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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Tidd Diana H. Issuer Symbol MSCI Inc. [MSCI] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify MSCI INC., 7 WORLD TRADE 01/27/2018 below) CENTER, 250 GREENWICH ST. Head of Index (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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Common Stock	01/27/2018		F	$277 \frac{(1)}{1} D                                  $	7,067	D	

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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Tidd Diana H. MSCI INC. 7 WORLD TRADE CENTER, 250 GREENWICH ST. NEW YORK, NY 10007

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## **Signatures**

/s/ Cecilia Aza, attorney-in-fact 01/30/2018

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

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207.0		
287.9		
MAP		

72.9

72.9

Other

4.0

4.0

1,082.5

360.8

1,443.3		
Cost of sales		
1,015.8		
323.2		
1,339.0		
Gross margin		
\$ 66.7		
\$ 37.6		

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Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005

Net sales

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Granular urea		
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UAN solutions		

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DAP

263.8

263.8

MAP

70.1

70.1

Other

3.8

3.8

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333.9

1,445.4	
Cost of sales	
932.2	
207.2	
306.3	
1,238.5	
Gross margin	
\$	
179.3	
\$	
27.6	

\$

206.9

	Nitrogen (in millions)	Phosphate	Other	Consolidated
Assets				
September 30, 2006	\$ 459.0	\$ 406.9	\$ 425.9	\$ 1,291.8
December 31, 2005	\$ 515.6	\$ 398.0	\$ 314.5	\$ 1,228.1

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

You should read the following discussion and analysis in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes included in Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, of our 2005 Annual Report on Form 10-K as well as Item 1, Financial Statements, in this Form 10-Q. All references to CF Holdings, we, us and our refer to CF Industries Holdings, Inc. and its subsidiaries, including CF Industries, Inc. except where the context makes clear that the reference is only to CF Holdings itself and not its subsidiaries.

#### Overview

We are one of the largest manufacturers and distributors of nitrogen and phosphate fertilizer products in North America. Our operations are organized into two business segments: the nitrogen fertilizer business and the phosphate fertilizer business. Our principal products in the nitrogen fertilizer business are ammonia, urea and urea ammonium nitrate solution, or UAN. Our principal products in the phosphate fertilizer business are diammonium phosphate, or DAP, and monoammonium phosphate, or MAP. Our core market and distribution facilities are concentrated in the midwestern U.S. grain-producing states. Our principal customers are cooperatives and independent fertilizer distributors.

Our principal assets include:

- the largest nitrogen fertilizer complex in North America (Donaldsonville, Louisiana);
- a 66% economic interest in the largest nitrogen fertilizer complex in Canada (which we operate in Medicine Hat, Alberta through Canadian Fertilizers Limited (CFL), a consolidated variable interest entity);
- one of the largest integrated ammonium phosphate fertilizer complexes in the United States (Plant City, Florida);
- the most-recently constructed phosphate rock mine and associated beneficiation plant in the United States (Hardee County, Florida); and
- an extensive system of terminals, warehouses and associated transportation equipment located primarily in the midwestern United States.

CF Holdings was formed in 2005 to hold the existing business of CF Industries, Inc. Prior to the consummation of our initial public offering (IPO) in August 2005, CF Industries, Inc. operated as a cooperative and was owned by eight regional agricultural cooperatives (our pre-IPO owners).

## **Executive Summary**

We reported net earnings of \$7.3 million in the third quarter of 2006 compared to a net loss of \$91.4 million in the third quarter of 2005. Our results for the third quarter of 2006 included a net \$13.0 million pre-tax mark-to-market loss on natural gas derivatives. The net loss of \$91.4 million for the third quarter of 2005 included a \$99.9 million non-cash charge to the income tax provision to record a valuation allowance on the deferred tax asset related to CF Industries, Inc. s net operating loss carryforwards generated during pre-IPO operations, a \$28.3 million loss on the extinguishment of debt, a \$14.1 million gain associated with the early termination of certain natural gas hedge positions, and a \$6.1 million reduction in the income tax provision due to a refund of Canadian income taxes.

Our gross margin decreased \$30.2 million to \$25.8 million in the third quarter of 2006 compared to \$56.0 million in the third quarter of 2005. The decline in gross margin resulted from unfavorable variances

related to natural gas derivatives and lower average nitrogen fertilizer selling prices, partially offset by a decrease in natural gas costs and higher fertilizer sales volume.

Our net sales increased 5% to \$378.0 million in the third quarter of 2006 compared to \$359.4 million in the third quarter of 2005. The increase reflected higher phosphate fertilizer sales volume and higher average phosphate selling prices. An increase in nitrogen fertilizers sales volume in the third quarter of 2006 was substantially offset by lower average nitrogen fertilizer selling prices. A 252,000 ton increase in fertilizer sold during the third quarter of 2006 resulted in total sales volume of 1.9 million tons in the third quarter of 2006 compared to 1.6 million tons in the third quarter of 2005.

We paid cash dividends of \$1.1 million in the third quarter of 2006.

Net earnings of \$25.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 were \$51.5 million more than the \$26.2 million net loss for the comparable period of 2005. The improvement in net earnings was due primarily to a number of items related to our August 2005 IPO, partially offset by historically high natural gas prices experienced in the first quarter 2006, unfavorable variances related to natural gas derivatives and reduced demand for nitrogen fertilizers during the spring planting season followed by a highly competitive pricing environment in the third quarter.

The following significant items affected the comparability of our reported results for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 and our financial position as of September 30, 2006:

On August 16, 2005, we completed our IPO of common stock. We sold 47,437,500 shares of our common stock in the offering and received net proceeds, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions, of approximately \$715.4 million. In connection with our IPO, we consummated a reorganization transaction in which CF Industries, Inc. ceased to be a cooperative and became our wholly-owned subsidiary. In the reorganization transaction, all of the equity interests in CF Industries, Inc. were cancelled in exchange for all of the proceeds of the IPO and 7,562,499 shares of our common stock. We did not retain any of the proceeds from the IPO.

In connection with our IPO, we also recorded a non-cash charge to the income tax provision of \$99.9 million to reduce to zero what remained of the gross deferred tax asset related to CF Industries, Inc. s net operating loss carryforwards as of August 16, 2005 (CF Industries, Inc. s last day as a cooperative). Those net operating loss carryforwards were generated from business conducted with CF Industries, Inc. s pre-IPO owners while CF Industries, Inc. was a cooperative. In connection with our IPO, we entered into an NOL agreement with the pre-IPO owners of CF Industries, Inc. which provides that in the event that it is finally determined by the applicable taxing jurisdictions that CF Industries, Inc. s pre-IPO NOLs can be utilized, we will pay the pre-IPO owners an amount equal to the federal and state income taxes saved by the utilization of the pre-IPO NOLs. See Notes 12 and 30 to our consolidated financial statements in Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, of our 2005 Annual Report on Form 10K for further discussion of the NOL agreement.

