and 20 chemical tank barges throughout the U.S. inland waterways. Environmental Services is an international provider of oil spill response and preparedness services and also provides services to ships calling at U.S. ports, oil facilities, and installations.

Offshore Marine Services, Helicopter Services and Inland River Services are highly capital-intensive businesses. To manage these businesses successfully over time, we believe it is often necessary to re-allocate capital among different classes of assets and across a variety of industries. In recent years, we have been pursuing a policy of diversifying our asset base by allocating capital into assets with differing cyclical profiles. To pursue this strategy, we manage our assets aggressively, responding quickly to opportunities to deploy or trade those assets. We believe that maintaining liquidity is important to provide the resources necessary to take advantage of opportunities.

Our overall capital commitment to assets in the offshore oil and gas industry has remained fairly constant over the last three years. We believe that demand for both our marine and helicopter services in the offshore oil and gas industry will improve in the next year.

The market for offshore oil and gas drilling has historically been cyclical. In 2002, activity in the offshore oil and gas industry markets worldwide began to decline and that downturn continued through the first half of 2004. Offshore drilling activity improved in the second half of 2004. Starting in the third quarter demand for support services began to improve. That improvement carried through to the fourth quarter. We expect offshore drilling activity to be sustained in 2005 and likely to continue into 2006. In the past, increased offshore drilling has been positive for marine support vessel operators as well as helicopter operators serving the offshore markets. We expect this historical link to lead to increased vessel and helicopter support activity.

We continually assess our asset portfolio and are active in buying and selling second-hand equipment, as well as building and re-selling newly constructed equipment. In the last few years many older assets have been shed and the fleet mix has been adjusted.

The acquisition of Era's helicopters has made the company's rotary wing fleet one of the largest serving the offshore energy business in the Gulf of Mexico. The acquisition will also diversify our service mix, adding firefighting capability and other services. While we will be providing "flight seeing" services in Alaska during the 2005 tourist season, it is not clear if we will continue this activity in the future.

Our strategy envisions modernizing Helicopter Services' fleet eventually by reducing the number of different models operated and replacing older units with new equipment. We will also be looking to grow through acquisitions and joint ventures.

In 2001, we began expanding Inland River Services' business. Approximately 50% of the existing dry cargo barge fleet and 60% of the liquid cargo tank barge fleet operating on the U.S. inland waterways are over 20 years old. Our fleet is one of the most modern in the industry. In fact, we believe that there have been more retirements of old equipment than deliveries of new equipment in the last few years: 30% greater retirements for dry cargo barges and 14% greater for liquid barges over the last five years. As there have not been a large number of new dry cargo barges delivered in the last twelve months we believe that improvements observed in the second half of 2004 will carry forward into 2005.

Increasing investment in our Inland River Services has served to diversify our portfolio of marine assets and to reduce our exposure to the offshore energy industry's cycles. Demand for our barges is dependent on different global economic forces and while that demand can fluctuate, we believe that the inland barge business is one of the businesses that over time will provide an attractive opportunity for capital investment.

In addition to adding 651 owned dry cargo and chemical tank barges since 2000, we have invested in six towboats. Inland River Services transports dry bulk commodities by barge on the U.S. inland waterways and it manages its own barges and those owned by others through a pooling arrangement allowing for greater efficiencies in competing for cargoes. The tank barges are entered in a pooling arrangement managed by a third party and the towboats are bareboat chartered out and operated by a third party.

We have also pursued diversification by continuing our expansion of environmental services. In addition to oil spill response services, we have continued to grow in emergency response, planning and preparation, and remediation services both domestically and internationally. We intend to continue the growth of this segment by competing for contracts internationally, pursuing selective acquisitions and developing additional business with existing clients.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies**

General. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations discusses our consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. In many cases, the accounting treatment of a particular transaction is specifically dictated by generally accepted accounting principles; whereas, in other circumstances, we are required to make estimates, judgments and assumptions that we believe are reasonable based upon information available and which have a significant impact on the results it reports. Some accounting policies require us to make difficult and subjective judgments, often as a result of the need to make estimates of matters that are inherently uncertain. Our more critical accounting estimates are included in the discussion that follows. We also have other policies that are considered key accounting policies, such as revenue recognition; however, these policies do not meet the definition of critical accounting estimates, because they do not generally require us to make estimates or judgments that are difficult or subjective.

Reserves for Doubtful Accounts Receivable. Our reserves for doubtful accounts are based on estimates of losses related to customers' receivable balances. In establishing reserves, we assess customer credit quality as well as other factors and trends, including the age of receivable balances. Individual credit assessments are performed regularly. Once we complete our assessment of receivable balances due from customers, a determination is made as to the probability of default. A reserve is established when we view loss is likely and the level of reserves can fluctuate depending upon all of the factors mentioned above. Because amounts due us from individual customers can be significant, future adjustments to our reserve could be material if one or more customers' receivables are considered uncollectible.

Goodwill. Goodwill is recorded when the purchase price paid for an acquisition exceeds the estimated fair value of net identified tangible and intangible assets acquired. As a result of recording various business combinations, our book carrying value of goodwill totaled \$28.8 million, or 2% of total assets, at December 31, 2004. We perform an annual review of goodwill and would more frequently if indictors of potential impairment exist, to determine if the recorded goodwill is impaired. Our impairment review process compares the fair value of the reporting unit to its book carrying value, including the goodwill related to the reporting unit. To determine the fair value, our review process uses the income method and is based on a discounted future cash flow approach that uses estimates, including the following for the reporting units: revenue, based on assumed market segment growth rates and our assumed market segment share, estimated costs and appropriate discount rates based on the particular business' weighted average cost of capital. These various estimates are reviewed annually and many are developed as part of our routine business planning and forecasting process. The inputs and outcomes of our discounted cash flow analysis are compared to available and comparable market data. We believe our estimates and assumptions are reasonable; however, variations from those estimates could produce materially different results. We have completed our annual impairment test of goodwill based upon carrying values as of December 31, 2004 and have determined there was no goodwill impairment.

Investments in Business Ventures. We hold less than majority investments in, and have receivables from, strategically aligned companies that totaled \$47.9 million at December 31, 2004. We employ the equity method of accounting for investments in business ventures when we have the ability to exercise significant influence over the operating and financial policies of the venture. Significant influence is generally deemed to exist if we have between 20% and 50% of the voting rights of an investee. We perform regular reviews of each investee's financial condition, the business outlook for its products and services and its present and projected results and cash flows. When an investee has experienced consistent declines in financial performance or difficulties in raising capital to continue operations, the investment is written down to a new cost basis when we expect the decline to be other-than-temporary. Actual results may vary from estimates due to the uncertainties regarding the projected financial performance of investees, the severity and expected duration of declines in value, and the available liquidity in the capital markets to support the continuing operations of the investees in which we have investments, all of which affect the application of this investment valuation policy.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets. We assess the impairment of long-lived assets when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of such assets may not be recoverable. Factors that we consider in deciding when to perform an impairment review include significant under-performance of a business segment or an asset grouping contained therein in relation to expectations and significant negative industry or economic trends. Recoverability of assets that will continue to be used in our operations is measured by comparing the carrying amount of the asset grouping to the related total future net cash flows. If an asset grouping's carrying value is not recoverable through the related cash flows, the asset grouping is considered to be impaired. The impairment is measured by the difference between the asset grouping's carrying amount and its fair value, based on the best information available, including market prices or discounted cash flow analysis.

Our offshore support vessels and many of our helicopters service offshore oil and gas companies that operate in a cyclical industry. We are required to exercise considerable judgment in assessing this cyclicality at the same time other events or changes in circumstances might indicate that the carrying amount of assets many not be recoverable. Furthermore, were we to be required to perform a recoverability test, considerable judgment would be employed in projecting future cash flows and any variations in those assumptions could cause a change in the results of the test.

Self-insurance Liabilities. We maintain business insurance programs with respect to our offshore support vessels that contain significant self-insured retention. In addition, we maintain a self-insured health benefit plan for our participating employees. We limit our exposure to the business insurance programs and health benefit plans by maintaining stop-loss and aggregate liability coverage. We make estimates to record expenses related to these programs based upon historical experience. To the extent that estimated self-insurance losses differ from actual losses realized, our insurance reserves could differ significantly and may result in either higher or lower insurance expense in future periods.

Income Taxes. We record a valuation allowance to reduce our deferred tax assets if it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred assets will not be realized. While we have considered future taxable income and ongoing prudent and feasible tax strategies in assessing the need for the valuation allowance, if these estimates and assumptions change in the future, we may be required to adjust our valuation allowance. This could result in a charge to, or an increase in, income in the period such determination is made. At December 31, 2004, we had deferred tax assets totaling \$29.9 million resulting primarily from net operating loss carryforwards expiring in 2023 and 2024 and foreign tax credit carryforwards expiring from 2010 through 2015. We believe that we will be able to utilize the remaining net operating loss carryforwards and net foreign tax credit carryforwards through the turnaround of existing temporary differences, future earnings, tax strategies or a combination thereof.

#### General

#### Offshore Marine Services

Our fleet services oil and gas exploration and production facilities mainly in the Gulf of Mexico, the North Sea, Latin America and Mexico, West Africa and Asia. The number and type of vessels we operate and their rates per day worked and utilization levels are the key determinants of Offshore Marine Services' operating results and cash flows.

The table below sets forth rates per day worked, utilization and available days data for our fleet during the periods indicated. The rate per day worked for any vessel with respect to any period is the ratio of total time charter revenue of such vessel to the aggregate number of days worked by such vessel for such period. Utilization with respect to any vessel during a given period is the ratio of aggregate number of days worked by such vessel to total calendar days available for work during such

period. Available days represent the total calendar days during which owned and chartered-in vessels are operated by us.

Fleet			2004	2003	2002
Rates Per Day Worked:					
Anchor handling towing supply	Domestic	\$	19,037	\$ 19,028 \$	21,275
Anchor handling towing supply			9,450	10,004	10,810
Crew Domestic	_		3,257	2,993	3,072
Crew Foreign			4,136	4,089	3,885
Geophysical, Freight and Other	Foreign		14,000	N/A	N/A
Mini-supply Domestic			2,919	3,001	2,825
Mini-supply Foreign			3,565	3,462	3,559
Standby safety Foreign			7,850	6,697	5,935
Supply Domestic			6,650	6,369	7,541
Supply Foreign			11,022	9,207	9,506
Towing supply Domestic			6,823	6,252	7,439
Towing supply Foreign			6,800	7,022	7,146
Utility Domestic			N/A	1,773	1,755
<b>Utilization:</b>					
Anchor handling towing supply	Domestic		79.7%	64.2%	74.1%
Anchor handling towing supply			74.7%	81.5%	79.4%
Crew Domestic			88.0%	76.6%	78.7%
Crew Foreign			93.5%	85.6%	88.9%
Geophysical, Freight and Other	Domestic		0%	0%	0%
Geophysical, Freight and Other			59.7%	N/A	N/A
Mini-supply Domestic			87.4%	88.5%	86.9%
Mini-supply Foreign			81.4%	89.7%	87.3%
Standby safety Foreign			88.6%	87.8%	87.4%
Supply Domestic			72.7%	61.3%	88.2%
Supply Foreign			76.9%	90.9%	95.2%
Towing supply Domestic			76.4%	97.3%	93.3%
Towing supply Foreign			67.3%	82.1%	80.9%
Utility Domestic			N/A	55.9%	60.6%
Overall Fleet Utilization			84.5%	76.7%	78.5%
Available Days:					
Anchor handling towing supply	Domestic		1,129	1,825	1,766
Anchor handling towing supply			2,960	3,961	5,992
Crew Domestic			19,087	21,472	23,002
Crew Foreign			5,492	5,045	4,411
Geophysical, Freight and Other	Domestic		91	365	600
Geophysical, Freight and Other			142	N/A	N/A
Mini-supply Domestic			9,676	10,300	8,864
Mini-supply Foreign			957	650	365
Standby Safety Foreign			7,686	7,349	7,647
Supply Domestic			2,809	4,037	4,904
Supply Foreign			3,386	4,091	4,234
Towing supply Domestic			1,006	925	1,460
Towing supply Foreign			3,347	4,676	5,304
Utility Domestic			N/A	12,679	16,534
Overall Fleet Available Days			57,768	77,375	85,083
		33	27,700	,575	00,000

Unless we decide to remove a vessel from operational service, there is little reduction in daily running costs such as crew cost, insurance and other support expenses. As a result, direct vessel operating costs as a percentage of revenues may vary substantially due to changes in rates per day worked and utilization. In some instances the cost of lay-up would necessitate paying "redundancy" expenses thereby making it more economical to keep a vessel in service, even if current utilization and rates do not cover daily operating expenses. We do not believe, however, in keeping equipment in service simply to avoid the cost of redundancy and does so only when we expect that conditions will improve soon enough to make it impractical to release personnel and re-hire them on a timely basis.

The aggregate cost of our operations primarily depends on the size and asset mix of the fleet. Offshore Marine Services' operating expenses include "daily running expenses," and other fixed costs. Daily running costs are primarily comprised of wages paid marine personnel, maintenance and repairs and insurance, which vary depending on equipment type, location and activity. Two significant components of maintenance and repair expenses are drydock and main engine overhaul costs. Vessel drydockings are regularly performed in accordance with applicable regulations as are main engine overhauls in accordance with manufacturers' recommendations. Should we undertake a disproportionate number of drydockings and or main engine overhauls in a particular fiscal year, comparative operating expense results may be affected. Depreciation and charter-in expenses are Offshore Marine Services' principal fixed costs. Depreciation depends on the acquisition costs of vessels and their related useful life assumptions. When vessels are sold and leased back, (bareboat chartered), depreciation and finance charges become indirectly assimilated into operating expenses via a lease payment.

A portion of our operating revenues and expenses, primarily related to our North Sea operations are received and paid in Pounds Sterling. For financial statement reporting purposes, these amounts are translated into U.S. dollar equivalents at the weighted average exchange rates in effect during the applicable periods.

We believe our strong financial condition, diverse fleet and broad geographical distribution of vessels assist us in weathering the effects of industry downturns. Our financial position also enables us to capitalize on opportunities as they develop for purchasing, mobilizing, or upgrading vessels to meet changing market conditions and optimize the financial performance of the fleet.

#### **Environmental Services**

Environmental Services provides emergency oil spill and hazardous material response and industrial remediation services. Our customers are tank and non-tank vessel owner/operators, refiners and terminal operators, exploration and production facility operators, pipeline operators, power generating operators, airports and industrial companies. We assist our customers in complying with the requirements imposed on them by OPA 90, various state and municipal regulations and international marine conventions. We also offer consulting and planning services on a retainer and on an as-needed basis.

Operating results and cash flows are very dependent on the number of spill responses in a given fiscal period and the magnitude of each spill. Consequently, spill response revenues and related income and cash flows can vary materially between comparable periods and the revenues from any one period is not indicative of a trend or of anticipated results in future periods. In 2003, Environmental Services had extensive operations in Iraq and in 2004, responded to a major oil spill on the Delaware River in the United States.

Costs of oil spill response activities can include payments to sub-contractors for labor, equipment and materials and/or the direct charge of labor, equipment and materials provided by Environmental Services. Profits earned on equipment intensive responses tend to be better than the profits earned on labor-intensive responses. The cost of equipment is largely fixed in relation to the capital investment whereas the cost of labor is variable. Further, labor costs can increase significantly when overtime payments are required as is typically the case with emergency responses that occur outside of normal business hours. Profit margins can also vary based on the use of our own personnel and equipment resources versus the use of third party personnel and equipment.

We charge a retainer fee for ensuring by contract the availability (at predetermined rates) of our response services and equipment. Retainer services include employing a staff to supervise response to an oil spill emergency and maintaining specialized equipment, including marine equipment, in a ready state for emergency and spill response as contemplated by response plans filed by our customers in accordance with OPA 90 and various state regulations. Environmental Services maintains relationships with numerous environmental sub-contractors to assist with response operations and equipment maintenance and provide trained personnel for deploying equipment in a spill response.

Environmental Services charges fees for its consulting and industrial and remediation services on both a time and material basis and on a fixed fee bid basis. In both cases the total fees charged are dependent upon the scope of work to be accomplished and the labor and equipment to carry it out. The margins on time and material services are more predictable and for the most part are larger. As with emergency response work, the margins on equipment intensive jobs are higher than labor-intensive jobs.

The principal components of Environmental Services' operating expenses are salaries and related benefits for operating personnel, payments to subcontractors, equipment maintenance and depreciation. These expenses are primarily a function of regulatory requirements and the level of retainer, spill, consulting and other environmental business activities.

#### **Inland River Services**

Inland River Services is primarily engaged in the operation of a fleet of dry cargo barges on the U.S. inland waterways in the U.S. and transports a range of dry-bulk commodities, such as grain, coal, aggregate, ore, steel, scrap steel and fertilizers.

We embarked several years ago on a construction program to upgrade and modernize Inland River Services' fleet and intends to maintain a modern and productive fleet. At the end of 2004, the average age of the dry cargo barge fleet was less than 3 years which we believe is among the youngest fleets on the U.S. inland waterways system. We expect the younger fleet to enhance our customer service by improving availability and reliability due to reduced downtime for repairs. We also expect our younger fleet to reduce the amount of replacement capital expenditures needed in future years to maintain our fleet size and thus our revenue generating capacity.

Generally, we believe the primary barriers to effective competitive entry into the U.S. inland waterways markets are the complexity of operations, consolidation of the towing industry and the difficulty in assembling a sufficiently large fleet to operate efficiently. A large fleet and experienced personnel are required for an operator to be efficient in the execution of voyages and its ability to spread risk. Competitive factors among established operators primarily include the price and availability of barges. In addition to reliability, barge operators must have equipment of a suitable type and in condition for a specific cargo.

We generally charge a price per ton from a specific point of origin to a specific destination for the transportation of dry bulk commodities. Customers are permitted a specified number of days to load and discharge the cargo, and thereafter pay a per diem rate for extra time. From time to time, a small number of our dry cargo barges will be used for storage for a period prior to delivery.

As of December 31, 2004, 318 of our dry cargo barges are chartered to, and operated by, other operators for various periods of time for a fixed rate per day. We seek to maintain a balance in northbound and southbound cargo commitments in order to optimize fleet utilization. We also seek to balance our book of business between spot market and long-term commitments in order to provide a more stable cash flow while maintaining the opportunity to participate in the higher day rates primarily experienced during the fall grain harvest season. If factors such as the access to discharge destinations are suitable, we believe that dry cargo barge transportation provides a cost advantage over alternative modes of inland transportation as it provides the lowest unit cost of delivery for high volume bulk products.

The majority of dry cargo barges owned and those leased-in and certain others managed for third parties participate in pooling arrangements. Pursuant to these pooling arrangements, operating revenues and voyage expenses are pooled and the net results are allocated to participants based upon the number of days the barges participate in the pool.

In order to mitigate our exposure to market fluctuations in the cost of towing, fleeting, cleaning and switching services which are essential to Inland River Services' operation, we have established several preferred vendor relationships for those services.

In 2004, Inland River Services earned 79%, 11% and 10% of its operating revenues from the participation in dry cargo barge pools that it managed, charter-out of dry cargo barges and operation of inland towboats and other activities, respectively. The following table presents, for the years indicated, Inland River Services' interest in the tons hauled, percentage of tons moved and percentage of operating revenues derived from the movement of cargo and earned from its participation in dry cargo barge pools.

		2004			2003			2002			
(in thousands)	Tons	Percent of Tons	Percent of Revenues	Tons	Percent of Tons	Percent of Revenues	Tons	Percent of Tons	Percent of Revenues		
Grain	1,690	41%	43%	886	44%	49%	390	47%	42%		
Non-Grain	2,387	59%	57%	1,107	56%	51%	442	53%	58%		
	4,077	100%	100%	1,993	100%	100%	832	100%	100%		
	4,077	100 //	100%	1,773	100 %	100 %	032	100%	10070		

Dry cargo barge operating expenses are typically differentiated between those directly related to voyages and all other dry cargo barge operating costs. Cargo voyage expenses primarily include towing, switching, fleeting and cleaning costs; non-voyage related operating expenses include such costs as repairs, insurance and depreciation. For barges chartered-out, related expense is limited to depreciation.

We have also invested in twenty 10,000 barrel ("bbl") chemical tank barges which are managed by and participate in a chemical tank barge pool with a third party experienced in that segment of the industry. We expect to take delivery of another sixteen of such barges during the first half of 2005. We believe that the investment in 10,000 bbl chemical tank barges represents an opportunity to benefit from increasing demand for modern equipment as older equipment is retired.

#### Helicopter Services

Our helicopter services consist of the following distinct services, segregated by region or function: Gulf of Mexico Oil and Gas, Alaska Oil and Gas and Utility, Alaska Flightseeing, Firefighting, and Leasing.

Helicopter Services' fleet principally provides transportation services to the offshore oil and gas exploration, development and production industry that operates in the Gulf of Mexico. The Era acquisition on December 31, 2004 approximately tripled the size of Helicopter Services' fleet to 127 helicopters and expanded the scope of its operations in the Gulf of Mexico. The Era acquisition has

also allowed Helicopter Services to enter transportation services in the oil and gas industry and the flight-seeing tourist industry in Alaska and the forestry support industry in the western United States.

Helicopter Services' operating revenue depends on the demand for its transportation services and the pricing and terms of its contracts. As with our offshore marine operations, drilling activity is a major factor influencing demand for our equipment. We measure the demand for our helicopter services in flight hours. In the Gulf of Mexico and Alaska seasonal weather conditions impact revenue. In the Gulf of Mexico most operations are conducted during daylight: longer summer days afford the opportunity for more flight hours and revenues. We are working to diversify flight services by leasing out surplus aircraft. Another key source of revenues is forest fire control services throughout the western United States and Alaska tourism.

Transportation services provided offshore oil and gas production customers represent a significant portion of our operations. Our offshore oil and gas industry customers' exploration and development activities are influenced by actual and expected trends in commodity prices for oil and gas. Exploration and development activities generally use medium size and larger aircraft on which we typically earn higher margins. Production related activities are less sensitive to variances in commodity prices, and accordingly provide a more stable activity base for our flight operations. We estimate that a majority of our current oil and gas operating revenue in Helicopter Services is related to production related activities of our customers. Drilling related activities affect the demand for our crew change services.

Most of our flight services are provided under short-term contractual arrangements or on an as-needed basis under master service agreements. Term contracts are only occasionally available, and then they are usually confined to flying for major oil and gas companies. Our oil and gas, forestry support and other contracts are generally based on a two-tier rate structure consisting of a daily or monthly fixed fee plus additional fees for each hour flown. We also perform "ad hoc" services where our charges can be based on an hourly rate.

Maintenance and repair expenses, employee compensation, insurance costs and fuel expenses represent a significant portion of Helicopter Services overall operating expenses. We expense maintenance and repair cost, including major aircraft component overhaul costs, as incurred. Third party vendors maintain certain major aircraft components, primarily engines and transmissions, under contractual arrangements. The maintenance costs related to these contractual arrangements are recorded ratably as the components are used. In addition to these variable operating expenses, we incur fixed charges for depreciation of our helicopters and other property and equipment.

For accounting purposes, we depreciate our helicopters on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives to an estimated residual value of 30% of their original cost. We generally estimate the life of a helicopter to be no more than 12 years from the date of build.

Increased offshore activity should increase demand for our helicopter services. We believe that in order for us to participate effectively in an improving market, Helicopter Services' fleet should be modernized. Our emphasis in our fleet renovation program has been and continues to be to invest in new technology equipment with enhanced safety features and greater performance characteristics than existing equipment. We believe we have had opportunities to negotiate and place orders for modern equipment at attractive prices.

In measuring and evaluating our performance, we look at flight hours flown. In 2004 we operated 46 aircraft with an aggregate of 26,348 flight hours and in 2003 we operated 40 aircraft with an aggregate of 21,502 flight hours. These hours are only reflective of historical performance before the completion of the Era acquisition and therefore are not indicative of management's expectations for future flight hours for the Helicopter Services' increased fleet size.

#### Other Activities

Our equity investee, Globe Wireless, has experienced negative cash flow. We presently expect Globe Wireless can achieve operating cash break-even without requiring additional equity funding from its shareholders. There can be no assurances that Globe Wireless' future operations will be successful. Should Globe Wireless be unable to meet its funding requirements, SEACOR would be required to commit additional funding or record an impairment charge with respect to its investment. As of December 31, 2004, our carrying value of our equity investment in Globe Wireless was \$14.8 million.

#### **Results of Operations**

The table below provides an analysis of our consolidated statements of income for each year indicated. See Note 14, "Major Customers and Segment Data" to our consolidated financial statements included in this prospectus for additional financial information about our business segments and geographical areas of operation. We commenced the separate reporting of our Inland River Services activities as a business segment in the first quarter of 2004 due to its increased significance from capital expansion and our Helicopter Services activities as a business segment in the fourth quarter of 2004 due to the expected increase in its significance following the acquisition of "Era" on December 31, 2004.

#### **Consolidated Results**

		2004		2003		2002		Percent C	hange
(in thousands)		Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	04/03	03/02
Operating Revenues:									
Offshore Marine Services	\$	286,721	58% \$	316,116	78% \$	367,969	91%	(9)%	(14)%
Environmental Services		115,014	23%	44,045	11%	22,087	6%	161%	99%
Inland River Services		66,568	14%	27,859	7%	12,607	3%	139%	121%
Helicopter Services		27,180	6%	20,604	5%		0%	32%	100%
Other			0%	136	0%	762	0%	(100)%	(82)%
Eliminations		(3,623)	(1)%	(2,551)	(1)%	(267)	0%	42%	855%
		491,860	100%	406,209	100%	403,158	100%	21%	1%
Operating Income(1)		28,672	6%	23,251	6%	52,392	13%	23%	(56)%
Other Income (Expense), net		(4,386)	(1)%	(1,802)	(0)%	13,750	4%	143%	(113)%
Income Before Taxes, Minority Interest									
and Equity Earnings		24,286	5%	21,449	6%	66,142	17%	13%	(68)%
Income Taxes		8,573	2%	10,396	3%	23,034	6%	(18)%	(55)%
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Income Before Minority Interest and									
Equity Earnings		15,713	3%	11,053	3%	43,108	11%	42%	(74)%
Minority Interest		(483)	0%	(517)	0%	(226)	0%	(7)%	129%
Equity Earnings		4,659	1%	1,418	0%	3,705	1%	229%	(62)%
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Net Income	\$	19,889	4% \$	11,954	3% \$	46,587	12%	66%	(74)%

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes net gains on asset sales of \$10,234 in 2004, \$17,522 in 2003 and \$8,635 in 2002 resulting principally from the sale of offshore support vessels.

Consolidated net income improved in 2004 due principally to the after-tax effect of a (i) \$3.5 million increase in operating income, in which improved Inland River Services' and Environmental Services' profits exceeded declines in earnings of Offshore Marine Services and increased losses in Helicopter Services, (ii) \$1.9 million non-recurring provision for a foreign tax credit valuation allowance recognized in 2003,

(iii) \$1.5 million increase in net interest expense, and (iv) \$3.2 million increase in equity earnings.

Consolidated net income declined in 2003 due principally to the after-tax effect of a (i) \$18.9 million decline in operating income, in which lower Offshore Marine Services' profits and

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Helicopter Services losses exceeded the improvement in earnings of Environmental Services' and Inland River Services', (ii) \$12.8 million non-recurring gain recognized in 2002 in connection with the Chiles Merger, (iii) \$7.0 million increase in income from derivative transactions and the sale of marketable securities, (iv) \$2.3 million increase in net interest expense, (v) \$1.9 million provision for a foreign tax credit valuation allowance and (vi) \$2.3 million decline in equity earnings.

#### **Offshore Marine Services**

	2004			2003				2	2002		Percent Change		
	Amount	Percent		A	mount	Perce	ent	Amoun	t	Percent	04/03	03/02	
\$	127,152	44	%	\$	145,378		46% \$	178,	,929	49%	(13)%	(19)%	
	73,120	26	%		73,550		23%	89,	,060	24%	(1)%	(17)%	
	46,521	16	%		54,487		17%	57,	,589	16%	(15)%	(5)%	
	24,359	8	%		20,644		7%	17,	,064	5%	18%	21%	
	14,009	5	%		18,886		6%	23,	,493	6%	(26)%	(20)%	
	1,560	1	%		3,171		1%	1,	,834	0%	(51)%	73%	
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\$	286,721	100	%	\$	316,116	1	100% \$	367,	,969	100%	(9)%	(14)%	
\$	19,382	7	%	\$	24,244		8% \$	58,	,223	16%	(20)%	(58)%	
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*Operating Revenues.* Net vessel dispositions decreased operating revenues \$27.4 million in 2004. Forty-three vessels were sold in the year, including 26 utility vessels "retired from service", and charters for 10 vessels were not renewed upon termination. Fleet dispositions were offset by the purchase of 16 vessels and the charter-in of 3 vessels. Declines in utilization and rates per day worked for our larger overseas vessels and Gulf of Mexico mini-supply vessels were partly offset by improved results from the operation of crew and standby safety vessels resulted in lowered operating revenues of approximately \$4.6 million. Operating revenues also declined \$5.0 million due primarily to a net increase in the number of vessels entering bareboat charter-out service upon concluding time charter-out arrangements. These declines were partly offset by an increase in reported operating revenues of \$7.6 million that resulted from a strengthening between years in the Pound Sterling currency relative to the U.S. dollar with respect to Offshore Marine Services' North Sea operations.

Reduced rates per day worked and utilization lowered operating revenues by \$17.0 million and \$15.4 million, respectively in 2003. Vessel demand was particularly weak in the Gulf of Mexico due to depressed rig utilization. Net fleet dispositions decreased operating revenues by \$21.1 million. During 2003, 17 utility vessels were "retired from service" following our decision to divest ourselves of this vessel type. In addition, 57 vessels including 4 utility vessels that were previously classified as "retired from service" were sold and 10 chartered-in vessels were redelivered to owners upon charter termination. Fleet dispositions and those retired from service were offset by Offshore Marine Services' purchase of 9 vessels and charter-in of 6 vessels. Vessel additions reflected our strategy to modernize our fleet. Operating revenues also declined \$3.3 million due principally to vessels entering bareboat charter-out service that previously operated under time charter-out arrangements. These declines were partly offset by an increase in reported operating revenues of \$4.9 million that resulted from a strengthening between years in the Pound Sterling currency relative to the U.S. dollar with respect to Offshore Marine Services' North Sea operations.

*Operating Income.* Operating income was lower due to decreases in utilization and rates per day worked as described above. Profits declined with reduced asset sale gains. Vessel operating expenses increased between years due principally to (i) the provisioning for loss contingencies with respect to insurance contract deductibles, (ii) higher seamen redundancy costs associated with workforce reductions, (iii) increased vessel importation fees in certain West African countries and (iv) a rise in compensation paid foreign seamen. These declines were partly offset by the replacement of

underutilized older vessels with new, more profitable vessels. Declining fleet size resulted in administrative staff reductions and lower administrative costs.

The decline in operating income in 2003 resulted from those factors affecting operating revenues, described above, and increased operating and administrative expenses. Additional vessel sale and leaseback transactions increased charter-in expenses. Reductions in the size of Offshore Marine Services fleet resulted in redundancy payments to both seamen and staff personnel. Vessel insurance premiums increased, as did compensation paid foreign seamen.

Even though there was an increase in reported operating revenue due to the strengthening in the Pound Sterling relative to the U.S. dollar, currency exchange rate fluctuations had no material effect on operating results, because Offshore Marine Services also pays its North Sea expenses in Pounds Sterling.

#### **Environmental Services**

		2004		2003	<u> </u>	2002		Percent C	hange
(in thousands)		Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	04/03	03/02
Operating Revenues:									
U.S.	\$	105,691	92%	\$ 26,251	60% \$	20,084	91%	303%	31%
Foreign		9,323	8%	17,794	40%	2,003	9%	(48)%	788%
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	\$	115,014	100%	\$ 44,045	100% \$	22,087	100%	161%	99%
Operating Income	\$	11,985	10%	\$ 9,128	21% \$	1,026	5%	31%	790%

*Operating Revenues.* Results improved significantly in 2004 for two reasons: a \$25.6 million increase in spill response revenue largely associated with the response to a major oil spill on the Delaware River and \$37.3 million due to the acquisition in the fourth quarter of the prior year of NRCES, formerly Foss Environmental Services, Inc. Results also improved as a result of increased consulting and project management activities. Spill response activities approximated 49% of Environmental Services operating revenues in 2004.

Operating revenues increased in 2003 with the provisioning of spill response, spill management, containment, and remediation services in association with "Operation Iraqi Freedom" and the acquisition in the fourth quarter of 2003 of NRCES. Spill response activities approximated 41% of Environmental Services' operating revenues in 2003.

*Operating Income.* Although Environmental Services' operating income improved in 2004, profits as a percent of sales declined from the prior year. The Delaware River spill response required significant sub-contractor support that resulted in reduced profit margins.

Operating income increased in 2003 due to those factors affecting operating revenues and a decline in depreciation expense. Profit margins earned on activities in Iraq were higher than those customarily earned on most spill response projects because of the associated level of risk and difficulty of logistical support. Depreciation expense declined as various assets reached the end of their depreciable lives.

#### **Inland River Services**

	 2004		2003	i	2002		Percent (	Change
(in thousands)	 Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	'04/'03	'03/'02
Operating Revenues (U.S. only)	\$ 66,568	100%	\$ 27,859	100%	\$ 12,607	100%	139%	121%
Operating Income	\$ 16,896	25%	\$ 5,222	19%	\$ 3,504	28%	224%	49%
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*Operating Revenues.* Barge and towboat fleet expansion, the hauling of greater freight volumes, higher freight rates and an increase in cargo stored aboard dry cargo barges improved results in 2004. The number of barges owned and chartered-in by Inland River Services increased 61% during the year to 876 barges at December 31, 2004. Freight volumes and rates increased due to the short supply of properly positioned dry cargo barges, increased non-grain loadings and improved harvest activity. Storage revenues also increased in 2004 due to higher levels of fertilizer imports and adverse river conditions during the winter months.

Fleet expansion and the charter-in of additional barges improved operating revenues in 2003. The number of barges owned and chartered-in by Inland River Services increased 84% during the year to 543 barges at December 31, 2003.

*Operating Income.* Operating income increased in 2004 due to those factors affecting operating revenues. These improvements were partly offset by higher fuel costs and dry cargo barge lease costs for the charter-in of 182 barges that entered service in the second half of 2003. Operating income also improved as a percent of operating revenues due to increased freight rates.

Operating income increased in 2003 due to those factors affecting operating revenues. "Start-up" and lease costs associated with the charter-in of 182 dry cargo barges in the second half of the year and increased dry cargo barge towing expenses, resulting from rising fuel costs, lowered Inland River Services operating income as a percent of operating revenues.

#### **Helicopter Services**

	 2004			2003		200	2	_	Percent C	Change
(in thousands)	Amount	Percent	_	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	-	04/'03	'03/'02
Operating Revenues (U.S. only)	\$ 27,180	100%	\$	20,604	100% 5	5		%	32%	N/A
Operating Loss	\$ (4,344)	16%	\$	(3,249)	16% 5	5		%	34%	N/A

*Operating Revenues.* Fleet expansion improved results in 2004. Seven helicopters, including two that were leased-in from Era, entered service in the year.

We completed the acquisition of Tex-Air's fleet of helicopters on December 31, 2002 and commenced helicopter operations on January 1, 2003 with a fleet of 36 helicopters. There were five net helicopter additions to Helicopter Services' fleet during the year.

*Operating Loss.* An increase in expenses resulting from the commencement of operation of additional helicopters, including costs for mandatory FAA proving flights and flight and maintenance training related to introducing a new type of medium-sized twin engine helicopter, and major repairs to restore to service existing helicopters whose status was non-operational exceeded increases in operating revenues in 2004.

#### **Corporate Expenses and Other**

				Percent Change			
(in thousands)	- 2	2004	2003		2002	'04/'03	'03/'02
Corporate Expenses Other	\$	15,330 (83)	\$ 11,926 168	\$	11,165 (804)	29% (149)%	7% 121%
	\$	15,247	\$ 12,094	\$	10,361	26%	17%

Expanded audit services necessary to comply with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, higher performance based compensation payments and office facility costs and increased business development activities increased corporate administrative and general expenses in 2004.

#### Other Income (Expenses), net

(in thousands)		2004		2003	2002
Net Interest Expense	\$	(14,063)	\$	(11,782)	\$ (8,231)
Debt Extinguishment Expense				(2,091)	(2,338)
Gain Upon Sale of Shares of Chiles					19,719
Derivative Income (Loss), net		1,166		2,389	(5,043)
Foreign Currency Transaction Gains, net		1,537		3,739	6,281
Marketable Securities Sale Gains, net		6,435		6,595	3,218
Other, net		539		(652)	144
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	\$	(4,386)	\$	(1,802)	\$ 13,750

Net other expense increased in 2004. Net interest expense rose between years as a decline in vessel construction activity decreased capitalized interest and short-term borrowings increased between years. Prior year's results included non-recurring income associated with an expired derivative position that hedged our common stock investment in ENSCO. Foreign currency transaction gains were also lower in the year. These increases in expenses or decreases in income were partly offset by the non-recurrence of debt extinguishment expenses and losses associated with impairment in an investment that was accounted for using the cost method.

