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revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. $\square$
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed a report on and attestation to its management's assessment of the effectiveness of its internal control over financial reporting under Section 404(b) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act (15 U.S.C. 7262(b)) by the registered public accounting firm that prepared or issued its audit report. $\square$
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The aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates of the registrant on June 30, 2020, the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter, based on the closing price on that date of \$9.15 on the New York Stock Exchange was \$124,446,978. Common shares held by each executive officer and director and by each person who owns 10% or more of the outstanding common shares (as determined by information provided to the registrant) have been excluded in that such persons may be deemed to be affiliates. This determination of affiliate status is not necessarily a conclusive determination for other purposes.
As of March 3, 2021, the registrant had 13,651,521 common shares outstanding.
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Portions of the registrant's Proxy Statement for its 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed not later than 120 days after the end of the fiscal year covered by this Annual Report on Form 10-K are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Form 10-K.

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### PART I

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### GLOSSARY OF DEFINED TERMS

Certain of the defined terms used in this Report are set forth below:

5.875% Convertible Notes: the Company's 5.875% Convertible Senior Notes due 2025.

7.00% Convertible Notes: the Company's 7.00% Convertible Senior Notes due 2020, which matured on June 15, 2020.

Accretion Expense: the expense recognized when adjusting the present value of the GIGS ARO for the passage of time.

Administrative Agreement: the Administrative Agreement dated December 1, 2011, as amended effective August 7, 2012, between the Company and Corridor.

Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility: Pinedale LP's \$41.0 million Second Amended and Restated Term Credit Agreement and Note Purchase Agreement with Prudential as lender, effective December 29, 2017, which was extinguished on June 30, 2020.

Arc Logistics: Arc Logistics Partners LP, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Zenith Energy U.S., LP, as a result of the completion of a merger on December 21, 2017.

ARO: the Asset Retirement Obligation liabilities assumed with the acquisition of GIGS.

ASC: FASB Accounting Standards Codification.

ASU: FASB Accounting Standard Update.

**Bbls:** standard barrel containing 42 U.S. gallons.

**CARES Act:** the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act.

Code: the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

Company or CorEnergy: CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. (NYSE: CORR).

Compass SWD: Compass SWD, LLC, the current borrower under the Compass REIT Loan.

Compass REIT Loan: the financing notes between Compass SWD and Four Wood Corridor.

**Convertible Notes:** collectively, the Company's 5.875% Convertible Notes and the Company's 7.00% Convertible Notes.

CorEnergy BBWS: CorEnergy BBWS, Inc., a wholly-owned taxable REIT subsidiary of CorEnergy.

CorEnergy Credit Facility: the Company's upsized \$160.0 million CorEnergy Revolver and the \$1.0 million MoGas Revolver with Regions Bank, which was terminated on February 4, 2021.

CorEnergy Revolver: the Company's \$160.0 million secured revolving line of credit facility with Regions Bank, which was terminated on February 4, 2021.

CorEnergy Term Loan: the Company's \$45.0 million secured term loan with Regions Bank that was paid off in conjunction with the amendment and restatement of the CorEnergy Credit Facility on July 28, 2017.

Corridor: Corridor InfraTrust Management, LLC, the Company's external manager pursuant to the Management Agreement.

Corridor MoGas: Corridor MoGas, Inc., a wholly-owned taxable REIT subsidiary of CorEnergy, the holding company of MoGas, United Property Systems and CorEnergy Pipeline Company, LLC and a co-borrower under the Crimson Credit Facility.

Corridor Private: Corridor Private Holdings, Inc., an indirect wholly-owned taxable REIT subsidiary of CorEnergy.

Corridor Public: Corridor Public Holdings, Inc., an indirect wholly-owned taxable REIT subsidiary of CorEnergy.

COVID-19: Coronavirus disease of 2019; a pandemic affecting many countries globally.

Cox Acquiring Entity: MLCJR LLC, an affiliate of Cox Oil, LLC.

Cox Oil: Cox Oil, LLC.

CPI: Consumer Price Index.

**CPUC:** California Public Utility Commission.

Crimson: Crimson Midstream Holdings, LLC, a CPUC regulated crude oil pipeline owner and operator, of which the Company owns a 49.50 percent interest effective February 1, 2021.

Crimson Credit Facility: the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement with Crimson Midstream Operating and Corridor MoGas as borrowers, the lenders from time to time party thereto, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as administrative agent, swingline lender and issuing bank, entered into on February 4, 2021, which provides borrowing capacity of up to \$155.0 million, consisting of: a \$50.0 million revolving credit facility, an \$80.0 million term loan and an uncommitted incremental facility of \$25.0 million.

Crimson Midstream Operating: Crimson Midstream Operating, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Crimson and a co-borrower under the Crimson Credit Facility.

Crimson Revolver: the \$50.0 million secured revolving line of credit facility with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association entered into on February 4, 2021.

Crimson Term Loan: the \$80.0 million secured term loan with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association entered into on February 4, 2021.

**Crimson Transaction:** the Company's acquisition of a 49.50 percent interest in Crimson on February 4, 2021 with the right to acquire the remaining 50.50 percent upon receiving CPUC approval.

**Exchange Act:** the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

EGC: Energy XXI Ltd, the parent company (and guarantor) of our tenant on the Grand Isle Gathering System lease, emerged from a reorganization under Chapter 11 of the US Bankruptcy Code on December 30, 2016, with the succeeding company named Energy XXI Gulf Coast, Inc. Effective October 18, 2018, EGC became an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of MLCJR LLC ("Cox Acquiring Entity"), an affiliate of Cox Oil, LLC, as a result of a merger transaction. Throughout this document, references to EGC will refer to both the pre- and post-bankruptcy entities and, for dates on and after October 18, 2018, to EGC as an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Cox Acquiring Entity.

EGC Tenant: Energy XXI GIGS Services, LLC, a wholly-owned operating subsidiary of Energy XXI Gulf Coast, Inc. that was the tenant under Grand Isle Corridor's triple-net lease of the Grand Isle Gathering System until the lease was terminated on February 4, 2021.

FASB: Financial Accounting Standards Board.

FERC: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

Four Wood Corridor: Four Wood Corridor, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of CorEnergy.

**GAAP:** U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

GIGS: the Grand Isle Gathering System, owned by Grand Isle Corridor LP and triple-net leased to a wholly-owned subsidiary of Energy XXI Gulf Coast, Inc until it was sold on February 4, 2021.

GOM: Gulf of Mexico.

Grand Isle Corridor: Grand Isle Corridor LP, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company.

**Grand Isle Gathering System:** a subsea midstream pipeline gathering system located in the shallow Gulf of Mexico shelf and storage and onshore processing facilities.

**Grand Isle Lease Agreement:** the June 2015 agreement pursuant to which the Grand Isle Gathering System assets were triple-net leased to EGC Tenant, which terminated on February 4, 2021 upon disposal of GIGS.

**Indentures:** collectively, (i) that certain Base Indenture, dated June 29, 2015, as supplemented by the related First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of June 29, 2015, between the Company and Computershare Trust Company, N.A., as Trustee for the 7.00% Convertible Notes and (ii) that certain Base Indenture, dated August 12, 2019, between the Company and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for the 5.875% Convertible Notes.

Internalization: CorEnergy's expected acquisition of its external manager, Corridor, as contemplated in a Contribution Agreement, as described in this Report.

IRS: U.S. Internal Revenue Service.

### GLOSSARY OF DEFINED TERMS (Continued from previous page)

Joliet: Zenith Energy Terminals Joliet Holdings LLC, an indirect subsidiary of Zenith Energy U.S., LP.

Lightfoot: collectively, Lightfoot Capital Partners, LP and Lightfoot Capital Partners GP LLC.

Management Agreement: the current management agreement between the Company and Corridor entered into May 8, 2015, effective as of May 1, 2015, and as amended February 4, 2021.

MoGas: MoGas Pipeline LLC, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of CorEnergy.

MoGas Pipeline System: an approximately 263-mile interstate natural gas pipeline system in and around St. Louis and extending into central Missouri, owned and operated by MoGas.

MoGas Revolver: a \$1.0 million secured revolving line of credit facility at the MoGas subsidiary level with Regions Bank, which was terminated on February 4, 2021

Mowood: Mowood, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of CorEnergy and the holding company of Omega Pipeline Company, LLC.

**Mowood/Omega Revolver:** a \$1.5 million secured revolving line of credit facility at the Mowood subsidiary level with Regions Bank, which was terminated on February 4, 2021.

NAREIT: National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts.

NYSE: New York Stock Exchange.

Omega: Omega Pipeline Company, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mowood, LLC.

Omega Pipeline: Omega's natural gas distribution system in south central Missouri.

**OPEC:** the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries.

**Pinedale LGS:** the Pinedale Liquids Gathering System, a system consisting of approximately 150 miles of pipelines and four above-ground central gathering facilities located in the Pinedale Anticline in Wyoming, owned by Pinedale LP and triple-net leased to a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ultra Petroleum until it was sold on June 30, 2020.

**Pinedale Lease Agreement:** the December 2012 agreement pursuant to which the Pinedale LGS assets were triple-net leased to a wholly owned subsidiary of Ultra Petroleum, which terminated on June 30, 2020 upon sale of the Pinedale LGS.

Pinedale LP: Pinedale Corridor, LP, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of CorEnergy.

**Pinedale GP:** the general partner of Pinedale LP and a wholly-owned subsidiary of CorEnergy.

PLR: the Private Letter Ruling dated November 16, 2018 (PLR 201907001) issued to CorEnergy by the IRS.

Portland Lease Agreement: the January 2014 agreement pursuant to which the Portland Terminal Facility was triple-net leased to Zenith Terminals, which terminated on December 21, 2018 upon sale of the facility.

Portland Terminal Facility: a petroleum products terminal located in Portland, Oregon sold on December 21, 2018 to Zenith Terminals.

**Prudential:** the Prudential Insurance Company of America.

QDI: qualified dividend income.

**REIT:** real estate investment trust.

SEC: Securities and Exchange Commission.

Securities Act: the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Series A Preferred Stock: the Company's 7.375% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of which there currently are outstanding approximately 50,108 shares represented by 5,010,814 depositary shares, each representing 1/100th of a whole share of Series A Preferred Stock.

SWD: SWD Enterprises, LLC, the previous debtor of the financing notes with Four Wood Corridor.

TRS: taxable REIT subsidiary.

### GLOSSARY OF DEFINED TERMS (Continued from previous page)

**UPL:** Ultra Petroleum Corp.

Ultra Wyoming: Ultra Wyoming LGS LLC, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Ultra Petroleum.

**United Property Systems:** United Property Systems, LLC, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of CorEnergy, acquired with the MoGas transaction in November 2014.

VIE: Variable Interest Entity.

Zenith: Zenith Energy U.S., LP.

Zenith Terminals: Zenith Energy Terminals Holdings, LLC (f/k/a Arc Terminal Holdings, LLC), a wholly-owned operating subsidiary of Arc Logistics LP (and, subsequent to December 21, 2017, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Zenith).

#### **ITEM 1. BUSINESS**

### **GENERAL**

CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. ("CorEnergy") was organized as a Maryland corporation and commenced operations on December 8, 2005. As used in this Annual Report on Form 10-K ("Report"), the terms "we", "us", "our" and the "Company" refer to CorEnergy and its subsidiaries.

### **COMPANY OVERVIEW**

We are a publicly traded real estate investment trust ("REIT") focused on energy infrastructure. Our business strategy is to own and operate or lease critical energy midstream infrastructure connecting the upstream and downstream sectors within the industry. We currently generate revenue from the transportation, via pipeline, of natural gas and crude oil for our customers in Missouri and California. The pipelines are located in areas where it would be difficult to replicate rights of way or transport natural gas or crude oil via non-pipeline alternatives resulting in our assets providing utility-like criticality in the midstream supply chain for our customers.

As primarily regulated assets, the near to medium term value of our regulated pipelines is supported by revenue derived from cost-of-service methodology. The cost-of-service methodology is used to establish appropriate transportation rates based on several factors including expected volumes, expenses, debt and return on equity. The regulated nature of the majority of our assets provides a degree of support for our profitability over the long-term, where our customers primarily own the products shipped on or stored in our facilities. We believe these characteristics provide CorEnergy with the attractive attributes of other globally listed infrastructure companies, including high barriers to entry and predictable revenue streams, while mitigating risks and volatility experienced by other companies engaged in the midstream energy sector.

Over the last twelve months, our asset portfolio has undergone significant changes as described under "2020 Developments" below. We have divested all of our leased assets including the Grand Isle Gathering System ("GIGS") and Pinedale Liquids Gathering System ("Pinedale LGS"). On February 4, 2021, GIGS was used as partial consideration to acquire a 49.50 percent interest in Crimson Midstream Holdings, LLC ("Crimson"), an approximately 2,000-mile crude oil transportation pipeline system in California, which is referred to throughout this Report as the "Crimson Transaction." The repositioning of our asset portfolio from a focus on non-operated leased assets to one of owned and operated assets is enabled by our U.S. Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") recent private letter ruling ("PLR") related to qualifying income for operated assets. As a result, all of our current assets are owned and operated which provides us with an opportunity to grow the business organically using our footprint in addition to making acquisitions. However, we still plan on pursuing the leasing or other non-operating ownership of assets, as part of our business model, when we believe appropriate opportunities arise. We intend to distribute substantially all of our cash available for distribution, less prudent reserves, on a quarterly basis. We regularly assess our ability to pay and to grow our dividend to common stockholders.

#### 2020 Developments

Our 2020 fiscal year was impacted by the coronavirus ("COVID-19") pandemic-related reduction in energy demand, which resulted in several significant impacts on our tenants under our then triple-net leases and the financial performance of our business. These key events during our fiscal year ended December 31, 2020 are summarized below:

- The COVID-19 pandemic-related reduction in energy demand and the uncertainty of production from OPEC members, U.S. producers and other international suppliers caused significant disruptions and volatility in the global oil marketplace during 2020, which adversely affected our tenants. In response to COVID-19, governments around the world have implemented increasingly stringent measures to help reduce the spread of the virus, including stay-at-home and shelter-in-place orders, travel restrictions and other measures. These measures have adversely affected the economies and financial markets of the U.S. and many other countries, resulting in an economic downturn that has negatively impacted global demand and prices for the products handled by our pipelines, terminals and other facilities. There is significant uncertainty regarding how long these conditions will persist and the impact of the virus on the energy industry and potential impacts to our business. Refer to Item 1A, Risk Factors, for further details.
- Events as described above resulted in decreases of current and expected long-term crude oil prices along with significant reductions to the market capitalization and bankruptcy filings of many oil and gas producing companies, including our tenants. Our tenant under the Grand Isle Lease Agreement was impacted by these economic events and ceased paying rent starting on April 1, 2020 and continuing into January of 2021, until the GIGS asset was disposed of and the Grand Isle Lease Agreement was terminated on February 4, 2021 in connection with the Crimson Transaction described above. These events triggered our review of the carrying value of our long-lived GIGS asset as of March 31, 2020. Our evaluation resulted in the recognition of a \$140.3 million impairment for our GIGS asset and a \$30.1 million non-cash

write-off of the deferred rent receivable for the Grand Isle Lease Agreement. Refer to Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases") for further details.

• As a result of the bankruptcy filing of Ultra Petroleum Corp. ("UPL") and Ultra Wyoming LGS, LLC ("Ultra Wyoming"), the guarantor and tenant (respectively) of the Pinedale Lease Agreement, the tenant's motion to reject the lease effective June 30, 2020 and the sale of the Pinedale LGS to Ultra Wyoming for \$18.0 million on June 30, 2020, (collectively, the "Pinedale Transaction"), we recognized a loss of approximately \$136.0 million, net of a gain on extinguishment of related debt, for the year ended December 31, 2020. The Pinedale Lease Agreement was terminated effective June 30, 2020. Refer to Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases") for further details.

#### **Our Operations**

As highlighted above, we have significantly changed our asset portfolio during 2020 and first quarter 2021. The asset portfolio is described below.

Crimson Midstream Holdings: An approximately 2,000-mile crude oil transportation pipeline system, including approximately 1,300 active miles, and associated storage facilities located in southern California and the San Joaquin Valley. The pipeline network provides a critical link between California crude oil production and California refineries. The operations and maintenance of these assets are in strict accordance with applicable safety and regulatory requirements promulgated by the U.S. Department of Transportation's ("DOT") Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration ("PHMSA") and California State Fire Marshall. The California Public Utility Commission ("CPUC") regulates the rates and administration of the transportation tariffs which comprise the majority of our revenue generating activities. These assets were acquired effective as of February 1, 2021.

MoGas Pipeline System: An approximate 263-mile interstate natural gas pipeline in and around St. Louis and extending into central Missouri. The pipeline network provides a critical link between natural gas producing regions with local utilities. MoGas operates and maintains these assets in strict accordance with applicable safety and regulatory requirements promulgated by PHMSA. The vast majority of our revenue is related to our Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC")-approved firm transportation agreements with various customers which entitle the customers to specified amounts of guaranteed capacity on the pipeline during the term of the agreements. We also earn additional revenue from our customers based on actual volumes of natural gas transported under either the firm transportation agreements, or under interruptible transportation agreements, but these revenues comprise a small percentage of our total revenue.

Omega Pipeline: An approximate 75-mile natural gas distribution system located primarily on the U.S. Army's Fort Leonard Wood military post in south-central Missouri. Omega Pipeline Company, LLC ("Omega") operates and maintains these assets in strict accordance with applicable safety and regulatory requirements promulgated by the Missouri Public Service Commission ("MoPUC"). The vast majority of Omega's revenue is derived from a non-regulated Natural Gas Distribution Agreement between Omega and the U.S. Department of Defense ("DOD"), to provide the natural gas supply, distribution assets, operations and maintenance of the assets at Fort Leonard Wood. Omega has been under contract with the DOD since 1991 at Fort Leonard Wood, and we are currently in year five of a ten-year renewable agreement. We also earn additional revenue from Omega Gas Marketing, LLC providing gas supply services to a small number of small industrial and commercial customers in central Missouri near Fort Leonard Wood, but these revenues comprise a minimal percentage of our total revenue.

On November 16, 2018, the IRS issued a second requested PLR to CorEnergy. The PLR provides us assurance that fees we may receive for the usage of storage and pipeline assets we may own will qualify as rents from real property for purposes of our qualification as a REIT. As a result, the PLR grants us the opportunity to own and operate certain energy infrastructure assets under conditions set forth in the PLR. This ruling allows us to own and operate assets such as those within Crimson, MoGas, and Omega, which, prior to this PLR ruling, would not have directly generated REIT qualifying income.

### Assets sold during 2020 and O1 2021:

Grand Isle Gathering System: An approximately 137-mile subsea crude oil pipeline system located in the Gulf of Mexico south of Grand Isle, Louisiana and a 16-acre onshore terminal facility located in Grand Isle, Louisiana. CorEnergy had a triple-net lease for these assets on a long-term basis to a subsidiary of Energy Gulf Coast, Inc. ("EGC"), pursuant to the Grand Isle Lease Agreement. On February 4, 2021, the Grand Isle Gathering System was provided as partial consideration for the purchase of the 49.50 percent interest in Crimson.

*Pinedale LGS*: An approximately 150-mile liquid pipeline system and four central gathering treatment facilities located in the Pinedale Anticline, near Pinedale, Wyoming. CorEnergy had a triple-net lease for these assets on a long-term basis to a subsidiary of UPL. The Pinedale LGS was sold to UPL on June 30, 2020.

#### Market Overview

Crude oil production in California dates back more than 150 years and the state has some of the highest recoverable reserves remaining in the ground. Given the significant hydrocarbon resources in California, and its access to the Pacific Ocean, California is not connected, via pipeline, to other crude oil producing regions in North America. The refining industry in California is primarily supplied first by native California crude oil production with the balance being supplied via waterborne imports. The majority of refineries in California are specifically designed to service California from both a crude oil supply and refined products standpoint. Many refineries are specifically designed to process the low-gravity crude oil that is prevalent in California. Furthermore, the refineries are also uniquely designed to meet the stringent California gasoline standards set by the California Air Resources Board ("CARB"). The high complexity of CARB requirements for California refiners results in a preference for California produced crude oil as a feedstock. Furthermore, the stringent refined product formulations required by CARB provide high barriers to entry for satisfying California's refined product demand from refineries outside of California.

The utilization of MoGas and Omega assets is driven by the consumption of natural gas from residential, commercial and industrial users in the region where MoGas' and Omega's assets are located. MoGas is well supplied by other interstate pipelines, originating in the Rocky Mountains, Mid-Continent, Appalachia, and Gulf Coast production basins.

### Competition

We compete with other midstream energy companies as well as public and private funds, to make the types of investments that we plan to make in the U.S. energy infrastructure sector. Many of our competitors are substantially larger and have considerably greater financial, technical and marketing resources than us. For example, some competitors may have a lower cost of funds and access to a greater variety of funding sources than are available to us. In addition, some of our competitors may have higher risk tolerances or different risk assessments, allowing them to consider a wider variety of investments and establish more relationships than us. These competitive conditions may adversely affect our ability to make investments in the energy infrastructure sector and could adversely affect our distributions to stockholders.

Pipelines generally offer the lowest cost and safest mode of transportation. Despite this, pipelines can face competition from other forms of transportation, such as truck, rail and ship. Although these alternative forms of transportation are typically higher cost, they can provide access to alternative markets which could be attractive to our customers for various reasons.

The primary competition for our California assets is existing pipelines and trucking. In mature and stable crude oil producing regions like California, the threat of a newly constructed pipelines is low. Furthermore, a significant percentage of our assets are located in an urban environment which also significantly decreases the competition from new construction.

### Customers

The majority of revenues from Crimson's operations are generated from California refiners which are predominately investment-grade. The majority of revenues from our MoGas and Omega operations are generated from long-term "take-or-pay" contracts with investment grade utilities, municipalities and the DOD. For a discussion of customers, see Part IV, Item 15, Note 8 ("Concentrations") to our consolidated financial statements.

### **Growth Opportunities and Due Diligence**

We seek to grow through acquisitions and organically via optimization of our existing assets. We primarily rely on our own analysis to determine whether to pursue an opportunity. In evaluating a specific opportunity, we consider, among other things, the following factors:

- Cash Flow Stability We primary seek growth opportunities which provide stable and predictable cash flow through either long-term contracts or a regulated cost-of-service. As a second layer of stability, we look for assets which have natural barriers to entry with low current competition.
- Importance to Customer/Counterparty Operations We predominately focus on assets that we believe are critical or important to the ongoing operations of the customer or counterparty for the economic production or use of hydrocarbon resources. We focus on assets which are critical to our customers' realization of economic returns from their operations. We believe that this type of asset will provide a relatively low risk of nonuse, and therefore loss, in the case of a potential bankruptcy or abandonment scenario.
- Organic Growth/Optimization Opportunities We seek assets which provide us with the opportunity to organically grow. These opportunities might include attracting new volumes to our system or optimizing the asset within our current portfolio.

Diversification – We attempt to diversify our portfolio to avoid dependence on any one particular customer, counterparty, commodity, and market
location within the U.S. By diversifying, we seek to reduce the adverse effect of a single under-performing investment or a downturn in any particular
asset, commodity, or market region.

- Asset Evaluation We review the physical condition of the property and assess the effectiveness of the current integrity management program. We also typically engage a third party to conduct, or require the seller to conduct, a thorough examination of all land-related documents, agreements, and easements, as well as, a preliminary examination, or Phase 1 assessment, of the site to determine the potential for contamination or similar environmental site assessments in an attempt to identify potential environmental liabilities associated with a property prior to its acquisition.
- Customer/Counterparty/Investment Evaluation We evaluate each potential customer, counterparty or investment for creditworthiness, typically considering factors such as management experience, industry position and fundamentals, operating history, and capital structure, as well as other factors that may be relevant to a particular acquisition.
- Lease Terms Typically, the net leased properties we will acquire will be leased on a full recourse basis to the tenants or their affiliates. In addition, we often seek to include a clause in each lease that provides for increases in rent over the term of the lease.
- Other Real Estate Related Assets As other opportunities arise, we may also seek to expand the portfolio to include other types of real estate-related investments, in all cases within the energy infrastructure sector, such as:
  - equity investments in real properties that are not long-term net leased to a single-tenant and may include partially leased properties, undeveloped properties and properties subject to short-term net leases, among others;
  - mortgage loans secured by real properties including loans to our taxable REIT subsidiaries ("TRS");
  - subordinated interests in first mortgage real estate loans, or B-notes;
  - mezzanine loans related to real estate, which are senior to the borrower's equity position but subordinated to other third-party financing; and
  - equity and debt securities (including preferred equity, limited partnership interests, trusts and other higher yielding structured debt and equity investments) issued by companies that are engaged in real-estate-related businesses as defined by regulations promulgated under the Code or our PLR, including other REITs.

### Use of Taxable REIT Subsidiaries

We operate as a REIT and therefore are generally not subject to U.S. federal corporate income taxes on the income and gains that we distribute to our stockholders, including the income derived through leasing fees and financing revenue from our REIT qualifying investments in energy infrastructure assets. However, even as a REIT, we remain obligated to pay income taxes on earnings from our TRSs. The use of TRSs enables us to own certain assets and engage in certain businesses while maintaining compliance with the REIT qualification requirements under the Code. We may, from time to time, change the election of previously designated TRSs to be treated as qualified REIT subsidiaries, and may reorganize and transfer certain assets or operations from our TRSs to other subsidiaries, including qualified REIT subsidiaries. For example, through a series of reorganization events, and based on a favorable IRS PLR received, Omega was converted from a TRS entity to a qualified REIT subsidiary in 2017. Refer to the "Omega Pipeline (Mowood, LLC)" section in Item 2 of this Report for additional details.

### Financing Strategy

We believe a major factor in our continued success is our ability to maintain financial flexibility, a competitive cost of capital and access to the capital markets. Our long-term target is a total debt-to-adjusted-EBITDA ratio of less than 4.0x. However, we may exceed that target during an acquisition if there is a viable path to returning to the long-term target. In addition to debt, we may use preferred or common equity to satisfy remaining capital needs to help limit the amount of financial risk of the Company.

Consistent with our asset acquisition policies, we use leverage when available on terms we believe are favorable. The amount of leverage for any given acquisition will depend on our assessment of market conditions and other factors at the time of any proposed borrowing. Although we currently do not anticipate doing so, the amount of total funded debt leverage we employ may exceed 50 percent of our total assets. Secured loans which we might obtain, could be recourse or non-recourse to us. A lender on non-recourse mortgage debt often has recourse only to the property collateralizing such debt and not to any of our other assets, while full recourse financing would give the lender recourse to all of our assets. The use of non-recourse debt helps us to limit the exposure of all of our assets to any one debt obligation.

### **Regulatory and Environmental Matters**

Our energy infrastructure assets and operations, as well as those of our tenants, are subject to numerous federal, state and local laws and regulations concerning the protection of public health and safety, zoning and land use, and pricing and other matters related to certain of our business operations. For a discussion of the current effects and potential future impacts of such regulations on our business and properties, see the discussion presented in Item 1A of this Report under the subheading "Risks Related to Our Investments in Energy Infrastructure." In particular, for a discussion of the current and potential future effects of compliance with federal, state and local environmental regulations, see the discussion titled "Costs of complying with governmental laws and regulations, including those relating to environmental matters, may adversely affect our income and the cash available for distribution to our stockholders" within such section.

### **FERC and State PUC Common Carrier Regulations**

The vast majority of our operated pipeline systems are subject to economic and operational regulation by various federal, state and/or local agencies. Our rates are generally set based on a regulated cost-of-service model.

FERC regulates interstate transportation on our common carrier pipeline systems under the Interstate Commerce Act ("ICA"), the Natural Gas Act, the Environmental Protection Act, and the rules and regulations promulgated under those laws. FERC regulations require that rates and terms and conditions of service be just and reasonable and must not be unduly discriminatory or confer any undue preference upon any shipper. FERC's regulations also require interstate common carrier pipelines to file with FERC and publicly post tariffs stating their interstate transportation rates and terms and conditions of service.

Under the ICA, FERC or any interested private entity of person may challenge existing or proposed new or changed rates, services or terms and conditions of service. FERC is authorized to investigate such charges and may suspend the effectiveness of a new rate for a period of time or could limit a common carrier pipeline's ability to change rates until completion of an investigation. During an investigation, FERC could find that the new or changed rate is unlawful.

Intrastate transportation services, provided by our California pipeline system, are subject to regulation by the CPUC. The CPUC requires intrastate pipelines to file their rates with the agencies and permit shippers to challenge existing rates and proposed rate increases. The CPUC could limit our ability to increase our rates or could order us to reduce our rates and require the payment of refunds to shippers.

### **Environmental, Health and Safety Regulation**

Our operations involve the transportation of crude oil and natural gas which are subject to stringent federal, state and local laws and regulations designed to protect the environment. Compliance with these laws and regulations increases our overall cost of doing business. Failure to comply with these laws and regulations could result in the assessment of administrative, civil and criminal penalties, and the addition of new operational constraints. Environmental and safety laws and regulations are subject to changes that may result in more stringent requirements which could negatively impact our future earnings to the extent they cannot be recovered through our cost-of-service framework. A discharge of hazardous liquids into the environment could, to the extent such event is not insured, subject us to substantial expense. The following summarizes some of the key environmental, health and safety laws and regulations to which our operations are subject.

### Pipeline and Tank Safety and Integrity Management

The majority of our assets are subject to regulation by the DOT's PHMSA pursuant to the Hazardous Liquids Pipeline Safety Act of 1979 ("HLPSA"). The HLPSA imposes safety requirements on the design, construction, operation and maintenance of pipeline and storage facilities. Federal regulations implementing the HLPSA require pipeline operators to adopt measures designed to reduce the environmental impact of their operations, including the maintenance of comprehensive spill response plans and the performance of spill response training for pipeline personnel. These regulations also require pipeline operators to develop and maintain a written qualification program for individuals performing covered tasks on pipeline facilities.

The HLPSA was amended by the Pipeline Safety Improvement Act of 2002 and the Pipeline Inspection, Protection, Enforcement and Safety Act of 2006. These amendments have resulted in the adoption of rules by the DOT that requires transportation pipeline operators to implement integrity management programs to ensure pipeline safety in "high consequence areas" such as high population areas, areas unusually sensitive to environmental damage, and navigable waterways.

In October 2015, the Governor of California signed the Oil Spill Response: Environmentally and Ecologically Sensitive Areas Bill ("AB-864") which requires new and existing pipelines located near environmentally and ecologically sensitive areas connected to or located in the coastal zone to use best available technologies to reduce the amount of oil released in an oil spill to protect state waters and wildlife. The California Office of the State Fire Marshal has developed the regulations required by

AB-864. Full compliance is required by early 2023. Compliance with these new regulations may require some modifications to our affected pipelines in California and may add to the cost to operate the pipelines subject to these rules.

The DOT has generally adopted American Petroleum Institute Standard ("API") 653 as the standard for the maintenance of steel above ground petroleum storage tanks subject to DOT jurisdiction. API 653 requires regularly scheduled inspection and repair of tanks remaining in service.

### Occupational Safety and Health

We are subject to the requirements of the Occupational Safety and Health Act, as amended ("OSHA") and comparable state statutes that regulate the protection of the health and safety of workers. In addition, the OSHA hazard communication standard requires that certain information be maintained about hazardous materials used or produced in operations and that this information be provided to employees, state and local government authorities and citizens.

### Seasonality

Our operated pipeline volumes have not historically experienced meaningful seasonal revenue variability. Our MoGas and Omega assets can experience high volumes in times of extreme high or low temperatures but impacts to our revenue are limited given the contracts. Our San Pablo Bay pipeline has a minimum flow rate requirement, which is dependent on ground temperature, in order to maintain segregated crude-oil service.

### MANAGEMENT

### **Our Manager**

We are externally managed by Corridor. Corridor is a real property asset manager with a focus on U.S. energy infrastructure real property assets. Corridor assists us in identifying infrastructure real property asset acquisition opportunities, and is generally responsible for our day-to-day operations.

On February 4, 2021, we entered into a Contribution Agreement with Richard C. Green, Rick Kreul, Rebecca M. Sandring, Sean DeGon, Jeff Teeven, Jeffrey E. Fulmer, David J. Schulte (as Trustee of the DJS Trust under Trust Agreement dated July 18, 2016), and Campbell Hamilton, Inc., which is an entity controlled by David J. Schulte (collectively, the "Contributors"), and Corridor. Consummation of the transactions contemplated in the Contribution Agreement will result in the internalization of the management of the Company (the "Internalization"). Following the Internalization, we will own all material assets of Corridor currently used in the conduct of its business and will be managed by officers and employees who currently work for Corridor and who are expected to become employees of the Company as a result of the Internalization. We will seek stockholder approval of the Internalization in compliance with the rules of the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"). Refer to Part IV, Item 15, Note 16 ("Subsequent Events") for further details on the Internalization.

Contemporaneously with execution of the Contribution Agreement, we and Corridor entered into the First Amendment (the "First Amendment") to the Management Agreement dated as of May 8, 2015 (as amended, the "Management Agreement") that has the effect of (i) reducing the amount paid to Corridor until closing of the Internalization or termination of the Contribution Agreement and (ii) provides payment to Corridor to enable distribution of payments to employees of Corridor as approved by the independent directors of the Company and pending closing of the Contribution Agreement. The following description of Corridor is based on the current operations of our manager prior to the completion of the Internalization, except as otherwise noted.

### **Management Team**

Each of our officers, except officers recently appointed from Crimson in February 2021, is an employee of Corridor or one of its affiliates. The CorEnergy officers directly employed by Crimson include John Grier, Larry Alexander and Robert Waldron. Corridor is not obligated to dedicate certain of its employees exclusively to us, nor are it or its employees obligated to dedicate any specific portion of its or their time to our business. As described below, we have historically paid a management fee and certain other fees to Corridor, which it used in part to pay compensation to certain officers and employees who, notwithstanding that some of them also are our officers, receive no cash compensation directly from us.

Prior to the announcement of the Internalization agreement on February 4, 2021, we paid Corridor a management fee based on total assets under management. Additionally, Corridor was paid an incentive fee based on increases in distributions to our stockholders. A percentage of the Corridor incentive fee was reinvested in CorEnergy's common stock. Pursuant to the Management Agreement and Administrative Agreement, Corridor agreed to use its reasonable best efforts to present us with suitable acquisition opportunities consistent with our investment objectives and policies and is generally responsible, subject to the supervision and review of our Board of Directors, for our day-to-day operations.

### **Energy Infrastructure Real Property Asset Management and Operation**

Both the historical members of the Corridor team and the new officers from the Crimson team have experience across several segments of the energy sector and will continue to be primarily responsible for the effective management of our assets to maintain and enhance their values. The PLR creates the opportunity for us to acquire and operate assets in the manner we now do for Crimson, MoGas and Mowood, but on a broader scale. We have leveraged the PLR in acquiring the Crimson assets described above, and we will continue to rely on Corridor and Crimson to provide or supervise the employees responsible for operating such assets until the Internalization is complete.

#### **Management Agreement**

Under our Management Agreement, pending Internalization, Corridor (i) presents us with suitable acquisition opportunities consistent with our investment policies and our objectives, (ii) is responsible for our day-to-day operations and (iii) performs such services and activities relating to our assets and operations as may be appropriate. The Management Agreement does not have a specific term, and will remain in place unless terminated by us or Corridor in the manner permitted pursuant to the agreement, which includes the Internalization transaction described above.

As historically in effect, the terms of the Management Agreement include a quarterly management fee equal to 0.25 percent (1.00 percent annualized) of the value of our Managed Assets as of the end of each quarter. For purposes of the Management Agreement, "Managed Assets" means our total assets (including any securities receivables, other personal property or real property purchased with or attributable to any borrowed funds) minus (A) the initial invested value of all non-controlling interests, (B) the value of any hedged derivative assets, (C) any prepaid expenses and (D) all of the accrued liabilities other than (1) deferred taxes and (2) debt entered into for the purpose of leverage. For purposes of the definition of Managed Assets, our securities portfolio will be valued at then-current market value. For purposes of the definition of Managed Assets, other personal property and real property assets will include real and other personal property owned and our assets invested, directly or indirectly, in equity interests in or loans secured by real estate or personal property (including acquisition-related costs and acquisition costs that may be allocated to intangibles or are unallocated), valued at the aggregate historical cost, before reserves for depreciation, amortization, impairment charges or bad debts or other similar noncash reserves.

During 2020, prior to the amendment of the Management Agreement in connection with the Internalization, Corridor voluntarily recommended, and we agreed, that effective solely for the purpose of computing the Managed Assets in calculating the quarterly management fee under the terms of the Management Agreement certain cash balances should be excluded from Managed Assets.

Corridor also voluntarily recommended, and we agreed, that effective solely for purpose of computing the Managed Assets in calculating the quarterly management fee under the terms of the Management Agreement for the quarter ended June 30, 2020, the incremental management fee attributable to the assets involved in the Pinedale Transaction, which occurred on June 30, 2020, should be paid for the second quarter of 2020 as such assets were under management for all but the last day of the period.

The Management Agreement also required a quarterly incentive fee of 10 percent of the increase in distributions paid over a threshold distribution equal to \$0.625 per share per quarter. During 2020, the Company either waived or did not earn the incentive fee that would otherwise be payable under the provisions of the Management Agreement with respect to dividends paid on the Company's common stock. Accordingly, Corridor did not receive any incentive fees during 2020. Refer to Part IV, Item 15, Note 9 ("Management Agreement") for further details on the Management Agreement for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Until the closing of the Internalization transaction or termination of the Contribution Agreement as described above, we will pay Corridor a management fee based on the actual cost of operations of Corridor, including salaries and benefits of employees.

### **Administrative Agreement**

Under our Administrative Agreement, Corridor, as our administrator, performs (or oversees or arranges for the performance of) the administrative services necessary for our operation, including without limitation providing us with equipment, clerical, bookkeeping and record keeping services. For these services we pay our administrator an annual fee equal to 0.04 percent of the value of the Company's Managed Assets as of the end of each quarter, with a minimum annual fee of \$30 thousand.

Pursuant to the Management and Administrative Agreement, Corridor furnishes us with office facilities and clerical and administrative services necessary for our operation (other than services provided by our custodian, accounting agent, dividend and interest-paying agents and other service providers). Corridor is authorized to enter into agreements with third parties to provide such services. To the extent we request, Corridor will (i) oversee the performance and payment of the fees of our service providers and make such reports and recommendations to the Board of Directors concerning such matters as the parties deem desirable; (ii) respond to inquiries and otherwise assist such service providers in the preparation and filing of regulatory reports, proxy statements, and stockholder communications, and the preparation of materials and reports for the Board of Directors; (iii) establish and oversee the implementation of borrowing facilities or other forms of leverage authorized by the Board of

Directors; and (iv) supervise any other aspect of our administration as may be agreed upon by us and Corridor. We have agreed, pursuant to the Management Agreement, to reimburse Corridor for all out-of-pocket expenses incurred in providing the foregoing.

We bear all expenses not specifically assumed by Corridor and incurred in our operations. The compensation and allocable routine overhead expenses of all management professionals of Corridor and its staff, when and to the extent engaged in providing us management services, is provided and paid for by Corridor and not us.

#### **Human Capital Management**

As we are externally managed, we have no employees at the corporate level. Our subsidiary, Omega, has one part-time and three full-time employees. Our subsidiary MoGas has one part-time employee and 16 full-time employees. Corridor has 12 employees who will become direct employees of CorEnergy upon closing of the Internalization described above.

Corridor's and our subsidiaries' employees are an important asset, and we seek to attract and retain top talent by fostering a culture that is guided by our core values of integrity, inclusivity, creativity and high standards of quality and excellence. We also seek to promote workplace and operational safety and focus on the protection of public health and the environment.

As of February 4, 2021, we acquired a 49.50 percent interest in Crimson, which has 105 full-time equivalent employees.

### **AVAILABLE INFORMATION**

We are required to file reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. We will make available free of charge our Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K and any amendments to those reports on or through our web site at <a href="http://corenergy.reit">http://corenergy.reit</a> as soon as reasonably practicable after such material is electronically filed with, or furnished to, the SEC. This information may also be obtained, without charge, upon request by calling us at (816) 875-3705 or toll-free at (877) 699-2677. The SEC maintains an Internet site that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information filed by us with the SEC which is available on the SEC's Internet site at www.sec.gov. Please note that any Internet addresses provided in this Form 10-K are for informational purposes only and are not intended to be hyperlinks. Accordingly, no information found and/or provided at such Internet address is intended or deemed to be included by reference herein.

#### **ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS**

There are many risks and uncertainties that can affect our future business, financial performance or share price. Many of these are beyond our control. A description follows of some of the important factors that could have a material negative impact on our future business, operating results, financial condition or share price. This discussion includes a number of forward-looking statements. You should refer to the description of the qualifications and limitations on forward-looking statements in the first paragraph under Item 7 "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" of this Form 10-k

### **RISK FACTOR SUMMARY**

The following is a summary of the most significant risks relating to our business activities that we have identified. If any of these risks actually occur, our business, financial condition or results of operation, including our ability to generate cash and make distributions could be materially adversely affected. For a more complete understanding of our material risk factors, this summary should be read in conjunction with the detailed description of our risk factors which follows this summary.

### Risks Related to Our Investments in Energy Infrastructure

- · Our focus on the energy infrastructure sector will subject us to more risks than if we were broadly diversified.
- We may be unable to identify and complete acquisitions of real property assets, and the relative illiquidity of our real property and energy infrastructure
  investments also may interfere with our ability to sell our assets when we desire.
- Energy infrastructure companies are and will be subject to extensive regulation, including numerous environmental regulations, pipeline safety and
  integrity regulations, revenue and tariff regulations by applicable interstate (FERC) and intrastate authorities, and potential future regulations related to
  greenhouse gases and climate change. Related compliance costs may adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations, as well
  as those of our customers and tenants.
- Our operations, and those of our customers and tenants, are subject to operational hazards, and could be affected by extreme weather patterns and other
  natural phenomena. Any resulting business interruptions not adequately covered by insurance could have a material adverse impact on our operations and
  financial results.

• Both we and our customers and tenants depend on certain key customers for a significant portion of our respective revenues, which also exposes us to related credit risks. The loss of a key customer, or any failure of our credit risk management, could result in a decline in our business.

- Pandemics, epidemics or disease outbreaks, such as the COVID-19 pandemic, may adversely affect local and global economies and our business, operations and financial results.
- The operation of our energy infrastructure assets could be adversely affected if third-party pipelines, railroads or other facilities interconnected to our facilities become partially or fully unavailable.

### Risks Related to Our Ownership Interest in Crimson

- We have significant assets which are held as ownership interests in Crimson, whose operations we do not fully control.
- Crimson's insurance coverage may not be sufficient to cover our losses in the event of an accident, natural disaster or other hazardous event.
- Crimson's results could be adversely affected if third-party pipelines, refineries, and other facilities interconnected to its pipelines become unavailable, or if the volumes Crimson transports and stores are reduced due to any significant decrease in crude oil production in areas in which it operates.
- Crimson does not own all of the land on which its assets are located, which could result in disruptions to Crimson's operations.
- Crimson's assets were constructed over many decades, which may increase future inspection, maintenance or repair costs, or result in downtime that could
  have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations.
- Some of our directors and officers may have conflicts of interest with respect to certain other business interests related to the Crimson Transaction.
- Crimson's pipeline loss allowance exposes us to commodity risk.
- Any failure to achieve forecast assumptions on Crimson's expansion projects, acquisitions and divestitures, or to recruit and retain the skilled workforce Crimson requires, could result in a failure to implement Crimson's business plans.

### Risks Related to Our Ownership and Operation of MoGas or Other Assets

 MoGas competes with other pipelines, and may be unable to renew contracts with certain customers on an annual basis following expiration of the current five-year rate agreements with its customers.

#### Risks Related to Our Investments in Leases

- We are subject to risks involved in single tenant leases, and net leases may not result in fair market lease rates over time.
- If a tenant declares bankruptcy and rejects our lease, or if a sale-leaseback transaction is challenged as a fraudulent transfer or re-characterized in bankruptcy, our business, financial condition and cash flows could be adversely affected.

### Risks Related to Financing Our Business

- We face risks associated with our dependence on external sources of capital and our indebtedness could have important consequences, including
  impairing our ability to obtain additional financing or pay future distributions and subjecting us to the risk of foreclosure on any mortgaged properties.
- Issues related to refusal of EGC and Cox Oil to provide historical financial statements to us, prior to the transfer of the GIGS to CGI Crimson Holdings, L.L.C. ("Carlyle") in the Crimson Transaction, may continue to interfere with our ability to use our SEC registration statements.
- Covenants in our loan documents could limit our flexibility and adversely affect our financial condition, and we face risks related to "balloon payments" and refinancings. Additionally, the transition away from LIBOR may adversely affect our cost to obtain financing.

### Risks Related to Our Convertible Notes

- The Convertible Notes are structurally subordinated to all liabilities of our existing or future subsidiaries, and the Convertible Notes are not guaranteed by any of our subsidiaries and are not protected by any restrictive covenants.
- The conversion rate of the Convertible Notes may not be adjusted for all dilutive events. Further, the make-whole fundamental change provisions may not adequately compensate the holders of Convertible Notes for any lost value and

we may not be able to finance a repurchase of the Convertible Notes upon a fundamental change. These fundamental change provisions also could discourage an acquisition of the Company by a third party.

• We have not registered our 5.875% Convertible Notes or the common stock issuable upon their conversion, which will limit a holder's ability to resell them. An active, liquid trading market may not develop for the Convertible Notes.

### Risks Related to Our Preferred Stock

- While depositary shares representing our Series A Preferred Stock are registered and trade on the NYSE, an active trading market for such shares may not be maintained.
- The limited Change of Control conversion feature of Series A Preferred Stock may not adequately compensate the holders, who also have very limited voting rights, and the Change of Control conversion and redemption features may make it more difficult for a party to take over the Company or discourage a party from taking over the Company.

### Risks Related to REIT Qualification and Federal Income Tax Laws

- While we take numerous actions to ensure the Company's qualification as a REIT and have obtained related private letter rulings from the IRS, any failure
  to so qualify would have significant adverse consequences to the Company and to the value of our common stock. Further, complying with REIT
  requirements may affect our profitability and force us to liquidate or forego otherwise attractive investments.
- We generally must distribute at least 90 percent of our REIT taxable income to our stockholders annually. As a result, we require additional capital to make new investments, and any failure to make required distributions would subject us to federal corporate income tax.
- Our charter includes ownership limit provisions to protect our REIT status, which may impair the ability of holders to convert our Convertible Notes to common stock and could have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a transaction or change of control of our Company.
- If we acquire C corporations in the future, we may inherit material tax liabilities and other tax attributes that could require us to distribute earnings and profits. Further, re-characterization of any sale-leaseback transaction could cause us to lose our REIT status.

### Risks Related to Our Corporate Structure and Governance

- In addition to the ownership limit provisions discussed above, certain provisions of our charter and of Maryland law may limit the ability of stockholders to control our policies and effect a change of control of our Company.
- Our ability to pay dividends is limited by the requirements of Maryland law.

### Risks Related to Terrorism and Cybersecurity

- Risks associated with security breaches through cyber attacks or acts of cyber terrorism, cyber intrusions or otherwise, as well as other significant
  disruptions of our information technology (IT) networks and related systems, could materially adversely affect our reputation, business, operations or
  financial results.
- Some losses related to our real property assets, including, among others, losses related to potential terrorist activities, may not be covered by insurance and would adversely impact distributions to stockholders.

### Risks Related to our Investments in Energy Infrastructure

### Our focus on the energy infrastructure sector will subject us to more risks than if we were broadly diversified.

Because we specifically focus on the energy infrastructure sector, investments in our common stock may present more risks than if we were broadly diversified. A downturn in the U.S. energy infrastructure sector would have a larger impact on our assets and performance than on a REIT that does not concentrate its investments in one sector of the economy. The energy infrastructure sector can be significantly affected by the supply and demand for crude oil, natural gas, and other energy commodities; the price of crude oil, natural gas, and other energy commodities; exploration, production and other capital expenditures; government regulation; world and regional events, politics and economic conditions.

Production declines and volume decreases impacting our assets could be caused by various factors, including decreased access to capital or loss of economic incentive to drill and complete wells, depletion of resources, catastrophic events affecting production, labor difficulties, political events, OPEC actions, environmental proceedings, increased regulations, equipment failures and unexpected maintenance problems, failure to obtain necessary permits, unscheduled outages, unanticipated expenses, inability to successfully carry out new construction or acquisitions, import or export supply and demand disruptions, or increased competition from alternative energy sources.

### We may be unable to identify and complete acquisitions of real property assets.

Our ability to identify and complete acquisitions of real property assets on favorable terms and conditions are subject to the following risks:

- we may be unable to acquire a desired asset because of competition from other investors with significant capital, including both publicly traded and non-traded REITs and institutional investment funds;
- competition from other investors may significantly increase the purchase price of a desired real property asset or result in less favorable terms;
- we may not complete the acquisition of a desired real property asset even if we have signed an agreement to acquire such real property asset because such agreements are subject to customary conditions to closing, including completion of due diligence investigations to our satisfaction; and
- we may be unable to finance acquisitions of real property assets on favorable terms or at all.

Energy infrastructure companies are and will be subject to extensive regulation because of their participation in the energy infrastructure sector, which could adversely impact the business and financial performance of our customers and tenants and the value of our assets.

Companies in the energy infrastructure sector are subject to significant federal, state and local government regulation in virtually every aspect of their operations, including how facilities are constructed, maintained and operated, environmental and safety controls, and the prices they may charge for the products and services they provide. Various governmental authorities have the power to enforce compliance with these regulations and the permits issued under them, and violators are subject to administrative, civil and criminal penalties, including civil fines, injunctions or both. Stricter laws, regulations or enforcement policies could be enacted in the future that likely would increase compliance costs, which could adversely affect the business and financial performance of our customers and tenants in the energy infrastructure sector and the value or quality of our assets.

Our operation of assets such as those at Crimson and MoGas is subject to extensive regulation, including those relating to environmental matters, which may adversely affect our income and the cash available for distribution.

In addition to the pipeline safety regulations discussed below, Crimson's and MoGas' operations, as well as those of assets we may acquire and operate in the future, are subject to extensive federal, regional, state and local environmental laws including, for example, the Clean Air Act (CAA), the Clean Water Act (CWA), the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), the Oil Pollution Act (OPA), the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and analogous state and local laws. These laws and their implementing regulations may restrict or impact such business activities in many ways, including requiring the acquisition of permits or other approvals to conduct regulated activities, limiting emissions and discharges of pollutants, restricting the manner in which it disposes of wastes, requiring remedial action to remove or mitigate contamination, requiring capital expenditures to comply with pollution control or workplace safety requirements, and imposing substantial liabilities for pollution resulting from its operations. In addition, the regulations implementing these laws are constantly evolving, and the potential impact of recent regulatory actions is unclear. For instance, the EPA adopted final rules establishing new source performance standards for methane emissions from new, modified, or reconstructed oil and gas sources in 2016. Although the new source performance standards were rescinded in September 2020, states, municipalities, and environmental groups are all challenging the action in the D.C. Circuit. As a result,

the D.C. Circuit has stayed the rescission of the standards. Additionally, the United State Army Corps of Engineers (the "Corps") Nationwide Permit 12 ("NWP 12"), which broadly authorized activities associated with the construction, maintenance, and repair of oil and natural gas pipelines, was vacated by a Montana District Court in the spring of 2020 only to have the U.S. Supreme Court temporarily overturn the nationwide injunction. In the wake of this litigation, the Corps finalized a new rule which would streamline and reduce pre-construction notice requirements for oil and gas pipelines subject to NWP 12, but the fate of the new rule is still uncertain. Compliance with new or more stringent laws or regulations, stricter interpretation of existing laws, or uncertainty created by the constantly changing regulatory landscape may require material expenditures by Crimson and MoGas, and likewise may require material expenditures at other facilities or systems we may acquire and operate.

Failure to comply with these laws and regulations may trigger a variety of administrative, civil and criminal enforcement measures, including the assessment of monetary penalties, the imposition of remedial requirements and the issuance of orders enjoining future operations. In addition, increases in penalty amounts and limits of liability for damages to reflect inflation and/or increases in the CPI may result in increased exposure to operations such as Crimson and MoGas. The operator of any such assets may be unable to recover some or all of the resulting costs through insurance or increased revenues, which could have a material adverse effect on its business, results of operations and financial condition.

The PLR grants us the ability to own and to operate storage facilities, pipelines, and oil platforms and to have assurance that the payments we receive are treated as rent from real property for purposes of our qualification as a REIT. To the extent we acquire and operate any such asset, as with the recent Crimson Transaction, we will be exposed to risks similar to those described above and to which MoGas is exposed. In addition, oil platforms located off the coast of the United States are subject to additional regulatory scrutiny by the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (the "BOEM") and the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement ("BSEE").

Costs of complying with governmental laws and regulations, including those relating to environmental matters, may adversely affect our income and the cash available for distribution to our stockholders.