In August of 2005, we replaced our \$140 million senior secured revolving credit facility with a \$250 million senior secured revolving credit facility.

In August of 2005, we repaid in full \$235.6 million of our term notes, plus associated prepayment penalties and accrued interest in the amount of \$29.3 million, with cash on hand and by liquidating short-term investments. Prior thereto, we made principal payments of \$0.7 million and \$10.0 million on their scheduled maturity dates.

In connection with these transactions, we incurred an estimated net \$17.1 million charge (after taxes) related to the prepayment penalties associated with the repayment of our long term debt (\$16.0 million) and termination of a long-term incentive plan (\$1.1 million) upon completion of our IPO. We also

incurred a non-cash charge of \$1.1 million (after taxes) related to the write-off of unamortized financing fees related to our previous senior secured revolving credit facility and long term debt.

Hurricane activity in the Gulf of Mexico region during the latter portion of 2005 significantly affected the domestic fertilizer industry. These hurricanes caused substantial damage to the natural gas production and distribution facilities in the region, affecting the supply and price of natural gas, the primary raw material used to produce nitrogen fertilizers. By the end of the first quarter of 2006, natural gas prices had moderated, returning to approximately pre-hurricane levels. These storms also affected the availability of barges used to transport urea and DAP/MAP on the Mississippi River and adversely affected the supply of sulfur, a raw material used in the production of phosphate fertilizers, by causing refinery closures and transportation disruptions.

In the fourth quarter of 2005, we ceased classifying natural gas derivatives as cash flow hedges as defined in SFAS No. 133 Accounting for Derivatives and Hedging Activities. As a result, realized and unrealized gains or losses related to our derivatives are now recognized in operations as they occur. Cash flow hedges existing at the time we discontinued hedge accounting were de-designated as cash flow hedges. During the third quarter of 2006 we recognized a net \$13.0 million pre-tax mark-to-market loss on natural gas derivatives in cost of sales. Despite our change in accounting treatment, the execution and attendant economic consequences of our hedging activities have not changed, in that derivatives are still being used to lock in a substantial portion of our margin on forward pricing program (FPP) sales. However, because of our change in accounting treatment, gains or losses on natural gas hedges may not be realized in the same period as the FPP sale to which they relate. We also establish natural gas derivative positions that are associated with anticipated natural gas requirements unrelated to our FPP. See Note 10 to our unaudited consolidated financial statements included in this Form 10-Q for further discussion of derivative financial instruments.

## **Results of Operations**

The following table presents our consolidated results of operations:

	Three months ended September 30, 2006 2005 2006 v. 2005			Nine months end 2006	2006 v. 200	5				
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Net sales	\$ 378.0	)	\$ 359.4		\$ 18.6		\$ 1,443.3	\$ 1,445.4	\$ (2.1	1 )
Cost of sales	352.2		303.4		48.8		1,339.0	1,238.5	100.5	
Gross margin	25.8		56.0		(30.2	)	104.3	206.9	(102.6	)
Selling, general and administrative	13.2		17.7		(4.5	)	40.5	43.0	(2.5	)
Other operating net	0.3		1.3		(1.0	)	3.4	3.8	(0.4	)
Operating earnings	12.3		37.0		(24.7	)	60.4	160.1	(99.7	)
Interest expense	0.5		3.0		(2.5	)	2.5	13.5	(11.0	)
Interest income	(3.8	)	(3.9	)	0.1		(9.3)	(11.6)	2.3	
Loss on extinguishment of debt			28.3		(28.3	)		28.3	(28.3	)
Minority interest	4.8		6.3		(1.5	)	27.1	18.7	8.4	
Other non-operating net	(0.2	)	0.1		(0.3	)	(0.4)		(0.4	)
Earnings before income taxes	11.0		3.2		7.8		40.5	111.2	(70.7	)
Income tax provision	3.7		94.6		(90.9	)	15.2	137.4	(122.2	)
Net earnings (loss)	\$ 7.3		\$ (91.4	)	\$ 98.7		\$ 25.3	\$ (26.2 )	\$ 51.	5
Net Earnings (Loss) Per Share										
Basic and diluted weighted average										
common shares outstanding	55.0		55.0	(1)			55.0	55.0 (1	1)	
Basic and diluted net earnings (loss) per										
share	\$ 0.13		\$ (1.66	)(1)	\$ 1.79		\$ 0.46	\$ (0.48 )(1	) \$ 0.9	4

Represents the pro forma basic and diluted net earnings (loss) per share calculations as if the number of common shares issued in our IPO were outstanding as of December 31, 2004. See Note 4 of our unaudited consolidated financial statements in this Form 10-Q for further information regarding pro forma net earnings (loss) per share.

#### Third Quarter of 2006 Compared to the Third Quarter of 2005

#### Consolidated Operating Results

During the third quarter of 2006, generally lower natural gas prices and higher domestic production rates contributed to a highly competitive pricing environment for the domestic nitrogen fertilizer industry, which adversely impacted our average selling prices. Strong international phosphate demand supported our phosphate fertilizer business during the third quarter of 2006. Our total gross margin decreased by \$30.2 million, or 54%, to \$25.8 million for the third quarter of 2006 compared to \$56.0 million for the same period in 2005, due largely to lower average selling prices for nitrogen fertilizers, and unfavorable variances on natural gas derivatives, partially offset by a decrease in natural gas costs. Net earnings of \$7.3 million for the third quarter of 2006 included a net pre-tax mark-to-market loss of \$13.0 million on natural gas derivatives. There were no mark-to-market adjustments recorded directly to cost of sales in the prior period as hedge accounting was still being applied. However, a gain of \$14.1 million associated with the early termination of certain natural gas hedge positions was recorded in the prior year period. The net loss of \$91.4 million for the third quarter of 2005 included a \$99.9 million non-cash charge to the income tax provision to record a valuation allowance on the deferred tax asset related to CF Industries, Inc. s net

operating loss carryforwards generated during pre-IPO operations, a \$28.3 million loss on the extinguishment of debt, a \$14.1 million gain associated with the early termination of certain natural gas hedge positions and a \$6.1 million reduction in the income tax provision due to a refund of Canadian income taxes.