We recognized net other expense in 2003 as compared to net other income in the prior year. An increase in interest expense resulting from our issuance in September 2002 of our 57/8% Senior Notes Due October 2012 (the "57/8% Notes") and declining interest income was partly offset by increased capitalized interest relating to vessel construction. 2002 included a non-recurring gain that resulted from the Chiles Merger. Foreign currency transaction gains declined between years. Results in 2003 included a \$1.2 million impairment charge with respect to an investment that was accounted for using the cost method. These increases in expenses or decreases in income were partly offset by improved results from derivative positions that hedged our common stock investment in ENSCO and the non-recurrence of losses from U.S. Treasury rate locks. Equity security sale gains also improved between years.

Net foreign currency exchange gains result primarily from the effect of currency exchange rate changes on intercompany loans (denominated in Pounds Sterling) and other transactions denominated in currencies other than the functional currency of various SEACOR subsidiaries. In recent years, the Pound Sterling currency strengthened against the U.S. dollar. Marketable securities sale gains in all reported periods include net gains from the sale of equity and fixed income marketable securities and short-sale positions. Our sale in December 2004 of our 2.875% Convertible Senior Debentures due December 15, 2024 (the "2.875% Notes") is expected to increase interest expense in 2005.

#### **Income Taxes**

Our effective income tax rate of 48.5% in 2003 was due primarily to the provision of a \$1.9 million valuation allowance for foreign tax credits that may expire before utilization and a \$0.5 million tax consequence of non-deductible expenses.

As a result of the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004, we believe we will be in the position to repatriate, for a limited time, accumulated foreign earnings at an effective federal tax rate of 5.25%, which would result in tax obligations significantly less than the deferred taxes previously provided for our unremitted earnings of foreign subsidiaries. We are exploring the full impact of the legislation and expects to finalize our repatriation plan during the second quarter of 2005; however, the income tax benefit of such repatriation plan cannot be reasonably estimated at this time. We will recognize the

income tax benefit of this special "one-time dividends received deduction" during the period that we have decided on a plan for repatriation.

### **Equity Earnings**

Equity earnings increased in 2004. A provision in the prior year for U.S. income taxes payable on dividends received from a joint venture did not recur. An improvement in profits earned by our offshore marine joint venture in Mexico was partly offset by a loss recognized upon our sale of our equity interest in an offshore marine joint venture in Asia. Profits rose for the handy-max bulk carrier vessel in which our joint ventures with strengthening demand for dry-cargo shipping services. We recorded a \$0.5 million impairment charge during the year with respect to an investment in an entity that develops and sells software to the ship brokerage and shipping industry.

Results for 2003 declined due primarily to a \$1.6 million charge for U.S. income taxes payable on a dividend received from Offshore Marine Services' joint venture in Mexico. Earnings were also reduced by \$1.1 million as we ceased to report equity in the earnings of Chiles following the Chiles Merger in 2002 and as a result of lower profits earned by Offshore Marine Services' joint ventures operating in Trinidad, Singapore and the U.K. Weak demand lowered joint venture results in Trinidad. Two vessels operating in Asia were sold at a loss. Significant repairs were performed on a North Sea joint venture vessel. Declines were partly offset by improved results from Offshore Marine Services' joint venture results in Argentina, Chile and Brazil due to increased vessel utilization and fleet growth. The operating losses of Globe Wireless declined between years. Prior year results included an impairment charge relating to our investment in an entity that develops and sells software to the ship brokerage and shipping industry.

#### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

#### General

Our ongoing liquidity requirements arise primarily from the funding of working capital needs, acquisition, construction or improvement of equipment, repayment of debt obligations, repurchase of common stock and purchase of other investments. Principal sources of liquidity are cash balances, marketable securities, construction reserve funds, cash flows from operations and borrowings under our revolving credit facility although, from time to time, we may issue debt, shares of Common Stock, preferred stock, or a combination thereof, or sell vessels and other assets to finance the acquisition of equipment and businesses or make improvements to existing equipment. Fleet size, rates of hire and utilization of our offshore support vessels, inland barges and helicopters and the number and severity of oil spills managed by Environmental Services primarily determine our levels of operating cash flows.

#### Summary of Cash Flows

(in thousands)	2004			2003	2002		
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Cash Provided by or (used in):							
Operating Activities	\$	32,976	\$	44,996	\$	66,795	
Investing Activities		(316,572)		(1,741)		6,167	
Financing Activities		231,725		(127,525)		87,205	
Effect of Exchange Rate Changes on Cash and Cash Equivalents		3,125		5,359		1,485	
Net Cash Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	(48,746)	\$	(78,911)	\$	161,652	
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#### Operating Activities

Weak demand for vessels resulting from depressed drilling activities during the first half of 2004 and declines in the size of Offshore Marine Services' fleet lowered our cash flows provided by operating activities in 2004 and 2003. Declines were partly offset by improved operating cash flows of Inland River Services and Environmental Services. The size of our barge fleet increased significantly in 2004 and 2003 and major oil spill response activities occurred in those same years. Helicopter Services, which commenced operations January 1, 2003, approximated cash flow breakeven in 2004 and incurred a modest cash flow loss in 2003.

#### Investing Activities

Our capital expenditure activities in recent years reflect our strategy to diversify our asset base by allocating capital into assets of differing industries. In recent years, we have sold vessels to reduce our overall exposure to older assets in Offshore Marine Services and have acquired other vessels to adjust the mix of our fleet. We have also significantly expanded our investment in inland barging assets in recent years and are committed to acquiring newer, more capable helicopter equipment for servicing the offshore oil and gas industry.

In 2004, capital expenditures increased 24% to \$200.1 million, and in 2003, capital expenditures increased 16% to \$161.8 million. Sixteen vessels, 333 barges and 6 helicopters were acquired in 2004. Ten vessels, 91 barges and 12 helicopters were acquired in 2003. Cash flows from the sale of equipment, principally vessels, decreased 53% to \$67.9 million in 2004 and 12% to \$143.8 million in 2003. We sold 43 vessels in 2004 and 56 vessels in 2003. Vessels sold in 2004 and 2003 included 26 and 28 utility vessels, respectively. With continued weak demand and operating losses in Offshore Marine Services' utility vessel fleet, we decided in 2003 to divest of this vessel type. Subsequent to December 31, 2004, we sold 7 offshore support vessels for aggregate consideration of \$95.1 million. An additional vessel is expected to be sold on or about March 21, 2005.

For many years, we have maintained construction reserve funds with the U.S. Maritime Administration that were established pursuant to Section 511 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended. In accordance with this statute, we have been permitted to deposit vessel sale proceeds into construction reserve fund accounts for purposes of acquiring new U.S.-flag vessels and thereby qualifying for temporary deferral of taxable gains realized from sale of vessels. We and the U.S. Maritime Administration control these accounts jointly. From date of deposit, withdrawals from the jointly controlled construction reserve fund accounts are subject to prior written approval of the U.S. Maritime Administration, and the funds on deposit must be committed for expenditure within three years or be released for our general use. In prior years, we have used these funds to acquire vessels and, in 2004, have also used some of the funds to acquire barges. Any such gains from vessel sales previously deferred would become immediately taxable upon release to us of sale proceeds that were deposited into jointly controlled construction reserve fund accounts. We set-aside cash in construction reserve fund accounts during both 2004 and 2003. At December 31, 2004 we held \$144.0 million in construction reserve funds.

Cash used in investing activities for corporate acquisition transactions increased \$110.4 million in 2004 and \$7.6 million in 2003. We acquired Era in 2004 and Foss Environmental Services Company in 2003. Investing activities with Offshore Marine Services' joint ventures provided cash flows of \$10.1 million in 2004 and \$5.5 million in 2003 resulting from the repayment of loans and distribution of dividends to us. The net results of marketable securities sale/purchase transactions and derivative transactions used cash flows of \$50.0 million in 2004 and provided cash flows of \$47.4 million in 2003.

At December 31, 2004, our remaining obligations for capital commitments to purchase 3 new offshore marine vessels, 25 new dry cargo barges, 16 new chemical tank barges, 32 new helicopters and other equipment aggregated \$270.6 million. Deliveries are expected over the next 60 months.

Subsequent to December 31, 2004, we committed to purchase one new and 4 used offshore marine vessels and 20 new dry cargo barges for \$101.4 million. We have the right to terminate the purchase agreement with respect to our commitment to purchase twenty helicopters at any time with regard to undelivered aircraft without liability thereunder other than payment of liquidated damages. In addition to our purchase commitments, we have placed refundable deposits on 10 additional light twin engine and 3 additional heavy twin engine helicopters.

#### Stock and Debt Repurchases

In 2004, 2003 and 2002, we acquired 370,490, 1,518,116 and 459,700 shares of Common Stock for treasury, respectively, at an aggregate cost of \$14.9 million, \$56.5 million and \$18.5 million, respectively. As of December 31, 2004, \$43.3 million of repurchase authority granted by our Board of Directors remains available for the acquisition of additional shares of Common Stock and our 7.2% Notes and 5<sup>7</sup>/8% Notes. Securities are acquired from time to time through open market purchases, privately negotiated transactions or otherwise, depending on market conditions.

Period	Total Number Of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid Per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	Maximum Value of Shares that may Yet be Purchased under the Plans or Programs (in thousands)
10/01/04 10/31/04		N/A		\$ 43,264
11/01/04 11/30/04		N/A		\$ 43,264
12/01/04 12/31/04		N/A		\$ 43,264

#### **Financial Position and Capital Resources**

Financial Position. Our total assets increased 26% to \$1.8 billion in 2004. Net property and equipment rose 25% to \$926 million in 2004, representing 52% of total assets at year end and increased as a result of those factors discussed above in investing activities. Working capital increased 24% to \$456.2 million due primarily to (i) our sale in December of our 2.875% Notes, (ii) cash provided from current operations, (iii) increased trade accounts receivable that resulted from the response to a major oil spill in December, the Era acquisition, barge fleet growth, and improved vessel activity in the second half of the year and (iv) the inclusion of Era's regional airline "held for sale" assets in prepaid and other assets. These increases were partly offset by (i) net cash used in capital asset investing activities, (ii) cash paid to acquire Era, (iii) cash set aside in construction reserve funds, (iv) purchases of Common Stock (v) an increase in current debt obligations related to a vessel purchase, (vi) an increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses resulting from those factors affecting trade accounts receivable discussed above and (vii) increases in accrued liabilities related to the short sale of securities.

*Financing.* We generally borrow on a long-term basis, and our long-term debt obligations at December 31, 2004 totaled \$582.4 million as compared to \$332.2 million at December 31, 2003. Long-term debt increased in 2004 with SEACOR's completion in December of the sale of \$250.0 million aggregate principal amount of our 2.875% Notes. In addition to its 2.875% Notes, SEACOR's outstanding long-term debt at December 31, 2004 primarily included \$200.0 million owing under its  $5^7/8\%$  Notes and \$134.5 million owing under its 7.2% Notes.

In 2003, we reduced the amount of our debt obligations principally with repayment of amounts owing under our  $5^3/8\%$  Notes, 7.2% Notes and notes due former stockholders of an acquired company. Through the sale of our  $5^7/8\%$  notes and repayment of various other outstanding debts in 2002 and 2003, we increased the average life of our funded debt obligations, extending the dates on which principal repayment obligations fall due.

On December 20, 2004, we took delivery of an offshore marine vessel and, under the terms of a lease then purchase arrangement, the builder has in substance provided us with \$13.2 million of short-term financing with respect to the vessel's purchase price. We are required to make minimal monthly lease payments until June 2005, when we are obligated to purchase vessel at a fixed price.

We have \$196.2 million available for use under a five year, non-reducing, unsecured revolving credit facility that terminates in February 2007. Advances under this revolving credit facility are available for general corporate purposes. Interest on advances will be charged at a rate per annum of LIBOR plus an applicable margin of 65 to 150 basis points based upon our credit rating as determined by Standard and Poor's and Moody's. Adjustments to the applicable margin are the only consequence of a change in our credit rating. We are not required to maintain a credit rating under the terms of the facility agreement, and if we do not maintain a credit rating, the applicable margin would be determined by financial ratios. The revolving credit facility contains various restrictive covenants covering interest coverage, secured debt to total capitalization, funded debt to total capitalization ratios, the maintenance of a minimum level of consolidated net worth, as well as other customary covenants, representations and warranties, funding conditions and events of default. The revolving credit facility contains no repayment triggers. During 2004, we borrowed and repaid outstanding advances totaling \$50.0 million. As of December 31, 2004, we had outstanding letters of credit of \$3.8 million advanced under our revolving credit facility.

We use major capital markets and bank financing to meet certain of our financing requirements. We have not historically experienced difficulty in obtaining financing or refinancing existing debt. We manage our debt portfolio in response to changes in interest rates by periodically retiring, redeeming and repurchasing debt.

Short and Long-Term Liquidity Requirements. We anticipate we will generate positive cash flows from operations in the coming year and these cash flows will be adequate to meet our working capital requirements and contribute toward defraying the costs of next year's capital expenditures. As in the past and in further support of our capital expenditure program, we may use cash balances, sell marketable securities, utilize construction reserve funds, sell additional vessels or other equipment, enter into sale and leaseback transactions for equipment, borrow under our revolving bank credit facility, issue debt or a combination thereof.

Our long-term liquidity is dependent upon our ability to generate operating profits sufficient to meet our requirements for working capital, capital expenditures and a reasonable return on shareholders' investment. We believe that earning such operating profits will permit us to maintain our access to favorably priced debt, equity and/or off-balance sheet financing arrangements. With the cyclical nature of the energy business and the recent adverse effect it has had on our results of operations and cash flows, we have adopted a strategy of reducing our overall dependency on this industry and reinvesting certain of our capital resources in Inland River Services.

#### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

At December 31, 2004, we guaranteed up to \$8.7 million with respect to amounts owing pursuant to a vessel charter agreement between our Mexican joint venture and the owner of the chartered vessels. Our guarantee declines over the life of the charter and terminates in 2009.

At December 31, 2004, we guaranteed up to \$4.1 million with respect to amounts owing pursuant to a vessel charter agreement between a U.S. joint venture entity in which we own a 50% interest and the owner of the chartered vessel. Our guarantee declines over the life of the charter and terminates in 2008.

At December 31, 2004, we guaranteed up to \$1.1 million with respect to amounts owing pursuant to a vessel charter agreement between our Chilean joint venture entity in which we own a 50% interest

and the owner of the chartered vessel. Our guarantee declines over the life of the charter and terminates in 2008.

At December 31, 2004, we guaranteed up to \$1.5 million with respect to amounts owed by Singapore joint venture entity in which we own a 50% interest under a five-year banking facility to finance the construction of two new crew boats. The vessels are to be used to perform a five-year contract with a major oil company in Brunei.

At December 31, 2004, we guaranteed up to \$1.4 million as security for the performance of a contract between SESMEKE Ltd., a joint venture in which we have a 50% interest, with Botas International Limited for the provision of oil spill response and related services in Turkey to the Baku-Tblisis-Ceyhan Crude Oil Export Pipeline. Provision of this performance guaranty was a condition to the contract in Turkey.

#### **Contractual Obligations and Commercial Commitments**

The following table summarizes our contractual obligations and other commercial commitments and their aggregate maturities as of December 31, 2004.

#### **Payments Due By Period**

Total		Less than 1 Year		1 3 Years		3 5 Years			After 5 Years
\$	878,337	\$	42,027	\$	57,268	\$	188,919	\$	590,123
	270,593		62,825		108,611		99,157		,
	79,602		22,932		31,814		16,279		8,577
	4,798		4,798						
	5,112				1,645		681		2,786
\$	1,238,442	\$	132,582	\$	199,338	\$	305,036	\$	601,486
	16,810		3,790		5,487		7,533		
	3,837		3,075		762				
	20,647		6,865		6,249		7,533		
\$	1,259,089	\$	139,447	\$	205,587	\$	312,569	\$	601,486
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- Maturities of our borrowings and interest payments based on contractual terms.
- Capital purchase obligations represent commitments for the purchase of property, plant and equipment. These commitments are not recorded as liabilities on our balance sheet at December 31, 2004 as we have not yet received the goods or taken title to the property. Subsequent to December 31, 2004, we committed to purchase one new and four used offshore marine vessels and twenty new dry cargo barges for \$101.4 million.
- (3) Primarily leases of vessels, helicopters and barges.
- (4) Includes our purchase order commitments outstanding at December 31, 2004 with respect to goods and services to be acquired in the ordinary course of business. These orders are fulfilled by our vendors within short-time horizons.

(5) Other primarily includes deferred compensation arrangements, refundable deposits and statutorily defined severance obligations.

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Includes guarantees of amounts owing by entities in which we own 50% or less under charter arrangements with vessel owners, a loan agreement for the construction of two vessels and an oil spill response service contract. In the case of guarantees relating to the charter arrangements and loan agreement, obligations thereunder decline over time. The guarantees terminate at various dates through 2009.

#### **Effects of Inflation**

Our operations expose us to the effects of inflation. Although we do not consider the effects of inflation to be material to our operating revenues or income from continuing operations, in the event that inflation becomes a significant factor in the world economy, inflationary pressures could result in increased operating and financing costs.

### **Related Party Transactions**

We manage barge pools as part of our Inland River Services segment. Pursuant to the pooling agreements, operating revenues and expenses of participating barges in a pool are combined and the net results are allocated to participating barge owners based upon the number of days any one participating owner's barges bear to the total number of days of all barges participating in a pool. Mr. Fabrikant, the Chief Executive Officer of SEACOR, companies controlled by Mr. Fabrikant and trusts for the benefit of Mr. Fabrikant's two children own barges that participated in the barge pools managed by us prior to our acquisition of SCF and since then, they have continued to participate in that barge pool. In 2004, 2003 and 2002, Mr. Fabrikant and his affiliates earned \$0.6 million, \$0.4 million and \$0.4 million, respectively, of net barge pool results (after payment of \$0.1 million, \$0.1 million and \$0.1 million, respectively, in management fees to us). As of December 31, 2004 and 2003, we owed Mr. Fabrikant and his affiliates \$0.3 million and \$0.2 million, respectively, for undistributed net barge pool results. Mr. Fabrikant and his affiliates participate in the barge pool on the same terms and conditions as other pool participants who are unrelated to us.

During the second quarter of 2004 pursuant to a provision agreed in connection with our acquisition of Stirling Shipping Holdings Limited in May 2001, we entered into a revenue sharing pooling agreement with Harrisons (Offshore) Limited ("Harrisons"), a Scottish company in which Mr. James Cowderoy, a director of SEACOR, is a shareholder and managing director. Under the pooling agreement, the revenue from two supply vessels owned by us and two supply vessels owned by Harrisons operating in the North Sea was shared pursuant to an agreed allocation formula and Seacor was paid a fee for commercially managing the pool. During 2004, Harrisons earned approximately \$0.3 million of additional revenues under the pooling agreement and we earned approximately \$0.04 million of management fees. As of December 31, 2004, there was \$0.2 million of unpaid pooling allocations due to Harrisons from us under the terms of the pooling agreement. There was no activity under the pooling agreement in 2003 and 2002. The pooling agreement was terminated in February 2005.

#### **Contingencies**

In connection with an examination of our income tax returns for fiscal years 2000 and 2001, the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") previously indicated that it was considering whether to propose a change in the manner in which vessel assets are classified for purposes of depreciation and asserted deficiencies with respect to the deduction of certain other expenses. Settlements have been reached with the IRS on all outstanding issues resulting in no material impact to our financial position or results of operations.

#### Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

We have foreign currency exchange risks primarily related to our vessel operations that are conducted from ports located in the United Kingdom where our functional currency is Pounds Sterling. Net consolidated assets of £86.5 million, before translation to U.S. dollars, are included in our consolidated balance sheet at December 31, 2004. In addition, SEACOR has provided cash advances to these operations of \$44.4 million, or £23.2 million, as of December 31, 2004. SEACOR considers these advances to be intercompany loans with payment expected in the foreseeable future. A 10% weakening in the exchange rate of the Pound Sterling against the U.S. dollar as of December 31, 2004 would reduce other comprehensive income by approximately \$8.8 million, net of tax, due to translation and would reduce income by approximately \$2.0 million, net of tax, due to foreign currency losses on the revaluing of intercompany advance transactions.

At December 31, 2004, we held available-for-sale securities with a fair value of \$137.0 million, including \$55.5 million in fixed income investments and \$81.5 million in equity securities. The fixed income investments were comprised of \$39.9 million in United States Treasury notes maturing within two years and \$15.6 million in corporate notes maturing within nine years. From time to time, we may increase our level of investment in fixed income securities that have included U.S. government bonds, U.K. government bonds, state and municipal bonds, and corporate notes with maturities ranging from a few months to many years. The fair value of such investments fluctuates based on the general level of interest rates and the creditworthiness of the issuers of the securities. When making substantial investments in fixed income securities, we manage our risk associated with these investments by maintaining a ladder of maturities and analyzing the creditworthiness of issuers. Our equity securities primarily include positions in energy, marine, and other related businesses, including a significant position in ENSCO. We monitor our investments in available-for-sale securities on a regular basis and dispose of investments when we judge the risk profile to be too high or when we believe that the investments have reached an attractive valuation. A 10% decline in the value of available-for-sale securities as of December 31, 2004 would reduce other comprehensive income by \$8.9 million, net of tax.

In order to partially hedge the fluctuation in market value for part of our common stock position in ENSCO that resulted from the Chiles Merger, we entered into various transactions (commonly known as "costless collars") during 2002 with a major financial institution on 1,000,000 shares of ENSCO common stock. The costless collar transactions were terminated in the second quarter of 2003 with neither party having a payment obligation under these transactions.

At December 31, 2004, we held positions in short sales of marketable equity securities with a fair value of \$22.1 million. Our short sales of marketable equity securities primarily include positions in energy, marine, and other related businesses. A 10% increase in the value of equity securities underlying our short sale positions as of December 31, 2004 would reduce income and comprehensive income by \$1.4 million, net of tax.

Our debt is primarily in fixed interest rate instruments. While the fair value of these debt instruments will vary with changes in interest rates, we have fixed most of our cash flow requirements and operations are not significantly affected by interest rate fluctuations. Our only significant variable rate debt instrument is our revolving credit facility, under which we had no outstanding borrowings at December 31, 2004. While available for liquidity requirements, we have not historically utilized significant portions of the revolving credit facility for any extended period of time and thus has not been significantly impacted by fluctuations in interest rates.

In order to reduce our cost of capital, we entered into swap agreements during the fourth quarter of 2001 and second quarter of 2002 with a major financial institution with respect to \$41.0 million of our 7.2% Notes. Under each such agreement, the financial institution agreed to pay to us an amount equal to interest paid on the notional amount of the 7.2% Notes subject to such agreement, and we

agreed to pay to such financial institution an amount equal to the London Interbank Offered rate plus a margin of 95 basis points on the agreed upon price of such notional amount of the 7.2% Notes as set forth in the applicable swap agreement. During the fourth quarter of 2003, we terminated the swap agreements and the financial institution paid us \$3.5 million, representing the amount by which the fair market value of the notional amount of the 7.2% Notes subject to such swap agreements on such date exceeded the agreed upon price of such notional amount as set forth in such swap agreements.

We have entered into forward exchange and futures contracts with respect to Norwegian Kroners, Pounds Sterling, Euros, Japanese Yen, Singapore Dollars and Hong Kong Dollars. The Norwegian Kroner contracts enabled us to buy Norwegian Kroners in the future at fixed exchange rates, which could have offset possible consequences of changes in foreign exchange had we conducted business in Norway. The Pound Sterling, Euro, Yen, Singapore Dollar and Hong Kong Dollar contracts enable us to buy Pounds Sterling, Euros, Yen, Singapore Dollars and Hong Kong Dollars in the future at fixed exchange rates, which could offset possible consequences of changes in foreign exchange rates with respect to our business conducted in Europe and the Far East. As of December 31, 2004, we had recognized but unrealized derivative income of \$0.2 million with respect to our agreements to purchase within two months 86.0 million Singapore Dollars. Our positions relating to other currencies were not material at December 31, 2004.

We have entered into and settled various positions in natural gas and crude oil via swaps, options and futures contracts pursuant to which, on each applicable settlement date, we receive or pay an amount, if any, by which a contract price for a swap, an option or a futures contract exceeds the settlement price quoted on the New York Mercantile Exchange ("NYMEX") or receive or pay the amount, if any, by which the settlement price quoted on the NYMEX exceeds the contract price. The general purpose of these hedge transactions is to provide value to us should the price of natural gas and crude oil decline, which over time, if sustained, would lead to a decline in our offshore assets' market values and cash flows. As of December 31, 2004, our positions relating to these commodities were not significant.

We have entered into and settled various positions in U.S. treasury notes and bonds via futures or options futures and rate-lock agreements on U.S. treasury notes pursuant to which, on each applicable settlement date, we receive or pay an amount, if any, by which a contract price for an option or a futures contract exceeds the settlement price quoted on the Chicago Board of Trade ("CBOT") or receive or pay the amount, if any, by which the settlement price quoted on the CBOT exceeds the contract price. The general purpose of these hedge transactions is to provide value to us should the price of U.S. treasury notes and bonds decline, leading to generally higher interest rates which, if sustained over time, might lead to higher interest costs for us. As of December 31, 2004, our positions relating to these interest rate instruments were not significant.

#### **BUSINESS**

We are in the business of owning, operating, investing in, marketing and remarketing equipment, primarily in the offshore oil and gas and marine transportation industries. We also provide emergency environmental response and related services. We operate a diversified fleet of offshore support vessels and helicopters servicing oil and gas exploration, development and production facilities worldwide. We also operate a fleet of inland river barges transporting grain and other bulk commodities on the U.S. inland waterways. The environmental services segment provides oil spill response, handles environmental remediation projects and offers related consulting services worldwide to those who store, transport, produce or handle petroleum products and environmentally hazardous materials.

#### **Segment and Geographic Information**

Our operations are divided among the following four business segments: "Offshore Marine Services;" "Environmental Services;" "Inland River Services;" and "Helicopter Services." We also have additional activities which are referred to and described under "Other." "Other" primarily includes equity in earnings of 50% or less companies unrelated to our reportable segments and Era's regional airline business which is held for sale. Financial data for segment and geographic areas is reported in Note 14 to our consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus

#### **Offshore Marine Services**

#### **Business**

Offshore Marine Services (58%, 78% and 91% of consolidated operating revenues in 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively) operates a diversified fleet of offshore support vessels primarily servicing offshore oil and gas exploration, development and production facilities worldwide. Vessels in this service are employed to deliver cargo and personnel to offshore installations, handle anchors for drilling rigs and other marine equipment, support offshore construction and maintenance work and provide standby safety support and oil spill response services. From time to time, Offshore Marine Services provides specialist services supporting projects, such as well stimulation, seismic data gathering and freight hauling. Offshore Marine Services also offers logistics services in support of offshore oil and gas exploration, development and production operations of its customers, including shorebase, marine transport and other supply chain management services.

### Equipment and Services

The following types of vessels comprise Offshore Marine Services' fleet as of December 31 in the indicated years. "Owned vessels" are those 100% owned by us, which were either constructed and delivered new from shipyards or purchased from competitors. "Joint ventured vessels" are those owned by entities in which we are not the sole owner. "Leased-in vessels" are generally those which have been sold to an institutional lessor and then leased back. "Pooled vessels" are owned and operated by entities not affiliated with Offshore Marine Services, but the revenues or profits of which are shared with the revenues and profits of certain vessels owned by Offshore Marine Services based upon an agreed formula. "Managed vessels" are also owned by entities not affiliated with us but are operated by Offshore Marine Services for a fee and no revenues or profits are shared with Offshore Marine Services. At the end of this section we provide a glossary of the types of vessels listed below and an explanation of the services they perform.

	Owned	Joint Ventured	Leased-in	Pooled or Managed	Total
2004:					
Anchor handling towing supply	14	3	1		18
Crew	58	5	19		82

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Geophysical, Freight and Other	1	1			2
Mini-supply	25	1	4		30
Standby safety	19	3		5	27
Supply	10	6	3	1	20
Towing supply	11	20	2		33
Utility					
•					
	138	39	29	6	212
2003:					
Anchor handling towing supply	18	6	2		26
Crew	51	13	23		87
Geophysical, Freight and Other	2	2			4
Mini-supply	26	2	4		32
Standby safety	19	3		5	27
Supply	12	8	5	1	26
Towing supply	11	20	2		33
Utility					
	139	54	36	6	235
2002:					
Anchor handling towing supply	20	5	2	1	28
Crew	61	15	20		96
Geophysical, Freight and Other	1	1			2
Mini-supply	28	3	2		33
Standby safety	18	3		5	26
Supply	14	7	10		31
Towing supply	15	19	6		40
Utility	43	2			45
	200	55	40	6	301
	200		40	0	301

The following table sets forth the percent of our consolidated operating revenues earned by vessel type and certain other business activities of Offshore Marine Services for each year indicated:

Vessel Type	2004	2003	2002
Anchor handling towing supply	9%	15%	21%
Crew	16%	17%	18%
Geophysical, Freight and Other			
Mini-supply	6%	7%	6%
Standby safety	11%	11%	10%
Supply	9%	13%	18%
Towing supply	5%	9%	11%
Utility		3%	4%
Other	2%	3%	3%
	58%	78%	91%

As of December 31, 2004, the average age of Offshore Marine Services' owned fleet was 12.3 years. Excluding standby safety vessels, the fleet's average age was 9.6 years. We believe that after vessels have been in service for approximately 20 years the level of expenditures necessary to satisfy

required marine certification standards escalate and, in some instances, may not be economically justifiable. Depending on developments in offshore drilling and marine technology the marketability of vessels may decline over time as well. Glossary of Vessel Types Listed below is a description of each of the vessel types referred to above.

Anchor handling towing supply ("AHTS") vessels are equipped with winches capable of carrying and handling chain, wire, and associated mooring equipment. They are used primarily for towing, positioning and mooring drilling rigs and other marine equipment by lifting and setting anchors on the sea bottom. These vessels also have the capability to deliver cargo, but are usually less efficient delivery "vehicles" than supply boats of comparable size. The defining characteristics of AHTS vessels are horsepower ("BHP") and size of winch in terms of "line pull" and wire storage capacity. Generally, only larger, more powerful AHTS vessels can service rigs in deep water of over 2,500 feet while smaller AHTS vessels can not work in deeper water. Four of Offshore Marine Services' AHTS vessels can work in water of over 4,000 feet in depth. Most modern AHTS vessels are equipped with dynamic positioning ("DP") systems that enable them to maintain a fixed position in close proximity to a rig without the use of tie-up lines.

Crew boats move personnel to and from offshore installations. Historically, crew boats transported people and were also used to deliver "light" cargo such as personal effects, small machinery, and small quantities of fuel and water. These boats also served as field stand-by vessels, moving personnel between platforms and providing an emergency stand-by service under certain circumstances. Crew vessels built prior to 1990 are generally 100 to 130 feet in length and are capable of 20 knots in light condition and calm seas. Vessels built since 1998, also referred to as Fast Support Vessels ("FSV"), range from 130 to 200 feet in length and generally can develop a speed of 25 knots and may attain speeds of 35 knots. Modern FSVs have enhanced cargo carrying capacities, including in some instances, the capacity to support some phases of drilling operations. Vessels supporting drilling and working in deep water are usually equipped with DP capabilities.

Geophysical, freight and other vessels generally have specialized features adapting them to their specific function, such as large deck space, high electrical generating capacity, high maneuverability and unique thrusters, extra berthing facilities and long-range cruising capabilities. Special project activities include well stimulation, seismic data gathering, freight hauling services and accommodation services.

Mini-supply vessels range from 125 to 155 feet in length and typically carry deck cargo, liquid mud, methanol, diesel fuel and water. These vessels are well suited for production support, construction projects, maintenance work and certain drilling support activities.

Standby safety vessels typically remain on location proximate to offshore rigs and production facilities to respond to emergencies. These vessels carry special equipment to rescue personnel and are equipped to provide first aid and shelter. In some cases, these vessels perform a dual role, functioning as supply vessels. Offshore Marine Services' standby safety vessels operate in the United Kingdom sector of the North Sea.

Supply vessels range in length from 166 to 255 feet and are used to deliver cargo to rigs and platforms where drilling and work-over activity is underway or to support construction work delivering pipe to vessels performing underwater installations. Supply vessels are distinguished from other vessels by the total carrying capacity (deadweight: "dwt"), available square feet (meters) of clear deck space, below-deck capacity for storage of mud and cement used in the drilling process and tank storage for water and fuel oil. Speed is not generally a factor but the ability to hold station in open water and moderately rough seas is a key factor in differentiating supply vessels. To improve station keeping ability, certain supply vessels have DP capabilities.

Towing supply vessels perform similar cargo delivery functions to those handled by supply vessels. They are, however, equipped with more powerful engines (4-8,000 horsepower) and deck mounted

winches, giving them the added capability to perform general towing functions, buoy setting and limited anchor handling work. Offshore Marine Services' towing supply vessels are primarily used in international operations supporting jack-up drilling rigs.

Utility vessels range in length from 96 to 125 feet in length and are used to service offshore production facilities and also support offshore maintenance and construction work. We no longer own or operate utility vessels since we disposed of all of the remaining vessels of this type during 2004.

#### Markets

The demand for vessels is affected by the level of offshore exploration and drilling activities, which, in turn, is influenced by a number of factors. Industry expectations as to future oil and gas commodities prices are an important determinative factor in exploration and drilling expenditures. Also important are our customers' assessments of offshore drilling prospects as compared with land-based opportunities. Assessment of costs, geological opportunity and political stability in host countries are all factors in our customers' decision-making. Thus, a variety of political and economic factors beyond our control, including worldwide demand for oil and natural gas, the ability of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries ("OPEC") to set and maintain production levels and pricing, the level of production of non-OPEC countries, the relative exchange rates for the U.S. dollar, the benchmark for worldwide oil pricing, and various governments' policies regarding exploration and development of their oil and natural gas reserves affect the demand for drilling services. All these factors ultimately impact demand for our vessel services. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" for a discussion of current market conditions.

Each of the markets in which Offshore Marine Services operates is highly competitive. The most important competitive factors are pricing and the availability of equipment to fit customer requirements at such time as the equipment is needed. Other factors considered important by customers include service and reputation, flag preference, local marine operating conditions, the ability to provide and maintain logistical support given the complexity of a project and the cost of moving equipment from one market to another.

We operate vessels in five principal geographic regions. From time to time, vessels are relocated between these regions to meet customer demand for equipment. The table below sets forth vessel types by geographic market. In order to enter new markets, enhance our marketing capabilities and facilitate operations in certain foreign markets, we often participate in joint ventures in those markets. This allows for expansion of both our fleet and operations while diversifying risks and reducing capital outlays associated with such expansion.

Vessel Types by Geographic Market	2004	2003	2002
United States:			
Anchor handling towing supply	4	6	5
Crew	58	53	63
Geophysical, Freight and Other		1	1
Mini-supply	26	27	29
Supply	8	9	14
Towing supply	4	2	4
Utility			42
Total United States Fleet	100	98	158

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Latin America & Mexico:			
Anchor handling towing supply	6	9	9
Crew	8	11	10
Geophysical, Freight and Other		2	
Mini-supply	3	4	4
Supply	6	8	6
Towing supply	11	12	13
Utility			3
	34	46	45
North Sea:			
Anchor handling towing supply	1	1	3
Standby safety	27	27	26
Supply	4	7	9
Towing supply			
	32	35	38
XX			
West Africa:	3	(	7
Anchor handling towing supply Crew	13	6 14	7 13
Mini-supply	13	1	13
Supply	2	2	2
Towing Supply	8	9	10
	27	32	32
	2,		
Asia:			
Asia: Anchor handling towing supply	3	3	3
Crew	2	9	10
Geophysical. Freight and Other	1		10
Supply			
Towing supply	1	2	6
	7	14	19
Other Foreign:	1	1	1
Anchor handling towing supply Crew	1	1	1
Geophysical, Freight and Other	1	1	1
Supply	1	1	1
Towing supply	9	8	7
5 11 3			
	12	10	9
Total Familian Float		127	1.42
Total Foreign Fleet	112	137	143
Total Fleet	212	235	301

*United States.* At December 31, 2004, 100 vessels were operating in the U.S., including 67 owned, 28 leased-in, 4 joint ventured and 1 pooled. Offshore Marine Services' expertise in this market is deepwater anchor handling with a fleet of AHTS vessels and production support with a fleet of crew and mini-supply vessels. This is a highly volatile market because oil company programs tend to be of short-term duration and influenced by the near term price of natural gas. In addition, a large number

of public and private offshore marine service companies are active in this market and they compete largely on price alone.

Latin America & Mexico. At December 31, 2004, 34 vessels were operating in Latin America and Mexico, including 13 owned, and 21 joint ventured. Mexico is our largest market in this area. Offshore Marine Services participates in this market through a joint venture, Maritima Mexicana, S.A., which operates one of the largest fleets in the area. The market is controlled by the Mexican national oil company, Petroleos Mexicanos ("Pemex"), and vessel services are provided either directly to Pemex or to its subcontractors. The level of activity is largely influenced by Mexican government policies and finances. In recent years there has been a great expansion in the level of activity, but activity is expected to moderate as the Mexican presidential elections approach in 2006.