We have invested, and expect to continue to invest, in real property assets, which are subject to laws and regulations relating to the protection of the environment and human health and safety. These laws and regulations generally govern the gathering, storage, handling, and transportation of petroleum and other hazardous substances, the emission and discharge of materials into the environment, including wastewater discharges and air emissions, the operation and removal of underground and aboveground storage tanks, the generation, use, storage, treatment, transportation and disposal of solid and hazardous materials and wastes, and the remediation of any contamination associated with such disposals. We own assets related to the storage and distribution of oil and gas, natural gas and natural gas liquids, and storage and throughput of crude oil, which are subject to all of the inherent hazards and risks normally incidental to such assets, such as fires, pipe and other equipment and system failures, uncontrolled flows of oil or gas, environmental risks and hazards such as gas leaks, oil spills and pipeline ruptures and discharges of toxic gases. Environmental laws and regulations may impose joint and several liability on tenants, owners or operators for the costs to investigate or remediate contaminated properties, regardless of fault or whether the acts causing the contamination were legal. This liability could be substantial. Moreover, if one or more of these hazards occur, there can be no assurance that a response will be adequate to limit or reduce any resulting damage. In addition, the presence of hazardous substances, or the failure to properly remediate these substances, may adversely affect our ability to sell, rent or pledge such property as collateral for future borrowings. We also may be required to comply with various local, state and federal fire, health, life-safety and similar regulations.

Local, state and federal laws in this area are constantly evolving. Compliance with new or more stringent laws or regulations, or stricter interpretation of existing laws, may impose material environmental liability and/or require material expenditures by us to avoid such liability. Further, our customers' or tenant companies' operations, the existing condition of land when we buy it or operations in the vicinity of our properties (each of which could involve the presence of underground storage tanks), or activities of unrelated third parties may affect our properties. We intend to monitor these laws and take commercially reasonable steps to protect ourselves from the impact of these laws, including, where deemed necessary, obtaining environmental assessments of properties that we acquire. In addition, any such assessment that we do obtain may not reveal all environmental liabilities or whether a prior owner of a property created a material environmental condition not known to us and may not offer any protection against liability for known or unknown environmental conditions.

Failure to comply with applicable environmental, health, and safety laws and regulations may result in the assessment of sanctions, including administrative, civil or criminal fines or penalties, permit revocations, and injunctions limiting or prohibiting some or all of the operations at our facilities. Any material compliance expenditures, fines, or damages we must pay could materially and adversely affect our business, assets or results of operations and, consequently, would reduce our ability to make distributions.

### Regulation of greenhouse gases and climate change could have a negative impact on our and our customers' and tenants' businesses.

We cannot predict with certainty the rate at which climate change is occurring. However, scientific studies have suggested that emissions of certain gases, commonly referred to as greenhouse gases ("GHGs") and including carbon dioxide and methane, may be contributing to warming of the earth's atmosphere and other climatic changes. In response to such studies, the issue of the effect of GHG emissions on climate change, in particular emissions from fossil fuels, is attracting increasing attention worldwide. We are aware of the increasing focus of local, state, national and international regulatory bodies on GHG emissions and climate change issues. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") has adopted rules requiring GHG reporting and permitting, and the United States Congress and EPA may consider additional legislation or regulations that could ultimately require new, modified, and reconstructed facilities, and/or existing facilities, to meet emission standards by installing control technologies, adopting work practices, or otherwise reducing GHG emissions. Although it is not possible at this time to predict whether proposed legislation or regulations will be adopted, the Biden administration has pledged to be more aggressive on GHG emissions than its predecessor and any resulting laws or regulations could result in increased compliance costs or additional operating restrictions that could adversely impact our energy infrastructure assets as well as the businesses of our customers and tenants. If we or our customers or tenants are unable to recover or pass through a significant level of the costs related to complying with any such future climate change and GHG regulatory requirements, it could have a material adverse impact on our or our customers' or tenants' business, financial condition and results of operations. Further, to the extent financial markets view climate change and GHG emissions as a financial risk, this could negatively impact our cost of or access to capital. Climate change and GHG regulation could also reduce the demand for hydrocarbons and, ultimately, demand for utilization of our energy infrastructure assets related to the production and distribution of hydrocarbons. Finally, it should be noted that studies suggest that increasing concentrations of GHGs in the Earth's atmosphere may produce climate changes that have significant physical effects, such as increased frequency and severity of hurricanes and other storms, floods and related climatic events. If any such effects were to occur, they could have an adverse effect on our assets and operations, particularly an offshore asset such as our previous ownership in GIGS.

### Pipeline safety integrity programs and repairs may impose significant costs and liabilities on the systems of Crimson and MoGas or other operating assets we may acquire.

Regulations administered by the Federal Office of Pipeline Safety within DOT's PHMSA require pipeline operators to develop integrity management programs to comprehensively evaluate certain areas along their pipelines and to take additional measures to protect certain pipeline segments. As an operator, both Crimson and MoGas are, and any other systems or facilities we may acquire and operate in reliance on the PLR are likely to be, required to:

- · perform ongoing assessments of pipeline or asset integrity;
- identify and characterize applicable threats to pipeline or asset segments that could impact a high consequence area;
- improve data collection, integration and analysis;
- repair and remediate the pipeline or asset as necessary; and
- implement preventative and mitigating actions.

Both Crimson and MoGas are required to maintain pipeline integrity testing programs that are intended to assess pipeline integrity. Any repair, remediation, preventative or mitigating actions could require significant capital and operating expenditures. The regulations implementing these laws are constantly evolving; pursuant to its reauthorization under the Protecting our Infrastructure of Pipelines and Enhancing Safety Act of 2016 (the "PIPES Act"), PHMSA has adopted rules implementing its emergency order authority over pipelines, revising federal pipeline safety regulations related to underground natural gas storage facilities, and imposing additional requirements on the transportation of natural gas and hazardous liquids by pipeline, including more stringent standards for plastic pipe. In October 2019, PHMSA issued final rules amending pipeline safety regulations governing both hazardous liquid pipelines and gas transmission pipelines. These rules extend reporting, inspections, integrity assessment, leak detection, and in-line inspection requirements to include additional pipeline segments, including certain pipeline segments outside high consequence areas. PHMSA also issued a final rule adopting enhanced emergency order procedures implementing certain regulations with international regulations and standards. Compliance with new or more stringent laws or regulations, or stricter interpretation of existing laws, could significantly increase compliance costs. Should Crimson or MoGas fail to comply with the Federal Office of Pipeline Safety's rules and related regulations and orders, we could be subject to significant penalties and fines, including potential future increases in applicable penalty amounts to reflect inflation, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition. PHMSA also may apply to other systems at facilities that we, in reliance on the PLR, may acquire and operate in the future.

Our operations, as well as those of our customers and tenants, are subject to operational hazards and unforeseen interruptions. If a significant accident or event occurs that results in a business interruption or shutdown for which we or any tenant operators are not adequately insured, such operations and our financial results could be materially adversely affected.

Our assets are subject to many hazards inherent in the transmission of energy products and provision of related services, including:

- aging infrastructure, mechanical or other performance problems;
- damage to pipelines, facilities and related equipment caused by tornadoes, hurricanes, floods, fires and other natural disasters, explosions and acts of terrorism;
- inadvertent damage from third parties, including from construction, farm and utility equipment;
- leaks of natural gas and other hydrocarbons or losses of natural gas as a result of the malfunction of equipment or facilities;
- operator error; and
- environmental hazards, such as natural gas leaks, product and waste spills, pipeline and tank ruptures, and unauthorized discharges of products, wastes and other pollutants into the surface and subsurface environment, resulting in environmental pollution; and explosions.

These risks could result in substantial losses due to personal injury and/or loss of life, severe damage to and destruction of property and equipment and pollution or other environmental damage and may result in curtailment or suspension of our or any tenants' related operations or services. A natural disaster or other hazard affecting the areas in which we or any tenants operate could have a material adverse effect on our operations and the financial results of our business.

Both we and our customers and tenants depend on certain key customers for a significant portion of our respective revenues. The loss of any such key customers could result in a decline in our business.

Both we and our customers and tenants are subject to risks of loss resulting from nonperformance by customers. We depend on certain key customers for a significant portion of our revenues, particularly operating revenues from MoGas and Crimson related to fees for the transportation of natural gas and crude oil through their respective pipeline systems. Tenants leasing any of our energy infrastructure assets may similarly be dependent on revenues from key customers to support their operations and ability to make lease payments to us. The loss of all or even a portion of the contracted volumes of such customers, as a result of competition, creditworthiness, inability to negotiate extensions or replacements of contracts or otherwise, could have a material adverse effect on the business, financial condition and results of operations of us or any applicable tenants, unless we or they are able to contract for comparable volumes from other customers at favorable rates.

Pandemics, epidemics or disease outbreaks, such as the COVID-19 pandemic, may adversely affect local and global economies and our business, operations or financial results.

Disruptions caused by pandemics, epidemics or disease outbreaks, in locations in which we operate or globally, could materially adversely affect our business, operations, financial results and forward-looking expectations. The COVID-19 pandemic has had repercussions across local, national and global economies and financial markets. As a result, there has been a decline in the demand for, and thus also the market prices of, oil and natural gas and other products of our customers and tenants. The impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic are expected to continue for future periods, which we are unable to reasonably predict due to numerous uncertainties, including the duration and severity of the pandemic.

The World Health Organization declared COVID-19 to be a pandemic on March 11, 2020. In response to the rapid global spread of COVID-19, governments have enacted emergency measures to combat the spread of the virus. These measures include restrictions on business activity and travel, as well as requirements to isolate or quarantine, which could continue or expand. These actions have interrupted business activities and supply chains; disrupted travel and adversely impacted national and international economic conditions, including commodity prices and demand for energy, as well as the labor market.

These factors, coupled with the emergence of decreasing business and consumer confidence and increasing unemployment resulting from the COVID-19 outbreak and the abrupt oil price declines experienced in 2020, may precipitate a prolonged economic slowdown and recession. Any such prolonged period of economic slowdown or recession, or a protracted period of depressed prices for the products of our customers and tenants, could have significant adverse consequences for their financial condition and, subsequently, our financial condition, and could diminish our liquidity. For instance, during 2020 the worsening of our estimated future cash flows with respect to properties adversely impacted by the effects on our tenants of the COVID-19 pandemic, coupled with ongoing market and oil price volatility, resulted in substantial impairment charges with respect to the

affected assets. A significant continuation of these effects in future periods could result in the recognition of additional future asset impairment charges, which adversely impact our financial results.

Given the ongoing and dynamic nature of the circumstances surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, it is difficult to predict how significant the continuing impact of this pandemic, including any responses to it, will be on the United States or global economies or our business, or for how long disruptions are likely to continue. The extent of such impact will depend on future developments and factors outside of our control, which are highly uncertain, rapidly evolving and cannot be predicted, including new information which may emerge concerning the severity or duration of this pandemic (including regarding new COVID-19 strains) and actions taken by governments and others to contain or end the COVID-19 pandemic or its impact (including regarding the development and distribution of effective vaccines).

There can be no assurance that our strategies to address potential disruptions will mitigate these risks or the adverse impacts to our business, operations and financial results. Future adverse impacts to our business, operations and financial results may materialize that are not yet known. In addition, disruptions related to the COVID-19 pandemic have had, or could have, the effect of heightening many of the other risks described in this Item 1A – Risk Factors.

### We are exposed to the credit risk of our customers and tenants and our credit risk management may not be adequate to protect against such risk.

We are subject to the risk of loss resulting from nonpayment and/or nonperformance by our tenants and customers. Our credit procedures and policies may not be adequate to fully eliminate such credit risk. If we fail to adequately assess the creditworthiness of any tenants or customers, unanticipated deterioration in their creditworthiness and any resulting increase in nonpayment and/or nonperformance by them and inability to re-market the resulting capacity, or re-lease the underlying assets, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. We may not be able to effectively re-market such capacity, or re-lease such assets, during and after bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings involving a customer or tenant.

### Our assets and operations, as well as those of our customers and tenants and other investees, can be affected by extreme weather patterns and other natural phenomena.

Our assets and operations, as well as those of our customers and tenants and other investees, can be adversely affected by floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, landslides, tornadoes, fires and other natural phenomena and weather conditions, including extreme or unseasonable temperatures, making it more difficult for us to realize the historic rates of return associated with our assets and operations. These events also could result in significant volatility in the supply of energy and power, which might create fluctuations in commodity prices and earnings of companies in the energy infrastructure sector. A significant disruption in our operations or those of our customers, tenants or investees, or a significant liability for which we or any affected customer, tenant or investee is not fully insured, could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, and financial condition. Moreover, extreme weather events could adversely impact the valuation of our energy infrastructure assets.

## The operation of our energy infrastructure assets could be adversely affected if third-party pipelines, railroads or other facilities interconnected to our facilities become partially or fully unavailable.

Our facilities, as well as those of our tenants, may connect to other pipelines, railroads or facilities owned by third parties. Both we and any such tenants depend upon third-party pipelines and other facilities that provide delivery options to and from such facilities. For example, MoGas' pipeline interconnects, directly or indirectly, with most major interstate pipelines in the eastern portion of the U.S. and a significant number of intrastate pipelines. Because we do not own these third-party facilities, their continuing operation is not within our control. Accordingly, these pipelines and other facilities may become unavailable, or available only at a reduced capacity. If these pipeline connections were to become unavailable to us or any applicable tenants for current or future volumes of products due to repairs, damage, lack of capacity or any other reason, our ability, or the ability of such tenants, to operate efficiently and continue shipping products to end markets could be restricted, thereby reducing revenues. Likewise, if any of these third-party pipelines or facilities becomes unable to transport any products distributed or transported through our or our tenants' facilities, our or such tenants' business, results of operations and financial condition could be adversely affected, which could adversely affect our ability to make cash distributions to our stockholders.

### The relative illiquidity of our real property and energy infrastructure asset investments may interfere with our ability to sell our assets when we desire.

Investments in real property and energy infrastructure assets are relatively illiquid compared to other investments. Accordingly, we may not be able to sell such assets when we desire or at prices acceptable to us in response to changes in economic or other conditions. This could substantially reduce the funds available for satisfying our obligations and for distribution to our stockholders.

### Risks Related to Our Ownership Interest in Crimson

### We have significant assets which are held as ownership interests in Crimson, whose operations we do not fully control.

We have significant assets which are held as ownership interests in Crimson that include crude oil pipelines, and a crude tank storage and terminal system. As a result, our ability to make distributions to our stockholders will depend to a significant extent on the performance of this entity and its ability to distribute funds to us. More specifically:

- pending receipt of CPUC Approval we own 49.50 percent of the voting membership interests in Crimson Midstream Holdings, and it is managed by its
  own governing board, the current members of which are David Schulte, Todd Banks, John Grier and Larry Alexander. Our ability to influence decisions
  with respect to the operation of Crimson Midstream Holdings is subject to the terms of its Third Amended and Restated Operating Agreement, which
  require supermajority board approval of distributions to us and the Grier Members and, prior to receipt of the CPUC Approval, give John Grier effective
  control over operating decisions relating to the majority of the entity's assets;
- we may not have the ability to unilaterally require Crimson to make capital expenditures, such capital expenditures may require us to make additional capital contributions to fund operating and maintenance expenditures, as well as to fund expansion capital expenditures, which would reduce the amount of cash otherwise available for distribution by us or require us to incur additional indebtedness;
- Crimson may incur additional indebtedness upon receipt of a super majority board approval of the Company and Grier Members, which debt payments would reduce the amount of cash that might otherwise be available for distribution;
- · our assets are operated by entities that we do not control except for certain material decisions and actions that require supermajority approval; and
- the operator of the assets held by Crimson could change, in some cases without our consent. For more information on the agreements governing the management and operation of Crimson, see Part IV, Item 15, Note 16 ("Subsequent Events") included in this Report.

### We may not receive CPUC approval which would allow the Company to control the operations of the CPUC regulated assets.

The CPUC requires approval for any change of control of a regulated asset. John Grier is currently the person deemed to control Crimson's California assets regulated by the CPUC. Evidence of such control is supported by the Crimson Transaction documents. On February 12, 2021, Crimson filed an 854 Application with the CPUC which requests CPUC approval for the Company to control the regulated assets. While this approval is expected to occur in 2021, we cannot give any assurance that the Company will receive this approval and ultimately be able to directly control these assets.

### Crimson's insurance coverage may not be sufficient to cover our losses in the event of an accident, natural disaster or other hazardous event.

Crimson's operations are subject to many hazards inherent in our industry. Such assets may experience physical damage as a result of an accident or natural disaster. These hazards also can cause, and in some cases have caused, personal injury and loss of life, severe damage to and destruction of property and equipment, pollution or environmental damage, and suspension of operations. We maintain a comprehensive insurance program for us, our subsidiaries and certain of our affiliates to mitigate the financial impacts arising from these hazards. This program includes insurance coverage in types and amounts and with terms and conditions that are generally consistent with coverage customary for our industry; however, insurance does not cover all events in all circumstances.

In connection with the Crimson Transaction, we mutually agreed with Carlyle that (i) the parties will maintain certain joint insurance coverage applicable to both the assets of Crimson Midstream Holdings and Crimson's pre-transaction Gulf Coast assets retained by Carlyle in effect through June 1, 2021 and (ii) if an insurable loss is incurred by either party prior to June 1 which would reduce the aggregate remaining coverage available to the other party below 50% of the policy's aggregate \$200 million coverage limit, the party claiming such loss will procure temporary coverage to ensure the other party remains covered at 50% of the original policy limit through June 1, 2021.

In the unlikely event that multiple insurable incidents that in the aggregate exceed coverage limits occur within the same insurance period, the total insurance coverage will be allocated among our entities on an equitable basis based on an insurance allocation agreement among us and our subsidiaries. Additionally, even with insurance, if any natural disaster or other hazardous event leads to a catastrophic interruption in operations, we may not be able to restore operations without significant interruption.

The energy industry is highly capital intensive, and the entire or partial loss of individual facilities or multiple facilities can result in significant costs to both energy industry companies, such as us, and their insurance carriers. In recent years, several large energy industry claims have resulted in significant increases in the level of premium costs and deductible periods for participants in the energy industry. As a result of large energy industry claims, insurance companies that have historically participated in underwriting energy-related facilities may discontinue that practice, may reduce the insurance capacity they are willing to offer or demand significantly higher premiums or deductible periods to cover these facilities. If significant changes in the number or financial solvency of insurance underwriters for the energy industry occur, or if other adverse conditions over which we have no control prevail in the insurance market, we may be unable to obtain and maintain adequate insurance at a reasonable cost. The unavailability of full insurance coverage to cover events in which the entities in which we own an interest suffer significant losses could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

### If third-party pipelines, refineries, and other facilities interconnected to Crimson's pipelines, become unavailable to transport, produce, or store crude oil, Crimson's revenue and available cash could be adversely affected.

Crimson depends upon third-party pipelines, refineries, and other facilities that provide delivery options to and from its pipelines and terminal facilities. Their continuing operation is not within Crimson's control. For example, wildfires in California may require exploration and production facilities as well as refineries to shut down. These shutdowns could cause a reduction of future volumes of crude oil, damage to the facility, lack of capacity, shut-in by regulators or any other reason, leaks, or require shut-in due to regulatory action or changes in law, all of which could negatively impact Crimson's ability to operate efficiently thereby reducing revenue. Disruptions at refineries that use Crimson's pipelines, such as strikes or other disruptions can also have an adverse impact on the volume of products Crimson ships. Any temporary or permanent interruption at any key pipeline or terminal interconnect, any termination of any material connection agreement, or adverse change in the terms and conditions of service, could have a material adverse effect on Crimson's business, results of operations, financial condition or cash flows, including Crimson's ability to make cash distributions to us that help fund distributions to our stockholders.

### Any significant decrease in production of crude oil in areas in which Crimson operates could reduce the volumes of crude oil Crimson transports and stores, which could adversely affect our revenue and available cash.

Crimson's crude oil pipelines and terminal system depend on the continued availability of crude oil production and reserves. Low prices for crude oil could adversely affect development of additional reserves and continued production from existing reserves that are accessible by Crimson's assets.

California crude oil prices have fluctuated significantly over the past few years, often with drastic moves in relatively short periods of time. The current global, geopolitical, domestic policy and economic uncertainty may contribute to future volatility in financial and commodity markets in the near to medium term.

In general terms, the prices of crude oil and other hydrocarbon products fluctuate in response to changes in supply and demand, market uncertainty and a variety of additional factors that are beyond our control. These factors impacting crude oil prices include worldwide economic conditions; weather conditions and seasonal trends; the levels of domestic production and consumer demand; the availability of imported crude oil; the availability of transportation systems with adequate capacity; actions by the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries and other oil producing nations; the effect of energy conservation measures; the strength of the U.S. dollar; the nature and extent of governmental regulation and taxation; and the anticipated future prices of crude oil and other commodities.

Lower crude oil prices, or expectations of declines in crude oil prices, have had and may continue to have a negative impact on exploration, development and production activity, particularly in the continental United States. If lower prices are sustained, it could lead to a material decrease in such activity. Sustained reductions in exploration or production activity in our areas of operation could lead to reduced utilization of Crimson's pipelines. Any such reduction in demand or less attractive terms could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial position and ability to make or increase cash distributions to our stockholders.

In addition, production from existing areas with access to Crimson's pipeline and terminal systems will naturally decline over time. The amount of crude oil reserves underlying wells in these areas may also be less than anticipated, and the rate at which production from these reserves declines may be greater than anticipated. Accordingly, to maintain or increase the volume of crude oil transported, or throughput, on Crimson's pipelines, or stored in its terminal system, and cash flows associated with the transportation and storage of crude oil, Crimson's customers must continually obtain new supplies of crude oil.

### Crimson does not own all of the land on which its assets are located, which could result in disruptions to Crimson's operations.

Crimson does not own all of the land on which its assets are located, and is, therefore, subject to the possibility of more onerous terms and increased costs to retain necessary land use if Crimson does not have valid leases or rights-of-way or if such leases or rights-of-way lapse or terminate. Crimson obtains the rights to construct and operate its assets on land owned by third parties and some of the agreements may grant Crimson those rights for only a specific period of time. Crimson's loss of these or similar rights, through the inability to renew leases, right-of-way contracts or otherwise, or inability to obtain easements at reasonable costs could have a material adverse effect on Crimson's business, results of operations, financial condition and cash flows, including Crimson's ability to make cash distributions to us that help fund distributions to our stockholders.

Crimson's assets were constructed over many decades which may cause its inspection, maintenance or repair costs to increase in the future. In addition, there could be service interruptions due to unknown events or conditions or increased downtime associated with Crimson's pipelines that could have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

Crimson's pipelines and storage terminals were constructed over many decades. Pipelines and storage terminals are generally long-lived assets, and construction and coating techniques have varied over time. Depending on the era of construction, some assets will require more frequent inspections, which could result in increased maintenance or repair expenditures in the future. Any significant increase in these expenditures could adversely affect our business, results of operations, financial condition or cash flows.

Crimson's financial results primarily depend on the outcomes of regulatory and ratemaking proceedings and Crimson may not be able to manage its operating expenses and capital expenditures so that it is able to earn its authorized rate of return in a timely manner or at all.

As a regulated entity, Crimson's tariffs are set by the CPUC on a prospective basis and are generally designed to allow Crimson to collect sufficient revenues to recover reasonable costs of providing service, including a return on its capital investments. Crimson's financial results could be materially affected if the CPUC does not authorize sufficient revenues for Crimson to safely and reliably serve its customers and earn its authorized return of equity. The outcome of Crimson's ratemaking proceedings can be affected by many factors, including the level of opposition by intervening parties; potential rate impacts; increasing levels of regulatory review; changes in the political, regulatory, or legislative environments; and the opinions of Crimson's regulators, consumer and other stakeholder organizations, and customers, about Crimson's ability to provide safe and reliable oil transportation pipeline transportation.

In addition to the amount of authorized revenues, Crimson's financial results could be materially affected if Crimson's actual costs to safely and reliably serve its customers differ from authorized or forecast costs. Crimson may incur additional costs for many reasons including changing market circumstances, unanticipated events (such as wildfires, storms, earthquakes, accidents, or catastrophic or other events affecting Crimson's operations), or compliance with new state laws or policies. Although Crimson may be allowed to recover some or all of the additional costs, there may be a substantial delay between when Crimson incurs the costs and when Crimson is authorized to collect revenues to recover such costs. Alternatively, the CPUC may disallow costs that they determine were not reasonably or prudently incurred by Crimson.

### Some of our directors and officers may have conflicts of interest with respect to certain other business interests related to the Crimson Transaction.

John D. Grier and certain affiliated trusts of Mr. Grier (collectively with Mr. Grier, the "Grier Members") hold certain limited liability company interests in Crimson, which were received in connection with the Crimson Transaction and relate to their prior equity interests in certain pre-transaction properties of Crimson. Prior to any later exchange of these limited liability company interests for common or preferred stock of the Company, as described in Part IV, Item 15, Note 16 ("Subsequent Events"), the Grier Members will have tax consequences that differ from those of the Company and the Company's public stockholders upon the sale of, or certain changes to the debt encumbering, any of these properties. Accordingly, the Company, on the one hand, and the Grier Members, on the other hand, may have different objectives regarding the terms of any such future transactions related to such properties. Under the terms of the Third Amended and Restated Operating Agreement of Crimson, the approval of any action, or of a failure to take any action, that could impact the Company's ability to continue to qualify as a REIT, requires the approval of a supermajority of the members of Crimson's Board of Managers (consisting of the initial Crimson Managers, John D. Grier and Larry W. Alexander, and the initial CORR Managers, David J. Schulte and Todd Banks).

### Violations of data protection laws carry fines and expose us to criminal sanctions and civil suits.

Along with our own confidential data and information in the normal course of our business, we, as well as Crimson and its affiliates, collect and retain significant volumes of data, some of which are subject to certain laws and regulations. The regulations regarding the transfer and use of this data domestically is becoming increasingly complex. This data is subject to governmental regulation at the federal, state, and local levels in many areas of our business, including data privacy and security laws, such as the California Consumer Privacy Act ("CCPA"). These laws may also expose us to significant liabilities and penalties if any company we acquire has violated or is not in compliance with applicable data protection laws.

The CCPA became effective on January 1, 2020 and gives California residents specific rights regarding their personal information, requires that companies take certain actions, including notifications of security incidents, and applies to activities regarding personal information that may be collected by us, directly or indirectly, from California residents. In addition, the CCPA grants California residents statutory private rights of action in the case of a data breach. As interpretation and enforcement of the CCPA evolves, it creates a range of new compliance obligations, which could cause us to change our business practices, with the possibility of significant financial penalties for noncompliance that may materially adversely affect our business, reputation, results of operations and cash flows.

### Crimson's pipeline loss allowance exposes us to commodity risk.

Crimson's transportation agreements and tariffs for crude oil shipments include a pipeline loss allowance. Crimson collects pipeline loss allowance to reduce its exposure to differences in crude oil measurement between origin and destination meters, which can fluctuate. This arrangement exposes us to risk of financial loss in some circumstances, including when the crude oil is received from the connecting carrier using different measurement techniques, or resulting from solids and water produced from the crude oil. It is not always possible for us to completely mitigate the measurement differential. If the measurement differential exceeds the loss allowance, the pipeline must make the customer whole for the difference in measured crude oil. Additionally, Crimson takes title to any excess product that it transports when product losses are within the allowed levels, and regularly sell that product at prevailing market prices. This allowance oil revenue is subject to more volatility than transportation revenue, as it is directly dependent on Crimson's measurement capability and prevailing commodity prices.

### Our forecasted assumptions may not materialize as expected on Crimson's expansion projects, acquisitions and divestitures.

We and Crimson evaluate expansion projects, acquisitions and divestitures on an ongoing basis. Planning and investment analysis is highly dependent on accurate forecasting assumptions and to the extent that these assumptions do not materialize, financial performance may be lower or more volatile than expected. Volatility and unpredictability in the economy, both locally and globally, a change in both expected volume flows and cost estimates, project scoping and risk assessment could result in a loss of our profits.

### Our business requires the retention and recruitment of a skilled workforce, and difficulties recruiting and retaining our workforce could result in a failure to implement our business plans.

Both our historical operations and management, and those of Crimson, require the retention and recruitment of a skilled workforce, including engineers, technical personnel and other professionals. We and our affiliates compete with other companies in the energy industry for this skilled workforce. If we are unable to retain current employees and/or recruit new employees of comparable knowledge and experience, our business could be negatively impacted. In addition, we could experience increased costs to retain and recruit these professionals.

### Risks Related to Our Ownership and Operation of MoGas or Other Assets

### MoGas' natural gas transmission operations, and related customer revenue agreements, are subject to regulation by FERC.

MoGas' business operations are subject to regulation by FERC, including the types and terms of services MoGas may offer to its customers, construction of new facilities, expansion of current facilities, creation, modification or abandonment of services or facilities, record keeping and relationships with affiliated companies. Compliance with these requirements can be costly and burdensome and FERC action in any of these areas could adversely affect MoGas' ability to compete for business, construct new facilities, expand current facilities, offer new services, recover the full cost of operating its pipelines or earn its authorized rate of return. This regulatory oversight can result in longer lead times or additional costs to develop and complete any future project than competitors that are not subject to FERC's regulations. To the extent we, in reliance on the PLR, acquire and operate other facilities or systems, those facilities or systems may similarly be subject to FERC regulatory oversight.

In addition, the rates MoGas can charge for its natural gas transmission operations are regulated by FERC pursuant to the Natural Gas Act of 1938 ("NGA") as follows:

- MoGas may only charge rates that have been determined to be just and reasonable by FERC, subject to a prescribed maximum and minimum, and is prohibited from unduly preferring or unreasonably discriminating against any person with respect to its rates or terms and conditions of service.
- MoGas' existing rates may be challenged in a proceeding before FERC, which may reduce MoGas' rates if FERC finds the rates are not just and reasonable or are unduly preferential or unduly discriminatory. Proposed rate increases may be challenged by protest and allowed to go into effect subject to refund. Even if a rate increase is permitted by FERC to become effective, the rate increase may not be adequate.

To the extent MoGas' costs increase in an amount greater than its revenues increase, or there is a lag between MoGas' cost increases and its ability to file for and obtain rate increases, MoGas' operating results would be negatively affected.

Should FERC find that MoGas has failed to comply with all applicable FERC-administered statutes, rules, regulations, and orders, or with the terms of MoGas' tariffs on file with FERC, MoGas could be subject to substantial penalties and fines. Under the Energy Policy Act of 2005 ("EPAct 2005"), FERC has civil penalty authority under the NGA and Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 ("NGPA") to impose penalties for violations of up to approximately \$1.3 million per day for each violation, to revoke existing certificate authority and to order disgorgement of profits associated with any violation.

We cannot give any assurance regarding potential future regulations under which MoGas will operate its natural gas transmission business, or the effect that any changes in such future regulations, or in MoGas' agreements with its customers could have on MoGas' business, financial condition and results of operations.

Following expiration of the current five-year rate agreements with MoGas' customers other than certain contracts, MoGas' revenues from these customers will once again be generated under agreements that are subject to cancellation on an annual basis.

Once the term of MoGas' current firm transportation pricing arrangements with its customers expire on December 31, 2023 (other than certain contracts with its largest customers, Spire and Ameren), revenues for MoGas' business with such other customers will once again be generated under transportation agreements which renew automatically on a year-to-year basis, but will be subject to cancellation by the customer or MoGas on 365 days' notice. When that occurs, if MoGas is unable to succeed in replacing any agreements canceled by its customers or itself that account for a significant portion of its revenues, or in renegotiating such agreements on terms substantially as favorable as the existing agreements, MoGas could suffer a material reduction in its revenues, financial results and cash flows. The maintenance or replacement of agreements with MoGas' customers at rates sufficient to maintain current or projected revenues and cash flows ultimately depends on a number of factors beyond its control, including competition from other pipelines, the proximity of supplies to the markets, and the price of, and demand for, natural gas. In addition, changes in state regulation of local distribution companies may cause them to exercise their cancellation rights in order to turn back their capacity when the agreements expire.

### MoGas competes with other pipelines.

The principal elements of competition among pipelines are availability of capacity, rates, terms of service, access to supplies, flexibility, and reliability of service. Additionally, FERC's policies promote competition in natural gas markets by increasing the number of natural gas transmission options available to MoGas' customer base. Any current or future pipeline system or other form of transmission that delivers natural gas into the areas that MoGas serves could offer transmission services that are more desirable to shippers than those MoGas provides because of price, location, facilities or other factors. Increased competition could reduce the volumes of product MoGas transports, result in a reduction in the rates MoGas is able to negotiate with its customers, or cause customers to choose to ship their product on a different competing pipeline. Any one of these consequences could have a material adverse impact on MoGas, or on the operations of any other pipeline owned by the Company. These competitive considerations also could intensify the negative impact of factors that adversely affect the demand for MoGas' services, such as adverse economic conditions, weather, higher fuel costs and taxes or other regulatory actions that increase the cost, or limit the use, of products MoGas transports.

### Risks Related to Our Investments in Leases

### We are subject to risks involved in single tenant leases.

Historically, a significant portion of our acquisition activities have been focused on real properties that are triple-net leased to single tenants. Therefore, the financial failure of, or other default by, a single tenant under its lease: (i) is likely to cause a

significant reduction in the operating cash flow generated by the property leased to that tenant, (ii) might decrease the value of that property, and (iii) could expose us to 100 percent of all applicable operating costs.

In addition, if we determine that a renewal of a lease with any tenant of an energy infrastructure asset is not in the best interests of our stockholders, if a tenant determines it no longer wishes to be the tenant under a lease upon its expiration, if we desire to terminate a lease as a result of a breach of that lease by the tenant or if we lose any tenant as a result of such tenant's bankruptcy, then in each circumstance we would need to identify a new tenant for the lease. We may not be able to identify a new tenant, as interest in leasing certain of our assets would be dependent on ownership of an interest in nearby mineral rights. There is no assurance that we would be able to identify a qualified and reputable operator of such energy infrastructure assets with the wherewithal and capability of acting as a potential replacement tenant, or that we could enter into a new lease with any such tenant on terms that are as favorable as the lease terms that were in place with the prior tenant.

#### Net leases may not result in fair market lease rates over time.

We expect a large portion of any future leasing revenue to come from net leases. Net leases typically have longer lease terms and, thus, there is an increased risk that if market rental rates increase in future years, the rates under our net leases will be less than fair market rental rates during those years. As a result, our income and distributions could be lower than they would otherwise be if we did not engage in net leases. We often will seek to include a clause in each lease that provides increases in rent over the term of the lease, as well as participating features based on increases in the tenant's utilization of the underlying asset, but there can be no assurance we will be successful in obtaining such a clause.

If a tenant declares bankruptcy and such action results in a rejection of the lease, or if the sale-leaseback transaction is challenged as a fraudulent transfer or re-characterized in the lessee company's bankruptcy proceeding, our business, financial condition and cash flows could be adversely affected.

Historically, we have entered into sale-leaseback transactions, whereby we purchase an energy infrastructure property and then simultaneously lease the same property back to the seller. If a lessee company declares bankruptcy, our business could be adversely affected by one or both of the following:

- A sale-leaseback transaction may be re-characterized by a bankruptcy court as either a disguised financing transaction or a functional joint venture. If the sale-leaseback were re-characterized as a financing transaction, we might not be considered the owner of the subject property and, as a result, we should have the status of a secured creditor of the lessee company with regard to the subject property, assuming the securitization measures we take as described below are respected by the bankruptcy court. In that event, we would no longer have the right to sell or encumber our ownership interest in the property. Instead, we would have a claim against the lessee company for the amounts owed under the lease. Although we believe each of our historical lease agreements, and any similar lease we may enter into in the future, constitute true leases that should not be subject to recharacterization, there is no guaranty that a bankruptcy court would agree. In the event of recharacterization, our claim under a lease agreement would either be secured or unsecured. As a preventative measure, we take steps to create and perfect a security interest in property made the subject of our lease agreements to ensure that our claim against the bankrupt lessee would be secured in the event of a recharacterization, but such attempts could be subject to challenge by the debtor or creditors and there is no assurance that a court would find our claim to be secured. The bankrupt lessee under this scenario might have the ability to restructure the terms, interest rate and amortization schedule of its outstanding balance owed under the lease. If approved by the bankruptcy court, we could be bound by the new terms, and prevented from foreclosing any lien on the property, so long as the lessee adhered to the new terms. If the sale-leaseback were re-characterized as a joint venture under applicable, non-bankruptcy law, we and the lessee company could be treated as co-venturers with regard to the property. As a result, we could be held liab
- A lessee could either assume, assign or reject a lease in a bankruptcy case. The bankrupt lessee is required to make rent payments to us during its bankruptcy until it rejects the commercial real property lease (for leases that are personal property leases, the lessee need not make rental payments that arise from the petition date until 60 days after the order for relief is entered in the bankruptcy case). If the lessee assumes the lease, the bankrupt debtor must pay or "cure" all existing monetary defaults under the lease. Further, the lease can only be assumed "as is". The bankruptcy court would not be able to change the rental amount or any other lease provision that could financially impact us. However, if the lessee rejects the lease, the facility would be returned to us. If a lease is rejected, we may not be able to identify an acceptable new tenant, and if we were able to re-lease the affected facility to a new tenant only on unfavorable terms or after a significant delay, we could lose some or all of the revenue from that facility for an extended period of time. Further, if the lease agreement is rejected, our claim against the lessee and/or parent guarantor could be, in some courts, subject to a statutory cap under section 502(b)(6) of the Bankruptcy Code to the extent the lease agreement is deemed to be a lease for real property rather than a lease for personal property. Such cap generally limits the amount of a claim for lease-based damages in the event of a termination of a commercial real property lease to the greater of one year's rent or

15 percent of the rent reserved for the remaining lease term, not to exceed 3 years. There is a national split of authority as to whether a rejection of such a lease equates a termination, so the outcome will depend on where the bankrupt lessee files its bankruptcy. We believe that any of our lease agreements would be characterized as real property leases rather than personal property leases, though a court could hold to the contrary.

### Risks Related to Financing Our Business

Our indebtedness could have important consequences, including impairing our ability to obtain additional financing or pay future distributions, as well as subjecting us to the risk of foreclosure on any mortgaged properties in the event of non-payment of the related debt.

As of December 31, 2020, we had outstanding consolidated indebtedness of approximately \$118.1 million. On February 4, 2021, our leverage increased to \$223.1 million as a result of the Crimson Transaction. Our leverage could have important consequences. For example, it could:

- result in the acceleration of a significant amount of debt for non-compliance with the terms of such debt or, if such debt contains cross-default or cross-acceleration provisions, other debt;
- materially impair our ability to borrow undrawn amounts under existing financing arrangements or to obtain additional financing or refinancing on favorable terms or at all;
- limit our ability to pay distributions by restricting cash flow from some of our subsidiaries unless certain conditions are satisfied, including without limitation, no default or event of default, compliance with financial covenants, minimum undrawn availability under certain revolving credit facilities, and available free cash flow;
- require us to dedicate a substantial portion of our cash flow to paying principal and interest on our indebtedness, thereby reducing the cash flow available
  to fund our business, to pay distributions, including those necessary to maintain REIT qualification, or to use for other purposes;
- increase our vulnerability to economic downturns;
- limit our ability to withstand competitive pressures; or
- reduce our flexibility to respond to changing business and economic conditions.

If we were to violate one or more financial covenants under our debt agreements, the lenders could declare us in default and could accelerate the amounts due under a portion or all of our outstanding debt. Further, a default under one debt agreement could trigger cross-default provisions within certain of our other debt agreements.

Additionally, the Indenture for the 5.875% Convertible Notes specifies events of default, including default by us or any of our subsidiaries with respect to any debt agreements under which there may be outstanding, or by which there may be secured or evidenced, any debt in excess of \$25.0 million in the aggregate of ours and/or any such subsidiary, resulting in such indebtedness becoming or being declared due and payable prior to its stated maturity.

Further, we expect to mortgage many of our properties to secure payment of indebtedness. If we are unable to meet mortgage payments, such failure could result in the loss of assets due to foreclosure and transfer to the mortgage or sale on unfavorable terms with a consequent loss of income and asset value. A foreclosure of one or more of our properties could create taxable income without accompanying cash proceeds, and could adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow, and ability to service debt and make distributions and the market price of our stock.

### We face risks associated with our dependence on external sources of capital.

In order to qualify as a REIT, we are required each year to distribute to our stockholders at least 90 percent of our REIT taxable income, and we will be subject to tax on our income to the extent it is not distributed. Because of this distribution requirement, we may not be able to fund all future capital needs from cash retained from operations. As a result, to fund capital needs, we must rely on third-party sources of capital, which we may not be able to obtain on favorable terms, if at all. Our access to third-party sources of capital depends upon a number of factors, including (i) general market conditions; (ii) the market's perception of our growth potential; (iii) our current and potential future earnings and cash distributions; and (iv) the market price of our capital stock. Additional debt financing may substantially increase our debt-to-total capitalization ratio. Additional equity issuances may dilute the holdings of our current stockholders.

### Covenants in our loan documents could limit our flexibility and adversely affect our financial condition.

The terms of our various credit agreements and other indebtedness require us to comply with a number of customary financial and other covenants, such as maintaining debt service coverage and leverage ratios and maintaining insurance coverage. In addition, our ability to receive cash flow from some of our subsidiaries is subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, including without limitation, no default or event of default, compliance with financial covenants, minimum undrawn availability under certain revolving credit facilities, and available free cash flow. These covenants may limit our flexibility in our operations, and breaches of these covenants could result in defaults under the instruments governing the applicable indebtedness even if we had satisfied our payment obligations. If we were to default under credit agreements or other debt instruments, our financial condition would be adversely affected.

The refusal of EGC and Cox Oil to provide financial statements to us in accordance with the terms of the Grand Isle Lease Agreement, prior to the transfer of the GIGS to Carlyle in the Crimson Transaction, has adversely impacted the use of our effective registration statements on Form S-3 and Form S-8 to register the offer and sale of securities, and also has limited our ability to issue registered common stock to participants in our dividend reinvestment plan and to use our common stock as a component of compensation for our independent directors. These circumstances will also either prevent or make more costly our efforts to raise future capital if we are unable to use our universal shelf registration statement on Form S-3.

Under applicable SEC rules, an issuer loses the privilege of using "short form" Form S-3 or Form S-8 registration statements to offer and sell securities unless it has timely filed all periodic and other reports required to be filed under the Exchange Act after the initial filing of such a registration statement. As described elsewhere in this Report, EGC and Cox Oil refused to provide the financial statement information concerning EGC required to be filed by us pursuant to SEC Regulation S-X, as described in Section 2340 of the SEC Financial Reporting Manual. This situation has adversely impacted our ability to use our currently effective shelf registration statements on Form S-3, and also could result in the SEC not declaring effective any registration statement that we file on any other form in connection with an offering so long as we remain unable to amend our periodic reports to include the required financial statements of EGC, which could either prevent or make more costly our efforts to raise future capital through the issuance of our equity and debt securities on a rapid basis. While we may be able to raise additional capital through bank financing, private placement transactions or other means, these alternatives could increase both our financing costs and the amount of time required to complete a transaction, and there is no guarantee that we would succeed in raising the additional capital required on a timely basis.

Our dividend reinvestment plan is registered under the Securities Act pursuant to a Form S-3D. As previously disclosed in our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on April 24, 2019, as a result of the refusal by EGC and Cox Oil to provide financial information, we have suspended our dividend reinvestment plan and currently are paying quarterly common stock dividends entirely in cash. Furthermore, the issuance of common stock to our independent directors as a portion of their compensation is registered under the Securities Act pursuant to a Form S-8. We have similarly suspended the issuance of these registered shares under the Company's Director Compensation Plan as a result of our inability to file the required EGC financial statements.

We have engaged in dialogue with the staff of the SEC in an effort to shorten the period during which we do not use these registration statements. There is no assurance that we will be successful in obtaining such relief.

### We face risks related to "balloon payments" and refinancings.

Certain of our mortgages will have significant outstanding principal balances on their maturity dates, commonly known as "balloon payments." There can be no assurance that we will be able to refinance the debt on favorable terms or at all. To the extent we cannot refinance this debt on favorable terms or at all, we may be forced to dispose of properties on disadvantageous terms or pay higher interest rates, either of which would have an adverse impact on our financial performance and ability to service debt and make distributions.

### The transition away from LIBOR may adversely affect our cost to obtain financing.

Our variable rate indebtedness under the Crimson Credit Facility uses LIBOR as one benchmark for establishing the rate. LIBOR is the subject of recent national, international and other regulatory guidance and proposals for reform. These reforms and other pressures may cause LIBOR to disappear entirely or to perform differently than in the past. The consequences of these developments cannot be entirely predicted, but could include an increase in the cost of our variable rate indebtedness.

In July 2017, the Financial Conduct Authority, the authority that regulates LIBOR, announced it intends to stop compelling banks to submit rates for the calculation of LIBOR after 2021. The Alternative Reference Rates Committee ("ARRC") has proposed that the Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR") is the rate that represents best practice as the alternative to USD-LIBOR for use in derivatives and other financial contracts that are currently indexed to USD-LIBOR. ARRC has proposed a paced market transition plan to SOFR from USD-LIBOR and organizations are currently working on industry wide and company specific

transition plans as it relates to derivatives and cash markets exposed to USD-LIBOR. There is no guarantee that a transition from LIBOR to an alternative will not result in financial market disruptions, significant increases in benchmark rates, or financing costs to borrowers. We have material contracts that are indexed to USD-LIBOR and we are monitoring this activity and evaluating the related risks.

#### **Risks Related to Our Convertible Notes**

### We expect that the trading price of the Convertible Notes will be significantly affected by the price of our common stock, which may be volatile.

The market price of our common stock, as well as the general level of interest rates and our credit quality, will likely significantly affect the market price of the Convertible Notes. This may result in significantly greater volatility in the trading price of the Convertible Notes than would be expected for nonconvertible debt securities we may issue.

We cannot predict whether the price of our common stock or interest rates will rise or fall. The market price of our common stock will be influenced by our operating results and prospects and by economic, financial, regulatory and other factors. General market conditions, including the level of, and fluctuations in, the trading prices of stocks generally, could affect the price of our common stock.

Holders who receive shares of our common stock upon the conversion of their Convertible Notes will be subject to the risk of volatile and depressed market prices of our common stock. There can be no assurances that the market price of our common stock will not fall in the future. A decrease in the market price of our common stock would likely adversely impact the trading price of the Convertible Notes.

### The Convertible Notes are structurally subordinated to all liabilities of our existing or future subsidiaries.

Holders of the Convertible Notes do not and will not have any claim as a creditor against any of our present or future subsidiaries. Indebtedness and other liabilities, including trade payables, whether secured or unsecured, of those subsidiaries are structurally senior to our obligations to holders of the Convertible Notes. In the event of a bankruptcy, liquidation, reorganization or other winding up of any of our subsidiaries, such subsidiaries will pay the holders of their debts, holders of any equity interests, including fund investors, and their trade creditors before they will be able to distribute any of their assets to us (except to the extent we have a claim as a creditor of such subsidiary). Any right that we have to receive any assets of any of the subsidiaries upon the bankruptcy, liquidation, reorganization or other winding up of those subsidiaries, and the consequent rights of holders of Convertible Notes to realize proceeds from the sale of any of those subsidiaries' assets, will be effectively structurally subordinated to the claims of those subsidiaries' creditors, including trade creditors and holders of any preferred equity interests of those subsidiaries.

The Convertible Notes are solely the obligations of the Company and are not guaranteed by any of our subsidiaries; whereas, our operations are conducted through, and substantially all of our consolidated assets are held by, our subsidiaries.

The Convertible Notes are our obligations exclusively and are not guaranteed by any of our operating subsidiaries. Substantially all of our consolidated assets are held by our subsidiaries. Accordingly, our ability to service our debt, including the Convertible Notes, depends on the results of operations of our subsidiaries and upon the ability of such subsidiaries to provide us with cash, whether in the form of dividends, loans or otherwise, to pay amounts due on our obligations, including the Convertible Notes. Our subsidiaries are separate and distinct legal entities and have no obligation, contingent or otherwise, to make payments on the Convertible Notes or to make any funds available for that purpose. In addition, dividends, loans or other distributions to us from such subsidiaries may be subject to contractual and other restrictions set forth in our current and future debt instruments and are subject to other business considerations.

### Servicing our debt requires a significant amount of cash, and we may not have sufficient cash flow from our business to pay our substantial debt.

Our ability to make scheduled payments of the principal of, to pay interest on or to refinance our indebtedness, including the Convertible Notes, depends on our future performance, which is subject to economic, financial, competitive and other factors beyond our control. Our business may not continue to generate cash flow from operations in the future sufficient to service our debt and make necessary capital expenditures. If we are unable to generate such cash flow, we may be required to adopt one or more alternatives, such as selling assets, restructuring debt or obtaining additional equity capital on terms that may be onerous or highly dilutive. Our ability to refinance our indebtedness will depend on the capital markets and our financial condition at such time. We may not be able to engage in any of these activities or engage in these activities on desirable terms, which could result in a default on our debt obligations.

### Regulatory actions may adversely affect the trading price and liquidity of the Convertible Notes.

Current and future regulatory actions and other events may adversely affect the trading price and liquidity of the Convertible Notes. We expect that many investors in, and potential purchasers of, the Convertible Notes will employ, or seek to employ, a convertible arbitrage strategy with respect to the Convertible Notes. Investors would typically implement such a strategy by selling short the common stock underlying the Convertible Notes and dynamically adjusting their short position while continuing to hold the Convertible Notes. Investors may also implement this type of strategy by entering into swaps on our common stock in lieu of or in addition to short selling the common stock.

The SEC and other regulatory and self-regulatory authorities have implemented various rules and taken certain actions, and may in the future adopt additional rules and take other actions, which may impact those engaging in short selling activity involving equity securities (including our common stock). Such rules and actions include Rule 201 of SEC Regulation SHO, the adoption by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. and the national securities exchanges of a "Limit Up-Limit Down" program, the imposition of market-wide circuit breakers that halt trading of securities for certain periods following specific market declines, and the implementation of certain regulatory reforms required by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010. Any governmental or regulatory action that restricts the ability of investors in, or potential purchasers of, the Convertible Notes to effect short sales of our common stock, borrow our common stock or enter into swaps on our common stock could adversely affect the trading price and the liquidity of the Convertible Notes.

### We may still incur substantially more debt or take other actions which would intensify the risks discussed above.

We and our subsidiaries may be able to incur substantial additional debt in the future, subject to the restrictions contained in our debt instruments, some of which may be secured debt. We are not restricted under the terms of the Indentures governing the Convertible Notes from incurring additional debt, securing existing or future debt, recapitalizing our debt or taking a number of other actions that are not limited by the terms of the Indentures governing the Convertible Notes that could have the effect of diminishing our ability to make payments on the Convertible Notes when due. Our existing credit facilities restrict our ability to incur additional indebtedness, including secured indebtedness, but we may be able to obtain waivers of such restrictions or may not be subject to such restrictions under the terms of any subsequent indebtedness.

### We may not have the ability to raise the funds necessary to repurchase the Convertible Notes upon a fundamental change.

Holders of the Convertible Notes have the right, at their option, to require us to repurchase for cash all of their Convertible Notes, or any portion of the principal thereof that is equal to \$1,000, or a multiple of \$1,000, upon the occurrence of a fundamental change, as set forth in the Indentures, at a fundamental change repurchase price equal to 100 percent of the principal amount of the Convertible Notes to be repurchased, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, thereon to (but excluding) the fundamental change repurchase date. However, we may not have enough available cash or be able to obtain financing at the time we are required to make repurchases of Convertible Notes surrendered therefor. Our failure to repurchase Convertible Notes at a time when the repurchase is required by the Indentures would constitute a default under the Indentures. A default under the Indentures or the fundamental change itself could also lead to a default under agreements governing our existing or future indebtedness. If the repayment of the related indebtedness were to be accelerated after any applicable notice or grace periods, we may not have sufficient funds to repay the indebtedness and repurchase the Convertible Notes or make cash payments upon conversions thereof. Our ability to repurchase the Convertible Notes may also be limited by law or by regulatory authority.

### Future sales of shares of our common stock or equity-linked securities in the public market, or the perception that they could occur, may depress the market price for our common stock and adversely impact the trading price of the Convertible Notes.

We may, in the future, sell additional shares of our common stock or equity-linked securities to raise capital. Sales of substantial amounts of additional shares of common stock or equity-linked securities, shares that may be sold by stockholders and shares of common stock underlying the Convertible Notes as well as sales of shares that may be issued in connection with future acquisitions or for other purposes, including to finance our operations and business strategy, or the perception that such sales could occur, may have an adverse effect on the trading price of the Convertible Notes and prevailing market prices for our common stock and our ability to raise additional capital in the financial markets at a time and price favorable to us. The price of our common stock could also be affected by possible sales of our common stock by investors who view the Convertible Notes as a more attractive means of equity participation in our company and by hedging or arbitrage trading activity that we expect will develop involving our common stock.

We have also reserved a substantial amount of shares of our common stock in connection with the Convertible Notes, the issuance of which will dilute the ownership interests of existing stockholders. Any sales in the public market of the common stock issuable upon such issuance or conversion could adversely affect prevailing market prices of our common stock.

We are unable to predict the effect that sales, or the perception that our shares may be available for sale, will have on the prevailing market price of our common stock and the trading price of the Convertible Notes.

### Holders of Convertible Notes are not entitled to any rights with respect to our common stock, but are subject to all changes made with respect to our common stock.