Net Sales

Our net sales increased 5% to \$378.0 million in the third quarter of 2006 compared to \$359.4 million in the third quarter of 2005, due to higher phosphate fertilizer sales volumes and average selling prices. An increase in nitrogen fertilizers sales volume in the third quarter of 2006 was substantially offset by lower average selling prices. Our total sales volume increased 15% to 1.9 million tons in the third quarter of 2006 versus 1.6 million tons in the third quarter of 2005. Our total level of phosphate fertilizer sales of 510,000 tons in the third quarter of 2006 was 50,000 tons, or 11%, higher compared to the 460,000 tons sold during the same period in 2005, primarily due to increased export demand. Average phosphate fertilizer prices in the third quarter of 2006 increased by 5% compared to prices in the third quarter of 2005. Nitrogen fertilizer sales volume increased 202,000 tons, or 17%, to 1.4 million tons in the third quarter of 2006 compared to 1.2 million tons in the comparable period of 2005, due primarily to higher urea and UAN sales. The decrease in average nitrogen fertilizer prices in the third quarter of 2006 resulted primarily from the influence of lower North American natural gas prices.

### Cost of Sales

Total cost of sales of our nitrogen fertilizers averaged approximately \$182 per ton in the third quarter of both 2006 and 2005, as lower natural gas prices in 2006 were offset by unfavorable variances related to natural gas derivatives. Phosphate fertilizer cost of sales averaged \$198 per ton in the third quarter of 2006, approximating the cost per ton in the third quarter of the prior year.

During the third quarter of 2006, we sold approximately 434,000 tons of fertilizer under our forward pricing program, representing approximately 23% of our total fertilizer sales volume for the quarter. In the comparable period of 2005, we sold approximately 1.0 million tons of fertilizer under this program, representing approximately 63% of our total fertilizer sales volume for the period.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses decreased 25% to \$13.2 million for the third quarter of 2006 compared to \$17.7 million in the corresponding quarter of the prior year. The decrease in the third quarter of 2006 was largely due to the absence in 2006 of administrative expenses related to the completion of our IPO, including expenses associated with the termination of a long-term incentive plan.

Other Operating Net

Other operating net decreased to \$0.3 million in the third quarter of 2006 from \$1.3 million in the same period of 2005. The decrease was due primarily to a \$0.7 million upward adjustment in the third quarter of 2006 to the asset retirement obligations (AROs) at our closed Bartow, Florida, facility as compared to a \$2.1 million upward adjustment in the same period of 2005. Separately, favorable adjustments to our litigation reserve as a result of final settlements recorded in the third quarter of 2006 were more than offset by gains realized during the third quarter of 2005 on the sales of a previously-idled distribution terminal and excess land at our Bartow complex. For a detailed explanation of the accounting for AROs at Bartow, please refer to Note 9 to our audited consolidated financial statements included in our 2005 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

#### Interest Net

Net interest income increased \$2.4 million to \$3.3 million in the third quarter of 2006 from \$0.9 million in the third quarter of 2005. Interest expense decreased 83% to \$0.5 million in 2006 from \$3.0 million in 2005, due to the full repayment of our term notes out of our cash and short-term investments in the third quarter of 2005. Interest income of \$3.8 million in the third quarter of 2006 approximated the amount in the comparable quarter of 2005.

## Loss on Extinguishment of Debt

The \$28.3 million loss on extinguishment of debt incurred in the third quarter of 2005 consists of a \$26.4 million penalty associated with the prepayment of our term notes and the write-off of \$1.9 million of unamortized financing fees related to our long-term debt and previous senior secured revolving credit facility.

#### Minority Interest

Amounts reported as minority interest represent the interest of the 34% minority holder of CFL s common and preferred shares. The decrease in the third quarter of 2006 was due to reduced CFL operating results.

#### Income Taxes

The income tax provisions recorded for the three months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 were based upon our estimated annual effective tax rate, which includes applicable federal, foreign and state income taxes.

Our income tax provision for the third quarter of 2006 was \$3.7 million, or an effective tax rate of 33.6%. This compared with a tax provision of \$1.8 million on pre-tax earnings for the third quarter of 2005, or an effective tax rate of 56.3%. The decrease in the effective rate results principally from the cumulative effect of adjusting our estimated annual effective tax rate upward in the third quarter of 2005, and the impact of reduced state income taxes in the third quarter of 2006.

For the three months ended September 30, 2005, our income tax provision of \$94.6 million included the following items: income tax expense of \$1.8 million on earnings before income taxes (which includes additional expense of \$0.5 million related to a year-to-date effective tax rate adjustment, primarily resulting from IPO costs that are not deductible for tax purposes); a charge of \$99.9 million to establish a valuation allowance, as discussed further below; a tax benefit of \$1.0 million for adjustments to prior years tax returns; and a tax benefit of \$6.1 million relating to a Canadian income tax refund that resulted from the application of an exemption under the Canada/United States tax treaty.

On August 16, 2005, we completed our IPO and related reorganization, and CF Industries, Inc. ceased to be a cooperative for income tax purposes. On that date, CF Industries, Inc. had a deferred tax asset totaling \$99.9 million related to net operating loss carryforwards (NOLs) generated from business conducted with the CF Industries, Inc. s pre-IPO owners when CF Industries, Inc. was a cooperative for income tax purposes. Concurrent with the IPO, a 100% valuation allowance was established related to these NOLs due to substantial uncertainty under existing tax law as to CF Industries, Inc. s ability to realize any tax benefits from these NOLs due to CF Industries, Inc. s ceasing to be a cooperative. The valuation allowance resulted in the \$99.9 million charge, which is included in the income tax provision for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005.

#### Nine Months Ended September 30, 2006 Compared to Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005

## Consolidated Operating Results

For the nine months ended September 30, 2006, the domestic nitrogen fertilizer industry was impacted negatively by high natural gas prices during the first quarter of the year, reduced demand during the spring planting season, followed by a highly competitive pricing environment in the third quarter. Our phosphate fertilizer business was affected positively during the first nine months of 2006 by relatively balanced industry supply/demand conditions. Our total gross margin decreased by approximately \$102.6 million, or 50%, to \$104.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 compared to a gross margin of \$206.9 million for the same period in 2005. The net earnings of \$25.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 included a pre-tax charge of \$21.3 million for unrealized mark-to-market losses on natural gas derivatives. There were no mark-to-market adjustments recorded directly to cost of sales in the prior period as hedge accounting was still being applied. The net loss of \$26.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 included a \$99.9 million non-cash charge to record a valuation allowance on the deferred tax asset related to CF Industries, Inc. s net operating loss carryforwards generated during pre-IPO operations, a \$28.3 million loss on the extinguishment of debt, a \$14.6 million gain associated with the early termination of certain natural gas hedge positions and a \$6.1 million tax benefit from a refund of Canadian income taxes.