*North Sea.* At December 31, 2004, 32 vessels were operating in the North Sea, including 24 owned, 3 joint ventured, and 5 managed-in. The North Sea fleet primarily provides standby safety services. Demand in the North Sea market for standby services developed in 1991 after the United Kingdom promulgated legislation requiring offshore operations to maintain higher specification standby safety vessels. The legislation requires a vessel to "stand by" to provide a means of evacuation and rescue for platform and rig personnel in the event of an emergency at an offshore installation. The North Sea is a highly regulated market. Until recently, offshore oil and gas operations in this region were concentrated in the super major oil companies thereby confining activity to a limited number of customers. Smaller oil companies are now taking over mature operating properties from those major oil companies. We expect activity to increase in this market as the smaller companies establish operations in this region and are encouraged to increase production due to high oil and gas prices.

Offshore Marine Services entered into a contract to sell four platform supply vessels and one anchor handling towing supply vessel services operating in this market. As of March 11, 2005, four of the vessels had been sold and delivered to the buyer and the last is expected to be sold on or about March 21, 2005.

West Africa. At December 31, 2004, 27 vessels were operating in West Africa, including 26 owned, and 1 bareboat chartered-in. Our largest market in this area is Nigeria where we work in co-operation with a Nigerian company, West Africa Offshore ("WAO"). The Nigerian market is dominated primarily by the super major oil companies, ExxonMobil, Shell, and Total and is characterized by large scale, multi-year projects. There is also a significant political component behind investment decisions as the Nigerian national oil company, NNPC, is a participant in almost all offshore development. The remainder of our vessels located in this region operate from ports in the Republic of the Congo, Cameroon, Gabon and Equatorial Guinea. In addition to operations in West Africa, we have one vessel operating in South Africa.

Asia. At December 31, 2004, 7 vessels were operating in Asia, including 6 owned, and 1 joint ventured. Offshore Marine Services' vessels operating in this area generally support exploration programs and therefore follow the rigs to their locations in the region. To date, the largest market in this area has been Indonesia. In the last few years, we have invested in vessels capable of specialty operations such as supporting the operation of remote operated vehicles (ROV), telecommunications cable laying/repair and offshore accommodation. We compete against a large number of local and international companies in this market.

*Other Foreign.* At December 31, 2004, 12 vessels were operating in Other Foreign regions, including 2 owned, and 10 joint ventured. In addition to those referred to above, we have vessels owned by joint ventures that are serving the offshore oil and gas industry in Egypt and Greece.

Competitive Conditions.

Although there are many suppliers of offshore marine services, management believes only one company, Tidewater, Inc., operates in all of Offshore Marine Services' major geographic markets. Tidewater, Inc. has a substantially greater percentage of the offshore marine market share compared to that of Offshore Marine Services and its other competitors.

Customers and Contractual Arrangements

Offshore Marine Services' principal customers are major integrated oil companies, large independent oil and gas exploration and production companies and emerging independent companies. Consolidation of oil and gas companies through mergers and acquisitions over the past several years has further concentrated and generally limited Offshore Marine Services' customer base. Although there was no single customer responsible for 10% or more of Offshore Marine Services' operating revenues in 2004, our 10 largest customers accounted for approximately 50% of our operating revenues. The loss of any one or more of its most significant customers would have a material adverse effect on Offshore Marine Services. The percentage of operating revenues attributable to any individual customer varies from time to time, depending on the level of oil and gas exploration undertaken by a particular customer, and other factors, many of which are beyond Offshore Marine Services' control.

The majority of the vessels in the fleet are chartered to customers under arrangements where the customer charters or leases a vessel at a daily rate of hire. Usually the customer pays for fuel and we are responsible for the actual operation of the vessel and all other vessel operating expenses. Alternatively, customers charter vessels under "bareboat" charter agreements. Pursuant to these agreements, we provide only the vessel to the customer, and the customer provides for the vessel's operating expenses and generally assumes all risk of operation. Therefore, the daily rate of hire under a bareboat charter agreement is lower than that under a time charter agreement. Charter periods may vary widely from several days to several years.

Industry Hazards and Insurance

Offshore marine vessel operations involve inherent risks associated with hazards, such as adverse weather conditions, collisions, fire, and mechanical failures, which may result in injury to personnel, damage to equipment, loss of operating revenues and increased costs. We maintain hull, liability, marine war risk, general liability, workers compensation and other insurance customary in the industry.

Government Regulation

Regulatory Matters

Offshore Marine Services operations are subject to significant federal, state and local regulations, as well as international conventions. Its domestically registered vessels are subject to the jurisdiction of the U.S. Coast Guard (the "Coast Guard"), the National Transportation Safety Board, the U.S. Customs Service and the U.S. Maritime Administration, as well as to rules of private industry organizations such as the American Bureau of Shipping. These agencies and organizations establish safety standards and are authorized to investigate vessels and accidents and to recommend improved maritime safety standards. Moreover, to ensure compliance with applicable safety regulations, the Coast Guard is authorized to inspect vessels at will.

Offshore Marine Services is also subject to the Shipping Act, 1916, as amended (the "1916 Act"), and the Merchant Marine Act of 1920, as amended (the "1920 Act," and together with the 1916 Act, the "Shipping Acts"), which govern, among other things, the ownership and operation of vessels used

to carry cargo between U.S. ports. The Shipping Acts require that vessels engaged in the U.S. coastwise trade be owned by U.S. citizens and built in the U.S. For a corporation engaged in the U.S. coastwise trade to be deemed a U.S. citizen: (i) the corporation must be organized under the laws of the U.S. or of a state, territory or possession thereof, (ii) each of the president or other chief executive officer and the chairman of the board of directors of such corporation must be a U.S. citizen, (iii) no more than a minority of the number of directors of such corporation necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business can be non-U.S. citizens and (iv) at least 75% of the interest in such corporation must be owned by U.S. "citizens" (as defined in the Shipping Acts). Should we fail to comply with the U.S. citizenship requirements of the Shipping Acts, we would be prohibited from operating our vessels in the U.S. coastwise trade during the period of such non-compliance.

To facilitate compliance with the Shipping Acts, our Restated Certificate of Incorporation: (i) limits the aggregate percentage ownership by non-U.S. citizens of any class of our capital stock (including the Common Stock) to 22.5% of the outstanding shares of each such class to ensure that such foreign ownership will not exceed the maximum percentage permitted by applicable maritime law (presently 25.0%) and authorizes the Board of Directors, under certain circumstances, to increase the foregoing percentage to 24.0%, (ii) requires institution of a dual stock certification system to help determine such ownership and (iii) permits the Board of Directors to make such determinations as reasonably may be necessary to ascertain such ownership and implement such limitations. In addition, our Amended and Restated By-Laws provide that the number of foreign directors shall not exceed a minority of the number necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and restrict any officer who is not a U.S. citizen from acting in the absence or disability of the Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer and the President, all of whom must be U.S. citizens.

Offshore Marine Services operates vessels registered in the following foreign jurisdictions: St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Vanuatu, the Cayman Islands, France, Chile, Egypt, Bahamas, Isle of Man, Greece, Panama, Argentina, Mexico, the United Kingdom, and the Marshall Islands. The vessels registered in these jurisdictions are subject to the laws of the applicable jurisdiction as to ownership, registration, manning and safety of vessels. In addition, the vessels are subject to the requirements of a number of international conventions that are applicable to vessels depending on their jurisdiction of registration. Among the more significant of these conventions are: (i) the 1978 Protocol Relating to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, (ii) the International Convention on the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 and 1978 Protocols, and (iii) the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978. We believe that our vessels registered in foreign jurisdictions are in compliance with all applicable material regulations and have all licenses necessary to conduct their business. In addition, vessels operated as standby safety vessels in the North Sea are subject to the requirements of the Department of Transport of the United Kingdom pursuant to the United Kingdom Safety Act.

### Environmental Compliance

Vessels routinely transport diesel fuel to offshore rigs and platforms and carry diesel fuel for their own use, certain bulk chemical materials used in drilling activities, rig-generated wastes for delivery to waste disposal contractors onshore and liquid mud which contains oil and oil by-products. These operations are subject to a variety of federal and analogous state statutes concerning matters of environmental protection. Statutes and regulations that govern the discharge of oil and other pollutants onto navigable waters include the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, as amended ("OPA 90"), and the Clean Water Act of 1972, as amended (the "Clean Water Act"). The Clean Water Act imposes substantial potential liability for the costs of remediating releases of petroleum and other substances in reportable quantities. State laws analogous to the Clean Water Act also specifically address the accidental release of petroleum in reportable quantities.

OPA 90, which amended the Clean Water Act, increased the limits on liability for oil discharges at sea, although such limits do not apply in certain listed circumstances. In addition, some states have

enacted legislation providing for unlimited liability under state law for oil spills occurring within their boundaries. Other environmental statutes and regulations governing offshore marine operations include, among other things, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended ("RCRA"), which regulates the generation, transportation, storage and disposal of on-shore hazardous and non-hazardous wastes; the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended ("CERCLA"), which imposes strict and joint and several liability for the costs of remediating historical environmental contamination; and the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, as amended ("OCSLA"), which regulates oil and gas exploration and production activities on the Outer Continental Shelf.

In addition to these federal and state laws, local laws and regulations and certain international treaties to which the U.S. is a signatory, such as MARPOL 73/78, Offshore Marine Services is subject to various requirements governing waste disposal and water and air pollution.

#### Risks of Foreign Operations

For the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002 approximately 56%, 54% and 51%, respectively, of Offshore Marine Services' operating revenues were derived from foreign operations. Foreign operations are subject to various risks inherent in conducting business in foreign nations. These risks include, among others, political instability, potential vessel seizure, nationalization of assets, terrorist attacks, fluctuating currency values, hard currency shortages, controls on currency exchange, the repatriation of income or capital, import-export quotas and other forms of public and governmental regulation, all of which are beyond our control. It is not possible to predict whether any of these conditions or events might develop in the future. The occurrence of any one or more of such conditions or events could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

#### **Environmental Services**

#### Business

Until November 2003, Environmental Services (23%, 11% and 6% of consolidated operating revenues in 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively) primarily provided contractual oil spill response and other professional emergency preparedness services to those who store, transport, produce or handle petroleum and certain non-petroleum oils as required by OPA 90, various state and municipal regulations and international maritime conventions. These services include training, consulting and supervision for emergency preparedness, response and crisis management. The business is conducted through our wholly owned subsidiaries, National Response Corporation ("NRC"), The O'Brien's Group, Inc. and SEACOR Environmental Services International Ltd. ("SESI").

In November 2003, NRC acquired Foss Environmental Services Company and changed this company's name to NRC Environmental Services Inc. ("NRCES"). NRCES operates primarily on the west coast of the U.S. and, in addition to the above described emergency response services, provides industrial and marine cleaning services, petroleum storage tank removal and site remediation, transportation and disposal of hazardous waste, and environmental equipment and product sales.

#### Equipment and Services

*Emergency Response Services.* Environmental Services employs trained personnel and maintains specialized equipment positioned in the U.S. and in certain international locations to respond to oil spills, emergencies and other projects as required by its customers. NRC maintains a fleet of 13 vessels and 6 barges outfitted with specialized equipment on the east, gulf, and west coasts of the U.S. as well as in the Caribbean and Hawaii. It also has established a network of approximately 175 independent oil spill response contractors that may assist it by providing equipment and personnel. Operating revenues

earned from emergency response services approximated 12%, 4% and 0% of consolidated revenues for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002, respectively.

**Retainer Services.** Environmental Services offers retainer services to the maritime community, such as operators of tank and non-tank vessels, and chemical carriers, and to owners of facilities, such as refineries, pipelines, exploration and production platforms, power plants and storage tank terminals. Retainer services include access to professional management and specialized equipment necessary to respond to an oil or chemical spill emergency.

Consulting Services. Environmental Services has developed customized training programs for industrial companies to educate personnel on the prevention of and response to oil spills, handling of hazardous materials releases, fire fighting, security incidents and other crisis-related events as well as the associated risks. We plan and participate in customer oil and chemical spill response and other risk exercises and develop and maintain vessel and facility response and security plans. We also conduct and assist with vessel inspections, as well as security assessments of vessels and facilities. All of these services are offered throughout the U.S. and internationally, both on a stand-alone basis and as part of our base retainer services.

*Industrial and Remediation Services.* Through NRCES and its network of independent oil spill response contractors, Environmental Services provides hazardous waste management, industrial and marine cleaning services, salvage support, petroleum storage tank removal and site remediation services, primarily in the U.S. We also market and sell environmental equipment and products.

#### Markets

The market for contractual oil spill response and other related training and consulting services in the U.S. resulted from the enactment of OPA 90 legislation passed by the U.S. Congress after the Exxon Valdez oil spill in Alaska. OPA 90 requires that all tank vessels operating within the Exclusive Economic Zone of the United States and all facilities and pipelines handling oil that could have a spill affecting the navigable waters of the U.S. develop a plan to respond to a "worst case" oil spill and ensure by contract or other approved means the ability to respond to such a spill. Certain states have enacted similar oil spill laws and regulations, most notably California, Washington and Alaska. The United Nations' MARPOL 73/78 regulation also subjects companies to various requirements governing waste disposal and water and air pollution.

The international market is characterized by two distinct operating environments developed and developing nations. In developed nations, the environmental regulations generally are mature and governments usually respond to oil spills with public resources and then recover their costs from the responsible parties. In developing nations where global oil exploration and production exists, there is less oil spill response infrastructure and, accordingly, Environmental Services is seeking to develop opportunities to work with international oil and gas exploration and producing companies.

### Customers and Contractual Arrangements

Environmental Services offers its services primarily to the domestic and international shipping community, major oil companies, independent exploration and production companies, power generating operators, industrial companies and airports. Services are provided pursuant to contracts generally ranging from one month to ten years. In addition to our retainer customers, we provide training, exercise and response services for oil spills, chemical releases, terrorist acts and natural disasters to others, including, under certain circumstances, local, state and federal agencies such as the U.S. Coast Guard.

Environmental Services has more than 2,300 customers, and management does not believe that it is dependent on a single or few customers.

#### Competitive Conditions

The principal competitive factors in the environmental service business are price, customer service, reputation, experience, and operating capabilities. Management believes that the lack of uniform regulatory development and enforcement on a federal and state level in the U.S. has reduced demand for services provided by Environmental Services, thereby putting downward pressure on market rates. In the U.S., NRC faces competition primarily from the Marine Spill Response Corporation, a non-profit corporation funded by the major integrated oil companies, other non-profit industry cooperatives and also from smaller commercial contractors who target specific market niches. Our environmental consulting business faces competition from a number of relatively small privately-held spill management companies. Internationally, competition for both oil spill response and emergency preparedness and management comes from a few well-known private companies and regional oil industry cooperatives.

#### Government Regulation

NRC is "classified" by the U.S. Coast Guard as an Oil Spill Removal Organization ("OSRO") for every port in the continental U.S., Hawaii and the Caribbean. The OSRO classification process is strictly voluntary. Vessel owners and other customers subject to OPA 90 who utilize classified OSROs are exempt from the requirement to list their response resources in their plans. The classification process permits the Coast Guard and these customers to evaluate an OSRO's potential to respond to and recover oil spills of various types and sizes in different operating environments and geographic locations.

In addition to the Coast Guard, the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), the Office of Pipeline Safety, the Minerals Management Service division of the Department of Interior, and individual states regulate vessels, facilities, and pipelines in accordance with the requirements of OPA 90 or under analogous state law. There is currently little uniformity among the regulations issued by these agencies.

When responding to third-party oil spills, Environmental Services enjoys immunity from liability under federal law and some state laws for any spills arising from its response efforts, except for deaths or personal injuries or in the event of gross negligence or willful misconduct. It also obtains contractual indemnity and liability release terms similar to the immunity provision discussed above from its customers. In addition, we maintain insurance coverage against such claims arising from our response operations. It considers the limits of liability adequate, although there can be no assurance that such coverage will be sufficient to cover future claims that may arise.

## Risks of Foreign Operations

Environmental Services operates worldwide. Services include oil spill response, training, exercise support and special projects in assessing risk of spills, response preparedness, strategies and resource requirements to multinational oil companies, governments and industry. For the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002 approximately 8%, 40% and 9%, respectively, of Environmental Services' operating revenues were derived from its foreign operations. A significant increase in operating revenues earned from foreign operations in 2003 resulted from spill response, spill management, containment, and remediation services provided in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Environmental Services' foreign operations are subject to various risks inherent in conducting business in foreign nations. These risks include, among others, political instability, terrorist attacks, the repatriation of income or capital and other forms of public and governmental regulation, all of which are beyond our control. It is not possible to predict whether any of these conditions or events might develop in the future.

#### **Inland River Services**

#### **Business**

Inland River Services (14%, 7% and 3% of consolidated operating revenues in 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively) is primarily engaged in the operation of a fleet of dry cargo barges principally on the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers and their tributaries, and the Gulf Intracoastal Waterways which parallel the U.S. Gulf of Mexico coast ("U.S. inland waterways") transporting a range of dry-bulk commodities such as grain, coal, aggregate, ore, steel, scrap and fertilizers. As of December 31, 2004, Inland River Services operated a fleet of 1,072 dry cargo barges, of which 674 are owned, 182 chartered-in, 210 managed and six joint ventured. Certain of Inland River Services' barging activities are supported by three wholly-owned towboats. These towboats are operated by a third party. Inland River Services also owns 20 10,000 barrel chemical and product tank barges that are operated by a third party in the transportation of liquid bulk cargoes, such as lube oils, solvents and glycols, on the U.S. inland waterways.

Inland River Services commenced operations in the third quarter of 2000 with 43 owned, 11 joint ventured and 208 managed dry cargo barges when we acquired SCF Corporation ("SCF"), a company that owned, operated and managed dry cargo barges since 1983. Over the past four years, Inland River Services fleet has grown substantially.

#### Equipment and Services

Most of the dry cargo barges owned by us are pooled with other barges owned by third parties through a pooling arrangement that we manage. Under this arrangement, operating revenues and expenses are pooled except for insurance, maintenance and repair costs. Each barge owner is responsible for the capital and financing costs of its own equipment in the pool.

The fleet of dry cargo barges consists of open and covered hopper barges. Open hopper barges are used to transport non-grain, non-water sensitive commodities such as coal, aggregate and scrap. Covered hopper barges are more versatile because they can also carry water sensitive products, such as grain, ores, alloys, cements and fertilizer. Each dry cargo barge in our fleet is capable of transporting on average approximately 1,500 to 2,000 (1,350 to 1,800 MT) tons of cargo. Carrying capacity of each barge at any particular time is determined by water depth and hull size of the barge.

Dry cargo barges are unmanned and are moved on the U.S. inland waterways by vessels known in the trade as "towboats." The combination of a towboat and dry cargo barges is commonly referred to as a "tow." Tows range in size from fifteen barges to as many as forty barges. Tows pass through lock and dam systems on most river segments. The number of dry cargo barges included in a tow depends on a variety of factors, including the horsepower of the towboat, river width and navigational conditions, the direction of travel, and the mix of loaded and empty barges in the tow. We have ownership interests in towboats as shown below. They are operated by a third party on the U.S. inland waterways for others. Inland River Services contracts with third parties to move its dry cargo barges on a spot basis, meaning that the rates it pays for barge movements are market driven. Towing prices fluctuate with demand, rising with higher volumes and higher fuel costs.

Typical dry cargo barge movements usually consist of shifting a clean, empty barge from a fleeting location to a loading facility to load a non-grain commodity or to a shallow draft port for loading with grain. It is then moved from the loading location to a tow and moved in that tow either northbound or southbound to its destination for unloading. After unloading it is shifted to a fleeting area for cleaning and repair if needed before being moved again for loading. Some barges are moved empty in a tow to loading ports some distance away from the port of discharge of its last cargo. Typically, grain cargos move southbound and non-grain cargos move northbound.

The following table sets forth the number of dry cargo barges owned and/or operated by Inland River Services, towboats and tank barges.

	At I	At December 31,				
Fleet Structure	2004	2003	2002			
Dry Cargo Barges:						
Owned:						
Open	231	126	110			
Covered	443	243	185			
Total Owned	674	369	295			
Managed(1)	210	235	229			
Chartered-in	182	174				
Joint Ventured(2)	6	6	11			
Total Fleet	1,072	784	535			
Chemical Tank Barges	20					
Chemical Tank Barges						
Towboats(3)	6	3				

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  See Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Inland River Services" for a discussion of managed barges.
- (2) 50% owned.
- Three 6,250 horsepower towboats were acquired in December 2003 and are bareboat chartered-out. We and a minority partner jointly own three 6,250 horsepower towboats which were acquired in July 2004.

### Markets

Dry cargo barges provide one of the nation's most cost effective methods for transporting cargoes for many bulk commodity shippers. Our primary dry cargo barge customers include major U.S. agricultural and industrial companies. Dry cargo commodities usually transported in barges on the U.S. inland waterways include coal, petroleum byproducts, grain and byproducts, fertilizers, both raw steel commodities and finished steel, nonferrous minerals and construction materials. Grains rank as the primary export, coal and petroleum products are predominately moved domestically, and fertilizer, steel, and construction materials are both imported and moved domestically within the U.S. inland waterways.

The inland river barge business is cyclical with many variables affecting profitability. It is largely influenced by global trade, where demand for services can be affected by both U.S. supply and demand as well as international supply and demand for similar products. For example, reduced yields in grain production can affect the amount of cargo being moved and can affect its competitiveness in the world market which in turn can affect the amount being moved. In addition, the cost of ocean freight can also directly affect the movement of U.S. grain to some export markets. As the cost of ocean freight rises, rail shipments of grain destined for Asian markets to ports in the Pacific Northwest have a competitive advantage over the longer voyages out of the Gulf of Mexico. Foreign competition for world grain trade can affect U.S. exports. In times of high world grain stocks when foreign production is abundant, U.S. exports can be negatively affected, and in times of tight world stocks when foreign production may not be ample, U.S. exports can be brisk. In addition, freight rates for export grain transportation are affected by seasonality of shipments and overall export demand. The recent growth in worldwide demand for iron ore, steel, steel byproducts, coal, petroleum, and other bulk commodities has prompted a rise in demand for barge transportation in both the export and import trades. The exports of grain and other commodities can also be affected by the strength or weakness of the U.S. dollar, volatility of foreign economies, and changes in the level of foreign competition.

Most of Inland River Services business activities are in the short-term and spot markets, and therefore, its earnings are subject to fluctuations in market rates. We occasionally seek to enter into long-term contracts to provide a level of stable cash flows and moderate the affect of market fluctuations.

#### Seasonality

The upper Mississippi River usually closes to barge traffic from mid-December to mid-March; ice hinders the navigation of barge traffic on the upper Mississippi River, the Illinois River and the upper Ohio River. Adverse river conditions due to high water resulting from excessive rainfall, or low water caused by drought, can also impact operations by limiting the speed at which tows travel the U.S. inland waterways, the number of barges included in tows, and the quantity of cargo that is loaded in the barges. The volume of grain transported from the Midwest to the Gulf of Mexico, primarily for export, is highest during the harvest season from mid-August through late November. The harvest season is particularly significant because pricing tends to peak during these months.

#### Competitive Conditions

The barge business has been consolidating for many years. We believe that there are five major domestic companies that operate over 1,000 barges each, with three of those, namely American Commercial Barge Lines, AEP- Memco and Ingram Barge Company, operating over 2,000 barges each. There are also four mid-sized barge companies that operate more than 500 but less than 1,000 barges. We estimate that the nine largest operators control approximately 80% of the total capacity in the barge industry.

We compete on the basis of price and equipment availability. The inland barging business is very competitive. Primary competitors are other barge lines, railroads and trucks. Competition among barge lines intensifies as barge supply exceeds demand. Year to year changes in operating conditions, such as weather and lock delays and closures, can significantly affect barge availability by increasing or decreasing barge loading capacity. As discussed above, fluctuations in imports and exports also affect the demand for barges and competition in the domestic barge business.

#### Customers and Contractual Arrangements

The principal customers for Inland River Services are major agricultural companies and industrial companies. The ten largest customers accounted for approximately 60% of Inland River Services' revenues in 2004.

Most of the barges in the fleet are employed under contracts of affreightment with customers. A contract of affreightment is an agreement to transport cargo from one point to another for a specified rate per ton. Contracts of affreightment can be for a short-term or longer-term duration, ranging anywhere from one voyage to several years. Under longer-term contracts, the undertaking can be an agreement to transport a minimum number of tons of cargo or to meet certain transportation needs for a particular customer. Some of the barges are bareboat chartered out to third parties for a fixed payment of hire per day for the duration of the charter. These contracts tend to be longer, ranging in term from one to five years.

### Government Regulation

Inland River Services operations are subject to federal, state and local regulations. The tank barges that are managed by a third party are subject to inspection by the U.S. Coast Guard on a periodic basis and carry certificates of inspection. Inland River Services, like Offshore Marine Services, is also subject to the Shipping Acts which govern, among other things, the ownership and operation of vessels used to carry cargo between U.S. ports. The Shipping Acts require that the barges engaged in the U.S. coastwise trade be owned by U.S. citizens and built in the U.S. For a further discussion of these requirements see "Business Offshore Marine Services Government Regulation."

#### **Helicopter Services**

#### Business

Helicopter Services (6%, 5% and 0% of consolidated operating revenues in 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively) commenced operations in December 2002 with the acquisition of Houston based helicopter owner/operator Tex-Air. Before the acquisition of Era, Tex-Air operated 46 helicopters including one leased from Era primarily servicing the offshore oil and gas exploration, development and production industry from its bases in Texas and Louisiana. Following the acquisition of Era at the end of 2004, in addition to services to the offshore oil and gas industry from bases in Alabama, Louisiana, Texas and Alaska, we now provide agricultural and forestry support services and flight-seeing tour services from our newly acquired bases in Nevada and Alaska. We also lease aircraft to third parties for operation by those parties.

#### Equipment and Services

Following the Era acquisition on December 31, 2004, 81 aircraft were acquired by Helicopter Services for a total fleet of 127 helicopters. The helicopter operations of Tex-Air and Era will be merged and will operate under the name "Era Helicopters, LLC." At December 31, 2004, Helicopter Services' operations were based only in the United States.

As a result of the Era acquisition, our helicopter fleet includes 10 aircraft operated in support of firefighting and other services provided to governmental agencies in the western United States and 14 aircraft that are used in flightseeing tour services. These services are managed from our base facilities located in Nevada and our bases in the Juneau and Denali Park areas in Alaska.

Helicopter Services operates Federal Aviation Administration ("FAA") approved maintenance repair stations in Anchorage, Alaska and Lake Charles, Louisiana and is a factory approved service facility or center for Bell Helicopter Textron American Eurocopter and Turbomeca. Since 1987, Era has manufactured and marketed, from its Gulf Coast Division facility in Lake Charles, Louisiana, a composite external auxiliary fuel tank for use on several helicopter types, including the Bell 205, 212 and 412, the military "Huey" and the Eurocopter BK-117. The tank system provides enhanced flight range with nominal drag while increasing the passenger capacity. Sales to date have been to both civilian and military customers. Other aircraft accessories are also manufactured at the facility.

The composition of Helicopter Services' fleet as of December 31, 2004 and some of the characteristics of the individual types of helicopters are as follows:

Manufacturer	Model	Number	Engine	Passenger Capacity
Light Helicopters:				
Bell	206 B Series	10	Single	4
Eurocopter	EC120	9	Single	4
Eurocopter	AS 350 Types	38	Single	5 6
Agusta	A119	7	Single	7
Eurocopter	AS355 Types	3	Twin	5
Eurocopter	BO-105	22	Twin	4 5
Agusta	A109	1	Twin	7
		90		
Medium Helicopters:				
Sikorsky	S-76 Types	7	Twin	6 12
Eurocopter	EC155	2	Twin	12
Bell	Bell 212/412	23	Twin	13
		32		
Heavy Helicopters:		32		
Eurocopter	AS332L Super Puma	2	Twin	19
Sikorsky	S-61	3	Twin	19
		5		
		127		

Manufacturer	Model	Number	Engine	Capacity
	65			

Helicopter Services owns 109 of the 127 helicopters listed above, it leases 17 helicopters under operating leases and it manages one helicopter for a third party's account.

The flightseeing tourist services are provided on a contract basis or "block space basis" with cruise lines and via direct bookings with hotels, travel agents and individual passengers. These services are operated out of Juneau and from areas near Denali National Park. Other helicopter services to the oil and mining industries are provided on a contract or charter basis from bases in Valdez, Anchorage, the Kenai area and Deadhorse, Alaska. These services are somewhat seasonal in nature, peaking during the months of May through September when weather conditions are more conducive to operations.

Operations in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico largely support the offshore oil and gas exploration, development and production industry. With the Era acquisition, services are provided from the corporate office in Lake Charles, Louisiana and from bases in the Louisiana cities of Morgan City, Cameron, Abbeville, Venice, Fourchon, Houma, Schriever and Johnson's Bayou, the Texas cities of Galveston and Sabine Pass and from Theodore, Alabama.

Era's principal aircraft bases in Alaska are a fixed-wing air service center at Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport, with two adjacent hangars housing its helicopter operations and training and accounting operations. Era also maintains smaller helicopter facilities in Alaska at Deadhorse and Valdez. Era also owns properties in Juneau and Denali Park, Alaska.

We have contracts to purchase 32 helicopters estimated to cost \$259 million over the next five years. We expect to accept delivery of four medium crew change helicopters and four single engine helicopters in 2005, six medium and three light twin engine helicopters in 2006 and fifteen medium crew change helicopters during 2007 through 2009. After giving effect to deposits and progress payments already made, our remaining commitments are \$37 million for aircraft in 2005 and \$208 million for aircraft in 2006 and later. Of these purchase commitments, Helicopter Services has the right to terminate the purchase agreement relating to twenty Bell/Agusta Aerospace AB139 medium twin-engine helicopters at any time with regard to undelivered aircraft without liability thereunder other than payment of liquidated damages. In addition to the purchase commitments discussed above, we have placed refundable deposits on 10 light twin engine and 3 heavy twin engine helicopters.

#### Markets

At this time, Helicopter Services' principal market for its transportation services is the oil and gas industry with offshore operations in the Gulf of Mexico. The customers and locations are similar to those serviced by Offshore Marine Services and the market and Helicopter Services opportunities there are subject to the same cycles and pressures as described above. See "Business" Offshore Marine Services Market." In addition, Helicopter Services provides firefighting services to governmental agencies in the western United States, flightseeing operations in Alaska and utility and offshore services in Alaska.

#### Seasonality

A significant portion of Helicopter Services' oil and gas operating revenues and profits is dependent on actual flight hours. Prolonged periods of adverse weather and the effect of fewer hours of daylight can adversely impact our operating results. Several types of weather-related and seasonal occurrences impact Helicopter Services, including poor weather conditions, tropical storm season in the Gulf of Mexico, the number of hours of daylight and winter in Alaska. In general, the winter months of December through February in the Gulf of Mexico and October through April in Alaska have more days of adverse weather conditions than the other months of the year and, in the Gulf of Mexico, June through November is tropical storm season. During tropical storms, we are unable to operate in the area of the storm although flight activity may increase due to the evacuation to land of offshore workers. In addition, many of our base facilities are located along the Gulf of Mexico coast and

tropical storms may cause damage to our property. The fall and winter months have fewer hours of daylight. Consequently, flight hours are generally lower at these times.

Our firefighting and flightseeing operations are also seasonal operations. Firefighting activity generally commences late in the second quarter and may continue into the fourth quarter, depending on climactic conditions in any given year. Flightseeing activity is generally from late May until early September. Certain costs associated with these businesses are year round. Consequently, financial performance for these businesses is uneven.

#### Competitive Conditions

The helicopter transportation business is highly competitive. There are two major competitors, Petroleum Helicopters, Inc. and Offshore Logistics, Inc., and several smaller competitors operating in this market. In addition, several customers in the Gulf of Mexico operate their own helicopter fleets. We are the third largest independent helicopter company operating in the Gulf of Mexico, one of the largest operators of flightseeing helicopters in Alaska, and a significant operator of firefighting aircraft in the western United States. In most instances, an operator must have an acceptable safety record, demonstrated reliability, type and availability of equipment and quality of service to participate in bidding for work. Among operators who have met these criteria, customers typically make their final choice based on price.

## Customers and Contractual Arrangements

Helicopter Services charters its helicopters to utility and oil and gas customers primarily through master service agreements, term contracts and day-to-day charter arrangements. Master service agreements require incremental payments above a fixed fee based upon flight hours flown, have fixed terms ranging from one month to five years and generally are cancelable upon 30-days notice. Term contracts and day-to-day charter arrangements are generally non-cancelable without cause and call for a combination of a monthly or daily fixed rental fee plus a charge based on flight hours flown. Day to day charter arrangements are generally based on either an hourly or daily rate. Our rate structure on utility and oil and gas contracts limits our exposure to increases in fuel costs over a pre-agreed level with our customers. Fuel costs in excess of these levels are passed through to our customers. With respect to flightseeing aircraft, we allocate block space to cruise lines and sell seats directly to customers. At December 31, 2004, Tex-Air had 46 helicopters operating under master service agreements or term contracts with customers. Our principal customers in the Gulf of Mexico are oil companies of varying sizes and production management companies. In Alaska, our principal customers are oil companies and cruise lines' passengers. The principal customer for our firefighting activities is the United States government.

There are also other markets for our helicopter transportation services that include oil and gas industry support activities abroad, medical transportation, agricultural support and general aviation activities. Our activity in these markets is very limited. We have two aircraft providing air medical transportation and one operating abroad under lease to a third party. While we do not focus on these markets today, such markets do provide a source of aircraft during times of high demand in the oil and gas industry and are potential users of our excess aircraft during time of reduced demand for aircraft in our core markets.

### Industry Hazards and Insurance

In general, helicopter operations are potentially hazardous and may result in incidents or accidents, the risks of which are inherent in the helicopter transportation industry. These hazards may result in injury to personnel or loss of equipment and operating revenues. We conduct training and safety programs to minimize these hazards. Helicopter Services maintains insurance coverage for liability to other parties, as well as for damage to its aircraft. There can be no assurance that our liability coverage

will be adequate to cover all claims that may arise. There is also no assurance that we will be able to maintain its existing coverage or that operating revenues will not be adversely affected by these hazards in the future.

## Government Regulation

Helicopter Services is subject to regulations pursuant to the Federal Aviation Act of 1958, as amended, and other statutes as it carries persons and properties in its helicopters pursuant to a FAR Part 135 Air Taxi Certificate granted by the FAA. The FAA regulates flight operations and, in this respect, has jurisdiction over Helicopter Services personnel, aircraft, ground facilities and certain technical aspects of its operations. In addition to the FAA, the National Transportation Safety Board is authorized to investigate aircraft accidents and to recommend improved safety standards and, because of the use of radio facilities in its operations, we are also subject to the Communications Act of 1934.

Helicopter Services is subject to federal, state and local laws and regulations relating to the protection of the environment. The nature of the business of operating and maintaining helicopters requires that Helicopter Services use, store and dispose of materials that are subject to these laws and regulations. The environmental protection requirements have become more stringent in recent years; however, management believes these laws and regulations will not have a material adverse effect on Helicopter Services.

#### **Other Activities**

Globe Wireless. In 1998, we acquired an interest in the predecessor of Globe Wireless, L.L.C. ("Globe Wireless") and own beneficially approximately 38% of the voting equity of Globe Wireless. Globe Wireless operates a worldwide network of high frequency radio stations. The network of stations is a wireless data network initially targeted at the maritime industry that supports Internet messaging, telex and facsimile communications. Globe Wireless also provides satellite messaging and voice communication services to the maritime industry. We record Globe's results using the equity method of accounting.

*Other Joint Ventures.* Also in 1998, we entered into a joint venture with an established private ship-owning and ship-management company in which we own a 50% interest. The joint venture currently owns and operates a 52,000 dwt handy-max bulk carrier built in 2001. In 2003, we made a \$6.0 million minority equity investment in a California-based company that designs and manufactures water treatment systems for sale or lease. We record the results of these joint ventures using the equity method of accounting.

**Regional Airline.** In addition to helicopter operations, Era operates a scheduled regional airline service in Alaska encompassing the transportation of passengers, mail and cargo. We intend to sell the regional airline service and are actively seeking purchasers. Era also operates the largest Fixed Base Operation at Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport, selling fuel and providing ground services to transient corporate aircraft.

Chiles. Chiles Offshore Inc. ("Chiles") was formed in 1997 for the purpose of constructing, owning and operating ultra-premium jackup drilling rigs. We consolidated the reporting of financial information of Chiles from its inception until its initial public offering of common stock in September 2000 (the "Chiles IPO") and thereafter using the equity method. Consequently, our consolidated results for 1997 through the Chiles IPO in 2000 included in revenues, expenses and operating income, amounts reflecting its pro-rata share of ownership of Chiles during that period; thereafter, until Chiles merged with ENSCO International Incorporated ("ENSCO"), its net results were reflected in equity income.

In the merger of Chiles with ENSCO on August 7, 2002 (the "Chiles Merger"), we received \$5.25 cash and 0.6575 shares of ENSCO common stock for each share of Chiles' common stock we owned at the time of the merger. We received \$25.4 million in cash and 3,176,646 shares of ENSCO's common stock, valued at \$73.4 million on the date of merger, and recognized an after-tax gain of \$12.9 million, or \$0.61 per diluted share. Following the Chiles Merger, we began accounting for the ENSCO shares we own as available-for-sale securities and now record changes in their market value each period as adjustments to other comprehensive income.

#### **Environmental Compliance**

Our operations are subject to federal, state and local laws and regulations controlling the discharge of materials into the environment or otherwise relating to the protection of the environment. We make expenditures we believe to be necessary and seek to comply, in all material respects, with these laws to avoid liability for environmental damage. Compliance with existing environmental laws has not had a material adverse effect on our results of operations. However, future changes in environmental regulations with respect to the oil and gas industry could adversely affect us.