Holders of Convertible Notes are not entitled to any rights with respect to our common stock (including, without limitation, voting rights and rights to receive any dividends or other distributions on our common stock) prior to the conversion date with respect to any Convertible Notes they surrender for conversion, but are subject to all changes affecting our common stock. For example, if an amendment is proposed to our charter or bylaws requiring stockholder approval and the record date for determining the stockholders of record entitled to vote on the amendment occurs prior to the conversion date related to a holder's conversion of its notes, then such holder will not be entitled to vote on the amendment, although such holder will nevertheless be subject to any changes affecting our common stock.

### The Convertible Notes are not protected by restrictive covenants.

The Indentures governing the Convertible Notes do not contain any financial or operating covenants or restrictions on the payments of dividends, the incurrence of indebtedness or the issuance or repurchase of securities by us or any of our subsidiaries. The Indentures contain no covenants or other provisions to afford protection to holders of the Convertible Notes in the event of a fundamental change or other corporate transaction involving us except in limited circumstances as set forth in the Indentures. For example, events such as leveraged recapitalizations, refinancings, restructurings or acquisitions initiated by us may not constitute a fundamental change requiring us to repurchase the Convertible Notes. In the event of any such events, the holders of the Convertible Notes would not have the right to require us to repurchase the Convertible Notes, even though each of these transactions could increase the amount of our indebtedness, or otherwise adversely affect our capital structure or any credit ratings, thereby adversely affecting the trading price of the Convertible Notes.

The increase in the conversion rate for 5.875% Convertible Notes converted in connection with a make-whole fundamental change or notice of redemption may not adequately compensate the holders for any lost value of their 5.875% Convertible Notes as a result of such make-whole fundamental change or redemption.

If a make-whole fundamental change occurs prior to the maturity date or if we deliver a notice of redemption, under certain circumstances as described in the Indenture for the 5.875% Convertible Notes, we will increase the conversion rate by a number of additional shares of our common stock for 5.875% Convertible Notes converted in connection with such make-whole fundamental change or notice of redemption. The increase in the conversion rate will be determined based on the date on which the specified corporate transaction that constitutes a make-whole fundamental change becomes effective or the date we deliver a notice of redemption and the price paid (or deemed to be paid) per share of our common stock in the make-whole fundamental change or the average of the last reported sale prices of our common stock over the five consecutive trading day period ending on, and including, the trading day immediately preceding the date of the notice of redemption (such average, the "redemption price"), as described in the Indenture for the 5.875% Convertible Notes. The increase in the conversion rate for 5.875% Convertible Notes converted in connection with a make-whole fundamental change or notice of redemption may not adequately compensate the holders for any lost value of their 5.875% Convertible Notes as a result of such transaction or redemption. In addition, if the price per share of our common stock paid (or deemed to be paid) in the transaction or the redemption price, as applicable, is greater than \$65.00 per share or less than \$44.25 per share (in each case, subject to adjustment), no additional shares will be added to the conversion rate. Moreover, in no event will the conversion rate per \$1,000 principal amount of 5.875% Convertible Notes as a result of this adjustment exceed 22.5998 shares of our common stock, subject to adjustments in the same manner as the conversion rate as set forth under the terms of the Indenture for the 5.875% Convertible Notes.

Our obligation to increase the conversion rate or 5.875% Convertible Notes converted in connection with a make-whole fundamental change or notice of redemption could be considered a penalty, in which case the enforceability thereof would be subject to general principles of reasonableness and equitable remedies.

### The conversion rate of the Convertible Notes may not be adjusted for all dilutive events.

The conversion rate of the Convertible Notes is subject to adjustment for certain events, including, but not limited to, the issuance of certain stock dividends on our common stock, the issuance of certain rights or warrants, subdivisions, combinations, distributions of capital stock, indebtedness, or assets, cash dividends and certain issuer tender or exchange offers. However, the conversion rate will not be adjusted for other events, such as a third-party tender or exchange offer or an issuance of our common stock or derivative instruments for cash or an exercise or conversion of any derivative instrument, that may adversely affect the trading price of the Convertible Notes or our common stock. An event that adversely affects the value of the Convertible Notes may occur, and that event may not result in an adjustment to the conversion rate.

Some significant restructuring transactions and significant changes in the composition of our board may not constitute a fundamental change, in which case we would not be obligated to offer to repurchase the Convertible Notes.

Upon the occurrence of a fundamental change, holders of Convertible Notes have the right to require us to repurchase their Convertible Notes. However, the fundamental change provisions of the Indentures do not afford protection to holders of Convertible Notes in the event of other transactions that could adversely affect the Convertible Notes. For example, transactions such as leveraged recapitalizations, refinancings, restructurings, or acquisitions initiated by us may not constitute a fundamental change requiring us to repurchase the Convertible Notes. In the event of any such transaction, the holders would not have the right to require us to repurchase the Convertible Notes, even though each of these transactions could increase the amount of our indebtedness, or otherwise adversely affect our capital structure or any credit ratings, thereby adversely affecting the holders of Convertible Notes.

In addition, absent the occurrence of a fundamental change, changes in the composition of our Board of Directors will not provide holders with the right to require us to repurchase the Convertible Notes or to an increase in the conversion rate upon conversion.

We have not registered the 5.875% Convertible Notes or the common stock issuable upon conversion of the 5.875% Convertible Notes which will limit the holders' ability to resell them.

The 5.875% Convertible Notes and the shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the 5.875% Convertible Notes have not been registered under the Securities Act or any state securities laws. Unless the 5.875% Convertible Notes and the shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the 5.875% Convertible Notes have been registered, the 5.875% Convertible Notes and such shares may not be transferred or resold except in a transaction exempt from or not subject to the registration requirements of the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. We do not intend to file a registration statement for the resale of the 5.875% Convertible Notes and the common stock into which the 5.875% Convertible Notes are convertible.

### An active trading market may not develop for the Convertible Notes or, if it develops, may not be maintained or be liquid.

We do not intend to apply to list the Convertible Notes on any securities exchange or to arrange for quotation on any automated dealer quotation system. The initial purchasers of the 5.875% Convertible Notes may cease their market-making of the Convertible Notes at any time without notice. In addition, the liquidity of the trading market in the Convertible Notes, and the market price quoted for the Convertible Notes, may be adversely affected by changes in the overall market for this type of security and by changes in our financial performance or prospects or in the prospects for companies in our industry generally. As a result, an active trading market may not develop for the Convertible Notes. If an active trading market does not develop or is not maintained, the market price and liquidity of the Convertible Notes may be adversely affected. In that case holders of the Convertible Notes may not be able to sell their Convertible Notes at a favorable price.

The liquidity of the trading market, if any, and future trading prices of the Convertible Notes will depend on many factors, including, among other things, the market price of our common stock, prevailing interest rates, our financial condition, results of operations, business, prospects and credit quality relative to our competitors, the market for similar securities and the overall securities market. The liquidity of the trading market of the Convertible Notes may be adversely affected by unfavorable changes in any of these factors, some of which are beyond our control and others of which would not affect debt that is not convertible into capital stock. Historically, the market for convertible debt has been subject to disruptions that have caused volatility in prices of securities similar to the Convertible Notes. Market volatility could materially and adversely affect the Convertible Notes, regardless of our financial condition, results of operations, business, prospects or credit quality.

### The Convertible Notes are not rated. Any adverse rating of the Convertible Notes may cause their trading price to fall.

We do not intend to seek a rating on the Convertible Notes. However, if a rating service were to rate the Convertible Notes and if such rating service were to lower its rating on the Convertible Notes below the rating initially assigned to the Convertible Notes or otherwise announces its intention to put the Convertible Notes on credit watch or to withdraw the rating, the trading price of the Convertible Notes could decline.

Upon conversion of the Convertible Notes, holders may receive less valuable consideration than expected because the value of our common stock may decline after they exercise their conversion right.

Under the Convertible Notes, a converting holder will be exposed to fluctuations in the value of our common stock during the period from the date such holder surrenders Convertible Notes for conversion until the date we settle our conversion obligation. We will be required to deliver the shares of our common stock, together with cash for any fractional shares, on the third business day following the relevant conversion date; and for any conversion that occurs on or after the record date for the payment of interest on the Convertible Notes at the maturity date, we will be required to deliver shares on the maturity date. Accordingly, if

the price of our common stock decreases during this period, the value of the shares that the holders receive will be adversely affected and would be less than the conversion value of the Convertible Notes on the conversion date.

### Conversion of the Convertible Notes may dilute the ownership interest of existing stockholders, including holders who had previously converted their Convertible Notes.

To the extent we issue shares of our common stock upon conversion of the Convertible Notes, the conversion of some or all of the Convertible Notes will dilute the ownership interests of existing stockholders. Any sales in the public market of shares of our common stock issuable upon such conversion of the Convertible Notes could adversely affect prevailing market prices of our common stock. In addition, the existence of the Convertible Notes may encourage short selling by market participants because the conversion of the Convertible Notes could be used to satisfy short positions, or anticipated conversion of the Convertible Notes into shares of our common stock could depress the price of our common stock.

### Provisions of the Convertible Notes could discourage an acquisition of us by a third party.

Certain provisions of the Indentures and the Convertible Notes could make it more difficult or more expensive for a third party to acquire us. Upon the occurrence of certain transactions constituting a fundamental change under the Indentures, holders of the Convertible Notes will have the right, at their option, to require us to repurchase all or a portion of their Convertible Notes. We may also be required to increase the conversion rate upon conversion or provide for conversion into the acquirer's capital stock in the event of certain fundamental changes. In addition, the Indentures and the Convertible Notes prohibit us from engaging in certain mergers or acquisitions unless, among other things, the surviving entity assumes our obligations under the Convertible Notes and the Indentures.

### Holders of the Convertible Notes may be subject to tax if we make or fail to make certain adjustments to the conversion rate of the Convertible Notes even though they do not receive a corresponding cash distribution.

The conversion rate of the Convertible Notes is subject to adjustment in certain circumstances, including the payment of cash dividends. If the conversion rate is adjusted as a result of a distribution that is taxable to our common stockholders, such as a cash dividend, holders of Convertible Notes may be deemed to have received a dividend subject to U.S. federal income tax without the receipt of any cash. In addition, a failure to adjust (or to adjust adequately) the conversion rate after an event that increases the proportionate interest in us could be treated as a deemed taxable dividend to holders of the Convertible Notes. If, pursuant to the terms of the Indentures, a make-whole fundamental change occurs on or prior to the maturity date, under some circumstances, we will increase the conversion rate for Convertible Notes converted in connection with the make-whole fundamental change. Such increase may also be treated as a distribution subject to U.S. federal income tax as a dividend. For a non-U.S. holder of the Convertible Notes, any deemed dividend may be subject to U.S. federal withholding tax at a 30 percent rate, or such lower rate as may be specified by an applicable treaty, which may be set off against subsequent payments on the Convertible Notes.

### Because the Convertible Notes were initially issued in book-entry form, holders must rely on the Depository Trust Company's ("DTC") procedures to receive communications relating to the Convertible Notes and exercise their rights and remedies.

We initially issued the Convertible Notes in the form of one or more global notes registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC. Beneficial interests in global notes will be shown on, and transfers of global notes will be affected only through, the records maintained by DTC. Except in limited circumstances, we will not issue certificated notes. Accordingly, if the holders own a beneficial interest in a global note, then they will not be considered an owner or holder of the Convertible Notes. Instead, DTC or its nominee will be the sole holder of global notes. Unlike persons who have certificated notes registered in their names, owners of beneficial interests in global notes will not have the direct right to act on our solicitations for consents or requests for waivers or other actions from holders. Instead, those beneficial owners will be permitted to act only to the extent that they have received appropriate proxies to do so from DTC or, if applicable, a DTC participant. The applicable procedures for the granting of these proxies may not be sufficient to enable owners of beneficial interests in global notes to vote on any requested actions on a timely basis. In addition, notices and other communications relating to the Convertible Notes will be sent to DTC. We expect DTC to forward any such communications to DTC participants, which in turn would forward such communications to indirect DTC participants. But we can make no assurances that holders will timely receive any such communications.

### Risks Related to Our Preferred Stock

### An active trading market for our depositary shares may not be maintained.

Our depositary shares, each of which represents 1/100th of a share of our Series A Preferred Stock, are listed on the NYSE; however, we can provide no assurance that an active trading market on the NYSE for the depositary shares may be maintained. As a result, the ability to transfer or sell the depositary shares and any trading price of the depositary shares could be adversely affected.

### The market price of the depositary shares representing interests in our Series A Preferred Stock may be adversely affected by the future incurrence of debt or issuance of preferred stock by the Company.

In the future, we may increase our capital resources by making offerings of debt securities and preferred stock of the Company and other borrowings by the Company. The debt securities, preferred stock (if senior to our Series A Preferred Stock) and borrowings of the Company are senior in right of payment to our Series A Preferred Stock, and all payments (including dividends, principal and interest) and liquidating distributions on such securities and borrowings could limit our ability to pay dividends or make other distributions to the holders of depositary shares representing interests in our Series A Preferred Stock.

Because our decision to issue securities and make borrowings in the future will depend on market conditions and other factors, some of which may be beyond our control, we cannot predict or estimate the amount, timing or nature of our future offerings or borrowings. Thus, holders of the depositary shares representing interests in Series A Preferred Stock bear the risk of our future offerings or borrowings reducing the market price of the depositary shares representing interests in our Series A Preferred Stock.

### A holder of depositary shares representing interests in the Series A Preferred Stock has extremely limited voting rights.

The voting rights of a holder of depositary shares are limited. Our common stock is the only class of our securities that carries full voting rights. Voting rights for holders of depositary shares exist primarily with respect to (i) the ability to elect (together with the holders of other series of preferred stock on parity with the Series A Preferred Stock, if any) two additional directors to our Board of Directors in the event that six quarterly dividends (whether or not declared or consecutive) payable on the Series A Preferred Stock are in arrears, (ii) voting on amendments to our Charter, including the articles supplementary creating our Series A Preferred Stock (in some cases voting together with the holders of Parity Preferred Stock as a single class) that materially and adversely affect the rights of the holders of depositary shares representing interests in the Series A Preferred Stock and (iii) the creation of additional classes or series of our stock that are senior to the Series A Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of dividends or distributions of assets upon our liquidation, in each case, provided that in any event adequate provision for redemption has not been made. Other than certain limited circumstances, holders of depositary shares do not have any voting rights.

The Change of Control conversion feature of Series A Preferred Stock may not adequately compensate the holders, and the Change of Control conversion and redemption features of the shares of Series A Preferred Stock underlying the depositary shares may make it more difficult for a party to take over the Company or discourage a party from taking over the Company.

Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control (as defined in the Articles Supplementary for Series A Preferred Stock), holders of the depositary shares representing interests in our Series A Preferred Stock will have the right (unless, prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date (as defined in the Articles Supplementary for Series A Preferred Stock), we have provided notice of our election to redeem the depositary shares either pursuant to our optional redemption right or our special optional redemption right) to convert some or all of their depositary shares into shares of our common stock (or equivalent value of Alternative Conversion Consideration). Upon such a conversion, the maximum number of shares of common stock that holders of depositary shares will receive for each depositary share converted will be limited to the Share Cap. These features of the Series A Preferred Stock may have the effect of inhibiting a third party from making an acquisition proposal for the Company or of delaying, deferring or preventing a Change of Control of the Company under circumstances that otherwise could provide the holders of our common stock and Series A Preferred Stock with the opportunity to realize a premium over the then-current market price or that stockholders may otherwise believe is in their best interests.

### The market price of the depositary shares could be substantially affected by various factors.

The market price of the depositary shares will depend on many factors, which may change from time to time, including:

- Prevailing interest rates, increases in which may have an adverse effect on the market price of the depositary shares representing interests in our Series A Preferred Stock;
- The market for similar securities issued by other REITs;
- General economic and financial market conditions:
- The financial condition, performance and prospects of us, our tenants and our competitors;
- Any rating assigned by a rating agency to the depositary shares;
- Changes in financial estimates or recommendations by securities analysts with respect to us, our competitors or our industry; and
- Actual or anticipated variations in our quarterly operating results and those of our competitors.

In addition, over the last several years, prices of equity securities in the U.S. trading markets have been experiencing extreme price fluctuations. As a result of these and other factors, investors holding our depositary shares may experience a decrease, which could be substantial and rapid, in the market price of the depositary shares, including decreases unrelated to our financial condition, performance or prospects. Likewise, in the event that the depositary shares become convertible and are converted into shares of our common stock, holders of our common stock issued upon such conversion may experience a similar decrease, which also could be substantial and rapid, in the market price of our common stock.

#### Risks Related to REIT Qualification and Federal Income Tax Laws

### We have elected to be taxed as a REIT for fiscal 2013 and subsequent years, but the IRS may challenge our qualification as a REIT.

We have elected to be a REIT for federal income tax purposes. In order to qualify as a REIT, a substantial percentage of our income must be derived from, and our assets consist of, real estate assets, and, in certain cases, other investment property. We have acquired and managed investments which satisfy the REIT tests. Whether a particular investment is considered a real estate asset for such purposes depends upon the facts and circumstances of the investment. Due to the factual nature of the determination, the IRS may challenge whether any particular investment will qualify as a real estate asset or realize income which satisfies the REIT income tests. In determining whether an investment is a real property asset, we will look at the Code and the IRS's interpretation of the Code in regulations, published rulings, private letter rulings and other guidance. In the case of a private letter ruling issued to another taxpayer, we would not be able to bind the IRS to the holding of such ruling. We have received private letter rulings from the IRS with respect to certain issues relevant to our qualification as a REIT. In general, the rulings provide, subject to the terms and conditions contained therein, that we may treat certain of our assets as qualifying REIT assets and certain income that we receive as rents from interests in real property. Although we may generally rely upon the rulings, no assurance can be given that the IRS will not challenge our qualification as a REIT on the basis of other issues or facts outside the scope of the rulings. If the IRS successfully challenges our qualification as a REIT, we may not be able to achieve our objectives and the value of our stock may decline. As a REIT, our distributions from earnings and profits will be treated as ordinary income and a return of capital, and generally will not qualify as qualified dividend income ("QDI").

# Fluctuations in the fair market value of the assets that we own and that are owned by our taxable REIT subsidiaries may adversely affect our continued qualification as a REIT.

We have to satisfy the asset tests at the end of each quarter. Although fluctuations in the fair market value of our assets should not adversely affect our qualification as a REIT, we must satisfy the asset tests immediately after effecting the REIT acquisition of any asset. Thus, we may be limited in our ability to purchase certain assets depending upon the potential fluctuations in the fair market value of our direct and indirect assets. As fair market value determinations are factual, risks exist as to the fair market determination.

# Although we believe that the Grand Isle Gathering System and Pinedale LGS constitute real estate assets under the REIT provisions of the Code, that belief is not binding on the IRS or any court and does not guarantee our qualification as a REIT.

On August 31, 2016, the IRS issued final regulations to define real property under the REIT provisions, which provide that interests in real estate include inherently permanent structures such as pipelines and certain related assets. The qualifying real estate assets in the energy infrastructure sector include electric transmission and distribution systems, pipeline systems, and storage and terminaling systems, among others. We believe that substantially all of the Grand Isle Gathering System and Pinedale LGS constituted real estate assets under the REIT provisions during the entire period that we owned those assets, consistent with the final regulations and certain private letter rulings. We have not obtained any private letter rulings with respect to the Grand Isle Gathering System. We received a private letter ruling and certain other confirmation from the IRS that certain Pinedale LGS assets qualified as real property for REIT purposes. If the Grand Isle Gathering System or Pinedale LGS should not constitute a real estate asset for federal income tax purposes, we could likely be found to have failed to continue to qualify as a REIT for the years during which we owned those assets. If that should occur, it likely would prevent us from achieving our business objectives and could cause the value of our stock to decline.

# Failure to qualify as a REIT would have significant adverse consequences to us and the value of our common stock.

Beginning with our fiscal year ended December 31, 2013, we believe our income and investments have allowed us to meet the income and asset tests necessary for us to qualify for REIT status and we have elected to be taxed as a REIT for fiscal years 2013 through 2020. Qualification as a REIT involves the application of highly technical and complex provisions of the Internal Revenue Code as to which there may only be limited judicial and administrative interpretations and involves the determination of facts and circumstances not entirely within our control. Future legislation, new regulations, administrative interpretations or court decisions may significantly change the tax laws or the application of the tax laws with respect to qualification as a REIT for

federal income tax purposes or the federal income tax consequences of such qualification. Accordingly, we cannot assure our stockholders that we will be organized or will operate to qualify as a REIT for future fiscal years. If, with respect to any taxable year, we fail to qualify as a REIT, we would not be allowed to deduct distributions to stockholders in computing our taxable income. After our initial election and qualification as a REIT, if we later failed to so qualify and we were not entitled to relief under the relevant statutory provisions, we would also be disqualified from treatment as a REIT for four subsequent taxable years. If we fail to qualify as a REIT, corporate-level income tax would apply to our taxable income at regular corporate rates. As a result, the amount available for distribution to holders of equity securities would be reduced for the year or years involved, and we would no longer be required to make distributions. In addition, our failure to qualify as a REIT could impair our ability to expand our business and raise capital, and it could adversely affect the value of our common stock.

## As a REIT, failure to make required distributions would subject us to federal corporate income tax.

In order to remain qualified for taxation as a REIT, we also are generally required to distribute at least 90 percent of our REIT taxable income (determined without regard to the dividends paid deduction and excluding net capital gain) each year, or in limited circumstances, the following year, to our stockholders. Beginning with our fiscal year ended December 31, 2013, we believe we have satisfied these requirements. While the amount, timing and form of any future distributions will be determined, and will be subject to adjustment, by our Board of Directors, we generally expect to distribute all or substantially all of our REIT taxable income. If our cash available for distribution falls short of our estimates, we may be unable to maintain distributions that approximate our REIT taxable income and may fail to remain qualified for taxation as a REIT. In addition, our cash flows from operations may be insufficient to fund required distributions as a result of differences in timing between the actual receipt of income and the payment of expenses and the recognition of income and expenses for federal income tax purposes, or the effect of nondeductible expenditures, such as capital expenditures, payments of compensation for which Section 162(m) of the Code denies a deduction, interest expense deductions limited by Section 163(j) of the Code, the creation of reserves or required debt service or amortization payments.

To the extent that we satisfy the 90 percent distribution requirement but distribute less than 100 percent of our REIT taxable income, we will be subject to federal corporate income tax on our undistributed taxable income. In addition, we will be subject to a 4 percent nondeductible excise tax on our undistributed taxable income to the extent the actual amount that we distribute to our stockholders for a calendar year is less than the minimum distribution amount specified under the Code.

# Ownership limitation provisions in our charter may delay or prevent certain transactions in our shares, and could have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a transaction or change of control of our Company.

To maintain our qualification as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, among other purposes, our charter includes provisions designed to ensure that not more than 50 percent in value of our outstanding stock may be owned, directly or indirectly, by or for five or fewer individuals (as defined in the Internal Revenue Code to include certain entities such as private foundations) at any time during the last half of any taxable year. Subject to the exceptions described below, our charter generally prohibits any person (as defined under the Internal Revenue Code to include certain entities) from actually owning or being deemed to own by virtue of the applicable constructive ownership provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, (i) more than 9.8 percent (in value or in number of shares, whichever is more restrictive) of the issued and outstanding shares of our common stock or (ii) more than 9.8 percent in value of the aggregate of the outstanding shares of all classes and series of our stock, in each case, excluding any shares of our stock not treated as outstanding for federal income tax purposes. We refer to these restrictions as the "ownership limitation provisions." Our charter further prohibits any person from beneficially or constructively owning shares of our capital stock that would result in us being "closely held" under Section 856(h) of the Code or otherwise failing to qualify as a REIT. Our charter also provides that any transfer of shares of our capital stock which would, if effective, result in our capital stock being beneficially owned by fewer than 100 persons (as determined pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code) shall be void ab initio and the intended transferee shall acquire no rights in such shares. These ownership limitation provisions may prevent or delay individual transactions in our stock that would trigger such provisions, and also could have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a change in control and, as a result, could adversely affect our stockholders' ability to realize a premium for their shares of common stock. However, our Board of Directors may waive the ownership limitation provisions with respect to a particular stockholder and establish different ownership limitation provisions for such stockholder. In granting such waiver, our Board of Directors may also require the stockholder receiving such waiver to make certain representations, warranties and covenants related to our ability to qualify as a REIT.

# Ownership limitations in our charter may impair the ability of holders to convert Convertible Notes into our common stock.

In order to assist us in maintaining our qualification as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, among other purposes, our charter restricts ownership of more than 9.8 percent (in value or in number, whichever is more restrictive) of our outstanding shares of common stock, or 9.8 percent in value of our outstanding capital stock, subject to certain exceptions. Notwithstanding

any other provision of the Convertible Notes or the Indentures, no holder of Convertible Notes will be entitled to receive common stock following conversion of such Convertible Notes to the extent that receipt of such common stock would cause such holder (after application of certain constructive ownership rules) to exceed the ownership limit contained in our charter. We will not be able to deliver our common stock, even if we would otherwise choose to do so, to any holder of Convertible Notes if the delivery of our common stock would cause that holder to exceed the ownership limits described above.

## Complying with REIT requirements may affect our profitability and may force us to liquidate or forgo otherwise attractive investments.

To qualify as a REIT, we must continually satisfy tests concerning, among other things, the nature and diversification of our assets, the sources of our income and the amounts we distribute to our stockholders. We may be required to liquidate or forgo otherwise attractive investments in order to satisfy the asset and income tests or to qualify under certain statutory relief provisions. We may also be required to make distributions to stockholders at disadvantageous times or when we do not have funds readily available for distribution. As a result, having to comply with the distribution requirement could cause us to sell assets in adverse market conditions, borrow on unfavorable terms or distribute amounts that would otherwise be invested in future acquisitions, capital expenditures or repayment of debt. Accordingly, satisfying the REIT requirements could materially and adversely affect us.

# As a REIT, re-characterization of sale-leaseback transactions may cause us to lose our REIT status.

We intend to purchase certain properties and simultaneously lease those same properties back to the sellers. While we will use our best efforts to structure any such sale-leaseback transaction so that the lease will be characterized as a "true lease," thereby allowing us to be treated as the owner of the property for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the IRS could challenge such characterization. In the event that any sale-leaseback transaction is recharacterized as a financing transaction or loan for U.S. federal income tax purposes, deductions for depreciation and cost recovery relating to such property would be disallowed. If a sale-leaseback transaction were so recharacterized, we might fail to satisfy the REIT qualification "asset tests" or the "income tests" and, consequently, lose our REIT status effective with the year of re-characterization. Alternatively, the amount of our REIT taxable income could be recalculated which might also cause us to fail to meet the distribution requirement for a taxable year.

As a REIT, we are required to make distributions, other than capital gain distributions, to our stockholders each year in the amount of at least 90 percent of our REIT taxable income in order to deduct distributions to our stockholders. As a result, we will continue to need additional capital to make new investments. If additional funds are unavailable or not available on favorable terms, our ability to make new investments will be impaired.

As a REIT, we are required to distribute at least 90 percent of our REIT taxable income in order to deduct distributions to our stockholders, and as such we expect to continue to require additional capital to make new investments or carry existing investments. We may acquire additional capital from the issuance of securities senior to our common stock, including additional borrowings or other indebtedness or the issuance of additional securities. We may also acquire additional capital through the issuance of additional equity. However, we may not be able to raise additional capital in the future on favorable terms or at all. Unfavorable economic conditions could increase our funding costs, limit our access to the capital markets or result in a decision by lenders not to extend credit to us. We may issue debt securities, other instruments of indebtedness or preferred stock, and we may borrow money from banks or other financial institutions, which we refer to collectively as "senior securities." As a result of issuing senior securities, we will also be exposed to typical risks associated with leverage, including increased risk of loss. If we issue preferred securities which will rank "senior" to our common stock in our capital structure, the holders of such preferred securities may have separate voting rights and other rights, preferences or privileges more favorable than those of our common stock, and the issuance of such preferred securities could have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a transaction or a change of control that might involve a premium price for security holders or otherwise be in our best interest.

To the extent our ability to issue debt or other senior securities is constrained, we will depend on issuances of additional common stock to finance new investments. If we raise additional funds by issuing more of our common stock or senior securities convertible into, or exchangeable for, our common stock, the percentage ownership of our stockholders at that time would decrease, and our stockholders may experience dilution.

If we acquire C corporations in the future, we may inherit material tax liabilities and other tax attributes from such acquired corporations, and we may be required to distribute earnings and profits.

From time to time we may acquire C corporations or assets of C corporations in transactions in which the basis of the corporations' assets in our hands is determined by reference to the basis of the assets in the hands of the acquired corporations, or carry-over basis transactions.

In the case of assets we acquire from a C corporation in a carry-over basis transaction, if we dispose of any such asset in a taxable transaction (including by deed in lieu of foreclosure) during the five-year period beginning on the date of the carry-over basis transaction, then we will be required to pay tax at the highest regular corporate tax rate on the gain recognized to the extent of the excess of (1) the fair market value of the asset over (2) our adjusted tax basis in the asset, in each case determined as of the date of the carry-over basis transaction. Any taxes we pay as a result of such gain would reduce the amount available for distribution to our stockholders. The imposition of such tax may require us to forgo an otherwise attractive disposition of any assets we acquire from a C corporation in a carry-over basis transaction, and as a result may reduce the liquidity of our portfolio of investments. In addition, in such a carry-over basis transaction, we could potentially succeed to any tax liabilities and earnings and profits of any acquired C corporation. To qualify as a REIT, we must distribute any non-REIT earnings and profits by the close of the taxable year in which such transaction occurs. If the IRS were to determine that we acquired non-REIT earnings and profits from a corporation that we failed to distribute prior to the end of the taxable year in which the carry-over basis transaction occurred, we could avoid disqualification as a REIT by paying a "deficiency dividend." Under these procedures, we generally would be required to distribute any such non-REIT earnings and profits to our stockholders within 90 days of the determination and pay a statutory interest charge at a specified rate to the IRS. Such a distribution would be in addition to the distribution of REIT taxable income necessary to satisfy the REIT distribution requirement and may require that we borrow funds to make the distribution even if the then-prevailing market conditions are not favorable for borrowings. In addition, pa

## Legislative or other actions affecting REITs could have a negative effect on us.

The rules dealing with federal, state and local income taxation are constantly under review by persons involved in the legislative process and by the IRS and the U.S. Department of the Treasury. Changes to the tax laws, with or without retroactive application, could materially and adversely affect our investors or us. On March 27, 2020, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (the "CARES Act") was enacted in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and on December 27, 2020, the Consolidated Appropriation Act, 2021 was enacted. The Consolidation Appropriations Act included the Taxpayer Certainty and Disaster Relief Act of 2020 ("Disaster Relief Act") and the COVID-related Tax Relief Act of 2020 ("COVID Relief Act"). Although we are not aware of any provision in the final legislation or any pending tax legislation that would adversely affect our ability to qualify as a REIT, we cannot predict how future changes in the tax laws might affect our investors or us. New legislation, Treasury Regulations, administrative interpretations or court decisions could significantly and negatively affect our ability to qualify as a REIT or the income tax consequences of such qualification.

#### Risks Related to Our Corporate Structure and Governance

## Corridor may serve as a manager to other entities, which may create conflicts of interest not in the best interest of us or our stockholders.

Corridor's services under the Management Agreement are not exclusive, and, while it currently does not have any contractual arrangement to do so, it is free to furnish the same or similar services to other entities, including businesses that may directly or indirectly compete with us so long as its services to us are not impaired by the provision of such services to others. Corridor and its members may have obligations to other entities, the fulfillment of which might not be in the best interests of us or our stockholders.

## We will be dependent upon key personnel of Corridor and Crimson for our future success.

We have entered into a management agreement with Corridor to provide full management services to us for real property asset investments. Further, certain members of the Crimson management team are also officers of CorEnergy. We will be dependent on the diligence, expertise and business relationships of the management of Corridor and Crimson to implement our strategy of acquiring real property assets. The departure of one or more investment professionals of Corridor or Crimson could have a material adverse effect on our ability to implement this strategy and on the value of our common stock. There can be no assurance that we will be successful in implementing our strategy.

# Members of our management team have competing duties to other entities, which could result in decisions that are not in the best interests of our stockholders.

Certain of our officers and the employees of Crimson do not spend all of their time managing our activities. These executive officers and the employees of Crimson allocate some, or a material portion, of their time to other businesses and activities. None of these individuals is required to devote a specific amount of time to our affairs. As a result of these overlapping responsibilities, there may be conflicts of interest among and reduced time commitments from our officers and employees of Crimson that they will face in making decisions on our behalf. Accordingly, CorEnergy competes with Crimson, their affiliates and possibly other entities for the time and attention of these officers.

In addition to the ownership limit provisions discussed above, certain provisions of our charter and of Maryland law may limit the ability of stockholders to control our policies and effect a change of control of our Company.

Our charter authorizes our Board of Directors to amend our charter to increase or decrease the aggregate number of authorized shares of stock, to authorize us to issue additional shares of our common stock or preferred stock and to classify or reclassify unissued shares of our common stock or preferred stock and thereafter to authorize us to issue such classified or reclassified shares of stock. We believe that these provisions in our charter provide us with increased flexibility in structuring possible future financings and acquisitions and in meeting other needs that might arise. The additional classes or series, as well as the additional authorized shares of stock, will be available for issuance without further action by our stockholders, unless such action is required by applicable law or the rules of any stock exchange or automated quotation system on which our securities may be listed or traded. Although our Board of Directors does not currently intend to do so, it could authorize us to issue a class or series of stock that could, depending upon the terms of the particular class or series, delay, defer or prevent a transaction or a change of control of our company that might involve a premium price for holders of our common stock or that our common stockholders otherwise believe to be in their best interests.

# Provisions of the Maryland General Corporation Law and our charter and bylaws could deter takeover attempts and have an adverse impact on the price of our common stock.

The following considerations related to provisions of Maryland General Corporation Law, and of our charter and bylaws, may have the effect of discouraging, delaying or making difficult a change in control of our Company or the removal of our incumbent directors:

- We are subject to the Business Combination Act of the Maryland General Corporation Law. However, pursuant to the statute, our Board of Directors has adopted a resolution exempting us from the Maryland Business Combination Act for any business combination between us and any person to the extent that such business combination receives the prior approval of our Board of Directors. This resolution, however, may be altered or repealed in whole or in part at any time by our Board of Directors. If this resolution is repealed, or our Board of Directors does not otherwise approve a business combination with a person, the statute may discourage others from trying to acquire control of us and increase the difficulty of consummating any offer.
- Our bylaws exempt from the Maryland Control Share Acquisition Act acquisitions of stock by any person. If we amend our bylaws to repeal the
  exemption from the Maryland Control Share Acquisition Act, the Maryland Control Share Acquisition Act also may make it more difficult to obtain
  control of our Company.
- As described above, our charter includes a share ownership limit and other restrictions on ownership and transfer of shares, in each such case designed, among other purposes, to preserve our status as a REIT, which may have the effect of precluding an acquisition of control of us without the approval of our Board of Directors.
- Under our charter, our Board of Directors is divided into three classes serving staggered terms, which may make it more difficult for a hostile bidder to acquire control of us.
- Our charter contains a provision whereby we have elected to be subject to the provisions of Title 3, Subtitle 8 of the Maryland General Corporation Law relating to the filling of vacancies on our Board of Directors. Further, through provisions in our charter and bylaws unrelated to Subtitle 8, we (1) require a two-thirds vote for the removal of any director from the board, which removal must be for cause, (2) vest in the board the exclusive power to fix the number of directors, subject to limitations set forth in our charter and bylaws, (3) have a classified Board of Directors and (4) require that, unless a special meeting of stockholders is called by the chairman of our Board of Directors, our chief executive officer, our president or our Board of Directors, such a special meeting may be called to consider and vote on any matter that may properly be considered at a meeting of stockholders only at the request of stockholders entitled to cast not less than a majority of all votes entitled to be cast on a matter at such meeting.
- In addition, our Board of Directors may, without stockholder action, authorize the issuance of shares of stock in one or more classes or series, including preferred stock. Our Board of Directors also may, without stockholder action, amend our charter to increase the number of shares of stock of any class or series that we have authority to issue.
- Our bylaws include advance notice provisions, governing stockholders' director nominations or proposal of other business to be considered at an annual meeting of our stockholders, requiring the continuous ownership by the stockholder(s) putting forth any such nominee or proposal of at least one percent (1 percent) of our outstanding shares for a minimum period of at least three years prior to the date of such nomination or proposal and through the date of the related annual meeting (including any adjournment or postponement thereof), each as specified in the bylaws.
- Our bylaws designate certain Maryland courts as the sole and exclusive forum for certain types of actions and proceedings that may be initiated by our stockholders, which could limit our stockholders' ability to obtain a judicial forum that our stockholders believe is favorable for disputes with us or our directors, officers or employees.

The existence of these provisions, among others, may have a negative impact on the price of our common stock and may discourage third party bids for ownership of our Company. These provisions may prevent any premiums being offered to you for our common stock.

### Our ability to pay dividends is limited by the requirements of Maryland law.

Our ability to pay dividends on our common stock and Series A Preferred Stock is limited by the laws of Maryland. Under the Maryland General Corporation Law, a Maryland corporation generally may not make a distribution if, after giving effect to the distribution, the corporation would not be able to pay its debts as the debts become due in the usual course of business, or the corporation's total assets would be less than the sum of its total liabilities plus, unless the corporation's charter provides otherwise, the amount that would be needed, if the corporation were dissolved at the time of the distribution, to satisfy the preferential rights upon dissolution of stockholders whose preferential rights are superior to those receiving the distribution. Accordingly, we may not make a distribution on our common stock or the Series A Preferred Stock if, after giving effect to the distribution, we would not be able to pay our debts as they become due in the usual course of business or our total assets would be less than the sum of our total liabilities plus, unless the terms of such class or series provide otherwise, the amount that would be needed to satisfy the preferential rights upon dissolution of the holders of any shares of any class or series of preferred stock then outstanding, if any, with preferences senior to those of our common stock or the Series A Preferred Stock.

# Risk Related to Terrorism and Cybersecurity

# A terrorist attack, act of cyber-terrorism or armed conflict could harm our business.

Terrorist activities, anti-terrorist efforts and other armed conflicts involving the U.S., whether or not targeted at our assets or those of our tenants, investees or customers, could adversely affect the U.S. and global economies and could prevent us from meeting our financial and other obligations. Both we and our tenants and investees could experience loss of business, delays or defaults in payments from customers or disruptions of supplies and markets if domestic and global utilities or other energy infrastructure companies are direct targets or indirect casualties of an act of terror or war. Additionally, both we and our tenants and other investees rely on financial and operational computer systems to process information critically important for conducting various elements of our respective businesses. Any act of cyber-terrorism or other cyber-attack resulting in a failure of our computer systems, or those of our tenants, customers, suppliers or others with whom we do business, could materially disrupt our ability to operate our respective businesses and could result in a financial loss to the Company and possibly do harm to our reputation. Accordingly, terrorist activities and the threat of potential terrorist activities (including cyber-terrorism) and any resulting economic downturn could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. Any such events also might result in increased volatility in national and international financial markets, which could limit our access to capital or increase our cost of obtaining capital.

# Some losses related to our real property assets, including, among others, losses related to potential terrorist activities, may not be covered by insurance and would adversely impact distributions to stockholders.

Our leases will generally require the tenant companies to carry comprehensive liability and casualty insurance on our properties comparable in amounts and against risks customarily insured against by other companies engaged in similar businesses in the same geographic region as our tenant companies. We believe the required coverage will be of the type, and amount, customarily obtained by an owner of similar properties. However, there are some types of losses, such as catastrophic acts of nature, acts of war or riots, for which we or our tenants cannot obtain insurance at an acceptable cost. If there is an uninsured loss or a loss in excess of insurance limits, we could lose both the revenues generated by the affected property and the capital we have invested in the property if our tenant company fails to pay us the casualty value in excess of such insurance limit, if any, or to indemnify us for such loss. This would in turn reduce the amount of income available for distributions. We would, however, remain obligated to repay any secured indebtedness or other obligations related to the property. Since September 11, 2001, the cost of insurance protection against terrorist acts has risen dramatically. The cost of coverage for acts of terrorism is currently mitigated by the Terrorism Risk Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2019 ("TRIPRA"), which extended such program through December 31, 2027. Under TRIPRA, the amount of terrorism-related insurance losses triggering the federal insurance threshold has been increasing gradually from its initial level of \$100 million for acts occurring in 2015 to \$160 million for acts occurring in 2018, with \$180 million being the applicable threshold for acts occurring in 2019 and finally increasing to \$200 million for 2020. Additionally, the bill increases insurers' co-payments for losses exceeding their deductibles, from 15 percent in 2015 to 16 percent beginning January 1, 2016, and increasing in annual one percent steps thereafter until reaching 20 percent for 2020. Each of these changes may have the effect of increasing the cost to insure against acts of terrorism for property owners, such as the Company, notwithstanding the other provisions of TRIPRA. Further, if TRIPRA is not continued beyond 2027 or is significantly modified, we may incur higher insurance costs and experience greater difficulty in obtaining insurance that covers terrorist-related damages. Our tenants may also have similar difficulties. There can be no assurance our tenant companies will be able to obtain terrorism insurance coverage, or that any coverage they do obtain will adequately protect our properties against loss from terrorist attack.

We face risks associated with security breaches through cyber attacks, cyber intrusions or otherwise, as well as other significant disruptions of our information technology (IT) networks and related systems.

We rely on information technology systems and network infrastructure, including the Internet, to process transmit and store electronic information and to manage or support a variety of our business processes, including financial transactions and maintenance of records. Our business is dependent upon information systems and other digital technologies for controlling our plants, pipelines and other assets, processing transactions and summarizing and reporting results of operations. The secure processing, maintenance and transmission of information is critical to our operations. A security breach of our network or systems, or the network or systems of our third-party vendors, could result in improper operation of our assets, potentially including delays in the delivery or availability of our customers' products, contamination or degradation of the products we transport, store or distribute, or releases of hydrocarbon products for which we could be held liable. Furthermore, we and some of our vendors collect and store sensitive data in the ordinary course of our business, including personal identification information of our employees as well as our proprietary business information and that of our customers, tenants, suppliers, investors and other stakeholders.

Cybersecurity risks have increased in recent years as a result of the proliferation of new technologies and the increased sophistication, magnitude and frequency of cyber-attacks and data security breaches. Because of the critical nature of our infrastructure and our use of information systems and other digital technologies to control our assets, we face a heightened risk of cyber-attacks. Cyber attacks targeting our infrastructure could result in a full or partial disruption of our operations, as well as those of our customers and tenants. Likewise, cyberattacks in the form of "social engineering" (manipulating recipients into performing actions, or divulging information, by impersonating members of Company management, customers or others) aimed at our company, our employees, our customers, our tenants, or others could result in operational disruption, financial loss and reputational harm. Although we make efforts to maintain the security and integrity of our data, IT networks and related systems, and we have implemented various measures to minimize and/or manage the risk of a security breach or disruption, we cannot guarantee that our security efforts and measures will be effective at preventing or detecting any attempted or actual security incidents, or that disruptions caused by any such incidents or attempted incidents will not be successful or damaging to us or others.

During the normal course of business, we have experienced and expect to continue to experience attempts to gain unauthorized access to, or to compromise, our information systems or to disrupt our operations through cyber-attacks or security breaches, although none to our knowledge have had a material adverse effect on our business, operations or financial results. Despite our security measures, our information systems, or those of our vendors, may become the target of further cyber-attacks (including hacking, viruses or acts of terrorism) or security breaches (including employee error, malfeasance or other breaches), which could compromise and disrupt the proper functioning of our network or systems, or those of our vendors, affect our ability to correctly record, process and report transactions or financial information, or result in the release or loss of the information stored therein, misappropriation of assets, misstated financial reports, violations of loan covenants and/or missed reporting deadlines, inability to properly monitor our compliance with the rules and regulations regarding our qualification as a REIT, disruption to our operations or damage to our facilities. As a result of a cyber-attack or security breach, we could also be liable under laws that protect the privacy of personal information, subject to regulatory penalties, experience damage to our reputation or a loss of consumer confidence in our products and services, or incur additional costs for remediation and modification or enhancement of our information systems, and require significant management attention and resources, to prevent future occurrences or other costs or be subject to increased regulation or litigation, all of which could materially adversely affect our reputation, business, operations or financial results.

# ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

None.

#### **ITEM 2. PROPERTIES**

### Properties Owned as of December 31, 2020

## **Leased Energy Infrastructure Assets**

We are primarily focused on acquiring midstream and downstream real estate assets within the U.S. energy infrastructure sector and have historically entered into long-term triple-net participating leases with energy companies. The following summarizes our investments in energy infrastructure assets that were leased on a triple-net basis to their respective operators as of December 31, 2020:

Asset Name	Owner/Landlord	Tenant	Asset Location	Asset Description	Encumbrances (1)
Grand Isle Gathering System <sup>(2)</sup>	Grand Isle Corridor, LP	Energy XXI GIGS Services, LLC (3)	Gulf of Mexico / Louisiana	Approximately 137 miles of offshor pipeline with total capacity of 120 thousand Bbls/d, including a 16-acre onshore terminal and saltwate disposal system	million revolving credit facility with Regions Bank

<sup>(1)</sup> For additional information, see Part IV, Item 15, Note 11 ("Debt") included in this Report. The revolving credit facility was terminated in conjunction with the Crimson Transaction

#### Additional Information Concerning the Grand Isle Gathering System

Grand Isle Corridor, LP ("Grand Isle Corridor") acquired the Grand Isle Gathering System on June 30, 2015, from Energy XXI USA, Inc., which has since become EGC and an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of privately-held Cox Oil as discussed further below. The Grand Isle Gathering System's design capacity was approximately 120 thousand barrels per day. It included 137 miles of undersea pipeline that transports oil and water from seven offshore fields and a 16-acre onshore terminal. The terminal included four storage tanks, three saltwater injection wells, and associated pipelines, land, buildings and facilities. As discussed in further detail in Part IV, Item 15, Note 12 ("Asset Retirement Obligation"), during the fourth quarter of 2018, the Company decommissioned a segment of the GIGS pipeline system.

The subsea pipelines forming the majority of the Grand Isle Gathering System and certain other components, such as the buildings and saltwater disposal facilities, had useful lives that extend beyond the initial term of the Grand Isle Lease Agreement, and the system was critical to Cox Oil's central Gulf of Mexico oil production operations. The Grand Isle Gathering System provides shoreline terminal access to 38 offshore platforms producing from seven fields. Some of these fields have produced for over 50 years and continue to produce. During 2017-2018, EGC drilled and successfully completed four new wells. Future wells drilled will be dependent on economics, but several undrilled locations remain in fields served by the Grand Isle Gathering System. From its analysis, CORR assumed average Grand Isle Gathering System well lives of 10 to 20 years depending on the number of productive zones encountered, implying a long-term continued need for transport and terminaling services.

The primary term of the Grand Isle Lease Agreement was 11 years, with an initial renewal term of nine years, subject to certain conditions. During the initial term of the Grand Isle Lease Agreement, the EGC Tenant was required to make minimum monthly rental payments. In year one, the minimum monthly payments were initially \$2.6 million. The monthly payments were scheduled to peak in year seven at \$4.2 million before declining to \$3.5 million in year eleven. Beginning in April 2020, the EGC Tenant ceased paying rent due. The EGC Tenant's nonpayment rent continued until the disposition of the Grand Isle Gathering System and termination of the Grand Isle Lease Agreement as further described below. In addition, the EGC Tenant was required to pay variable rent payments if certain predefined revenue thresholds are exceeded. Variable rent obligations were calculated monthly and based on ten percent revenue participation above the thresholds. Revenues are calculated on the volumes of the EGC Tenant's oil that flow through the Grand Isle Gathering System, multiplied by the average daily closing price of crude oil for the applicable calendar month. Participating rent is capped at 39 percent of the total rent for each month. There were no participating rents paid in 2020

On February 4, 2021, we contributed the Grand Isle Gathering System as partial consideration for the acquisition of our 49.50 percent interest in Crimson described in Part I, Item 1, Business, of this Report resulting in its disposition and the termination of the Grand Isle Lease Agreement. In connection with the disposition, the Company entered into a Settlement and Mutual Release Agreement with the EGC Tenant, EGC, and CEXXI, LLC. Refer to Part I, Item 3, Legal Proceedings, of this Report for additional information on the resolution of the legal matters, and Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties and Leases"), for additional information on the disposition of the GIGS asset and termination of the Grand Isle Lease Agreement.

<sup>(2)</sup> On February 4, 2021, the Company disposed of the GIGS asset and terminated the related triple-net lease in conjunction with the Crimson Transaction. For additional information, see Part I, Item 1, Business and Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties and Leases") included in this Report. Prior to the sale, GIGS was an asset securing the Company's revolving credit facility with Regions Bank.

<sup>(3)</sup> Energy XXI GIGS Services, LLC's obligations under the Grand Isle Lease Agreement were guaranteed by EGC. For additional information, see "Additional Information Concerning the Grand Isle Gathering System" below.

### Other Energy Infrastructure Assets

## MoGas Pipeline System

Our wholly-owned TRS, Corridor MoGas, Inc. ("Corridor MoGas"), owns all of the membership interests in a subsidiary that owns and operates the MoGas Pipeline System, which consists of an approximately 263-mile interstate natural gas pipeline system in and around St. Louis and extending into central Missouri, and certain related real and personal property. The MoGas Pipeline System, which is regulated by FERC, receives natural gas at four separate receipt points from third party interstate gas pipelines and delivers that gas through 24 different delivery points to investor-owned natural gas distribution companies, municipalities and end users. MoGas has eight firm transportation customers. We provide REIT-qualifying intercompany mortgage financing secured by the real property assets of MoGas and United Property Systems, which allows for a maximum principal balance of \$90.0 million. Our ownership interest in the MoGas Pipeline System partially secured borrowings under the CorEnergy Credit Facility until it was terminated on February 4, 2021. Currently, our ownership interest in Corridor MoGas. partially secures borrowings under the Crimson Credit Facility.

# Omega Pipeline (Mowood, LLC)

We indirectly hold 100 percent of the equity interests in Omega through Mowood, which was a TRS of the Company until December 31, 2017, as discussed further below. Mowood is the holding company of Omega, a natural gas provider located primarily on the DOD's Fort Leonard Wood military post in south-central Missouri. Omega has a long-term contract with the DOD, which was renewed for an additional 10-year term in January 2016, to provide natural gas distribution to Fort Leonard Wood through Omega's approximately 75-mile pipeline distribution system on the post. In addition, Omega has historically provided natural gas marketing services to several customers in the surrounding area.

During 2017, we received a private letter ruling from the IRS which, among other items, qualified the revenue from our long-term contract with Fort Leonard Wood as representing rents from real property. As a result of the favorable ruling, we converted Omega from a taxable REIT subsidiary to a qualified REIT subsidiary. Omega's natural gas marketing service contracts with customers other than Fort Leonard Wood were sold to a newly created indirect wholly-owned TRS of the Company, Omega Gas Marketing, LLC.

### New Properties Acquired in February 2021

As discussed in Part I, Item 1, Business, of this Report, on February 4, 2021, we acquired a 49.50 percent interest in Crimson. Crimson is a CPUC regulated crude oil pipeline owner and operator, and its assets include four critical infrastructure pipeline systems spanning approximately 2,000 miles, including approximately 1,300 active miles, across northern, central and southern California, connecting California crude production to in-state refineries. The acquired assets qualify for REIT treatment under established IRS regulations and the Company's PLR. The assets acquired in the Crimson Transaction include the following:

Asset	Location	Asset Description
Sol Cal Pipeline	Southern California	~760 miles of pipe (including ~610 active miles); 7 separate pipeline systems; 8 tanks and 6 pump stations. Transports crude oil from Los Angeles and Ventura basins to Los Angeles refineries.
KLM Pipeline	San Joaquin Valley to Northern California	~620 miles of pipe (including ~290 active miles); 5 tanks and 7 pump stations. Transports crude oil from San Joaquin Valley to Bay Area refineries.
San Pablo Bay Pipeline	San Joaquin Valley to Northern California	~540 miles of heated pipe from San Joaquin Valley to Northern California (including ~380 active miles); ~2.3 Mbbls tank capacity. Transports crude from San Joaquin Valley to Bay Area refineries.
Proprietary Pipeline	South of Bakersfield	$\sim\!\!100$ miles of pipe (including $\sim\!\!45$ active miles). Connects Crimson system to rail volumes and supports other in-basin crude movements.

## **Principal Location**

Our principal executive office is located at 1100 Walnut Street, Suite 3350, Kansas City, MO 64106.

#### **ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

## CorEnergy Legal Proceedings

As discussed in further detail in Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases") in this Report, the Company initiated litigation on March 26, 2019 to enforce the terms of the Grand Isle Lease Agreement requiring that we be provided with copies of certain financial statement information that we are required to file pursuant to SEC Regulation S-X, as described in Section 2340 of the SEC Financial Reporting Manual, in the case *CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. and Grand Isle Corridor, LP v. Energy XXI Gulf Coast, Inc. and Energy XXI GIGS Services, LLC*, Case No. 01-19-0228-CV in the 11th District Court of Harris County, Texas. The Company sought and obtained a temporary restraining order mandating that our tenant deliver the required financial statements. On April 1, 2019, that order was stayed pending an appeal by the tenant to the Texas First District Court of Appeals in Houston. On January 6, 2020, that appellate court rejected our tenant's appeal and remanded the case for further proceedings in the 11th District Court of Harris County, Texas. While the appeal was pending, the original temporary restraining order lapsed by its own terms. In May 2020, the trial court granted the Company's motion for partial summary judgment mandating our tenant deliver the required financial statements. The parties agreed to stay this case in order to facilitate settlement discussions (see below).