#### Net Sales

Our net sales were \$1.4 billion for each of the nine month periods ended September 30, 2006 and September 30, 2005. Higher average selling prices for nitrogen and phosphate fertilizers in 2006 were offset by lower nitrogen fertilizer sales volumes. Our total sales volume decreased 6% to 6.1 million tons for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 versus 6.5 million tons for the nine months ended September 30, 2005, primarily due to lower nitrogen fertilizer sales volume. Nitrogen fertilizer sales volume decreased 394,000 tons, or 8%, to 4.6 million tons for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 compared to 5.0 million tons in the comparable period of 2005, due to reduced demand during the spring planting season and the cessation of production by U.S. Agri-Chemicals to whom we had sold ammonia previously. Our total level of phosphate fertilizer sales of 1.6 million tons for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 approximated the amount sold in the same period of 2005. Nitrogen and phosphate fertilizer prices for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 averaged 6% and 8% higher, respectively, than the prices for similar products in the comparable period of 2005.

#### Cost of Sales

Total cost of sales of our nitrogen fertilizers averaged \$223 per ton for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 compared to \$188 per ton in a comparable period of 2005, an increase of 19%, primarily due to higher natural gas prices, higher purchased product costs and unfavorable variances on natural gas derivatives. Phosphate fertilizer cost of sales averaged \$208 per ton for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 compared to \$196 per ton in the same period of the prior year, an increase of 6%, mainly due to higher ammonia and sulfur costs.

During the first nine months of 2006, we sold approximately 2.2 million tons of fertilizer under our forward pricing program, representing approximately 36% of our total fertilizer sales volume for the period. In the comparable period of 2005, we sold approximately 3.9 million tons of fertilizer under this program, representing approximately 60% of our total fertilizer sales volume for the period.

## Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses decreased 6% to \$40.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 compared to \$43.0 million in the comparable period of 2005. The year-over-year decrease in expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 resulted largely from the absence of expenses related to our August 2005 IPO, including expenses associated with the termination of a long-

term incentive plan upon completion of our IPO. This decrease was partially offset by additional share-based compensation expense and additional administrative expenses associated with being a publicly held company, both items that were incurred in 2006.

#### Other Operating Net

Other operating net decreased to \$3.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 from \$3.8 million in the same period of 2005. During the nine months ended September 30, 2006, we recorded adjustments of \$1.7 million to increase the asset retirement obligations (AROs) at our closed Bartow facility as compared to \$2.1 million in 2005. Separately, favorable variances in 2006 related to our litigation reserve were more than offset by the absence of gains realized during the third quarter of 2005 on the sales of a previously idled distribution terminal and excess land at our Bartow complex.

#### Interest Net

Interest net swung to \$6.8 million of net interest income for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 from \$1.9 million of net interest expense in the same period of 2005. Interest expense decreased 81% to \$2.5 million in 2006 from \$13.5 million in 2005, due to the full repayment of our term notes, out of our cash and short-term investments, in the third quarter of 2005. This decrease was partially offset by \$1.0 million of interest expense in the second quarter of 2006 related to a Canadian tax matter. Interest income decreased to \$9.3 million in 2006 from \$11.6 million in 2005 as higher average rates of return were more than offset by lower average balances of invested cash.

### Loss on Extinguishment of Debt

The \$28.3 million loss on extinguishment of debt incurred in the third quarter of 2005 consists of a \$26.4 million penalty associated with the prepayment of our term notes and the write-off of \$1.9 million of unamortized financing fees related to the term notes and previous senior secured revolving credit facility.

#### Minority Interest

Amounts reported as minority interest represent the interest of the 34% minority holder of CFL s common and preferred shares. The increase for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 was due to CFL operating results.

#### Income Taxes

The income tax provisions recorded for the nine month periods ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 were based upon our estimated annual effective tax rate, which includes applicable federal, foreign and state income taxes.

Our income tax provision for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 was \$15.2 million, or an effective tax rate of 37.5%. This compared with a tax provision of \$44.1 million on pre-tax earnings for the third quarter of 2005, or an effective tax rate of 39.7%. The decrease in the effective tax rate results principally from lower state income taxes in the current year and the effect of expenses recorded in the prior year period associated with our IPO that were not deductible for income tax purposes.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2005, the income tax provision of \$137.4 million included the following items: income tax expense of \$44.1 million on earnings before income taxes; a charge of \$99.9 million to establish a valuation allowance, as previously discussed; a tax benefit of \$0.5 million for adjustments to prior years tax returns; and a tax benefit related to a Canadian income tax refund of \$6.1 million.

## Segment Review

Our business is organized and managed internally based on two segments, the nitrogen fertilizer business and the phosphate fertilizer business, which are differentiated primarily by their products, the markets they serve and the regulatory environments in which they operate.

## Nitrogen Fertilizer Business

The following table presents summary operating data for our nitrogen fertilizer business:

	2006 (in millions, e	except as noted)	006 v. 2005	2006		006 v. 2005
Net sales	\$ 260.5	\$ 258.3	\$ 2.2	\$ 1,082.5	\$ 1,111.5	\$ (29.0 )
Cost of sales	250.9	213.3	37.6	1,015.8	932.2	83.6
Gross margin	\$ 9.6	\$ 45.0	\$ (35.4)	\$ 66.7	\$ 179.3	\$ (112.6)
Gross margin percentage	3.7 %	17.4 %		6.2 %	16.1 %	
Tons of product sold (in thousands)	1,378	1,176	202	4,563	4,957	(394)
Sales volumes by product (tons in						
thousands)						
Ammonia	143	145	(2)	789	1,032	(243)
Urea	607	549	58	1,969	1,977	(8)
UAN	621	474	147	1,763	1,905	(142)
Other nitrogen products	7	8	(1)	42	43	(1)
Average selling price per ton by product						
Ammonia	\$ 292	\$ 303	\$ (11 )	\$ 387	\$ 309	\$ 78
Urea	218	251	(33)	248	244	4
UAN	138	160	(22)	162	161	1
Cost of natural gas (per MMBtu) (1)						
Donaldsonville	\$ 6.58	\$ 7.17	\$ (0.59)	\$ 7.37	\$ 6.97	\$ 0.40
Medicine Hat	5.15	7.25	(2.10)	6.58	6.29	0.29
Average daily market price of natural gas (per MMBtu)						
Henry Hub (Louisiana)	\$ 6.09	\$ 9.72	\$ (3.63)	\$ 6.78	\$ 7.69	\$ (0.91 )
AECO (Alberta)	5.07	7.73	(2.66)	5.66	6.42	(0.76)
Depreciation and amortization	\$ 14.7	\$ 14.2	\$ 0.5	\$ 43.6	\$ 50.8	\$ (7.2)
Capital expenditures	\$ 13.1	\$ 17.0	\$ (3.9 )	\$ 21.6	\$ 36.3	\$ (14.7)
Production volume by product (tons in thousands)						
Ammonia (2)(3)	776	678	98	2,279	2,354	(75)
Granular urea (2)	568	517	51	1,685	1,748	(63)
UAN (28%)	679	465	214	1,672	1,836	(164 )