### **Employees**

As of December 31, 2004, we employed directly and indirectly through crewing or manning agreements approximately 3,900 individuals. All indirect employees support offshore marine vessel operations. In Nigeria, a joint venture company assists with vessel management and, at December 31, 2004, employed approximately 150 individuals. Also at December 31, 2004, our North Sea operations were provided approximately 400 seamen through various manning agencies.

Unions represent seamen employed in the United Kingdom and West Africa, employees of an Offshore Marine Services' joint venture in Nigeria and certain individuals employed in Environmental Services. Furthermore, in recent years, maritime labor unions have attempted to organize seamen employed by Offshore Marine Services in its U.S. Gulf of Mexico operations. Although we are not aware of any current union-organizing activities for U.S. seamen employed by Offshore Marine Services, the unionization of our domestic seamen could arise in the future

## **Legal Proceedings**

We are involved in various legal and other proceedings, which are ordinary routine litigation incidental to the conduct of our business. We believe that none of these proceedings, if adversely determined, would have a material adverse effect on our financial condition or results of operations.

## MANAGEMENT

Our by-laws provide that directors are elected annually to serve until the next Annual Meeting of Stockholders or until their earlier resignation or removal and our officers serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors. The name, age and offices held by each of our directors and executive officers at December 31, 2004 were as follows:

Name	Age	Position
Charles Fabrikant	60	Chairman of the Board of Directors, President and Chief Executive Officer
Randall Blank	54	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Dick Fagerstal	44	Senior Vice President, Corporate Development and Treasurer
Milton Rose	60	Vice President of the Company and President and Chief Operating Officer of Offshore Marine Services Americas Division
Alice Gran	55	Senior Vice President and General Counsel
John Gellert	34	Senior Vice President
Andrew Strachan	57	Vice President
Lenny Dantin	52	Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer
Andrew R. Morse(1)(2)	59	Director
Michael E. Gellert	73	Director
Stephen Stamas(1)(2)	74	Director
Richard M. Fairbanks, III(2)(3)	64	Director
Pierre de Demandolx(2)	64	Director
John C. Hadjipateras(1)(2)	54	Director
Oivind Lorentzen(2)(3)	54	Director
James A. F. Cowderoy	45	Director
Steven J. Wisch(2)(3)	43	Director

<sup>(1)</sup> Member of the Compensation Committee.

<sup>(2)</sup> Member of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee.

<sup>(3)</sup> Member of the Audit Committee.

Charles Fabrikant is President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board, and has been a director of SEACOR and several of its subsidiaries since 1989. Mr. Fabrikant is also a Director of Diamond Offshore Drilling, Inc., a contract oil and gas driller. He is also President of Fabrikant International Corporation ("FIC"), a privately owned corporation engaged in marine investments. FIC may be deemed an affiliate of ours. Mr. Fabrikant is a licensed attorney admitted to practice in the State of New York and in the District of Columbia.

Randall Blank has been Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer since December 1989 and has been the Secretary of SEACOR since October 1992. From December 1989 to

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October 1992, Mr. Blank was Treasurer of SEACOR. In addition, Mr. Blank has been a director of certain of SEACOR's subsidiaries since January 1990 and, since October 1997, has been the Chief Executive Officer of its Environmental Services Division. Mr. Blank is a director of Globe Wireless, and prior to the Chiles Merger, Mr. Blank served as a director of Chiles.

Dick Fagerstal has been Senior Vice President, Corporate Development and Treasurer since February 2003 and has served as Treasurer since May 2000. From August 1997 to February 2003, Mr. Fagerstal served as Vice President of Finance. Mr. Fagerstal has also served as a director of certain of SEACOR's subsidiaries since August 1997. Prior to the Chiles Merger, Mr. Fagerstal served as a director, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Chiles.

Milton Rose has been Vice President of SEACOR and President and Chief Operating Officer of Offshore Marine Services Americas Division since January 1993. Mr. Rose also serves as a director of various SEACOR joint ventures.

Alice Gran has been Senior Vice President and General Counsel. Ms. Gran is responsible for managing legal, insurance and certain risk management functions. Ms. Gran joined SEACOR in July 1998 and is a licensed attorney admitted to practice in the District of Columbia.

John Gellert has been Senior Vice President since June 2004. Mr. Gellert's primary responsibility is running the domestic and international divisions of Offshore Marine Services. From 2000 to June 2004, Mr. Gellert served as Vice President in charge of worldwide chartering. Mr. Gellert has been an employee of SEACOR since 1992. Mr. Gellert's father, Michael Gellert, is a director of SEACOR.

Andrew Strachan has been Vice President since April 1997 and a director and officer of certain SEACOR subsidiaries since December 1996.

Lenny Dantin has been Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer since March 1991. From October 1992 to May 2000, Mr. Dantin was Treasurer of SEACOR. In addition, Mr. Dantin has been an officer and director of certain of SEACOR's subsidiaries since January 1990.

Andrew R. Morse has been Senior Vice President Investments at the Morse Group at UBS Financial Services Inc., a New York-based investment banking firm, since October 2001. Mr. Morse was Senior Vice President Investments of Salomon Smith Barney Inc. of New York, an investment banking firm, and Smith Barney Inc., its predecessor, from March 1993 to October 2001. Mr. Morse sits on numerous philanthropic boards.

Michael E. Gellert has been one of two general partners of Windcrest Partners, a New York-based investment partnership, for more than the past five years. Mr. Gellert is currently a director of the following public corporations: Six Flags, Inc.; Devon Energy Corp.; Humana Inc.; Smith Barney World Funds, Inc.; Travelers Series Fund, Inc.; and Dalet Technologies.

Stephen Stamas is retired. He served as the Chairman of The American Assembly of Columbia University, a New York-based not-for-profit organization involved in the study of public affairs, from 1987 until March 2003. Mr. Stamas was the Chairman of the New York Philharmonic from 1989 until 1996 and Vice Chairman of The Rockefeller University from 1995 until November 1999. He is Chairman Emeritus and a director of the Greenwall Foundation. From 1973 to 1986, he served as Corporate Vice President of Exxon Corporation.

Richard M. Fairbanks, III has been a Counselor at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, a Washington, D.C.-based research organization, since April 2000, where he served as Managing Director for Domestic and International Issues from 1994 until April 1999, and President and Chief Executive Officer from May 1999 to April 2000. Mr. Fairbanks was the Managing Partner of the Washington, D.C. office of Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker LLP (a law partnership) from 1985 to 1992, when he became Senior Counsel, a position he held until 1994. Mr. Fairbanks is also a director of GATX Corporation and SPACEHAB, Inc. He formerly served as an Ambassador-at-Large for the United States from 1982 to 1985 and was International Chairman of the Pacific Economic Cooperation

Council. Mr. Fairbanks is admitted to practice law in the District of Columbia and before the United States Supreme Court.

Pierre de Demandolx has been a general partner of DPH Conseils, a Paris-based shipping and energy consulting company since October 2003. He had previously served as a general partner of the company from 1997 to 1999. From April 1999 until October 2003, Mr. de Demandolx was the Managing Director of Petroleum Development and Diversification, a London-based consulting agency. From 1995 until September 2001, he was a director of Compagnie Nationale de Navigation ("CNN"), a Paris-based public shipping company owned by Compagnie Maritime Belge. Mr. de Demandolx was the Chief Executive Officer of CNN from September 1990 to June 1996. From 1996 until October 1997, Mr. de Demandolx was the Chairman of the Board of Héli-Union, a Paris-based helicopter transportation company.

John C. Hadjipateras founded Eagle Ocean Inc., a Stamford, Connecticut-based marine transportation agency concentrating in vessel sales and purchases, chartering, insurance and finance, and has served as its President since its inception in 1980. He is also Managing Director of Eagle Financial Partners, LLC, a venture capital management company founded in 1998, and was Managing Director of Peninsular Maritime Ltd. a shipbrokerage firm, from 1972 until 1993. From 1974 until 1999, Mr. Hadjipateras was a Council member of INTERTANKO, the International Association of Independent Tanker Owners. From 1985 until 1989 he was a Board Member of the Greek Shipping Co-operation Committee, and is currently a Director of KIDSCAPE LTD., and a Member of the Board of Advisors to the Faculty of Language and Linguistics of Georgetown University.

Oivind Lorentzen has been the President of the Northern Navigation America Inc., a Greenwich Connecticut-based investment and ship owning company concentrating in specialized transportation and structured finance since 1990. From 1979 to 1990 Mr. Lorentzen was Managing Director of Lorentzen Empreendimentos S.A., an industrial and shipping group in Brazil, and currently sits on its Board of Directors. Mr. Lorentzen is also a director of Blue Danube Inc.

James A. F. Cowderoy has been the Chairman of Harrisons (Clyde) Ltd., a Glasgow-based ship owning and ship management company, since May 2002. Mr. Cowderoy served as Managing Director of SEACOR International Ltd., a subsidiary of ours, from May 2001 until April 2002. Mr. Cowderoy was Managing Director of Stirling Shipping Company Ltd., a private offshore shipping company based in Glasgow from 1995 until its acquisition by us in May 2001. Mr. Cowderoy is also a director of the North of England P&I Association Ltd. and Marine Shipping Mutual Insurance Company Ltd.

Steven J. Wisch has been President of Related Investments, a New York-based private investment firm, since November 2003. From December 2001 through August 2002 Mr. Wisch was Chief Operating Officer of The 9/11 United Services Group, a New York-based not-for-profit organization. In December 2001 Mr. Wisch retired as a Partner and Managing Director of Goldman, Sachs & Co., an international investment bank, where he was employed from 1983 through 1985 and from 1987 through December 2001.

#### **Audit Committee**

The Board of Directors has established a standing Audit Committee. The Audit Committee assists the Board in fulfilling its responsibility to oversee management's conduct of our financial reporting process, including the selection of our outside auditors, the review of the financial reports and other financial information provided by us to any governmental or regulatory body, the public or other users thereof, our systems of internal accounting and financial controls and the annual independent audit of our financial statements.

The current members of the Audit Committee are Messrs. Fairbanks, Lorentzen and Wisch. The Board has determined that all members of the Audit Committee are "independent" and "financially literate" under the rules of the New York Stock Exchange currently applicable to us and are "independent" under the independence criteria established by the Audit Committee members. The

Board has further determined that Mr. Lorentzen is an "Audit Committee Financial Expert" within the meaning of the regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and is independent as that term is used in Item 7(d)(3)(iv) of Schedule 14A of the rules promulgated by the SEC under the Exchange Act.

#### **Executive Compensation**

## **Summary Compensation Table**

The following table sets forth certain compensation information regarding compensation awarded to, earned by and paid to our Chief Executive Officer and each other executive officer required under SEC rules to be included herein (the "Named Executive Officers") in respect of the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004.

	Annual Compensation			Long-Term Compensation			
Position(s)	Year	Salary (\$)	Bonus (\$)(1)	Restricted Stock Awards (\$)(2)	Number of Securities Underlying Options (#)(3)	All Other Compensation (\$)(4)	
Charles Fabrikant(5)	2004	525,000	1,250,000	986,100	30,000	6,150	
Chairman of the Board,	2003	525,000	125,000	344,400	30,000	6,000	
President, and Chief	2002	525,000	1,250,000	1,459,500	30,000	5,500	
Executive Officer							
Randall Blank(6)	2004	335,000	200,000	276,108	10,000	6,150	
Chief Financial Officer,	2003	335,000	100,000	137,760	10,000	6,000	
Executive Vice President,	2002	335,000	350,000	216,840	7,500	5,500	
and Secretary							
Dick Fagerstal(7)	2004	280,000	150,000	197,220	10,000	6,150	
Senior Vice President,	2003	280,000	62,500	107,625	5,000	6,000	
Corporate Development	2002	250,000	265,000	271,050	10,000	5,500	
and Treasurer							
John Gellert(8)	2004	155,000	75,000	230,090	15,000	6,150	
Senior Vice President	2003	155,000	62,500	96,863	10,000	6,000	
	2002	145,000	80,000	242,813	10,000	5,500	
Alice Gran(9)	2004	260,000	60,000	98,610	4,000	10,975	
Senior Vice President	2003	235,000	40,000	34,440	3,000	11,365	
and General Counsel	2002	235,000	80,000	62,550	1,500	11,900	

(1) Sixty percent (60%) of the bonus is paid at the time of the award and the remaining forty percent (40%) is paid in two equal annual installments approximately one and two years after the date of the grant. Any outstanding balance is payable upon the death, disability, termination without "cause" of the employee, or the occurrence of a "change-in-control" of the Company.

The value indicated is based on the number of shares awarded and the stock price on the issuance date. We provided to the Named Executive Officers three types of Restricted Stock Awards. Each award of Three-Year Restricted Stock ("Three-Year Stock") vests in three equal annual installments, commencing approximately on the first anniversary of the date of award. Each award of One-Year Restricted Stock ("One-Year Stock") vests approximately one year from the date of the award. Each award of Five-Year Restricted Stock ("Five-Year Stock") vests in five equal annual installments commencing on the first anniversary of the date of the award. Each type of restricted stock vests immediately upon the death, disability, termination "without cause" of the employee, or the occurrence of a "change-in-control" of the Company. If cash dividends are paid

by us, holders of restricted stock are entitled to receive such dividends whether or not the shares of restricted stock have vested.

- (3) Stock option grants include options granted (or which we have agreed to grant in installments during 2005) on March 11, 2005 as compensation for fiscal year 2004, all to be issued under the 2003 Share Incentive Plan.
- "All Other Compensation" includes contributions made by us to match pre-tax elective deferral contributions (included under Salary) made by Messrs. Fabrikant, Blank, Fagerstal and Gellert and Ms. Gran under the SEACOR Savings Plan, a defined contribution plan established by us effective July 1, 1994 which meets the requirements of Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code").
- Mr. Fabrikant was granted restricted stock awards as follows: for 2004, 10,000 shares of Five-Year Stock and 5,000 shares of One-Year Stock pursuant to a Restricted Stock Agreement dated March 11, 2005; for 2003, 3,000 shares of Five-Year Stock and 5,000 shares of One-Year Stock pursuant to a Restricted Stock Agreement dated February 25, 2004; and for 2002, 30,000 shares of Five-Year Stock and 5,000 shares of One-Year Stock pursuant to a Restricted Stock Agreement dated January 15, 2003. At December 31, 2004, Mr. Fabrikant held 38,000 shares of restricted stock having a value of \$2,029,200 based upon a closing price of \$53.40 per share of common stock on December 31, 2004.
- Mr. Blank was granted restricted stock awards as follows: for 2004, 2,000 shares of Five-Year Stock and 2,200 shares of One-Year Stock pursuant to a Restricted Stock Agreement dated March 11, 2005; for 2003, 1,000 shares of Five-Year Stock and 2,200 shares of One-Year Stock pursuant to a Restricted Stock Agreement dated February 25, 2004; and for 2002, 3,000 shares of Five-Year Stock and 2,200 shares of One-Year Stock pursuant to a Restricted Stock Agreement dated January 15, 2003. At December 31, 2004, Mr. Blank held 6,600 shares of restricted stock having a value of \$352,440 based upon a closing price of \$53.40 per share of common stock on December 31, 2004.
- Mr. Fagerstal was granted restricted stock awards as follows: for 2004, 1,500 shares of Five-Year Stock and 1,500 shares of One-Year Stock pursuant to a Restricted Stock Agreement dated March 11, 2005; for 2003, 1,000 shares of Five-Year Stock and 1,500 shares of One-Year Stock pursuant to a Restricted Stock Agreement dated February 25, 2004; and for 2002, 5,000 shares of Five-Year Stock and 1,500 shares of One-Year Stock pursuant to a Restricted Stock Agreement dated January 15, 2003. At December 31, 2004, Mr. Fagerstal held 7,500 shares of restricted stock having a value of \$400,500 based upon the closing price of \$53.40 per share of common stock on December 31, 2004.
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  Mr. Gellert was granted restricted stock awards as follows: for 2004, 2,000 shares of Five-Year Stock and 1,500 shares of One-Year Stock pursuant to a Restricted Stock Agreement dated March 11, 2005. At December 31, 2004, Mr. Gellert held 6,550 shares of restricted stock having a value of \$349,770 based upon the closing price of \$53.40 per share of common stock on December 31, 2004
- Ms. Gran was granted restricted stock awards as follows: for 2004, 1,000 shares of Five-Year Stock and 500 shares of One-Year Stock pursuant to a Restricted Stock Agreement dated March 11, 2005; for 2003, 300 shares of Five-Year Stock and 500 shares of One-Year Stock pursuant to a Restricted Stock Agreement dated February 25, 2004; and for 2002, 1,000 shares of Five-Year Stock and 500 shares of One-Year Stock pursuant to a Restricted Stock Agreement dated January 15, 2003. At December 31, 2004, Ms. Gran held 1,766 shares of restricted stock having a value of \$94,304 based upon a closing price of \$53.40 per share of common stock on December 31, 2004.

## **Stock Options**

On April 18, 1996 and May 14, 2003, SEACOR's stockholders adopted the 1996 Share Incentive Plan and the 2003 Share Incentive Plan, respectively (collectively, the "Plans"). The Plans provide for the grant of options to purchase shares of common stock and for the grant of stock appreciation rights, restricted stock awards, performance awards and stock units to officers and key employees of ours. The Plans are administered by the Compensation Committee of the Board. Each option or share granted to an officer or employee must be evidenced by an agreement containing terms and provisions established by the Compensation Committee in accordance with the Plans.

## **Option Grants in 2004**

The following table shows all grants of options to acquire shares of common stock in 2004 to the Named Executive Officers.

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	Number of Securities Underlying	Securities Percent of Total Underlying Options Granted			Potential Realizable Value at Assumed Annual Rates of Stock Price Appreciation for Option Term	
Name	Options Granted (#)	to Employees in Fiscal Year(1)(%)	Price (\$/Sh)	Expiration Date	5%(\$)	10%(\$)
Charles Fabrikant	7,500	6.2	43.05	2/25/14	203,265	515,236
	7,500	6.2	40.04	2/25/14	183,008	460,509
	7,500	6.2	43.34	2/25/14	191,696	478,915
	7,500	6.2	53.58	2/25/14	229,181	568,477
Randall Blank	2,500	2.1	43.05	2/25/14	67,775	171,745
	2,500	2.1	40.04	2/25/14	61,003	153,503
	2,500	2.1	43.34	2/25/14	63,899	159,638
	2,500	2.1	53.58	2/25/14	76,394	189,492
Dick Fagerstal	1,250	1.0	43.05	2/25/14	33,878	85,873
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	1,250	1.0	43.34	2/25/14	31,949	79,819
	1,250	1.0	53.58	2/25/14	38,197	94,746
John Gellert	2,500	2.1	43.05	2/25/14	67,755	171,745
John Generi	2,500	2.1	40.04	2/25/14	61,003	153,503
	2,500	2.1	43.34	2/25/14	63,899	159,638
	2,500	2.1	53.58	2/25/14	76,394	189,492
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Alice Gran	750	0.6	43.05	2/25/14	20,327	51,524
	750	0.6	40.04	2/25/14	18,301	46,051
	750	0.6	43.34	2/25/14	19,170	47,892
	750	0.6	53.58	2/25/14	22,918	56,848

(1) The options were granted pursuant to our 2003 Share Incentive Plan to all of our directors at an exercise price equal to the fair market value of the shares of common stock on the date of grant. The grant date of the options is February 25, 2004. These options become exercisable at the rate of 25% per year commencing one year after the date of grant.

The potential realizable values represent future opportunity and have not been reduced to reflect the time value of money. The amounts shown under these columns are the result of calculations at the 5% and 10% rates required by the Securities and Exchange Commission, and are not intended to forecast future appreciation of the shares of common stock and are not necessarily indicative of the values that may be realized by the named executive officer.

#### Aggregated Option Exercises in Last Fiscal Year and Fiscal Year-End Option Value Table(1)

The following table sets forth certain information with respect to stock option exercises by Named Executive Officers during 2004, and the exercisable and unexercisable options they held at year-end.

Name	Shares Acquired on Exercise(#)	Value Realized (\$)	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options at Fiscal Year-End(#) Exercisable/Unexercisable	Value of Unexercised In-the-Money Options at Fiscal Year-End(\$) Exercisable/ Unexercisable(2)
Charles Fabrikant			309,750/54,000	8,209,673/625,965
Randall Blank			54,500/16,000	1,311,306/177,598
Dick Fagerstal			43,550/13,000	941,440/166,443
John Gellert			11,500/18,000	220,478/207,735
Alice Gran			4,903/4,200	100,461/43,824

- (1) Based on a December 31, 2004 closing price of our common stock of \$53.40 per share.
- Excludes options issued in 2005 in respect of 2004 performance.

We have no employment contracts or formal remuneration arrangements with any of the Named Executive Officers.

#### **Compensation of Directors**

Directors who are officers of ours receive no remuneration by reason of such directorship and are not compensated for attending meetings of the Board or standing committees thereof. Directors who are not officers of ours receive an annual retainer of \$15,000 and \$1,500 for every regular and special Board and Committee meeting, respectively, that they attend.

The SEACOR 2003 Non-Employee Director Share Incentive Plan was approved by stockholders at the 2003 Annual Meeting and is administered by the Board of Directors or by a committee designated by the Board. Under the 2003 Non-Employee Director Share Incentive Plan, each member of the Board who is not an employee of SEACOR is granted options and common stock.

On the date of each annual meeting of the stockholders of SEACOR through 2007, each non-employee Director is granted an option to purchase 3,000 shares of common stock, subject to adjustment. The exercise price of the options granted is the fair market value per share of common Stock on the date the options are granted. Options granted under the 2003 Non-Employee Director Share Incentive Plan will be exercisable at any time following the earlier of the first anniversary of, or the first annual meeting of SEACOR's stockholders after, the date of grant, for a period of up to ten years from date of grant. Subject to the accelerated vesting of options upon a non-employee Director's death or disability or the change in control of SEACOR, if a non-employee Director's service as a director of SEACOR is terminated, his or her options that are not then exercisable will terminate. A non-employee Director's options that are vested but not exercised may, subject to certain exceptions, be exercised (i) within three months after the date of termination of service as a director in cases of termination by reason of voluntary retirement, failure of SEACOR to nominate such director for re-election or failure of such director to be re-elected by stockholders after nomination by SEACOR, or (ii) within one year in the case of termination of service as a director by reason of death or disability. On the date of each Annual Meeting of Stockholders of SEACOR, each non-employee Director in office immediately following such annual meeting is granted the right to receive 500 shares of common stock with such shares to be delivered in four equal installments of 125 shares on the date of such annual meeting and on the dates that are three, six, and nine months thereafter (each such installment of shares, until the delivery date thereof, "Unvested Stock Award"). If a Non-Employee

Director's service as a director of SEACOR terminates for any reason, any and all Unvested Stock Awards shall terminate.

## **Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation**

The Compensation Committee's current members are Messrs. Hadjipateras, Morse and Stamas, and each member of the Compensation Committee is an independent director. No member of the Compensation Committee: (i) was an officer or employee of ours or any subsidiary during 2004; (ii) was formerly an officer of SEACOR or any of its subsidiaries; (iii) served on the board of directors of any other company any of whose executive officers served on SEACOR's Compensation Committee or Board, or (iv) had any other relationship requiring disclosure by us under applicable SEC rules.

## **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

Plan Category	Number of Securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights (a)	_	Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights (b)	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a)) (c)
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	772,815	\$	32.92	953,596
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders				
Total	772,815	\$	32.92	953,596
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## SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT

The following table sets forth information regarding beneficial ownership of the Common Stock by: (i) all persons (including any "group" as that term is defined in Section 13(d)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act")) who were known by us to be the beneficial owners of more than 5% of the outstanding common stock, (ii) each director of ours, (iii) each executive officer of ours named in the Summary Compensation Table set forth below under "Executive Compensation," and (iv) all directors and executive officers of ours as a group (17 persons). Except where otherwise indicated in the footnotes to the table, all beneficial ownership information set forth below is as of March 23, 2005.

Name and Address of Beneficial Owner(1)	Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership(2)	Percentage of Class
Charles Fabrikant(3)	961,766	5.2%
Randall Blank(4)	91,269	*
Dick Fagerstal (5)	62,965	*
John Gellert(6)	53,111	*
Alice N. Gran(7)	17,278	*
Milton Rose(8)	17,327	*
James A. F. Cowderoy(9)	55,832	*
Pierre de Demandolx(10)	16,000	*
Richard M. Fairbanks, III(11)	33,000	*
Michael E. Gellert(12)	225,858	1.2%
John C. Hadjipateras(13)	15,600	*
Oivind Lorentzen(14)	20,000	*
Andrew R. Morse(15)	40,031	*
Stephen Stamas(16)	17,500	*
Steven J. Wisch	13,600	*
Baron Capital Group, Inc.(17) 767 Fifth Avenue	1,135,800	6.2%
New York, New York 10153		
Dimensional Fund Advisors Inc.(18)	1,322,990	7.2%
1299 Ocean Avenue		
Santa Monica, California 90401		
Porter Felleman(19)	2,072,200	11.2%
666 Fifth Avenue		
New York, New York 10103		
T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc.(20)	1,239,600	6.7%
100 East Pratt Street		
Baltimore, Maryland 21202		
Arnhold & S. Bleichroeder Advisers LLC. (21)	1,110,000	6.0%
1345 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10105		
All directors and executive officers as a group (17 persons)	1,661,933	8.8%
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Less than 1.0%.

(1)
Unless otherwise indicated, the address of each of the persons whose name appears in the table above is: c/o SEACOR Holdings Inc., 11200 Richmond Avenue, Suite 400, Houston, Texas 77082.

- The information contained in the table above reflects "beneficial ownership" of the common stock within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act. Unless otherwise indicated, all shares of common stock are held directly with sole voting and dispositive power. Beneficial ownership information reflected in the table above includes shares issuable upon the exercise of outstanding stock options exercisable within 60 days after the date of this prospectus.
- Includes 503,221 shares of common stock which Mr. Fabrikant may be deemed to own through his interest in, and control of (i) Fabrikant International Corporation ("FIC"), of which he is President, the record owner of 372,727 shares of common stock, (ii) Fabrikant International Profit Sharing Trust, of which he is the trustee, the record owner of 19,680 shares of common stock, (iii) the E Trust, of which he is Trustee, the record owner of 3,789 shares of common stock, (iv) the H Trust, of which he is trustee, the record owner of 3,789 shares of common stock and (v) VSS Holding Corporation ("VSS Holdings"), of which he is President and sole stockholder, the record owner of 103,236 shares of common stock. Also includes 194,250 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of options exercisable within 60 days and 35,400 shares of restricted stock over which Mr. Fabrikant exercises sole voting power.
- (4) Includes 43,000 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of options exercisable within 60 days and 6,800 shares of restricted stock over which Mr. Blank exercises sole voting power.
- (5) Includes 46,550 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of options exercisable within 60 days and 6,800 shares of restricted stock over which Mr. Fagerstal exercises sole voting power.
- (6) Includes 15,500 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of options exercisable within 60 days and 7,300 shares of restricted stock over which Mr. Gellert exercises sole voting power.
- (7) Includes 5,803 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of options exercisable within 60 days and 2,340 shares of restricted stock over which Ms. Gran exercises sole voting power.
- (8) Includes 3,900 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of options exercisable within 60 days and 960 shares of restricted stock over which Mr. Rose exercises sole voting power.
- (9) Includes 6,000 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of options exercisable within 60 days.
- (10) Includes 15,000 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of options exercisable within 60 days.
- (11) Includes 15,000 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of options exercisable within 60 days.
- Includes 120,000 shares of common stock owned by Windcrest Partners, of which Mr. Gellert is one of two general partners, and 15,000 shares of Common Stock issuable upon the exercise of options exercisable within 60 days.
- Includes 2,000 shares of common stock which Mr. Hadjipateras may be deemed to own through a trust held for his children of which he is the trustee, and 600 shares of common stock owned by his daughter of which he is custodian until her 21st birthday. Also includes 12,000 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of options exercisable within 60 days.
- (14) Includes 9,000 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of options exercisable within 60 days.
- Includes 15,000 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of options exercisable within 60 days.

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Includes 15,000 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of options exercisable within 60 days.

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According to a Schedule 13G filed jointly on February 13, 2005 by Baron Capital Group, Inc. ("BCG"), Ronald Baron ("Baron"), BAMCO, Inc. ("BAMCO"), Baron Asset Fund ("BAF"), and Baron Capital Management, Inc. ("BCM"): (1) BCG and Baron share beneficial ownership of

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1,115,100 shares, and have shared dispositive and voting power with respect to such shares; (2) BAMCO beneficially owns 995,000 shares and has shared dispositive and voting power with respect to such shares; (3) BCM beneficially owns 120,100 shares, and has shared dispositive and voting power with respect to such shares; BCG and Baron disclaim beneficial ownership of shares held by their respective controlled entities (or the investment advisory clients thereof) to the extent such shares are held by persons other than BCG and Baron. BAMCO and BCM disclaim beneficial ownership of shares held by their investment advisory clients to the extent such shares are held by persons other than BAMCO, BCM and their affiliates. BAMCO and BCM are subsidiaries of BCG, BAF is an investment advisory client of BAMCO, and Baron owns a controlling interest in BCG.

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  According to a Schedule 13G filed on February 9, 2005, by Dimensional Fund Advisors Inc. ("Dimensional Fund Advisors"),
  Dimensional Fund Advisors has sole voting and/or dispositive power with respect to such shares, but disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.
- According to a Schedule 13G filed on February 14, 2005 jointly by a group consisting of A. Alex Porter, Paul Orlin, Geoffrey Hulme, Jonathan W. Friedland and CF Advisors, LLC, these reporting persons have shared voting and dispositive power as to the following number of shares: A. Alex Porter: 2,072,200; Paul Orlin: 2,072,200; Geoffrey Hulme: 2,026,300; Jonathan W. Friedland: 2,026,300 and CF Advisors, LLC: 1,165,600.
- According to a Schedule 13G filed on February 11, 2005 by T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc. ("T. Rowe Price"), T. Rowe Price has sole voting power with respect to 186,300 shares and sole dispositive power with respect to 1,239,600 shares. According to such Schedule 13G, these securities are owned by various individual and institutional investors for which T. Rowe Price serves as investment adviser with power to direct investments and/or sole power to vote securities. T. Rowe Price expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of such securities.
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  According to a Schedule 13G filed on February 14, 2005 by Arnhold & S. Bleichroeder Advisers LLC, Arnhold & S. Bleichroeder has sole voting power with respect to 1,110,000 shares and sole dispositive power with respect to 1,110,000 shares.

#### CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS

**SCF Barge Pools.** SCF Marine Inc. ("SCF") manages and operates inland river barges for third parties under pooling arrangements, including certain inland river barges owned by Mr. Fabrikant, companies controlled by Mr. Fabrikant (FIC, FIC Barge Line Inc. and VSS Holdings), Mr. Fabrikant's mother, and trusts established for the benefit of Mr. Fabrikant's two children. In 2004, the income earned by Mr. Fabrikant and these affiliates totaled an aggregate of \$704,360 (\$70,885, \$376,475, \$51,4486, \$178,593 and \$16,048 to each of Mr. Fabrikant, FIC, FIC Barge Line Inc., VSS Holdings and Mr. Fabrikant's mother, respectively, and \$5,455 to each of the trusts), net of management fees earned by SCF of \$111,776.

**SCF Towboat III.** SCF Management Services Inc. manages certain barges owned by SCF Towboat III, LP, a limited partnership of which 14.25% is owned by FIC. In 2003, SCF Towboat III, LP paid to SCF Management Services Inc. management fees of \$3,870.

**Bond Participation.** We participate in an investment of certain bonds that are held in the name of VSS Holdings. In connection with this arrangement, VSS Holdings paid to us \$4,637 as its participatory share of interest paid under the bonds and \$2,512 as its participatory share of principal repayments received during 2003.

**Employment of John Gellert.** John Gellert, son of Michael E. Gellert, a director of SEACOR, is a Senior Vice President of SEACOR and a Named Executive Officer. As compensation for his services as an executive of SEACOR during 2004, Mr. Gellert was paid salary of \$155,000 and was awarded a cash bonus of \$75,000. Mr. Gellert's salary in 2005 has been paid at a rate of \$180,000 per annum. In 2004 Mr. Gellert was also granted 2,250 restricted shares of common stock and options to purchase 10,000 shares of common stock in recognition of his service in 2003. In 2005, Mr. Gellert was granted 3,500 shares of restricted common stock and options to purchase 15,000 shares of common stock in recognition of his service in 2004. All options and restricted common stock vest over time periods ranging from one year to five years.

Harrisons (Offshore) Limited Revenue Sharing Agreement. During the second quarter of 2004 pursuant to a provision agreed in connection with our acquisition of Stirling Shipping Holdings Limited in May 2001, we entered into a revenue sharing pooling agreement with Harrisons (Offshore) Limited ("Harrisons"), a Scottish company in which Mr. James Cowderoy, a director of SEACOR, is a shareholder and managing director. Under the pooling agreement, the revenue from two supply vessels owned by us and two supply vessels owned by Harrisons operating in the North Sea was shared pursuant to an agreed allocation formula and Seacor was paid a fee for commercially managing the pool. During 2004, Harrisons earned approximately \$0.3 million of additional revenues under the pooling agreement and we earned approximately \$0.04 million of management fees. As of December 31, 2004, there was \$0.2 million of unpaid pooling allocations due to Harrisons from us under the terms of the pooling agreement. There was no activity under the pooling agreement in 2003 and 2002. The pooling agreement was terminated in February 2005.

#### DESCRIPTION OF THE DEBENTURES

We issued the debentures under an indenture between us and U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as trustee. The following description is only a summary of the material provisions of the debentures, the indenture and the registration rights agreement relating to the debentures and shares of common stock into which the debentures are convertible. It does not purport to be complete. We urge you to read these documents in their entirety because they, and not this description, define the rights of holders of the debentures. You may request copies of these documents from us upon written request at our address, which is listed in this prospectus under "Where You Can Find Other Information."

For purposes of this section, references to "we," "us," "our," "ours," the Company and "SEACOR" refer solely to SEACOR Holdings Inc. and not to its subsidiaries.

#### General

#### The Debentures

The debentures:

are limited to \$250,000,000 aggregate principal amount;

mature on December 15, 2024, unless earlier converted by holders, redeemed at our option or purchased by us at the option of holders;

bear interest at a rate of 2.875% per annum, payable semi-annually, in arrears, on each June 15 and December 15, beginning on June 15, 2005, to the holders of record at the close of business on the preceding June 1 and December 1, respectively;

accrue contingent interest, which may be payable as set forth below under " Contingent Interest";

will bear additional interest or in the case of common stock issued upon conversion of the debentures, additional amounts, if we fail to comply with certain obligations set forth below under "Registration Rights";

are convertible into shares of our common stock at an initial conversion rate of 13.6705 shares of our common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of debentures (which represents a conversion price of approximately \$73.15 per share of common stock) under the conditions and subject to such adjustments as are described below under "Conversion of Debentures";

are redeemable by us beginning on December 20, 2009 at any time as a whole or in part, at the redemption prices set forth below under " Optional Redemption";

are subject to repurchase by us for cash at the option of the holders on December 15, 2011, 2014 and 2019 or upon the occurrence of a fundamental change (as defined below under "Repurchase of Debentures at Option of Holders Repurchase of Debentures at Option of Holders Upon a Fundamental Change"), at a repurchase price in cash equal to 100% of the principal amount of the debentures to be repurchased, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including contingent interest and additional interest, if any) to, but not including, the repurchase date as described below under "Repurchase of Debentures at the Option of Holders Optional Put" and "Repurchase of Debentures at the Option of Holders upon a Fundamental Change;" and

are represented by one or more registered securities in global form as described below under " Book-Entry, Delivery and Form."

The indenture does not contain any financial covenants and does not restrict us or our subsidiaries from paying dividends, incurring additional senior indebtedness or any other indebtedness or issuing or repurchasing securities. The indenture contains no covenants or other provisions to afford protection to

holders of debentures in the event of highly leveraged transactions or a fundamental change of SEACOR, except to the extent described under "Repurchase of Debentures at the Option of Holders Repurchase of Debentures at the Option of Holders upon a Fundamental Change" and

" Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets."

No sinking fund is provided for the debentures. The debentures are issued only in registered form, without coupons, in denominations of \$1,000 principal amount and multiples thereof.

We will maintain an office where the debentures may be presented for registration, transfer, exchange or conversion. This office will initially be an office or agency of the trustee. Except under limited circumstances described below, the debentures will be issued only in fully registered book-entry form, without coupons, and will be represented by one or more global securities. We may pay interest by check mailed to each holder at its address as it appears in the debenture register; provided, however, that holders with debentures in an aggregate principal amount in excess of \$2.0 million will be paid, at their written election, by wire transfer in immediately available funds; provided further, however, that payments to The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, which we refer to as "DTC," will be made by wire transfer of immediately available funds to the account of DTC or its nominee. There will be no service charge for any registration of transfer or exchange of debentures. We may, however, require holders to pay a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection with certain transfers or exchanges.

Holders may not sell or otherwise transfer the debentures or the common stock issuable upon conversion of the debentures except in compliance with the provision set forth below under "Registration Rights" and in this prospectus under "Transfer Restrictions."