In addition to the foregoing lawsuit, the Company's subsidiary, Grand Isle Corridor, filed a separate lawsuit against EGC and EGC Tenant to recover unpaid rent due and owed under the Grand Isle Lease Agreement. The lawsuit was filed in the 129th District Court of Harris County, Texas and was styled as *Grand Isle Corridor, LP v. Energy XXI Gulf Coast, Inc. and Energy XXI GIGS Services, LLC,* Case No. 202027212. Grand Isle Corridor filed a motion for summary judgment against the EGC Tenant in this action. Grand Isle Corridor filed two identical lawsuits in Harris County seeking unpaid rent for June and July (Case Nos. 202036038 and 202039219, respectively). These cases were stayed pending negotiation of a business resolution with EGC and EGC Tenant (see below).

On April 20, 2020, EGC and its parent company, CEXXI, LLC, filed an adversary proceeding against the Company and Grand Isle Corridor, *Energy XXI Gulf Coast, LLC and CEXXI, LLC v. Grand Isle Corridor, LP and CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc.*, Adv. No. 20-03084, in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas. In this suit, EGC is asking the bankruptcy court in which EGC filed for bankruptcy in 2016 to declare that the assignment and assumption of the guarantee of the Grand Isle Lease Agreement, which was a part of that earlier bankruptcy proceeding, is null and void. The Company believes this claim is meritless. The parties have agreed to stay this case (see below).

During the third quarter of 2020, the Company and Grand Isle Corridor reached an agreement with EGC, EGC Tenant, and CEXXI, LLC to stay each of the above-referenced lawsuits indefinitely while seeking a business resolution for their various disputes. During the agreed stay, all deadlines in the pending actions were suspended, and the parties may not engage in discovery, file pleadings, or initiate any new lawsuits against each other. Any party may terminate the agreed stay and resume litigation upon five days' written notice.

On February 4, 2021, the Company contributed the GIGS asset as partial consideration for the acquisition of its interest in Crimson. In connection with the disposition, the Company and Grand Isle Corridor entered into a Settlement and Mutual Release Agreement (the "Settlement Agreement") with the EGC Tenant, EGC, and CEXXI, LLC (the "EXXI Entities"). The EGC Tenant is the tenant under the Grand Isle Lease Agreement, dated June 30, 2015 with Grand Isle Corridor. Grand Isle Corridor initially received a Guaranty dated June 22, 2015 from Energy XXI Ltd. in connection with the original purchase of the GIGS, which was assumed by EGC, as guarantor of the obligations of the EGC Tenant pursuant to the terms of the Assignment and Assumption of Guaranty and Release dated December 30, 2016 (as assigned and assumed, the "Landlord Guaranty").

Pursuant to the terms of the Settlement Agreement, the Company and Grand Isle Corridor released the EXXI Entities from any and all claims, except for the Environmental Indemnity under the Grand Isle Lease Agreement, which shall survive, and the EXXI Entities released the Company and Grand Isle Corridor from any and all claims. The parties have also agreed to jointly dismiss the litigation described above in connection with the Settlement Agreement. Additionally, the Grand Isle Lease Agreement and Landlord Guaranty were cancelled and terminated.

# Crimson Legal Proceedings

On October 30, 2014, the owner of a property on which Crimson built a valve access vault filed an action against Crimson, claiming that Crimson's pre-existing pipeline easement did not authorize the construction of the vault. Crimson responded by filing a condemnation action on October 26, 2015 to acquire new easements for the vault and related pipeline, and the cases were consolidated into one action, *Crimson California Pipeline L.P. v. Noarus Properties, Inc.; and Does 1 through 99*, Case No. BC598951, in the Los Angeles Superior Court-Central District. The property owner has claimed damages of \$7,500,000. A legal issues trial relating to liability for damages is scheduled for July 12, 2021, and a jury trial to determine the amount of damages, if

any, is scheduled for November 1, 2021. Crimson is vigorously defending itself against the claims asserted by the property owner in this matter and, while the outcome cannot be predicted, management believes the ultimate resolution of this matter will not have a material adverse impact on the Company's results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

In June 2016, Crimson discovered a leak on its Ventura pipeline located in Ventura County, California, at which time Crimson began remediation of the observed release and concurrently took the pipeline out of service. The pipeline was properly repaired and returned to service in June 2016. The remediation efforts are complete, the affected area has been restored, and Crimson has implemented a monitoring program for the area. In November 2018, Crimson was notified by the California State Water Resources Board of a Forthcoming Assessment of Administrative Civil Liability concerning alleged violations of the California Water Code related to this incident. Through pre-enforcement settlement discussion, Crimson and the California State Water Board reached a settlement requiring Crimson to pay a penalty of \$325,000, which is currently pending final approval from the State of California. Pursuant to that settlement, annually Crimson also must perform certain ongoing monitoring obligations related to the condition of the affected barranca. Additionally, in July 2020 Crimson entered into a Stipulation of Final Judgment related to the same incident with the Ventura County, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Office of Oil Spill Response, pursuant to which Crimson agreed to pay penalties of \$900,000 plus reimbursement of certain investigative costs. Half of this settlement was paid during 2020 prior to the Crimson Transaction, and the remainder will be paid in 2021.

As a transporter of crude oil, Crimson is subject to various environmental regulations that could subject the Company to future monetary obligations. Crimson has received notices of violations and potential fines under various federal, state and local provisions relating to the discharge of materials into the environment or protection of the environment. Management believes that even if any one or more of these environmental proceedings were decided against Crimson, it would not be material to the Company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows, and the Company maintains insurance coverage for environmental liabilities in amounts that management believes to be appropriate and customary for the Company's business.

The Company also is subject to various other claims and legal proceedings covering a wide range of matters that arose in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of management, all such matters are adequately covered by insurance or by established reserves, and, if not so covered, are without merit or are of such kind, or involve such amounts, as would not have a material adverse effect on the financial position, results of operations or cash flows of the Company.

### **ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES**

Not applicable.

## **PART II**

# ITEM 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

Our common stock is traded on the NYSE, under the symbol "CORR". As of December 31, 2020, we had 27 stockholders of record. A substantially greater number of holders of our common stock are "street name" or beneficial holders, whose shares of record are held by banks, brokers, and other financial institutions.

# Dividends

Our portfolio of energy infrastructure real property assets generates cash flow to us from which we pay dividends to stockholders. The amount of any dividend is recorded on the ex-dividend date. The character of dividends made during the year may differ from their ultimate characterization for federal income tax purposes. Although there is no assurance that we will continue to make regular dividend payments, we believe that a number of actions have been taken, including the acquisition of our interest in Crimson on February 4, 2021, to maintain 2021 dividends on a quarterly basis and an estimated total 2021 annualized dividend of \$0.20 per share. Refer to Item 7, "Dividends," for further discussion of our dividend.

## **Federal and State Income Taxation**

We have elected to be taxed as a REIT under sections 856 through 860 of the Code and applicable Treasury regulations, which set forth the requirements for qualifying as a REIT, commencing with our taxable year beginning January 1, 2013. We believe that we have been organized and operated in a manner so as to qualify for taxation as a REIT under the Code and we intend to continue to operate in such a manner.

For as long as we qualify for taxation as a REIT, we generally will not be subject to federal corporate income taxes on net income that we currently distribute to stockholders. This treatment substantially eliminates the "double taxation" (at the corporate and security holder levels) that can result from investment in a "C" corporation. A "C" corporation is a corporation that is generally required to pay tax at the corporate level. Double taxation means taxation once at the corporate level when income is earned and once again at the stockholder level when the income is distributed.

As long as we qualify as a REIT, distributions made to our taxable U.S. stockholders out of current or accumulated earnings and profits (and not designated as capital gain dividends or retained capital gains) will be taken into account by them as ordinary income, and corporate stockholders will not be eligible for the dividends received deduction as to such amounts. If we received QDI and designate such portion of our distributions as QDI in a written notice mailed no later than 60 days after the close of our taxable year, an individual U.S. stockholder may qualify (provided holding period and certain other requirements are met) to treat such portion of the distribution as QDI, eligible to be taxed at the reduced maximum rate of 20 percent. Distributions in excess of current and accumulated earnings and profits will not be taxable to a stockholder to the extent that they do not exceed the adjusted basis of such stockholder's common stock, but rather will reduce the adjusted basis of such shares as a return of capital. To the extent that such distributions exceed the adjusted basis of a stockholder's common stock, they will be included in income as long-term capital gains (or short-term capital gain if the shares have been held for one year or less), assuming the shares are a capital asset in the hands of the stockholder. Distributions that we properly designate as capital gain dividends will be taxable to stockholders as gains (to the extent they do not exceed our actual net capital gain for the taxable year) from the sale or disposition of a capital asset held for greater than one year. If we designate any portion of a dividend as a capital gain dividend, a U.S. stockholder will receive an Internal Revenue Service Form 1099-DIV indicating the amount that will be taxable to the stockholder as a capital gain. As a REIT, we will be subject to corporate level tax on certain built-in gains in assets are sold during the 5-year period following conversion. Built-in gain assets are assets whose fair market value excee

We may, from time to time, own and operate certain properties through C corporation subsidiaries and will treat those subsidiaries as either "qualified REIT subsidiaries," or "taxable REIT subsidiaries." If a REIT owns a corporate subsidiary that is a "qualified REIT subsidiary," the separate existence of that subsidiary generally will be disregarded for federal income tax purposes. A "taxable REIT subsidiary" is an entity taxable as a corporation in which we own stock and that elected with us to be treated as a taxable REIT subsidiary under Section 856(1) of the Code. A taxable REIT subsidiary is subject to federal income tax, and state and local income tax where applicable, as a regular "C" corporation.

Our tax expense or benefit attributable to the taxable REIT subsidiary is included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. Deferred income taxes reflect the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes.

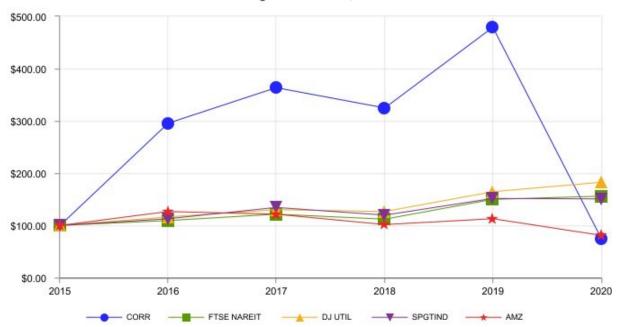
## **Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities**

We did not sell any securities during the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2020 that were not registered under the Securities Act of 1933.

# **Performance Graph**

We operate as a REIT and primarily own assets in the midstream and downstream U.S. Energy sectors that perform utility-like functions, such as pipelines, storage terminals, rail terminals and gas transmission and distribution assets. The following graph sets forth the cumulative return on our common stock between January 1, 2016 and December 31, 2020, as compared to the following set of relevant indices: FTSE NAREIT All Equity REIT Index ("FTSE NAREIT"), the Dow Jones Utilities Average Index ("DJ UTIL"), the S&P Global Infrastructure Index ("SPGTIND") and the Alerian MLP Index ("AMZ"). The graph assumes a \$100 investment was made on December 31, 2015 in each of our common stock, the FTSE NAREIT, the DJ UTIL, the SPGTIND and the AMZ, and assumes the reinvestment of all cash dividends. The comparisons in the graph below are based on historical data and are not intended to forecast future performance.

# Stockholder Cumulative Total Return Performance Graph through December 31, 2020



The performance graph shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that section, and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act.

	Cumulative Value of \$100 Investment, through December 31,										
	2015		2016		2017		2018		2019		2020
CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc.	\$ 100.00	\$	294.92	\$	363.36	\$	324.54	\$	478.90	\$	74.90
FTSE NAREIT All Equity REIT Index	100.00		109.43		120.95		111.55		149.71		155.65
Dow Jones Utilities Average Index	100.00		116.24		130.08		126.72		164.36		182.02
S&P Global Infrastructure Index	100.00		112.08		134.42		118.97		151.29		150.45
Alerian MLP Index	100.00		125.91		120.73		100.94		112.08		81.00

Our shares began trading on the NYSE on February 2, 2007. Since December 3, 2012, our common stock has traded under the symbol "CORR".

## ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The selected financial data set forth below should be read in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," and the financial statements and related notes included in this Report. Our consolidated financial statements include our accounts and our wholly-owned subsidiaries. The financial information presented below has been derived from our audited consolidated financial statements, which financial statements have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, our independent registered public accounting firm. The historical data is not necessarily indicative of results to be expected for any future period. The balance sheet data below reflects the reclassification of deferred financing costs under FASB Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2015-03, Simplifying the Presentation of Debt Issue Costs, which was adopted on January 1, 2016, retrospectively.

	For the Years Ended December 31,									
		2020		2019		2018		2017		2016
Operating Data										
Total revenue	\$	11,338,071	\$	85,945,570	\$	89,231,598	\$	88,749,377	\$	89,250,586
Net Income (Loss) attributable to CorEnergy Stockholders		(306,067,579)		4,079,495		43,711,876		32,602,790		29,663,200
Net Income (Loss) attributable to Common Stockholders		(315,257,388)		(5,175,973)		34,163,499		24,648,802		25,514,763
Per Share Data										
Net Income (Loss) attributable to Common stockholders:										
Basic	\$	(23.09)	\$	(0.40)	\$	2.86	\$	2.07	\$	2.14
Diluted		(23.09)		(0.40)		2.79		2.07		2.14
Cash dividends declared per common share		0.900		3.000		3.000		3.000		3.000
Other Data										
AFFO attributable to Common stockholders(1)										
Basic	\$	0.52	\$	4.06	\$	4.11	\$	4.25	\$	4.41
Diluted		0.52		3.83		3.70		3.81		3.93

<sup>(1)</sup> We believe that net income (loss), as defined by U.S. GAAP, is the most appropriate earnings measurement. However, we consider Adjusted Funds From Operations ("AFFO") to be an appropriate measure of operating performance of an equity REIT. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Non-GAAP Financial Measures" included in Item 7 of this Report for a reconciliation of AFFO to our GAAP earnings.

			As	of December 31	,		
	2020	2019		2018		2017	2016
Balance sheet data							
Total assets	\$ 284,953,178	\$ 651,455,794	\$	624,883,180	\$	633,418,113	\$ 650,732,571
Current debt maturities	_	5,612,178		3,528,000		3,528,000	7,128,556
Long-term debt	115,008,130	146,497,248		146,510,380		149,249,437	193,504,324
CorEnergy equity - Preferred	125,270,350	125,493,175		125,555,675		130,000,000	56,250,000
CorEnergy equity - Common	24,129,477	351,246,264		329,455,630		331,785,632	350,218,436

#### ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Certain statements included or incorporated by reference in this Annual Report on Form 10-K may be deemed "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the federal securities laws. In many cases, these forward-looking statements may be identified by the use of words such as "will," "may," "should," "could," "believes," "expects," "anticipates," "estimates," "intends," "projects," "goals," "objectives," "targets," "predicts," "plans," "seeks," or similar expressions. Any forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date on which it is made and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the factors discussed throughout this Report.

Although we believe the expectations reflected in any forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance or results and we can give no assurance that these expectations will be attained. Our actual results may differ materially from those indicated by these forward-looking statements due to a variety of known and unknown risks and uncertainties. Such risks and uncertainties include, without limitation, the risk factors discussed in Part I, Item 1A of this Report. We disclaim any obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements to reflect actual results or changes in the factors affecting the forward-looking information.

## **BUSINESS OBJECTIVE**

We are a publicly traded REIT focused on energy infrastructure. Our business strategy is to own and operate or lease critical energy midstream infrastructure connecting the upstream and downstream sectors within the industry. Beginning in February 2021, we currently generate revenue from the transportation, via pipeline, of natural gas and crude oil for our customers in Missouri and California. The pipelines are located in areas where it would be difficult to replicate rights of way or transport natural gas or crude oil via non-pipeline alternatives resulting in our assets providing utility-like criticality in the midstream supply chain for our customers. Prior to February 2021, we generated long-term contracted revenue from operators of our assets, primarily under triple-net participating leases without direct commodity price exposure.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The consolidated financial statements include CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc., as of December 31, 2020, and its direct and indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

## **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

The following table summarizes the financial data and key operating statistics for CorEnergy for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018. We believe the Operating Results detail presented below provides investors with information that will assist them in analyzing our operating performance. However, the operations of the Company going forward in 2021 may differ significantly due to the losses experienced in 2020 and resulting disposition of assets. The following data should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included in Part IV, Item 15 of this Report.

The following table and discussion are a summary of our results of operations for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018:

	 For the Years Ended December 31,						
	2020		2019		2018		
Revenue							
Lease revenue	\$ 21,351,123	\$	67,050,506	\$	72,747,362		
Deferred rent receivable write-off	(30,105,820)		_		_		
Transportation and distribution revenue	19,972,351		18,778,237		16,484,236		
Financing revenue	 120,417		116,827		_		
Total Revenue	11,338,071		85,945,570		89,231,598		
Expenses							
Transportation and distribution expenses	6,059,707		5,242,244		7,210,748		
General and administrative	12,231,922		10,596,848		13,042,847		
Depreciation, amortization and ARO accretion expense	13,654,429		22,581,942		24,947,453		
Loss on impairment of leased property	140,268,379		_		_		
Loss on impairment and disposal of leased property	146,537,547		_		_		
Loss on termination of lease	458,297		_		_		
Provision for loan gain	_		_		(36,867)		
Total Expenses	319,210,281		38,421,034		45,164,181		
Operating Income (Loss)	\$ (307,872,210)	\$	47,524,536	\$	44,067,417		
Other Income (Expense)							
Net distributions and other income	\$ 471,449	\$	1,328,853	\$	106,795		
Net realized and unrealized loss on other equity securities	_		_		(1,845,309)		
Interest expense	(10,301,644)		(10,578,711)		(12,759,010)		
Gain on the sale of leased property, net	_		_		11,723,257		
Gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt	11,549,968		(33,960,565)		_		
Total Other Income (Expense)	1,719,773		(43,210,423)		(2,774,267)		
Income (loss) before income taxes	(306,152,437)		4,314,113		41,293,150		
Income tax expense (benefit), net	(84,858)		234,618		(2,418,726)		
Net Income (Loss) attributable to CorEnergy Stockholders	\$ (306,067,579)	\$	4,079,495	\$	43,711,876		
Preferred dividend requirements	9,189,809		9,255,468		9,548,377		
Net Income (Loss) attributable to Common Stockholders	\$ (315,257,388)	\$	(5,175,973)	\$	34,163,499		
Other Financial Data <sup>(1)</sup>							
Adjusted EBITDAre	\$ 23,623,711	\$	71,435,331	\$	69,395,739		
NAREIT FFO	(14,800,449)		16,962,000		46,888,133		
FFO	(14,939,667)		16,949,416		48,051,243		
AFFO	7,076,213		53,012,786		49,024,120		

(1) Refer to the "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" section that follows for additional details.

### Year Ended December 31, 2020 Compared to Year Ended December 31, 2019

Revenue. Consolidated revenues were \$11.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to \$85.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2019, representing a decrease of \$74.6 million. Lease revenue was \$21.4 million and was fully offset by the non-cash write-off of the deferred rent receivable of \$30.1 million related to the Grand Isle Lease Agreement, resulting in a loss of \$8.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2020. Lease revenue was \$67.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2019, resulting in a decrease of \$75.8 million. The decrease in lease revenue was primarily driven by (i) the non-cash write-off of the deferred rent receivable (\$30.1 million), which was determined to be no longer probable of collection in the first quarter of 2020, (ii) the non-payment of rent due for the GIGS asset in the second, third and fourth quarters of 2020 (\$30.5 million), (iii) the decrease in rent resulting from the sale of our Pinedale LGS asset during the second quarter of 2020 (\$10.7 million) and (iv) the decrease in participating rent at Pinedale (\$4.5 million). Refer to Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases") for further discussion of the impairment of the deferred rent receivable, nonpayment of rent by the EGC Tenant and the sale of the Pinedale LGS asset.

Transportation and distribution revenue from our subsidiaries MoGas and Omega was \$20.0 million and \$18.8 million for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. The \$1.2 million increase was primarily driven by increased system maintenance revenue projects at Omega.

Transportation and Distribution Expenses. Transportation and distribution expenses were \$6.1 million and \$5.2 million for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively, representing an increase of \$0.8 million. The increase was primarily driven by higher system maintenance expense at Omega due to the timing of projects, partially offset by lower legal, real estate taxes and maintenance costs at MoGas.

General and Administrative Expenses. General and administrative expenses were \$12.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to \$10.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. The most significant components of the variance from the prior year are outlined in the following table and explained below:

	 For the Years Ended December 31,					
	 2020		2019			
Management fees	\$ 5,073,977	\$	6,786,637			
Acquisition and professional fees	5,931,628		2,413,617			
Other expenses	 1,226,317		1,396,594			
Total	\$ 12,231,922	\$	10,596,848			

Management fees are directly proportional to our asset base. For the year ended December 31, 2020, management fees decreased \$1.7 million compared to the prior year due to (i) a decrease in our asset base as a result of the sale of the Pinedale LGS at the end of the second quarter of 2020, (ii) the management fee waivers in the current-year period to exclude the net proceeds from the 5.875% Convertible Notes offering in August of 2019 (other than the cash portion of such proceeds utilized in connection with the exchange of the Company's 7.00% Convertible Notes) and (iii) a full waiver of the incentive fee for the first quarter of 2020 and no incentive fee earned for the second, third and fourth quarters of 2020. The management fee waivers in (ii) above waived approximately \$749 thousand and \$510 thousand of the management fees for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. In connection with the management fee waivers covering the year ended December 31, 2020, we also agreed with the Manager that the incremental management fees paid for the second quarter of 2020 would include approximately \$592 thousand for the assets involved in the Pinedale Transaction, which were under management for all but the last day of the prior period. See Part IV, Item 15, Note 9 ("Management Agreement") for additional information.

Acquisition and professional fees for the year ended December 31, 2020 increased \$3.5 million from the prior year due to increases in both professional fees and asset acquisition expenses. Professional fees increased \$2.0 million during the current year while asset acquisition expenses increased \$1.5 million. The increase in professional fees was attributable to (i) higher legal and consulting costs in the current-year period related to the litigation with EGC/Cox Oil and valuation of the GIGS asset and (ii) higher legal and consulting costs related to the UPL bankruptcy and the ultimate sale of our Pinedale LGS asset to Ultra Wyoming.

Asset acquisition expenses increased due to acquisition opportunities which have advanced into various stages of due diligence. For the year ended December 31, 2020, the increase was primarily driven by the due diligence performed for the acquisition of a 49.50 percent interest in Crimson announced on February 4, 2021. Generally, we expect asset acquisition expenses to be repaid over time from income generated by acquisitions. However, any particular period may reflect significant expenses arising from third party legal, engineering, and consulting fees that are incurred in the early to mid-stages of due diligence. Refer to Part IV, Item 15, Note 16 ("Subsequent Events") for additional information on the Crimson Transaction.

Other expenses for the for the year ended December 31, 2020 decreased \$170 thousand compared to the prior year. The decrease is primarily related to decreased administrative fees under the Management Agreement due to the factors described above and decreased travel expenses due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Depreciation, Amortization and ARO Accretion Expense. Depreciation, amortization and ARO accretion expense was \$13.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to \$22.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. The \$8.9 million decrease was primarily driven by depreciation expense. The decrease in depreciation expense was driven by (i) a reduction in depreciation for the Pinedale LGS starting in June 2020 as a result of the sale of the asset to Ultra Wyoming (\$5.2 million) and (ii) the impairment of the GIGS asset during the first quarter of 2020 which resulted in a reduced carrying value and a decrease in the remaining useful life of the GIGS asset beginning in the second quarter of 2020 (\$3.9 million).

Loss on Impairment of Leased Property. For the year ended December 31, 2020, we recognized a \$140.3 million loss on impairment of leased property related to our GIGS asset. The impairment analysis was triggered by the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and significant decline in the global energy markets, which adversely impacted the EGC Tenant under the Grand Isle Lease Agreement. Refer to Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases") for further discussion of the impairment, including the valuation methodology used to determine the fair value of the GIGS asset.

Loss on Impairment and Disposal of Leased Property. For the year ended December 31, 2020, we recognized a \$146.5 million loss on impairment and disposal of leased property related to our Pinedale LGS asset. The impairment and sale of the Pinedale

LGS was triggered by the bankruptcy of the Pinedale LGS tenant, Ultra Wyoming, during the second quarter of 2020. Refer to Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases") for further discussion of the impairment and sale of the Pinedale LGS asset.

Loss on Termination of Lease. For the year ended December 31, 2020, we recognized a \$458 thousand loss on termination of lease related to the sale of our Pinedale LGS asset during the second quarter of 2020, which resulted in the termination of the Pinedale Lease Agreement. Refer to Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases") for further discussion of the sale of the Pinedale LGS asset and lease termination.

Net Distributions and Other Income. Net distributions and other income for the year ended December 31, 2020 was \$0.5 million compared to \$1.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2019. The decrease was primarily related to interest income, which decreased approximately \$781 thousand from the prior-year period due to a reduction in cash and declining interest rates during the year ended December 31, 2020.

Interest Expense. For the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, interest expense totaled approximately \$10.3 million and \$10.6 million, respectively. The decrease was primarily attributable to lower interest expense due to (i) the exchanges completed during the first and third quarters of 2019 and maturity of the remaining outstanding 7.00% Convertible Notes during the second quarter of 2020 and (ii) the settlement of the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility at the end of the second quarter of 2020, partially offset by (iii) additional interest expense incurred as a result of the 5.875% Convertible Notes Offering in August of 2019. For additional information, see Part IV, Item 15, Note 11 ("Debt").

Gain (Loss) on Extinguishment of Debt. For the year ended December 31, 2020, a gain on extinguishment of debt of \$11.5 million was recognized for (i) the release agreement entered into with Prudential for the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility in connection with the sale of the Pinedale LGS on June 30, 2020 (\$11.0 million) and (ii) the repurchase of the 5.875% Convertible Notes completed in April of 2020 (\$576 thousand). For the year ended December 31, 2019, a loss on extinguishment of debt totaling approximately \$34.0 million was recorded in connection with the 7.00% Convertible Notes exchanges completed during the first and third quarters of 2019. For additional information, see Part IV, Item 15, Note 11 ("Debt").

Income Tax Expense (Benefit). Income tax benefit was \$85 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2020 compared to income tax expense of \$235 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2019. The income tax benefit recorded in the current year is primarily the result of carryback of net operating losses against net operating income in prior periods and additional net operating losses generated by certain of our TRS entities, partially offset by certain fixed asset, deferred contract revenue and loan loss activities. The income tax expense recorded in the prior year is primarily the result of (i) a change in our state effective rate due to changes in state law and state operations by certain of our TRS entities, (ii) certain fixed asset, deferred contract revenue and loan loss activities, partially offset by (iii) the impact of the refund liability related to the FERC rate case settlement and (iv) capital losses generated from the Lightfoot liquidation that were carried back against capital gains from prior years.

Net Income (Loss). Net income (loss) was \$(306.1) million and \$4.1 million for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively, representing a decrease of \$310.1 million. After deducting \$9.2 million and \$9.3 million for the portion of preferred dividends that are allocable to each respective period, net loss attributable to common stockholders for the year ended December 31, 2020 was \$(315.3) million, or \$(23.09) per basic and diluted common share, as compared to \$(5.2) million, or \$(0.40) per basic and diluted common share, for the prior year.

# Year Ended December 31, 2019 Compared to Year Ended December 31, 2018

Revenue. Consolidated revenues were \$85.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$89.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2018, representing a decrease of \$3.3 million. Lease revenue was \$67.1 million and \$72.7 million for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively, with the decrease of approximately \$5.7 million driven primarily by (i) the sale of the Portland Terminal Facility, partially offset by (ii) an increase in variable rent collected on the Pinedale lease during the year ended December 31, 2019.

Transportation and distribution revenue from our subsidiaries MoGas and Omega was \$18.8 million and \$16.5 million for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The \$2.3 million increase primarily resulted from higher rates going into effect on December 1, 2018 related to the rate case filed by MoGas with the FERC, net of the final refund liability. The FERC rate case settlement was approved in August of 2019.

Transportation and Distribution Expenses. Transportation and distribution expenses were \$5.2 million and \$7.2 million for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively, representing a decrease of \$2.0 million. The increase relates primarily to lower legal, consulting and maintenance costs at MoGas.

General and Administrative Expenses. General and administrative expenses were \$10.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$13.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. The most significant components of the variance from the prior year are outlined in the following table and explained below:

	 For the Years Ended December 31,					
	2019		2018			
Management fees	\$ 6,786,637	\$	7,591,750			
Acquisition and professional fees	2,413,617		3,759,505			
Other expenses	1,396,594		1,691,592			
Total	\$ 10,596,848	\$	13,042,847			

Management fees are directly proportional to our asset base. For the year ended December 31, 2019, management fees decreased \$805 thousand compared to the prior year due to (i) cash utilized for the 7.00% Convertible Notes exchange in the first quarter of 2019, (ii) management fee waivers in the third and fourth quarters of 2019 to exclude the net proceeds from the 5.875% Convertible Notes offering (other than the cash portion of such proceeds utilized in connection with the exchange of the Company's 7.00% Convertible Notes) and (iii) lower incentive fees due to decreased revenue from the sale of the Portland Terminal in December 2018. See Part IV, Item 15, Note 9 ("Management Agreement") for additional information.

Acquisition and professional fees for the year ended December 31, 2019 decreased \$1.3 million from the prior year primarily due to a decrease in professional fees. Professional fees decreased \$1.0 million during 2019 while asset acquisition expenses decreased \$336 thousand. Generally, we expect asset acquisition expenses to be repaid over time from income generated by acquisitions. However, any particular period may reflect significant expenses arising from third party legal, engineering, and consulting fees that are incurred in the early to mid-stages of due diligence. The decrease in professional fees during the year ended December 31, 2019 was primarily attributable to higher legal and consulting costs in the prior year related to monitoring our GIGS asset and the sale of the Portland Terminal Facility, partially offset by legal and consulting costs incurred in 2019 related to the ongoing litigation with EGC/Cox Oil. Refer to Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases") for additional information.

Other expenses for the for the year ended December 31, 2019 decreased \$295 thousand compared to the prior year. The decrease is primarily related to a loss on settlement of ARO related to the decommissioning of a segment of the GIGS pipeline system during the prior year.

Depreciation, Amortization and ARO Accretion Expense. Depreciation, amortization and ARO accretion expense was \$22.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to \$24.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. This \$2.4 million decrease was primarily driven by depreciation expense, which decreased approximately \$2.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to the year ended December 31, 2018. The decrease in depreciation expense was driven by (i) the sale of the Portland Terminal Facility in December of 2018 and (ii) updates made to the estimated useful lives of certain ARO segments of GIGS at the end of 2018.

Provision for loan gain. For the year ended December 31, 2018, we recorded a provision for loan gain of approximately \$37 thousand related to the satisfaction of the SWD loans with Four Wood Corridor upon sale of the assets securing the loans to Compass SWD, LLC ("Compass SWD") in exchange for (i) a new loan agreement with Compass SWD for \$1.3 million and (ii) cash proceeds from the sale recognized as principal payments on the SWD loans. For additional information, see Part IV, Item 15, Note 5 ("Financing Notes Receivable"). There were no loan (gain) loss provisions recorded for the year ended December 31, 2019.

Net Distributions and Other Income. Net distributions and other income for the year ended December 31, 2019 was \$1.3 million compared to \$107 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2018. The increase was primarily related to interest income, which increased approximately \$1.2 million from the prior-year period, due to a higher cash balance maintained during 2019. Net distributions of approximately \$0.1 million recognized for each of the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 were impacted by (i) the sale of a large portion of the Lightfoot investment as a result of the Arc Logistics merger with Zenith, completed on

December 21, 2017, (ii) Lightfoot's disposition of its remaining asset interest at the end of 2018 and (iii) and the liquidation of Lightfoot at the end of 2019.

The portion of distributions and dividends deemed to be income versus a return of capital in any period are estimated at the time such distributions are received. These estimates may be subsequently revised based on information received from the portfolio company after their tax reporting periods are concluded. The following table provides a reconciliation of the gross cash distributions and dividend income received from our investment securities for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018 to the net distributions and other income recorded on the Consolidated Statements of Income.

	For the Years Ended December 31,				
		2019		2018	
Gross cash distributions and other income received from investment securities	\$	1,328,853	\$	770,734	
Add:					
Cash distributions received in prior period previously deemed a return of capital (dividend income) which have been reclassified as income (return of capital) in a subsequent period		_		_	
Less:					
Cash distributions and dividends received in current period deemed a return of capital and not recorded as income (recorded as a cost reduction) in the current period		_		663,939	
Net distributions and other income	\$	1,328,853	\$	106,795	

Net Realized and Unrealized Loss on Other Equity Securities. For the year ended December 31, 2018, we recorded a net loss on other equity securities of \$1.8 million. The net loss recorded during the year ended December 31, 2018 related to valuation considerations surrounding the arbitration award delivered to Eni USA and Gulf LNG as well as other market information. Due to the sale or asset disposition related to our investment securities at the end of 2018 and the liquidation of the remaining investment interest at the end of 2019, we no longer have an interest in other equity securities.

Interest Expense. For the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, interest expense totaled approximately \$10.6 million and \$12.8 million, respectively. This decrease was primarily attributable to (i) a decrease in interest expense as a result of the 7.00% Convertible Notes exchanges and conversions that occurred during the year ended December 31, 2019, partially offset by (ii) additional interest expense from the 5.875% Convertible Notes Offering in August of 2019. For additional information, see Part IV, Item 15, Note 11 ("Debt").

Gain on the sale of leased property. For the year ended December 31, 2018, a gain on the sale of leased property totaling approximately \$11.7 million was recorded in connection with the sale of the Portland Terminal Facility to Zenith Terminals on December 21, 2018. For additional information, see Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases"). There was no gain on the sale of leased property recorded for the year ended December 31, 2019.

Loss on Extinguishment of Debt. For the year ended December 31, 2019, a loss on extinguishment of debt totaling approximately \$34.0 million was recorded in connection with the 7.00% Convertible Notes exchanges completed in the first and third quarters of 2019. For additional information, see Part IV, Item 15, Note 11 ("Debt"). There was no loss on extinguishment of debt recorded for the year ended December 31, 2018.

Income Tax Expense (Benefit). Income tax expense was \$235 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2019 compared to an income tax benefit of \$2.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. The income tax expense recorded for the year ended December 31, 2019 is primarily the result of (i) a change in our state effective rate due to changes in state law and state operations by certain of our TRS entities, (ii) certain fixed asset, deferred contract revenue and loan loss activities, partially offset by (iii) the impact of the refund liability related to the FERC rate case settlement and (iv) capital losses generated from the Lightfoot liquidation that will be carried back against capital gains from prior years. The income tax benefit recorded for the year ended December 31, 2018 was primarily attributable to (i) higher losses generated by our TRS subsidiaries and (ii) the capital losses generated from the sale of our interest in Joliet to Zenith Terminals and Lightfoot's disposition of its remaining asset interest that were carried back against capital gains generated from the sale of a portion of the Lightfoot investment in prior years.

Net Income (Loss). Net income was \$4.1 million and \$43.7 million for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively, representing a decrease of \$39.6 million. After deducting \$9.3 million and \$9.5 million for the portion of preferred dividends that are allocable to each respective period, net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders for the year ended December 31, 2019 was \$(5.2) million, or \$(0.40) per basic and diluted common share, as compared to \$34.2 million, or \$2.86 per basic and \$2.79 diluted common share, for the prior year.

### Common Equity Attributable to CorEnergy Stockholders per Share

As of December 31, 2020, our common equity decreased by approximately \$327.1 million to \$24.1 million from \$351.2 million as of December 31, 2019. This decrease principally consists of: (i) the net loss attributable to CorEnergy common stockholders of approximately \$315.3 million, which was driven by the impairment of leased property for the Grand Isle Gathering System (\$140.3 million), the impairment and disposal of leased property related to the Pinedale LGS (\$146.5 million) and the deferred rent receivable write-off for the Grand Isle Lease Agreement (\$30.1 million), partially offset by gains on extinguishment of debt (\$11.5 million) and (ii) dividends paid to our common stockholders of approximately \$12.3 million, partially offset by (iii) \$419 thousand of common stock issued pursuant to conversions of the 7.00% Convertible Notes. The decrease in the book value per common share as of December 31, 2020 was driven by accounting events related to the impairments and additional write-offs (discussed above) calculated in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

Book \	/alue	Per	Common	Share

Analysis of Equity	De	cember 31, 2020	December 31, 2019		
Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock 7.375%, \$125,270,350 and \$125,493,175 liquidation preference (\$2,500 per share, \$0.001 par value), 10,000,000 authorized; 50,108 and 50,197 issued and outstanding at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019, respectively	\$	125,270,350	\$	125,493,175	
Capital stock, non-convertible, \$0.001 par value; 13,651,521 and 13,638,916 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019 (100,000,000 shares authorized)		13,652		13,639	
Additional paid-in capital		339,742,380		360,844,497	
Retained deficit		(315,626,555)		(9,611,872)	
Total CorEnergy Stockholders' Equity	\$	149,399,827	\$	476,739,439	
Subtract: 7.375% Series A Preferred Stock		(125,270,350)		(125,493,175)	
Total CorEnergy Common Equity	\$	24,129,477	\$	351,246,264	
Common shares outstanding		13,651,521		13,638,916	
Book Value per Common Share	\$	1.77	\$	25.75	

#### **NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES**

We use certain financial measures that are not recognized under GAAP. The non-GAAP financial measures used in this Report include earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization as defined by the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts ("EBITDAre"); EBITDAre as adjusted in the manner described below ("Adjusted EBITDAre"); NAREIT funds from operations ("NAREIT FFO"); funds from operations adjusted for securities investments ("FFO"); and FFO as further adjusted in the manner described below ("AFFO"). These supplemental measures are used by our management team and are presented because we believe they help investors understand our business, performance and ability to earn and distribute cash to our stockholders by providing perspectives not immediately apparent from net income (loss). The presentation of EBITDAre, Adjusted EBITDAre, NAREIT FFO, FFO and AFFO are not intended to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for, or superior to, the financial information prepared and presented in accordance with GAAP.

We offer these measures to assist the users of our financial statements in assessing our operating performance under U.S. GAAP, but these measures are non-GAAP measures and should not be considered measures of liquidity, alternatives to net income (loss) or indicators of any other performance measure determined in accordance with GAAP, nor are they indicative of funds available to fund our cash needs, including capital expenditures (if any), to make payments on our indebtedness or to make distributions. Our method of calculating these measures may be different from methods used by other companies and, accordingly, may not be comparable to similar measures as calculated by other companies. Investors should not rely on these measures as a substitute for any GAAP measure, including net income (loss), cash flows from operating activities or revenues.

# EBITDAre and Adjusted EBITDAre

EBITDA*re* and Adjusted EBITDA*re* are non-GAAP financial measures that management and external users of our consolidated financial statements, such as industry analysts, investors and lenders may use to evaluate our ongoing operating results, including (i) the performance of our assets without regard to the impact of financing methods, capital structure or historical cost basis of our assets and (ii) the overall rates of return on alternative investment opportunities. EBITDA*re*, as established by NAREIT, is defined as net income (loss) (calculated in accordance with GAAP) excluding interest expense, income tax, depreciation and amortization, gains or losses on disposition of depreciated property (including gains or losses on change of control), impairment write-downs of depreciated property and of investments in unconsolidated affiliates caused by a decrease in value of depreciated property in the affiliate, and adjustments to reflect the entity's pro rata share of EBITDA*re* of unconsolidated affiliates. Our presentation of Adjusted EBITDA*re* represents EBITDA*re* adjusted for deferred rent receivable write-off; (gain) loss on extinguishment of debt; provision for loan (gain) loss; preferred dividend requirements; (gain) loss on settlement of ARO; and net realized and unrealized (gain) loss on securities, non-cash.

We believe that the presentation of EBITDAre and Adjusted EBITDAre provide useful information to investors in assessing our financial condition and results of operations. Our presentation of EBITDAre is calculated in accordance with standards established by NAREIT, which may not be comparable to measures calculated by other companies that do not use the NAREIT definition of EBITDAre. In addition, although EBITDAre is a useful measure when comparing our results to other REITs, it may not be helpful to investors when comparing to non-REITs. Adjusted EBITDAre presented by other companies may not be comparable to our presentation, since each company may define these terms differently. EBITDAre and Adjusted EBITDAre should not be considered measures of liquidity and should not be considered as alternatives to operating income, net income (loss) or other indicators of performance determined in accordance with GAAP.

The following table presents a reconciliation of Income (Loss) Attributable to Common Stockholders, as reported in the Consolidated Statements of Operations to EBITDA*re* and Adjusted EBITDA*re*:

	For the Years Ended December 31,							
	 2020	2019			2018			
Income (Loss) Attributable to Common Stockholders	\$ (315,257,388)	\$	(5,175,973)	\$	34,163,499			
Add:								
Interest expense, net	10,301,644		10,578,711		12,759,010			
Depreciation, amortization, and ARO accretion	13,654,429		22,581,942		24,947,453			
Loss on impairment of leased property	140,268,379		_		_			
Loss on impairment and disposal of leased property	146,537,547		_		_			
Loss on termination of lease	458,297		_		_			
Less:								
Gain on the sale of leased property, net	_		_		11,723,257			
Income tax (expense) benefit	84,858		(234,618)		2,418,726			
EBITDA <i>re</i>	\$ (4,121,950)	\$	28,219,298	\$	57,727,979			
Add:								
Deferred rent receivable write-off	30,105,820		_		_			
(Gain) loss on extinguishment of debt	(11,549,968)		33,960,565		_			
Provision for loan gain	_		_		(36,867)			
Preferred dividend requirements	9,189,809		9,255,468		9,548,377			
Loss on settlement of ARO	_		_		310,941			
Net realized and unrealized loss on securities, non-cash					1,845,309			
Adjusted EBITDAre	\$ 23,623,711	\$	71,435,331	\$	69,395,739			

### **NAREIT FFO**

FFO is a widely used measure of the operating performance of real estate companies that supplements net income (loss) determined in accordance with GAAP. As defined by NAREIT, NAREIT FFO represents net income (loss) (computed in accordance with GAAP), excluding gains (or losses) from sales of depreciable operating property, impairment losses of depreciable properties, real estate-related depreciation and amortization (excluding amortization of deferred financing costs or loan origination costs) and other adjustments for unconsolidated partnerships and non-controlling interests. Adjustments for non-controlling interests are calculated on the same basis. We define FFO attributable to common stockholders as defined above by NAREIT less dividends on preferred stock. Our method of calculating FFO attributable to common stockholders may differ from methods used by other REITs and, as such, may not be comparable.

# FFO ADJUSTED FOR SECURITIES INVESTMENTS (FFO)

Due to the legacy investments that we held, we have also historically presented a measure of FFO, to which we refer herein as FFO Adjusted for Securities Investments which is derived by further adjusting NAREIT FFO for distributions received from investment securities, income tax expense (benefit) from investment securities, net distributions and other income and net realized and unrealized gain or loss on other equity securities.

We present NAREIT FFO and FFO Adjusted for Securities Investments because we consider it an important supplemental measure of our operating performance and believe that it is frequently used by securities analysts, investors, and other interested parties in the evaluation of REITs, many of which present FFO when reporting their results. FFO is a key measure we use in assessing performance and in making resource allocation decisions.

Both NAREIT FFO and FFO Adjusted for Securities Investments are intended to exclude GAAP historical cost depreciation and amortization of real estate and related assets, which assumes that the value of real estate diminishes ratably over time.

Historically, however, real estate values have risen or fallen with market conditions, and that may also be the case with certain of the energy infrastructure assets in which we invest. NAREIT FFO and FFO Adjusted for Securities Investments exclude depreciation and amortization unique to real estate and gains and losses from property dispositions and extraordinary items. As such, these performance measures provide a perspective not immediately apparent from net income (loss) when compared to prior-year periods. These metrics reflect the impact to operations from trends in base and participating rents, company operating costs, development activities, and interest costs.

We calculate NAREIT FFO in accordance with standards established by the Board of Governors of the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts as restated and approved in a December 2018 White Paper and FFO Adjusted for Securities Investment as NAREIT FFO with additional adjustments described above due to our legacy investments. This may differ from the methodology for calculating FFO utilized by other REITs and, accordingly may not be comparable to such other REITs. NAREIT FFO and FFO Adjusted for Securities Investments do not represent amounts available for management's discretionary use because of needed capital for replacement or expansion, debt service obligations, or other commitments and uncertainties. NAREIT FFO and FFO Adjusted for Securities Investments, as we have historically reported, should not be considered as an alternative to net income (loss) (computed in accordance with GAAP), as an indicator of our financial performance, or to cash flow from operating activities (computed in accordance with GAAP), as an indicator of funds available for our cash needs, including our ability to make distributions or to service our indebtedness.

#### **AFFO**

Management uses AFFO as a measure of long-term sustainable operational performance. AFFO in excess of dividends is used for debt repayment, capital reinvestment activities, funding our ARO liability, or other commitments and uncertainties which are necessary to sustain our dividend over the long term. AFFO should not be considered as an alternative to net income (loss) (computed in accordance with GAAP), as an indicator of our financial performance, or as an alternative to cash flow from operating activities (computed in accordance with GAAP), as an indicator of our liquidity, or as an indicator of funds available for our cash needs, including our ability to make distributions or service our indebtedness.

For completeness, the following table sets forth a reconciliation of our net income (loss) as determined in accordance with GAAP and our calculations of NAREIT FFO, FFO Adjusted for Securities Investments, and AFFO for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018. AFFO is a supplemental, non-GAAP financial measure which we define as FFO Adjusted for Securities Investment plus deferred rent receivable write-off, (gain) loss on extinguishment of debt, provision for loan (gain) loss, net of tax, transaction costs, amortization of debt issuance costs, accretion of asset retirement obligation, non-cash costs associated with derivative instruments, (gain) loss on the settlement of ARO, and certain costs of a nonrecurring nature, less maintenance, capital expenditures (if any), income tax expense (benefit) unrelated to securities investments, amortization of debt premium, and other adjustments as deemed appropriate by Management. Also presented is information regarding the weighted-average number of shares of our common stock outstanding used for the computation of per share data:

NAREIT FFO, FFO Adjusted for Securities Investment, and AFFO Reconciliation

		For the Years Ended December 31,					
		2020				2018	
Net Income (Loss) attributable to CorEnergy Stockholders	\$	(306,067,579)	\$	4,079,495	\$	43,711,876	
Less:	·	, , , ,		, ,			
Preferred Dividend Requirements		9,189,809		9,255,468		9,548,377	
Net Income (Loss) attributable to Common Stockholders	\$	(315,257,388)	\$	(5,175,973)	\$	34,163,499	
Add:	·	(1 1, 1 ,111)	·	(-, -,,	•	, , , , , ,	
Depreciation		13,131,468		22,046,041		24,355,959	
Amortization of deferred lease costs		61,248		91,932		91,932	
Loss on impairment of leased property		140,268,379		_		_	
Loss on impairment and disposal of leased property		146,537,547		_		_	
Loss on termination of lease		458,297		_		_	
Less:							
Gain on the sale of leased property, net		_		_		11,723,257	
NAREIT funds from operations (NAREIT FFO)	\$	(14,800,449)	\$	16,962,000	\$	46,888,133	
Add:							
Net realized and unrealized loss on other equity securities		_		_		1,845,309	
Less:							
Income tax benefit from investment securities		139,218		12,584		682,199	
Funds from operations adjusted for securities investments (FFO)	\$	(14,939,667)	\$	16,949,416	\$	48,051,243	
Add:							
Deferred rent receivable write-off		30,105,820		_		_	
(Gain) loss of extinguishment of debt		(11,549,968)		33,960,565		_	
Transaction costs		1,673,920		185,495		521,311	
Amortization of debt issuance costs		1,270,035		1,226,139		1,414,457	
Accretion of asset retirement obligation		461,713		443,969		499,562	
Loss on settlement of ARO		_		_		310,941	
Less:							
Income tax (expense) benefit		(54,360)		(247,202)		1,736,527	
Provision for loan gain						36,867	
Adjusted funds from operations (AFFO)	\$	7,076,213	\$	53,012,786	\$	49,024,120	
Weighted Average Shares of Common Stock Outstanding:							
Basic		13,650,718		13,041,613		11,935,021	
Diluted		13,650,718		15,425,747		15,389,180	
NAREIT FFO attributable to Common Stockholders							
Basic	\$	(1.08)	\$	1.30	\$	3.93	
Diluted (1)	\$	(1.08)	\$	1.30	\$	3.62	
FFO attributable to Common Stockholders							
Basic	\$	(1.09)	\$	1.30	\$	4.03	
Diluted (1)	\$	(1.09)	\$	1.30	\$	3.69	
AFFO attributable to Common Stockholders							
Basic	\$	0.52	\$	4.06	\$	4.11	
Diluted (2)	\$	0.52	\$	3.83	\$	3.70	

<sup>(1)</sup> The years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 diluted per share calculations exclude dilutive adjustments for convertible note interest expense, discount amortization and deferred debt issuance amortization because such impact is antidilutive. The year ended December 31, 2018 includes these dilutive adjustments. For periods presented without per share dilution, the number of weighted average diluted shares is equal to the number of weighted average basic shares presented. Refer to the Convertible Note Interest Expense table in Part IV, Item 15, Note 11 ("Debt") for additional details.

<sup>(2)</sup> For the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, diluted per share calculations include a dilutive adjustment for convertible note interest expense. Refer to the Convertible Note Interest Expense table in Part IV, Item 15, Note 11 ("Debt") for additional details.

NAREIT FFO, FFO Adjusted for Securities Investment, and AFFO Reconciliation

		For the Fiscal 2020 Quarters Ended						
		March 31		June 30		September 30		December 31
Net Loss attributable to CorEnergy Stockholders	\$	(162,042,368)	\$	(137,434,433)	\$	(3,919,098)	\$	(2,671,680)
Less:								
Preferred Dividend Requirements		2,260,793		2,309,672		2,309,672		2,309,672
Net Loss attributable to Common Stockholders	\$	(164,303,161)	\$	(139,744,105)	\$	(6,228,770)	\$	(4,981,352)
Add:								
Depreciation		5,511,913		3,523,429		2,045,651		2,050,475
Amortization of deferred lease costs		22,983		22,983		7,641		7,641
Loss on impairment of leased property		140,268,379		_		_		_
Loss on impairment and disposal of leased property		_		146,537,547		_		_
Loss on termination of lease		_		458,297		_		_
NAREIT funds from operations (NAREIT FFO)	\$	(18,499,886)	\$	10,798,151	\$	(4,175,478)	\$	(2,923,236)
Less:								
Income tax (expense) benefit from investment securities		149,585		_		_		(10,367)
Funds from operations adjusted for securities investments (FFO)	\$	(18,649,471)	\$	10,798,151	\$	(4,175,478)	\$	(2,912,869)
Add:								
Deferred rent receivable write-off		30,105,820		_		_		_
Gain on extinguishment of debt		_		(11,549,968)		_		_
Transaction costs		106,697		92,293		946,817		528,113
Amortization of debt issuance costs		328,249		325,665		308,061		308,060
Accretion of asset retirement obligation		112,171		116,514		116,514		116,514
Income tax expense (benefit)		124,863		(73,827)		(75,328)		78,652
Adjusted funds from operations (AFFO)	\$	12,128,329	\$	(291,172)	\$	(2,879,414)	\$	(1,881,530)
Weighted Assessed Observe of Occasion Observe Outstanding								
Weighted Average Shares of Common Stock Outstanding:		40.040.000		40.054.504		40.054.504		40.054.504
Basic		13,648,293		13,651,521		13,651,521		13,651,521
Diluted		16,089,703		13,651,521		13,651,521		13,651,521
NAREIT FFO attributable to Common Stockholders	Ф.	(4.20)	•	0.70	Φ.	(0.24)	æ	(0.24)
Basic	\$ \$	(1.36)		0.79	\$	(0.31)		(0.21)
Diluted (1)  FFO attributable to Common Stockholders	Ф	(1.36)	ф	0.79	\$	(0.31)	Ф	(0.21)
	\$	(1.37)	¢.	0.79	ф	(0.31)	<b>ው</b>	(0.21)
Basic Diluted (1)	\$ \$	(1.37)		0.79	\$ \$	(0.31)		, ,
AFFO attributable to Common Stockholders	Ф	(1.37)	φ	0.79	Φ	(0.31)	φ	(0.21)
Basic	\$	0.89	\$	(0.02)	Φ	(0.21)	Ф	(0.14)
Diluted (2)	\$ \$	0.89		(0.02)		(0.21)		(0.14)
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<sup>(1)</sup> Diluted per share calculations exclude dilutive adjustments for convertible note interest expense, discount amortization and deferred debt issuance amortization because such impact is antidilutive. For periods presented without per share dilution, the number of weighted average diluted shares is equal to the number of weighted average basic shares presented.

<sup>(2)</sup> For the three months ended March 31, 2020, diluted per share calculations include a dilutive adjustment for convertible note interest expense. For the three months ended June 30, September 30 and December 31, 2020, dilutive per share calculations exclude dilutive adjustments for convertible note interest expense because such impact is antidilutive. For periods without per share dilution, the number of weighted average diluted shares is equal to the number of weighted average basic shares presented.