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes the cost of natural gas purchases and realized gains and losses on natural gas derivatives.

Gross ammonia production, including amounts subsequently upgraded on-site into urea and/or UAN.

Total production at Donaldsonville and Medicine Hat, including the 34% interest of Westco, our joint venture partner in CFL.

## Third Quarter of 2006 Compared to the Third Quarter of 2005

*Net Sales.* Nitrogen fertilizer net sales of \$260.5 million in the third quarter of 2006 approximated the level of the comparable quarter of the prior year, as higher sales volume was offset by lower average selling prices. Nitrogen fertilizer sales volume increased 17% to 1.4 million tons in the third quarter of 2006 compared to 1.2 million tons in the comparable period of 2005 due principally to the impact of production and shipping disruptions caused by the two hurricanes in 2005. Ammonia, urea and UAN sales prices decreased by 4%, 13% and 14%, respectively, in the third quarter of 2006 compared to prices in the same period of the prior year. The decrease in nitrogen fertilizer prices in the third quarter of 2006 primarily resulted from the influence of lower North American natural gas prices.

Cost of Sales. Total cost of sales of our nitrogen fertilizers averaged approximately \$182 per ton in the third quarter of both 2006 and 2005, as lower natural gas prices in 2006 were offset by unfavorable variances related to natural gas derivatives. The overall weighted average cost of natural gas supplied to our Donaldsonville facility and CFL s Medicine Hat facility decreased by 15% in the third quarter of 2006 versus the cost in the comparable period of 2005. We recognized a net \$13.0 million mark-to-market loss on natural gas derivatives in the third quarter of 2006 and \$14.1 million of hedge related gains in the third quarter of 2005. See the Executive Summary section of this discussion and analysis for additional information about the impact of a change in accounting for our natural gas derivatives.

During the third quarter of 2006, we sold approximately 380,000 tons of nitrogen fertilizers under our forward pricing program, representing approximately 28% of our nitrogen fertilizer sales volume for the quarter. In the comparable period of 2005, we sold approximately 797,000 tons of nitrogen fertilizers under this program, representing approximately 68% of our nitrogen fertilizer sales volume for the period.

## Nine Months Ended September 30, 2006 Compared to the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005

Net Sales. Nitrogen fertilizer net sales decreased \$29.0 million to \$1.1 billion for the nine months ended September 30, 2006, approximately the same level in the prior year period, due to lower sales volume, which was partially offset by higher average ammonia selling prices. Nitrogen fertilizer sales volume decreased 8% to 4.6 million tons in the first nine months of 2006 compared to 5.0 million tons in the comparable period of 2005. Ammonia and UAN sales volumes decreased by 24% and 8%, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 compared to the same period of the prior year. Ammonia sales volumes decreased due primarily to fewer corn acres planted and reduced application rates, as well as lower sales from our Tampa terminal due to U.S. Agri-Chemicals, a former customer, ceasing phosphate operations in the fourth quarter of 2005. The decrease in UAN sales compared to sales for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 was due primarily to less corn acreage planted and reduced demand in the southern portion of the country due to drought conditions, partially offset by strong summer fill demand resulting from the perception of a stronger UAN market later in the year. Ammonia sales prices increased by 25% for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 compared to prices in the same period of the prior year, primarily due to the influence of higher North American natural gas prices during the first quarter.

Cost of Sales. Total cost of sales of our nitrogen fertilizers averaged \$223 per ton for the nine months ended September 30, 2006, compared to \$188 per ton for the same period in 2005, an increase of 19%, largely due to higher natural gas prices, higher purchased product costs and unfavorable variances related to natural gas derivatives. The overall weighted average cost of natural gas supplied to our Donaldsonville facility and CFL s Medicine Hat facility increased by 5% for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 versus the cost in the comparable period of 2005. Purchased product costs were approximately \$42.7 million higher in 2006 than in the same period of 2005 due to the overall increase in nitrogen fertilizer prices as well as an increase in the amount of sales volume supported by purchased products, both factors mainly occurring during the first six months of 2006. We recognized \$21.3 million of unrealized mark-to-market losses on derivatives in 2006 as an increase in cost of sales due to our discontinuing hedge

accounting coupled with the decline in natural gas prices that occurred during the year. We also recorded \$14.6 million of hedge gains in 2005, mainly in the third quarter. See the Overview section of this discussion and analysis for additional information about the impact of accounting for our natural gas derivatives.

During the first nine months of 2006, we sold approximately 2.0 million tons of nitrogen fertilizers under our forward pricing program, representing approximately 43% of our nitrogen fertilizer sales volume for the period. In the comparable period of 2005, we sold approximately 3.4 million tons of nitrogen fertilizers under this program, representing approximately 68% of our nitrogen fertilizer sales volume for the period.