Each holder will agree in the indenture to treat the debentures, for United States federal income tax purposes, as "contingent payment debt instruments" and to be bound by our application of the Treasury Regulations that govern contingent payment debt instruments, including our determination that the rate at which interest will be deemed to accrue for federal income tax purposes will be 6.75%, compounded semi-annually, which is the rate comparable to the rate at which we would borrow on a non-contingent, non-convertible borrowing. Accordingly, each holder will be required to accrue interest on a constant yield to maturity basis at that rate, with the result that a holder will recognize taxable income significantly in excess of cash received while the debentures are outstanding. In addition, a holder will recognize ordinary income upon a conversion of a debenture into our common stock equal to the amount, if any, by which the value of the common stock received on the conversion exceeds the sum of the original purchase price of the holder's debenture and accrued but unpaid interest. However, the proper United States federal income tax treatment of a holder of a debentures is uncertain in various respects. If the agreed upon treatment was successfully challenged by the Internal Revenue Service, it might be determined that, among other differences, a holder should have accrued interest income at a lower rate, should not have recognized income or gain upon the conversion, and should not have recognized ordinary income upon a taxable disposition of its debentures.

HOLDERS SHOULD CONSULT THEIR TAX ADVISORS REGARDING THE TAX TREATMENT OF THE DEBENTURES AND WHETHER A PURCHASE OF THE DEBENTURES IS ADVISABLE IN LIGHT OF THE AGREED UPON TAX TREATMENT AND THE INVESTOR'S PARTICULAR TAX SITUATION.

#### Interest

The debentures will bear interest at a rate of 2.875% per annum from December 17, 2004. We will pay interest semi-annually, in arrears, on June 15 and December 15 of each year, beginning on June 15, 2005, subject to limited exceptions if the debentures are converted prior to the relevant interest payment date. Interest will be paid to the holders of record at the close of business on the June 1 and December 1, as the case may be, immediately preceding the relevant interest payment date; provided, however, that interest will be paid to a person other than the holder of record on the record date on the maturity date or, in connection with a redemption at our option or repurchase at the option of the holders, on the redemption date or repurchase date, as the case may be, if it is after a record date but on or before the corresponding interest payment date. In any such case, we will pay the accrued and unpaid interest only to the person to whom we pay the principal amount.

Interest on the debentures will accrue from the most recent date to which interest has been paid or, if no interest has been paid, from the date of original issuance. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year comprised of twelve 30-day months. We will also pay contingent interest on the debentures in the circumstances described below under " Contingent Interest."

Interest will cease to accrue on a debenture upon its maturity, conversion, repurchase by us at the option of a holder or redemption.

#### **Contingent Interest**

Subject to the accrual and record date provisions described below, we will pay contingent interest to the holders of debentures during any period from December 15 to June 14 and from June 15 to December 14, commencing with the period beginning on December 15, 2011, if the average debenture price of a debenture for the five trading days ending on the third trading day immediately preceding the first day of the relevant period equals 120% or more of the principal amount of such debenture. The amount of contingent interest payable per debenture with respect to any such period will equal 0.35% per annum of such average debenture price (defined below) of such debenture.

We will pay contingent interest, if any, in the same manner as we will pay interest described above under " Interest."

The "debenture price" on any date of determination means the average of the secondary market bid quotations per \$1,000 debenture obtained by the bid solicitation agent for \$10.0 million principal amount of debentures at approximately 4:00 p.m., New York City time, on such determination date from three unaffiliated securities dealers we select, provided that if:

at least three such bids are not obtained by the bid solicitation agent, or

in our reasonable judgment, the bid quotations are not indicative of the secondary market value of the debentures,

then the debenture price will equal (a) the then-applicable conversion rate of the debentures multiplied by (b) the average closing sale price (as defined under " Conversion Rights") of our common stock for the last five trading days ending on such determination date.

A "trading day" means a day during which trading in securities generally occurs on the New York Stock Exchange or, if our common stock is not listed on the New York Stock Exchange, on the principal other national or regional securities exchange on which our common stock is then listed or, if our common stock is not listed on a national or regional securities exchange, on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation system ("Nasdaq") or, if our common stock is not quoted on Nasdaq, on the principal other market on which such common stock is then traded.

The bid solicitation agent will initially be the trustee. We may change the bid solicitation agent, but it will not be one of our affiliates. The bid solicitation agent will solicit bids from nationally recognized securities dealers that are believed by us to be willing to bid for the debentures.

Upon determination that holders of debentures will be entitled to receive contingent interest that may become payable during a relevant period, on or prior to the start of such period, we will provide notice to all holders by disseminating a press release setting forth the amount of contingent interest per \$1,000 principal amount of debentures and publishing such release on our website.

Under the indenture governing the debentures, we agree and each holder of the debentures by its acceptance of a beneficial interest in the debentures shall be deemed to agree, for United States federal income tax purposes, to treat the debentures as indebtedness that is subject to Treasury Regulations governing contingent payment debt instruments.

#### **Conversion of Debentures**

#### General

A holder may convert its debentures, in whole or in part, into shares of our common stock at any time prior to the close of business on the business day immediately preceding the maturity date of the debentures, unless we have redeemed or purchased those debentures. Holders may only convert debentures with a principal amount of \$1,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000. The conversion rate with respect to a debenture is initially 13.6705 shares of our common stock. The conversion rate of a debenture is equal to \$1,000 divided by the then applicable conversion price at the time of determination. The conversion price is subject to adjustment as described below under "Conversion Price Adjustments." Accordingly, an adjustment to the conversion price will result in a corresponding adjustment to the conversion rate. The initial conversion price for the debentures is \$73.15 per share.

No fractional shares will be issued upon conversion; in lieu thereof, a holder that would otherwise be entitled to fractional shares of our common stock will receive a number of shares of our common stock equal to the aggregate of the fractional shares otherwise deliverable for each trading day during the conversion period (rounding down to the nearest whole number) and cash equal to the remainder multiplied by the volume weighted average price of our common stock on the tenth trading day following the conversion date. Conversion of the debentures will also be subject to restrictions on foreign ownership of our common stock. See "Risk Factors Relating to the Debentures Limitations on foreign ownership of our common stock may restrict the ability of holders to receive shares of our common stock upon conversion of the debentures" and "Description of the Debentures Limitations on Foreign Ownership of our Common Stock."

If a holder exercises its right to require us to repurchase its debentures as described below under "Repurchase of Debentures at the Option of Holders Optional Put" and "Repurchase of Debentures at the Option of Holders upon a Fundamental Change," such holder may convert its debentures into shares of our common stock only if it withdraws its applicable repurchase notice in accordance with the indenture.

#### Payment Upon Conversion

Optional Settlement Methods. In lieu of delivery of shares of our common stock upon conversion notice of any debentures (for all or any portion of the debentures), we may, in our discretion, elect to deliver to holders surrendering debentures either cash or a combination of cash and shares of our common stock, subject to limitations on foreign ownership of our common stock. See "Risk Factors Relating to the Debentures Limitations on foreign ownership of our common stock may restrict the ability of holders to receive shares of our common stock upon conversion of the debentures" and "Description of Debentures Limitations on Foreign Ownership of our Common Stock." To the extent we elect to deliver cash in lieu of shares of our common stock, we will pay holders surrendering debentures an amount in cash per debenture equal to the average of the applicable stock prices (defined below) of our common stock for the ten consecutive trading days beginning on the third trading day immediately following the conversion date, multiplied by (i) the then applicable conversion rate and (ii) the percentage of each such debenture with respect to which we elect to deliver cash. We

will inform the holders through the trustee no later than two business days following the conversion date of our election to deliver shares of our common stock or to pay cash in lieu of delivery of the shares, unless we have already informed holders of our election in connection with our optional redemption of the debentures as described under " Optional Redemption." If we elect to deliver all of such payment in shares of our common stock, the shares will be delivered through the conversion agent no later than the fifth business day following the conversion date. If we elect to pay all or a portion of such payment in cash, the payment, including any delivery of shares of our common stock, will be made to holders surrendering debentures no later than the twentieth business day following the applicable conversion date.

The "applicable stock price," with respect to a trading day, is equal to the volume-weighted average price per share of our common stock (or any security into which our common stock has been converted in connection with a fundamental change) on such trading day. The "volume-weighted average price," with respect to a trading day, means such price as displayed under the heading "Bloomberg VWAP" on Bloomberg (or any successor service) page CKH <equity> AQR (or any successor page) in respect of the period from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., New York City time, on such trading day; or, if such price is not available, the "applicable stock price" means the market value per share of four common stock on such day as determined by a nationally recognized independent investment banking firm retained for this purpose by us.

Payment Upon Conversion Upon a Fundamental Change. We must give notice to all record holders and to the trustee (a) at least ten trading days prior to the anticipated effective date of a fundamental change and (b) within 15 days after a fundamental change has become effective. If a holder converts its debentures at any time beginning on the date that we give notice of the anticipated effective date of a fundamental change (the "effective date notice") and ending at the close of business on the second trading day immediately preceding the related fundamental change repurchase date corresponding to such fundamental change, the holder will receive:

- (1) common stock, cash or a combination of cash and common stock, as described above under " Payment Upon Conversion Optional Settlement Methods;" plus
- the make-whole premium, if any, which will be in an amount determined as set forth under " Determination of the Make-Whole Premium" and which will be payable in shares of our common stock (other than cash paid in lieu of fractional shares) or in the same form of consideration into which our common stock has been converted in connection with such fundamental change (other than cash paid in lieu of fractional interests in any security or other property delivered in connection with such fundamental change) on the fundamental change repurchase date for the debentures after the fundamental change described under " Repurchase of Debentures at Option of Holders Upon a Fundamental Change."

Solely for purposes of valuing any non-cash consideration received by holders of our common stock in any fundamental change, to the extent any component of non-cash consideration is not listed on a U.S. national or regional securities exchange or reported on the NYSE, the value of the non-cash consideration will be determined by two nationally recognized investment banks or appraisal firms, as appropriate, selected by us with the consent of the trustee and, to the extent any component of non-cash consideration is listed on a U.S. national or regional securities exchange or reported on the NYSE, the value of the non-cash consideration will be determined by reference to its volume weighted average price.

If holders of our common stock receive or have the right to receive more than one form of consideration in connection with a fundamental change, then, for purposes of the foregoing, the forms of consideration in which the make-whole premium will be paid will be in proportion to the different forms of consideration paid to our common stockholders in connection with the fundamental change.

#### Conversion Price Adjustments

The conversion price will be adjusted:

- (1) upon the issuance of shares of our common stock as a dividend or distribution on our common stock;
- (2) upon the subdivision or combination of our outstanding common stock;
- upon the issuance to all or substantially all holders of our common stock of rights or warrants entitling them for a period of not more than 60 days to subscribe for or purchase our common stock, or securities convertible into our common stock, at a price per share or a conversion price per share less than the current market price per share on the record date for the issuance, provided that the conversion price will be readjusted to the extent that the rights or warrants are not exercised prior to the expiration;
- (4) upon the distribution to all or substantially all holders of our common stock of shares of our capital stock, evidences of indebtedness or other non-cash assets, or rights or warrants, excluding:

dividends, distributions and rights or warrants referred to in clause (1) or (3) above; and

distribution of rights to all holders of common stock pursuant to an adoption of a shareholder rights plan;

- upon the occurrence of any dividends or distributions (other than in connection with a liquidation, dissolution or winding up of us) consisting exclusively of cash to all or substantially all holders of our common stock, in which case the conversion price shall be reduced so that it equals the price determined by dividing the conversion price in effect on the record date with respect to the cash dividend or distribution by a fraction,
  - (a)
    the numerator of which will be the current market price of a share of our common stock as of the day before the
    "ex" date (as defined below) with respect to the dividend or distribution, and
  - (b)
    the denominator of which will be the current market price of a share of our common stock as of the day before the
    "ex" date with respect to the dividend or distribution less the amount per share of the cash dividend or distribution;
    and
- upon the purchase of our common stock pursuant to a tender offer made by us or any of our subsidiaries at a price per share in excess of the current market price for one share of our common stock on the last date tenders may be made pursuant to the tender offer, which we refer to as the "expiration date," in which case, immediately prior to the opening of business on the day after the expiration date, the conversion price shall be reduced so that it equals the price determined by multiplying the conversion price in effect immediately prior to the close of business on the expiration date by a fraction,
  - (a)
    the numerator of which will be the product of the number of shares of our common stock outstanding (including tendered shares but excluding any shares held in our treasury) on the expiration date multiplied by the current market price per share of our common stock on the trading day next succeeding the expiration date; and
  - (b)
    the denominator of which will be the sum of (x) the aggregate consideration payable to stockholders based on the acceptance (up to any maximum specified in the terms of the tender offer) of all shares validly tendered and not withdrawn as of the expiration date, which we refer to as the "purchased shares," and (y) the product of the number of shares of our common stock outstanding (less any purchased shares and excluding any shares held in our

treasury) at the expiration time and the current market price per share of our common stock on the trading day next succeeding the expiration date.

"Current market price" shall mean, with respect to any date of determination, the average of the sale prices of our common stock for the five consecutive trading days ending on the date of determination. For purposes hereof, the term "ex" date, when used with respect to any dividend or distribution, means the first date on which the common stock trades, regular way, on the relevant exchange or in the relevant market from which the sale price was obtained without the right to receive such dividend or distribution.

In the event of:

any reclassification of our common stock;

a consolidation, merger or combination involving SEACOR; or

a sale or conveyance to another person of the property and assets of SEACOR as an entirety or substantially as an entirety,

in which holders of our outstanding common stock would be entitled to receive stock, other securities, other property, assets or cash for their common stock, holders of debentures will generally be entitled to convert their debentures, subject to the conditions described above, into the same type of consideration received by common stock holders immediately following one of these types of events.

You may, in some circumstances, be deemed to have received a distribution or dividend subject to U.S. federal income tax as a result of an adjustment or the nonoccurrence of an adjustment to the conversion price. See "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations" below for a relevant discussion.

We are permitted to reduce the conversion price of the debentures by any amount for a period of at least 20 days if our Board of Directors determines that such reduction would be in our best interest. We are required to give at least 15 days' prior notice of any reduction in the conversion price. We may also reduce the conversion price to avoid or diminish income tax to holders of our common stock in connection with a dividend or distribution of stock or similar event.

No adjustment in the conversion price will be required unless it would result in a change in the conversion price of at least one percent. Any adjustment not made will be taken into account in subsequent adjustments. Except as stated above, we will not adjust the conversion price on the debentures for the issuance of our common stock or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for our common stock or the right to purchase our common stock or such convertible or exchangeable securities.

### **Conversion Procedures**

The right of conversion attaching to any debenture may be exercised (a) if such debenture is represented by a global security, by book-entry transfer to the conversion agent (which will initially be the trustee) through the facilities of DTC, or (b) if such debenture is represented by a certificated security, by delivery of such debenture at the specified office of the conversion agent, accompanied, in either case, by a duly signed and completed conversion notice and appropriate endorsements and transfer documents if required by the conversion agent. The conversion date shall be the date on which the debenture and all of the items required for conversion shall have been so delivered and the requirements for conversion have been met.

No separate payment or adjustment will be made for accrued and unpaid interest on a converted debenture or for dividends or distributions on any of our common stock issued upon conversion of a debenture, except as provided in the indenture. By delivering to the holder the number of shares issuable or cash payable upon conversion together with a cash payment in lieu of any fractional shares, or cash or a combination of cash and shares of our common stock in lieu thereof, we will satisfy our obligation with respect to the conversion of the debentures. That is, accrued interest (including contingent interest and additional interest, if any) will be deemed to be paid in full rather than canceled, extinguished or forfeited. We will not adjust the conversion rate to account for any accrued interest, including contingent interest and additional interest, if any.

If the holder converts after a record date for an interest payment but prior to the corresponding interest payment date, such holder will receive on the interest payment date interest accrued on those debentures, notwithstanding the conversion of debentures prior to the interest payment date, assuming the holder was the holder of record on the corresponding record date. However, each holder agrees, by accepting a debenture, that if the holder surrenders any debentures for conversion during such period, such holder must pay us at the time such holder surrenders its debenture for conversion an amount equal to the interest that has accrued and that will be paid on the debentures being converted on the interest payment date. The preceding sentence does not apply, however, if (1) we have specified a redemption date that is after a record date for an interest payment but prior to the corresponding interest payment date or (2) any overdue interest exists at the time of conversion with respect to the debentures being converted, but only to the extent of the amount of such overdue interest. Accordingly, under the circumstances described in clause (1), a holder of debentures who chooses to convert those debentures on a date that is after a record date but prior to the corresponding interest payment date will not be required to pay us, at the time that holder surrenders those debentures for conversion, the amount of regularly scheduled interest it will receive on the interest payment date.

Holders of debentures are not required to pay any taxes or duties relating to the issuance or delivery of our common stock upon exercise of conversion rights, but they are required to pay any tax or duty which may be payable relating to any transfer involved in the issuance or delivery of the common stock in a name other than the name of the holder of the debenture. Certificates representing shares of our common stock will be issued or delivered only after all applicable taxes and duties, if any, payable by the holder have been paid.

The debentures will be deemed to have been converted immediately prior to the close of business on the conversion date. Delivery of shares will be accomplished by delivery to the conversion agent of certificates for the relevant number of shares, other than in the case of holders of debentures in book-entry form with DTC, which shares shall be delivered in accordance with DTC customary practices. A holder will not be entitled to any rights as a holder of our common stock, including, among other things, the right to vote and receive dividends and notices of stockholder meetings, until the conversion is effective.

If we elect to settle in common stock only, a certificate for the number of full shares of common stock into which the debentures are converted (and cash in lieu of fractional shares) will be delivered to such holder, assuming all of the other requirements have been satisfied by such holder, as soon as practicable after we issue our notification of our chosen method of settlement, which we must issue on the date that is three trading days following receipt of the conversion notice. If we elect to settle in cash or a combination of cash and common stock, the cash and, if applicable, a certificate for the number of full-shares of common stock into which the debentures are converted (and cash in lieu of fractional shares) will be delivered to such holder, assuming all of the other requirements have been satisfied by such holder on the twentieth trading day following receipt of the conversion notice, unless the holder submits its conversion notice within 30 trading days prior to maturity, in which case such delivery will take place on the maturity date.

#### **Determination of the Make-Whole Premium**

If a fundamental change occurs prior to December 20, 2009, we will pay a make-whole premium upon the conversion of the debentures as described above under "Conversion of Debentures Payment Upon Conversion Upon a Fundamental Change" in the case of a fundamental change. The make-whole premium will be equal to a percentage of the principal amount of the debentures. The make-whole premium will be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any cash, securities or other assets otherwise due to holders of debentures upon conversion. The make-whole premium will be determined by reference to the tables below and is based on the date on which the fundamental change becomes effective, referred to as the "effective date," and the price, referred to as the "stock price,"

paid, or deemed to be paid, per share of our common stock in the transaction constituting the fundamental change, subject to adjustment as described below. If holders of our common stock receive only cash in the fundamental change, the stock price shall be the cash amount paid per share. In all other cases, the stock price will be the average sale price of our common stock for the ten trading days immediately preceding, but not including, the effective date.

We will pay the make-whole premium solely in shares of our common stock (other than cash in lieu of fractional shares) or in the same form of consideration into which all or substantially all of the shares of our common stock have been converted or exchanged in connection with the fundamental change; provided, however, that we will pay cash in lieu of fractional interests in any security or other property delivered in connection with such fundamental change purchase date after the fundamental change for debentures converted in connection with a fundamental change. If holders of our common stock receive or have the right to receive more than one form of consideration in connection with such fundamental change, then, for purposes of the foregoing, the forms of consideration in which the make-whole premium will be paid will be in proportion to relative value, determined as described in the following paragraph, of the different forms of consideration paid to our common stockholders in connection with the fundamental change.

The value of our shares or other consideration for purposes of determining the number of shares or other consideration to be issued in respect of the make-whole premium will be calculated as follows:

- In the case of a fundamental change in which all or substantially all of the shares of our common stock have been, as of the effective date, converted into or exchanged for the right to receive securities or other assets or property, the consideration shall be valued as follows:
  - (a) securities that are traded on a U.S. national securities exchange or approved for quotation on the NYSE or any similar system of automated dissemination of quotations of securities prices will be valued at 98% of the average sale price for the 10 trading days immediately prior to but excluding the fundamental change purchase date,
  - (b) other securities, assets or property, other than cash, that holders will have the right to receive will be valued based on 98% of the average of the fair market value of the securities, assets or property, other than cash, as determined by two independent nationally recognized investment banks selected by the trustee, and
  - (c) 100% of any cash.
- In all other cases, the value of our shares will equal 98% of the average of the sale price of our common stock for the ten trading days immediately prior to but excluding the fundamental change purchase date.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event shall the value of our common stock be less than 50% of the stock price used to determine the amount of the make-whole premium.

The stock prices set forth in the first column of each table will be adjusted as of any date on which the conversation ratio of the debentures is adjusted. The adjusted stock prices will equal the stock prices applicable immediately prior to the adjustment multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the conversion rate immediately prior to the adjustment giving rise to the stock price adjustment and the denominator of which is the conversion rate as so adjusted.

The following table sets forth the hypothetical stock price, effective date and payment (expressed as a percentage) upon a fundamental change for each \$1,000 principal amount of the debentures:

	December 17, 2004	December 15, 2005	December 15, 2006	December 15, 2007	December 15, 2008	December 20, 2009
\$ 52.25	28.6	28.6	28.6	28.6	28.6	28.6
\$ 55.00	27.2	26.2	25.2	24.8	24.8	24.8
\$ 60.00	24.8	23.5	22.0	20.3	18.1	18.0
\$ 65.00	22.8	21.2	19.4	17.1	14.1	12.2
\$ 70.00	21.2	19.3	17.2	14.5	10.9	4.5
\$ 75.00	19.8	17.8	15.4	12.4	8.5	0.0
\$ 80.00	18.7	16.5	13.9	10.8	6.6	0.0
\$ 85.00	17.7	15.4	12.7	9.5	5.4	0.0
\$ 90.00	16.9	14.5	11.8	8.5	4.5	0.0
\$ 95.00	16.3	13.8	11.0	7.7	3.9	0.0
\$100.00	15.6	13.2	10.4	7.1	3.5	0.0
\$105.00	15.2	12.7	9.9	6.7	3.2	0.0
\$110.00	14.8	12.3	9.5	6.4	3.0	0.0
\$115.00	14.5	12.0	9.2	6.1	2.9	0.0
\$120.00	14.2	11.7	8.9	6.0	2.9	0.0
\$130.00	13.7	11.3	8.6	5.7	2.8	0.0
\$140.00	13.4	11.0	8.4	5.6	2.8	0.0
\$150.00	13.2	10.8	8.2	5.5	2.8	0.0

The exact stock price and effective dates may not be set forth on the table, in which case:

if the stock price is between two stock prices on the table or the effective date is between two effective dates on the table, the make-whole premium will be determined by straight-line interpolation between make-whole premium amounts set forth for the higher and lower stock prices and the two effective dates, as applicable, based on a 365-day year.

if the stock price is in excess of \$150.00 per share (subject to adjustment in the same manner as the stock price) the payment corresponding to row \$150.00 will be paid.

if the stock price is less than or equal to \$52.25 per share (subject to adjustment in the same manner as the stock price), no make-whole premium will be paid.

No make-whole premium will be payable in connection with a fundamental change that occurs on or after December 20, 2009.

Our obligation to pay the make-whole premium could be considered a penalty, in which case the enforceability thereof would be subject to general equitable principles of reasonableness of economic remedies.

### Limitations on Foreign Ownership of our Common Stock

We are subject to the Shipping Act, 1916, as amended (the "Shipping Act"), and the Merchant Marine Act of 1920, as amended (the "1920 Act," and together with the Shipping Act, the "Acts"), which govern, among other things, the ownership and operation of vessels used to carry cargo between U.S. ports. The Acts require that vessels engaged in the U.S. coastwise trade be (i) owned by U.S. citizens and (ii) built in the United States. For a corporation engaged in the U.S. coastwise trade to be deemed a citizen of the United States, (a) the corporation must be organized under the laws of the United States or of a state, territory or possession thereof, (b) each of the president or other chief executive officer and the chairman of the board of directors of such corporation must be a U.S. citizen, (c) no more than a minority of the number of directors of such corporation necessary to constitute a

quorum for the minority of the number of directors of such corporation necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business can be non-U.S. citizens and (d) at least 75% of the interest in such corporation must be owned by U.S. "Citizens" (as defined in the Acts). Should we fail to comply with the U.S. citizenship requirement of the Acts, we would be prohibited from operating our vessels in the U.S. coastwise trade during the period of such non-compliance.

To facilitate compliance with the Acts, our certificate of incorporation: (i) contains provisions limiting the aggregate percentage ownership by foreigners of any class of our capital stock (including the common stock) to 22.9% of the outstanding shares of each such class to ensure that such foreign ownership will not exceed the maximum percentage permitted by applicable maritime law (presently 25.0%), and authorizes the Board of Directors, under certain circumstances, to increase the foregoing percentage to 24.0%, (ii) requires institution of a dual stock certification system to help determine such ownership and (iii) permits the Board of Directors to make such determination as reasonably may be necessary to ascertain such ownership and implement such limitation. In addition, our bylaws provide that the number of foreign directors shall not exceed a minority of the number necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and restrict any officer who is not a U.S. citizen from acting in the absence or disability of the chairman of the Board of Directors, chief executive officer or the president, all of whom must be U.S. citizens. Based on information available to us from the transfer agent of our common stock and DTC, at December 8, 2004, approximately 1% of the outstanding shares of our common stock were owned by foreigners (without giving effect to the conversion of the debentures.

Our issuance of shares of common stock upon conversion of the debentures or as payment of the purchase price in lieu of cash as described under "Repurchase of Debentures at the Option of Holders" is subject to certain limitation on foreign ownership, and as a condition to the receipt of shares of common stock upon conversion of the debentures or payment of the purchase price in shares of common stock, holders of the debentures will be required to certify as to, and under certain circumstances, additional proof of, citizenship. In addition, a foreign holder of the debentures may, by reason of such limitations, receive a lesser number of shares of common stock upon conversion of the debentures than it otherwise may be entitled to receive pursuant to the terms of the debentures and the Indenture. See "Risk Factors Relating to the Debentures Limitations on foreign ownership of our common stock may restrict the ability of holders to receive shares of our common stock upon conversion of the debentures."

#### **Optional Redemption**

Prior to December 20, 2009, the debentures will not be redeemable at our option. On or after December 20, 2009, during the periods commencing on the dates set forth below, we may redeem the debentures in cash at any time, in whole or in part, at the corresponding redemption prices expressed as a percentage of the principal amount of the debentures to be redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest (including contingent interest and additional interest, if any) to, but not including, the redemption date:

Date	Price
December 20, 2009	100.82%
December 15, 2010	100.41
December 15, 2011 and thereafter	100.00

We will give at least 30 days' but not more than 60 days' notice of redemption by mail to holders of debentures. Debentures or portions of debentures called for redemption are convertible by the holder until the close of business on the business day immediately preceding the redemption date.

If we do not redeem all of the debentures, the trustee will select the debentures to be redeemed in principal amounts of \$1,000 or multiples thereof by lot, on a pro rata basis or by any other method the trustee considers fair and appropriate or in accordance with the applicable procedures of DTC to the extent debentures are held in book-entry form. If any debentures are to be redeemed in part only, we will issue a new debenture or debentures with a principal amount equal to the unredeemed principal portion thereof. If a portion of a holder's debentures is selected for partial redemption and the holder converts a portion of its debentures, the converted portion will be deemed to be taken from the portion selected for redemption.

If the paying agent holds cash sufficient to pay the redemption price of the debentures for which a redemption notice has been delivered on the redemption date in accordance with the terms of the indenture, then, immediately after the redemption date, the debentures will cease to be outstanding and interest (including contingent interest and additional interest, if any) on such debentures shall cease to accrue, whether or not the debentures are delivered to the paying agent. Thereafter, all other rights of the holder shall terminate, other than the right to receive the redemption price upon delivery of the debentures.

#### Repurchase of Debentures at the Option of Holders

#### **Optional Put**

On December 15, 2011, 2014 and 2019 a holder may require us to repurchase for cash any outstanding debentures for which the holder has properly delivered and not withdrawn a written repurchase notice, subject to certain additional conditions, at a purchase price in cash equal to 100% of the principal amount of those debentures plus accrued and unpaid interest (including contingent interest and additional interest, if any) to, but not including, the repurchase date. Holders may submit their debentures for repurchase to the paying agent at any time from the opening of business on the date that is 20 business days prior to the repurchase date until the close of business on the business day immediately preceding the relevant repurchase date.

Unless we have elected to redeem all of the debentures on or before the repurchase date (to the extent permitted by the indenture), we are required to give notice at least 20 business days prior to each repurchase date to all holders at their addresses shown in the register of the registrar and to beneficial owners as required by applicable law stating, among other things, the procedures that holders must follow to require us to repurchase their debentures as described below. The repurchase notice given by each holder electing to require us to repurchase debentures shall be given so as to be received by the paying agent no later than the close of business on the business day immediately preceding the repurchase date and must state:

if certificated debentures are to be delivered, the certificate numbers of the holder's debentures to be delivered for repurchase;

the portion of the principal amount of debentures to be repurchased, which must be \$1,000 or a multiple thereof; and

that the debentures are to be repurchased by us pursuant to the applicable provisions of the debentures and the indenture.

A holder may withdraw any repurchase notice by delivering a written notice of withdrawal to the paying agent prior to the close of business on the business day immediately preceding the repurchase date. The notice of withdrawal shall state:

if certificated debentures are to be withdrawn, the certificate numbers of the debentures being withdrawn;

the principal amount of debentures being withdrawn; and

the principal amount, if any, of the debentures that remain subject to the repurchase notice.

If debentures are not in certificated form, the foregoing notices must comply with appropriate DTC procedures.

In connection with any repurchase, we will, to the extent applicable:

comply with the provisions of Rule 13e-4, Rule 14e-1 and any other tender offer rules under the Exchange Act that may then be applicable; and

otherwise comply with all federal and state securities laws in connection with any offer by us to purchase the debentures.

Our obligation to pay the purchase price for debentures for which a repurchase notice has been delivered and not validly withdrawn is conditioned upon the holder delivering the debentures, together with necessary endorsements, to the paying agent at any time after delivery of the repurchase notice. We will cause the repurchase price for the debentures to be paid promptly following the later of the repurchase date or the time of delivery of the debentures, together with such endorsements.

If the paying agent holds cash sufficient to pay the repurchase price of the debentures for which a repurchase notice has been delivered on the repurchase date in accordance with the terms of the indenture, then, immediately after the repurchase date, the debentures will cease to be outstanding and interest (including contingent interest and additional interest, if any) on such debentures will cease to accrue, whether or not the debentures are delivered to the paying agent. Thereafter, all other rights of the holder shall terminate, other than the right to receive the repurchase price upon delivery of the debentures.

#### Repurchase of Debentures at the Option of Holders Upon a Fundamental Change

In the event of a fundamental change (as defined below) each holder will have the right, at its option, subject to the terms and conditions of the indenture, to require us to repurchase, in whole or in part, the holder's debentures in integral multiples of \$1,000 principal amount, at a price in cash for each \$1,000 principal amount of such debentures equal to 100% of the principal amount of such debentures tendered, plus any accrued and unpaid interest (including contingent interest and additional interest, if any) to, but not including, the repurchase date. We will be required to repurchase the debentures on the date that is not less than 20 nor more than 45 business days after a fundamental change has become effective.

Within 15 business days after a fundamental change has become effective, we must mail to all holders of debentures at their addresses shown in the register of the registrar and to beneficial owners as required by applicable law a notice regarding the fundamental change, which notice must state, among other things:

the events causing a fundamental change;
the date of such fundamental change;
the last date on which a holder may exercise the repurchase right;
the repurchase price;
the repurchase date;
the name and address of the paying and conversion agents;
the conversion rate, and any adjustments to the conversion rate that will result from the fundamental change;

that debentures with respect to which a repurchase notice is given by the holder may be converted, if otherwise convertible, only if the repurchase notice has been withdrawn in accordance with the terms of the indenture; and

the procedures that holders must follow to exercise these rights.

To exercise this right, the holder must transmit to the paying agent a written notice, and such repurchase notice must be received by the paying agent no later than the close of business on the business day immediately preceding the repurchase date. The repurchase notice must state:

the certificate numbers of the debentures to be delivered by the holder, if applicable;

the portion of the principal amount of debentures to be repurchased, which portion must be \$1,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000; and

that such debentures are being tendered for repurchase pursuant to the fundamental change provisions of the indenture.

A holder may withdraw any repurchase notice by delivering to the paying agent a written notice of withdrawal prior to the close of business on the business day immediately preceding the repurchase date. The notice of withdrawal must state:

the certificate numbers of the debentures being withdrawn, if applicable;

the principal amount of debentures being withdrawn; and

the principal amount, if any, of the debentures that remain subject to a repurchase notice.

If the debentures are not in certificated form, the foregoing notices from holders must comply with the applicable DTC procedures.

We will under the indenture:

comply with the provisions of Rule 13e-4, Rule 14e-1 and any other tender offer rules under the Exchange Act that may then be applicable; and

otherwise comply with all federal and state securities laws in connection with any offer by us to repurchase the debentures upon a fundamental change.

Our obligation to pay the repurchase price for a debenture for which a repurchase notice has been delivered and not validly withdrawn is conditioned upon delivery of the debenture, together with necessary endorsements, to the paying agent at any time after the delivery of such repurchase notice. We will cause the repurchase price for such debenture to be paid promptly following the later of the repurchase date or the time of delivery of such debenture.

If the paying agent holds money sufficient to pay the repurchase price of a debenture for which a repurchase notice has been delivered on the repurchase date in accordance with the terms of the indenture, then, immediately after the repurchase date, the debentures will cease to be outstanding and interest (including contingent interest and additional interest, if any) on such debentures will cease to accrue, whether or not the debentures are delivered to the paying agent. Thereafter, all other rights of the holder shall terminate, other than the right to receive the repurchase price upon delivery of the debenture.

A "fundamental change" will be deemed to have occurred upon the occurrence of any of the following:

(1)

any "person" or "group" (other than us, our subsidiaries or our respective employee benefit plans) files a Schedule 13D or Schedule TO, or any successor schedule, form or report under the Exchange Act, disclosing, or we otherwise become aware, that such person is or has

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become the "beneficial owner," directly or indirectly, of shares of our voting stock representing 50% or more of the total voting power of all outstanding classes of our voting stock or has the power, directly or indirectly, to elect a majority of the members of our board of directors:

- we consolidate with, or merge with or into, another person or we sell, assign, convey, transfer, lease or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of our assets, or any person consolidates with, or merges with or into, us, in any such event other than pursuant to a transaction in which the persons that "beneficially owned" directly or indirectly, the shares of our voting stock immediately prior to such transaction beneficially own, directly or indirectly, shares of voting stock representing a majority of the total voting power of all outstanding classes of voting stock of the surviving or transferee person;
- (3) a majority of the members of our board of directors are not continuing directors (as defined below); or
- (4) our common stock ceases to be listed on a national securities exchange or quoted on The Nasdaq National Market or another established automated over the counter trading market in the United States.

However, a fundamental change will not be deemed to have occurred if in the case of a merger or consolidation, at least 90% of the consideration (excluding cash payments for fractional shares and cash payments pursuant to dissenters' appraisal rights) in the merger or consolidation constituting the fundamental change consists of common stock traded on a national securities exchange or quoted on The Nasdaq National Market (or which will be so traded or quoted when issued or exchanged in connection with such fundamental change) and as a result of such transaction or transactions the debentures become convertible solely into such common stock.

For purposes of this fundamental change definition:

"person" or "group" shall have the meanings given to them for purposes of Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Exchange Act or any successor provisions, and the term "group" includes any group acting for the purpose of acquiring, holding or disposing of securities within the meaning of Rule 13d-5(b)(l) under the Exchange Act, or any successor provision;

a "beneficial owner" will be determined in accordance with Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act, as in effect on the date of the indenture;

"beneficially own" and "beneficially owned" have meanings correlative to that of beneficial owner;

"board of directors" means the Board of Directors or other governing body charged with the ultimate management of any person;

"continuing director" means, as of any date of determination, any member of our board of directors who was a member of such board of directors on the date of the indenture; or was nominated for election or elected to such board of directors with the approval of: (A) a majority of the continuing directors who were members of such board at the time of such nomination or election or (B) a nominating committee, a majority of which committee were continuing directors at the time of such nomination or election.

"capital stock" means: (1) in the case of a corporation, corporate stock; (2) in the case of an association or business entity, any and all shares, interests, participations, rights or other equivalents (however designated) of corporate stock; (3) in the case of a partnership or limited liability company, partnership interests (whether general or limited) or membership interests; or

(4) any other interest or participation that confers on a person the right to receive a share of the profits and losses of, or distributions of assets of, the issuing person;

"voting stock" means any class or classes of capital stock or other interests then outstanding and normally entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) to vote in the election of the board of directors, managers or trustees.

The term "all or substantially all" as used in the definition of fundamental change will likely be interpreted under applicable state law and will be dependent upon particular facts and circumstances. There may be a degree of uncertainty in interpreting this phrase. As a result, we cannot assure holders how a court would interpret this phrase under applicable law if holders elect to exercise their rights following the occurrence of a transaction which such holders believe constitutes a transfer of "all or substantially all" of our assets.

This fundamental change repurchase feature may make more difficult or discourage a takeover of us and the removal of incumbent management. We are not, however, aware of any specific effort to accumulate shares of our common stock or to obtain control of us by means of a merger, tender offer, solicitation or otherwise. In addition, the fundamental change repurchase feature is not part of a plan by management to adopt a series of anti-takeover provisions. Instead, the fundamental change repurchase feature is a result of negotiations between us and the initial purchaser.