### **DIVIDENDS**

Our portfolio of energy infrastructure real property assets generates cash flow from which we pay distributions to stockholders. For the year ended December 31, 2020, the primary sources of our stockholder distributions included transportation and distribution revenue from MoGas and Omega due to deterioration in our lease cash flows described in this Report. The acquisition of Crimson added another source of cash available for distributions to our stockholders.

Quarterly, we plan on distributing our AFFO less mandatory debt amortization less appropriate reserves established at the discretion of our Board of Directors which could include, but are not limited to:

- · providing for the proper conduct of our business including reserves for future capital expenditures and for our anticipated future credit needs;
- providing for additional debt repayment beyond mandatory amortization;
- compliance with applicable law or any loan agreement, security agreement, debt instrument or other agreement or obligation; or
- providing additional reserves as determined appropriate by the Board.

Deterioration in the expected cash flows from Crimson or the cash flows generated by MoGas and Omega would impact our ability to fund distributions to stockholders. The Board of Directors will continue to evaluate our dividend payments on a quarterly basis. There is no assurance that we will continue to make regular dividend payments at current levels.

Distributions to common stockholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date and distributions to preferred stockholders are recorded when declared by the Board of Directors. The characterization of any distribution for federal income tax purposes will not be determined until after the end of the taxable year. Refer to Part IV, Item 15, Note 6 ("Income Taxes") included in this Report for information on characterization of distributions for federal income tax purposes for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018. It is expected that the tax characterization of dividends for the preferred stock and common stock for 2021 will be primarily "return of capital" due to the loss suffered on the asset disposition in 2021.

A REIT is generally required to distribute during the taxable year an amount equal to at least 90 percent of the REIT taxable income (determined under Internal Revenue Code section 857(b)(2), without regard to the deduction for dividends paid). We intend to adhere to this requirement in order to maintain our REIT status. The Board of Directors will continue to determine the amount of any distribution that we expect to pay our stockholders. Dividend payouts may be affected by cash flow requirements and remain subject to other risks and uncertainties.

The following table sets forth common stock distributions for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018. Distributions are shown in the period in which they were declared.

# **Common Dividends**

Second Quarter         0.0500           First Quarter         0.7500           2019         *           Fourth Quarter         \$ 0.7500           Third Quarter         0.7500           Second Quarter         0.7500           First Quarter         0.7500		Amount
Third Quarter         0.0500           Second Quarter         0.0500           First Quarter         0.7500           2019         *           Fourth Quarter         \$ 0.7500           Third Quarter         0.7500           Second Quarter         0.7500           First Quarter         0.7500	2020	
Second Quarter         0.0500           First Quarter         0.7500           2019         *           Fourth Quarter         \$ 0.7500           Third Quarter         0.7500           Second Quarter         0.7500           First Quarter         0.7500	Fourth Quarter	\$ 0.0500
First Quarter         0.7500           2019         *           Fourth Quarter         \$ 0.7500           Third Quarter         0.7500           Second Quarter         0.7500           First Quarter         0.7500	Third Quarter	0.0500
2019         Fourth Quarter       \$ 0.7500         Third Quarter       0.7500         Second Quarter       0.7500         First Quarter       0.7500	Second Quarter	0.0500
Fourth Quarter         \$ 0.7500           Third Quarter         0.7500           Second Quarter         0.7500           First Quarter         0.7500	First Quarter	0.7500
Fourth Quarter         \$ 0.7500           Third Quarter         0.7500           Second Quarter         0.7500           First Quarter         0.7500		
Third Quarter         0.7500           Second Quarter         0.7500           First Quarter         0.7500	<u>2019</u>	
Second Quarter 0.7500 First Quarter 0.7500	Fourth Quarter	\$ 0.7500
First Quarter 0.7500	Third Quarter	0.7500
	Second Quarter	0.7500
	First Quarter	0.7500
<u>2018</u>	<u>2018</u>	
Fourth Quarter \$ 0.7500	Fourth Quarter	\$ 0.7500
Third Quarter 0.7500	Third Quarter	0.7500
Second Quarter 0.7500	Second Quarter	0.7500
First Quarter 0.7500	First Quarter	0.7500

The following table sets forth preferred stock distributions for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018:

#### **Preferred Dividends**

	Amount
<u>2020</u>	
Fourth Quarter	\$ 0.4609
Third Quarter	0.4609
Second Quarter	0.4609
First Quarter	0.4609
<u>2019</u>	
Fourth Quarter	\$ 0.4609
Third Quarter	0.4609
Second Quarter	0.4609
First Quarter	0.4609
<u>2018</u>	
Fourth Quarter	\$ 0.4609
Third Quarter	0.4609
Second Quarter	0.4609
First Quarter	0.4609

On February 26, 2021, we paid fourth quarter dividends of \$0.05 per share of common stock and \$0.4609375 per depositary share for our 7.375% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock.

### FEDERAL AND STATE INCOME TAXATION

In 2013 we qualified, and in March 2014 elected (effective as of January 1, 2013), to be treated as a REIT for federal income tax purposes (which we refer to as the "REIT Election"). Because certain of our assets may not produce REIT-qualifying income or be treated as interests in real property, those assets are held in whollyowned TRSs in order to limit the potential that such assets and income could prevent us from qualifying as a REIT.

We elected to be taxed as a REIT for 2013 and subsequent years and generally will not pay federal income tax on taxable income of the REIT that is distributed to our stockholders. As a REIT, our distributions from earnings and profits will be treated as ordinary income and a return of capital, and generally will not qualify as QDI. To the extent that the REIT had accumulated C corporation earnings and profits from the periods prior to 2013, we distributed such earnings and profits in 2013. In addition, to the extent we receive taxable distributions from our TRSs, or the REIT received distributions of C corporation earnings and profits, such portion of our distribution is generally treated as QDI. While regular REIT dividends are not eligible for the reduced QDI tax rates, with respect to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017 and before January 1, 2026, Section 199A of the Code typically permits a 20 percent deduction against taxable income for noncorporate taxpayers for qualified business income, which includes dividends from a REIT received during the tax year that is not a capital gain dividend or a dividend qualifying for the QDI rate, subject to certain income and holding period limitations.

As a REIT, we hold and operate certain of our assets through one or more wholly-owned TRSs. Our use of TRSs enables us to continue to engage in certain businesses while complying with REIT qualification requirements and also allows us to retain income generated by these businesses for reinvestment without the requirement of distributing those earnings. As was done with our subsidiary Omega in 2017, and as warranted in the future, we may elect to reorganize and transfer certain assets or operations from our TRSs to our C corporation or other subsidiaries, including qualified REIT subsidiaries.

Our other equity securities were limited partnerships or limited liability companies which were treated as partnerships for federal and state income tax purposes. As a limited partner, we reported our allocable share of taxable income in computing our taxable income. To the extent held by a TRS, the TRS's tax expense or benefit is included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations based on the component of income or gains and losses to which such expense or benefit relates. Deferred income taxes reflect the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes. A valuation allowance is recognized if, based on the weight of available evidence, it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred income tax asset will not be realized.

If we cease to qualify as a REIT, we, as a C corporation, would be obligated to pay federal and state income tax on our taxable income. For 2020, the federal income tax rate for a corporation was 21 percent.

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "2017 Tax Act") was enacted on December 22, 2017. The 2017 Tax Act reduced the US federal corporate tax rate from 35 percent to 21 percent. The 2017 Tax Act also repealed the alternative minimum tax for corporations. We completed our accounting for the tax effects of enactment of the 2017 Tax Act in 2018. We remeasured deferred tax assets and liabilities based on the updated rates at which they are expected to reverse in the future, which resulted in a \$1.3 million transition adjustment that reduced net deferred tax assets.

On March 27, 2020, the CARES Act was enacted in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The CARES Act, among other things, permits NOL carryovers and carrybacks to offset 100 percent of taxable income for taxable years beginning before 2021. In addition, the CARES Act allows NOLs incurred in 2018, 2019 and 2020 to be carried back to each of the five preceding taxable years to generate a refund of previously paid income taxes. As a result of the enacted NOL carryback provisions, the Company recorded an income tax benefit of approximately \$410 thousand in the current year.

On December 27, 2020, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 was enacted. The Consolidated Appropriations Act included the Disaster Relief Act and the COVID Relief Act. The Disaster Relief Act and the COVID Relief Act extend a myriad of credits and other COVID-19 relief. We are currently evaluating the impacts of the Disaster Relief Act and COVID Relief Act but at present, we do not expect any provisions of this legislation to have a material impact on us. We will continue to assess the impact of new tax legislation, as well as any future regulations and updates provided by the tax authorities. Refer to Part IV, Item 15, Note 6 ("Income Taxes") for additional information.

## **MAJOR TENANTS**

As of December 31, 2020, following the sale of the Pinedale LGS and termination of the Pinedale Lease Agreement on June 30, 2020, we had one significant lease. For additional information concerning the lease, see Part I, Item 2, "Properties" and Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases") included in this Report. The table below displays the impact of significant leases on total leased properties and total lease revenues for the periods presented.

	As a Percentage of (1)								
	Leased Prop	erties	Lease Revenues						
	As of Decemi	For the Years Ended December 31,							
	2020	2019	2020(2)	2019	2018				
Pinedale LGS (3)	<u> </u>	44.4 %	52.0 %	39.2 %	35.2 %				
Grand Isle Gathering System (4)	98.0 %	55.3 %	47.6 %	60.6 %	55.9 %				
Portland Terminal Facility (5)	— %	— %	— %	— %	8.8 %				

- (1) Insignificant leases are not presented; thus percentages may not sum to 100%.
- (2) Total lease revenue is exclusive of the deferred rent receivable write-off of \$30.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2020.
- (3) Pinedale LGS lease revenues include variable rent of \$28 thousand, \$4.6 million and \$4.3 million for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The Pinedale LGS was sold to Ultra Wyoming and the Pinedale Lease Agreement was terminated on June 30, 2020, as discussed further in Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases") included in this Report.
- (4) As of December 31, 2020, the Grand Isle Gathering System's percentage of leased properties increased as a result of the sale of the Pinedale LGS on June 30, 2020. For the year ended December 31, 2020, the Grand Isle Gathering System's percentage of lease revenues is exclusive of the deferred rent receivable write-off. As disclosed in Part I, Item 2, Properties and Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties and Leases), the GIGS asset was sold and the lease was terminated on February 4, 2021.
- (5) On December 21, 2018, the Portland Terminal Facility was sold to Zenith Terminals, terminating the Portland Lease Agreement.

### ASSET PORTFOLIO AND RELATED DEVELOPMENTS

Descriptions of our asset portfolio and related operations, are included in Part I, Item 2, "Properties" and in Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases"), Note 4 ("Transportation And Distribution Revenue") and Note 5 ("Financing Notes Receivable") included in this Report. This section provides additional information concerning material developments related to our asset portfolio (excluding the Pinedale LGS) during the year ended December 31, 2020 and through the date of this Report. For additional information concerning the sale of the Pinedale LGS effective June 30, 2020, refer to the disclosure under the heading "Impairment and Sale of the Pinedale Liquids Gathering System" in Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases") in this Report.

# Grand Isle Gathering System

As described in Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases") of this Report, the EGC Tenant elected to cease paying rent due in April 2020 and failed to pay rent through January 2021. We were engaged in a number of legal matters with EGC and the EGC Tenant regarding the Grand Isle Lease Agreement, including the nonpayment of rent and EGC's attempt to set aside the guarantee obligations of EGC under the lease, but we reached an agreement with EGC, the EGC Tenant and Cox Oil to stay each of the legal matters indefinitely while seeking a business resolution for their various disputes.

On February 4, 2021, we contributed the GIGS asset as partial consideration for the acquisition of our 49.50 percent interest in Crimson as described in Part IV, Item 15, Note 16 ("Subsequent Events"). In connection with the disposition, we entered into Settlement Agreement with the EXXI Entities. Pursuant to the terms of the Settlement Agreement, we released the EXXI Entities from any and all claims, except for the Environmental Indemnity under the GIGS Lease, which shall survive, and the EXXI Entities released us from any and all claims. The parties have also agreed to jointly dismiss the litigation in connection with the Settlement Agreement. Additionally, the Grand Isle Lease Agreement and Landlord Guaranty were cancelled and terminated. For additional information, refer to Part I, Item 3, Legal Proceedings and Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases").

# MoGas Pipeline

On April 24, 2020, MoGas entered into a Facilities Interconnect Agreement with Spire STL Pipeline LLC ("STL Pipeline"). Under the terms of the agreement, MoGas constructed an interconnect to allow gas to be delivered by STL Pipeline and received by MoGas for a cost of approximately \$3.3 million. Construction began during the third quarter of 2020 and was completed during the fourth quarter of 2020 at which point MoGas began receiving incremental revenue as described below.

During the fourth quarter of 2020, MoGas entered into a new long-term firm transportation services agreement with Spire, its largest customer. Upon completion of the STL Interconnect project as described above, the agreement increased Spire's firm capacity from 62,800 dekatherms per day to 145,600 dekatherms per day through October 2030 and replaced the previous firm transportation agreement. The new transportation contract is expected to generate approximately \$2.0 million of incremental revenue annually.

MoGas has also entered into an additional ten-year firm transportation services agreement with Ameren Energy, an existing customer. The new agreement will provide incremental revenue for MoGas beginning in the fourth quarter of 2020 and is expected to generate approximately \$1.0 million of incremental revenue annually.

# **CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS**

The following table summarizes our significant contractual payment obligations as of December 31, 2020:

Contractual Obligations								
N	otional Value	Less	s than 1 year		1-3 years		3-5 years	More than 5 years
\$	118,050,000	\$		\$		\$	118,050,000	\$ —
			6,935,438		13,870,875		13,870,875	_
		\$	6,935,438	\$	13,870,875	\$	131,920,875	\$ —
		Notional Value	Notional Value Less	Notional Value	Notional Value         Less than 1 year           \$ 118,050,000         \$	Notional Value         Less than 1 year         1-3 years           \$ 118,050,000         \$         \$           6,935,438         13,870,875	Notional Value         Less than 1 year         1-3 years           \$ 118,050,000         \$ —         \$ —         \$           6,935,438         13,870,875         \$	Notional Value         Less than 1 year         1-3 years         3-5 years           \$ 118,050,000         \$

Fees paid to Corridor under the Management Agreement and the Administrative Agreement are not included because they vary as a function of the value of our total asset base. For additional information see Part I, Item 1, Business, and Part IV, Item 15, Note 9 ("Management Agreement") included in this Report.

### **OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS**

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

### IMPACT OF INFLATION AND DEFLATION

In recent years, inflation has been modest and has not had a material impact on our results of operations.

# LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

### Overview

At December 31, 2020, we had liquidity of approximately \$99.6 million comprised solely of cash as our availability under the CorEnergy Revolver was expected to be reduced to zero upon filing the fourth quarter compliance certificate as a result of the violation of the total leverage ratio. As discussed under the "CorEnergy Credit Facility" below, we terminated the CorEnergy Credit Facility in connection with the Crimson Transaction on February 4, 2021. Upon closing of the transaction, we utilized cash of approximately \$82.8 million to acquire our 49.50 percent interest in Crimson and pay for related closing costs. Further, Crimson Midstream Operating and Corridor MoGas became parties to the Crimson Credit Facility as described under the "Crimson Credit Facility" below, which resulted in the issuance of the \$80.0 million Crimson Term Loan and \$50.0 million Crimson Revolver, of which \$25.0 million was drawn upon closing of the Crimson Transaction.

We use cash flows generated from our operations at MoGas and Omega and cash flows generated from our interest in Crimson's operations that are distributed to us, to fund current obligations, projected working capital requirements, debt service payments and dividend payments. Distributions from Crimson are subject to certain limitations as discussed under the "Crimson Credit Facility" below. Management expects that future operating cash flows, along with access to financial markets, will be sufficient to fund future operating requirements and acquisition opportunities. Further, if our ability to access the capital markets is restricted, as currently is the case as discussed in Part IV, Item 15, Note 13 ("Stockholders' Equity") or if debt or equity capital were unavailable on favorable terms, or at all, our ability to fund acquisition opportunities or to comply with the REIT distribution rules could be adversely affected.

There are acquisition opportunities that are in various stages of review, and consummation of any of these opportunities may depend on a number of factors beyond our control. There can be no assurance that any of these acquisition opportunities will result in consummated transactions. As part of our disciplined investment philosophy, we plan to use a moderate level of leverage, approximately 25 percent to 50 percent of assets, supplemented with accretive equity issuance as needed, subject to current market conditions. We may invest in assets subject to greater leverage which could be both recourse and non-recourse to us.

## Cash Flows - Operating, Investing, and Financing Activities

The following table presents our consolidated cash flows for the periods indicated below:

	 For the	e Yea	ars Ended Decem	ber 3	<b>31</b> ,
	2020		2019		2018
Net cash provided by (used in):					
Operating activities	\$ 10,383,070	\$	61,779,104	\$	48,622,740
Investing activities	(2,127,822)		4,699,066		56,816,490
Financing activities	(29,521,984)		(14,901,704)		(51,939,122)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	\$ (21,266,736)	\$	51,576,466	\$	53,500,108

### Cash Flows from Operating Activities

Net cash flows provided by operating activities for the year ended December 31, 2020 were primarily generated by (i) lease receipts of \$21.1 million (\$21.4 million lease revenue, plus \$245 thousand of variable rent recognized in the prior year and collected in the current year period, offset by \$493 thousand of straight-line rent accrued during the current year, which was written-off at the end of the first quarter of 2020 in conjunction with the impairment of the deferred rent receivable), (ii) \$13.3 million in net contributions from our operating subsidiaries MoGas and Omega and (iii) \$466 thousand of income tax refunds, net, partially offset by (iv) \$12.2 million in general and administrative expenses, (v) \$9.3 million in cash paid for interest and (vi) a \$1.0 million cash payment accounted for as an incremental cost to obtain a transportation contract.

Net cash flows provided by operating activities for the year ended December 31, 2019 were primarily generated by (i) lease receipts of \$63.2 million (\$67.1 million lease revenue, net of \$3.9 million of straight-line rent accrued during the period) and (ii) \$17.1 million in net contributions from our operating subsidiaries MoGas and Omega, partially offset by (iii) \$10.6 million in general and administrative expenses and (iv) \$6.8 million in cash paid for interest.

Net cash flows provided by operating activities for the year ended December 31, 2018 were primarily generated by (i) lease receipts of \$62.3 million (\$72.7 million lease revenue, net of \$7.0 million of straight-line rent accrued during the period and \$3.4 million of unearned revenue received in 2017) and (ii) \$12.5 million in net contributions from our operating subsidiaries MoGas and Omega, partially offset by (iii) \$13.0 million in general and administrative expenses, (iv) \$11.2 million in cash paid for interest and (v) a \$1.3 million increase in accounts and other receivables during the period.

### Cash Flows from Investing Activities

Net cash flows used in investing activities for the year ended December 31, 2020 were primarily attributed to \$2.2 million in purchases of property and equipment primarily related to the construction of the STL Interconnect at MoGas, which was placed in-service in mid-December 2020.

Net cash flows provided by investing activities for the year ended December 31, 2019 were primarily attributed to a \$5.0 million payment received on January 7, 2019 related to the promissory note entered into as part of the Portland Terminal Facility sale.

Net cash flows provided by investing activities for the year ended December 31, 2018 were primarily attributed to (i) the proceeds from the sale of the Portland Terminal Facility and equity interest in Joliet to Zenith Terminals, which generated proceeds of approximately \$56.0 million, (ii) return of capital distributions on our Lightfoot investment of \$664 thousand and (iii) principal payments associated with the Four Wood financing note receivable of \$237 thousand.

## Cash Flows from Financing Activities

Net cash flows used in financing activities for the year ended December 31, 2020 were primarily attributable to (i) common and preferred dividends paid of \$12.3 million and \$9.2 million, respectively, (ii) cash paid for the settlement of the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility of \$3.1 million, (iii) principal payments of \$1.8 million on our secured credit facilities, (iv) cash paid for the maturity of the 7.00% Convertible Notes of \$1.7 million and (v) cash paid for the repurchase of the 5.875% Convertible Notes of \$1.3 million.

Net cash flows used in financing activities for the year ended December 31, 2019 were primarily attributable to (i) cash paid for the extinguishment of the 7.00% Convertible Notes of \$78.9 million, (ii) common and preferred dividends paid of \$39.1 million and \$9.3 million, respectively and (iii) principal payments of \$3.5 million on our secured credit facilities, partially offset by (iv) net proceeds from the 5.875% Convertible Notes offering of \$116.4 million.

Net cash flows used in financing activities for the year ended December 31, 2018 were primarily attributable to (i) common and preferred dividends paid of \$34.3 million and \$9.6 million, respectively, (ii) cash used to repurchase Series A Preferred Stock of \$4.3 million, (iii) principal payments of \$3.5 million on our secured credit facilities and (iv) \$264 thousand of payments related to debt financing costs.

# Capital Expenditures

Crimson's operations can be capital intensive, requiring investments to maintain, expand, upgrade or enhance existing operations and to meet environmental and operational regulations. Crimson's capital requirements consist of maintenance capital expenditures and growth capital expenditures. Examples of maintenance capital expenditures are those made to replace partially or fully depreciated assets, to maintain the existing operating capacity of Crimson's assets and to extend their useful lives, or other capital expenditures that are incurred in maintaining existing system volumes and related cash flows. In contrast, growth capital expenditures are those made to acquire additional assets to grow Crimson's business, to expand and upgrade Crimson's systems and facilities and to construct or acquire new systems or facilities. Crimson may incur substantial amounts of capital expenditures in certain periods in connection with large maintenance projects that are intended to only maintain its assets. Crimson expects to incur maintenance capital expenditures in a range of \$10.0 million to \$11.0 million in 2021.

# Revolving and Term Credit Facilities

### CorEnergy Credit Facility

Prior to 2017, we had a credit facility with Regions Bank (as lender and administrative agent for the other participating lenders) providing borrowing capacity of \$153.0 million, consisting of (i) the CorEnergy Revolver of \$105.0 million, (ii) the CorEnergy Term Loan of \$45.0 million and (iii) the MoGas Revolver of \$3.0 million

On July 28, 2017, we entered into an amended and restated CorEnergy Credit Facility with Regions Bank (as lender and administrative agent for other participating lenders). The amended facility provided for commitments of up to \$161.0 million, comprised of (i) increased commitments on the CorEnergy Revolver of up to \$160.0 million, subject to borrowing base limitations, and (ii) a \$1.0 million commitment on the MoGas Revolver.

The amended facility had a 5-year term maturing on July 28, 2022. Under the terms of the amended and restated CorEnergy Credit Facility, we were subject to certain financial covenants as follows: (i) a minimum debt service coverage ratio of 2.0 to 1.0; (ii) a maximum total leverage ratio of 5.0 to 1.0; (iii) a maximum senior secured recourse leverage ratio (which generally excludes debt from certain subsidiaries that are not obligors under the CorEnergy Credit Facility) of 3.0 to 1.0; and (iv) a maximum total funded debt to capitalization ratio of 50 percent. In addition, there was a covenant related to our ability to make distributions that was tied to AFFO and applicable REIT distribution requirements, and provided that, in the absence of any acceleration of maturity following an Event of Default, we could make distributions equal to the greater of the amount required to maintain our REIT status and 100 percent of AFFO for the trailing 12-month period.

Borrowings under the credit facility typically bore interest on the outstanding principal amount using a LIBOR pricing grid that was expected to equal a LIBOR rate plus an applicable margin of 2.75 percent to 3.75 percent, based on our senior secured recourse leverage ratio. The facility contained, among other restrictions, certain default and cross-default provisions customary for transactions of this nature (with applicable customary grace periods), all of which were substantially the same as under the prior facility.

Effective May 14, 2020, we entered into a Limited Consent with the Lenders under the CorEnergy Revolver that was part of the CorEnergy Credit Facility, pursuant to which the Lenders agreed to extend the required date for delivery of our financial statements for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2020 to coordinate with our previously announced extension of the filing date

for our first quarter Form 10-Q pursuant to applicable SEC relief (which filing and delivery occurred within the permitted extension period). The Limited Consent also documented notice previously provided by us to the Agent that certain events of default occurred under the lease for our GIGS asset, as a result of the tenant under the Grand Isle Lease Agreement having failed to pay the rent due for April and May 2020. The Limited Consent was subject to our continued compliance with all of the other terms of the CorEnergy Revolver, and included our agreement with the Lenders that the borrowing base value of the GIGS asset for purposes of the CorEnergy Revolver shall be zero, effective as of our March 31, 2020 balance sheet date. We also provided written notification to the Lenders of the EGC Tenant's nonpayment of rent in June, July, August, September, October and November 2020.

As of December 31, 2020, we violated the total leverage ratio under the CorEnergy Revolver due to declining trailing-twelve month EBITDA primarily as a result of the nonpayment of rent from the EGC Tenant during 2020. We were in compliance with all other covenants of the CorEnergy Credit Facility. As of December 31, 2020, the violation of the total leverage ratio was expected to reduce the remaining borrowing base under the CorEnergy Revolver to zero upon filing of the fourth quarter of 2020 compliance certificate. We continued to have \$1.0 million of availability under the MoGas Revolver. Prior to entering into discussions with the Lenders regarding the covenant violation and filing the compliance certificate for the fourth quarter of 2020, we terminated the CorEnergy Credit Facility in connection with the Crimson Transaction on February 4, 2021 as described in Part IV, Item 15, Note 16 ("Subsequent Events"). As of December 31, 2020 and through the termination date of the facility, we had no borrowings outstanding on the CorEnergy Revolver and MoGas Revolver. The termination of the CorEnergy Credit Facility resulted in the payment of unused fees and certain legal expenses. Further, we will write-off the remaining deferred debt costs of approximately \$857 thousand as a loss on extinguishment of debt in the first quarter of 2021.

We previously disclosed debt covenant considerations in our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q that raised substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern. However, we determined that the debt covenant considerations were mitigated by management's plans. Further, the Crimson Transaction, along with the termination of the CorEnergy Credit Facility, on February 4, 2021, have resolved the considerations identified in our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q as we have leveraged our liquidity to invest in revenue-generating assets. As a result, the accompanying consolidated financial statements and related notes for the year ended December 31, 2020 have been prepared assuming that we will continue as a going concern.

For a summary of the additional material terms of the CorEnergy Credit Facility, please see Part IV, Item 15, Note 11 ("Debt") included in this Report.

#### MoGas Revolver

In conjunction with the MoGas Transaction, MoGas Pipeline LLC and United Property Systems, LLC, as co-borrowers, entered into a revolving credit agreement dated November 24, 2014 (the "MoGas Revolver"), with certain lenders, including Regions Bank as agent for such lenders. Following subsequent amendments and restatements made on July 8, 2015 and July 28, 2017 in connection with the amendments and restatements of the CorEnergy Credit Facility, discussed above, commitments under the MoGas Revolver were reduced from the original level of \$3.0 million to a total of \$1.0 million. Interest accrued under the MoGas Revolver at the same rate and pursuant to the same terms as it accrued under the CorEnergy Revolver. Refer to Part IV, Item 15, Note 11 ("Debt") for further information. As of December 31, 2020, the co-borrowers were in compliance with all covenants and there were no borrowings outstanding on the MoGas Revolver. As discussed under "CorEnergy Credit Facility" above, the MoGas Revolver component of the CorEnergy Credit Facility was terminated on February 4, 2021.

# Mowood/Omega Revolver

On July 31, 2015, a \$1.5 million revolving line of credit ("Mowood/Omega Revolver") was established with Regions Bank with a maturity date of July 31, 2016. Following annual extensions, the current maturity of the facility had been amended and extended to April 30, 2021. The Mowood/Omega Revolver was used by Omega for working capital and general business purposes and was guaranteed and secured by the assets of Omega. Interest accrued at LIBOR plus 4 percent and was payable monthly in arrears with no unused fee. There was no outstanding balance at December 31, 2020. On February 4, 2021, the Mowood/Omega Revolver was terminated in connection with the Crimson Transaction described in Part IV, Item 15, Note 16 ("Subsequent Events").

# Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility

On December 29, 2017, Pinedale LP entered into the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility, with Prudential and a group of lenders affiliated with Prudential as lenders and Prudential serving as administrative agent. The new amended facility was a 5-year \$41.0 million term loan facility, bearing interest at a fixed rate of 6.5 percent, which was scheduled to mature on December 29, 2022. Principal payments of \$294 thousand, plus accrued interest, were payable monthly.

As discussed in Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases"), UPL's bankruptcy filing constituted a default under the terms of the Pinedale Lease Agreement with Pinedale LP. Such default under the Pinedale Lease Agreement was an event of default under the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility, which was secured by the Pinedale LGS. Among other things, an event of default gave rise to a Cash Control Period (as defined in the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility), which impacted Pinedale LP's ability to make distributions to the Company. During the Cash Control Period, which was triggered May 14, 2020, by the bankruptcy filing of Ultra Wyoming and its parent guarantor, UPL, distributions by Pinedale LP to us were permitted to the extent required for us to maintain its REIT qualification, so long as Pinedale LP's obligations under the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility were not accelerated following an Event of Default (as defined in the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility).

Effective May 8, 2020, Pinedale LP entered into a Standstill Agreement with Prudential. The Standstill Agreement anticipated Pinedale LP's notification to Prudential of two Events of Default under the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility (the "Specified Events of Default") as a result of the occurrence of either (i) any bankruptcy filing by UPL or Ultra Wyoming and (ii) any resulting impact on Pinedale LP's net worth covenant under the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility due to any accounting impairment of the assets of Pinedale LP triggered by any such bankruptcy filing of Ultra Wyoming. Under the Standstill Agreement, Prudential agreed to forbear through September 1, 2020, or the earlier occurrence of a separate Event of Default under the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility (the "Standstill Period") from exercising any rights they may have had to accelerate and declare the outstanding balance under the credit facility immediately due and payable as a result of the occurrence of either of the Specified Events of Default, provided that there were no other Events of Default and Pinedale LP continued to meet its obligations under all of the other terms of the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility. The Standstill Agreement also required that Pinedale LP not make any distributions to us during the Standstill Period and that interest was to accrue and be payable from the effective date of such agreement at the Default Rate of interest provided for in the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility, which increased the effective interest rate to 8.50%.

As discussed in Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases"), Pinedale LP and us entered into a compromise and release agreement with Prudential related to the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility (the "Release Agreement"), which had an outstanding balance of approximately \$32.0 million, net of \$132 thousand of deferred debt issuance costs. Pursuant to the Release Agreement, the \$18.0 million sale proceeds were provided by Ultra Wyoming directly to Prudential at closing of the Pinedale LGS sale transaction on June 30, 2020. We also provided the remaining cash available at Pinedale LP of approximately \$3.3 million (including \$198 thousand for accrued interest) to Prudential in exchange for (i) the release of all liens on the Pinedale LGS and the other assets of Pinedale LP, (ii) the termination of our pledge of equity interests of the general partner of Pinedale LP, (iii) the termination and satisfaction in full of the obligations of Pinedale LP under the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility and (iv) a general release of any other obligations of Pinedale LP and/or us and our respective directors, officers, employees or agents pertaining to the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility. The Release Agreement resulted in a gain on extinguishment of debt of approximately \$11.0 million in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2020.

### Convertible Notes

## 7.00% Convertible Notes

On June 29, 2015, we completed a public offering of \$115.0 million aggregate principal amount of 7.00% Convertible Senior Notes Due 2020. The Convertible Notes matured on June 15, 2020 and bore interest at a rate of 7.0 percent per annum, payable semi-annually in arrears on June 15 and December 15 of each year, beginning on December 15, 2015. Upon maturity, we paid remaining principal and accrued interest outstanding on the 7.00% Convertible Notes.

Refer to Part IV, Item 15, Note 11 ("Debt") included in this Report for additional information concerning the 7.00% Convertible Notes.

# 5.875% Convertible Notes

On August 12, 2019, we completed a private placement offering of \$120.0 million aggregate principal amount of 5.875% Convertible Senior Notes due 2025 to the initial purchasers of such notes for cash in reliance on an exemption from registration provided by Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act. The initial purchasers then resold the 5.875% Convertible Notes for cash equal to 100 percent of the aggregate principal amount thereof to qualified institutional buyers, as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act, in reliance on an exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A. The 5.875% Convertible Notes mature on August 15, 2025 and bear interest at a rate of 5.875 percent per annum, payable semiannually in arrears on February 15 and August 15 of each year, beginning on February 15, 2020.

Holders may convert all or any portion of their 5.875% Convertible Notes into shares of our common stock at their option at any time prior to the close of business on the business day immediately preceding the maturity date. The initial conversion rate for the 5.875% Convertible Notes is 20.0 shares of common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of the 5.875% Convertible Notes,

equivalent to an initial conversion price of \$50.00 per share of our common stock. Such conversion rate will be subject to adjustment in certain events as specified in the Indenture.

Refer to Part IV, Item 15, Note 11 ("Debt") included in this Report for additional information concerning the 5.875% Convertible Notes.

### Crimson Credit Facility

On February 4, 2021, in connection with the Crimson Transaction, Crimson Midstream Operating and Corridor MoGas, (collectively, the "Borrowers"), together with Crimson, MoGas Debt Holdco LLC, MoGas, CorEnergy Pipeline Company, LLC, United Property Systems, Crimson Pipeline, LLC and Cardinal Pipeline, L.P. (collectively, the "Guarantors") entered into the Crimson Credit Facility with the lenders from time to time party thereto and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Administrative Agent for such lenders, Swingline Lender and Issuing Bank. The Crimson Credit Facility provides borrowing capacity of up to \$155.0 million, consisting of: a \$50.0 million revolving credit facility (the "Crimson Revolver"), an \$80.0 million term loan (the "Crimson Term Loan") and an uncommitted incremental facility of \$25.0 million. Upon closing of the Crimson Transaction, the Borrowers drew the \$80.0 million Crimson Term Loan and \$25.0 million on the Crimson Revolver.

The loans under Crimson Credit Facility mature on February 4, 2024. The Crimson Term Loan requires quarterly payments of \$2.0 million in arrears on the last business day of March, June, September and December, commencing on June 30, 2021. Subject to certain conditions all loans made under the Credit Agreement shall, at the option of the Borrowers, bear interest at either (a) LIBOR plus a spread of 325 to 450 basis points, or (b) a rate equal to the highest of (i) the prime rate established by the Administrative Agent, (ii) the federal funds rate plus 0.5%, or (iii) the one-month LIBOR rate plus 1.0%, plus a spread of 225 to 350 basis points. The applicable spread for each interest rate is based on the Total Leverage Ratio (as defined in the Crimson Credit Facility); however, the initial interest rate is set at the top level of the pricing grid until the first compliance reporting event for the period ended June 30, 2021.

Outstanding balances under the facility are secured by all assets of the Borrowers and Guarantors (including the equity in such parties), other than any assets regulated by the CPUC and other customary excluded assets, pursuant to an Amended and Restated Pledge Agreement and an Amended and Restated Security Agreement. Under the terms of the Crimson Credit Facility, we will be subject to certain financial covenants commencing with the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2021 for the Borrowers and their restricted subsidiaries (the "Consolidated Parties") as follows (i): the total leverage ratio shall not be greater than: (a) 3.00 to 1.00 commencing with the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2021 through and including the fiscal quarter ending December 31, 2021; (b) 2.75 to 1.00 commencing with the fiscal quarter ending March 31, 2022 through and including the fiscal quarter ending December 31, 2022; and (c) 2.50 to 1.00 commencing with the fiscal quarter ending March 31, 2023 and for each fiscal quarter thereafter and (ii) the debt service coverage ratio, shall not be less than 2.00 to 1.00.

Cash distributions to us from the Borrowers are subject to certain restrictions, including without limitation, no default or event of default, compliance with financial covenants, minimum undrawn availability and available free cash flow. The Borrowers and their restricted subsidiaries are also subject to certain additional affirmative and negative covenants customary for credit transactions of this type. The Crimson Credit Facility contains default and cross-default provisions (with applicable customary grace or cure periods) customary for transactions of this type. Upon the occurrence of an event of default, payment of all amounts outstanding under the Crimson Credit Facility may become immediately due and payable at the election of the Required Lenders (as defined in the Crimson Credit Facility).

# Shelf Registration Statements

On October 30, 2018, we registered 1,000,000 shares of common stock for issuance under our dividend reinvestment plan pursuant to a separate shelf registration statement filed with the SEC. As of December 31, 2020, we have issued 22,003 shares of common stock under our dividend reinvestment plan pursuant to the shelf resulting in remaining availability (subject to the current limitation discussed below) of approximately 977,997 shares of common stock.

On November 9, 2018, we had a new shelf registration statement declared effective by the SEC replacing our previously filed shelf registration statement, pursuant to which we may publicly offer additional debt or equity securities with an aggregate offering price of up to \$600.0 million. As described elsewhere in this Report, EGC and Cox Oil refused to provide the financial statement information concerning EGC that we must file pursuant to SEC Regulation S-X. Absent reaching a resolution of this issue with the SEC, we do not expect to be able to use this shelf registration statement, or the shelf registration statement filed for our dividend reinvestment plan, to sell our securities. We have engaged in dialogue with the staff of the SEC in an effort to shorten the period during which we do not use our registration statements. However, there can be no assurance that we will be successful in obtaining such relief.

### Liquidity and Capitalization

Our principal investing activities are acquiring or financing midstream and downstream real estate assets within the U.S. energy infrastructure sector. These investing activities have often been financed from the proceeds of our public equity and debt offerings as well as the term and credit facilities mentioned above. Continued growth of our asset portfolio will depend in part on our continued ability to access funds through additional borrowings and securities offerings. Additionally, our liquidity and capitalization may be impacted by the optional redemption of Series A Preferred Stock. As disclosed in Part IV, Item 15, Note 13 ("Stockholders' Equity"), the depositary shares are currently eligible to be redeemed, at our option, in whole or in part, at the \$25.00 liquidation preference plus all accrued and unpaid dividends to, but not including, the date of redemption.

The following table presents our liquidity and capitalization as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 and our proforma liquidity and capitalization as of December 31, 2020 reflecting (i) the impact of the Crimson Transaction completed on February 4, 2021, and (ii) the Internalization Agreement announced on February 4, 2021, which is subject to stockholder approval:

Liquidity and	Capitalizati	on				
	Pro	Forma December 31, 2020 <sup>(1)</sup>	De	ecember 31, 2020	D	ecember 31, 2019
		(Unaudited)				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	19,996,988	\$	99,596,907	\$	120,863,643
Revolver availability <sup>(2)</sup>	\$	25,000,000	\$	_	\$	136,358,445
Revolving credit facility <sup>(2)</sup>	\$	25,000,000	\$	_	\$	_
Long-term debt (including current maturities)(3)		193,200,413		115,008,130		152,109,426
Stockholders' equity:						
Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock 7.375%, \$0.001 par value <sup>(4)</sup>		129,525,669		125,270,350		125,493,175
Capital stock, non-convertible, \$0.001 par value(4)		14,806		13,652		13,639
Class B common stock, \$0.001 par value(4)		684		_		_
Additional paid-in capital <sup>(4)</sup>		353,846,785		339,742,380		360,844,497
Retained deficit <sup>(5)</sup>		(328,038,848)		(315,626,555)		(9,611,872)
Noncontrolling interest <sup>(6)</sup>		115,323,037				_
CorEnergy equity		270,672,133		149,399,827		476,739,439
Total CorEnergy capitalization	\$	488.872.546	\$	264.407.957	\$	628.848.865

- (1) Pro Forma liquidity and capitalization reflecting the impact of the acquisition of our 49.50% interest in Crimson and Internalization agreement with Corridor entered into on February 4, 2021. The issuance of equity consideration for Internalization is subject to stockholder approval. Refer to Part IV, Item 15, Note 16 ("Subsequent Events") for further details on the Crimson Transaction and Internalization.
- (2) In connection with the Crimson Transaction on February 4, 2021, the Regions Credit Facility in place for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 was terminated, and Crimson and Corridor MoGas, as co-borrowers, entered into the Crimson Credit Facility. The Crimson Credit Facility includes a \$50.0 million revolver of which \$25.0 million was drawn at closing. The remaining \$25.0 million is available, subject to certain limitations. Refer to "Crimson Credit Facility" discussion above for more details on the credit facility.
- (3) Long-term debt is presented net of discount and deferred debt costs. The pro forma long-term debt includes our 5.875% Convertible Notes and the Crimson Term Loan of \$80.0 million entered into in connection with the closing of the Crimson Transaction on February 4, 2021. Refer to "Crimson Credit Facility" discussion above for more details on the credit facility.
- (4) The increase in Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, Capital Stock and Class B Common Stock reflect the pro forma impact of the equity consideration in the Internalization agreement. The Internalization agreement is subject to stockholder approval before such equity consideration can be issued. Refer to Part IV, Item 15, Note 16 ("Subsequent Events") for further details on the Internalization.
- (5) The increase in the retained deficit reflects the pro forma loss on impairment and disposal of the GIGS asset, which was provided as partial consideration for the Crimson Transaction and the loss on termination of the Grand Isle Lease Agreement. Further, the pro forma increase in retained deficit reflects the transaction costs incurred at closing. Refer to Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties and Leases") and Note 16 ("Subsequent Events") for further details.
- (6) Reflects the pro forma impact of the Grier Members' equity consideration for the new A-1, A-2 and A-3 units representing a 50.50% interest in Crimson. Subject to CPUC regulatory approval and certain stockholder approvals, these units are convertible into certain CorEnergy securities. Refer to Part IV, Item 15, Note 16 ("Subsequent Events") for further details on the Crimson Transaction.

We also had two lines of credit for working capital purposes for two of our subsidiaries with maximum availability of \$1.5 million and \$1.0 million at both December 31, 2020 and 2019. On February 4, 2021, these lines of credit were terminated in connection with the Crimson Transactions described in Part IV, Item 15, Note 16 ("Subsequent Events").

# SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

For additional information regarding transactions that occurred subsequent to December 31, 2020, see Part IV, Item 15, Note 16 ("Subsequent Events") included in this annual Report on Form 10-K.

#### **CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES**

The financial statements included in this Report are based on the selection and application of critical accounting policies, which require management to make significant estimates and assumptions. Critical accounting policies are those that are both important to the presentation of our financial condition and results of operations and require management's most difficult, complex, or subjective judgments. The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities, recognition of revenues and expenses, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

See Part IV, Item 15, Note 2 ("Significant Accounting Policies") included in this Report for further information related to our significant accounting policies.

# Long-Lived Assets

Our long-lived assets consist primarily of a subsea midstream pipeline system, liquids gathering system and natural gas pipelines that have been obtained through a business combination and asset acquisitions. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the asset. Expenditures for repairs and maintenance are charged to operations as incurred, and improvements, which extend the useful lives of our assets, are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining estimated useful life of the asset.

We continually monitor our business, the business environment, and performance of our operations to determine if an event has occurred that indicates that the carrying value of a long-lived asset may be impaired. When a triggering event occurs, which is a determination that involves judgment, we utilize cash flow projections to assess the ability to recover the carrying value of our assets based on our long-lived assets' ability to generate future cash flows on an undiscounted basis. This differs from the evaluation of goodwill, for which the recoverability assessment utilizes fair value estimates that include discounted cash flows in the estimation process, and accordingly any goodwill impairment recognized may not be indicative of a similar impairment of the related underlying long-lived assets.

The projected cash flows of long-lived assets are primarily based on contractual cash flows relating to existing leases that extend many years into the future. If those cash flow projections indicate that the long-lived asset's carrying value is not recoverable, we record an impairment charge for the excess of carrying value of the asset over its fair value. The estimate of fair value considers a number of factors, including the potential value that would be received if the asset were sold, discount rates, and projected cash flows. Due to the imprecise nature of these projections and assumptions, actual results can differ from our estimates.

For the year ended December 31, 2020, we recognized an impairment of \$140.3 million for the GIGS asset and \$146.5 million for the Pinedale LGS. Refer to Part IV, Item 15, Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases") for further details. There were no impairments of long-lived assets recorded during the years ended December 31, 2019 or 2018.

### Asset Retirement Obligations

We follow ASC 410-20, *Asset Retirement Obligations*, which requires that an asset retirement obligation ("ARO") associated with the retirement of a long-lived asset be recognized as a liability in the period in which it is incurred and becomes determinable, with an offsetting increase in the carrying amount of the associated asset. We recognized an existing ARO in conjunction with the acquisition of the GIGS in June 2015.

We measure changes in the ARO liability due to passage of time by applying an interest method of allocation to the amount of the liability at the beginning of the period. The increase in the carrying amount of the liability is recognized as an expense classified as an operating item in the Consolidated Statements of Operations, hereinafter referred to as ARO accretion expense. We periodically reassess the timing and amount of cash flows anticipated associated with the ARO and adjusts the fair value of the liability accordingly under the guidance in ASC 410-20.

The fair value of the obligation at the acquisition date was capitalized as part of the carrying amount of the related long-lived assets and is being depreciated over the asset's remaining useful life. The useful lives of most pipeline gathering systems are primarily derived from available supply resources and ultimate consumption of those resources by end users. Adjustments to the ARO resulting from reassessments of the timing and amount of cash flows will result in changes to the retirement costs capitalized as part of the carrying amount of the asset.

Upon decommissioning of the ARO or a portion thereof, we reduce the fair value of the liability and recognize a (gain) loss on settlement of ARO as an operating item in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the difference between the liability and actual decommissioning costs incurred.

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### Federal and State Income Taxation

We qualify as a REIT under Sections 856 to 860 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and intend to continue to remain so qualified. For further information, see "Federal and State Income Taxation" above in this Item 7 and "Federal and State Income Taxation" under Item 5 "Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities" of this Report.

# ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Our business activities contain elements of market risk. Long-term debt used to finance our acquisitions may be based on floating or fixed rates. As of December 31, 2020, we had long-term debt (net of current maturities) with a carrying value of \$115.0 million, all of which represents fixed-rate debt. Borrowings under our CorEnergy Revolver were variable-rate, based on a LIBOR pricing spread. There were no outstanding borrowings under the CorEnergy Revolver at December 31, 2020, and accordingly, no market risk exposure on outstanding variable rate debt. As previously disclosed in this Report, the CorEnergy Revolver was terminated effective February 4, 2021.

Beginning February 4, 2021 as a result of the Crimson Transaction described in Part IV, Item 15, Note 16 ("Subsequent Events"), borrowings under the Crimson Credit Facility are variable-rate based on either (a) LIBOR pricing spread or (b) a rate equal to the highest of (i) the prime rate, (ii) the federal funds rate plus 0.5%, or (iii) the one-month LIBOR rate plus 1.0%, plus a pricing spread. The initial interest rate for the Crimson Credit Facility at closing of the transaction was set at LIBOR plus the top level of the spread of 450 basis points resulting in an initial interest rate of 4.619%. The pricing spread will not be redetermined until the first compliance reporting event for the period ending June 30, 2021. Changes in interest rates can cause interest charges to fluctuate on our variable rate debt. A 100 basis point increase or decrease in current LIBOR rates at closing would have resulted in an initial interest rate of 5.619% or 3.619%, respectively, for the Crimson Credit Facility. Assuming the Crimson Credit Facility was in place beginning January 1, 2020, a 100 basis point increase or decrease in the current LIBOR rate would have resulted in an approximately \$1.0 million increase or decrease in interest expense for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Further, as a result of the Crimson Transaction, we will be exposed to limited market risk associated with fluctuating commodity prices. With the exception of buy/sell arrangements on some of Crimson's pipelines and the pipeline loss allowance ("PLA") oil retained, Crimson does not take ownership of the crude oil that it transports or stores for its customers, and it does not engage in the trading of any commodities. We therefore have limited direct exposure to risks associated with fluctuating commodity prices.

Certain of Crimson's transportation agreements and tariffs for crude oil shipments include PLA. PLA represents revenue from a loss allowance that is factored into the crude oil tariffs to offset measurement error or other losses in transit. As is common in the pipeline transportation industry, as crude oil is transported Crimson earns a very small percentage of the crude oil transported, earned PLA oil inventory, which it can then sell. This allowance oil revenue is subject to more volatility than transportation revenue, as it is directly dependent on Crimson's measurement capability and commodity prices. As a result, the income Crimson realizes under its loss allowance provisions will increase or decrease as a result of changes in the mix of product transported, measurement accuracy and underlying commodity prices. As of February 4, 2021, Crimson did not have any open hedging agreements to mitigate its exposure to decreases in commodity prices through its loss allowances; however, it has previously entered into such agreements and may do so in the future.

We consider the management of risk essential to conducting our businesses. Accordingly, our risk management systems and procedures are designed to identify and analyze our risks, to set appropriate policies and limits and to continually monitor these risks and limits by means of reliable administrative and information systems and other policies and programs.

# ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

Our financial statements and financial statement schedules are set forth beginning on page F-1 in this Annual Report and are incorporated herein by reference.

# ITEM 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

None.

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### ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Our management is responsible for the preparation, consistency, integrity, and fair presentation of the financial statements. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis and, in management's opinion, are fairly presented. The financial statements include amounts that are based on management's informed judgments and best estimates.

# Conclusion Regarding Effectiveness of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer (our principal executive and principal financial officers, respectively), we have evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Exchange Act, as of the end of the period covered by this Report. Based on that evaluation, these officers concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that the information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC rules and forms, and is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

### Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting, as defined in rule 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) of the Exchange Act, that occurred during the quarterly period ending December 31, 2020, that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting. We have not experienced any material impact to our internal control over financial reporting due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We are continually monitoring and assessing the effects of COVID-19 pandemic on our internal controls to minimize the impact on their design and operating effectiveness.

### Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Our management, under the supervision and with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer (our principal executive and principal financial officers, respectively), is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over our financial reporting. Our management has established and maintains comprehensive systems of internal control designed to provide reasonable assurance as to the consistency, integrity, and reliability of the preparation and presentation of financial statements and the safeguarding of assets. The concept of reasonable assurance is based upon the recognition that the cost of the controls should not exceed the benefit derived. Our management monitors the systems of internal control and maintains an internal auditing program that assesses the effectiveness of internal control.

Our management assessed our systems of internal control over financial reporting for financial presentations in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles as of December 31, 2020. This assessment was based on criteria for effective internal control established in *Internal Control—Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013 framework) (the COSO Report). Based on this assessment, our management has determined that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2020.

The Board of Directors exercises its oversight role with respect to the systems of internal control primarily through its Audit Committee, which is comprised solely of independent outside directors. The Committee oversees systems of internal control and financial reporting to assess whether their quality, integrity, and objectivity are sufficient to protect stockholders' investments.

Ernst & Young has issued an audit report on our internal control over financial reporting. This report begins on the next page.

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### Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Stockholders and the Board of Directors of CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc.

# **Opinion on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

We have audited CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2020, based on criteria established in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013 framework) (the COSO criteria). In our opinion, CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. (the Company) maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2020, based on the COSO criteria.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the consolidated balance sheets of the Company as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, the related consolidated statements of operations, equity and cash flow for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes and schedules listed in the Index at Item 15 and our report dated March 4, 2021 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

### **Basis for Opinion**

The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects.

Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

# **Definition and Limitations of Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP Kansas City, Missouri March 4, 2021 <u>Table of Contents</u> <u>Glossary of Defined Terms</u>

### **ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION**

Given the timing of the event, the following information is included in this Form 10-K pursuant to Item 1.01 "Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement" and Item 2.01 "Completion of Acquisition or Disposition of Assets" of Form 8-K, in lieu of filing a separate Form 8-K.

On March 3, 2021, Carlyle, John D. Grier, Crimson and the Company (collectively, the "parties") entered into a First Amendment to the Membership Interest Purchase Agreement ("MIPA"). The First Amendment to the MIPA documents the parties' intent for the transactions originally contemplated by the MIPA to be effective as of 12:01a.m. Central Time on February 1, 2021.

The foregoing summary of the First Amendment to the MIPA is qualified in its entirety by reference to the First Amendment, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 2.1.2 to this report and is incorporated in this Item 9B by reference.

### **PART III**

### ITEM 10. DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

### **Codes of Ethics**

We have adopted a code of ethics, which applies to our principal executive officer and principal financial officer. We have also adopted a code of ethics that establishes procedures for personal investments and restricts certain personal securities transactions. Personnel subject to the code of ethics may invest in securities for their personal investment accounts, including securities that may be purchased or held by us, so long as such investments are made in accordance with the code of ethics. This information may be obtained, without charge, upon request by calling us at (816) 875-3705 or toll-free at (877) 699-2677 and on our web site at http://corenergy.reit. The codes of ethics are available on the EDGAR Database on the Securities and Exchange Commission's Internet site at http://www.sec.gov.

### Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (the "Sarbanes-Oxley Act") imposes a wide variety of regulatory requirements on publicly-held companies and their insiders. The Sarbanes-Oxley Act requires us to review our policies and procedures to determine whether we comply with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder. We will continue to monitor our compliance with all future regulations that are adopted under the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and will take actions necessary to ensure that we are in compliance therewith.

Additional information is incorporated herein by reference to the sections captioned "Nominees for Directors," "Incumbent Directors Continuing in Office," "Information About Executive Officers," "Board of Directors Meetings and Committees," and "Stockholder Proposals and Nominations for the 2021 Annual Meeting" in our proxy statement for our 2021 Annual Stockholder Meeting, which will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission within 120 days after the end of the fiscal year covered by this Annual Report.