## Phosphate Fertilizer Business

The following table presents summary operating data for our phosphate fertilizer business:

	2006	ended September 2005	er 30, 2006 v. 2005	Nine months e 2006	nded September 2005	30, 2006 v. 2005
Net sales	\$ 117.5	(\$ 101.1	\$ 16.4	\$ 360.8	\$ 333.9	\$ 26.9
Cost of sales	101.3	90.1	11.2	323.2	306.3	16.9
Gross margin	\$ 16.2	\$ 11.0	\$ 5.2	\$ 37.6	\$ 27.6	\$ 10.0
Gross margin percentage	13.8 %	10.9 %		10.4 %	8.3 %	
Tons of product sold (in thousands)	510	460	50	1,553	1,563	(10 )
Sales volumes by product (tons in thousands)						
DAP	380	353	27	1,242	1,243	(1)
MAP	130	107	23	311	320	(9)
Domestic vs export sales of DAP/MAP (tons						
in thousands)						
Domestic	298	315	(17)	1,043	1,032	11
Export	212	145	67	510	531	(21)
Average selling price per ton by product						
DAP	\$ 229	\$ 219	\$ 10	\$ 232	\$ 212	\$ 20
MAP	233	223	10	234	219	15
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	\$ 7.7	\$ 8.4	\$ (0.7)	\$ 25.1	\$ 23.6	\$ 1.5
Capital expenditures	\$ 4.7	\$ 4.2	\$ 0.5	\$ 19.6	\$ 18.1	\$ 1.5
Production volume by product (tons in						
thousands)						
Phosphate rock	983	979	4	2,850	2,570	280
Sulfuric acid	655	657	(2)	1,964	1,897	67
Phosphoric acid as P2O5	256	255	1	769	732	37
DAP/MAP	512	511	1	1,542	1,459	83

## Third Quarter of 2006 Compared to the Third Quarter of 2005

Net Sales. Phosphate fertilizer net sales increased 16% to \$117.5 million in the third quarter of 2006 compared to \$101.1 million in the third quarter of 2005 due to higher phosphate fertilizer sales volume and higher average selling prices. Our total level of phosphate fertilizer sales of 510,000 tons in the third quarter of 2006 was 50,000 tons, or 11%, higher than in the comparable period in 2005. The 67,000 ton increase in sales of DAP/MAP to export customers was primarily due to higher demand in key overseas markets. Average phosphate fertilizer prices in the third quarter of 2006 increased by 5% compared to prices in the third quarter of 2005.

*Cost of Sales.* Average phosphate cost of sales of \$198 per ton in the third quarter of 2006 approximated the average per ton cost in the third quarter of 2005.

During the third quarter of 2006, we sold approximately 54,000 tons of phosphate fertilizers under our forward pricing program, representing approximately 11% of our phosphate fertilizer sales volume for the quarter. In the comparable period of 2005, we sold approximately 229,000 tons of phosphate fertilizers under this program, representing approximately 50% of our phosphate fertilizer sales volume for the period.

#### Nine Months Ended September 30, 2006 Compared to the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005

*Net Sales.* Phosphate fertilizer net sales increased 8% to \$360.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 compared to \$333.9 million in the comparable period of 2005, due primarily to higher average selling prices. Average phosphate fertilizer prices during the first nine months of 2006 increased by 8% compared to prices in 2005. Our total level of phosphate fertilizer sales of 1.6 million tons in the first nine months of 2006 approximated the prior period s level.

Cost of Sales. Phosphate cost of sales averaged \$208 per ton for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 compared to \$196 per ton for the nine months ended September 30, 2005. The 6% increase was mainly due to higher ammonia and sulfur costs. Ammonia prices increased by 13% during 2006 compared to the same period in 2005, reflecting stronger global market conditions through the first half of 2006. Sulfur costs increased by 11% for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 compared to the same period in 2005. The increase, mainly occurring in the first six months of 2006, reflected the lingering impact of supply disruptions that occurred in 2005 due to hurricane activity.

During the first nine months of 2006, we sold approximately 230,000 tons of phosphate fertilizers under our forward pricing program, representing approximately 15% of our phosphate fertilizer sales volume for the period. In the comparable period of 2005, we sold approximately 541,000 tons of phosphate fertilizers under this program, representing approximately 35% of our phosphate fertilizer sales volume for the period.

## **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Our primary sources of cash are operating cash flow, which includes customer advances, and our senior secured revolving credit facility. Our primary uses of cash are operating costs, working capital needs, capital expenditures and dividends. Our working capital requirements are affected by several factors, including demand for our products, selling prices for our products, raw material costs, freight costs and seasonality factors inherent in the business.

## Cash Balances

As of September 30, 2006, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$21.4 million, short-term investments of \$284.0 million and a \$148.8 million current liability attributable to customer advances related to cash deposits received under our forward pricing program. As of December 31, 2005, the comparable amounts

were \$37.4 million, \$179.3 million and \$131.6 million, respectively. Short-term investments consist primarily of available-for-sale auction rate securities that are reported at fair value. We believe that our cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments, our operating cash flows and liquidity under our senior secured revolving credit facility are adequate to fund our cash requirements for the foreseeable future. As of September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005, we had \$199.6 million and \$192.6 million available, respectively, under our revolving credit facility.

#### Debt

Notes payable, representing amounts owed by CFL to its minority interest holder with respect to advances, were \$4.4 million as of September 30, 2006 compared to \$4.2 million as of December 31, 2005. There were no outstanding borrowings or letters of credit under our \$250 million senior secured revolving credit facility as of September 30, 2006 or December 31, 2005.

#### Forward Pricing Program

We offer a FPP to our customers under which product may be ordered for future delivery, with a substantial portion of the sales proceeds generally being collected before the product is shipped, thereby reducing or eliminating the accounts receivable related to such sales. As of September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005, we had approximately \$148.8 million and \$131.6 million, respectively, in customer advances on our consolidated balance sheet. As of September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005, we had approximately 808,000 tons of product and 1.2 million tons of product, respectively, committed to be sold under the FPP. Most of this product was scheduled to ship within 150 days of September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005, respectively.

While customer advances were a significant source of liquidity in the first nine months of both 2006 and 2005, the level of sales under the FPP is affected by many factors, including current market conditions and our customers perceptions of future market fundamentals. As of September 30, 2005, we had approximately 1.5 million tons of product committed to be sold under this program. The lower level as of September 30, 2006 reflects the hesitancy of our customers to make commitments in the fertilizer pricing environment prevalent during the current reporting period.

The level of our customers—participation in our FPP may vary over time. Should the level of participation decrease, there is a risk of increased volatility in the operating earnings of future periods. If the level of sales under the FPP were to decrease in the future, our cash received from customer advances would likely decrease, and our accounts receivable balances would likely increase. Also, borrowing under our senior secured revolving credit facility could become necessary. Due to the volatility inherent in our business and changing customer expectations, we cannot estimate the amount of future FPP sales activity.