We could, in the future, enter into certain transactions, including recapitalizations, that would not constitute a fundamental change but would increase the amount of debt, including other senior indebtedness, outstanding or otherwise adversely affect a holder. Neither we nor our subsidiaries are prohibited from incurring debt, including other senior indebtedness, under the indenture. The incurrence of significant amounts of additional debt could adversely affect our ability to service our debt, including the debentures.

Our ability to repurchase debentures may be limited by restrictions on the ability of SEACOR to obtain funds for such repurchase through dividends from our subsidiaries and the terms of our then existing borrowing agreements. Our failure to repurchase the debentures when required would result in an event of default with respect to the debentures. We cannot assure holders that we would have the financial resources, or would be able to arrange financing, to pay the repurchase price for all the debentures that might be delivered by holders of debentures seeking to exercise the repurchase right. See "Risk Factors" We may not be able to repay or repurchase the principal amount of the debentures when required."

#### **Events of Default**

Each of the following constitutes an event of default with respect to the debentures:

- (1) default in the payment when due of any principal of any of the debentures at maturity, upon redemption or exercise of a repurchase right or otherwise;
- (2) default in the payment of any interest, contingent interest, additional interest or any make-whole premium when due under the debentures, which default continues for 30 days;
- (3) default in our obligation to satisfy our conversion obligation upon exercise of a holder's conversion right, other than as a result of limitations on foreign ownership of shares underlying such conversion;
- (4) default in our obligation to provide notice of the occurrence of a fundamental change when required by the indenture;
- (5) our failure to comply with any of our other agreements in the debentures or the indenture upon our receipt of notice to us of such default from the trustee or to us and the trustee from

holders of not less than 25% in aggregate principal amount at maturity of the debentures, and our failure to cure (or obtain a waiver of) such default within 60 days after we receive such notice;

- our failure to pay when due the principal of, or acceleration of, any indebtedness for money borrowed by us or any of our subsidiaries in excess of \$25.0 million principal amount, if such indebtedness is not discharged, or such acceleration is not annulled, by the end of a period of ten days after written notice to us by the trustee or to us and the trustee by the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding debentures; and
- (7) certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization.

If an event of default, other than an event of default described in clause (7) above with respect to us, occurs and is continuing, either the trustee or the holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the debentures then outstanding may declare the principal amount of the debentures then outstanding plus any interest on the debentures accrued and unpaid (including contingent interest and additional interest, if any) through the date of such declaration to be immediately due and payable. If an event of default described in clause (7) above occurs with respect to us, the principal amount of the debentures plus accrued and unpaid interest (including contingent interest and additional interest, if any) will automatically become immediately due and payable.

At any time after a declaration of acceleration has been made, but before a judgment or decree for payment of money has been obtained by the trustee, and subject to applicable law and certain other provisions of the indenture, the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the debentures then outstanding may, under certain circumstances, rescind and annul such acceleration.

Subject to the indenture, applicable law and the trustee's indemnification, the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debentures will have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the trustee or exercising any trust or power conferred on the trustee with respect to the debentures.

No holder will have any right to institute any proceeding under the indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver or a trustee, or for any other remedy under the indenture unless:

the holder has previously given the trustee written notice of a continuing event of default;

the holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the debentures then outstanding have made a written request and have offered reasonable indemnity to the trustee to institute such proceeding as trustee; and

the trustee has failed to institute such proceeding within 60 days after such notice, request and offer, and has not received from the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the debentures then outstanding a direction inconsistent with such request within 60 days after such notice, request and offer.

However, the above limitations do not apply to a suit instituted by a holder for the enforcement of payment of the principal of or any interest on any debenture on or after the applicable due date or the right to convert the debenture in accordance with the indenture.

Generally, the holders of not less than a majority of the aggregate principal amount of outstanding debentures may waive any default or event of default unless:

we fail to pay principal of or any interest (including contingent interest and additional interest, if any) on any debenture when due or the payment of any repurchase price;

we fail to convert any debenture into common stock and/or cash, other than as a result of limitations on foreign ownership of shares of our common stock; or

we fail to comply with any of the provisions of the indenture that would require the consent of the holder of each outstanding debenture affected.

We are required to furnish to the trustee, on an annual basis, a statement by our officers as to whether or not we, to the officers' knowledge, are in default in the performance or observance of any of the terms, provisions and conditions of the indenture, specifying any known defaults.

#### Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets

We may not consolidate with or merge into any person in a transaction in which we are not the surviving person or convey, transfer or lease all or substantially all of our properties and assets to any successor person, unless:

we are the surviving person or the resulting, surviving or transferee person, if other than us, is organized and validly existing under the laws of the United States of America, any state of the United States, or the District of Columbia and assumes our obligations on the debentures and under the indenture; and

immediately after giving effect to the transaction, no default or event of default shall have occurred and be continuing.

When such a person assumes our obligations in such circumstances, subject to certain exceptions we shall be discharged from all obligations under the debentures and the indenture. Although the indenture permits these transactions, some of the transactions described above could constitute a fundamental change of SEACOR and permit each holder to require us to repurchase the debentures of such holder as described above under "Repurchase of Debentures at the Option of Holders Repurchase of Debentures at the Option of Holders upon a Fundamental Change."

#### **Modification and Waiver**

We and the trustee may amend or supplement the indenture or the debentures with the consent of the holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debentures. In addition, the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debentures may waive our compliance in any instance with any provision of the indenture without notice to the holders. However, no amendment, supplement or waiver be made without the consent of the holder of each outstanding debenture if such amendment, supplement or wavier would:

- (1) change the stated maturity of the principal of or the payment date of any installment of interest, contingent interest or additional interest on or with respect to the debentures;
- (2) reduce the principal amount of, repurchase price or redemption price of, the make-whole premium or rate of interest, contingent interest or additional interest on any debenture;
- reduce the amount of principal payable upon acceleration of the maturity of any debenture;
- (4) change the currency in which the principal of, repurchase price or redemption price or rate of interest with respect to the debentures is payable;

(5) impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any payment on, or with respect to, any debenture; (6) modify the provisions with respect to the repurchase rights of the holders upon the events described under " Repurchase of Debentures at the Option of Holders Optional Put" in a manner adverse to holders; (7) adversely affect the right of holders to convert debentures other than as provided in the indenture; (8) reduce the percentage in principal amount of the outstanding debentures, the consent of whose holders is required in order to take specific actions including, but not limited to, the waiver of past defaults or the modification or amendment of the indenture; or (9) alter the manner of calculation or rate of accrual of interest, contingent interest or additional interest, redemption price, repurchase price or the make-whole premium on any debenture or extend the time or payment of any such amount. We and the trustee may amend or supplement the indenture or the debentures without notice to, or the consent of the holders to, among other things: (1)to cure any ambiguity, defect, omission, mistake or inconsistency; (2) to provide for uncertificated debentures in addition to or in place of certificated debentures; (3) to provide for the assumption of our obligations to holders of debentures in the case of a share exchange, merger or consolidation or sale of all or substantially all of our assets; (4) to make any change that would provide any additional rights or benefits to the holders of debentures or that does not adversely affect in any material respect the legal rights under the indenture of any such holder; (5) to add a guarantor; (6) to comply with requirements of the SEC in order to effect or maintain the qualification of the indenture under the Trust Indenture Act; (7) to secure the debentures; (8) to comply with the rules of any applicable securities depositary, including DTC; (9) to conform the text of the indenture or the notes to any provision of this Description of the Debentures to the extent that such provision was intended to be a recitation of the text of this Description of the Debentures; or

to provide for a successor trustee in accordance with the terms of the indenture or to otherwise comply with any requirement

#### Satisfaction and Discharge

of the indenture.

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We may satisfy and discharge our obligations under the indenture by delivering to the trustee for cancellation all outstanding debentures or by depositing with the paying agent or conversion agent, as the case may be, after the debentures have become due and payable, whether at maturity or any repurchase date or by delivery of a notice of redemption or conversion or otherwise, cash or shares of common stock (as applicable under the terms of the indenture) sufficient to pay all of the outstanding debentures and paying all other sums payable under the indenture. Such discharge is subject to terms contained in the indenture.

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#### **Calculations in Respect of the Debentures**

We or our agents will be responsible for making all calculations called for under the debentures. These calculations include, but are not limited to, determination of the trading price of the debentures and sale price of our common stock and the projected payment schedule. We or our agents will make all these calculations in good faith and, absent manifest error, our and their calculations will be final and binding on holders of debentures. We or our agents will provide a schedule of these calculations to the trustee, and the trustee is entitled to conclusively rely upon the accuracy of these calculations without independent verification.

#### **Governing Law**

The indenture and the debentures are governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

#### **Concerning the Trustee**

U.S. Bank National Association is the trustee under the indenture. The trustee will be the paying agent, conversion agent, registrar and bid solicitation agent for the debentures. The trustee can be contacted at the address set forth below regarding transfer or conversion of the debentures.

If the trustee becomes a creditor of ours, the indenture limits the right of the trustee to obtain payment of claims in certain cases, or to realize on certain property received in respect of any such claims as security or otherwise. The trustee will be permitted to engage in other transactions; however, if it acquires any conflicting interest it must eliminate such conflict with 90 days, apply to the SEC for permission to continue as trustee (it the indenture has been qualified under the Trust Indenture Act) or resign.

#### **Book-Entry Delivery and Form**

We initially issued the debentures in the form of one or more global securities. The global security was deposited with the trustee as custodian for DTC and registered in the name of Cede & Co., as DTC's nominee. Except as set forth below, the global security may be transferred, in whole and not in part, only to DTC or another nominee of DTC. Holders may hold their beneficial interests in the global security directly through DTC if they have an account with DTC or indirectly through organizations that have accounts with DTC. Debentures in definitive certificated form (called "certificated securities") will be issued only in certain limited circumstances described below.

DTC has advised us that it is:

- a limited purpose trust company organized under the laws of the State of New York;
- a member of the Federal Reserve System;
- a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code; and
- a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act.

DTC was created to hold securities of institutions that have accounts with DTC (called "participants") and to facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions among its participants in such securities through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of the participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of securities certificates. DTC's participants include securities brokers and dealers, which may include the initial purchaser, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations. Access to DTC's book-entry system is also available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies (called the "indirect").

participants") that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, whether directly or indirectly.

Ownership of beneficial interests in the global security will be limited to participants or persons that may hold interests through participants. Ownership of beneficial interests in the global security will be shown on, and the transfer of those beneficial interests will be effected only through, records maintained by DTC (with respect to participants' interests), the participants and the indirect participants. The laws of some jurisdictions may require that certain purchasers of securities take physical delivery of such securities in definitive form. These limits and laws may impair the ability to transfer or pledge beneficial interests in the global security.

Owners of beneficial interests in global securities who desire to convert their interests into common stock should contact their brokers or other participants or indirect participants through whom they hold such beneficial interests to obtain information on procedures, including proper forms and cut-off times, for submitting requests for conversion.

So long as DTC, or its nominee, is the registered owner or holder of a global security, DTC or its nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or holder of the debentures represented by the global security for all purposes under the indenture and the debentures. In addition, no owner of a beneficial interest in a global security will be able to transfer that interest except in accordance with the applicable procedures of DTC. Except as set forth below, as an owner of a beneficial interest in the global security, holders will not be entitled to have the debentures represented by the global security registered in their name, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of certificated securities and will not be considered to be the owner or holder of any debentures under the global security. We understand that, under existing industry practice, if an owner of a beneficial interest in the global security desires to take any action that DTC, as the holder of the global security, is entitled to take, DTC would authorize the participants to take such action, and the participants would authorize beneficial owners owning through such participants to take such action or would otherwise act upon the instructions of beneficial owners owning through them.

We will make payments of principal of, premium, if any, and any interest on the debentures represented by the global security registered in the name of and held by DTC or its nominee to DTC or its nominee, as the case may be, as the registered owner and holder of the global security. We expect that DTC or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal of, premium, if any, or additional interest, if any, on the global security, will credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the principal amount of the global security as shown on the records of DTC or its nominee. We also expect that payments by participants or indirect participants to owners of beneficial interests in the global security held through such participants or indirect participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices and will be the responsibility of such participants or indirect participants. Neither we, the trustee nor any paying agent or conversion agent will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to, or payments made on account of, beneficial interests in the global security for any debenture or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to such beneficial interests or for any other aspect of the relationship between DTC and its participants or indirect participants or the relationship between such participants or indirect participants and the owners of beneficial interests in the global security owning through such participants.

Transfers between participants in DTC will be effected in the ordinary way in accordance with DTC rules and will be settled in same-day funds.

DTC has advised us that it will take any action permitted to be taken by a holder of debentures only at the direction of one or more participants to whose account the DTC interests in the global security is credited, and only in respect of such portion of the aggregate principal amount of debentures as to which such participant or participants has or have given such direction. However, if

DTC notifies us that it is unwilling to be a depository for the global security or ceases to be a clearing agency or there is an event of default under the debentures, DTC will exchange the global security for certificated securities, which it will distribute to its participants and which will be legended, if required, as set forth under the heading "Transfer Restrictions."

Although DTC is expected to follow the foregoing procedures in order to facilitate transfers of interests in the global security among participants of DTC, it is under no obligation to perform or continue to perform such procedures, and such procedures may be discontinued at any time. Neither we nor the trustee will have any responsibility or liability for the performance by DTC or the participants or indirect participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their respective operations.

#### **Registration Rights**

The following summary of the registration rights to be provided in the registration rights agreement and the debentures is not complete. You should refer to the registration rights agreement for a full description of the registration rights that apply to the debentures.

We will agree to file a shelf registration statement under the Securities Act not later than 100 days after the first date of original issuance of the debentures to register resales of the debentures and the shares of common stock into which the debentures are convertible. The debentures and the common stock issuable upon conversion of the debentures are referred to collectively as registrable securities. We will use our reasonable best efforts to have this shelf registration statement declared effective as soon as practicable but not later than 180 days after the first date of original issuance of the debentures, and to keep it effective until the earliest of:

- (1) two years from the first date of original issuance of the debentures offered hereby;
- (2) the date when all registrable securities shall have been registered under the Securities Act and disposed of; and
- (3)
  the date on which all registrable securities held by non-affiliates are eligible to be sold to the public pursuant to Rule 144(k) under the Securities Act.

If we notify the holders in accordance with the registration rights agreement upon the occurrence of certain events, then the holders will suspend the use of the prospectus until the requisite changes have been made and the period of effectiveness of the shelf registration statement provided for above shall be extended by the number of days from and including the date of the giving of such notice to and including the date when holders have received the amended or supplemented prospectus.

A holder of registrable securities that sells registrable securities pursuant to the shelf registration statement generally will be required to provide information about itself and the specifics of the sale, be named as a selling securityholder in the related prospectus, deliver a prospectus to purchasers, be subject to relevant civil liability provisions under the Securities Act in connection with such sales and be bound by the provisions of the registration rights agreements which are applicable to such holder.

If:

- (1) the shelf registration statement has not been filed with the SEC by the 100th day after the first date of original issuance of the debentures;
- (2) the shelf registration statement has not been declared effective by the SEC by the 180th day after the first date of original issue of the debentures;
- after the shelf registration statement has been declared effective, such shelf registration statement ceases to be effective, or the shelf registration statement or prospectus contained therein ceases to be usable in connection with the resales of debentures and the common

stock issuable upon the conversion of the debentures, in accordance with and during the periods specified in the registration rights agreement because either (1) any event occurs as a result of which the prospectus forming part of such shelf registration statement would include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein in the light of the circumstances under which they were made not misleading or (2) it shall be necessary to amend such shelf registration statement or supplement the related prospectus, to comply with the Securities Act or Exchange Act or the respective rules thereunder; or

(4)
after the effectiveness of the shelf registration statement, we have failed to timely comply with any of our obligations with respect to filing any amendments or supplements to the shelf registration statement so that a holder that has returned a completed questionnaire (as defined below) may use the prospectus

(we refer to each such event described above in clauses (1) through (4) as a registration default), additional interest will accrue on the debentures, from and including the date on which the registration default shall occur to but excluding the date on which all such registration defaults have been cured, at the rate of 0.50% per year. Additional amounts shall accumulate on any common stock issued upon conversion of the debentures at an equivalent rate.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, after the effectiveness of the shelf registration statement, we may suspend the availability of the shelf registration statement and the use of any prospectus by written notice to the holders for a period or periods not to exceed an aggregate of 45 calendar days in any 90-calendar day period, and not to exceed 90 calendar days in any twelve-month period (each such period, a "Deferral Period") without incurring such additional interest or additional amounts if:

- (i) an event has occurred and is continuing as a result of which the shelf registration statement would, in our reasonable judgment, contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; and
- (ii) we determine in good faith that the disclosure of such event at such time would have a material adverse effect on our company and its subsidiaries taken as a whole and is not otherwise then required by law to be disclosed;

provided, however, that in the event the disclosure relates to a proposed or pending material business transaction that is previously not disclosed publicly, the disclosure of which would, in our judgment, impede our ability to consummate such transaction, we may extend a Deferral Period from 45 calendar days to 60 calendar days in any 90-calendar day period without incurring such additional interest or additional amounts; provided, however, that any such extension of a Deferral Period shall be included in calculating the 90 calendar days referred to above.

We will give notice, of our intention to file the shelf registration statement, which we refer to as a filing notice, to each of the holders of the debentures in the same manner as we would give notice to holders of debentures under the indenture. The filing notice will seek, among other things, a determination from each of such holders as to whether such holder elects to have its debentures and the common stock issuable upon conversion thereof registered for sale pursuant to the shelf registration statement.

We will give notice to all holders who have provided us with the notice and questionnaire described below of the effectiveness of the shelf registration statement. Holders will need to complete the notice and questionnaire attached as Annex A to this prospectus prior to any intended distribution of their registrable securities pursuant to the shelf registration statement. We refer to this form of notice and questionnaire as the "questionnaire." Holders are required to deliver the questionnaire prior to the effectiveness of the shelf registration statement so that they can be named as a selling

securityholder in the prospectus. At the end of each fiscal quarter, as promptly as practicable after the filing of each Form 10-K or Form 10-Q that we file, we will file a supplement to the prospectus contained in the registration statement under Rule 424(b) of the Securities Act as promptly as practicable or, if required by applicable law, a post-effective amendment to the shelf registration statement or an additional shelf registration statement so that holders whose securities are not registered and who, during such fiscal quarter, shall have completed and delivered to us a questionnaire after the effectiveness of the shelf registration statement may use the prospectus, subject to our right to suspend use of the registration statement under certain circumstances.

We will pay all expenses incident to our performance of and compliance with the registration rights agreement, provide each holder that is selling registrable securities pursuant to the shelf registration statement copies of the related prospectus and take other actions as are required to permit, subject to the foregoing, unrestricted resales of the registrable securities.

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#### DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

Our authorized capital stock is 40,000,000 shares of common stock, \$0.01 par value, and 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock, \$0.01 par value. At March 8, 2005, 18,380,811 shares of common stock and no shares of preferred stock were outstanding. In addition to the summary of our capital stock that follows, we encourage you to review our restated certificate of incorporation, as amended, and amended and restated bylaws, which we have filed with the SEC.

Our certificate of incorporation restricts the amount of our equity securities that may be beneficially owned by foreign persons.

Holders of our common stock are entitled to one vote for each share held on all matters submitted to a vote of stockholders and do not have cumulative voting rights. Accordingly, holders of a plurality of the shares of common stock entitled to vote in any election of directors may elect directors. Holders of common stock are entitled to receive proportionately any dividends as may be declared by our board of directors, subject to any preferential dividend rights of outstanding preferred stock. Upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding up, the holders of common stock are entitled to receive proportionately our net assets available after the payment of all debts and other liabilities and subject to the prior rights of any outstanding preferred stock. Holders of common stock have no preemptive, subscription, redemption or conversion rights. The rights, preferences and privileges of holders of common stock are subject to, and may be adversely affected by, the rights of the holders of shares of any series of preferred stock which we may designate and issue in the future. The transfer agent and registrar for our common stock is American Stock Transfer & Trust Company.

#### Anti-takeover Effects of Certain Provisions of Our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws

Certain provisions of our certificate of incorporation and bylaws, which we summarize in the following paragraphs, may be deemed to have an anti-takeover effect and may delay, defer or prevent a tender offer or takeover attempt that a stockholder might consider in its best interest, including those attempts that might result in a premium over the market price for the shares held by stockholders.

Our certificate of incorporation requires the affirmative vote of the holders of not less than  $66^2/3\%$  of the voting power of our outstanding shares to approve any merger, consolidation or similar business combination transaction in which we are not the surviving corporation or in which our shares are exchanged for or changed into other securities, cash or other property, or any combination thereof.

Our certificate of incorporation provides that stockholders may take action by written consent, but only if the holders of at least 66<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>% of the voting power of our outstanding shares so consent. Special meetings of stockholders may be called only by the chairman of the board of directors, the president or a majority of the board of directors.

Our bylaws provide that stockholders seeking to bring business before an annual meeting of stockholders, or to nominate candidates for election as directors at an annual meeting of stockholders or at a special meeting of stockholders, must provide timely notice of their proposals to the secretary in writing. To be timely as to bringing business before an annual meeting of stockholders, a stockholder's notice must be delivered to or mailed and received at our principal executive offices not less than 90 calendar days prior to the anniversary of the previous year's annual meeting of stockholders (or, if there was no prior annual meeting, not less than 90 calendar days before the second Tuesday in May of the current year). If the date of the annual meeting of stockholders has been changed to be more than 20 days earlier than or 60 days after such anniversary, for notice by the stockholder to be timely, we must receive such notice not later than the later of:

90 days prior to such annual meeting of stockholders, or

the seventh day following the date on which notice of the date of the meeting is given to stockholders or made public, whichever occurs first.

To be timely as to nominating candidates for election as directors, a stockholder's notice must be delivered or mailed and received by our secretary not less than, with respect to an election at an annual meeting, 90 calendar days prior to the anniversary of the previous year's annual meeting, or, if there was no prior annual meeting not less than 90 calendar days prior to the third Tuesday in October of the current year. With respect to an election at a special meeting of stockholders, our secretary must receive the stockholder's notice not less than the close of business on the fifth calendar day following the date on which notice of the meeting is given to stockholders. Our bylaws also specify certain requirements as to the form and content of a stockholder's notice both as to bringing business before an annual meeting of stockholders and as to nominating candidates for election as directors. These provisions could have the effect of delaying stockholders from bringing matters before an annual meeting of stockholders or from making nominations for directors at an annual meeting of stockholders.

Our certificate of incorporation and our bylaws require the affirmative vote of the holders of not less than  $66^2/3\%$  of the voting power of our outstanding shares to amend or adopt provisions inconsistent with several of the provisions described that may have an anti-takeover effect.

The authorized but unissued shares of common stock and preferred stock are available for future issuance without stockholder approval. We may use these additional shares for a variety of corporate purposes, including future public offerings to raise additional capital, corporate acquisitions and employee benefit plans. The existence of authorized by unissued shares of common stock and preferred stock could render more difficult or discourage an attempt to obtain control of our company by means of a proxy contest, tender offer, merger or otherwise.

The Delaware General Corporation Law provides generally that the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares entitled to vote on any matter is required to amend a corporation's certificate of incorporation or bylaws, unless a corporation's certificate of incorporation or bylaws, as the case may be, requires a greater percentage.

#### Limitation of Liability and Indemnification Matters

As permitted by applicable Delaware law, our restated certificate of incorporation includes a provision to eliminate the personal liability of our directors for monetary damages for breach or alleged breach of their fiduciary duties as directors, subject to limited exceptions. In addition, our bylaws provide that we are required to indemnify our officers and directors under a variety of circumstances, including those circumstances in which indemnification would otherwise be discretionary, and we are required to advance expenses to our officers and directors as incurred in connection with proceedings against them for which they may be indemnified. We have also obtained insurance in amounts commensurate with similar public companies covering our directors and officers from claims made in connection with their serving as our directors and officers. We believe that these indemnification provisions are necessary to attract and retain qualified persons as directors and officers.

At present, we are not aware of any pending or threatened litigation or proceeding involving a director, officer, employee or agent of ours in which indemnification would be required or permitted.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of may be granted to directors, officers or persons controlling us under the foregoing provisions, we have been informed that in the opinion of the SEC this indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is therefore unenforceable.

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#### MATERIAL U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

The following discussion describes the material U.S. federal income tax considerations of the beneficial ownership and disposition of the debentures and our common stock into which the debentures may be converted. This discussion applies only to holders that hold the debentures and our common stock as capital assets (generally, for investment).

This discussion does not describe all of the tax considerations that may be relevant to holders subject to special rules, such as:

certain financial institutions;
insurance companies;
dealers and certain traders in securities;
tax-exempt organizations;
persons holding the debentures or our common stock as part of a "straddle," "hedge," "conversion" or similar transaction;
United States Holders (as defined below) whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar;
certain former citizens or residents of the United States;
partnerships or other entities classified as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes and the members thereof; and
persons subject to the alternative minimum tax.

This discussion is based on the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), administrative pronouncements, judicial decisions and final, temporary and proposed Treasury regulations, changes to any of which subsequent to the date of this prospectus may affect the tax consequences described herein, possibly with retroactive effect. This discussion does not describe any tax consequences arising out of the tax laws of any state, local or foreign jurisdiction or any possible applicability of the U.S. federal gift or estate tax laws.

THIS DISCUSSION IS PROVIDED FOR GENERAL INFORMATION ONLY AND DOES NOT CONSTITUTE LEGAL ADVICE TO ANY POTENTIAL INVESTOR BASED UPON ITS SPECIFIC TAX POSITION. PERSONS CONSIDERING THE PURCHASE OF THE DEBENTURES SHOULD CONSULT THEIR TAX ADVISORS WITH REGARD TO THE APPLICATION OF THE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX LAWS TO THEIR PARTICULAR SITUATIONS AS WELL AS ANY TAX CONSEQUENCES ARISING UNDER THE LAWS OF ANY STATE, LOCAL OR FOREIGN TAXING JURISDICTION.

#### **Classification of the Debentures**

Under the indenture governing the debentures, we have agreed, and by acceptance of a beneficial interest in a debenture, each holder of a debenture will be deemed to have agreed, to treat the debentures as indebtedness for U.S. federal income tax purposes that is subject to the Treasury regulations governing contingent payment debt instruments (the "contingent payment debt regulations"). Pursuant to the terms of the indenture, we and every holder agree (in the absence of an administrative determination or judicial ruling to the contrary) to be bound by our application of the contingent payment debt regulations to the debentures, including our determination of the projected payment schedule (as described below) and the comparable yield (as described below), which is the rate at which interest is deemed to accrue on the debentures for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

The Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") has issued a ruling addressing the U.S. federal income tax classification and treatment of instruments similar, although not identical, to the debentures, and concluded that the instruments addressed in that published guidance were subject to the contingent payment debt regulations. In addition, the IRS clarified various aspects of the potential applicability of certain other provisions of the Code to the instruments addressed in that published guidance. However, the ruling is limited to its particular facts, and the proper application of the contingent payment debt regulations to the debentures is uncertain in a number of respects; therefore, no assurance can be given that the IRS will not assert that the debentures should be treated differently. A different treatment of the debentures upon a successful challenge by the IRS or a change in law could significantly affect the amount, timing and character of income, gain or loss with respect to an investment in the debentures. Specifically, a holder might be required to accrue interest at a lower rate, might not recognize income, gain or loss upon conversion of the debentures to common stock, and might recognize capital gain rather than ordinary income upon a taxable disposition of the debentures. Accordingly, you should consult your tax advisor regarding the U.S. federal income tax consequences of an investment in the debentures and the applicability of any proposed legislation (and the prospects of applicable future legislation), as well as with respect to any tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, local or foreign taxing jurisdiction and the possible effects of changes in such tax laws.

The remainder of this discussion assumes that the debentures will be treated as indebtedness subject to the contingent payment debt regulations as discussed above.

#### **Tax Consequences to United States Holders**

As used herein, the term "United States Holder" means a beneficial owner of a debenture or our common stock that is for U.S. federal income tax purposes:

a citizen or resident of the United States:

a corporation, or other entity taxable as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes, created or organized in or under the laws of the United States or of any political subdivision thereof;

an estate the income of which is includible in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source; or

a trust, if a U.S. court is able to exercise primary supervision over administration of the trust and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust or if the trust has a valid election in effect under applicable Treasury regulations to be treated as a United States person.

#### Interest Accruals on the Debentures

Under the contingent payment debt regulations, a United States Holder, regardless of its method of accounting for U.S. federal income tax purposes, will be required to accrue interest income on the debentures on a constant yield basis at an assumed yield (the "comparable yield") that was determined at the time of issuance of the debentures. Accordingly, United States Holders generally will be required to include interest in income, in each year prior to maturity, in excess of the regular interest payments on the debentures. The comparable yield for the debentures is based on the yield at which, at the time of issue, we could have issued a nonconvertible fixed rate debt instrument with no contingent payments, but with terms and conditions otherwise similar to those of the debentures. We have determined the comparable yield to be 6.75%, compounded semi-annually.

Solely for purposes of determining the amount of interest income that a United States Holder is required to accrue, we were required to construct a "projected payment schedule" in respect of the debentures representing a series of payments the amount and timing of which produce a yield to

maturity on the debentures equal to the comparable yield. The projected payment schedule includes the amount of each noncontingent payment and an estimate for each payment, taking into account the conversion feature. Holders that wish to obtain the projected payment schedule may do so by submitting a written request for such information to SEACOR Holdings Inc., INVESTOR RELATIONS, 460 Park Avenue, 12th Floor, New York, NY 10022.

Neither the comparable yield nor the projected payment schedule constitutes a projection or representation by us regarding the actual amount that will be paid on the debentures, or the value at any time of the common stock into which the debentures may be converted. Pursuant to the terms of the indenture, we and every United States Holder agree (in the absence of an administrative determination or judicial ruling to the contrary) to be bound by our determination of the comparable yield and projected payment schedule.

It is possible that the IRS could challenge our determination of the comparable yield and projected payment schedule. The yield, if redetermined as a result of such a challenge, could be greater or less than the comparable yield provided by us, and the projected payment schedule could differ materially from the projected payment schedule we have provided. In such case, the taxable income of a holder arising from the ownership, sale, exchange, conversion, redemption or retirement of a debenture could be increased or decreased.

Based on the comparable yield and the issue price of the debentures, a United States Holder (regardless of its accounting method) will be required to accrue interest as the sum of the daily portions of interest on the debentures for each day in the taxable year on which the United States Holder holds the debenture, adjusted upward or downward to reflect the difference, if any, between the actual and projected amount of any contingent payments on the debentures (as set forth below). The issue price of the debentures was the first price at which a substantial amount of the debentures was sold to the public, excluding sales to bond houses, brokers or similar persons or organizations acting in the capacity as underwriters, placement agents or wholesalers (the "issue price").

The daily portions of interest in respect of a debenture are determined by allocating to each day in an accrual period the ratable portion of interest on the debenture that accrues in the accrual period. The amount of interest on a debenture that accrues in an accrual period is the product of the comparable yield on the debenture (adjusted to reflect the length of the accrual period) and the adjusted issue price of the debenture as of the beginning of the accrual period. The adjusted issue price of a debenture at the beginning of any accrual periods is (x) the sum of the issue price of such debenture and any interest previously accrued thereon (disregarding any positive or negative adjustments described below) minus (y) the amount of any noncontingent payments and the amount of any projected payments on the debentures for previous accrual periods. Further, a United States Holder whose tax basis in a debenture differs from the adjusted issue price of such debenture at the time of acquisition must reasonably allocate the difference to (i) daily portions of interest or (ii) the projected payments over the remaining term of such debenture. An allocation to daily portions of interest should be reasonable to the extent that the difference is due to a change in the yield, at such acquisition date, at which we could issue a nonconvertible fixed rate debt instrument with no contingent payments, but with terms otherwise similar to those of the debentures. An allocation to the projected payments should be reasonable to the extent that the anticipated value of our common stock over the remaining term of the debenture, determined on the basis of the market conditions at the acquisition date, differs from the anticipated value of our common stock as such value was determined on the basis of the market conditions that prevailed at the time of original issuance.

If a United States Holder's tax basis in a debenture is greater than the adjusted issue price of such debenture, the amount of the difference allocated to a daily portion of interest or a projected payment will be treated as a negative adjustment (the effect of which is discussed below) on the date on which the daily portion accrues or the payment is made. On the date of the adjustment, the United States

Holder's adjusted tax basis in such debenture will be reduced by the amount that the United States Holder treats as a negative adjustment. In contrast, if a United States Holder's tax basis in a debenture is less than the adjusted issue price of such debenture, the amount of the difference allocated to a daily portion of interest or to a projected payment will be treated as a positive adjustment (the effect of which is discussed below) on the date on which the daily portion accrues or the payment is made. On the date of the adjustment, the United States Holder's adjusted tax basis in such debenture will be increased by the amount that the United States Holder treats as a positive adjustment. A United States Holder that purchases debentures for an amount that is more or less than the adjusted issue price of such debentures should consult its tax advisor regarding the adjustments described above.

#### Adjustments to Interest Accruals on the Debentures

In addition to the interest accrual discussed above, a United States Holder will be required to recognize interest income equal to the amount of the excess of actual payments over projected payments (a "positive adjustment") in respect of a debenture for a taxable year. For this purpose, the payments in a taxable year include the fair market value of property (including our common stock) received in that year and also should include any additional interest received in that year. If a United States Holder receives actual payments that are less than the projected payments in respect of a debenture for a taxable year, the United States Holder will incur a "negative adjustment" equal to the amount of such difference. This negative adjustment will (i) first reduce the amount of interest in respect of the debenture that a United States Holder would otherwise be required to include in income in that taxable year and (ii) to the extent of any excess, give rise to an ordinary loss equal to that portion of such excess that does not exceed the excess of (A) the amount of all previous interest inclusions under the debenture over (B) the total amount of the United States Holder's net negative adjustments treated as ordinary loss on the debenture in prior taxable years. Any negative adjustment in excess of the amounts described in (i) and (ii) will be carried forward to offset future interest income in respect of the debentures or, if there is a negative adjustment carryforward on the debenture in a taxable year in which the debenture is sold, converted, exchanged, redeemed or retired, to reduce the amount realized on a sale, conversion, exchange, redemption or retirement of the debentures. A net negative adjustment is not subject to the two percent floor limitation imposed on miscellaneous deductions under Section 67 of the Code.

Amounts treated as interest under the contingent payment debt regulations are treated as original issue discount for all purposes of the Code.

Sale, Conversion, Exchange, Redemption or Retirement of the Debentures

Upon a sale, conversion, exchange, redemption or retirement of a debenture for cash or our common stock, a United States Holder will generally recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount realized on the sale, conversion, exchange, redemption or retirement (including the make whole premium, if any, and the fair market value of our common stock received, if any) and such United States Holder's adjusted tax basis in a debenture will generally be equal to the United States Holder's purchase price for the debenture, increased by any interest income previously accrued by the United States Holder (determined without regard to any positive or negative adjustments to interest accruals described above) and decreased by the amount of any noncontingent payments and the projected amount of any contingent payments previously made on the debentures to the United States Holder. A United States Holder generally will treat any gain as interest income, and any loss as ordinary loss to the extent of the excess of previous interest inclusions over the total negative adjustments previously taken into account as ordinary loss, and the balance as capital loss. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations. A United States Holder that sells the debentures at a loss that meets certain thresholds may be required to file a disclosure statement with the IRS.

A United States Holder's tax basis in our common stock received upon a conversion of a debenture will equal the then current fair market value of such common stock. The United States Holder's holding period for the common stock received will commence on the day immediately following the date of conversion.

#### Constructive Dividends

If at any time we increase the conversion rate of the debentures, either at our discretion or pursuant to the conversion rate adjustment provisions contained in the debentures, the increase may be treated as a constructive distribution to United States Holders. Furthermore, in certain circumstances, the failure to provide for an adjustment to the conversion rate may also be treated as a constructive distribution. Any such constructive distribution would be treated as a taxable dividend to such holders to the extent of our current and/or accumulated earnings and profits. Therefore, United States Holders may recognize income in the event of a constructive distribution in the manner described under " Tax Consequences to United States Holders Taxation of Distributions on our Common Stock" below, even though they may not receive any cash or property. It is not clear whether a constructive dividend deemed paid to a United States Holder would be eligible for the preferential rates of U.S. federal income tax that are applicable to certain dividends received. It is also unclear whether corporate United States Holders would be entitled to claim the dividends received deduction with respect to any such constructive dividends.

Adjustments to the conversion rate made pursuant to a bona fide, reasonable adjustment formula which has the effect of preventing the dilution of the interest of the holders of the debentures generally will not be considered to result in a constructive distribution to the United States Holders. Certain of the possible adjustments under the conversion rate adjustment provisions contained in the debentures (including, without limitation, adjustments in respect of taxable dividends to our stockholders) may not qualify as being made pursuant to a bona fide reasonable adjustment formula. However, adjustments to the conversion rates in the event of stock dividends or the distribution of rights to subscribe for our common stock generally will not be considered to result in a constructive distribution.