# **ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

Incorporated by reference to the sections captioned "Director Compensation Table" and "Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation" in our proxy statement for our 2021 Annual Stockholder Meeting to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission within 120 days after the end of the fiscal year covered by this Annual Report.

# ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

Incorporated by reference to the sections captioned "Security Ownership of Management and Certain Beneficial Owners" and "Director Compensation," and "Equity Compensation Plan Information as of December 31, 2020" in our proxy statement for our 2021 Annual Stockholder Meeting to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission within 120 days after the end of the fiscal year covered by this Annual Report.

# ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE

Incorporated by reference to the sections captioned "Nominees for Director," "Incumbent Directors Continuing in Office," "Board of Directors Meetings and Committees" and "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions" in our proxy statement for our 2021 Annual Stockholder Meeting to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission within 120 days after the end of the fiscal year covered by this Annual Report.

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# ITEM 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING FEES AND SERVICES

Incorporated by reference to the section captioned "Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm Fees and Services" in our proxy statement for our 2021 Annual Stockholder Meeting to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission within 120 days after the end of the fiscal year covered by this Annual Report.

# PART IV

# ITEM 15. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

The following documents are filed as part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K:

- 1. The Financial Statements listed in the Index to Financial Statements on Page F-1.
- 2. The Exhibits listed in the Exhibit Index below.

Exhibit No.	Description of Document
2.1.1	Membership Interest Purchase Agreement dated February 4, 2021, by and among CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc., Crimson Midstream Holdings, LLC, CGI Crimson Holdings, L.L.C., and John D. Grier (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Form 8-K, filed February 10, 2021).
2.1.2	First Amendment to Membership Purchase Agreement dated March 3, 2021 by and among CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc., Crimson Midstream Holdings, LLC, CGI Crimson Holdings, L.L.C., and John D. Grier - filed herewith
2.2	Contribution Agreement dated February 4, 2021, by and among CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc., Richard C. Green, Rick Kreul, Rebecca M. Sandring, Sean DeGon, Jeff Teeven, Jeffrey E. Fulmer, David J. Schulte (as Trustee of the DJS Trust under Trust Agreement dated July 18, 2016), and Campbell Hamilton, Inc. (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Form 8-K, filed February 10, 2021).
3.1	Articles of Amendment and Restatement of CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc., as amended (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K, for the year ended December 31, 2015, filed March 14, 2016).
3.2	Third Amended and Restated Bylaws (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's current report on Form 8-K, filed August 7, 2017).
3.3	Articles Supplementary, dated January 22, 2015, Establishing and Fixing the Rights and Preferences of the Registrant's 7.375% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Form 8-A, filed January 26, 2015).
3.4	Articles Supplementary, dated April 12, 2017, Establishing and Fixing the Rights and Preferences of Additional Shares of the Registrant's 7.375% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's current report on Form 8-K, filed April 18, 2017).
3.5	Articles Supplementary, dated February 4, 2021, Establishing and Fixing the Rights and Preferences of Additional Shares of the Registrant's Class B Common Stock (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Form 8-K, filed February 10, 2021).
3.6	Articles Supplementary, dated February 4, 2021, Establishing and Fixing the Rights and Preferences of Additional Shares of the Registrant's Series B Preferred Stock (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Form 8-K, filed February 10, 2021).
3.7	Articles Supplementary, dated February 4, 2021, Establishing and Fixing the Rights and Preferences of Additional Shares of the Registrant's Series C Preferred Stock (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Form 8-K, filed February 10, 2021).
4.1	Form of Stock Certificate for Common Stock of CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's current report on Form 8-K, filed January 14, 2014 (the first Form 8-K filing on such date)).
4.2	Form of Certificate of CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc.'s 7.375% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Form 8-A, filed January 26, 2015).
4.3	Indenture relating to the 5.875% Convertible Senior Note due 2025, dated as of August 12, 2019 between CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. and U.S. Bank National Association, including the Form of Global Notes attached thereto as Exhibit A (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's current report on Form 8-K, filed August 12, 2019).
4.4	Description of Securities (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2019, filed on February 27, 2020).
10.1.1	Dividend Reinvestment Plan (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended August 31, 2007 and filed on October 12, 2007).
10.1.2	Amendment No. 1 to Dividend Reinvestment Plan (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's current report on Form 8-K, filed on April 24, 2019).
10.2.1	Management Agreement dated April 30, 2014, effective January 1, 2014, between Corridor InfraTrust Management, LLC and CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2014, filed May 12, 2014).
10.2.2	Management Agreement dated May 8, 2015, effective May 1, 2015 between Corridor InfraTrust Management, LLC and CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2015, filed May 11, 2015).
10.2.3	Letter Agreement, dated May 9, 2016, concerning Management Fee for March 31, 2016 under Management Agreement, dated May 8, 2015 and effective as of May 1, 2015, between Corridor InfraTrust Management, LLC and CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. (incorporated by reference from the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2016, filed May 10, 2016).

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10.2.4	Letter Agreement, dated March 31, 2019, concerning Incentive Fee for March 31, 2019 under Management Agreement, dated May 8, 2015 and effective as of May 1, 2015, between Corridor InfraTrust Management, LLC and CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, for the guarter ended March 31, 2019, filed May 2, 2019).
10.2.5	Letter Agreement, dated June 30, 2019, concerning Incentive Fee for June 30, 2019 under Management Agreement, dated May 8, 2015 and effective as of May 1, 2015, between Corridor InfraTrust Management, LLC and CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, for the guarter ended June 30, 2019, filed August 1, 2019).
10.2.6	Letter Agreement, dated September 30, 2019, concerning Incentive Fee for September 30, 2019 under Management Agreement, dated May 8, 2015 and effective as of May 1, 2015, between Corridor InfraTrust Management, LLC and CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, for the quarter ended September 30, 2019, filed October 31, 2019).
10.2.7	Letter Agreement, dated September 30, 2019, concerning Management Fee for September 30, 2019 under Management Agreement, dated May 8, 2015 and effective as of May 1, 2015, between Corridor InfraTrust Management, LLC and CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, for the quarter ended September 30, 2019, filed October 31, 2019).
10.2.8	Letter Agreement, dated December 31, 2019, concerning Incentive Fee for December 31, 2019 under Management Agreement, dated May 8, 2015 and effective as of May 1, 2015, between Corridor InfraTrust Management, LLC and CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K, for the year ended December 31, 2019, filed February 27, 2020).
10.2.9	Letter Agreement, dated December 31, 2019, concerning Management Fee for December 31, 2019 under Management Agreement, dated May 8, 2015 and effective as of May 1, 2015, between Corridor InfraTrust Management, LLC and CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K, for the year ended December 31, 2019, filed February 27, 2020).
10.2.10	Letter Agreement, dated March 31, 2020, concerning Incentive Fee for March 31, 2020 under Management Agreement, dated May 8, 2015 and effective as of May 1, 2015, between Corridor InfraTrust Management, LLC and CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, for the guarter ended March 31, 2020, filed on June 25, 2020).
10.2.11	Letter Agreement, dated March 31, 2020, concerning Management Fee for March 31, 2020 under Management Agreement, dated May 8, 2015 and effective as of May 1, 2015, between Corridor InfraTrust Management, LLC and CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, for the quarter ended March 31, 2020, filed on June 25, 2020).
10.2.12	Letter Agreement, dated June 30, 2020, concerning Management Fee for June 30, 2020 under Management Agreement, dated May 8, 2015 and effective as of May 1, 2015, between Corridor InfraTrust Management, LLC and CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, for the guarter ended June 30, 2020, filed on August 4, 2020).
10.2.13	Letter Agreement, dated September 30, 2020, concerning Management Fee for September 30, 2020 under Management Agreement, dated May 8, 2015 and effective as of May 1, 2015, between Corridor InfraTrust Management, LLC and CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, for the quarter ended September 30, 2020, filed on November 3, 2020).
10.2.14	First Amendment to Management Agreement dated February 4, 2021, by and between CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. and Corridor InfraTrust Management, LLC (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Form 8-K, filed February 10, 2021).
10.3.1	Second Amended Administration Agreement dated December 1, 2011 (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's current report on Form 8-K, filed December 1, 2011).
10.3.2	Amendment and Assignment to the Second Amended Administration Agreement dated August 7, 2012 (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K, for the year ended November 30, 2012, filed February 13, 2013).
10.4.1	Purchase and Sale Agreement, dated December 7, 2012, by and between Ultra Wyoming, Inc. and Pinedale Corridor, LP (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's current report on Form 8-K, filed December 10, 2012 (the first Form 8-K filling on such date)).
10.4.2	Amendment to Purchase and Sale Agreement, dated December 12, 2012, by and between Ultra Wyoming, Inc. and Pinedale Corridor, LP (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's current report on Form 8-K, filed December 17, 2012).
10.4.3	Purchase and Sale Agreement between the Company and Ultra Wyoming LLC, dated June 28, 2020 (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's current report on Form 8-K, filed July 7, 2020).
10.5	Second Amended and Restated Term Credit Agreement and Note Purchase Agreement, dated December 29, 2017, between Pinedale Corridor, LP and Prudential Insurance Company of America (incorporated by reference to the Registrant's current report on Form 8-K, filed January 4, 2018).
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21.1	Subsidiaries of the Company - filed herewith
23.1	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP dated March 4, 2021 - filed herewith
31.1	Certification by Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 13a-14(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 - filed herewith
31.2	Certification by Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 13a-14(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 - filed herewith
32.1	Certification by Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 - furnished herewith
101	The following materials from CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020, formatted in iXBRL (Inline Extensible Business Reporting Language): (i) the Consolidated Balance Sheets, (ii) the Consolidated Statements of Operations, (iii) the Consolidated Statement of Equity, (iv) the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows and (v) the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements - furnished herewith
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as Inline XBRL and contained in Exhibit 101).
*	Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

All exhibits incorporated by reference were filed under SEC File No. 001-33292.

All other exhibits for which provision is made in the applicable regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission are not required under the related instruction or are inapplicable and therefore have been omitted.

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### Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Stockholders and the Board of Directors of CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc.

## **Opinion on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. (the Company) as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, the related consolidated statements of operations, equity and cash flow for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes and financial statement schedules listed in the Index at Item 15 (collectively referred to as the "consolidated financial statements"). In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company at December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2020, 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) (PCAOB), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2020, based on criteria established in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013 framework), and our report dated March 4, 2021 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

# **Basis for Opinion**

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

### **Critical Audit Matter**

The critical audit matter communicated below is a matter arising from the current period audit of the financial statements that was communicated or required to be communicated to the audit committee and that: (1) relates to accounts or disclosures that are material to the financial statements and (2) involved our especially challenging, subjective, or complex judgments. The communication of the critical audit matter does not alter in any way our opinion on the consolidated financial statements, taken as a whole, and we are not, by communicating the critical audit matter below, providing a separate opinion on the critical audit matter or on the accounts or disclosures to which it relates.

## Impairment of Long-lived Assets

Description of the Matter

As more fully described in Notes 2 and 3 to the consolidated financial statements, long-lived assets are reviewed for impairment when an event occurs that indicates that the carrying value of a long-lived asset may be impaired. When the Company has concluded that a triggering event has occurred, management utilizes cash flow projections to assess its ability to recover the carrying value of the assets. If the undiscounted cash flow projections indicate the long-lived asset's carrying value is not recoverable, an impairment charge is recorded for the excess of the carrying value of the asset over its estimated fair value. The Company recorded an impairment loss of \$140.3 million on leased property related to the Grand Isle Gathering System ("GIGS") asset during the year ended December 31, 2020.

Auditing the Company's impairment of the GIGS asset involved a high degree of subjectivity as estimates underlying the determination of the fair value of the asset were based on assumptions about future market and economic conditions. Significant assumptions used in the Company's fair value estimate included crude oil and water price and volume projections, the timing and collectability of lease payments, and the applicable discount rate.

How We Addressed the Matter in Our Audit

We obtained an understanding, evaluated the design, and tested the operating effectiveness of controls over the Company's process to determine the fair value of the GIGS asset and measure the long-lived asset impairment. This included evaluation of controls over management's review of the significant assumptions described above underlying the fair value determination.

Our testing of the Company's impairment measurement included, among other procedures, assessing the valuation methodologies utilized, and evaluating the significant assumptions and completeness and accuracy of the operating data used to estimate the fair value of the asset. For example, we compared the significant assumptions used to estimate cash flows to current industry and economic trends, evaluated operating data, and performed a sensitivity analysis of the significant assumptions to evaluate the change in the fair value estimate that would result from changes in the assumptions. We involved our valuation specialists to assist in our evaluation of the Company's model, methodology, and certain of the significant assumptions used in the valuation analysis.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP We have served as the Company's auditor since 2006. Kansas City, Missouri March 4, 2021



# **CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**

	Dec	cember 31, 2020		December 31, 2019	
Assets					
Leased property, net of accumulated depreciation of \$6,832,167 and \$105,825,816	\$	64,938,010	\$	379,211,399	
Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$22,580,810 and \$19,304,610		106,224,598		106,855,677	
Financing notes and related accrued interest receivable, net of reserve of \$600,000 and \$600,000		1,209,736		1,235,000	
Cash and cash equivalents		99,596,907		120,863,643	
Deferred rent receivable		_		29,858,102	
Accounts and other receivables		3,675,977		4,143,234	
Deferred costs, net of accumulated amortization of \$2,130,334 and \$1,956,710		1,077,883		2,171,969	
Prepaid expenses and other assets		2,228,623		804,341	
Deferred tax asset, net		4,282,576		4,593,561	
Goodwill		1,718,868		1,718,868	
Total Assets	\$	284,953,178	\$	651,455,794	
Liabilities and Equity			_		
Secured credit facilities, net of debt issuance costs of \$0 and \$158,070	\$	_	\$	33,785,930	
Unsecured convertible senior notes, net of discount and debt issuance costs of \$3,041,870 and \$3,768,504		115,008,130		118,323,496	
Asset retirement obligation		8,762,579		8,044,200	
Accounts payable and other accrued liabilities		4,685,288		6,000,981	
Management fees payable		971,626		1,669,950	
Unearned revenue		6,125,728		6,891,798	
Total Liabilities	\$	135,553,351	\$	174,716,355	
Equity			_		
Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock 7.375%, \$125,270,350 and \$125,493,175 liquidation preference (\$2,500 per share, \$0.001 par value), 10,000,000 authorized; 50,108 and 50,197 issued and outstanding at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019, respectively	\$	105.070.050	•	405 400 475	
	Ф	125,270,350	\$	125,493,175	
Capital stock, non-convertible, \$0.001 par value; 13,651,521 and 13,638,916 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2020 and December 31, 2019 (100,000,000 shares authorized)		13,652		13,639	
Additional paid-in capital		339,742,380		360,844,497	
Retained deficit		(315,626,555)		(9,611,872)	
Total Equity		149,399,827		476,739,439	
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$	284,953,178	\$	651,455,794	

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.



# CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

		For the Years Ended December 31,					
		2020	Yea	rs Ended Decem	ber 3	2018	
Revenue		2020		2013		2010	
Lease revenue	\$	21,351,123	\$	67,050,506	\$	72,747,362	
Deferred rent receivable write-off	*	(30,105,820)		_		_	
Transportation and distribution revenue		19,972,351		18,778,237		16,484,236	
Financing revenue		120,417		116,827		_	
Total Revenue		11,338,071		85,945,570		89,231,598	
Expenses		,				55,251,655	
Transportation and distribution expenses		6,059,707		5,242,244		7,210,748	
General and administrative		12,231,922		10,596,848		13,042,847	
Depreciation, amortization and ARO accretion expense		13,654,429		22,581,942		24,947,453	
Loss on impairment of leased property		140,268,379		· -			
Loss on impairment and disposal of leased property		146,537,547		_		_	
Loss on termination of lease		458,297		_		_	
Provision for loan gain		_		_		(36,867)	
Total Expenses		319,210,281		38,421,034		45,164,181	
Operating Income (Loss)	\$	(307,872,210)	\$	47,524,536	\$	44,067,417	
Other Income (Expense)							
Net distributions and other income	\$	471,449	\$	1,328,853	\$	106,795	
Net realized and unrealized loss on other equity securities		_		_		(1,845,309)	
Interest expense		(10,301,644)		(10,578,711)		(12,759,010)	
Gain on the sale of leased property, net		_		_		11,723,257	
Gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt		11,549,968		(33,960,565)		_	
Total Other Income (Expense)		1,719,773		(43,210,423)		(2,774,267)	
Income (loss) before income taxes		(306,152,437)		4,314,113		41,293,150	
Taxes							
Current tax benefit		(395,843)		(120,024)		(585,386)	
Deferred tax expense (benefit)		310,985		354,642		(1,833,340)	
Income tax expense (benefit), net		(84,858)		234,618		(2,418,726)	
Net Income (Loss) attributable to CorEnergy Stockholders	\$	(306,067,579)	\$	4,079,495	\$	43,711,876	
Preferred dividend requirements		9,189,809		9,255,468		9,548,377	
Net Income (Loss) attributable to Common Stockholders	\$	(315,257,388)	\$	(5,175,973)	\$	34,163,499	
Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share:							
Basic	\$	(23.09)	\$	(0.40)	\$	2.86	
Diluted	\$	(23.09)	\$	(0.40)	\$	2.79	
Weighted Average Shares of Common Stock Outstanding:							
Basic		13,650,718		13,041,613		11,935,021	
Diluted		13,650,718		13,041,613		15,389,180	
Dividends declared per share	\$	0.900	\$	3.000	\$	3.000	
See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements							



# CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EQUITY

	Capital Stock		Preferred Stock			Additional Paid-in				
	Shares	Amount		Amount		Capital	Earnings (Deficit)		Total	
Balance at December 31, 2017	11,915,830	\$ 11,916	\$	130,000,000	\$	331,773,716	\$ —	\$	461,785,632	
Cumulative transition adjustment upon the adoption of ASC 606, net of tax	_	_	-	_		(2,449,245)	_		(2,449,245)	
Net income	_	_		_		_	43,711,876		43,711,876	
Series A preferred stock dividends	_	_	-	_		_	(9,587,500)		(9,587,500)	
Preferred stock repurchases <sup>(1)</sup>	_	_		(4,444,325)		158,218	10,554		(4,275,553)	
Common stock dividends	_	_	-	_		(10,806,660)	(24,987,229)		(35,793,889)	
Common stock issued under director's compensation plan	1,807	2	2	_		67,498	_		67,500	
Common stock issued upon conversion of convertible notes	1,271	1		_		42,653	_		42,654	
Reinvestment of dividends paid to common stockholders	41,317	41				1,509,789			1,509,830	
Balance at December 31, 2018 (2)	11,960,225	11,960	)	125,555,675		320,295,969	9,147,701		455,011,305	
Net income	_	_		_		_	4,079,495		4,079,495	
Series A preferred stock dividends	_	_	-	_		(4,627,561)	(4,627,560)		(9,255,121)	
Preferred stock repurchases <sup>(3)</sup>	_	_		(62,500)		2,195	(245)		(60,550)	
Common stock dividends	_	_	-	_		(21,293,224)	(18,211,263)		(39,504,487)	
Common stock issued upon exchange of convertible notes	1,540,472	1,540	)	_		61,869,762	_		61,871,302	
Common stock issued upon conversion of convertible notes	127,143	128	3	_		4,193,536	_		4,193,664	
Reinvestment of dividends paid to common stockholders	11,076	11		_		403,820	_		403,831	
Balance at December 31, 2019	13,638,916	13,639		125,493,175		360,844,497	(9,611,872)		476,739,439	
Net loss	_	_		_		_	(306,067,579)		(306,067,579)	
Series A preferred stock dividends	_	_	-	_		(9,242,797)	_		(9,242,797)	
Preferred stock repurchases <sup>(1)</sup>	_	_	-	(222,825)		7,932	52,896		(161,997)	
Common stock dividends	_	_	-	_		(12,286,368)	_		(12,286,368)	
Common stock issued upon exchange of convertible notes	12,605	13	3	_		419,116	_		419,129	
Balance at December 31, 2020	13,651,521	\$ 13,652	\$	125,270,350	\$	339,742,380	\$ (315,626,555)	\$	149,399,827	

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

<sup>(1)</sup> In connection with the repurchases of Series A Preferred Stock during 2018 and 2020, the deduction to preferred dividends of \$10,554 and \$52,896, respectively, represents the discount in the repurchase price paid compared to the carrying amount derecognized.

<sup>(2)</sup> The retained earnings balance at December 31, 2018 was generated due to the timing of quarterly dividends and quarterly net income. In the fourth quarter of 2018, net income was greater than dividends due to the gain on sale of leased property, net from the sale of the Portland Terminal Facility resulting in a retained earnings balance as of December 31, 2018.

<sup>(3)</sup> In connection with the repurchases of Series A Preferred Stock during 2019, the addition to preferred dividends of \$245 represents the premium in the repurchase price paid compared to the carrying amount derecognized.



# CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOW

For the Years Ended December 31, 2020 2018 2019 **Operating Activities** Net income (loss) \$ (306,067,579) \$ 4,079,495 \$ 43,711,876 Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities: 310,985 354,642 (1,845,710)Deferred income tax, net Depreciation, amortization and ARO accretion 14,924,464 23,808,083 26,361,907 Gain on sale of leased property, net (11,723,257)Loss on impairment of leased property 140,268,379 146,537,547 Loss on impairment and disposal of leased property Loss on termination of lease 458,297 Deferred rent receivable write-off, noncash 30,105,820 Provision for loan gain (36,867)(11,549,968)33,960,565 (Gain) loss on extinguishment of debt Gain on sale of equipment (13,683)(7,390)(8,416)Net realized and unrealized loss on other equity securities 1,845,309 Loss on settlement of asset retirement obligation 310,941 67,500 Common stock issued under directors' compensation plan Changes in assets and liabilities: (3,915,347)(7,038,848)Increase in deferred rent receivables (247,718)(Increase) decrease in accounts and other receivables 940,009 (1,297,207)467,257 Increase in financing note accrued interest receivable (18,069)(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses and other assets (1,424,332)(136, 108)73,505 Increase (decrease) in management fee payable (698, 324)(161,663)83,187 Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and other accrued liabilities (1,903,936)2,517,069 476,223 Decrease in income tax liability (2,204,626)Increase (decrease) in unearned revenue (766,070)339,749 (152,777)10,383,070 Net cash provided by operating activities 61,779,104 48,622,740 **Investing Activities** Proceeds from the sale of leased property 55,553,975 Proceeds from sale of other equity securities 449,067 Purchases of property and equipment, net (2,186,155)(372,934)(105, 357)Proceeds from sale of property and equipment 15,000 7,000 17,999 Principal payment on financing note receivable 43,333 65,000 236,867 Principal payment on note receivable 5,000,000 Return of capital on distributions received 663,939 (2,127,822) \$ 56,816,490 Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities 4,699,066 \$ **Financing Activities** Debt financing costs (372,759)(264,010)Cash paid for extinguishment of convertible notes (78,939,743)Cash paid for maturity of convertible notes (1,676,000)Cash paid for repurchase of convertible notes (1,316,250)Cash paid for settlement of Pinedale Secured Credit Facility (3,074,572)Net offering proceeds on convertible debt 116,355,125 Repurchases of Series A preferred stock (161,997)(60,550)(4,275,553)Dividends paid on Series A preferred stock (9,242,797)(9,255,121)(9,587,500)Dividends paid on common stock (12,286,368)(39,100,656)(34,284,059)Principal payments on secured credit facilities (1,764,000)(3,528,000)(3,528,000)Net cash used in financing activities (29,521,984)(14,901,704) (51,939,122)Net change in cash and cash equivalents (21,266,736) \$ 51,576,466 53,500,108

	For the	e Yea	ars Ended Decem	ber	31,
	2020		2019		2018
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	120,863,643		69,287,177		15,787,069
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 99,596,907	\$	120,863,643	\$	69,287,177
Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information					
Interest paid	\$ 9,272,409	\$	6,834,439	\$	11,200,835
Income taxes paid (net of refunds)	(466,236)		89,433		2,136,563
Non-Cash Investing Activities					
Proceeds from sale of leased property provided directly to secured lender	\$ 18,000,000	\$	_	\$	_
Purchases of property, plant and equipment in accounts payable and other accrued liabilities	591,421		_		_
Note receivable in consideration of the sale of leased property	_		_		5,000,000
Non-Cash Financing Activities					
Proceeds from sale of leased property used in settlement of Pinedale Secured Credit Facility	\$ (18,000,000)	\$	_	\$	_
Change in accounts payable and accrued expenses related to debt financing costs	_		_		(255,037)
Reinvestment of distributions by common stockholders in additional common shares	_		403,831		1,509,830
Common stock issued upon exchange and conversion of convertible notes	419,129		66,064,966		42,654
See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.					



# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS December 31, 2020

### 1. INTRODUCTION AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION

### Introduction

CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. (referred to as "CorEnergy" or "the Company"), was organized as a Maryland corporation and commenced operations on December 8, 2005. The Company's common shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") under the symbol "CORR" and its depositary shares representing Series A Preferred Stock are listed on the NYSE under the symbol "CORR PrA".

The Company is primarily focused on acquiring and financing real estate assets within the U.S. energy infrastructure sector. Historically, the Company has focused primarily on entering into long-term triple-net participating leases with energy companies, and also has provided other types of capital, including loans secured by energy infrastructure assets. Targeted assets include pipelines, storage tanks, transmission lines, and gathering systems, among others. These sale-leaseback or real property mortgage transactions can provide the energy company with a source of capital that is an alternative to other sources such as corporate borrowing, bond offerings, or equity offerings. The Company's leases have typically contained participation features in the financial performance or value of the underlying infrastructure real property asset. The triple-net lease structure requires that the tenant pay all operating expenses of the business conducted by the tenant, including real estate taxes, insurance, utilities, and expenses of maintaining the asset in good working order. CorEnergy's Private Letter Rulings ("PLRs") enable the Company to invest in a broader set of revenue contracts within its REIT structure, including the opportunity to not only own but also operate infrastructure assets. CorEnergy considers its investments in these energy infrastructure assets to be a single business segment and reports them accordingly in its financial statements.

On February 4, 2021, the Company leveraged its PLRs and acquired a 49.50 percent interest in Crimson Midstream Holdings, LLC ("Crimson"), a California Public Utilities Commission ("CPUC") regulated crude oil pipeline owner and operator. The acquired assets include four critical infrastructure pipeline systems spanning approximately 2,000 miles (including 1,300 active miles) across northern, central and southern California, connecting desirable native California crude production to in-state refineries producing state-mandated specialized fuel blends, among other products. This interest was acquired effective as of February 1, 2021. Refer to Note 16 ("Subsequent Events") for further details on the acquisition.

### **Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include CorEnergy accounts and the accounts of its wholly-owned subsidiaries and have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") set forth in the Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC"), as published by the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB"), and with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") instructions to Form 10-K. The accompanying consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments that are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair presentation of the Company's financial position, results of operations and cash flows for the periods presented. There were no adjustments that, in the opinion of management, were not of a normal and recurring nature. All intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation, and the Company's net earnings have been reduced by the portion of net earnings attributable to non-controlling interests, when applicable.

The FASB issued ASU 2015-02 Consolidations (Topic 810) - Amendments to the Consolidation Analysis ("ASU 2015-02"), which amended previous consolidation guidance, including introducing a separate consolidation analysis specific to limited partnerships and other similar entities. Under this analysis, limited partnerships and other similar entities are considered a variable interest entity ("VIE") unless the limited partners hold substantive kick-out rights or participating rights. Management determined that Pinedale LP and Grand Isle Corridor LP are VIEs under the amended guidance because the limited partners of both partnerships lack both substantive kick-out rights and participating rights. As such, management evaluated the qualitative criteria under FASB ASC Topic 810 in conjunction with ASU 2015-02 to make a determination whether these partnerships should be consolidated in the Company's financial statements. ASC Topic 810-10 requires the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity's activities to consolidate the VIE. The primary beneficiary is identified as the enterprise that has a) the power to direct the activities of the VIE that most significantly impact the entity's economic performance and b) the obligation to absorb losses of the entity that could potentially be significant to the VIE or the right to receive benefits from the entity that could potentially be significant to the VIE. The standard requires an ongoing analysis to determine whether the variable interest gives rise to a controlling financial interest in the VIE. Based on the general partners' roles and rights as afforded by the partnership agreements

and its exposure to losses and benefits of each of the partnerships through its significant limited partner interests, management determined that CorEnergy is the primary beneficiary of both Pinedale LP and Grand Isle Corridor LP. Based upon this evaluation and the Company's 100 percent ownership interest in Pinedale LP and Grand Isle Corridor LP, the consolidated financial statements presented include full consolidation with respect to both partnerships.

### 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. *Use of Estimates* – The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

B. Leased Property and Leases – In February of 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, Leases ("ASU 2016-02" or "ASC 842"), which amends the existing accounting standards for lease accounting, including requiring lessees to recognize most leases on their balance sheets and making targeted changes to lessor accounting. The Company adopted ASC 842 effective January 1, 2019 using the modified retrospective approach by applying the transition provisions at the beginning of the period of adoption. The adoption of the new standard resulted in the recording of right-of-use assets and lease liabilities of approximately \$75 thousand each, included in prepaid expenses and other assets and accounts payable and other accrued liabilities, respectively, as of January 1, 2019, with no impact to retained earnings. The standard did not materially impact the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations and had no impact on the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows. The Company continues to apply legacy guidance in ASC 840, "Leases," including its disclosure requirements for the year ended December 31, 2018, the remaining comparative period presented prior to adoption.

Beginning in 2019, for the underlying asset class related to single-use office space, the Company accounts for each separate lease component and non-lease component as a single lease component. For the underlying lessor asset class related to pipelines residing on military bases, the Company accounts for each separate lease component and non-lease component as a single lease component if the non-lease components otherwise are accounted for in accordance with the revenue standard, and both the following criteria are met: (i) the timing and pattern of revenue recognition are the same for the non-lease component(s) and the related lease component and (ii) the lease component will be classified as an operating lease. The Company carried forward the accounting treatment for land easements under existing agreements, which are currently accounted for within property, plant and equipment. Land easements are reassessed under ASC 842 when such agreements are modified.

The Company's current leased properties are classified as operating leases and are recorded as leased property, net of accumulated depreciation, in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Initial direct costs incurred in connection with the creation and execution of a lease prior to January 1, 2019 are capitalized and amortized over the lease term. Subsequent to January 1, 2019, initial direct costs under ASC 842 are incremental costs of a lease that would not have been incurred if the lease had not been obtained and may include commissions or payments made to an existing tenant as an incentive to terminate its lease. Base rent related to the Company's leased property is recognized on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease when collectibility is probable. Participating rent is recognized when it is earned, based on the achievement of specified performance criteria. Base and participating rent are recorded as lease revenue in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. Rental payments received in advance are classified as unearned revenue and included as a liability within the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Unearned revenue is amortized ratably over the lease period as revenue recognition criteria are met. Rental payments received in arrears are accrued and classified as deferred rent receivable and included in assets within the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Under the Company's triple-net leases, the tenant is required to pay property taxes and insurance directly to the applicable third-party provider. Consistent with guidance in ASC 842, the Company will present the cost and the lessee's direct payment to the third-party under the triple-net leases on a net basis in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

C. Property and Equipment – Property and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the asset. Expenditures for repairs and maintenance are charged to operations as incurred, and improvements, which extend the useful lives of assets, are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining estimated useful life of the asset. The Company initially records long-lived assets at their purchase price plus any direct acquisition costs, unless the transaction is accounted for as a business combination, in which case the acquisition costs are expensed as incurred. If the transaction is accounted for as a business combination, the Company allocates the purchase price to the acquired tangible and intangible assets and liabilities based on their estimated fair values.

D. Long-Lived Asset Impairment – The Company's long-lived assets consist primarily of a subsea midstream pipeline system, liquids gathering system and natural gas pipelines that have been obtained through asset acquisitions and a business combination. Management continually monitors its business, the business environment and performance of its operations to determine if an event has occurred that indicates that the carrying value of a long-lived asset may be impaired. When a triggering event occurs,

which is a determination that involves judgment, management utilizes cash flow projections to assess its ability to recover the carrying value of its assets based on the Company's long-lived assets' ability to generate future cash flows on an undiscounted basis. This differs from the evaluation of goodwill, for which the recoverability assessment utilizes fair value estimates that include discounted cash flows in the estimation process and accordingly any goodwill impairment recognized may not be indicative of a similar impairment of the related underlying long-lived assets.

Management's projected cash flows of long-lived assets are primarily based on contractual cash flows relating to existing leases that extend many years into the future. If those cash flow projections indicate that the long-lived asset's carrying value is not recoverable, management records an impairment charge for the excess of carrying value of the asset over its fair value. The estimate of fair value considers a number of factors, including the potential value that would be received if the asset were sold, discount rates and projected cash flows. Due to the imprecise nature of these projections and assumptions, actual results can differ from management's estimates. For the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company recognized a loss on impairment for the GIGS asset of \$140.3 million and a loss on impairment and disposal of the Pinedale LGS of \$146.5 million, respectively, as more fully described in Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases"). There were no impairments of long-lived assets recorded during the years ended December 31, 2019 or 2018.

E. Financing Notes Receivable – Financing notes receivable are presented at face value plus accrued interest receivable and deferred loan origination costs and net of related direct loan origination income. Each quarter the Company reviews its financing notes receivable to determine if the balances are realizable based on factors affecting the collectibility of those balances. Factors may include credit quality, timeliness of required periodic payments, past due status and management discussions with obligors. The Company evaluates the collectibility of both interest and principal of each of its loans to determine if an allowance is needed. An allowance will be recorded when based on current information and events, the Company determines it is probable that it will be unable to collect all amounts due according to the existing contractual terms. If the Company determines an allowance is necessary, the amount deemed uncollectible is expensed in the period of determination. An insignificant delay or shortfall in the amount of payments does not necessarily result in the recording of an allowance. Generally, when interest and/or principal payments on a loan become past due, or if the Company does not otherwise expect the borrower to be able to service its debt and other obligations, the Company will place the loan on non-accrual status and will typically cease recognizing financing revenue on that loan until all principal and interest have been brought current. Interest income recognition is resumed if and when the previously reserved-for financing notes become contractually current and performance has been demonstrated. Payments received subsequent to the recording of an allowance will be recorded as a reduction to principal. During the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, the Company recorded provisions for loan gain of approximately \$0, \$0 and \$37 thousand, respectively. The Company's financing notes receivable are discussed more fully in Note 5 ("Financing Notes Receivable").

F. Fair Value Measurements – FASB ASC 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosure ("ASC 820"), defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. Various inputs are used in determining the fair value of the Company's assets and liabilities. These inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below:

- Level 1 quoted prices in active markets for identical investments
- · Level 2 other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar investments, market corroborated inputs, etc.)
- Level 3 significant unobservable inputs (including the Company's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments)

See Note 10 ("Fair Value") for further discussion of the Company's fair value measurements.

- G. Cash and Cash Equivalents The Company maintains cash balances at financial institutions in amounts that regularly exceed FDIC insured limits. The Company's cash equivalents are comprised of short-term, liquid money market instruments.
- H. Accounts and other receivables Accounts receivable are presented at face value net of an allowance for doubtful accounts within accounts and other receivables on the balance sheet. Accounts are considered past due based on the terms of sale with the customers. The Company reviews accounts for collectibility based on an analysis of specific outstanding receivables, current economic conditions and past collection experience. For the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, the Company determined that an allowance for doubtful accounts was not necessary.
- I. Deferred rent receivables Lease receivables are determined according to the terms of the lease agreements entered into by the Company and its lessees. Lease receivables primarily represent timing differences between straight-line revenue recognition and contractual lease receipts. Beginning April 1, 2020, lease payments by the Company's GIGS tenant lapsed due to conditions

related to the COVID-19 pandemic and energy markets, which resulted in the write-off of the deferred rent receivable of \$30.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2020. Refer to Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases") for further details.

J. *Goodwill* – Goodwill represents the excess of the amount paid for the MoGas business over the fair value of the net identifiable assets acquired. To comply with ASC 350, *Intangibles - Goodwill and Other* ("ASC 350"), the Company performs an impairment test for goodwill annually, or more frequently in the event that a triggering event has occurred. December 31st is the Company's annual testing date associated with its MoGas reporting unit.

In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-04, Simplifying the Test for Goodwill Impairment, which simplifies how an entity is required to test goodwill for impairment by eliminating step two from the goodwill impairment test. Effective January 1, 2017, the Company elected to early adopt this standard.

In accordance with ASC 350, a company may elect to perform a qualitative assessment to determine whether the quantitative impairment test is required. If the company elects to perform a qualitative assessment, the quantitative impairment test is required only if the conclusion is that it is more likely than not that the reporting unit's fair value is less than its carrying amount. If a company bypasses the qualitative assessment, the quantitative goodwill impairment test should be followed in step one.

Step one compares the fair value of the reporting unit to its carrying value to identify and measure any potential impairment. The reporting unit fair value is based upon consideration of various valuation methodologies, one of which is projecting future cash flows discounted at rates commensurate with the risks involved ("Discounted Cash Flow" or "DCF"). Assumptions used in a DCF require the exercise of significant judgment, including judgment about appropriate discount rates and terminal values, growth rates and the amount and timing of expected future cash flows. Forecasted cash flows require management to make judgments and assumptions, including estimates of future volumes and rates. Declines in volumes or rates from those forecasted, or other changes in assumptions, may result in a change in management's estimate and result in an impairment.

The Company elected to perform a qualitative goodwill impairment assessment for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2018. In performing the qualitative assessment, the Company analyzed the key drivers and other external factors that impact the business in order to determine if any significant events, transactions or other factors had occurred or were expected to occur that would impair earnings or competitiveness, therefore impairing the fair value of the MoGas reporting unit. After assessing the totality of events and circumstances, it was determined that it was not more likely than not that the fair value of the MoGas reporting unit was less than the carrying value, and so it was not necessary to perform the quantitative step one valuation. Key drivers that were considered in the qualitative evaluation of the MoGas reporting unit included: general economic conditions, including the COVID-19 pandemic for 2020, energy markets, natural gas pricing, input costs, liquidity and capital resources and customer outlook. For the year ended December 31, 2019 annual impairment test, management proceeded directly to the step one quantitative approach as a result of the MoGas FERC rate case settlement approved in August of 2019. As of the December 31, 2019 testing date, the fair value of the MoGas reporting unit was determined to be greater than its carrying value. For the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, the Company recognized no impairment for the MoGas reporting unit.

K. Debt Discount and Debt Issuance Costs – Costs incurred for the issuance of new debt are capitalized and amortized into interest expense over the debt term. Issuance costs related to long-term debt are recorded as a direct deduction from the carrying amount of that debt liability, net of accumulated amortization. Issuance costs related to line-of-credit arrangements however, are presented as an asset instead of a direct deduction from the carrying amount of the debt. In accordance with ASC 470, Debt ("ASC 470"), the Company recorded its Convertible Notes at the aggregate principal amount, less discount. The Company is amortizing the debt discount over the life of the Convertible Notes as additional non-cash interest expense utilizing the effective interest method. Refer to Note 11 ("Debt") for additional information.

L. Asset Retirement Obligations – The Company follows ASC 410-20, Asset Retirement Obligations, which requires that an asset retirement obligation ("ARO") associated with the retirement of a long-lived asset be recognized as a liability in the period in which it is incurred and becomes determinable, with an offsetting increase in the carrying amount of the associated asset. The Company recognized an existing ARO in conjunction with the acquisition of the GIGS in June of 2015.

The Company measures changes in the ARO liability due to passage of time by applying an interest method of allocation to the amount of the liability at the beginning of the period. The increase in the carrying amount of the liability is recognized as an expense classified as an operating item in the Consolidated Statements of Operations, hereinafter referred to as ARO accretion expense. The Company periodically reassesses the timing and amount of cash flows anticipated associated with the ARO and adjusts the fair value of the liability accordingly under the guidance in ASC 410-20.

The fair value of the obligation at the acquisition date was capitalized as part of the carrying amount of the related long-lived assets and is being depreciated over the asset's remaining useful life. The useful lives of most pipeline gathering systems are primarily derived from available supply resources and ultimate consumption of those resources by end users. Adjustments to the

ARO resulting from reassessments of the timing and amount of cash flows will result in changes to the retirement costs capitalized as part of the carrying amount of the asset.

Upon decommissioning of the ARO or a portion thereof, the Company reduces the fair value of the liability and recognizes a (gain) loss on settlement of ARO as an operating item in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the difference between the liability and actual decommissioning costs incurred.

Refer to Note 12 ("Asset Retirement Obligation") for additional information.

M. Revenue Recognition – In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09, Revenue from Contracts with Customers ("ASU 2014-09" or "ASC 606"), which became effective for all public entities on January 1, 2018. ASC 606 supersedes previously existing revenue recognition standards with a single model unless those contracts are within the scope of other standards (e.g. leases). The model requires an entity to recognize as revenue the amount of consideration to which it expects to be entitled for the transfer of promised goods or services to customers. A substantial portion of the Company's revenue consists of rental income from leasing arrangements, which is specifically excluded from ASC 606. However, the Company's transportation and distribution revenue is within the scope of the new guidance. The Company adopted ASC 606 effective on January 1, 2018 using the modified retrospective method. The Company elected to apply the guidance only to open contracts as of the effective date. The Company recognized the cumulative effect of applying the new standard as an adjustment to the opening balance of stockholders' equity. Refer to Note 4 ("Transportation And Distribution Revenue") for further discussion of the transition impact and related disclosures under ASC 606.

Specific recognition policies for the Company's revenue items are as follows:

- Lease revenue Refer to Leased Property and Leases for the Company's lease revenue recognition policy.
- Transportation and distribution revenue The Company's contracts related to transportation and distribution revenue are primarily comprised of a mix of natural gas supply, transportation and distribution performance obligations, as well as limited performance obligations related to system maintenance and improvement. Transportation revenues are recognized by MoGas and distribution revenues are recognized by Omega and Omega Gas Marketing, LLC.
  - Under the Company's natural gas supply, transportation and distribution performance obligations, the customer simultaneously receives and consumes the benefit of the services as natural gas is delivered. Therefore, the transaction price is allocated proportionally over the series of identical performance obligations with each contract. The transaction price is calculated based on (i) index price, plus a contractual markup in the case of natural gas supply agreements (considered variable due to fluctuations in the index), (ii) FERC regulated rates or negotiated rates in the case of transportation agreements and (iii) contracted amounts (with annual CPI escalators) in the case of the Company's distribution agreement. Based on the nature of the agreements, revenue for all but one of the Company's natural gas supply, transportation and distribution performance obligations is recognized on a right to invoice basis as the performance obligations are met, which represents what the Company expects to receive in consideration and is representative of value delivered to the customer. The Company has a contract with one customer, Spire, that has fixed pricing which varies over the contract term. For this specific contract, the transaction price has been allocated ratably over the contractual performance obligation beginning in 2018 with the adoption of ASC 606. All invoicing is done in the month following service, with payment typically due a month from invoice date.
  - The Company's contracts also contain performance obligations related to system maintenance and improvement, which are completed on an asneeded basis. The work performed is specific and tailored to the customer's needs and there are no alternative uses for the services provided. Therefore, as the work is being completed, control is transferring to the customer. These services are billed at the Company's cost, plus an agreed upon margin, and the Company has an enforceable right to payment as the services are provided. The Company invoices for this service on a monthly basis according to an agreed upon billing schedule. Revenue is recognized on an input method, based on the actual cost of a service as a measure of performance obligations satisfaction, which the Company determined to be the method which faithfully depicts the transfer of services. Differences between the amounts invoiced and revenue recognized under the input method are reflected as an asset or liability on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Any differences are typically expected to be recognized within a year. As discussed in Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases"), the costs of system improvement projects are recognized as a financing arrangement in accordance with guidance in the lease standard while the margin is recognized in accordance with the revenue standard as discussed above.
  - Beginning February 1, 2016, due to changes that commenced under a new contract with the Department of Defense ("DOD"), gas sales and cost
    of gas sales are presented on a net basis in the transportation and

distribution revenue line. The Company continues to present the gas sales and cost of gas sales on a net basis upon adoption of ASC 606.

- Financing revenue Historically, financing notes receivable have been considered a core product offering and therefore the related income is presented as a component of operating income. For increasing rate loans, base interest income is recorded ratably over the life of the loan, using the effective interest rate. The net amount of deferred loan origination income and costs are amortized on a straight-line basis over the life of the loan and reported as an adjustment to yield in financing revenue. Participating financing revenues are recorded when specific performance criteria have been met.
- N. Transportation and distribution expense Included here are both MoGas' costs of operating and maintaining the natural gas transmission line and Omega's costs of operating and maintaining the natural gas distribution system. These costs are incurred both internally and externally. The internal costs relate to system control, pipeline operations, maintenance, insurance and taxes. Other internal costs include payroll for employees associated with gas control, field employees and management. The external costs consist of professional services such as audit and accounting, legal and regulatory and engineering.

Beginning February 1, 2016, under a new contract with the DOD, amounts paid by Omega for gas and propane are netted against sales and are presented in the transportation and distribution revenue line. See paragraph (M) above.

- O. Other Income Recognition Specific policies for the Company's other income items are as follows:
  - Net distributions and other income Includes interest income earned on the Company's money market instruments and distributions and dividends from historical investments. Distributions and dividends from investments were recorded on their ex-dates and were reflected as other income within the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations. Distributions received from the Company's investments were generally characterized as ordinary income, capital gains and distributions received from investment securities. The portion characterized as return of capital was paid by the Company's investees from their cash flow from operations. The Company recorded investment income, capital gains and distributions received from investment securities based on estimates made at the time such distributions were received. Such estimates were based on information available from each company and other industry sources. These estimates may have subsequently been revised based on information received from the entities after their tax reporting periods were concluded, as the actual character of these distributions was not known until after the fiscal year end of the Company.
  - Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) from investments Securities transactions were accounted for on the date the securities were purchased or sold. Realized gains and losses were reported on an identified cost basis. The Company recorded investment income and return of capital based on estimates made at the time such distributions were received. Such estimates were based on information available from the portfolio company and other industry sources. These estimates may have subsequently been revised based on information received from the portfolio company after their tax reporting periods were concluded, as the actual character of these distributions were not known until after the Company's fiscal year end.
- P. Asset Acquisition Expenses Costs incurred in connection with the research of real property acquisitions not accounted for as business combinations are expensed until it is determined that the acquisition of the real property is probable. Upon such determination, costs incurred in connection with the acquisition of the property are capitalized as described in paragraph (C) above. Deferred costs related to an acquisition that the Company has determined, based on management's judgment, not to pursue are expensed in the period in which such determination is made. Costs incurred in connection with a business combination are expensed as incurred.
- Q. Offering Costs Offering costs related to the issuance of common or preferred stock are charged to additional paid-in capital when the stock is issued.
- R. Earnings (Loss) Per Share Basic earnings (loss) per share ("EPS") is computed using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted EPS is computed using the weighted average number of common and dilutive common equivalent shares outstanding during the period except for periods of net loss for which no common share equivalents are included because their effect would be anti-dilutive. Dilutive common equivalent shares consist of shares issuable upon conversion of the Convertible Notes calculated using the if-converted method.
- S. Federal and State Income Taxation In 2013 the Company qualified for REIT status, and in March 2014 elected (effective as of January 1, 2013), to be treated as a REIT for federal income tax purposes. Because certain of its assets may not produce REIT-qualifying income or be treated as interests in real property, those assets are held in wholly-owned TRSs in order to limit the potential that such assets and income could prevent the Company from qualifying as a REIT.

As a REIT, the Company holds and operates certain of its assets through one or more wholly-owned TRSs. The Company's use of TRSs enables it to continue to engage in certain businesses while complying with REIT qualification requirements and also

allows it to retain income generated by these businesses for reinvestment without the requirement of distributing those earnings. In the future, the Company may elect to reorganize and transfer certain assets or operations from its TRSs to the Company or other subsidiaries, including qualified REIT subsidiaries.

The Company's other equity securities were limited partnerships or limited liability companies which were treated as partnerships for federal and state income tax purposes. As a limited partner, the Company reported its allocable share of taxable income in computing its own taxable income. To the extent held by a TRS, the TRS's tax expense or benefit was included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations based on the component of income or gains and losses to which such expense or benefit related. Deferred income taxes reflect the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes. A valuation allowance is recognized if, based on the weight of available evidence, it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred income tax asset will not be realized. It is expected that for the year ended December 31, 2020, and future periods, any deferred tax liability or asset generated will be related entirely to the assets and activities of the Company's TRSs.

If the Company ceased to qualify as a REIT, the Company, as a C corporation, would be obligated to pay federal and state income tax on its taxable income.

T. Recent Accounting Pronouncements – In June of 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-13, Financial Instruments - Credit Losses ("ASU 2016-13"), which introduces an approach based on expected losses to estimate credit losses on certain types of financial instruments. The new model, referred to as the current expected credit losses ("CECL model"), will apply to financial assets subject to credit losses and measured at amortized cost, and certain off-balance sheet credit exposures. ASU 2016-13 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, including interim periods within those fiscal years. In November of 2019, the FASB issued ASU 2019-10, Financial Instruments - Credit Losses (Topic 326), Derivatives and Hedging (Topic 815), and Leases (Topic 842) Effective Dates, which deferred the effective dates of these standards for certain entities. Based on the guidance for smaller reporting companies, the effective date of ASU 2016-13 is deferred for the Company until fiscal year 2023, and the Company has elected to defer adoption of this standard.

Although the Company has elected to defer adoption of ASU 2016-13, it will continue to evaluate the potential impact of the standard on its consolidated financial statements. As part of its ongoing assessment work, the Company has formed an implementation team, completed training on the CECL model and has begun developing policies, processes and internal controls.

In December of 2019, the FASB issued ASU 2019-12, "Simplifying the Accounting for Income Taxes (Topic 740)" ("ASU 2019-12"), which is intended to simplify various aspects related to accounting for income taxes. ASU 2019-12 removes certain exceptions to the general principles in Topic 740 and also clarifies and amends existing guidance to improve consistent application. ASU 2019-12 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2020 and interim periods within those fiscal years; however, early adoption is permitted for all entities. The Company will adopt the standard effective January 1, 2021 and has substantially completed its assessment of the standard. The Company does not believe the standard will have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In March of 2020, the FASB issued ASU 2020-04, "Reference Rate Reform (Topic 848)" ("ASU 2020-04"). In response to concerns about structural risks of interbank offered rates including the risk of cessation of the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR), regulators in several jurisdictions around the world have undertaken reference rate reform initiatives to identify alternative reference rates that are more observable and less susceptible to manipulation. The provisions of ASU 2020-04 are elective and apply to all entities, subject to meeting certain criteria, that have debt or hedging contracts, among other contracts, that reference LIBOR or another reference rate expected to be discontinued because of reference rate reform. ASU 2020-04, among other things, provides optional expedients and exceptions for a limited period of time for applying U.S. GAAP to these contracts if certain criteria are met to ease the potential burden in accounting for or recognizing the effects of reference rate reform on financial reporting. ASU 2020-04 is effective for all entities as of March 12, 2020 through December 31, 2022. The Company is currently evaluating its contracts that reference LIBOR and the optional expedients and exceptions provided by the FASB.

In August 2020, the FASB issued ASU 2020-06, "Accounting for Convertible Instruments and Contracts in an Entity's Own Equity" ("ASU 2020-06"). The new guidance (i) simplifies an issuer's accounting for convertible instruments by eliminating the cash conversion and beneficial conversion feature models in ASC 470-20 that require separate accounting for embedded conversion features, (ii) simplifies the settlement assessment that issuers perform to determine whether a contract in its own equity qualifies for equity classification and (iii) requires entities to use the if-converted method for all convertible instruments and generally requires them to include the effect of share settlement for instruments that may be settled in cash or shares. ASU 2020-06 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2021. Early adoption is permitted for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2020, but an entity must early adopt the guidance at the beginning of the fiscal year. The Company elected to

early adopt ASU 2020-06 on January 1, 2021 and noted that the standard does not have an impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

### 3. LEASED PROPERTIES AND LEASES

The Company primarily acquires mid-stream and downstream assets in the U.S. energy sector such as pipelines, storage terminals, and gas and electric distribution systems and, historically, has leased many of these assets to operators under triple-net leases. These leases typically include a contracted base rent with escalation clauses and participating rents that are tied to contract-specific criteria. Base rents under the Company's leases are structured on an estimated fair market value rent structure over the initial term, which includes assumptions related to the terminal value of the assets and expectations of tenant renewals. At the conclusion of the initial lease term, the Company's leases may contain fair market value repurchase options or fair market rent renewal terms. These clauses also act as safeguards against the Company's tenants pursuing activities which would undermine or degrade the value of the assets faster than the underlying reserves are depleted. Participating rents are structured to provide exposure to the successful commercial activity of the tenant, and as such, also provide protection in the event that the economic life of the assets is reduced based on accelerated production by the Company's tenants. While the Company is primarily a lessor, certain of its operating subsidiaries are lessees and have entered into lease agreements as discussed further below.