#### Financial Assurance Requirements

In addition to various operational and environmental regulations related to our phosphate fertilizer business, we are also subject to financial assurance requirements. Previously, these financial assurance requirements were satisfied without the need for any advance expenditure of corporate funds provided our financial statements met certain criteria, referred to as the financial tests. However, pursuant to a 2005 amendment to the Florida regulations governing financial assurance related to the closure of phosphogypsum stacks, we established an escrow account to meet such future obligations in order to take advantage of a safe harbor provision in the regulations that would obviate the need for us to meet the financial test criteria in the future. In March of 2006, we contributed \$11.1 million to this escrow account, which by rule is earmarked to cover the closure, long-term maintenance, and monitoring costs for our phosphogypsum stacks, as well as any costs incurred to manage the water contained in the stack system upon closure.

Additionally, Florida regulations require mining companies to demonstrate financial responsibility for wetland and other surface water mitigation measures in advance of any mining activities. We will be required to demonstrate financial responsibility for wetland and other surface-water-mitigation measures in advance of any mining activities, if and when we are able to expand our Hardee mining activities to areas not currently permitted. The demonstration of financial responsibility by mining companies in Florida may be provided by passing a financial test or by establishing a cash deposit arrangement. Based on these current regulations, we will have the option to demonstrate financial responsibility in Florida utilizing either of these methods.

See Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Liquidity in our 2005 Annual Report on Form 10-K for additional information on financial assurance requirements.

#### Cash Flows

#### **Operating Activities**

Net cash generated from operating activities in the first nine months of 2006 was \$163.3 million compared to \$222.4 million in the same period in 2005. The \$59.1 million decrease in cash provided by operating activities in 2006 was primarily due to a \$99.7 million decrease in operating earnings, partially offset by the adjustment for the non-cash effect of \$21.3 million of unrealized losses on derivatives. Other major factors affecting operating cash flow during the first nine months of 2006 were a \$30.8 million increase in accounts receivable, a \$21.5 million decrease in accounts payable and accrued expenses, a \$17.2 million increase in customer advances, a \$16.8 million decrease in margin deposits, and a \$10.5 million decrease in inventories. The increase in accounts receivable was primarily due to less volume shipped under the FPP for which a substantial portion of the sales proceeds is generally received prior to shipment. The decrease in accounts payable and accrued expenses was primarily due to lower amounts owed for purchased product as of September 30, 2006 as compared to December 31, 2005. The increase in customer advances was due primarily to changes in the product mix of outstanding orders and a greater percentage of the contract value having been collected by September 30, 2006 in advance of the fall season. Remaining unpaid amounts of customer advances are generally collected by the time the product is shipped. The decrease in margin deposits was primarily due to lower margin requirements. The decrease in inventories reflects lower per-unit nitrogen fertilizers manufacturing cost at September 30, 2006 partially offset by higher quantities of nitrogen fertilizers held due to seasonal factors.

#### Investing Activities

Net cash used in investing activities was \$156.9 million for the first nine months of 2006 as compared to \$57.0 million of cash provided by investing activities in the comparable period of 2005. The \$213.9 million swing in cash used in investing activities was primarily due to the liquidation of short term investments for repayment of our term notes in 2005, as previously discussed. Net purchases of short-term investments were \$104.7 million during the first nine months of 2006 as compared to \$92.2 million of net sales during the nine months ended September 30, 2005. The level of short-term investments, generally auction rate securities that we liquidate over periods ranging from three to twelve months, is dictated by our current cash position and estimated future liquidity requirements. Additions to property, plant and equipment-net were \$41.1 million for the first nine months of 2006 and \$53.8 million for the comparable period of the prior year. The decrease in additions to property, plant and equipment-net in 2006 was due primarily to a \$14.7 million decrease in plant turnaround expenditures during 2006 as compared to the same period in 2005. As previously discussed, we contributed \$11.1 million in March of 2006 to our asset retirement obligation escrow account. The balance in this account is reported at fair value on our consolidated balance sheet. The \$18.6 million of proceeds from sale of unconsolidated subsidiary

represents the cash realized from the July 15, 2005 sale of our interest in our CF Martin Sulphur joint venture to our joint venture partner, an affiliate of Martin Resource Management.

#### Financing Activities

Net cash used in financing activities was \$22.3 million and \$289.5 million in the first nine months of 2006 and 2005, respectively. The \$267.2 million decrease in cash used in financing activities in the nine months ended September 30, 2006 versus the comparable period of 2005 was primarily due to the 2005 repayment of \$235.6 million of our term debt and the associated prepayment penalty of \$26.4 million as previously discussed. Distributions to minority interest were higher in 2006, as all of CFL s 2005 net earnings were distributed by the end of the third quarter of 2006, whereas the majority of CFL s 2004 net earnings were distributed in 2004. The \$715.4 million of proceeds from the issuance of common stock and the corresponding exchange of stock represent the proceeds from our IPO completed in the third quarter of 2005 and the subsequent payments to CF Industries, Inc. s pre-IPO owners. See the Overview section of this discussion and analysis for additional information about our IPO.

### **Obligations**

#### Contractual Obligations

As of September 30, 2006, the annual amounts of purchase obligations for 2006 and 2007 are lower by \$172.3 million and \$41.4 million, respectively, as compared to the amounts shown in Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Liquidity in our 2005 Annual Report on Form 10-K. Of the \$172.3 million reduction for 2006, approximately \$107.3 million relates to the first nine months of the year and approximately \$65.0 million relates to the last three months of the year. These changes reflect primarily lower per unit prices for commitments to purchase natural gas, ammonia and sulfur for use in phosphate production and ammonia, urea and UAN purchased for resale in our markets, as well as lower quantities for commitments to purchase ammonia for resale. These commitments are based on spot prices as of September 30, 2006 and actual prices may differ.

#### Other Long-Term Obligations

Our accounts payable and accrued expenses and other liabilities on our consolidated balance sheet included balances related to asset retirement obligations. As of September 30, 2006 asset retirement obligations totaled \$69.8 million as compared to \$74.5 million as of December 31, 2005. The asset retirement obligations as of September 30, 2006 included the impact of \$1.7 million of adjustments to Bartow conditional asset retirement costs as discussed more fully in other operating-net in Results of Operations Nine Months Ended September 30, 2006 Compared to Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005 in this discussion and analysis. As of September 30, 2006, cash expenditures required to settle the asset retirement obligations for the balance of 2006 are expected to be \$2.5 million. See Note 9 to our consolidated financial statements in Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, of our 2005 Annual Report on Form 10-K for further discussion of asset retirement obligations.

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

We do not have any off-balance sheet arrangements that have or are reasonably likely to have a material current or future effect on our financial condition, revenues or expenses, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures or capital resources.