#### Taxation of Distributions on Common Stock

Distributions paid on our common stock received upon conversion of a debenture, other than certain pro rata distributions of common shares, will be treated as a dividend to the extent paid out of current and/or accumulated earnings and profits (as determined under U.S. federal income tax principles) and will be includible in income by the United States Holder and taxable as ordinary income when received. If a distribution exceeds our current and accumulated earnings and profits, the excess will be first treated as a tax-free return of the United States Holder's investment, up to the United States Holder's tax basis in the common stock. Any remaining excess will be treated as a capital gain. Dividends received by noncorporate United States Holders on common stock in tax years beginning on or before December 31, 2008 may be subject to U.S. federal income tax at lower rates than other types of ordinary income if certain conditions are met. United States Holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding the implications of these rules in their particular circumstances.

#### Sale or Other Disposition of Common Stock

Gain or loss realized by a United States Holder on the sale or other disposition of our common stock received upon conversion of a debenture will be capital gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and will be long-term capital gain or loss if the United States Holder held the common stock for more than one year. The amount of the United States Holder's gain or loss will be equal to the difference between the United States Holder's tax basis in the common stock disposed of and the amount realized on the disposition. A United States Holder who sells the stock at a loss that meets certain thresholds may be required to file a disclosure statement with the IRS.

#### Tax Consequences to Non-United States Holders

As used herein, the term "Non-United States Holder" means a beneficial owner (other than a partnership) of a debenture or our common stock that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes:

an individual who is classified as a nonresident alien for U.S. federal income tax purposes and who is not, by reason of being either a United States expatriate or a former long-term resident, taxable under Section 877 of the Code;

a foreign corporation; or

a foreign estate or foreign trust.

#### Payments on the Debentures

All payments on the debentures made to a Non-United States Holder, including any additional interest and a payment in our common stock or cash (including any make whole premium) pursuant to a conversion, exchange, redemption or retirement and any gain realized on a sale of the debentures, will be exempt from U.S. federal income and withholding tax, provided that:

the Non-United States Holder does not own, actually or constructively, 10% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of our stock entitled to vote and is not a controlled foreign corporation related, directly or indirectly, to us through stock ownership and is not a bank receiving certain types of interest;

the Non-United States Holder provides, prior to payment, its name and address, and certifies, under penalties of perjury, that it is not a "United States person" (which certification may be made on an IRS Form W-8BEN (or successor form));

such payments are not effectively connected with the conduct by such Non-United States Holder of a trade or business in the United States and, if certain treaty provisions apply, are not attributable to a permanent establishment maintained by such holder in the United States;

the debentures and our common stock are actively traded within the meaning of Section 871(h)(4)(C)(v)(I) of the Code; and

in the case of gain realized on the sale, conversion, exchange, redemption or retirement of the debentures (which is treated as ordinary interest income), we are not, and have not been within the shorter of the five-year period preceding such sale, conversion, exchange, redemption or retirement and the period during which the Non-United States Holder held the debentures, a United States real property holding corporation. We believe that we are not, and do not anticipate becoming, a United States real property holding corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

However, if a Non-United States Holder were deemed to have received a constructive dividend (see "Tax Consequences to United States Holders Constructive Dividends" above), the Non-United States Holder generally will be subject to U.S. withholding tax at a 30% rate, subject to reduction by an applicable treaty, on the taxable amount of the dividend. It is possible that this tax would be withheld from amounts owed to you, including, but not limited to, interest, shares of our common stock or sales proceeds subsequently paid or credited to you. A Non-United States Holder who is subject to withholding tax under such circumstances should consult its own tax advisor as to whether it can obtain a refund for all or a portion of the withholding tax.

With respect to the second bullet point above, special certification rules apply to Non-United States Holders that are pass-through entities rather than corporations or individuals. Prospective investors should consult their tax advisors regarding the certification requirements for Non-United States Holders.

If a Non-United States Holder cannot satisfy the requirements described in the bullet points above, payments of interest (including original issue discount and a payment of stock or cash pursuant to a conversion, redemption or retirement which is taxable or interest or original issue discount) will be subject to the 30% U.S. withholding tax, unless a Non-United States Holder provides us with a properly executed (1) IRS Form W-8BEN (or successor form) claiming an exemption from or reduction in withholding under the benefit of an applicable income tax treaty or (2) IRS Form W-8ECI (or successor form) stating that interest (including original issue discount) paid on the debentures is not subject to withholding tax because it is effectively connected with such Non-United States Holder's conduct of a trade or business in the United States.

If a Non-United States Holder of a debenture is engaged in a trade or business in the United States, and if payments on the debenture are effectively connected with the conduct of this trade or business (and, in the case of a holder that is subject to any tax treaty, are attributable to a permanent establishment maintained by such holder in the United States), the Non-United States Holder, although exempt from U.S. withholding tax (assuming the certification requirements described above, which include providing a properly executed Form W-8ECI, are met), will generally be taxed in the same manner as a United States Holder (see "Tax Consequences to United States Holders" above). Such Non-United States Holders should consult their own tax advisors with respect to other tax consequences of the ownership of the debentures, including the possible imposition of a 30% branch profits tax, subject to reduction by an applicable treaty, on their effectively connected income.

#### Distributions on Common Stock

Dividends paid to a Non-United States Holder of our common stock generally will be subject to U.S. withholding tax at a 30% rate, subject to reduction under an applicable treaty. In order to obtain a reduced rate of withholding, a Non-United States Holder will be required to provide a properly executed IRS Form W-8BEN certifying its entitlement to benefits under a treaty. A Non-United States Holder that is subject to withholding tax under such circumstances should consult its own tax advisor as to whether it can obtain a refund for all or a portion of the withholding tax.

If a Non-United States Holder of our common stock is engaged in a trade or business in the United States, and if the dividends are effectively connected with the conduct of this trade or business (and, in the case of a holder that is subject to any tax treaty, are attributable to a permanent establishment maintained by such holder in the United States), the Non-United States Holder, although exempt from U.S. withholding tax, will generally be taxed in the same manner as a United States Holder (see "Tax Consequences to United States Holders" above), assuming that the Non-United States Holder satisfies the above-described certification requirements (which generally include providing a properly executed IRS Form W-8ECI), for an exemption from U.S. withholding tax. These Non-United States Holders should consult their own tax advisors with respect to other tax consequences of the ownership of our common stock, including the possible imposition of a 30% branch profits tax, subject to reduction by an applicable treaty, on their effectively connected income.

#### Sale or Other Disposition of Common Stock

A Non-United States Holder generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income and withholding tax on gain realized on a sale or other disposition of the common stock received upon a conversion of a debenture, unless:

the gain is effectively connected with the conduct by such Non-United States Holder of a trade or business in the United States and, if certain treaty provisions apply, is attributable to a permanent establishment maintained by such holder in the United States;

in the case of a Non-United States Holder who is a nonresident alien individual, the individual is present in the United States for 183 or more days in the taxable year of the disposition and certain other conditions are met; or

we are or have been a United States real property holding corporation at any time within the shorter of the five-year period preceding such sale, exchange or disposition and the period during which the Non-United States Holder held the common stock.

We believe that we are not, and do not anticipate becoming, a United States real property holding corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes. If we are or become a United States real property holding corporation and our common stock is and continues to be regularly traded on an established securities market, only a Non-United States Holder of common stock who holds or held (at any time during the shorter of the five year period preceding the date of disposition or the holder's holding period) more than 5% of our common stock will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the disposition of our common stock.

If a Non-United States Holder of our common stock is engaged in a trade or business in the United States, and if the gain on the common stock is effectively connected with the conduct of this trade or business, the Non-United States Holder will generally be taxed in the same manner as a United States Holder (see "Tax Consequences to United States Holders" above). In order to claim an exemption from the U.S. withholding tax, the Non-United States Holder must comply with applicable certification requirements, which generally include furnishing a properly executed IRS Form W-8ECI (or any successor thereto) or a substitute form. These Non-United States Holders should consult their own tax advisors with respect to other tax consequences of the disposition of the common stock, including the possible imposition of a 30% branch profits tax, subject to reduction by an applicable treaty, on their effectively connected income.

#### **Backup Withholding and Information Reporting**

Information returns may be filed with the IRS in connection with payments on the debentures, the common stock into which the debentures may be converted and the proceeds from a sale or other disposition of the debentures or the common stock. In addition, copies of these information returns also may be made available under the provisions of a specific treaty or other agreement to the tax authorities of the country in which the Non-United States Holder resides. A United States Holder may be subject to U.S. backup withholding tax on these payments, currently at the rate of 28%, if it fails to provide its taxpayer identification number to the paying agent or to comply with certification procedures or otherwise establish an exemption from backup withholding. A Non-United States Holder generally will not be subject to U.S. backup withholding tax on these payments, provided that such holder certifies as to its foreign status or otherwise establishes an exemption and, in addition, we do not have actual knowledge or reason to know that such holder is a United States person. The certification procedures required of Non-United States Holders to claim the exemption from withholding tax on certain payments on the debentures, described above, will satisfy the certification requirements necessary to avoid the backup withholding tax as well. The amount of any backup withholding from a payment will be allowed as a credit against the holder's U.S. federal income tax liability and may entitle the holder to a refund, provided that the required information is timely furnished to the IRS.

#### SELLING SECURITY HOLDERS

We originally issued the debentures covered by this prospectus in December 2004 in a private placement. The initial purchaser of the debentures was Credit Suisse First Boston LLC. We issued the debentures to the initial purchaser without registration under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Act") in reliance on the exemption provided by Section 4(2) of the Act for transactions not involving a public offering. The initial purchaser subsequently resold the debentures without registration under the Act in reliance on (i) the exemption provided by Section 144A under the Act for sales to "qualified institutional buyers" as defined in such rule or (ii) the exemption provided by Regulation S under the Act for sales made outside of the United States. Persons or entities that acquired debentures from the initial purchaser and/or its transferees may, from time to time, have resold their debentures without registration under the Act in reliance on the foregoing exemptions. The selling security holders identified in this prospectus acquired their debentures from the initial purchaser of the debentures, or from one or more direct or indirect transferees of the initial purchaser.

The term "selling security holder" includes (i) each person and entity that is identified in the table below (as such table may be supplemented or amended from time to time by means of a supplement to this prospectus or an amendment to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part, as applicable) and (ii) any transferee, donee, pledgee or other successor of any person or entity named in the table that acquires any of the debentures or shares covered by this prospectus in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933 and that is identified in a supplement or amendment to this prospectus.

The table below identifies each selling security holder and indicates the principal amount of debentures beneficially owned by such selling security holder. Each selling security holder may use this prospectus to sell the debentures owned by such selling security holder and/or any shares of common stock that are issued upon conversion of such debentures. The information with respect to each selling security holder is based on information provided by such selling security holder as of the date it completed a selling security holder questionnaire (dates ranging from January 26, 2005 to March 22, 2005), unless otherwise indicated. This information is based on information provided by or on behalf of the selling security holders, and we have not independently verified the accuracy of this information. The selling security holders may offer all, a portion or none of the securities offered hereby. Because the selling security holders may offer all or a portion of their securities, we cannot estimate the amount of securities that will be held by the selling security holders upon termination of any of these sales. A selling security holder may have sold, transferred or otherwise disposed of all or a portion of its debentures, in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Act, after the date on which it provided us with the information reflected in the table.

The footnotes to the table identify each selling security holder that is a registered broker-dealer. According to information provided to us by such selling security holders, each such selling security holder acquired its debentures for investment purposes, and not as compensation for underwriting activities. Each of these selling security holders will be considered to be an underwriter, within the meaning of the Act, with respect to any securities that it sells pursuant to this prospectus. See "Plan of Distribution."

The footnotes to the table also identify each selling security holder that is an affiliate of a registered broker-dealer. Each of these selling security holders (i) purchased its debentures in the ordinary course of business and (ii) at the time of purchase, had no agreements or understandings, directly or indirectly, with any person to distribute such securities.

The table indicates that the selling security holders include "Additional selling security holders that may hereafter be identified." We do not currently know the identity of these additional selling security holders. An additional selling security holder may not use this prospectus to resell securities unless and until the table is updated to specifically identify such selling security holder. Any such updating will be

effected through an amendment to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part and not by means of a prospectus supplement, unless otherwise permitted by the SEC.

Except as indicated in the footnotes to the table, none of the selling security holders has, or within the past three years has had, any position, office or other material relationship with us.

Selling Security Holder	Principal Amount of Debentures Beneficially Owned and Offered Hereby		Percentage of Debentures Outstanding(1)	Shares of Common Stock Being Offered Hereby(1)(2)	Percentage of Common Stock Outstanding(3)	
Man Mac I Limited(4)	\$	8,000,000	3.20%	109,364	*	
Fore Convertible Master Fund,						
Ltd.		16,000,000	6.40	218,728	1.18%	
Fore Multi Strategy Fund, Ltd.		7,000,000	2.80	95,694	*	
Fore ERISA Fund, Ltd.		5,000,000	2.00	68,353	*	
Guggenheim Portfolio						
Company VIII (Cayman), Ltd.(5)		4,000,000	1.60	54,682	*	
Silvercreek II Limited(6)		450,000	0.18	6,152	*	
Pebble Limited Partnership(6)		1,500,000	0.60	20,506	*	
Silvercreek Limited						
Partnership(6)		400,000	0.16	5,468	*	
Newport Alternative Income						
Fund(6)		150,000	0.06	2,051	*	
Advisory Convertible Arbitrage						
Fund (I) L.P.(7)		3,400,000	1.36	46,480	*	
Sunrise Partners Limited						
Partnership(8)		800,000	0.32	10,936	*	
Silverback Master Ltd(9)		18,000,000	7.20	246,069	1.32	
Polaris Vega Fund L.P.(10)		6,700,000	2.68	91,592	*	
Additional security holders that						
may hereafter be identified(11)		173,600,000	69.44	2,373,199	11.4	
TOTAL	\$	250,000,000	100.00%	3,417,625	18.6%(12)	

Less than 1.0%

- (1) Percentages and totals may not sum due to rounding
- Assumes conversion of all of the holder's debentures at a conversion rate of 13.6705 shares of common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of debentures. This conversion rate is subject to adjustment as described under "Description of the Debentures Conversion of Debentures." As a result, the number of shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the debentures, if any, may increase or decrease in the future.
- Calculated based on Rule 13d-3(d)(1)(i) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, using 18,380,811 shares of common stock outstanding as of March 8, 2005. In calculating this amount for each holder, we treated as outstanding the maximum number of shares of our common stock issuable upon conversion of all of that holder's debentures, but we did not assume conversion of any other holder's debentures.
- (4)
  The selling security holder is a non-public entity. Man-Diversified Fund II Ltd. has been identified as the Controlling Entity of Man Mac I Ltd., the beneficial owner of the debentures. The manager shares of Man-Diversified Fund II Ltd. are owned 75% by Albany Management Company Limited

and 25% by Man Holdings Limited. The registered shareholder of Albany Management Company Limited is Argonaut Limited, a Bermuda company which is controlled by Michael Collins, a resident of Bermuda. Man Holdings Limited is a subsidiary of Man Group plc, which is a public company listed on the London Stock Exchange.

- The selling security holder is a non-public entity and is an affiliate of a registered broker-dealer. The sole shareholder of Guggenheim Portfolio Company VIII (Cayman) Ltd. is Guggenheim Portfolio Company VIII, LLC. The limited liability company manager of Guggenheim Portfolio Company VIII, LLC is Guggenheim Advisors, LLC. Certain affiliates of Guggenheim Advisors, LLC are broker-dealers. Matthew Li has dispositive control over the securities that the selling security holder beneficially owns.
- (6)
  The selling security holder is a non-public entity. Louise Horwick and Bryn Joynt, president and vice president, respectively, of Silvercreek Management Inc., have voting and investment control over the securities beneficially owned by the selling security holder.
- The General Partner of the selling security holder is Advisory Convertible Arbitrage L.L.C., whose managing member is Advisory Capital Strategies Group, Inc., which is majority owned by American Express Asset Management Group, Inc., which is part of American Express Company, a reporting company under the Exchange Act. The General Partner of the selling security holder is an affiliate of American Express Financial Advisors, Inc., a registered broker-dealer.
- (8)

  The selling security holder is a non-public entity. S. Donald Sussman has investment and voting control over the securities beneficially owned by the selling security holder. The selling security holder is an affiliate of Paloma Securities LLC, a registered broker-dealer. In addition to the shares of our common stock listed in the table, the selling security holder beneficially owns 90 shares of our common stock.
- (9)
  The selling security holder is a non-public entity. Elliot Bossen has investment and voting control over the securities beneficially owned by the selling security holder.
- (10)

  The selling security holder is a non-public entity. Gregory R. Levinson has investment and voting control over the securities beneficially owned by the selling security holder.
- (11)

  Assumes that all holders of debentures, or any future transferees, pledgees, donees or successors of or from such holders of debentures, do not beneficially own any common stock other than the common stock issuable upon conversion of the debentures at the initial conversion rate.
- Because we will not issue fractional shares of our common stock upon conversion of the debentures, the number of shares of common stock registered hereunder for all of the selling security holders may not total the amount shown above.

#### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

This prospectus may be used to sell the debentures or any shares of common stock issued upon conversion of the debentures. We will not receive any of the proceeds of the sale of the debentures or the underlying common stock offered under this prospectus. The selling security holders may sell these securities, from time to time:

through any national securities exchange or quotation system on which such securities may be listed or quoted, in the over-the-counter market, in privately negotiated transactions, or otherwise;

directly to purchasers or through agents, brokers, dealers or underwriters; and

at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, at prices related to such prevailing market prices, or at negotiated prices.

The selling security holders may also write options on such securities or pledge such securities.

If a selling security holder sells debentures or shares through agents, brokers, dealers or underwriters, such agents, brokers, dealers or underwriters may receive compensation in the form of discounts, commissions or concessions. Such compensation may be greater than customary compensation.

Certain of the selling security holders are registered broker-dealers as indicated under "Selling Security Holders." Any selling security holder that is a broker-dealer will be considered to be an "underwriter," within the meaning of the Act, with respect to any securities that it sells pursuant to this prospectus. Each other selling security holder may be deemed to be an "underwriter" with respect to any securities that it sells pursuant to this prospectus.

In connection with the initial sale of the debentures, we entered into a registration rights agreement with the initial purchasers of the debentures. Pursuant to the registration rights agreement, we will pay the fees and expenses related to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part.

Pursuant to the registration rights agreement, (i) we are required to indemnify the selling security holders against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, relating to the information included in this prospectus and the registration statement of which it forms a part and (ii) each selling security holder is obligated to indemnify us and each other selling security holder against any liability with respect to any information furnished by such holder for use in this prospectus.

To the extent required, we will use our best efforts to file one or more supplements to this prospectus to describe any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in this prospectus or any material change to such information.

#### **EXPERTS**

Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, have audited our consolidated financial statements and schedule at December 31, 2004 and 2003, and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2004, as set forth in their reports. We have included our financial statements and schedule in the prospectus and elsewhere in the registration statement in reliance on Ernst & Young LLP's reports, given on their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, have audited the consolidated financial statements of Seabulk International, Inc. at December 31, 2004 and 2003, and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2004, as set forth in their report. We have included the financial statements of Seabulk International, Inc. in the prospectus and elsewhere in the registration

statement in reliance on Ernst & Young LLP's report, given on their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

#### LEGAL MATTERS

Certain legal matters relating to the debentures and shares of common stock that may be offered pursuant to this prospectus will be passed upon for us by Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, New York, New York.

#### WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We are subject to the information and reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), under which we file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy materials that we have filed with the SEC at the SEC's public reference room located at 450 Fifth Street, N.W, Room 1024, Washington, DC 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the public reference room. Our SEC filings also are available to the public on the SEC's website at <a href="http://www.sec.gov">http://www.sec.gov</a>, which contains reports, proxies and information statements and other information regarding issuers that file electronically. In addition, our SEC filings are available on our website at <a href="http://www.seacorholdings.com">http://www.seacorholdings.com</a>.

We have agreed that if at any time the debentures or the shares of common stock issuable upon the conversion thereof are "restricted securities" within the meaning of the Securities Act and we are not subject to the information reporting requirements of the Exchange Act, we will furnish to holders of the debentures and such common stock and to prospective purchasers designated by them the information required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act to permit compliance with Rule 144A in connection with resales of the debentures and such common stock.

You may request a copy of these filings and of the form of the indenture, debentures and registration rights agreement at no cost, by writing or telephoning us at the following address:

SEACOR Holdings Inc. INVESTOR RELATIONS 460 Park Avenue, 12th Floor New York, NY 10022

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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Shareholders and Board of Directors of SEACOR Holdings Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of SEACOR Holdings Inc. (the Company) as of December 31, 2004 and 2003, and the related consolidated statements of income, changes in equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2004. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits 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, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of SEACOR Holdings Inc. at December 31, 2004 and 2003, and the consolidated results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2004, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2004, based on criteria established in "Internal Control Integrated Framework" issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated March 14, 2005 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

New Orleans, Louisiana March 14, 2005

#### SEACOR HOLDINGS INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in thousands, except share data)

		December 31,		
		2004		2003
ASSETS				
Current Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	214,389	\$	263,135
Available-for-sale securities		136,992		48,856
Receivables: Trade, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$3,357 and \$2,800 in 2004 and 2003,				
respectively		162,986		81,491
Other		30,064		27,185
Deferred income taxes		1,747		27,103
Prepaid expenses and other		52,543		23,551
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Total current assets		598,721		444,218
Investments, at Equity, and Receivables from 50% or Less Owned Companies		47,870		59,848
Property and Equipment:  Vessels and equipment		972.070		922 971
		872,979		822,871
Barges Helicopters		180,234 106,939		89,046 37,284
Construction in progress		30,458		47,134
Equipment, furniture, fixtures, vehicles and other		45,651		25,368
Equipment, furnitures, fixtures, venicles and other		43,031		25,500
		1 226 261		1 001 700
		1,236,261		1,021,703
Accumulated depreciation		(310,674)		(283,487)
		925,587		738,216
	_		_	
Construction Reserve Funds		144,006		126,140
Other Assets		49,825	_	34,189
	\$	1,766,009	\$	1,402,611
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current Liabilities:				
Current Diabilities:  Current portion of long-term debt	\$	13,228	\$	93
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	<u> </u>	63,461	Ť	30,333
Accrued wages and benefits		14,017		12,840
Accrued interest		6,041		5,759
Accrued income taxes		2,634		4,337
Deferred income taxes				4,092
Accrued liability-short sale of securities		22,070		3,680
Other current liabilities		21,035		16,381
	_		_	
Total current liabilities		142,486		77,515
Long Torm Dobt		500.267		222 170
Long-Term Debt Deferred Income Taxes		582,367		332,179
		211,542		190,704
Deferred Income and Other Liabilities  Minority Interest in Subsidiaries		28,988 6,869		29,858
Minority Interest in Subsidiaries		0,809		1,909
Stockholders' Equity: Common stock, \$.01 par value, 40,000,000 shares authorized; 24,545,428 and 24,466,010				
shares issued in 2004 and 2003, respectively		245		245
Additional paid-in capital		412,210		408,828
Auditional pate-in capital		712,210		700,020

#### December 31,

Retained earnings	551,273		531,384
Less 6,237,932 and 5,884,971 shares held in treasury in 2004 and 2003, respectively, at cost	(197,850)		(183,531)
Unamortized restricted stock	(2,423)		(2,998)
Accumulated other comprehensive income:			
Cumulative translation adjustments	18,296		12,994
Unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities	12,006		3,524
		_	
Total stockholders' equity	793,757		770,446
roun stockholders equity	775,767		770,110
	\$ 1,766,009	\$	1,402,611

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements and should be read in conjunction herewith.

# SEACOR HOLDINGS INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (in thousands, except share data)

For the years ended December 31,

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	2004	2003	2002
Operating Revenues	\$ 491,860	\$ 406,209 \$	403,158
Costs and Expenses:			
Operating expenses	354,163	287,290	249,892
Administrative and general	61,425	57,684	53,265
Depreciation and amortization	57,834	55,506	56,244
	473,422	400,480	359,401
Gains on Asset Sales	10,234	17,522	8,635
Operating Income	28,672	23,251	52,392
Other Income (Expense):			
Interest income	8,422	7,531	8,833
Interest expense	(22,485		(17,064)
Debt extinguishments	( )	(2,091)	(2,338)
Gain on sale of Chiles Offshore Inc. shares		(=,*,*)	19,719
Derivative income (loss), net	1,166	2,389	(5,043)
Foreign currency transaction gains, net	1,537	3,739	6,281
Marketable securities sale gains, net	6,435	6,595	3,218
Other, net	539	(652)	144
	(4,386)	(1,802)	13,750
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Income Before Income Tax Expense, Minority Interest and Equity in Earnings of 50% or Less Owned Companies	24,286	21,449	66,142
Income Tay Evpanses			
Income Tax Expense: Current	1 260	610	6.007
Deferred	1,368 7,205	618 9,778	6,007 17,027
	0.572	10.206	22.024
	8,573	10,396	23,034
Income Before Minority Interest and Equity in Earnings of 50% or Less			
Owned Companies	15,713	11,053	43,108
Minority Interest in Net Income of Subsidiaries	(483)		(226)
Equity in Earnings of 50% or Less Owned Companies	4,659		3,705
Net Income	\$ 19,889	\$ 11,954 \$	46,587
Basic Earnings Per Common Share	\$ 1.09	\$ 0.63 \$	2.33
Diluted Earnings Per Common Share	\$ 1.08	\$ 0.63 \$	2.28

#### For the years ended December 31,

Basic	18,305,937	19,012,899	19,997,625
Diluted	18.609.373	19,279,568	21.057.877

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# SEACOR HOLDINGS INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

#### (in thousands, except share data)

Accumulated

		ommon Stock	1	Additional Paid-in Capital		Retained Earnings	Treasury Stock		Jnamortized Restricted Stock	Other Comprehensive Income		Comprehensive Income
Balance, December 31, 2003	\$	245	\$	408,828	\$	531,384	(183,531)	\$	(2,998) \$	16,518		
Net income for fiscal year 2004						19,889					\$	19,889
Issuance of common stock:												
Tex-Air Helicopters,												
Inc. acquisition Employee Stock				268								
Purchase Plan							674					
Exercise of stock options				1,287								
Director stock awards Issuance of restricted				189								
stock				1,647					(1,648)			
Amortization of restricted stock									2,141			
Cancellation of restricted stock, 1,666 shares				(9)			(73)		82			
Net currency translation adjustments				,			(**)			5,302		5,302
Change in unrealized gains on										-,		2,232
available-for-sale securities										8,482		8,482
Purchase of treasury shares							(14,920)					
	_		_		_			_			_	
Balance, December 31, 2004	\$	245	\$	412,210	\$	551,273	(197,850)	\$	(2,423) \$	30,302	\$	33,673
Balance, December 31, 2002	\$	243	\$	403,590	\$	519,430	(127,587)	\$	(2,217) \$	11,492		
Net income for fiscal year 2003				ŕ		11,954				,	\$	11,954
Issuance of common stock:						,						,
Employee Stock												
Purchase Plan Exercise of stock							670					
options		1		1,543								
Director stock awards				116								
Issuance of restricted												
stock		1		3,585					(3,716)			
Amortization of restricted stock									2,855			
Cancellation of restricted												
stock, 1,857 shares				(8)			(72)		80			
Net currency translation adjustments										7,244		7,244
Change in unrealized gains on available-for-sale securities										(2,218)		(2,218)
Conversion of 3/8% Convertible Subordinated										, , ,		
Notes due 2006				2								
Purchase of treasury shares				_			(56,542)					
Balance, December 31, 2003	\$	245	\$	408,828	\$	531,384	(183,531)	\$	(2,998) \$	16,518	\$	16,980
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements and should be read in conjunction herewith

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	Common Stock	P	ditional Paid-in Papital		Retained Earnings																Freasury Stock	Unamortized Restricted Stock	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	prehensive ncome
Balance, December 31, 2001		8 \$	384,857	\$	472,843	\$	(109,638) \$	\$ (1,985) \$	\$ (2,617)															
Net income for fiscal year 2002					46,587					\$ 46,587														
Issuance of common stock:																								
Tex-Air Helicopters, Inc.																								
acquisition		1	2,726																					
Employee Stock Purchase Plan							693																	
Exercise of stock options		1	3,380				0,5																	
Issuance of restricted		-	-,																					
stock		1	2,655					(2,675)																
Settlement of equity																								
forward transaction		2	9,998																					
Amortization of restricted stock								2,309																
Cancellation of restricted stock,																								
2,850 shares							(134)	134																
Net currency translation																								
adjustments									8,224	8,224														
Change in unrealized gains on																								
available-for-sale securities									5,885	5,885														
Conversion of 3/8%																								
Convertible Subordinated Notes																								
due 2006 Change in share of book value			1																					
of investment in Chiles Offshore																								
Inc.			(27)																					
Purchase of treasury shares			(21)				(18,508)																	
archase of treasury shares							(10,500)																	
Balance, December 31, 2002	\$ 24	3 \$	403,590	\$	519,430	\$	(127,587) \$	\$ (2,217)	\$ 11,492	\$ 60,696														

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements and should be read in conjunction herewith

# SEACOR HOLDINGS INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (in thousands)

For the years ended December 31,

		2004	2003	2002
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:				
Net income	\$	19,889 \$	11,954 \$	46,587
Depreciation and amortization		57,834	55,506	56,244
Restricted stock amortization		2,141	2,855	2,309
Director stock awards		189	116	
Debt discount amortization, net		229	326	522
Bad debt expense		1,519	829	9
Deferred income taxes		7,205	9,778	17,027
Equity in net earnings of 50% or less owned companies		(4,659)	(1,418)	(3,705)
Extinguishment of debt			2,091	1,520
Derivative (income) loss		(1,166)	(2,389)	5,043
Foreign currency transaction gains, net		(1,537)	(3,739)	(6,281)
Gain from sale of available-for-sale securities, net		(6,435)	(6,595)	(3,218
Impairment on other investments			1,254	
Gain on sale of Chiles Offshore Inc. shares				(19,719)
Gain from equipment sales or retirements, net		(10,234)	(17,522)	(8,635)
Amortization of deferred income on sale and leaseback transactions		(6,525)	(6,342)	(7,396)
Minority interest in income of subsidiaries		483	517	226
Other, net		592	450	6,931
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
(Increase) decrease in receivables		(56,100)	3,559	(2,075)
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses and other assets		5,644	(4,433)	(13,600
Increase (decrease)in accounts payable, accrued and other liabilities		23,907	(1,801)	(4,994
Net cash provided by operations		32,976	44,996	66,795
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Cash Flows from Investing Activities:				
Purchases of property and equipment		(200,052)	(161,842)	(139,706)
Proceeds from the sale of marine vessels, other equipment and property		67,904	143,797	128,669
Investments in and advances to 50% or less owned companies		(575)	(7,992)	(22)
Principal payments on notes due from 50% or less owned companies		3,447	1,875	20,665
Dividends received from 50% or less owned companies		1,545	11,569	1,889
Proceeds from sale of investment in 50% or less owned companies		5,667		
Investment in third party note receivable		(5,352)		
Purchase of third party contracts		(2,893)		
Net increase in construction reserve funds		(17,866)	(30,880)	(39,970)
Proceeds from sale of available-for-sale securities		157,267	84,255	63,519
Purchases of available-for-sale securities		(207,551)	(40,161)	(49,603
Cash settlements of derivative transactions		257	3,330	(5,712)
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired		(118,113)	(7,756)	(113)
Cash proceeds from sale of Chiles Offshore Inc. shares				25,365
Other, net		(257)	2,064	1,186
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Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		(316,572)	(1,741)	6,167
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:				
Payments on long-term debt		(50,124)	(71,557)	(93,801
Premium paid with 5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> % Note extinguishment		(50,124)	(632)	(33,001
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt, net of offering costs		294,807	107	197,067
Common stock acquired for treasury		(14,920)	(56,542)	(18,508)
Common stock acquired for treasury		(14,920)	(30,344)	(10,500)

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#### For the years ended December 31,

Stock options exercised	1,222	936	1,754
Other, net	740	163	693
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	231,725	(127,525)	87,205
Effects of Exchange Rate Changes on Cash and Cash Equivalents	3,125	5,359	1,485
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(48,746)	(78,911)	161,652
Cash and Cash Equivalents, beginning of period	263,135	342,046	180,394
Cash and Cash Equivalents, end of period	\$ 214,389 \$	263,135 \$	342,046

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements and should be read in conjunction herewith.

# SEACOR HOLDINGS INC. NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

Nature of Operations. SEACOR Holdings Inc. ("SEACOR") and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Company") is in the business of owning, operating, investing in, marketing and remarketing equipment, primarily in the offshore oil and gas and marine transportation industries. The Company also provides emergency environmental response and related services. The Company operates a diversified fleet of offshore support vessels and helicopters servicing oil and gas exploration, development and production facilities worldwide. The Company also operates a fleet of inland river barges transporting grain and other bulk commodities on the U.S. inland waterways. The environmental services segment provides oil spill response, handles environmental remediation projects and offers related consulting services worldwide to those who store, transport, produce or handle petroleum products and environmentally hazardous materials.

*Basis of Consolidation.* The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of SEACOR and its majority-owned subsidiaries. All significant inter-company accounts and transactions are eliminated in consolidation.

The Company employs the equity method of accounting for investments in business ventures when it has the ability to exercise significant influence over the operating and financial policies of the ventures. Significant influence is generally deemed to exist if the Company has between 20% and 50% of the voting rights of an investee. The Company reports its investments in and advances to equity investees in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as "Investments, at Equity, and Receivables from 50% or Less Owned Companies." The Company reports its share of earnings or losses of equity investees in the Consolidated Statements of Income as "Equity in Earnings of 50% or Less Owned Companies."

The Company employs the cost method of accounting for investments in other business ventures that the Company does not have the ability to exercise significant influence. These investments are in private companies, carried at cost, and are adjusted only for other-than-temporary declines in fair value and capital distributions.

*Use of Estimates.* The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Revenue Recognition.** The Company's offshore marine services segment earns and recognizes revenues primarily from the time charter-out and bareboat charter-out of vessels to customers based upon daily rates of hire. A time charter is a lease arrangement under which the Company provides a vessel to a customer and is responsible for all crewing, insurance and other operating expenses. In a bareboat charter, the Company provides only the vessel to the customer, and the customer assumes responsibility to provide for all of the vessel's operating expenses and generally assumes all risk of operation. Vessel charters may range from several days to several years.

The Company's environmental services segment earns revenues primarily from retainer contracts, spill response activities, consulting fees and industrial and remediation services. Retainer fees are charged to customers for ensuring, by contract, the availability of oil spill response services and equipment at predetermined rates. Such retainer fees are generally recognized ratably over the terms of the contract. Retainer services include employing staff to supervise a response to an oil spill and maintaining specialized equipment. Retainer agreements with vessel owners generally range from one to three years while retainer arrangements with facility owners can be as long as ten years. Spill response revenues are recognized as contracted services are provided and are dependent on the magnitude and number of individual spill responses. Consequently, spill response revenues may vary greatly between comparable periods. Consulting fees are earned from the preparation of customized training programs, the planning of and participation in

customer oil spill response drill programs, response exercises and other special projects and are recognized as the services are provided based on contract terms. Industrial and remediation services are provided on both a time and material basis and on a fixed fee bid basis and are recognized as the services are provided based on contract terms. For both time and material contracts and fixed fee contracts, the total fees charged are dependent upon the scope of work to be accomplished and the labor and equipment to carry it out.

The Company's inland river services segment earns revenues primarily from voyage affreightment with customers being charged an established rate per ton for committed barge space to transport cargo from a point of origin to a point of destination during a specific time. Such revenues are generally recognized over the progress of the voyage. In addition, revenues are also earned from cargo stored aboard a barge and when a barge is chartered-out to a third party.

The Company's helicopter services segment earns revenue primarily through master service agreements, term contracts and day-to-day charter arrangements. Master service agreements require customers to make incremental payments based on usage, have fixed terms ranging from one month to five years, and generally are cancelable upon notice by either party in 30 days. Term contracts and day-to-day charter arrangements are generally non-cancelable and call for a combination of a monthly or daily fixed rental fee plus a charge based on usage. Rental fee revenues are recognized ratably over the contract term and revenues for helicopter usage are recognized as the services are performed.

Cash Equivalents. Cash equivalents refer to securities with maturities of three months or less when purchased.

Accounts Receivable. Customers of offshore support vessel services and helicopter transportation services are primarily major and large independent oil and gas exploration and production companies. Oil spill, emergency response and remediation services are provided to tank vessel owner/operators, refiners, terminals, municipalities, exploration and production facilities and pipeline operators. Barge customers are primarily major agricultural and industrial companies based within the United States. All customers are granted credit on a short-term basis and related credit risks are considered minimal. The Company routinely reviews its accounts receivable balances and makes provisions for probable doubtful accounts. Accounts receivable are deemed uncollectible and removed from accounts receivable and allowance for doubtful accounts when collection efforts have been exhausted.

*Derivatives.* All of the Company's derivative positions are stated at fair value. Gains and losses associated with changes in derivative fair value are reported on a current basis in the Consolidated Statements of Income as "Derivative income (loss), net".

Concentrations of Credit Risk. The Company is exposed to concentrations of credit risks relating to its accounts receivable due from customers in the industries described above. The Company does not generally require collateral or other security to support its outstanding receivables. The Company minimizes its credit risk relating to receivables by performing ongoing credit evaluations and, to date, credit losses have been within management's expectations. The Company is also exposed to concentrations of credit risks associated with its cash and cash equivalents, its available-for-sale securities, and its derivative instruments. The Company minimizes its credit risk relating to these positions by monitoring the financial condition of the financial institutions and counterparties involved.