### **LESSOR - LEASED PROPERTIES**

As of December 31, 2020, following the sale of the Pinedale LGS on June 30, 2020 (refer to "Impairment and Sale of the Pinedale Liquids Gathering System" below), the Company had one significant property located in Louisiana and the Gulf of Mexico leased on a triple-net basis to a major tenant, described in the table below. The major tenant is responsible for the payment of all taxes, maintenance, repairs, insurance and other operating expenses relating to the leased property. The Company's long-term, triple-net leases generally have an initial term with options for renewals. Lease payments are scheduled to increase at varying intervals during the initial term of the lease. The following table summarizes the significant leased property, major tenant and lease term:

	Summary of Leased Property, Major Tenant and Lease Terms					
Property	Grand Isle Gathering System					
Location	Gulf of Mexico/Louisiana					
Tenant	Energy XXI GIGS Services, LLC					
Asset Description	Approximately 137 miles of offshore pipeline with total capacity of 120 thousand Bbls/d, including a 16-acre onshore terminal and saltwater disposal system.					
Date Acquired	June 2015					
Initial Lease Term	11 years					
Renewal Option	Equal to the lesser of 9-years or 75 percent of the remaining useful life					
<b>Current Monthly Rent Payments</b>	7/1/19 - 6/30/20: \$3,223,917 7/1/20 - 6/30/21: \$4,033,583					
Estimated Useful Life(1)	15 years					

(1) In conjunction with the impairment of the Grand Isle Gathering System discussed below, the remaining estimated useful life of the GIGS asset was adjusted to approximately 15 years beginning in the second quarter of 2020. Additionally, the Company updated the useful life of its ARO segments resulting in a change to the timing of the undiscounted cash flows. The timing change resulted in an increase to the ARO asset and liability of approximately \$257 thousand as discussed in Note 12 ("Asset Retirement Obligation").

Beginning in 2019, the Company concluded that Omega's long-term contract with the DOD to provide natural gas distribution to Fort Leonard Wood through Omega's pipeline distribution system on the military post meets the definition of a lease under ASC 842. Omega is the lessor in the contract and the lease is classified as an operating lease. The Company noted the non-lease component is the predominant component in the lease, and the timing and pattern of transfer of the lease component and the associated non-lease component are the same. As discussed in Note 2 ("Significant Accounting Policies"), the Company elected to not separate lease and related non-lease components if the non-lease components otherwise would be accounted for in accordance with the revenue standard under ASC 606; therefore, the Company continues to account for the DOD contract under the revenue standard.

In the second quarter of 2019, the Company started a system improvement project on Omega's pipeline distribution system, which is considered a "built to suit" transaction under ASC 842. The system improvement project is a separate lease component and the DOD is deemed to control the system improvement due to certain contract provisions. As a result, the Company accounted for the costs of the system improvement as a financing arrangement, which is included in accounts and other receivables in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The margin the Company earned on the system improvement project is a non-lease component accounted for under the revenue standard. Refer to Note 2 ("Significant Accounting Policies") for further details.

### LEASED PROPERTIES AND TENANT INFORMATION

Substantially all of the lease tenants' financial results are driven by exploiting naturally occurring oil and natural gas hydrocarbon deposits beneath the Earth's surface. As a result, the tenants' financial results are highly dependent on the performance of the oil and natural gas industry, which is highly competitive and subject to volatility. During the terms of the leases, management monitors the credit quality of its tenants by reviewing their published credit ratings, if available, reviewing publicly available financial statements, or reviewing financial or other operating statements, monitoring news reports regarding the tenants and their respective businesses and monitoring the timeliness of lease payments and the performance of other financial covenants under their leases.

The COVID-19 pandemic-related reduction in energy demand and the uncertainty of production from OPEC members, US producers and other international suppliers caused significant disruptions and volatility in the global oil marketplace during 2020, which have adversely affected our tenants. In response to COVID-19, governments around the world have implemented stringent measures to help reduce the spread of the virus, including stay-at-home and shelter-in-place orders, travel restrictions and other measures. These measures have adversely affected the economies and financial markets of the U.S. and many other countries, resulting in an economic downturn that has negatively impacted global demand and prices for the products handled by the Company's pipelines, terminals and other facilities.

The events and conditions described above adversely impacted the Gulf of Mexico operations of the EGC Tenant, the tenant of the GIGS asset, under the Grand Isle Gathering Lease as discussed under "Energy Gulf Coast/Cox Oil" and "Grand Isle Gathering System" below.

# Energy Gulf Coast/Cox Oil

Prior to October 29, 2018, EGC was subject to the reporting requirements of the Exchange Act and was required to file with the SEC annual reports containing audited financial statements and quarterly reports containing unaudited financial statements. So long as EGC remained a public reporting company, the Grand Isle Lease Agreement provided this requirement was fulfilled by EGC making its financial statements and reports publicly available through the SEC's EDGAR system, in lieu of delivering such information directly to the Company. On October 18, 2018, EGC was acquired by an affiliate of privately-held Cox Oil. Upon the filing by EGC of a Form 15 with the SEC on October 29, 2018, EGC's SEC reporting obligations were suspended and it ceased to file such reports.

EGC's SEC filings prior to October 29, 2018 can be found at www.sec.gov. The Company makes no representation as to the accuracy or completeness of the audited and unaudited financial statements of EGC but has no reason to doubt the accuracy or completeness of such information. In addition, EGC has no duty, contractual or otherwise, to advise the Company of any events that might have occurred subsequent to the date of such financial statements which could affect the significance or accuracy of such information. None of the information in the public reports of EGC that are filed with the SEC is incorporated by reference into, or in any way form, a part of this filing.

The terms of the Grand Isle Lease Agreement require copies of certain financial statement information be provided that the Company is required to file pursuant to SEC Regulation S-X, as described in Section 2340 of the SEC Financial Reporting Manual. When EGC's financial information ceased to be publicly available, the Company encouraged officials of EGC and Cox Oil and, through Company counsel, the legal counsel to such entities, to satisfy their obligations under the Grand Isle Lease Agreement to provide the required information to the Company for inclusion in its SEC reports. EGC and Cox Oil refused to fulfill these obligations and did not fulfill these obligations prior to the disposal of the GIGS asset and termination of the Grand Isle Lease on February 4, 2021, as described further below. The Company sought to enforce the obligations of EGC and Cox Oil and obtained a temporary restraining order ("TRO") from a Texas state court, mandating that they deliver the required EGC financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2018. The TRO was stayed pending an appeal by EGC and Cox Oil and, pursuant to its own terms, had lapsed by the time that appeal was denied on January 6, 2020. The case was remanded to the trial court for further proceedings. In May 2020, the trial court granted the Company's motion for summary judgment mandating the tenant deliver the required financial statements. The Company believed that it was entitled to such relief, but the parties agreed to stay this case in order to facilitate settlement discussions as discussed further below.

On April 1, 2020, the EGC Tenant, a wholly owned indirect subsidiary of Cox Oil, ceased paying rent due. EGC Tenant was contractually obligated to pay rent and rent continued to accrue whether or not oil was being shipped. EGC Tenant was a special purpose entity engaged solely in activities related to the lease, and it does not own or operate any wells. EGC, parent of the EGC Tenant, owned and operated wells, including those connected to GIGS, and was the guarantor of the EGC Tenant's obligations under the lease. Following EGC Tenant's failure to pay rent due for April of 2020, and following discussions with Cox Oil management concerning its various operations, the Company sent EGC Tenant and EGC a notice of non-payment. After the required two-day cure period, a default occurred under the lease.

The EGC Tenant also failed to make required rent payments from May of 2020 through January of 2021. As a result, the Company initiated litigation in the State Court of Texas to recover the unpaid rent, plus interest, for April through July of 2020 from the EGC Tenant. Further, EGC filed an action to attempt to set aside the guarantee obligations of EGC under the lease. The Company intended to enforce its rights under the lease. These cases were stayed pending negotiation of a business resolution with EGC and the EGC Tenant.

As more fully described in Note 16 ("Subsequent Events"), on February 4, 2021, the Company contributed the GIGS asset as partial consideration for the acquisition of its interest in Crimson. In connection with the disposition, the Company and Grand Isle Corridor entered into a Settlement and Mutual Release Agreement (the "Settlement Agreement") with the EGC Tenant, EGC, and CEXXI, LLC (the "EXXI Entities"). The EGC Tenant is the tenant under the Grand Isle Lease Agreement, dated June 30, 2015 with Grand Isle Corridor. Grand Isle Corridor initially received a Guaranty dated June 22, 2015 from Energy XXI Ltd. in connection with the original purchase of the GIGS, which was assumed by EGC, as guarantor of the obligations of the EGC Tenant pursuant to the terms of the Assignment and Assumption of Guaranty and Release dated December 30, 2016 (as assigned and assumed, the "Landlord Guaranty").

Pursuant to the terms of the Settlement Agreement, the Company and Grand Isle Corridor released the EXXI Entities from any and all claims, except for the Environmental Indemnity under the Grand Isle Lease Agreement, which shall survive, and the EXXI Entities released the Company and Grand Isle Corridor from any and all claims. The parties have also agreed to jointly dismiss the litigation described above in connection with the Settlement Agreement. Additionally, the Grand Isle Lease Agreement and Landlord Guaranty were cancelled and terminated. The termination of the Grand Isle Lease Agreement will result in the write-off of deferred lease costs of \$166 thousand in the first quarter of 2021.

# **Grand Isle Gathering System**

The Company identified the EGC Tenant's nonpayment of rent discussed above along with the significant decline in the global oil market as indicators of impairment for the GIGS asset. As a result, the Company assessed the GIGS asset for impairment as of March 31, 2020. The Company performed a step 1 impairment assessment on the GIGS asset by estimating the undiscounted contractual cash flows relating to the lease using probability-weighted scenarios, which indicated that the GIGS asset's carrying value was not recoverable. As a result, the fair value of the GIGS asset was estimated through the use of probability-weighted discounted estimated cash flow scenarios to measure the impairment loss. The probability-weighted cash flows used to assess recoverability of the GIGS asset and measure its fair value were developed using assumptions related to the Grand Isle Lease Agreement and near-term crude oil and water price and volume projections reflective of the current environment and management's projections for long-term average prices and volumes. In addition to near and long-term price assumptions, other key assumptions include the timing and collectibility of lease payments, operating costs, timing of incurring such costs and the use of an appropriate discount rate. The Company believes its estimates and models used to determine fair value are similar to what a market participant would use.

The Company engaged specialists and other third-parties to assist with the valuation methodology and analysis of certain underlying assumptions. The fair value measurement of the GIGS asset was based, in part, on significant inputs not observable in the market (as discussed above) and thus represents a Level 3 measurement. The significant unobservable input used includes a discount rate based on an estimated weighted average cost of capital of a theoretical market participant. The Company utilized a weighted average discount rate of 10.0 percent when deriving the fair value of the GIGS asset impaired during the first quarter of 2020. The weighted average discount rate reflects management's best estimate of inputs a market participant would utilize. For the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company recognized a \$140.3 million loss on impairment of leased property related to the GIGS asset in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. As of December 31, 2020, the carrying value of the GIGS asset is \$63.6 million, which is included in leased properties on the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

The Company previously recognized a deferred rent receivable for the Grand Isle Gathering Lease, which primarily represents timing differences between the straight-line revenue recognition and contractual lease receipts over the lease term. Given the EGC's Tenant's nonpayment of rent and the Company's expectations surrounding the collectibility of the contractual lease payments under the lease, the Company did not expect the deferred rent receivable to be recoverable. Accordingly, the Company recognized a non-cash write-off of the deferred rent receivable of \$30.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2020. The non-cash write-off was recognized as a reduction of revenue in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

As discussed above, on February 4, 2021, the Company contributed the GIGS asset as partial consideration for the acquisition of its interest in Crimson resulting in its disposal, along with the asset retirement obligation (collectively, the "GIGS Disposal Group"), which was assumed by the sellers. Upon meeting the held for sale criteria in mid-January 2021, the Company ceased recording depreciation on the GIGS asset. The contribution of the GIGS Disposal Group will result in a loss on impairment and disposal of leased property and asset retirement obligation, net in the Consolidated Statements of Operations in the first quarter of 2021.

### Impairment and Sale of the Pinedale Liquids Gathering System

On April 14, 2020, UPL, the parent and guarantor of the lease obligations of the tenant and operator of the Company's Pinedale LGS, announced that its significant indebtedness and extremely challenging current market conditions raised a substantial doubt about its ability to continue as a going concern. The going concern qualification in UPL's financial statements filed in its 2019 10-K resulted in defaults under UPL's credit and term loan agreement. UPL also disclosed that it elected not to make interest payments on certain outstanding indebtedness, triggering a 30-day grace period. If such interest payments were not made by the end of the grace period, an event of default would occur, potentially causing its outstanding indebtedness to become immediately due and payable. UPL further disclosed that if it was unable to obtain sufficient additional capital to repay the outstanding indebtedness and sufficient liquidity to meet its operating needs, it may be necessary for UPL to seek protection from creditors under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

On May 14, 2020, UPL filed a voluntary petition to reorganize under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. The filing included Ultra Wyoming, the operator of the Pinedale LGS and tenant under the Pinedale Lease Agreement with the Company's indirect wholly owned subsidiary Pinedale LP. The bankruptcy filing of both the guarantor, UPL, and the tenant constituted defaults under the terms of the Pinedale Lease Agreement. The bankruptcy filing imposed a stay of CorEnergy's ability to exercise remedies for the foregoing defaults. Ultra Wyoming also filed a motion to reject the Pinedale Lease Agreement, with a request that such motion be effective June 30, 2020. Pending the effective date of the rejection, Section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code generally requires Ultra Wyoming to comply on a timely basis with the provisions of the Pinedale Lease Agreement, including the payment provisions. Accordingly, the Company received the rent payments due on the first day of April, May and June 2020.

Pinedale LP, along with Prudential, the lender under the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility discussed in Note 11 ("Debt"), commenced discussions with UPL which resulted in UPL presenting an initial offer to purchase the Pinedale LGS. The Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility was secured by the Pinedale LGS and was not secured by any assets of CorEnergy or its other subsidiaries.

On June 5, 2020, Pinedale LP filed a motion with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court objecting to Ultra Wyoming's motion to reject the Pinedale Lease Agreement while continuing its negotiations with UPL. Pinedale LP and the Company agreed in principle to terms with Ultra Wyoming to sell the Pinedale LGS for \$18.0 million cash as set forth in a non-binding term sheet that was filed with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in UPL's Chapter 11 case along with a motion for approval of the transaction on June 22, 2020. A copy of the draft definitive purchase and sale agreement was also filed with the motion.

On June 26, 2020, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in UPL's Chapter 11 case approved the sale of the Pinedale LGS. Following such approval, on June 29, 2020, Pinedale LP entered into the purchase and sale agreement (the "Sale Agreement") with Ultra Wyoming. On June 30, 2020, Pinedale LP closed on the sale of the Pinedale LGS to its tenant, Ultra Wyoming, for total cash consideration of \$18.0 million, and the Pinedale Lease Agreement was terminated. The sale was completed pursuant to the terms of the Sale Agreement previously approved by the bankruptcy court as discussed above. In connection with the closing of the sale, the Company and Pinedale LP entered into a mutual release of all claims related to the Pinedale LGS and the Pinedale Lease Agreement with UPL and Ultra Wyoming, including a release by Pinedale LP of all claims against UPL and Ultra Wyoming arising from the rejection or termination of the Pinedale Lease Agreement.

In conjunction with the sale of the Pinedale LGS described above, Pinedale LP and the Company entered into a compromise and release agreement (the "Release Agreement") with Prudential related to the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility, which had an outstanding balance of approximately \$32.0 million, net of \$132 thousand of deferred debt issuance costs. Pursuant to the Release Agreement, the \$18.0 million sale proceeds from the Sale Agreement were provided by Ultra Wyoming directly to Prudential. The Company also provided the remaining cash available at Pinedale LP of approximately \$3.3 million (including \$198 thousand for accrued interest) to Prudential in exchange for (i) the release of all liens on the Pinedale LGS and the other assets of Pinedale LP, (ii) the termination of the Company's pledge of equity interests of the general partner of Pinedale LP, (iii) the termination and satisfaction in full of the obligations of Pinedale LP under the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility and (iv) a general release of any other obligations of Pinedale LP and/or the Company and their respective directors, officers, employees or agents pertaining to the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility.

During the negotiation and closing of the sale of the Pinedale LGS to Ultra Wyoming, the Company determined impairment indicators existed as the value to be received from the sale was less than the carrying value of the asset of \$164.5 million. As a result of these indicators and the sale of the Pinedale LGS, the Company recognized a loss on impairment and disposal of leased property in the Consolidated Statement of Operations of approximately \$146.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2020. Further, the sale of the Pinedale LGS resulted in the termination of the Pinedale Lease Agreement, and the Company recognized a loss on termination of lease of approximately \$458 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2020. These losses were partially offset by the settlement of the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility with Prudential (as discussed above and in Note 11 ("Debt")), which resulted in a gain on extinguishment of debt of \$11.0 million for year ended December 31, 2020.

### Sale of the Portland Terminal Facility

On December 21, 2018, the Company entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement with Zenith Energy Terminals Holdings, LLC ("Zenith Terminals"), the Company's tenant under the Portland Lease Agreement, to sell the Portland Terminal Facility and remaining interest in the Joliet Terminal ("Joliet") for an aggregate consideration of \$61.0 million, net of transaction costs. Of the negotiated sale price of \$61.0 million, approximately \$56.0 million was paid in cash at closing, with the balance of \$5.0 million in a promissory note, which was paid on January 7, 2019. The sale of the Portland Terminal Facility effectively terminated the Portland Lease Agreement, dated January 14, 2014, between the Company and Zenith Terminals.

The consideration was allocated to the Portland Terminal Facility (\$60.6 million) and Joliet (\$0.4 million) based on fair value information utilized in negotiating the transaction. As of December 21, 2018, the Portland Terminal Facility had a carrying value of \$45.7 million. The sale of the Portland Terminal Facility resulted in a gain on sale of leased asset of approximately \$11.7 million, net of deferred rent receivable of approximately \$3.2 million. Prior to the sale of the Joliet interest, the equity interest was valued at its transacted value of \$1.2 million from the required reinvestment during the Arc Logistics merger with Zenith in December 2017. The sale of the Joliet interest resulted in a realized loss on other equity securities of approximately \$715 thousand. Both the gain on sale of leased asset, net and the realized loss on other equity securities are included as items in other income (expense) in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2018. Refer to Note 10 ("Fair Value") for additional information on the sale of the interest in Joliet.

## **Future Minimum Lease Receipts & Significant Leases**

As of December 31, 2020, the Grand Isle Lease Agreement was the Company's only remaining triple-net lease, and the future contracted minimum rental receipts for this lease included \$49.6 million for 2021, \$48.6 million for 2022, \$45.5 million for 2023, \$43.7 million for 2024, \$42.2 million for 2025, and \$20.8 million thereafter. As described above, the Grand Isle Lease Agreement was terminated on February 4, 2021. The Company will not collect the contracted future minimum rental receipts outlined above.

The table below displays the Company's individually significant leases as a percentage of total leased properties and total lease revenues for the periods presented:

As a Porcentage of (1)

		AS	a Percentage of W		
	Leased Pro	perties	L	ease Revenues	
	As of Decem	nber 31,	For the Ye	ars Ended December	r 31,
	2020	2019	2020(2)	2019	2018
Pinedale LGS (3)	<u> </u>	44.4 %	52.0 %	39.2 %	35.2 %
Grand Isle Gathering System (4)	98.0 %	55.3 %	47.6 %	60.6 %	55.9 %
Portland Terminal Facility (5)	<del></del> %	— %	— %	— %	8.8 %

<sup>(1)</sup> Insignificant leases are not presented; thus percentages may not sum to 100%.

<sup>(2)</sup> Total lease revenue is exclusive of the deferred rent receivable write-off for the year ended December 31, 2020 discussed above.

<sup>(3)</sup> Pinedale LGS lease revenues include variable rent of \$28 thousand, \$4.6 million and \$4.3 million for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The Pinedale LGS was sold to Ultra Wyoming and the Pinedale Lease Agreement was terminated on June 30, 2020, as discussed above.

<sup>(4)</sup> As of December 31, 2020, the Grand Isle Gathering System's percentage of leased properties increased as a result of the sale of the Pinedale LGS on June 30, 2020. For the year ended December 31, 2020, the Grand Isle Gathering System's percentage of lease revenues is exclusive of the deferred rent receivable write-off discussed further above.

<sup>(5)</sup> On December 21, 2018, the Portland Terminal Facility was sold to Zenith Terminals, terminating the Portland Lease Agreement.

The following table reflects the depreciation and amortization included in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations associated with the Company's leases and leased properties:

		For the Years Ended December 31,						
		2020		2019		2018		
Depreciation Expense								
GIGS	\$	6,013,322	\$	9,763,163	\$	10,836,590		
Pinedale (1)		3,695,599		8,869,440		8,869,440		
Portland Terminal Facility (2)		_		_		1,243,769		
United Property Systems		39,737		39,117		36,662		
Total Depreciation Expense	\$	9,748,658	\$	18,671,720	\$	20,986,461		
Amortization Expense - Deferred Lease Costs								
GIGS	\$	30,564	\$	30,564	\$	30,564		
Pinedale (1)		30,684		61,368		61,368		
Total Amortization Expense - Deferred Lease Costs	\$	61,248	\$	91,932	\$	91,932		
ARO Accretion Expense	<u> </u>							
GIGS	\$	461,713	\$	443,969	\$	499,562		
Total ARO Accretion Expense	\$	461,713	\$	443,969	\$	499,562		
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- (1) On June 30, 2020, the Pinedale LGS was sold to Ultra Wyoming, terminating the Pinedale Lease Agreement.
- (2) On December 21, 2018, the Portland Terminal Facility was sold to Zenith Terminals, terminating the Portland Lease Agreement.

The following table reflects the deferred costs that are included in the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheets associated with the Company's leased properties:

	Decemb	er 31, 2020	Decem	nber 31, 2019
Net Deferred Lease Costs				
GIGS	\$	168,191	\$	198,755
Pinedale		_		488,981
Total Deferred Lease Costs, net	\$	168,191	\$	687,736

### **LESSEE - LEASED PROPERTIES**

The Company's operating subsidiaries currently lease single-use office space and equipment with remaining lease terms of approximately two years, some of which may include renewal options. These leases are classified as operating leases and immaterial to the consolidated financial statements. The Company recognizes lease expense in the Consolidated Statements of Operations on a straight-line basis over the remaining lease term.

## 4. TRANSPORTATION AND DISTRIBUTION REVENUE

The Company's contracts related to transportation and distribution revenue are primarily comprised of a mix of natural gas supply, transportation and distribution performance obligations, as well as limited performance obligations related to system maintenance and improvement. Refer to Note 2 ("Significant Accounting Policies") for additional details on the Company's revenue recognition policies under ASC 606.

Based on a downward revision of the rate during the Company's contract with Spire, ASC 606 requires the Company to record the contractual transaction price, and therefore aggregate revenue, from the contract ratably over the term of the contract. Accordingly, on January 1, 2018, the Company recorded a cumulative adjustment to recognize a contract liability of approximately \$3.3 million, and a corresponding reduction to beginning equity (net of deferred tax impact). The adjustment reflects the difference in amounts previously recognized as invoiced, versus cumulative revenues earned under the contract on a straight-line basis in accordance with ASC 606, as of the date of adoption. The contract liability continued to accumulate additional unrecognized performance obligations at a rate of approximately \$992 thousand per quarter until the contractual rate decrease took effect in November 2018. Following the rate decline, recognized performance obligations exceeded amounts invoiced and the contract liability began to decline at a rate of approximately \$138 thousand per quarter through mid-December 2020.

During the fourth quarter of 2020, MoGas entered into a new long-term firm transportation services agreement with Spire, its largest customer. Upon completion of the STL interconnect project in mid-December 2020, as described in Note 7 ("Property And Equipment"), the agreement increased Spire's firm capacity from 62,800 dekatherms per day to 145,600 dekatherms per day through October 2030 and replaced the previous firm transportation agreement. In accordance with ASC 606, the Company accounted for the contract modification in the fourth quarter of 2020 as a termination of the existing transportation contract and a creation of a new transportation contract with Spire, which is accounted for prospectively. Following the contract modification,

the recognized performance obligation will continue to exceed amounts invoiced, and the contract liability will decline at a rate of \$146 thousand per quarter through the end of the contract in October 2030. As of December 31, 2020, the revenue allocated to the remaining performance obligation under this contract is approximately \$68.7 million.

The table below summarizes the Company's contract liability balance related to its transportation and distribution revenue contracts as of December 31, 2020 and 2019.

	Co								
		December 31, 2020		December 31, 2019					
Beginning Balance January 1	\$	6,850,790	\$	6,522,354					
Unrecognized Performance Obligations		347,811		887,916					
Recognized Performance Obligations		(1,093,622)		(559,480)					
Ending Balance December 31	\$	6,104,979	\$	6,850,790					
	\$	<u> </u>	\$	, , ,					

(1) The contract liability balance is included in unearned revenue in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

The Company's contract asset balance was \$363 thousand and \$206 thousand as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. The Company also recognized deferred contract costs related to incremental costs to obtain a transportation performance obligation contract, which are amortized on a straight-line basis over the remaining term of the contract. As of December 31, 2020, the remaining unamortized deferred contract costs balance was \$950 thousand. The contract asset and deferred contract costs balances are included in prepaid expenses and other assets in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

The following is a breakout of the Company's transportation and distribution revenue for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018:

	For the	e Years Ended December	31,
	2020	2019	2018
Natural gas transportation contracts	64.3 %	67.8 %	64.3 %
Natural gas distribution contracts	23.9 %	25.5 %	26.8 %

### 5. FINANCING NOTES RECEIVABLE

### Four Wood Financing Note Receivable

On December 12, 2018, Four Wood Corridor granted SWD Enterprises approval to sell real and personal property that provide saltwater disposal services for the oil and natural gas industry to Compass SWD, LLC ("Compass SWD") in exchange for Compass SWD executing a loan agreement with Four Wood Corridor for \$1.3 million (the "Compass REIT Loan") and approximately \$237 thousand in cash consideration, net of costs facilitating the close. The Compass REIT Loan was scheduled to mature on June 15, 2019 with interest accruing on the outstanding principal at an annual rate of LIBOR plus 6 percent. As a result of the transaction, SWD Enterprises was released from their loan agreements, and the Company recognized a provision for loan gain of \$37 thousand in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2018.

On June 12, 2019, Four Wood Corridor entered into an amended and restated Compass REIT Loan. The amended note has a two-year term maturing on June 30, 2021 with monthly principal payments of approximately \$11 thousand and interest accruing on the outstanding principal at an annual rate of 8.5 percent. The amended and restated Compass REIT Loan is secured by real and personal property that provides saltwater disposal services for the oil and natural gas industry and pledged ownership interests of Compass SWD members.

On May 22, 2020, the terms of the Compass REIT Loan were amended (i) to extend the maturity date from June 30, 2021 to November 30, 2024 and (ii) to reduce payments to interest only through December 31, 2020. Additionally, the amended Compass REIT Loan will continue to accrue interest at an annual rate of 8.5 percent through May 31, 2021. Subsequent to May 31, 2021 interest will accrue at an annual rate of 12.0 percent. Monthly principal payments of approximately \$11 thousand will resume on January 1, 2021 and increase annually beginning on June 30, 2021 through the maturity date. As of December 31, 2020 and 2019, the Compass REIT Loan was valued at \$1.2 million.

### **6. INCOME TAXES**

Deferred income taxes reflect the net tax effect of temporary differences between the carrying amount of assets and liabilities for financial reporting and tax purposes. Components of the Company's deferred tax assets and liabilities as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, are as follows:

Deferred Tax Asset	s and Liabilities		
	December 31, 2020		December 31, 2019
Deferred Tax Assets:			
Deferred contract revenue	\$ 1,474,96	2 \$	1,529,473
Net operating loss carryforwards	6,438,62	8	5,622,052
Accrued liabilities	-	_	424,604
Capital loss carryforward	92,41	8	104,595
Other	42	0	6,184
Sub-total	\$ 8,006,42	8 \$	7,686,908
Valuation allowance	(92,41	8)	(104,595)
Sub-total	\$ 7,914,01	0 \$	7,582,313
Deferred Tax Liabilities:			
Cost recovery of leased and fixed assets	\$ (3,578,28	3) \$	(2,953,319)
Other	(53,15	1)	(35,433)
Sub-total	\$ (3,631,43	4) \$	(2,988,752)
Total net deferred tax asset	\$ 4,282,57	6 \$	4,593,561

As of December 31, 2020, the total deferred tax assets and liabilities presented above relate to the Company's TRSs. The Company recognizes the tax benefits of uncertain tax positions only when the position is "more likely than not" to be sustained upon examination by the tax authorities based on the technical merits of the tax position. The Company's policy is to record interest and penalties on uncertain tax positions as part of tax expense. Tax years subsequent to the year ended December 31, 2017, remain open to examination by federal and state tax authorities.

As of December 31, 2020 and 2019, the TRSs had a cumulative net operating loss ("NOL") of \$26.7 million and \$23.5 million, respectively. On March 27, 2020, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (the "CARES Act") was enacted in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The CARES Act, among other things, permits NOL carryovers and carrybacks to offset 100 percent of taxable income for taxable years beginning before 2021. In addition, the CARES Act allows NOLs originating in 2018, 2019 and 2020 to be carried back to each of the five preceding taxable years to generate a refund of previously paid income taxes. Certain of the Company's TRSs have NOLs totaling approximately \$1.2 million that are eligible for carryback under the CARES Act. The benefit of these carrybacks has been recorded as an increase to income taxes receivable and a reduction to deferred tax assets. Certain NOLs which were initially measured at the current corporate income tax rate of 21 percent are being carried back to offset taxable income that was taxed at a pre-Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 rate of 34 percent. The benefit received from the rate differential is reflected in the income tax provision for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Net operating losses of \$23.3 million generated during the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 may be carried forward indefinitely, subject to limitation. Net operating losses generated for years prior to December 31, 2018 may be carried forward for 20 years. If not utilized, the net operating loss will expire as follows: \$328 thousand, \$176 thousand, \$993 thousand and \$2.0 million in the years ending December 31, 2034, 2035, 2036 and 2037, respectively.

For the year ended December 31, 2019, the Company generated a capital loss carryforward resulting from the liquidation of Lightfoot. The capital loss decreased upon receipt of the final 2019 K-1's in the first quarter of 2020. The amount of the carryforward for tax purposes was approximately \$440 thousand and \$500 thousand as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively, and if not utilized, this carryforward will expire as of December 31, 2024. Management assessed the available evidence and determined that it is more likely than not that the capital loss carryforward will not be utilized prior to expiration. Due to the uncertainty of realizing this deferred tax asset, a valuation allowance of \$92 thousand and \$105 thousand was recorded equal to the amount of the tax benefit of this carryforward at December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. In the future, if the Company concludes, based on existence of sufficient evidence, that it should realize more or less of its deferred tax assets, the valuation allowance will be adjusted accordingly in the period such conclusion is made.

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "2017 Tax Act") was enacted on December 22, 2017. The 2017 Tax Act reduced the US federal corporate tax rate from 35 percent to 21 percent. The 2017 Tax Act also repealed the alternative minimum tax for corporations. In December 2018, the Company completed its accounting for the tax effects of enactment of the 2017 Tax Act as allowed under SEC Staff Accounting Bulletin 118. The Company remeasured deferred tax assets and liabilities based on the updated rates at which they are expected to reverse in the future, which resulted in a \$1.3 million transition adjustment that reduced net deferred

tax assets. One of the Company's TRSs qualifies for the regulated utility and real property business exceptions under the new proposed treasury regulations for Section 163(j). Therefore, previously disqualified interest from years prior to 2018 was deducted and resulted in a reclassification from other deferred tax assets to deferred tax assets for net operating loss carryforwards during the year ended December 31, 2018. The Company will continue to assess the impact of new tax legislation, as well as any future regulations and updates provided by the tax authorities.

Total income tax expense (benefit) differs from the amount computed by applying the federal statutory income tax rate of 21 percent for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, to income or loss from operations and other income and expense for the years presented, as follows:

Income Tax	Expense (Benefit)											
	F6	For the Years Ended December 31,										
	2020		2019		2018							
Application of statutory income tax rate	\$ (64,292,0	12) \$	904,111	\$	8,671,562							
State income taxes, net of federal tax benefit	35,3	371	409,839		(583,186)							
Income of Real Estate Investment Trust not subject to tax	64,331,	60	(941,900)		(10,339,520)							
Other	(159,3	377)	(137,432)		(167,582)							
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Total income tax expense (benefit)

Total income taxes are computed by applying the federal statutory rate of 21 percent plus a blended state income tax rate. Corridor Public and Corridor Private had a blended state rate of approximately 5.53 percent for the year ended December 31, 2018. In the first quarter of 2019, the state rate for Corridor Public and Corridor Private was adjusted to zero for current and future state liabilities. The decrease in the state rate was the result of the 2018 sale or disposition of assets within the investments held by Corridor Private. CorEnergy BBWS had a blended state income tax rate of approximately 3 percent for the year ended December 31, 2020 and approximately 5 percent for the year ended December 31, 2019 due to its operations in Missouri. CorEnergy BBWS did not record a provision for state income taxes for the year ended December 31, 2018 because it only operated in Wyoming, which does not have state income tax. Because Corridor MoGas primarily only operates in the state of Missouri, a blended state income tax rate of 3 percent was used for the operation of the TRS for the year ended December 31, 2020 and 5 percent was used for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018. For CorEnergy BBWS and Corridor MoGas, the blended state rate includes the enacted decrease in the Missouri state income tax rate effective in 2020. As a result of the decreased rate, additional deferred state income taxes of \$315 thousand resulting from the application of the newly enacted rate to existing deferred balances was recorded in the first quarter of 2019.

For the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, all of the income tax expense (benefit) presented above relates to the assets and activities held in the Company's TRSs. The components of income tax expense (benefit) include the following for the periods presented:

Components	of Income Tax Expense (Benefit	)										
		For the Years Ended December 31,										
		2020		2018								
Current tax expense (benefit)												
Federal	\$	(420,074)	\$	(159,381)	\$	(413,248)						
State (net of federal tax benefit)		24,231		39,357		(172,138)						
Total current tax benefit	\$	(395,843)	\$	(120,024)	\$	(585,386)						
Deferred tax expense (benefit)												
Federal	\$	299,845	\$	(15,840)	\$	(1,422,292)						
State (net of federal tax benefit)		11,140		370,482		(411,048)						
Total deferred tax expense (benefit)	\$	310,985	\$	354,642	\$	(1,833,340)						
Total income tax expense (benefit), net	\$	(84,858)	\$	234,618	\$	(2,418,726)						

The aggregate cost of securities for federal income tax purposes and securities with unrealized appreciation and depreciation, were as follows:

Aggregate Cost of Securities fo	r Income Tax Purposes	
	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
Aggregate cost for federal income tax purposes	\$ 301,314 \$	345,241
Gross unrealized appreciation	<del></del>	_
Gross unrealized depreciation	_	_
Net unrealized appreciation	<u>\$</u>	

The Company provides the following tax information to its common stockholders pertaining to the character of distributions paid during tax years 2020, 2019 and 2018. For a common stockholder that received all distributions in cash during 2020, 100.0 percent will be treated as return of capital. The per share characterization by quarter is reflected in the following tables:

			2020 Com	mon S	Stock Tax In	ıfo	rmation	2020 Common Stock Tax Information													
Record Date	Ex-Dividend Date	Payable Date	Total stribution er Share		al Ordinary ividends		Qualified Dividends	Capital Gain Distributions		ndividend stributions		Section 199A Dividends									
2/14/2020	2/13/2020	2/28/2020	\$ 0.7500	\$		\$	· —	\$ _	\$	0.7500	\$	_									
5/15/2020	5/14/2020	5/29/2020	0.0500		_		_	_		0.0500		_									
8/17/2020	8/14/2020	8/31/2020	0.0500		_		_	_		0.0500		_									
11/16/2020	11/13/2020	11/30/2020	0.0500		_		_	_		0.0500		_									

**Total 2020 Distributions** 

	2019 Common Stock Tax Information													
Record Date	Ex-Dividend Date	Payable Date		Total stribution er Share		Total Ordinary ividends		ualified vidends		apital Gain stributions		ondividend stributions		ction 199A ividends
2/14/2019	2/13/2019	2/28/2019	\$	0.7500	\$	0.5803	\$	_	\$	0.0156	\$	0.1541	\$	0.5803
5/17/2019	5/16/2019	5/31/2019		0.7500		0.4578		_		0.0150		0.2772		0.4578
8/16/2019	8/15/2019	8/30/2019		0.7500		0.4578		_		0.0150		0.2772		0.4578
11/15/2019	11/14/2019	11/29/2019		0.7500		0.4578		_		0.0150		0.2772		0.4578
Total 2019 Distrib	utions		\$	3.0000	\$	1.9537	\$	_	\$	0.0606	\$	0.9857	\$	1.9537

	2018 Common Stock Tax Information																	
Record Date	Ex-Dividend Date	Payable Date	Total Distribution per Share		Distribution		Distribution		ribution Ordinary		Qualified Dividends					recaptured ion 1250 Gain		ction 199A ividends
2/14/2018	2/13/2018	2/28/2018	\$	0.7500	\$	0.5346	\$		\$	0.2154	\$	0.1007	\$	0.5346				
5/17/2018	5/16/2018	5/31/2018		0.7500		0.5346		_		0.2154		0.1007		0.5346				
8/17/2018	8/16/2018	8/31/2018		0.7500		0.5346		_		0.2154		0.1007		0.5346				
11/15/2018	11/14/2018	11/30/2018		0.7500		0.5346		_		0.2154		0.1007		0.5346				
Total 2018 Distrib	utions		\$	3.0000	\$	2.1384	\$	_	\$	0.8616	\$	0.4028	\$	2.1384				

The Company provides the following tax information to its preferred stockholders pertaining to the character of distributions paid during the 2020, 2019 and 2018 tax years. For a preferred stockholder that received all distributions in cash during 2020, 100.0 percent will be treated as return of capital. The per share characterization by quarter is reflected in the following tables:

			2020 Prefe	erred S	tock Tax In	ıformati	on					
Ex-Dividend Record Date Date Payable Date		 Total stribution er Share	Total Ordinary Dividends		Qualified Dividends		Capital Gain Distributions		Nondividend Distributions		ion 199A vidends	
2/14/2020	2/13/2020	2/28/2020	\$ 0.4609	\$	_	\$		\$		\$	0.4609	\$ _
5/15/2020	5/14/2020	5/29/2020	0.4609		_		_		_		0.4609	_
8/17/2020	8/14/2020	8/31/2020	0.4609		_		_		_		0.4609	_
11/16/2020	11/13/2020	11/30/2020	0.4609								0.4609	
Total 2020 Distribu	utions		\$ 1.8436	\$		\$		\$	_	\$	1.8436	\$ _

	2019 Preferred Stock Tax Information																
Record Date	Ex-Dividend Date	Payable Date	Total Distribution per Share		Distribution		Distribution Ordinary		Qualified Dividends		Capital Gain Distributions			Nondividend Distributions	Section 199A Dividends		
2/14/2019	2/13/2019	2/28/2019	\$	0.4609	\$	0.4483	\$	_	\$	0.0126	\$	_	\$	0.4483			
5/17/2019	5/16/2019	5/31/2019		0.4609		0.4463		_		0.0146		_		0.4463			
8/16/2019	8/15/2019	8/30/2019		0.4609		0.4463		_		0.0146		_		0.4463			
11/15/2019	11/14/2019	11/29/2019		0.4609		0.4463		_		0.0146		_		0.4463			
Total 2019 Distril	outions		\$	1.8436	\$	1.7872	\$		\$	0.0564	\$		\$	1.7872			

### 2018 Preferred Stock Tax Information

Record Date	Ex-Dividend Date	Payable Date	Total Distribution per Share		Total Ordinary Dividends		Qualified Dividends		Capital Gain Distributions		Unrecaptured Section 1250 Gain		Section 199A Dividends	
2/14/2018	2/13/2018	2/28/2018	\$	0.4609	\$	0.3285	\$	_	\$	0.1324	\$	0.0619	\$	0.3285
5/17/2018	5/16/2018	5/31/2018		0.4609		0.3285		_		0.1324		0.0619		0.3285
8/17/2018	8/16/2018	8/31/2018		0.4609		0.3285		_		0.1324		0.0619		0.3285
11/15/2018	11/14/2018	11/30/2018		0.4609		0.3285		_		0.1324		0.0619		0.3285
Total 2018 Distrib	utions		\$	1.8436	\$	1.3140	\$		\$	0.5296	\$	0.2476	\$	1.3140

The Company elected, effective for the 2013 tax year, to be treated as a REIT for federal income tax purposes. The Company's REIT election, assuming continued compliance with the applicable tests, will continue in effect for subsequent tax years. The Company satisfied the annual income test and the quarterly asset tests necessary for us to qualify to be taxed as a REIT for 2020, 2019 and 2018.

### 7. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment consist of the following:

Property and Equipment								
	Dec	cember 31, 2020	D	December 31, 2019				
Land	\$	686,330	\$	605,070				
Natural gas pipeline		126,910,465		124,614,696				
Vehicles and trailers		719,897		671,962				
Office equipment and computers		268,559		268,559				
Construction work in progress		220,157		_				
Gross property and equipment	\$	128,805,408	\$	126,160,287				
Less: accumulated depreciation		(22,580,810)		(19,304,610)				
Net property and equipment	\$	106,224,598	\$	106,855,677				

Depreciation expense was \$3.4 million for each of the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively. In mid-December 2020, the Company completed the STL Interconnect project at a cost of \$2.4 million, which will allow gas to be delivered by STL Pipeline LLC and received by MoGas.

### 8. CONCENTRATIONS

The Company has customer concentrations through a major tenant at its one significant leased property as discussed fully in Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases"). In addition to the lease concentration, contracted transportation revenues from the Company's subsidiary, MoGas, to its largest customer, Spire (formally Laclede Gas Company), represented approximately 16 percent of consolidated revenues excluding the deferred rent receivable write-off recorded on GIGS for the year ended December 31, 2020. Spire represented approximately 7 percent and 6 percent of consolidated revenues for the years ended December 31, 2019 and 2018, respectively. The Company's contracted transportation revenues with Spire beginning with the year ended December 31, 2018 were impacted by the adoption of ASC 606, which required the Company to record the contract with Spire on a straight-line basis and record a transition adjustment on January 1, 2018. Refer to Note 4 ("Transportation And Distribution Revenue") for additional details. Further, MoGas' customer, Ameren Energy, and Omega's customer, the DOD, represented 11 percent and 15 percent, respectively, of consolidated revenues excluding the deferred rent receivable write-off recorded on GIGS for the year ended December 31, 2020.

# 9. MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

The Company has executed a Management Agreement with Corridor InfraTrust Management, LLC ("Corridor"), a related party. Under the Management Agreement, Corridor (i) presents the Company with suitable acquisition opportunities consistent with the investment policies and objectives of the Company, (ii) is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Company and (iii) performs such services and activities relating to the assets and operations of the Company as may be appropriate. The Management Agreement, which does not have a specific term and will remain in place unless terminated by the Company or Corridor in accordance with its terms, does give a majority of the stockholders of the Company, or two-thirds of the independent directors, the ability to terminate the agreement for any reason on thirty (30) days' prior written notice, so long as that notice is delivered with a termination payment equal to three times the base management fee and incentive fee paid to the manager in the last four quarters.

The terms of the Management Agreement provide for a quarterly management fee to be paid to Corridor equal to 0.25 percent (1.00 percent annualized) of the value of the Company's Managed Assets as of the end of each quarter. "Managed Assets" means the total assets of the Company (including any securities receivables, other personal property or real property purchased with or attributable to any borrowed funds) minus (A) the initial invested value of all non-controlling interests, (B) the value of any hedged derivative assets, (C) any prepaid expenses and (D) all of the accrued liabilities other than (1) deferred taxes and (2) debt entered into for the purpose of leverage. For purposes of the definition of Managed Assets, the Company's securities portfolio will be valued at then current market value. For purposes of the definition of Managed Assets, other personal property and real property assets will include real and other personal property owned and the assets of the Company invested, directly or indirectly, in equity interests in or loans secured by real estate or personal property (including acquisition related costs and acquisition costs that may be allocated to intangibles or are unallocated), valued at the aggregate historical cost, before reserves for depreciation, amortization, impairment charges or bad debts or other similar noncash reserves. In light of previous provisions for loan losses on certain of the Company's energy infrastructure financing investments, the Manager voluntarily recommended, and the Company agreed, that effective on and after the Company's March 31, 2016 balance sheet date, solely for the purpose of computing the value of the Company's Managed Assets in calculating the quarterly management fee under the terms of the Management Agreement, that portion of the Management Fee attributable to such loans shall be based on the estimated net realizable value of the loans, which shall not exceed the amount invested in the loans as of the end of the quarter for which the Management Fee is

The Management Agreement also provides for payment of a quarterly incentive fee of 10 percent of the increase in distributions paid over a distribution threshold equal to \$0.625 per share per quarter, and requires that at least half of any incentive fees that are paid be reinvested in the Company's common stock. The foregoing description of the terms of the May 1, 2015 Management Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full terms of such agreement, which is incorporated by reference as an exhibit to this Report.

During the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, the Company and the Manager agreed to the following modifications to the fee arrangements described above:

- During the year ended December 31, 2019, the Manager voluntarily recommended, and the Company agreed, that the Manager would waive \$470 thousand of the total \$658 thousand incentive fee that would otherwise be payable under the provisions of the Management Agreement with respect to dividends paid on the Company's common stock.
- During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Manager voluntarily recommended, and the Company agreed, that the Manager would waive all of the \$171 thousand incentive fee earned during first quarter 2020. During the second, third and fourth quarters of 2020, the Company did not earn the incentive fee that would otherwise be payable under the provisions of the Management Agreement with respect to dividends paid on the Company's common stock.
- In reviewing the application of the quarterly management fee provisions of the Management Agreement to the net proceeds received from the offering of 5.875% Convertible Notes, which closed on August 12, 2019, the Manager waived any incremental management fee due as of the end of (i) the third and fourth quarters of 2019 and (ii) first, second and third quarters of 2020 based on such proceeds (other than the cash portion of such proceeds that was utilized in connection with the exchange of the Company's 7.00% Convertible Notes).
- In reviewing the application of the quarterly management fee provisions of the Management Agreement to the sale of the Pinedale LGS, termination of the Pinedale Lease Agreement and settlement of the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility, which occurred on June 30, 2020 (collectively, the "Pinedale Transaction"), the Manager and the Company agreed that the incremental management fee attributable to the assets involved in the Pinedale Transaction should be paid for the second quarter of 2020 as such assets were under management for all but the last day of the period.

Fees incurred under the Management Agreement for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 were \$5.1 million, \$6.8 million and \$7.6 million, respectively, and are reported in the General and Administrative line item on the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

The Company pays Corridor, as the Company's Administrator pursuant to an Administrative Agreement, an administrative fee equal to an annual rate of 0.04 percent of the value of the Company's Managed Assets, with a minimum annual fee of \$30 thousand. Fees incurred under the Administrative Agreement for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 were \$203 thousand, \$264 thousand and \$280 thousand, respectively, and are reported in the General and Administrative line item on the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

On February 4, 2021, the Company announced an agreement to internalize the manager, Corridor, (the "Internalization") and an amendment to the Management Agreement, which adjusts Corridor's compensation for the quarterly management fee and incentive fee. Refer to Note 16 ("Subsequent Events") for additional details of the Internalization.

### 10. FAIR VALUE

### Valuation Techniques and Unobservable Inputs

The Company's other equity securities, which have been sold or fully liquidated in prior years, represented securities issued by private companies and were classified as Level 3 assets. The Company elected to report the other equity securities at fair value under the fair value option. Significant judgment was required in selecting the assumptions used to determine the fair values of these investments.

### **Lightfoot**

The Company's Lightfoot investment consisted of a 6.6 percent and 1.5 percent equity interest in Lightfoot LP and Lightfoot GP, respectively. During the fourth quarter of 2017, a significant portion of the Lightfoot investment was acquired in connection with Zenith's acquisition of Arc Logistics. Subsequent to the acquisition, Lightfoot's only material asset consisted of its remaining investment in Gulf LNG, a receiving, storage and regasification terminal in Pascagoula, Mississippi.

On March 1, 2016, an affiliate of Gulf LNG received a Notice of Disagreement and Disputed Statements and a Notice of Arbitration from Eni USA, one of the two companies that had entered into a terminal use agreement for capacity of the liquefied natural gas facility owned by Gulf LNG and its subsidiaries. On June 29, 2018, the arbitration panel delivered its award, and the panel's ruling calls for the termination of the agreement and Eni USA's payment of compensation to Gulf LNG. On September 25, 2018, Gulf LNG filed a lawsuit against Eni USA in the Delaware Court of Chancery to enforce the award. Further, on September 28, 2018, Gulf LNG filed a lawsuit against Eni S.p.A. in the Supreme Court of the State of New York in New York County to enforce a guarantee agreement entered by Eni S.p.A. in connection with the terminal use agreement.

During the third quarter of 2018, the fair value of the Lightfoot investment was reduced to zero due to additional market information. In the fourth quarter of 2018, the Company received a distribution representing a return of capital totaling approximately \$667 thousand due to the disposition of the remaining asset interest. The Company recognized a realized loss of \$1.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2018. The loss is recorded in net realized and unrealized loss on other equity securities in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. During the fourth quarter of 2019, Lightfoot LP and Lightfoot GP were fully liquidated.

### **Joliet**

On December 21, 2018, the Company sold its 0.6 percent interest in Joliet, along with the Portland Terminal Facility, to Zenith Terminals for approximately \$446 thousand. The sale resulted in a realized loss on other equity securities of approximately \$715 thousand included in net realized and unrealized loss on other equity securities in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2018.

The following section describes the valuation methodologies used by the Company for estimating fair value for financial instruments not recorded at fair value, but fair value is included for disclosure purposes only, as required under disclosure guidance related to the fair value of financial instruments.

Cash and Cash Equivalents — The carrying value of cash, amounts due from banks, federal funds sold and securities purchased under resale agreements approximates fair value.

Financing Notes Receivable — The financing notes receivable are valued on a non-recurring basis. The financing notes receivable are reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of such assets may not be recoverable. Financing notes with carrying values that are not expected to be recovered through future cash flows are written-down to their estimated net realizable value. Estimates of realizable value are determined based on unobservable inputs, including estimates of future cash flow generation and value of collateral underlying the notes.

Secured Credit Facilities — The fair value of the Company's long-term variable-rate and fixed-rate debt under its secured credit facilities approximates carrying value.

Unsecured Convertible Senior Notes — The fair value of the unsecured convertible senior notes is estimated using quoted market prices from either active (Level 1) or generally active (Level 2) markets.

**Carrying and Fair Value Amounts** 

	Level within Fair		December 3	1, 20	)20	December 31, 2019						
	Value Hierarchy	Carı	rying Amount (1)	Fair Value		Carrying Amount (1)			Fair Value			
Financial Assets:												
Cash and cash equivalents	Level 1	\$	99,596,907	\$	99,596,907	\$	120,863,643	\$	120,863,643			
Financing notes receivable (Note 5)	Level 3		1,209,736		1,209,736		1,235,000		1,235,000			
Financial Liabilities:												
Secured credit facilities	Level 2	\$	_	\$	_	\$	33,785,930	\$	33,785,930			
7.00% Unsecured convertible senior notes	Level 1		_		_		2,084,178		2,820,832			
5.875% Unsecured convertible senior notes	Level 2		115,008,130		84,409,292		116,239,318		122,508,000			

<sup>(1)</sup> The carrying value of debt balances are presented net of unamortized original issuance discount and debt issuance costs.

### **11. DEBT**

The following is a summary of debt facilities and balances as of December 31, 2020 and 2019:

	Total	O			December 3	1, 2020	December	31, 2019
	Commitment or Original Principal	Quarterly Principal Payments	Maturity Date	(	Amount Outstanding	Interest Rate	Amount Outstanding	Interest Rate
CorEnergy Secured Credit Facility(1):								
CorEnergy Revolver	\$ 160,000,000	\$ —	7/28/2022	\$	_	2.89 %	\$ —	4.51 %
MoGas Revolver	1,000,000	_	7/28/2022		_	2.89 %	_	4.51 %
Omega Line of Credit(2)	1,500,000	_	4/30/2021		_	4.14 %	_	5.76 %
Pinedale Secured Credit Facility:								
Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility(3)	41,000,000	882,000	12/29/2022		_	— %	33,944,000	6.50 %
7.00% Unsecured Convertible Senior Notes	115,000,000	_	6/15/2020		_	— %	2,092,000	7.00 %
5.875% Unsecured Convertible Senior Notes	120,000,000	_	8/15/2025		118,050,000	5.875 %	120,000,000	5.875 %
Total Debt				\$	118,050,000		\$ 156,036,000	
Less:								
Unamortized deferred financing costs (4)				\$	385,131		\$ 635,351	
Unamortized discount on 7.00% Convertible S	Senior Notes				_		6,681	
Unamortized discount on 5.875% Convertible	Senior Notes				2,656,739		3,284,542	
Long-term debt, net of deferred financing of	osts			\$	115,008,130		\$ 152,109,426	
Debt due within one year				\$			\$ 5,612,178	

<sup>(1)</sup> The CorEnergy Secured Credit Facility was terminated on February 4, 2021 in connection with the Crimson Transaction described in Note 16 ("Subsequent Events"). Refer to "CorEnergy Credit Facilities" section below.