## **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

We describe our significant accounting policies and estimates in Note 2 to our audited consolidated financial statements and related notes included in Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, of our 2005 Annual Report on Form 10-K. We discuss our critical accounting estimates in Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in our 2005 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

In September of 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS or Statement) No. 158 Employers Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans an amendment of FASB Statements No. 87, 88, 106, and 132(R). This Statement requires an entity to recognize the funded status of benefit plans as assets and/or liabilities on the balance sheet, recognize gains and losses, prior service costs or credits, and transition assets or obligations in other comprehensive income, measure the defined benefit plan assets and obligations as of the date of the employer's fiscal year-end balance sheet and provide disclosure in the notes of the effects of the amortization of amounts included in other comprehensive income on the next fiscal year's periodic benefit cost. The recognition provisions of this Statement are effective for our December 31, 2006 fiscal year-end. The measurement provisions of the Statement will have no impact on our consolidated financial statements, as our plan assets and benefit obligations are currently measured as of year-end. This Statement will have no impact on our consolidated statements of operations, but could have a material impact on our December 31, 2006 consolidated balance sheet. See Note 3 to our unaudited consolidated financial statements included in this Form 10-Q for discussion of other new accounting standards.

## FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements that are not statements of historical fact and may involve a number of risks and uncertainties. These statements relate to analyses and other information that are based on forecasts of future results and estimates of amounts not yet determinable. These statements may also relate to our future prospects, developments and business strategies.

We have used the words anticipate, believe, could, estimate, expect, intend, may, plan, predict, project, and similar terms and references to assumptions, to identify forward-looking statements in this Form 10-Q. These forward-looking statements are made based on our expectations and beliefs concerning future events affecting us and are subject to uncertainties and factors relating to our operations and business environment, all of which are difficult to predict and many of which are beyond our control, that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those matters expressed in or implied by these forward-looking statements. We do not undertake any responsibility to release publicly any revisions to these forward-looking statements to take into account events or circumstances that occur after the date of this report. Additionally, we do not undertake any responsibility to provide updates regarding the occurrence of any unanticipated events which may cause actual results to differ from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements contained in this report.

Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from our expectations are disclosed under Risk Factors and elsewhere in our Annual Report on Form 10-K. Such factors include, among others:

- the relatively expensive and volatile cost of North American natural gas;
- the cyclical nature of our business;
- our history of losses;
- the nature of our products as global commodities;
- intense global competition in the consolidating markets in which we operate;

- conditions in the U.S. agricultural industry;
- weather conditions;
- our inability to accurately predict seasonal demand for our products;
- the concentration of our sales to CF Industries, Inc. s pre-IPO owners and other large customers;
- the impact of changing market conditions on our forward pricing program;
- the significant risks and hazards against which we may not be insured;
- unanticipated consequences related to future expansion of our business;
- our inability to expand our business, including due to the significant resources that could be required;
- potential liabilities and expenditures related to environmental and health and safety laws and regulations;
- our inability to obtain or maintain required permits and governmental approvals;
- acts of terrorism;
- difficulties in securing the raw materials we use;
- changes in global fertilizer supply and demand;
- loss of key members of management; and
- inability to meet financial reporting and other requirements as a public company.

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

We are exposed to the impact of changes in interest rates, foreign currency exchange rates and commodity prices. See Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk in our Annual report on Form 10-K for additional information on market risk.

#### Interest Rate Fluctuations

As of September 30, 2006, we had notes payable of approximately \$4 million that had a floating interest rate. A 100 basis point change in interest rates on our notes payable would result in a \$40,000 change in pretax income on an annual basis. The senior secured revolving credit facility bears a current market rate for interest such that we are subject to interest rate risk on borrowings under this facility. As of September 30, 2006, there were no loans outstanding under this credit facility.

## Commodity Prices

We manage the risk of changes in natural gas prices through the use of physical gas supply contracts and derivative financial instruments covering periods not exceeding three years. As of both September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005, approximately 14.1 million MMBtus of natural gas were hedged, most of which related to sales contracted to be sold through our forward pricing program.

Through the third quarter of 2005, we recorded derivatives as assets and liabilities at their fair value on the balance sheet with an offset in other comprehensive income (loss). The gain or loss from these derivatives was deferred in other comprehensive income (loss) until the month after

the hedged natural gas was used to manufacture inventoried products, which approximated the period of inventory turns of

upgraded products and the release of the cost of the hedged gas to cost of sales. Ineffective hedge gains and losses, as defined in SFAS No. 133 Accounting for Derivatives and Hedging Activities, were recorded immediately in cost of sales.

Volatility in the natural gas market during the latter part of 2005 and our decision to supply FPP orders from sources other than production have reduced our ability to predict future natural gas requirements. Consequently, we no longer classify derivatives as cash flow hedges as defined in SFAS No. 133 *Accounting for Derivatives and Hedging Activities*. As a result, while the derivatives are still carried at their fair value on the balance sheet, unrealized gains or losses related to the derivatives are now recognized in operations as they occur. There is a probability of increased volatility in our operating earnings in future periods as a result of our discontinuance of hedge accounting, because mark-to-market adjustments on our derivatives directly impact operations as incurred.

## ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.

- (a) Disclosure Controls and Procedures. The Company s management, with the participation of the Company s Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, has evaluated the effectiveness of the Company s disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act)) as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on such evaluation, the Company s Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that, as of the end of such period, the Company s disclosure controls and procedures are effective in recording, processing, summarizing and reporting, on a timely basis, information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act and are effective in ensuring that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to the Company s management, including the Company s Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.
- (b) Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. There have not been any changes in the Company s internal control over financial reporting (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act) during the quarter ended September 30, 2006 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company s internal control over financial reporting.

## PART II OTHER INFORMATION

## ITEM 6. EXHIBITS.

A list of exhibits filed with this report on Form 10-Q (or incorporated by reference to exhibits previously filed or furnished) is provided in the Exhibit Index on page 36 of this report.

## **SIGNATURES**

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

CF Industries Holdings, Inc.

Date: November 7, 2006 By: /s/ STEPHEN R. WILSON

Stephen R. Wilson

President and Chief Executive Officer, Chairman of the

Board (Principal Executive Officer)

Date: November 7, 2006 By: /s/ ERNEST THOMAS

**Ernest Thomas** 

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial Officer)

## EXHIBIT INDEX

## Exhibit No. Description

- Form of Restricted Stock Award Agreement (incorporated by reference to Item 1.01 of CF Industries Holding, Inc. s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on August 14, 2006, File No. 001-32597)
- 31.1 Certification of CEO pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 31.2 Certification of CFO pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.1 Certification of CEO pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.2 Certification of CFO pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.