**Property and Equipment.** Equipment, stated at cost, is depreciated over the estimated useful lives of the assets using the straight-line method. New equipment is depreciated over 20 years for offshore support vessels and related equipment, over 20 years for inland river dry cargo and chemical tank barges, generally over 12 years for helicopters and related equipment, and over 2 to 15 years for all other equipment.

Depreciable life of acquired used equipment is generally based on the life of new equipment described above less years already in service, except for standby vessels where a longer life is used. Depreciation expense totaled \$57,544,000, \$55,501,000 and \$56,239,000 in 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

Effective January 1, 2003, the Company changed its estimated residual value for newly constructed supply vessels, towing and supply vessels, and anchor handling towing supply vessels from 10% to 5%. The effect on income of this change in accounting estimate was not material.

Vessel, helicopter and barge maintenance and repair costs and the costs of routine drydock inspections performed on vessels are charged to operating expense as incurred. Expenditures that extend the useful life or improve the marketing and commercial characteristics of vessels and helicopters as well as major renewals or improvements to other properties are capitalized. Certain interest costs incurred during the construction of equipment was capitalized as part of the assets' carrying values and are being amortized to expense over such assets estimated useful lives. Capitalized interest totaled \$645,000, \$2,272,000 and \$1,092,000 in 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

*Impairment of Long-Lived Assets.* The Company tests its long-lived assets for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of any asset or asset group may not be recoverable. As of December 31, 2004, the Company was not aware of any indicators of impairment.

Business Combinations. As discussed in Note 5, business combinations completed by the Company have been accounted for under the purchase method of accounting. The cost of each acquired operation is allocated to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their estimated fair values. These estimates are revised during an allocation period as necessary when, and if, information becomes available to further define and quantify the value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed. The allocation period does not exceed beyond one year from the date of the acquisition. Should information become available after the allocation period, those items are included in operating results. The cost of an enterprise acquired in a business combination includes the direct cost of the acquisition. The operating results of entities acquired are included in the Consolidated Statements of Income from the completion date of the applicable transaction.

*Goodwill.* Goodwill represents the excess of purchase price over fair value of net assets acquired in business combinations and is subjected to annual impairment testing. Based on its impairment test of each defined reporting unit as of December 31, 2004, the Company has determined that the carrying value of goodwill was not impaired.

**Deferred Financing Costs.** Deferred financing costs incurred in connection with the issuance of debt are amortized over the life of the related debt using the effective interest rate method. Deferred financing costs amortization expense totaled \$483,000, \$474,000 and \$526,000 in 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively, is included in the Consolidated Statements of Income as "Interest Expense."

Self-insurance Liabilities. The Company maintains business insurance programs with significant self-insured retention primarily relating to its offshore support vessels. In addition, the Company maintains self-insured health benefit plans for its participating employees. The Company limits its exposure to the business insurance programs and health benefit plans by maintaining stop-loss and aggregate liability coverage. Self-insurance losses for claims filed and claims incurred but not reported are accrued based upon the Company's historical loss experience. To the extent that estimated self-insurance losses differ from actual losses realized, the Company's insurance reserves could differ significantly and may result in either higher or lower insurance expense in future periods.

Income Taxes. Deferred income tax assets and liabilities have been provided in recognition of the income tax effect attributable to the book and tax basis differences of assets and liabilities reported in the financial statements. Deferred tax assets or liabilities are provided using the enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the periods in which they are expected to be settled or realized, except for a special one-time dividends received deduction on the repatriation of certain foreign earnings expected to occur in 2005 as described below. The Company records a valuation allowance to reduce its deferred tax assets if it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred assets will not be realized. Deferred taxes are not provided on undistributed earnings of certain non-U.S. subsidiaries and business ventures because the Company considers those earnings to be indefinitely reinvested abroad.

As a result of the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004, the Company believes it will be in the position to repatriate, for a limited time, accumulated foreign earnings at an effective federal tax rate of 5.25%, which would result in tax obligations significantly less than the deferred taxes previously provided for its unremitted earnings of foreign subsidiaries. The Company is exploring the full impact of the legislation and expects to finalize its repatriation plan during the second quarter of 2005; however, the income tax benefit of such repatriation plan cannot be reasonably estimated at this time. In accordance with FASB Staff Position FAS 109-2, the Company will recognize the income tax benefit of this special one-time dividends received deduction during the period that the Company has decided on a plan for repatriation. As part of the repatriation plan, a portion of the earnings that are currently considered to be permanently invested abroad may be repatriated. At December 31, 2004, the Company had approximately \$25.6 million of such earnings for which no U.S. income taxes had been provided.

Deferred Income. The Company has entered into vessel sale and leaseback transactions and has sold vessels to business ventures in which it holds an equity ownership interest. Certain of the gains realized from these transactions were not immediately recognized in income and have been reported in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as "Deferred Income and Other Liabilities." In sale and leaseback transactions, gains were deferred to the extent of the present value of minimum lease payments and are being amortized to income as reductions in rental expense over the applicable lease terms. In business venture sale transactions, gains were deferred to the extent of the Company's ownership interest with amortization to income over the applicable vessels' depreciable lives and to the extent of Company purchase financing with amortization to income on the installment method.

#### (in thousands)

Balance at December 31, 2003	\$ 25,899
Deferred income from 2004 vessel sales	1,461
2004 amortization of deferred income	(7,284)
Currency translation and other	(18)
Balance at December 31, 2004	\$ 20,058

Foreign Currency Translation. The assets, liabilities and results of operations of certain SEACOR subsidiaries are measured using the currency of the primary foreign economic environment within which they operate, their functional currency. Upon consolidating these subsidiaries with SEACOR, their assets and liabilities are translated to U.S. dollars at currency exchange rates as of the balance sheet date and their revenues and expenses at the weighted average currency exchange rates during the applicable reporting periods. Translation adjustments resulting from the process of translating these subsidiaries' financial statements are reported in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as "Accumulated other comprehensive income."

Foreign Currency Transactions. Certain SEACOR subsidiaries enter into transactions denominated in currencies other than their functional currency. Changes in currency exchange rates between the functional currency and the currency in which a transaction is denominated are included in the Consolidated Statements of Income as "Foreign currency transaction gains, net" in the period in which the currency exchange rates change.

*Earnings Per Share.* Basic earnings per common share were computed based on the weighted-average number of common shares issued and outstanding for the relevant periods. Diluted earnings per common share were computed based on the weighted-average number of common shares issued and outstanding plus all potentially dilutive common shares that would have been outstanding in the relevant periods assuming the vesting of restricted stock grants and the issuance of common shares for stock options and convertible subordinated notes through the application of the treasury stock and if-converted methods. Certain options and share awards, 95,010, 364,805 and 69,300 in 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively, were excluded from the computation of diluted earnings per share as the effect would have been antidilutive.

(in thousands, except share data)		I	ncome	Shares	Per Share
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 2004					
Basic Earnings Per Share:					
Net income		\$	19,889	18,305,937	\$ 1.09
Effect of Dilutive Securities:					
Options and restricted stock				163,369	
Convertible securities			189	140,067	
Diluted Earnings Per Share:					
Net income available to common stockholders plus assumed					
conversions		\$	20,078	18,609,373	\$ 1.08
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 2003					
Basic Earnings Per Share:					
Net income		\$	11,954	19,012,899	\$ 0.63
Effect of Dilutive Securities:					
Options and restricted stock				163,308	
Convertible securities			167	103,361	
Diluted Earnings Per Share:					
Net income available to common stockholders plus assumed					
conversions		\$	12,121	19,279,568	\$ 0.63
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 2002					
Basic Earnings Per Share:					
Net income		\$	46,587	19,997,625	\$ 2.33
Effect of Dilutive Securities:					
Options and restricted stock				257,538	
Convertible securities			1,463	802,714	
Diluted Earnings Per Share:					
Net income available to common stockholders plus assumed					
conversions		\$	48,050	21,057,877	\$ 2.28
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Comprehensive Income. Comprehensive income is defined as the total of net income and all other changes in equity of an enterprise that result from transactions and other economic events of a reporting period other than transactions with owners. The Company has chosen to disclose Comprehensive Income in the Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity. The Company's other comprehensive income was comprised of net currency translation adjustments and unrealized holding gains and losses on available-for-sale securities. Income taxes allocated to each component of other comprehensive income during the years indicated are as follows:

(in thousands)	Before-Tax Amount		Tax (Expense) or Benefit			et-of-Tax Amount
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 2004						
Foreign currency translation adjustments	\$	8,157	\$	(2,855)	\$	5,302
Unrealized gains on available-for-sale securities:						
Unrealized holding gains arising during period		22,268		(7,794)		14,474
Less reclassification adjustment for gains included in net income		(9,218)		3,226		(5,992)
Other comprehensive income	\$	21,207	\$	(7,423)	\$	13,784
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 2003						
Foreign currency translation adjustments	\$	11,145	\$	(3,901)	\$	7,244
Unrealized gains on available-for-sale securities:						
Unrealized holding gains arising during period		3,117		(1,091)		2,026
Less reclassification adjustment for gains included in net income		(6,529)		2,285		(4,244)
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Other comprehensive income	\$	7,733	\$	(2,707)	\$	5,026
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 2002						
Foreign currency translation adjustments	\$	12,652	\$	(4,428)	\$	8,224
Unrealized gains on available-for-sale securities:						
Unrealized holding gains arising during period		12,272		(4,295)		7,977
Less reclassification adjustment for gains included in net income		(3,218)		1,126		(2,092)
Other comprehensive income	\$	21,706	\$	(7,597)	\$	14,109
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Stock Compensation. Under Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123 ("SFAS 123"), companies could either adopt a "fair value method" of accounting for its stock based compensation plans or continue to use the "intrinsic value method" as prescribed by APB Opinion No. 25. The Company has elected to continue accounting for its stock compensation plans using the intrinsic value method. Had compensation costs for the plans been determined using a fair value method consistent with SFAS 123, the Company's net income and earnings per share would have been reduced to the following pro forma amounts for the following years ended December 31:

(in thousands, except share and option data)	2004		2003			2002
Net income, as reported	\$	19,889	\$	11,954	\$	46,587
Add: stock based compensation included in net income		1,515		1,931		1,501
Less: stock based compensation using fair value method		(2,353)		(3,163)		(3,498)
Net income, Pro forma	\$	19,051	\$	10,722	\$	44,590
Basic earnings per common share:						
As reported	\$	1.09	\$	0.63	\$	2.33
Pro forma		1.04		0.56		2.23
Diluted earnings per share:						
As reported	\$	1.08	\$	0.63	\$	2.28
Pro forma		1.03		0.56		2.19
Weighted average fair value of options granted	\$	13.86	\$	13.99	\$	20.03
Weighted average fair value of restricted stock granted	\$	43.20	\$	41.44	\$	43.53
Weighted average fair value of stock granted to non-employee directors	\$	43.37	\$	38.62	\$	
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The effects of applying a fair value method consistent with SFAS 123 in this pro forma disclosure are not indicative of future events and the Company anticipates that it will award additional stock based compensation in future periods.

The fair value of each option granted during the periods presented is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model with the following assumptions: (a) no dividend yield, (b) weighted average expected volatility of 28.6%, 37.2% and 38.8% in the years 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively, (c) weighted average discount rates of 3.56%, 2.93% and 3.76% in the years 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively, and (d) expected lives of five years.

New Accounting Pronouncement. On December 16, 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued FASB Statement No. 123 (revised 2004), Share-Based Payment, which is a revision of FASB Statement No. 123, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation.

Statement 123 (R) supersedes APB Opinion No. 25, Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees, and amends FASB Statement No. 95, Statement of Cash Flows. Statement 123 (R) requires all share-based payments to employees, including grants of employee stock options, to be recognized in the income statement based on their fair values. The impact of adoption of Statement 123(R) cannot be predicted at this time because it will depend on levels of share-based payments granted in the future. However, had the Company adopted Statement 123(R) in prior periods, the impact of that standard would have approximated the impact of the SFAS 123 disclosure of proforma net income and earnings per share presented above. The Company will adopt the provisions of Statement 123 (R) on July 1, 2005 using the "modified prospective" approach, recognizing compensation expense for

all unvested employee stock options as of that date and for all subsequent employee stock options granted thereafter.

**Reclassifications.** Certain reclassifications of prior year information have been made to conform to the presentation of current year information.

#### 2. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS:

	 Decembe	er 31	1, 2004	December 31, 2003					
(in thousands)	Carrying Estimated Amount Fair Value			Carrying Amount		Estimated Fair Value			
ASSETS:									
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 214,389	\$	214,389	\$	263,135	\$	263,135		
Available-for-sale securities	136,992		136,992		48,856		48,856		
Collateral deposits and notes receivable	9,439		9,439		3,652		3,652		
Notes receivable from business ventures	1,616		see below		2,568		see below		
Construction reserve funds	144,006		144,006		126,140		126,140		
Business ventures, carried at cost	1,000		see below		700		see below		
Derivative instruments	568		568		338		338		
LIABILITIES:									
Long-term debt, including current portion	595,595		605,055		332,272		357,490		
Short-sale of securities	22,070		22,070		3,680		3,680		

The carrying value of cash, cash equivalents and collateral cash deposits approximates fair value. The carrying value of construction reserve funds, primarily consisting of auction rate certificates, approximates fair value. The fair values of the Company's available-for-sale securities, notes receivable, derivative instruments, long-term debt, and short-sales of marketable securities were estimated based upon quoted market prices or by using discounted cash flow analyses based on estimated current rates for similar type of arrangements. It was not practicable to estimate the fair value of the Company's notes receivable with business ventures because the timing of settlement of these notes is not certain. It was not practicable to estimate the fair value of the Company's historical cost investments in business ventures because of the lack of a quoted market price and the inability to estimate fair value without incurring excessive costs. Considerable judgment was required in developing certain of the estimates of fair value and, accordingly, the estimates presented herein are not necessarily indicative of the amounts that the Company could realize in a current market exchange.

#### 3. DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS:

The Company has entered into and settled various positions in forward exchange, option and future contracts that are considered speculative with respect to Norwegian Kroners, Pounds Sterling, Euros, Japanese Yen, Hong Kong Dollar and Singapore Dollar. The Norwegian Kroner contracts enabled the Company to buy Norwegian Kroners in the future at fixed exchange rates which could have offset possible consequences of changes in foreign exchange had the Company decided to conduct business in Norway. The Pound Sterling, Euro, Yen, Hong Kong Dollar and Singapore Dollar contracts enable the Company to buy Pounds Sterling, Euros, Yen, Hong Kong Dollars and Singapore Dollars in the future at fixed exchange rates which could offset possible consequences of changes in foreign exchange of the Company's business conducted in Europe and the Far East. Resulting gains or losses from these transactions are reported in the

Consolidated Statements of Income as "Derivative income (loss), net" as they do not meet the criteria for hedge accounting. For the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002, the Company recognized net gains of \$1,790,000, \$1,343,000 and \$674,000, respectively, from these forward exchange, option and future contracts. At December 31, 2004, the fair market value of the Company's speculative outstanding currency positions, consisting of Pound Sterling, Euro, Japanese Yen and Singapore Dollar contracts, was an unrealized gain of \$554,000 included in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as "Other receivables."

The Company has entered into and settled various positions in natural gas and crude oil via swaps, options and future contracts pursuant to which, on each applicable settlement date, the Company receives or pays an amount, if any, by which a contract price for a swap, an option or a futures contract exceeds the settlement price quoted on the New York Mercantile Exchange ("NYMEX") or receives or pays the amount, if any, by which the settlement price quoted on the NYMEX exceeds the contract price. The general purpose of these transactions is to provide value to the Company should the price of natural gas and crude oil decline which over time, if sustained, would lead to a decline in the Company's offshore assets' market values and cash flows. Resulting gains or losses from these transactions are reported in the Consolidated Statements of Income as "Derivative income (loss), net" as they do not meet the criteria for hedge accounting. For the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002, the Company has recognized net losses of \$241,000, net losses of \$743,000 and net gains of \$406,000, respectively, from these commodity transactions. At December 31, 2004, the fair market value of the Company's positions in commodity contracts was an unrealized gain of \$50,000 included in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as "Other receivables."

The Company has entered into and settled various positions in U.S. treasury notes and bonds via futures or options on futures and rate-lock agreements on U.S. treasury notes pursuant to which, on each applicable settlement date, the Company receives or pays an amount, if any, by which a contract price for an option or a futures contract exceeds the settlement price quoted on the Chicago Board of Trade ("CBOT") or receives or pays the amount, if any, by which the settlement price quoted on the CBOT exceeds the contract price. The general purpose of these transactions is to provide value to the Company should the price of U.S. treasury notes and bonds decline leading to generally higher interest rates which, if sustained over time, might lead to a higher interest cost for the Company. Resulting gains or losses from these transactions are reported in the Consolidated Statements of Income as "Derivative income (loss), net" as they do not meet the criteria for hedge accounting. For the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002, the Company recognized net losses of \$250,000, net gains of \$52,000 and net losses of \$8,312,000, respectively, with respect to derivative positions in U.S. treasury obligations. At December 31, 2004, the Company had no outstanding position for derivative positions in U.S. treasury obligations.

During 2004, the Company entered into other speculative derivative positions, primarily options on publicly traded equity securities. For the year ended December 31, 2004, the Company has recognized net losses of \$133,000 from these other transactions. At December 31, 2004, the fair market value of the Company's other speculative derivative positions was an unrealized loss of \$36,000 included in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as "Other receivables."

In order to reduce its cost of capital, the Company entered into swap agreements with a major financial institution with respect to \$41,000,000 of its 7.2% Senior Notes due 2009 (the 7.2% Notes"). Pursuant to each such agreement and subsequent extensions, such financial institution agreed to pay to the Company an amount equal to interest paid on the notional amount of the 7.2% Notes subject to such agreement, and the Company agreed to pay to such financial institution an amount equal to an agreed upon reduced interest rate on the price of such notional amount of the 7.2% Notes, as set forth in the

applicable swap agreements. Upon termination of each swap agreement, the financial institution agreed to pay to the Company the amount, if any, by which the fair market value of the notional amount of the 7.2% Notes subject to such swap agreements on such date exceeded the agreed upon price of such notional amount as set forth in such swap agreements, and the Company agreed to pay to such financial institution the amount, if any, by which the agreed upon price of such notional amount exceeded the fair market value of such notional amount on such date. All of the swap agreements have been terminated. For the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, the Company recorded gains of \$49,000 and \$3,877,000, respectively, with respect to these swap agreements in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income as "Derivative income (loss), net."

In order to partially hedge the fluctuation in market value for part of the Company's common stock investment in ENSCO International Incorporated ("ENSCO") acquired in connection with the Chiles Merger (see discussion in Note 5), the Company entered into various transactions (commonly known as "costless collars") during 2002 with a major financial institution on 1,000,000 shares of ENSCO common stock. The effect of these transactions was that the Company would be guaranteed a minimum value of approximately \$24.35 and a maximum value of approximately \$29.80 per share of ENSCO, at expiration. These costless collars have expired and, as the share value of ENSCO's common stock was between \$24.35 and \$29.80 at expiration, neither party had a payment obligation under these transactions. For the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, the Company recorded a gain of \$1,688,000 and a loss of \$1,688,000, respectively, with respect to these costless collars in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income as "Derivative income (loss), net".

#### 4. MARKETABLE SECURITIES:

Marketable equity securities with readily determinable fair values and debt securities are classified by the Company as investments in available-for-sale securities. Available-for-sale securities are current assets representing the investment of cash available for current operations. These investments are reported at their fair values with unrealized holding gains and losses included in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as "Accumulated other comprehensive income." The cost and fair value of marketable securities were as follows:

			<b>Gross Unrealized Holding</b>						
Type of Securities		Amortized Cost	Gains		Losses			Fair Value	
				(in thou	sand	ls)			
December 31, 2004:									
Corporate debt securities	\$	14,832	\$	793	\$		\$	15,625	
Equity securities		103,690		17,950		(273)		121,367	
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	\$	118,522	\$	18,743	\$	(273)	\$	136,992	
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December 31, 2003:									
Corporate debt securities	\$	1,793	\$	630	\$	(15)	\$	2,408	
Equity securities		41,640		5,229		(421)		46,448	
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	\$	43,433	\$	5,859	\$	(436)	\$	48,856	
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At December 31, 2004, the corporate debt securities have contractual maturities in 2012 and 2013.

For the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002, the sale of available-for-sale securities resulted in gross realized gains of \$9,963,000, \$6,845,000 and \$4,342,000, respectively, and gross realized losses of \$745,000, \$316,000 and \$1,903,000, respectively. The specific identification method was used to determine the cost of available-for-sale securities in computing realized gains and losses.

Short sales of marketable equity securities are temporary trading positions held by the Company in anticipation of short-term market movements. The liabilities arising from these positions are reported at fair value with both realized and unrealized gains and losses included in the Consolidated Statement of Income as "Marketable securities sale gains, net." For the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002, short sales of marketable securities resulted in gross realized and unrealized gains of \$2,083,000, \$772,000 and \$1,026,000, respectively, and gross realized and unrealized losses of \$4,866,000, \$706,000 and \$247,000, respectively.

#### 5. ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSITIONS:

*Era Acquisition.* On December 31, 2004, the Company acquired all of the issued and outstanding shares of Era Aviation, Inc. ("Era") for \$118,125,000, subject to working capital adjustments. As a result of this transaction, the Company acquired 81 helicopters and 16 fixed wing aircraft. The Company intends to combine Era's helicopter business within its existing helicopter services segment and has begun a process to sell Era's regional airline service consisting of its fixed wing aircraft. As the sale of the regional aircraft service is expected to occur in 2005, the preliminary purchase price allocation includes assets held for sale of \$21,621,000 and related liabilities of \$6,199,000 included in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as "Prepaid expenses and other" and "Other current liabilities", respectively.

*NRCES Acquisition.* On October 31, 2003, the Company acquired all of the issued and outstanding shares of NRC Environmental Services Inc. ("NRCES" formerly Foss Environmental Services, Inc.) for \$7,769,000. The selling stockholder of NRCES has the opportunity to receive additional consideration of up to \$41,000,000 based upon certain performance standards over a period following the date of the acquisition through December 31, 2008. This additional consideration, if paid, will be allocated to fixed assets and goodwill. As of December 31, 2004, no additional consideration has been paid.

*Yarnell Acquisition.* On June 30, 2003, the Company acquired a controlling interest in Yarnell Marine, LLC ("Yarnell") for \$248,000. Prior to this transaction, the Company had a 50% interest in this business venture and accounted for its investment using the equity method.

*Tex-Air Acquisition.* During 2002, the Company acquired 20% of the issued and outstanding shares of Tex-Air Helicopters, Inc. ("Tex-Air") through two separate cash transactions totaling \$225,000. On December 31, 2002, the Company acquired the remaining 80% of the issued and outstanding shares of Tex-Air's in a stock-for-stock transaction whereby the Company issued 68,292 shares of SEACOR's common stock, par value \$.01 per share, ("Common Stock") valued at \$3,033,000. The Company repaid Tex-Air's acquired long-term debt of \$6,662,000 in 2002 and 2003. During 2004, all contingent consideration associated with the acquisition was settled with minimal impact to the Company's initial purchase price allocation, including 6,097 escrow shares issued as security for the selling stockholder's obligations under the purchase agreement and additional consideration earned for operating performance. The additional consideration of \$170,000 earned for operating performance will be paid with SEACOR's Common Stock in three equal yearly installments beginning in 2005.

Unaudited Pro forma Information. The following unaudited pro forma information has been prepared as if the acquisitions of Era, NRCES and Yarnell had occurred as of January 1, 2003. This pro forma information has been prepared for comparative purposes only and is not necessarily indicative of what would have occurred had the acquisition taken place on the dates indicated, nor does it purport to be indicative of the future operating results of the Company.

Year ended December 31,

(in thousands, except per share data, unaudited)	2004	2003
Operating Revenues	\$ 618,860	\$ 560,348
Net income	14,289	11,575
Basic earnings per share	0.78	0.61
Diluted earnings per share	0.78	0.61

**Purchase Price Allocation.** The following table summarizes the allocation of the purchase price during the following periods related to all of the Company's acquisitions:

Year	end	Pri	 ece	m	her	- 4	ч	

(in thousands)		2004		2003		2002
Trade and other receivables	\$	18,425	\$	7,568	\$	3,540
Prepaid expenses and other		34,582		940		1,747
Investments in 50% or Less Owned Companies				(552)		
Property and equipment		74,791		3,836		7,659
Goodwill		47		367		109
Other assets		533		54		385
Accounts payable and other current liabilities		(10,217)		(3,707)		(2,140)
Long-Term Debt						(6,662)
Deferred Income Taxes		390		(550)		(888)
Deferred Income and Other Liabilities		(170)				(910)
Minority Interest				(200)		
Common stock						(1)
Paid in capital		(268)				(2,726)
Purchase price(a)	\$	118,113	\$	7,756	\$	113

(a) The purchase price is net of cash acquired, totaling \$1,106,000, \$261,000 and \$302,000 in 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively, and includes acquisition costs, totaling \$1,094,000, \$92,000 and \$190,000 in 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

*Vessel Construction.* Since January 1, 2002, the Company completed the construction of 16 crew, 2 anchor handling towing supply, 1 mini-supply, 3 supply and 4 towing supply vessels at an approximate aggregate cost of \$200,288,000.

*Vessel Dispositions.* The table below sets forth, during the fiscal years indicated, the number of vessels sold by type of service. At December 31, 2004, 29 vessels previously sold pursuant to sale and leaseback transactions remain chartered-in to the Company.

Type of Vessel	2004	2003	2002
Anchor handling towing supply	1	2	4
Crew	3	16	10
Mini-supply	1	2	
Standby safety		1	3
Supply	4	1	2
Towing supply	6	6	6
Utility	27	28	5
Project	1		1
	43	56	31

Subsequent to December 31, 2004, the Company sold 1 anchor handling towing supply, 5 supply, and 2 crew vessels for \$94,721,000, resulting in gains of \$11,072,000.

*Other Major Equipment Additions.* Since January 1, 2002, the Company has accepted delivery of 604 newly constructed barges, 6 used towboats, 8 new helicopters, and 5 used helicopters for an approximate aggregate cost of \$207,580,000.

Chiles Disposition. On August 7, 2002, the stockholders of Chiles Offshore Inc. ("Chiles") approved a merger with ENSCO and the merger was completed. Pursuant to the terms of the merger agreement, Chiles' stockholders received \$5.25 and 0.6575 shares of ENSCO common stock for each share of Chiles' common stock they owned at the time of the merger. Upon completion of this merger, the Company received \$25,365,000 in cash and 3,176,646 shares of ENSCO's common stock, valued at \$73,444,000 on date of close, and recognized an after-tax gain of \$12,817,000, or \$0.61 per diluted share.

Prior to the merger, the Company accounted for its investment in Chiles common shares using the equity method. The Company received approximately \$2,006,000 in 2002 for management and legal services provided to Chiles.

#### 6. INVESTMENTS, AT EQUITY, AND RECEIVABLES FROM 50% OR LESS OWNED COMPANIES:

Investments, carried at equity, and advances to 50% or less owned companies were as follows:

		December 31,					
50% or Less Owned Companies	Ownership	2004			2003		
			(in tho	usan	ds)		
TMM Joint Venture	40.0%	\$	7,146	\$	10,284		
Globe Wireless, L.L.C.	37.6%		14,818		16,593		
Pelican Offshore Services Pte Ltd	50.0%				8,540		
Ultragas Joint Venture	50.0%		6,903		5,908		
Other	29.6% 50.0%		19,003		18,523		
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		\$	47,870	\$	59,848		
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Combined Condensed Financials. Summarized unaudited financial information for the Company's investments, at equity, is as follows:

	Dece	December 31,						
(in thousands, unaudited)	2004		2003					
Current assets	\$ 94,36	7 \$	68,496					
Noncurrent assets	95,14	2	94,334					
Current liabilities	62,30	2	26,271					
Noncurrent liabilities	24,84	3	29,870					
	Year ended	Year ended December 31,						

	2004	2003	2002
Equity Investees, excluding Chiles:			
Operating revenues	\$ 149,321	\$ 122,388	\$ 112,725
Operating income	13,777	10,892	16,601
Net income	10,424	7,110	8,690
Chiles:			
Operating revenues			58,405
Operating income			4,184
Net income			7,326

At December 31, 2004, cumulative net undistributed losses of 50% or less owned companies accounted for by the equity method included in the Company's consolidated retained earnings was \$12,077,000.

*TMM Joint Venture.* In 1994, the Company and Grupo TMM, S.A., a Mexican corporation, ("TMM") organized a joint venture to serve the Mexican offshore market. At December 31, 2004, the joint venture operated 26 vessels, 12 owned and 14 chartered-in, including 11 vessels provided by the Company and 3 vessels provided by other vessel owners. Since commencement of operations, the Company has sold 12 of its vessels to the joint venture.

The Company guarantees up to 40% of obligations for nonpayment that may arise from the bareboat charter-in of three vessels by the TMM joint venture. At December 31, 2004, the Company's guarantee was limited to approximately \$8,712,000 and terminates upon completion of the charters, expected in 2008 and 2009. A \$750,000 promissory note previously issued the Company as partial payment by the TMM joint venture for the purchase of a vessel from the Company was repaid in 2003. Revenues earned by the Company from the charter of vessels and management services provided the TMM joint venture in 2004, 2003 and 2002 totaled \$21,415,000, \$11,264,000 and \$7,041,000, respectively. Revenues earned by the TMM joint venture from management services provided to the Company in 2004, 2003 and 2002 totaled \$2,732,000, \$779,000 and \$193,000, respectively. During 2003, the joint venture paid the Company an \$8,000,000 dividend.

Globe Wireless L.L.C. ("Globe Wireless") and its subsidiaries operate a worldwide network of high frequency radio stations. The network of stations is a wireless data network initially targeted at the maritime industry that supports Internet messaging, telex and facsimile communications. Globe Wireless also provides satellite messaging and voice communication services to the maritime industry. Globe Wireless has experienced negative cash flow; however, the Company

presently expects Globe Wireless can achieve operating cash break-even without requiring additional equity funding from its shareholders. There can be no assurances that Globe Wireless' future operations will be successful. Should Globe Wireless be unable to meet its funding requirements, SEACOR would be required to commit additional funding or record an impairment charge with respect to its investment.

Globe Wireless provides the Company's offshore marine business segment with a "ship-to-shore" communication network and has provisioned and installed certain computer hardware, software and electronic equipment aboard its vessels. In fiscal 2004, 2003 and 2002, the Company paid approximately \$1,160,000, \$1,525,000 and \$1,904,000, respectively, to Globe Wireless for services and merchandise provided the Company.

**Pelican Offshore Services Pte Ltd.** In 2000, the Company and Penguin Boat International Limited, a Singapore corporation, ("Penguin") formed a joint venture, Pelican Offshore Services Pte Ltd, also a Singapore corporation ("Pelican"), with each party owning 50% of the venture. In 2004, the Company sold its interest in Pelican to Penguin for \$4,751,000 and Pelican repaid its then outstanding advances to the Company of \$2,269,000.

*Ultragas Joint Venture.* In 1996, the Company acquired an equity interest in Ultragas Smit Lloyd Ltda and certain other affiliated entities ("Ultragas") that own and operate vessels. Since 1996, the Company and Sociedad Naviera Ultragas Ltda, the Company's joint venture partner in Ultragas and its affiliated companies, formed additional corporations for purposes of owning and operating additional vessels. As of December 31, 2004, this joint venture operated 5 vessels in Chile, Argentina and Brazil, 4 owned and 1 chartered-in.

The Company guarantees up to 50% of obligations for nonpayment that may arise from the bareboat charter-in of one vessel by the Ultragas joint venture. At December 31, 2004, the Company's guarantee was limited to approximately \$1,133,000 and terminates upon completion of the charter in 2005.

*Other.* The Company's other business ventures include offshore marine businesses that own 12 vessels and charter-in an additional vessel, environmental services businesses, an entity that develops and sells software to the ship brokerage and shipping industry, and a corporation that owns a Handymax Dry-Bulk ship.

At December 31, 2004, loans of \$1,789,000 were payable to the Company from certain of these joint ventures. The Company is guarantor of up to \$4,073,000 with respect to amounts owing pursuant to a vessel charter between a joint venture in which the Company owns a 50% interest and the vessel owner. The Company's guarantee declines over the life of the charter and terminates in 2008. The Company is also a guarantor of up to \$1,530,000 with respect to amounts owed by a joint venture, in which the Company owns 50%, under a five-year banking facility and of up to \$1,362,000 with respect to security for the contract performance by another joint venture in which the Company owns 50%. During 2004, 2003 and 2002, the Company received dividends totaling \$1,545,000, \$2,520,000 and \$1,889,000, respectively, from its other business ventures.

#### 7. CONSTRUCTION RESERVE FUNDS:

The Company has established, pursuant to Section 511 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended, joint depository construction reserve fund accounts with the Maritime Administration. In accordance with this statute, the Company has been permitted to deposit proceeds from the sale of certain vessels into the joint depository construction reserve fund accounts for purposes of acquiring newly constructed U.S.-flag vessels and qualifying for the Company's temporary deferral of taxable gains realized from the sale of the vessels. From date of deposit, withdrawals from the joint depository construction reserve fund accounts are subject to prior written approval of the Maritime Administration, and the funds on deposit must be committed for expenditure within three years or be released for the Company's general use. Construction reserve funds are classified as non-current assets as the Company has the intent and ability to maintain the funds for more than one year and/or use the funds to acquire fixed assets. Income from vessel sales previously deferred would become immediately taxable upon release to the Company of sale proceeds that were deposited into joint depository construction reserve funds.

#### 8. INCOME TAXES:

Income before income taxes, minority interest and equity in net earnings of 50% or less owned companies derived from the United States and foreign operations for the years ended December 31, are as follows:

(in thousands)	2004		2003		2002
United States Foreign	\$	16,310 7,976	\$ 5,165 16,284	\$	25,629 40,513
	\$	24,286	\$ 21,449	\$	66,142

The Company files a consolidated U.S. federal tax return. Income tax expense (benefit) consisted of the following components for the years ended December 31:

(in thousands)	2004		2003		2002
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Current:					
State	\$ 930	\$	681	\$	991
Federal	(3,132)		(6,648)		2,106
Foreign	3,570		6,585		2,910
Deferred:					
Federal	17,723		9,888		16,996
Foreign	(10,518)		(110)		31
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	\$ 8,573	\$	10,396	\$	23,034

The following table reconciles the difference between the statutory federal income tax rate for the Company to the effective income tax rate:

		2004	2003	2002
Statutory rate		35.0%	35.0%	35.0%
Valuation allowance		(3.8)%	9.0%	%
Non-deductible expenses		1.5%	2.1%	%
State taxes		2.5%	2.1%	1.4%
Other		0.1%	0.3%	(1.6)%
		35.3%	48.5%	34.8%
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The components of the net deferred income tax liabilities for the years ended December 31 were as follows:

(in thousands)	200	04	2003	
Deferred tax liabilities:				
Property and equipment	\$ 18	37,039 \$	154,902	
Unremitted earnings of foreign subsidiaries	3	33,132	34,624	
Marketable securities		7,191	6,955	
Currency translation		9,852	6,998	
Other		2,455	3,860	
Total deferred tax liabilities	23	39,669	207,339	
Deferred tax assets:				
Net operating loss carryforwards	\$ 1	13,977 \$	5,151	
Foreign tax credit carryforwards		7,421	6,607	
Other		8,476	2,722	
Total deferred tax assets	2	29,874	14,480	
Valuation allowance			(1,937)	
Net deferred tax assets	2	29,874	12,543	
Net deferred tax liabilities	\$ 20	9,795 \$	194,796	
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As of December 31, 2004, the Company has not recognized a deferred tax liability on \$25,629,000 of undistributed earnings for certain non-U.S. subsidiaries and business ventures because it considers those earnings to be indefinitely reinvested abroad. Due to the complexities involved, it was not practicable to estimate the deferred tax liability of these indefinitely reinvested earnings without incurring excessive costs. As of December 31, 2004, the Company has net operating loss carryforwards approximating \$39,934,000 that expire in 2023 and 2024 and has alternative minimum tax credits of \$1,209,000 that carryforward indefinitely.

The Jobs Creation Act of 2004 extended the carryforward period for foreign tax credits from five to ten years and the Company's foreign tax credit carryforwards of \$7,421,000 as of December 31, 2004 will now expire from 2010 through 2015. As a result, the valuation allowance previously provided on the foreign tax credits of \$916,000 due to expire in 2005 was reversed in the Company's deferred tax provision for the year ended December 31, 2004.

The Company believes it is more likely than not that the Company's net operating loss carryforwards and foreign tax credit carryforwards will be utilized through the turnaround of existing temporary differences, future earnings, tax strategies or a combination thereof.

For employee stock options that are exercised, the Company receives an income tax benefit based on the difference between the option exercise price and the fair market value of the stock at the time the option is exercised. For employee restricted stock grants, the Company receives an income tax benefit or accrues additional taxes based on the difference between the fair market value of the stock at the time of grant and at the time of vesting. The combined benefit, which is recorded in stockholders' equity, was \$65,000, \$478,000 and \$1,608,000 in 2004, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

#### 9. LONG-TERM DEBT:

Long-term debt balances, maturities and interest rates are as follows as of December 31:

(in thousands)	2004		2003	
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7.2% Senior Notes due 2009, interest payable semi-annually	\$	134,500	\$	134,500
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