### CorEnergy Credit Facilities

Prior to 2017, the Company had a credit facility with Regions Bank (as lender and administrative agent for the other participating lenders) providing borrowing capacity of \$153.0 million, consisting of (i) the CorEnergy Revolver of \$105.0 million, (ii) the CorEnergy Term Loan of \$45.0 million and (iii) the MoGas Revolver of \$3.0 million.

On July 28, 2017, the Company entered into an amendment and restatement of the CorEnergy Credit Facility with Regions Bank, as lender and administrative agent for other participating lenders (collectively, with the Agent, the "Lenders"). The amended facility provided for borrowing commitments of up to \$161.0 million, consisting of (i) \$160.0 million on the CorEnergy Revolver, subject to borrowing base limitations, and (ii) \$1.0 million on the MoGas Revolver, as detailed below.

The amended facility had a 5-year term maturing on July 28, 2022. Borrowings under the credit facility generally bore interest on the outstanding principal amount using a LIBOR pricing grid that is expected to equal a LIBOR rate plus an applicable margin of 2.75 percent to 3.75 percent, based on the Company's senior secured recourse leverage ratio. Total availability was subject to a borrowing base. The CorEnergy Credit Facility contained, among other restrictions, certain financial covenants including the

<sup>(2)</sup> The Omega Line of Credit was terminated on February 4, 2021 in connection with the Crimson Transaction described in Note 16 ("Subsequent Events"). Refer to "Mowood/Omega Revolver" section below.

<sup>(3)</sup> The Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility was settled during the second quarter of 2020 in connection with the sale of the Pinedale LGS asset. Refer to the "Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility" section below.

<sup>(4)</sup> Unamortized deferred financing costs related to the Company's revolving credit facilities are included in Deferred Costs in the Assets section of the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Refer to the "Deferred Financing Costs" paragraph below.

maintenance of certain financial ratios, as well as default and cross-default provisions customary for transactions of this nature (with applicable customary grace periods).

The CorEnergy Credit Facility was secured by substantially all of the assets owned by the Company and its subsidiaries other than (i) the assets held by Mowood, LLC, Omega, Pinedale LP and Pinedale GP (the "Unrestricted Subs") and (ii) the equity investments in the Unrestricted Subs.

Effective May 14, 2020, the Company entered into a Limited Consent with the Lenders under the CorEnergy Revolver that was part of the CorEnergy Credit Facility, pursuant to which the Lenders agreed to extend the required date for delivery of the Company's financial statements for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2020 to coordinate with the Company's previously announced extension of the filing date for its first quarter Form 10-Q pursuant to applicable SEC relief (which filing and delivery occurred within the permitted extension period). The Limited Consent also documented notice previously provided by the Company to the Agent that certain events of default occurred under the Company's lease for its GIGS asset, as a result of the tenant under the Grand Isle Lease Agreement having failed to pay the rent due for April and May 2020. The Limited Consent was subject to the Company's continued compliance with all of the other terms of the CorEnergy Revolver, and included the Company's agreement with the Lenders that the borrowing base value of the GIGS asset for purposes of the CorEnergy Revolver shall be zero, effective as of the Company's March 31, 2020 balance sheet date. The Company also provided written notification to the Lenders of the EGC Tenant's nonpayment of rent in June, July, August, September, October and November 2020.

As of December 31, 2020, the Company violated the total leverage ratio under the CorEnergy Revolver due to declining trailing-twelve month EBITDA primarily as a result of the nonpayment of rent from the EGC Tenant during 2020. The Company was in compliance with all other covenants of the CorEnergy Credit Facility. As of December 31, 2020, the violation of the total leverage ratio was expected to reduce the remaining borrowing base under the CorEnergy Revolver to zero upon filing of the fourth quarter of 2020 compliance certificate. The Company continued to have \$1.0 million of availability under the MoGas Revolver. Prior to entering into discussions with the Lenders regarding the covenant violation and filing the compliance certificate for the fourth quarter of 2020, the Company terminated the CorEnergy Credit Facility in connection with the Crimson Transaction on February 4, 2021 as described in Note 16 ("Subsequent Events"). The Company's subsidiary, Corridor MoGas, became a co-borrower under the Crimson Amended and Restated Credit Facility described further below. As of December 31, 2020 and through the termination date of the facility, the Company had no borrowings outstanding on the CorEnergy Revolver and MoGas Revolver. The termination of the CorEnergy Credit Facility resulted in the payment of unused fees and certain legal expenses.

The Company previously disclosed debt covenant considerations in its Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q that raised substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. However, the Company determined that the debt covenant considerations were mitigated by management's plans. Further, the Crimson Transaction, along with the termination of the CorEnergy Credit Facility, on February 4, 2021, have resolved the considerations identified in the Company's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q as the Company has leveraged its liquidity to invest in revenue-generating assets. As a result, the accompanying consolidated financial statements and related notes for the year ended December 31, 2020 have been prepared assuming that the Company will continue as a going concern.

### MoGas Revolver

In conjunction with the MoGas Transaction, MoGas and United Property Systems, as co-borrowers, entered into a revolving credit agreement dated November 24, 2014 ("the MoGas Revolver") with certain lenders, including Regions Bank as agent for such lenders. Following subsequent amendments and restatements made on July 8, 2015 and July 28, 2017, in connection with the amendments and restatements of the CorEnergy Credit Facility discussed above, commitments under the MoGas Revolver were reduced from the original level of \$3.0 million to a current total of \$1.0 million.

The MoGas Revolver was secured by the assets held at MoGas and had a maturity date of July 28, 2022. Interest accrued under the MoGas Revolver at the same rate and pursuant to the same terms as it accrues under the CorEnergy Revolver. As of December 31, 2020, the co-borrowers were in compliance with all covenants, and there were no borrowings against the MoGas Revolver. As discussed under "CorEnergy Credit Facilities" above, the MoGas Revolver component of the CorEnergy Credit Facility was terminated on February 4, 2021.

### Mowood/Omega Revolver

On July 31, 2015, a \$1.5 million revolving line of credit ("Mowood/Omega Revolver") was established with Regions Bank with a maturity date of July 31, 2016. Following annual extensions, the current maturity of the facility had been amended and extended to April 30, 2021. The Mowood/Omega Revolver was used by Omega for working capital and general business purposes and was guaranteed and secured by the assets of Omega. Interest accrued at LIBOR plus 4 percent and was payable monthly in arrears with no unused fee. There was no outstanding balance at December 31, 2020. On February 4, 2021, the Mowood/Omega Revolver was terminated in connection with the Crimson Transaction described in Note 16 ("Subsequent Events").

### Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility

On December 29, 2017, Pinedale LP entered into the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility with Prudential and a group of lenders affiliated with Prudential as the sole lenders and Prudential serving as administrative agent. Under the terms of the Amended Term Credit Facility, Pinedale LP was provided with a 5-year \$41.0 million term loan facility, bearing interest at a fixed rate of 6.5 percent, which was scheduled to mature on December 29, 2022. Principal payments of \$294 thousand, plus accrued interest, were payable monthly. Outstanding balances under the facility were secured by the Pinedale LGS assets.

As previously discussed in Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases"), UPL's bankruptcy filing constituted a default under the terms of the Pinedale Lease Agreement with Pinedale LP. Such default under the Pinedale Lease Agreement was an event of default under the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility, which was secured by the Pinedale LGS. Among other things, an event of default could give rise to a Cash Control Period (as defined in the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility), which impacted Pinedale LP's ability to make distributions to the Company. During such a Cash Control Period, which was triggered May 14, 2020, by the bankruptcy filing of Ultra Wyoming and its parent guarantor, UPL, distributions by Pinedale LP to the Company were permitted to the extent required for the Company to maintain its REIT qualification, so long as Pinedale LP's obligations under the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility were not accelerated following an Event of Default (as defined in the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility).

Effective May 8, 2020, Pinedale LP entered into a Standstill Agreement with Prudential. The Standstill Agreement anticipated Pinedale LP's notification to Prudential of two Events of Default under the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility (the "Specified Events of Default") as a result of the occurrence of either (i) any bankruptcy filing by UPL or Ultra Wyoming and (ii) any resulting impact on Pinedale LP's net worth covenant under the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility due to any accounting impairment of the assets of Pinedale LP triggered by any such bankruptcy filing of Ultra Wyoming. Under the Standstill Agreement, Prudential agreed to forbear through September 1, 2020, or the earlier occurrence of a separate Event of Default under the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility (the "Standstill Period") from exercising any rights they may have had to accelerate and declare the outstanding balance under the credit facility immediately due and payable as a result of the occurrence of either of the Specified Events of Default, provided that there were no other Events of Default and Pinedale LP continued to meet its obligations under all of the other terms of the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility. The Standstill Agreement also required that Pinedale LP not make any distributions to the Company during the Standstill Period and that interest was to accrue and be payable from the effective date of such agreement at the Default Rate of interest provided for in the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility, which increased the effective interest rate to 8.50 percent.

As previously discussed in Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases"), Pinedale LP and the Company entered into the Release Agreement with Prudential related to the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility, which had an outstanding balance of approximately \$32.0 million, net of \$132 thousand of deferred debt issuance costs. Pursuant to the Release Agreement, the \$18.0 million sale proceeds were provided by Ultra Wyoming directly to Prudential at closing of the Pinedale LGS sale transaction on June 30, 2020. The Company also provided all cash available at Pinedale LP of approximately \$3.3 million (including \$198 thousand for accrued interest) to Prudential in exchange for (i) the release of all liens on the Pinedale LGS and the other assets of Pinedale LP, (ii) the termination of the Company's pledge of equity interests of the general partner of Pinedale LP, (iii) the termination and satisfaction in full of the obligations of Pinedale LP under the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility and (iv) a general release of any other obligations of Pinedale LP and/or the Company and their respective directors, officers, employees or agents pertaining to the Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility. The Release Agreement resulted in a gain on extinguishment of debt of approximately \$11.0 million recorded in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2020.

# **Deferred Financing Costs**

A summary of deferred financing cost amortization expenses for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 is as follows:

Deferred Financing	Cost Amortization Expense (1)(2)

	_	For the	e Ye	ars Ended Decem	ber 3	1,		
		2020		2019		2018		
CorEnergy Credit Facility	\$	574,541	\$	574,542	\$	574,541		
Amended Pinedale Term Credit Facility		26,410		52,821		52,728		
Total Deferred Debt Cost Amortization	\$	600,951	\$	627,363	\$	627,269		

<sup>(1)</sup> Amortization of deferred debt issuance costs is included in interest expense in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

<sup>(2)</sup> For the amount of deferred debt costs amortization relating to the Convertible Notes included in the Consolidated Statements of Operations, refer to the Convertible Note Interest Expense table below.

### CorEnergy Credit Facilities

Prior to the July 28, 2017 credit facility amendment and restatement, previously existing deferred financing costs related to the CorEnergy Credit Facility were approximately \$1.8 million, of which approximately \$1.6 million continue to be deferred and amortized under the amended and restated facility. Additionally, the Company incurred approximately \$1.3 million in new debt issuance costs which have been deferred and are being amortized over the term of the new facility. The total deferred financing costs of \$2.9 million are being amortized on a straight-line basis over the 5-year term of the amended and restated CorEnergy Credit Facility. In connection with the termination of the CorEnergy Credit Facility described above, the Company will write-off the remaining deferred debt costs of approximately \$857 thousand as a loss on extinguishment of debt in the Consolidated Statement of Operations in the first quarter of 2021.

#### Convertible Debt

### 7.00% Convertible Notes

On June 29, 2015, the Company completed a public offering of \$115.0 million aggregate principal amount of 7.00% Convertible Senior Notes Due 2020 (the "7.00% Convertible Notes"). The Convertible Notes matured on June 15, 2020 and bore interest at a rate of 7.0 percent per annum, payable semi-annually in arrears on June 15 and December 15 of each year, beginning on December 15, 2015. The 7.00% Convertible Notes were convertible into shares of the Company's common stock at a rate of 30.3030 shares of common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of the 7.00% Convertible Notes, equivalent to an initial conversion price of \$33.00 per share of common stock. Such conversion rate was subject to adjustment in certain events as specified in the Indenture.

On May 23, 2016, the Company repurchased \$1.0 million of its 7.00% Convertible Notes on the open market. During the year ended December 31, 2018, certain holders elected to convert approximately \$42 thousand of 7.00% Convertible Notes for 1,271 shares of CorEnergy common stock.

On January 16, 2019, the Company agreed with three holders of its 7.00% Convertible Notes, pursuant to privately negotiated agreements, to exchange \$43.8 million face amount of such notes for an aggregate of 837,040 shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, plus aggregate cash consideration of \$19.8 million, including \$315 thousand of interest expense. The Company's agent and lenders under the CorEnergy Credit Facility provided a consent for the convertible note exchange. The Company recorded a loss on extinguishment of debt of approximately \$5.0 million in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the first quarter of 2019. The loss on extinguishment of debt included the write-off of a portion of the underwriter's discount and deferred debt costs of \$409 thousand and \$27 thousand, respectively.

On August 15, 2019, the Company used a portion of the net proceeds from the offering of the 5.875% Convertible Notes discussed further below, together with shares of its common stock, to exchange \$63.9 million face amount of its 7.00% Convertible Notes pursuant to privately negotiated agreements with three holders. The total cash and stock consideration for the exchange was valued at approximately \$93.2 million. This included an aggregate of 703,432 shares of common stock plus cash consideration of approximately \$60.2 million, including \$733 thousand of interest expense. The Company recorded a loss on extinguishment of debt of approximately \$28.9 million in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the third quarter of 2019. The loss on extinguishment of debt included the write-off of a portion of the underwriter's discount and deferred debt costs of \$360 thousand and \$24 thousand, respectively. Collectively, for the two exchange transactions described above, the Company recorded a loss on extinguishment of debt of \$34.0 million in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2019.

Additionally, during the year ended December 31, 2019, certain holders elected to convert \$4.2 million of 7.00% Convertible Notes for approximately 127,143 shares of common stock, respectively. As of December 31, 2019, the Company has \$2.1 million aggregate principal amount of 7.00% Convertible Notes outstanding.

During the first quarter of 2020, certain holders elected to convert \$416 thousand of 7.00% Convertible Notes for approximately 12,605 shares of common stock. On June 12, 2020, the Company paid \$1.7 million in aggregate principal and \$59 thousand in accrued interest upon maturity of the 7.00% Convertible Notes to extinguish the remaining debt outstanding.

### 5.875% Convertible Notes

On August 12, 2019, the Company completed a private placement offering of \$120.0 million aggregate principal amount of 5.875% Convertible Senior Notes due 2025 (the "5.875% Convertible Notes") to the initial purchasers of such notes for cash in reliance on an exemption from registration provided by Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act. The initial purchasers then resold the 5.875% Convertible Notes for cash equal to 100 percent of the aggregate principal amount thereof to qualified institutional buyers, as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act, in reliance on an exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A.

The 5.875% Convertible Notes mature on August 15, 2025 and bear interest at a rate of 5.875 percent per annum, payable semiannually in arrears on February 15 and August 15 of each year, beginning on February 15, 2020.

The 5.875% Convertible Notes were issued with an initial purchasers' discount of \$3.5 million, which is being amortized over the life of the notes. The Company also incurred approximately \$508 thousand of deferred debt costs in issuing the 5.875% Convertible Notes, which are also being amortized over the life of the notes.

Holders may convert all or any portion of their 5.875% Convertible Notes into shares of the Company's common stock at their option at any time prior to the close of business on the business day immediately preceding the maturity date. The initial conversion rate for the 5.875% Convertible Notes is 20.0 shares of common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of the 5.875% Convertible Notes, equivalent to an initial conversion price of \$50.00 per share of the Company's common stock. Such conversion rate will be subject to adjustment in certain events as specified in the Indenture.

Upon the occurrence of a make-whole fundamental change (as defined in the Indenture), holders may require the Company to repurchase for cash all or any portion of their 5.875% Convertible Notes at a fundamental change repurchase price equal to 100 percent of the principal amount of the 5.875% Convertible Notes to be repurchased, plus any accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to, but excluding, the fundamental change repurchase date as prescribed in the Indenture. Following the occurrence of a make- whole fundamental change, or if the Company delivers a notice of redemption (as discussed below), the Company will, in certain circumstances, increase the applicable conversion rate for a holder that elects to convert its notes in connection with such make-whole fundamental change or notice of redemption.

The Company may not redeem the 5.875% Convertible Notes prior to August 15, 2023. On or after August 15, 2023, the Company may redeem for cash all or part of the 5.875% Convertible Notes, at its option, if the last reported sale price of its common stock has been at least 125 percent of the conversion price then in effect for at least 20 trading days (whether or not consecutive) during any 30 consecutive trading day period (including the last trading day of such period) ending on, and including, the trading day immediately preceding the date on which the Company provides notice of redemption. The redemption price will equal 100 percent of the principal amount of the 5.875% Convertible Notes to be redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the redemption date.

The Indenture for the 5.875% Convertible Notes specifies events of default, including default by the Company or any of its subsidiaries with respect to any debt agreements under which there may be outstanding, or by which there may be secured or evidenced, any debt in excess of \$25.0 million in the aggregate of the Company and/or any such subsidiary, resulting in such indebtedness becoming or being declared due and payable prior to its stated maturity.

The 5.875% Convertible Notes rank equal in right of payment to any other current and future unsecured obligations of the Company and senior in right of payment to any other current and future indebtedness of the Company that is contractually subordinated to the 5.875% Convertible Notes. The 5.875% Convertible Notes are structurally subordinated to all liabilities (including trade payables) of the Company's subsidiaries. The 5.875% Convertible Notes are effectively junior to all of the Company's existing or future secured debt, to the extent of the value of the collateral securing such debt.

On April 29, 2020, the Company repurchased approximately \$2.0 million face amount of its 5.875% Convertible Notes for approximately \$1.3 million, including \$24 thousand of accrued interest. The repurchase resulted in a gain on extinguishment of debt of \$576 thousand recorded in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2020. Subsequent to the transaction and as of December 31, 2020, the Company has \$118.1 million aggregate principal amount of 5.875% Convertible Notes outstanding.

The following is a summary of the impact of Convertible Notes on interest expense for the years ended December 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018:

Convertible Note Interest Expense

	 For the	e Yea	rs Ended Decem	ber 3	1,
	 2020		2019		2018
7.00% Convertible Notes:					
Interest Expense	\$ 55,331	\$	3,354,178	\$	7,979,118
Discount Amortization	6,682		320,821		738,912
Deferred Debt Issuance Cost Amortization	 1,140		21,004		48,276
Total 7.00% Convertible Notes	\$ 63,153	\$	3,696,003	\$	8,766,306
5.875% Convertible Notes:					
Interest Expense	\$ 6,972,988	\$	2,722,083	\$	_
Discount Amortization	577,539		225,458		_
Deferred Debt Issuance Amortization	83,723		31,493		_
Total 5.875% Convertible Notes	\$ 7,634,250	\$	2,979,034	\$	_
Total Convertible Note Interest	\$ 7,697,403	\$	6,675,037	\$	8,766,306

Including the impact of the convertible debt discount and related deferred debt issuance costs, (i) the effective interest rate on the 7.00% Convertible Notes was approximately 7.7 percent for each of the years ended December 31, 2019, and 2018 and (ii) the effective interest rate on the 5.875% Convertible Notes is approximately 6.4 percent for the year ended December 31, 2020 and 2019.

### Crimson Credit Facility

On February 4, 2021, in connection with the Crimson Transaction described in detail in Note 16 ("Subsequent Events"), Crimson Midstream Operating, LLC ("Crimson Midstream Operating") and Corridor MoGas, (collectively, the "Borrowers"), together with Crimson, MoGas Debt Holdco LLC, MoGas, CorEnergy Pipeline Company, LLC, United Property Systems, Crimson Pipeline, LLC and Cardinal Pipeline, L.P. (collectively, the "Guarantors") entered into the Crimson Credit Facility with the lenders from time to time party thereto and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Administrative Agent for such lenders, Swingline Lender and Issuing Bank. The Crimson Credit Facility provides borrowing capacity of up to \$155.0 million, consisting of: a \$50.0 million revolving credit facility ("Crimson Revolver"), an \$80.0 million term loan ("Crimson Term Loan") and an uncommitted incremental facility of \$25.0 million. Upon closing of the Crimson Transaction, the Borrowers drew the \$80.0 million Crimson Term Loan and \$25.0 million on the Crimson Revolver.

The loans under Crimson Credit Facility mature on February 4, 2024. The Crimson Term Loan requires quarterly payments of \$2.0 million in arrears on the last business day of March, June, September and December, commencing on June 30, 2021. Subject to certain conditions all loans made under the Credit Agreement shall, at the option of the Borrowers, bear interest at either (a) LIBOR plus a spread of 325 to 450 basis points, or (b) a rate equal to the highest of (i) the prime rate established by the Administrative Agent, (ii) the federal funds rate plus 0.5%, or (iii) the one-month LIBOR rate plus 1.0%, plus a spread of 225 to 350 basis points. The applicable spread for each interest rate is based on the Total Leverage Ratio (as defined in the Crimson Credit Facility); however, the initial interest rate is set at the top level of the pricing grid until the first compliance reporting event for the period ending June 30, 2021.

Outstanding balances under the facility are secured by all assets of the Borrowers and Guarantors (including the equity in such parties), other than any assets regulated by the CPUC and other customary excluded assets, pursuant to an Amended and Restated Pledge Agreement and an Amended and Restated Security Agreement. Under the terms of the Crimson Credit Facility, the Borrowers and their restricted subsidiaries (the "Consolidated Parties") will be subject to certain financial covenants commencing with the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2021 as follows (i): the total leverage ratio shall not be greater than: (a) 3.00 to 1.00 commencing with the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2021 through and including the fiscal quarter ending December 31, 2021; (b) 2.75 to 1.00 commencing with the fiscal quarter ending March 31, 2022 through and including the fiscal quarter ending December 31, 2022; and (c) 2.50 to 1.00 commencing with the fiscal quarter ending March 31, 2023 and for each fiscal quarter thereafter and (ii) the debt service coverage ratio, shall not be less than 2.00 to 1.00.

Cash distributions to the Company from the Borrowers are subject to certain restrictions, including without limitation, no default or event of default, compliance with financial covenants, minimum undrawn availability and available free cash flow. The Borrowers and their restricted subsidiaries are also subject to certain additional affirmative and negative covenants customary for credit transactions of this type. The Crimson Credit Facility contains default and cross-default provisions (with applicable customary grace or cure periods) customary for transactions of this type. Upon the occurrence of an event of default, payment of all amounts outstanding under the Crimson Credit Facility may become immediately due and payable at the election of the Required Lenders (as defined in the Crimson Credit Facility).

### 12. ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATION

A component of the consideration exchanged to purchase the GIGS assets in June 2015 was the assumption of the seller's ARO associated with such assets. The ARO represents the estimated costs of decommissioning the GIGS pipelines and onshore oil receiving and separation facilities in Grand Isle, Louisiana at retirement. The Company recognized the ARO at its estimated fair value on the date of acquisition with a corresponding ARO asset capitalized as part of the carrying amount of the related long-lived assets to be depreciated over the assets' remaining useful lives.

The Company's tenant, EGC Tenant, has an ARO related to the platform which is currently attached to the GIGS pipelines. If in the future, EGC Tenant is unable to fulfill their obligation, the Company may be required to assume the liability for the related asset removal costs.

In periods subsequent to the initial measurement of an ARO, the Company recognizes changes in the liability resulting from (a) the passage of time through accretion expense and (b) revisions to either the timing or the amount of the estimate of undiscounted cash flows based on periodic revaluations. Future expected cash flows are based on subjective estimates and assumptions, which inherently include significant uncertainties which are beyond the Company's control. These assumptions represent Level 3 inputs in the fair value hierarchy. The Company has no assets that are legally restricted for purposes of settling asset retirement obligations.

In 2020, the Company revised its estimates to reflect a decrease in timing of the cash flows due to a change in the useful life of the ARO segments identified during the GIGS asset impairment discussed in Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases"). In 2019, the Company revised its estimates to reflect a decrease in (i) average marketplace rates for labor and other costs, (ii) for the expected timing of work and for (iii) recent decommissioning estimates. During the fourth quarter of 2018, the Company decommissioned a segment of the GIGS pipeline system. The Company incurred decommissioning costs of approximately \$939 thousand compared to the estimated segment ARO liability of \$628 thousand resulting in a loss on settlement of ARO of \$311 thousand. The loss on settlement of ARO is recorded in general and administrative expenses in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2018. For the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019, the changes in estimate did not result in any charges to income.

The following table is a reconciliation of the asset retirement obligation as of December 31, 2020 and 2019:

Asset F	Retirement Obligation		_						
	For the	For the Years Ended December 31,							
	2020	2020							
Beginning asset retirement obligation	\$ 8	,044,200 \$	7,956,343						
Liabilities assumed		_	_						
ARO accretion expense		461,713	443,969						
Liabilities settled		_	_						
Revision in cash flow estimates		256,666	(356,112)						
Ending asset retirement obligation	\$ 8	,762,579 \$	8,044,200						

On February 4, 2021, the Company disposed of the ARO upon providing the GIGS asset as partial consideration for the Crimson Transaction. Refer to Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases") and Note 16 ("Subsequent Events") for further details.

# 13. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

## PREFERRED STOCK

The Company's authorized preferred stock consists of 10.0 million shares having a par value of \$0.001 per share. On January 27, 2015, the Company sold, in an underwritten public offering, 2,250,000 depositary shares, each representing 1/100th of a share of 7.375% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock ("Series A Preferred Stock"). Pursuant to this offering, the Company issued 22,500 whole shares of Series A Preferred Stock. On April 18, 2017, the Company closed a follow-on underwritten public offering of 2,800,000 depository shares, each representing 1/100th of a share of 7.375% Series A Preferred Stock, at a price of \$25.00 per depository share. On May 10, 2017, the Company sold an additional 150,000 depository shares at a public offering price of \$25.00 per depository share in connection with the underwriters' exercise of their over-allotment option to purchase additional shares. Following the offering, the Company had a total of 5,200,000 depository shares outstanding, or 52,000 whole shares.

The depositary shares pay an annual dividend of \$1.84375 per share, equivalent to 7.375 percent of the \$25.00 liquidation preference. The depositary shares may be redeemed on or after January 27, 2020, at the Company's option, in whole or in part, at the \$25.00 liquidation preference plus all accrued and unpaid dividends to, but not including, the date of redemption. The

depositary shares have no stated maturity, are not subject to any sinking fund or mandatory redemption and are not convertible into any other securities of the Company except in connection with certain changes of control. Holders of the depositary shares generally have no voting rights, except for limited voting rights if the Company fails to pay dividends for six or more quarters (whether or not consecutive) and in certain other circumstances. The depositary shares representing the Series A Preferred Stock trade on the NYSE under the ticker "CORRPrA."

The Company's Board of Directors authorized a share repurchase program for the Company to buy up to \$10.0 million of its depository shares of Series A Preferred Stock, which commenced August 6, 2018. Purchases were made through the program until it expired on August 5, 2019. During 2018, the Company repurchased 177,773 depository shares for approximately \$4.3 million in cash. During 2019, the Company repurchased 2,500 depository shares of Series A Preferred Stock for approximately \$61 thousand in cash.

The Company's Board of Directors authorized a securities repurchase program for the Company to buy up to the remaining amount of its 7.00% Convertible Notes prior to maturity on June 15, 2020 and up to \$5.0 million of its common stock and 7.375% Series A Preferred Stock, which commenced March 21, 2020. Purchases were made through the program until it expired on August 20, 2020. During 2020, the Company repurchased 8,913 depository shares of Series A Preferred Stock for approximately \$162 thousand in cash.

As of December 31, 2020, the Company had a total of 5,010,814 depository shares outstanding, or approximately 50,108 whole shares, with an aggregate par value of \$50.11. See Note 16 ("Subsequent Events"), for further information regarding the declaration and payment of a dividend on the Series A Preferred Stock.

### **COMMON STOCK**

As of December 31, 2020, the Company had 13,651,521 of common shares issued and outstanding. See Note 16 ("Subsequent Events"), for further information regarding the declaration and payment of a dividend on the common stock.

### **SHELF REGISTRATION**

On October 30, 2018, the Company filed a shelf registration statement with the SEC, pursuant to which it registered 1,000,000 shares of common stock for issuance under its dividend reinvestment plan. As of December 31, 2020, the Company has issued 22,003 shares of common stock under its dividend reinvestment plan pursuant to the shelf, resulting in remaining availability (subject to the current limitation discussed below) of approximately 977,997 shares of common stock.

On November 9, 2018, the Company had a new shelf registration statement declared effective by the SEC replacing the Company's previously filed shelf registration statement, pursuant to which it may publicly offer additional debt or equity securities with an aggregate offering price of up to \$600.0 million. As of December 31, 2020, the Company has not issued any securities under this new shelf registration statement, so total availability remains at \$600.0 million. As described elsewhere in this Report, EGC and Cox Oil refused to provide the financial statement information concerning EGC required to be filed by the Company pursuant to SEC Regulation S-X. Absent reaching a resolution of this issue with the SEC, the Company does not expect to be able to use this shelf registration statement, or the shelf registration statement filed for its dividend reinvestment plan, to sell its securities. As previously disclosed in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on April 24, 2019, the Company has suspended its dividend reinvestment plan. The Company has engaged in dialogue with the staff of the SEC in an effort to shorten the period during which it does not use its registration statements.

## 14. EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE

Basic earnings (loss) per share data is computed based on the weighted-average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the periods. Diluted earnings (loss) per share data is computed based on the weighted-average number of shares of common stock outstanding, including all potentially issuable shares of common stock. Diluted earnings (loss) per share for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 excludes the impact to income and the number of shares outstanding from the conversion of the 7.00% Convertible Notes and the 5.875% Convertible Notes, as applicable, because such impact is antidilutive. The remaining 7.00% Convertible Notes matured on June 15, 2020.

Under the if converted method, the 5.875% Convertible Notes would result in an additional 2,361,000 common shares outstanding for the year ended December 31, 2020. For the year ended December 31, 2019, the 7.00% Convertible Senior Notes and 5.875% Convertible Senior Notes would result in an additional 2,463,394 common shares outstanding from the if-converted method. For the year ended December 31, 2018, the dilutive shares include 3,453,273 common shares outstanding from the if-converted method for the 7.00% Convertible Notes.

Earnings (Loss) Per Share

	For the	Yea	ars Ended Decem	ber 3	1,
	2020		2019		2018
Net Income (Loss) attributable to CorEnergy Stockholders	\$ (306,067,579)	\$	4,079,495	\$	43,711,876
Less: preferred dividend requirements <sup>(1)</sup> (2)	 9,189,809		9,255,468		9,548,377
Net Income (Loss) attributable to Common Stockholders	\$ (315,257,388)	\$	(5,175,973)	\$	34,163,499
Weighted average shares - basic	13,650,718		13,041,613		11,935,021
Basic earnings (loss) per share	\$ (23.09)	\$	(0.40)	\$	2.86
Net Income (Loss) attributable to Common Stockholders (from above)	\$ (315,257,388)	\$	(5,175,973)	\$	34,163,499
Add: After tax effect of convertible interest	_		_		8,766,306
Income (Loss) attributable for dilutive securities	\$ (315,257,388)	\$	(5,175,973)	\$	42,929,805
Weighted average shares - diluted	13,650,718		13,041,613		15,389,180
Diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$ (23.09)	\$	(0.40)	\$	2.79

<sup>(1)</sup> In connection with the repurchases of Series A Preferred Stock during the year ended December 31, 2020 and 2018, preferred dividend requirements were reduced by \$52,896 and \$10,554, respectively, representing the discount in the repurchase price paid compared to the carrying amount derecognized.

(2) In connection with the repurchases of Series A Preferred Stock during the year ended December 31, 2019, preferred dividend requirements were increased by \$245 representing the premium in the repurchase price paid compared to the carrying amount derecognized.

# 15. QUARTERLY FINANCIAL DATA (Unaudited)

		For the Fiscal 2020 Quarters Ended										
		March 31		June 30		September 30		December 31				
Revenue												
Lease revenue	\$	15,746,504	\$	5,554,368	\$	20,126	\$	30,125				
Deferred rent receivable write-off		(30,105,820)		_		_		_				
Transportation and distribution revenue		5,200,500		4,382,706		4,573,155		5,815,990				
Financing revenue		26,307		29,913	_	32,099		32,098				
Total Revenue		(9,132,509)		9,966,987		4,625,380		5,878,213				
Expenses	<u> </u>											
Transportation and distribution expenses		1,375,229		1,222,135		1,438,443		2,023,900				
General and administrative		3,076,143		4,325,924		2,793,568		2,036,287				
Depreciation, amortization and ARO accretion expense		5,647,067		3,662,926		2,169,806		2,174,630				
Loss on impairment of leased property		140,268,379		_		_		_				
Loss on impairment and disposal of leased property		_		146,537,547		_		_				
Loss on termination of lease				458,297		<u> </u>		_				
Total Expenses		150,366,818		156,206,829		6,401,817		6,234,817				
Operating Loss	\$	(159,499,327)	\$	(146,239,842)	\$	(1,776,437)	\$	(356,604)				
Other Income (Expense)												
Net distributions and other income	\$	317,820	\$	102,038	\$	29,654	\$	21,937				
Interest expense		(2,885,583)		(2,920,424)		(2,247,643)		(2,247,994)				
Gain on extinguishment of debt		_		11,549,968		_		_				
Total Other Income (Expense)		(2,567,763)		8,731,582		(2,217,989)		(2,226,057)				
Loss before income taxes	' <u></u>	(162,067,090)		(137,508,260)		(3,994,426)		(2,582,661)				
Taxes				-								
Current tax expense (benefit)		(394,643)		(2,431)		(2,431)		3,662				
Deferred tax expense (benefit)		369,921		(71,396)		(72,897)		85,357				
Income tax expense (benefit), net	' <u></u>	(24,722)		(73,827)		(75,328)		89,019				
Net loss attributable to CorEnergy Stockholders	\$	(162,042,368)	\$	(137,434,433)	\$	(3,919,098)	\$	(2,671,680)				
Preferred dividend requirements		2,260,793		2,309,672		2,309,672		2,309,672				
Net loss attributable to Common Stockholders	\$	(164,303,161)	\$	(139,744,105)	\$	(6,228,770)	\$	(4,981,352)				
	<del></del>		_		_		_					
Loss Per Common Share:												
Basic	\$	(12.04)	\$	(10.24)	\$	(0.46)	\$	(0.36)				
Diluted	\$	(12.04)	\$	(10.24)	\$	(0.46)	\$	(0.36)				

		For the Fiscal 2019 Quarters Ended											
		March 31		June 30		September 30	ber 30 December 31						
Revenue													
Lease revenue	\$	16,717,710	\$	16,635,876	\$	16,984,903	\$	16,712,017					
Transportation and distribution revenue		4,871,582		4,868,144		4,068,338		4,970,173					
Financing revenue		33,540		27,989		28,003		27,295					
Total Revenue		21,622,832		21,532,009		21,081,244		21,709,485					
Expenses													
Transportation and distribution expenses		1,503,143		1,246,755		1,116,194		1,376,152					
General and administrative		2,870,407		2,739,855		2,494,240		2,492,346					
Depreciation, amortization and ARO accretion expense		5,645,096		5,645,250		5,645,342		5,646,254					
Total Expenses		10,018,646		9,631,860		9,255,776		9,514,752					
Operating Income	\$	11,604,186	\$	11,900,149	\$	11,825,468	\$	12,194,733					
Other Income (Expense)													
Net distributions and other income	\$	256,615	\$	285,259	\$	360,182	\$	426,797					
Interest expense		(2,507,294)		(2,297,783)		(2,777,122)		(2,996,512)					
Loss on extinguishment of debt		(5,039,731)		_		(28,920,834)		_					
Total Other Expense		(7,290,410)		(2,012,524)		(31,337,774)		(2,569,715)					
Income (loss) before income taxes	_	4,313,776		9,887,625		(19,512,306)		9,625,018					
Taxes													
Current tax expense (benefit)		353,744		_		(1,270)		(472,498)					
Deferred tax expense (benefit)		93,591		62,699		(91,436)		289,788					
Income tax expense (benefit), net	_	447,335		62,699		(92,706)		(182,710)					
Net Income (loss) attributable to CorEnergy Stockholders	\$	3,866,441	\$	9,824,926	\$	(19,419,600)	\$	9,807,728					
Preferred dividend requirements		2,314,128		2,313,780		2,313,780		2,313,780					
Net Income (loss) attributable to Common Stockholders	\$	1,552,313	\$	7,511,146	\$	(21,733,380)	\$	7,493,948					
Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share:													
Basic	\$	0.12	\$	0.59	\$	(1.65)	\$	0.55					
Diluted	\$	0.12	\$	0.59	\$	(1.65)	\$	0.55					

### 16. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Company performed an evaluation of subsequent events through the date of the issuance of these financial statements and determined that no additional items require recognition or disclosure, except for the following:

### **Common Stock Dividend**

On February 2, 2021, the Company's Board of Directors declared a 2020 fourth quarter dividend of \$0.05 per share for CorEnergy common stock. The dividend was paid on February 26, 2021, to stockholders of record on February 12, 2021.

#### **Preferred Stock Dividend**

On February 2, 2021, the Company's Board of Directors also declared a dividend of \$0.4609375 per depositary share for its 7.375% Series A Preferred Stock. The preferred stock dividend was paid on February 26, 2021, to stockholders of record on February 12, 2021.

### **Crimson Transaction**

On February 4, 2021, the Company acquired a 49.50 percent interest in Crimson, with the right to acquire the remaining 50.50 percent, subject to CPUC approval, in exchange for a combination of cash on hand of approximately \$74.6 million (after giving effect to initial working capital adjustments), commitments to issue approximately \$118.4 million of new common and preferred equity (also after giving effect to the initial working capital adjustments), contribution of the GIGS asset (valued for the purposes of the transaction at \$50.0 million) to the sellers and \$105.0 million in new term loan and revolver borrowings, all as detailed further below (the "Crimson Transaction"). Crimson is a CPUC regulated crude oil pipeline owner and operator, and its assets include four critical infrastructure pipeline systems spanning approximately 2,000 miles across northern, central and southern California (including approximately 1,300 active miles), connecting California crude production to in-state refineries. The acquired assets qualify for REIT treatment under established IRS regulations and the Company's PLR. The Company's interest was acquired effective February 1, 2021, and the purchase consideration has an initial fair value of approximately \$344.0 million. Due diligence expenses of approximately \$1.5 million were incurred for the year ended December 31, 2020, however diligence and transaction related costs continued to accumulate subsequent to December 31, 2020. The initial accounting, including the identification and allocation of consideration to assets acquired and liabilities assumed, is not complete given the proximity of the acquisition to the financial statement filing date.

To effect the Crimson Transaction, on February 4, 2021, the Company entered into and consummated a Membership Interest Purchase Agreement (the "MIPA") with CGI Crimson Holdings, L.L.C. ("Carlyle"), Crimson, and John D. Grier. Pursuant to the terms of the MIPA, the Company acquired all of the Class C Units of Crimson owned by Carlyle, which represents 49.50 percent of all of the issued and outstanding membership interests of Crimson for approximately \$66.0 million in cash (net of working capital adjustments) and the transfer to Carlyle of the Company's interest in GIGS (as further described in Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases")). Crimson Midstream Operating and Corridor MoGas also entered into to a \$105.0 million Amended and Restated Credit Agreement with Wells Fargo (as further described below and in Note 11 ("Debt")).

Simultaneously, Crimson, the Company, Mr. Grier and certain affiliated trusts of Mr. Grier (collectively with Mr. Grier, the "Grier Members") entered into the Third Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement ("Third LLC Agreement") of Crimson. Pursuant to the terms of the Third LLC Agreement, the Grier Members' outstanding membership interests in Crimson were exchanged for 1,613,202 Class A-1 Units of Crimson, 2,436,000 Class A-2 Units of Crimson and 2,450,142 Class A-3 Units of Crimson, which, as described below, may eventually be exchangeable for shares of the Company's common and preferred stock. Additionally, 495,000 Class C-1 Units (representing 49.50 percent of the voting interests under the Third LLC Agreement) were issued to the Company in exchange for the former Class C Units acquired from Carlyle and 505,000 Class C-1 Units (representing 50.50 percent of the voting interests under the Third LLC Agreement) were issued to the Grier Members, in exchange for the Class C Units held by Grier prior to the Crimson Transaction.

Under the Third LLC Agreement, the Company has the right to designate two of the four managers of Crimson, which shall initially be David J. Schulte, the Company's Chief Executive Officer and President, and Todd Banks, a member of the Company's Board of Directors. The Grier Members have the right to designate the other two managers, which shall initially be Mr. Grier and Larry Alexander, President of Crimson. All material business decisions and actions will require supermajority approval of the Crimson managers; provided, however, that Mr. Grier will make decisions regarding the day-to-day operations of the assets regulated by the CPUC. Change of control of the CPUC regulated assets is subject to the approval of the CPUC ("CPUC Approval"), which is expected to occur in the third quarter of 2021.

Upon CPUC Approval, the parties will enter into a Fourth Amended and Restated LLC Agreement of Crimson ("Fourth LLC Agreement"), which will, among other things, (i) give the Company control of Crimson and its assets, in connection with an

anticipated further restructuring of the Company's asset ownership structure, and (ii) provide the Grier Members and certain management members the right to exchange their entire interest in Crimson for securities of the Company as follows:

- Class A-1 Units will become exchangeable for up to 1,613,202 shares of a newly created Series C Preferred Stock of the Company ("Series C Preferred"), which may be converted by the holder into up to 1,716,172 of the Company's depositary shares, each representing 1/100th of a share of the Company's 7.375% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock ("Series A Preferred");
- Class A-2 Units will become exchangeable for up to 2,436,000 shares of a newly created Series B Preferred Stock of the Company ("Series B Preferred"), which will be convertible, following approval of the Company's existing stockholders in compliance with the rules of the NYSE, into up to 8,675,214 additional shares of a new non-listed Class B Common Stock of the Company ("Class B Common Stock"), with such conversion to occur automatically assuming stockholder approval is received; and
- Class A-3 Units will become exchangeable for up to 2,450,142 shares of the newly created Class B Common Stock.

Class B Common Stock will eventually be converted into the common stock of the Company ("Common Stock") on the occurrence of the earlier of the following: (i) the occurrence of the third anniversary of the closing date of the Crimson Transaction or (ii) the satisfaction of certain conditions related to an increase in the relative dividend rate of the Common Stock.

Prior to CPUC approval, the terms of the Third LLC Agreement provide the Grier Members the right to receive any distributions that the Company's Board of Directors determines would be payable if they held the shares of Class B Common Stock, Series B Preferred, and Series C Preferred, respectively. Following CPUC Approval, the terms of the Fourth LLC Agreement provide that such rights will continue until the Grier Members elect to exchange the Crimson units for the related securities of the Company. In addition, after CPUC Approval, certain Crimson units held by the Grier Members are expected to be transferred to other individuals currently managing Crimson (the "Management Members").

In connection with the Crimson Transaction, the Company entered into a Registration Rights Agreement with the Grier Members (the "Registration Rights Agreement"). The Registration Rights Agreement, subject to the terms thereof, will require the Company to, among other things, file a resale shelf registration statement on behalf of the Grier Members upon demand by any such stockholder for the resale of the listed securities of the Company they may ultimately acquire upon conversion of any of the new securities issued pursuant to the Crimson Transaction, under the terms of such securities. The Management Members are expected to become a party to the Registration Rights Agreement in the future. The Registration Rights Agreement will also provide for certain demand rights and piggyback registration rights to in favor of the Grier Members or Management Members, subject to customary underwriter cutbacks. The Company has agreed to pay certain fees and expenses relating to registrations under the Registration Rights Agreement. The Registration Rights Agreement also restricts the transfer of any holder of outstanding shares of Class B Common Stock for one year from February 4, 2021, except to an affiliate of such holder for estate planning purposes.

As described in Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases"), a portion of the consideration paid to Carlyle pursuant to the MIPA was the transfer of the Company's interest in the GIGS asset. In connection with the disposition, the Company and Grand Isle Corridor entered into a Settlement Agreement with the EXXI Entities and terminated the Grand Isle Lease Agreement and Landlord Guaranty.

### Internalization of the Manager

On February 4, 2021, the Company entered into a Contribution Agreement with Richard C. Green, Rick Kreul, Rebecca M. Sandring, Sean DeGon, Jeff Teeven, Jeffrey E. Fulmer, David J. Schulte (as Trustee of the DJS Trust under Trust Agreement dated July 18, 2016), and Campbell Hamilton, Inc., which is an entity controlled by David J. Schulte (collectively, the "Contributors"), and Corridor, the Company's external manager.

Consummation of the transactions contemplated in the Contribution Agreement will result in the Internalization of the management of the Company. Following the Internalization, the Company will own all material assets of Corridor currently used in the conduct of its business and will be managed by officers and employees who currently work for Corridor and who are expected to become employees of the Company as a result of the Internalization.

In payment of the aggregate Internalization consideration (the "Internalization Consideration"), the Company will issue to the Contributors, on a pro rata basis (i) 1,153,846 shares of Common Stock, (ii) 683,761 shares of the newly created Class B Common Stock, and (iii) 170,213 depositary shares of Series A Preferred (collectively with the Common Stock and Class B Common Stock, the "REIT Stock").

Contemporaneously with execution of the Contribution Agreement, the Company and Corridor entered into the First Amendment (the "First Amendment") to the Management Agreement dated as of May 8, 2015 (as amended, the "Management Agreement") that has the effect of (i) reducing the amount paid to Corridor until closing of the Internalization or termination of the Contribution Agreement and (ii) provides payment to Corridor to enable distribution of payments to employees of Corridor as approved by the independent directors of the Company and pending closing of the Contribution Agreement. The Contribution Agreement acknowledges the funding of the distribution of the payments by Corridor pursuant to the First Amendment in connection with closing of the Internalization.

At closing of the Internalization, the Company will enter into a registration rights agreement in substantially similar to the form of the Registration Rights Agreement entered into with the Grier Members. Notwithstanding any registration rights, and pursuant to the Contribution Agreement: (i) subject to certain exceptions to sell a number of shares to pay tax obligations in connection with the Internalization, neither Campbell Hamilton, Inc. nor David J. Schulte (as Trustee of the DJS Trust under Trust Agreement dated July 18, 2016) will be permitted to sell or otherwise transfer any of the shares of Common Stock received in connection with the Internalization for a period of twelve months commencing on the closing date of the Internalization and (ii) no Contributor may sell or otherwise transfer any shares of Class B Common Stock issued to such party.

The Contribution Agreement can be terminated by the mutual agreement of the parties before or after stockholder approval and can be terminated by any party if the issuance of additional REIT Stock resulting from the Internalization is not approved by the Company's stockholders. If the Contribution Agreement is terminated, the existing Management Agreement and Administrative Agreement will revert to the previous revenue formula and otherwise remain in full force and effect

In connection with the Contribution Agreement, each Contributor has agreed that, for twenty-four months after closing, it will not compete with the Company or solicit its employees, subject to certain exceptions as forth in the Contribution Agreement.

David J. Schulte is the Company's Chief Executive Officer, Chairman and a member of the Company's Board of Directors, Rebecca M. Sandring and Jeff Fulmer are both executive officers of the Company, and Rick Kreul, Sean DeGon and Jeff Teeven are all officers of the Company or employees of the Manager. These individuals have interests in the Internalization that differ from those of our stockholders, as each will have a direct or indirect beneficial interest in a portion of the consideration received by the Contributors in the Internalization.

In light of the above relationships, the Company's Board of Directors formed a special committee comprised entirely of independent and disinterested directors (the "Special Committee") in connection with the Internalization. The Special Committee received a fairness opinion from Evercore, its independent financial advisor, that the consideration to be paid pursuant to the Contribution Agreement is fair, from a financial point of view, to the Company.

The Company will seek stockholder approval of the Internalization in compliance with the rules of the NYSE. The Contribution Agreement requires that the Internalization be approved at a meeting by the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the votes cast by the stockholders entitled to vote on the matter, other than the votes of shares held by any of the Contributors or their affiliates. Such approval will constitute approval of the issuance of the Company's securities as required under Section 312.03(b) of the NYSE Listed Company Manual, which requires stockholder approval prior to the issuance of common stock, or securities exchangeable for common stock, in excess of one percent of the Company's outstanding shares in a transaction with a related party.

### SCHEDULE III - REAL ESTATE AND ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION - CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc.

				ı	Initial Cost	to Company	Costs Capitalized Subsequent to Acquisition	c	Gross Amou D	Carried at C ember 31, 20		e of Period					
Description	Location	Encumbr	ances		Land	Building & Fixtures	Improvements / Adjustments		Land	Building & Fixtures		Total	ccumulated epreciation	Re	nvestment in al Estate, net, at 12/31/20	Date Acquired	Life on which depreciation in latest income statement is computed
United Property Systems (3)	St. Louis, MO	\$	_	\$	210,000	\$ 1,188,000	\$ 128,026	\$	210,000	\$ 1,316,026	s	1,526,026	\$ 216,951	\$	1,309,075	2014	40 years
Grand Isle Gathering System (1)(2)(3)	Gulf of Mexico				960,000	258,471,397	(189,187,246)		1,040,000	69,204,151		70,244,151	6,615,216		63,628,935	2015	15 years
		\$	_	\$	1,170,000	\$ 259,659,397	\$ (189,059,220)	\$	1,250,000	\$ 70,520,177	\$	71,770,177	\$ 6,832,167	\$	64,938,010		

<sup>(1)</sup> In connection with the asset acquisition, Grand Isle Gathering System incurred acquisition costs of \$1,931,396, of which 494,361 remain in the total asset balance post-impairment. Refer to Note 3 ("Leased Properties and Leases) for further details.

# NOTES TO SCHEDULE III - CONSOLIDATED REAL ESTATE AND ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION

## Reconciliation of Real Estate and Accumulated Depreciation

	 For the	e Yea	rs Ended Decem	ber 3	1,
	2020		2019		2018
estment in real estate:	 				
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 485,037,215	\$	485,368,450	\$	538,112,220
Addition: Acquisitions and developments <sup>(1)</sup>	361,196		24,877		3,599
Deduction: Dispositions and other(2)(3)(4)(5)	 (413,628,234)		(356,112)		(52,747,369)
alance, end of year	\$ 71,770,177	\$	485,037,215	\$	485,368,450
cumulated depreciation:					
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 105,825,816	\$	87,154,095	\$	72,155,753
Addition: Depreciation	9,748,659		18,671,721		20,986,461
Deduction: Dispositions and other(2)(3)(4)	 (108,742,308)		_		(5,988,119)
Balance, end of year	\$ 6,832,167	\$	105,825,816	\$	87,154,095
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<sup>(1)</sup> Includes a change in estimate related to the ARO for the Grand Isle Gathering System in 2020. Refer to Note 12 ("Asset Retirement Obligation") for further details.

The aggregate cost of the properties is approximately \$131.8 million higher for federal income tax purposes at December 31, 2020. The higher aggregate cost of properties for federal income tax purposes is primarily due to an impairment recorded on the GIGS asset for U.S. GAAP purposes. Refer to Note 3 ("Leased Properties And Leases") for further details. The tax basis of the properties is unaudited.

<sup>(2)</sup> The negative subsequent adjustment relates to (i) the impairment of the Grand Isle Gathering System during 2020, (ii) downward revisions of the ARO based on periodic reevaluation as required under FASB ASC 410-20 and (iii) the settlement of a portion of the ARO when a segment of the GIGS pipeline system was decommissioned during the fourth quarter of 2018.

<sup>(3)</sup> These two properties serve as collateral under the CorEnergy Credit Facility. There are no amounts outstanding on the credit facility as of December 31, 2020. Further, the CorEnergy Credit Facility was terminated on February 4, 2021. Refer to Note 11 ("Debt") for further details.

<sup>(2)</sup> On March 31, 2020, the Company recognized a long-lived asset impairment for the Grand Isle Gathering System of \$140.3 million (i.e. gross investment of \$183.0 million less accumulated depreciation of \$42.7 million). Refer to Note 3 ("Leased Properties and Leases") for further details.

<sup>(3)</sup> On June 30, 2020, the Company sold the Pinedale LGS with a net carrying value of \$164.5 million (i.e. gross investment of \$230.6 million less accumulated depreciation of \$66.1 million). Refer to Note 3 ("Leased Properties and Leases") for further details.

<sup>(4)</sup> On December 21, 2018, the Company sold its Portland Terminal Facility with a net carrying value of \$45.7 million (i.e. gross investment of \$51.7 million less accumulated depreciation of \$6.0 million). Refer to Note 3 ("Leased Properties and Leases") for further details.

<sup>(5)</sup> Includes a change in estimate related to the ARO for the Grand Isle Gathering System in 2019 and 2018. Refer to Note 12 ("Asset Retirement Obligation") for further details

# SCHEDULE IV - MORTGAGE LOANS ON REAL ESTATE - CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc.

Description	Interest Rate <sup>(1)</sup>	Final Maturity	Monthly Payment Amount <sup>(2)</sup>	Prior Liens	F	ace Value	-	Carrying Amount of Mortgage	0	rincipal Amount f Loans Subject to Delinquent Principal or Interest
First Mortgages										
Billings, Dunn and McKenzie Counties, North Dakota (Morlock Well)	8.50%	11/30/2024	\$ 10,83	3 None	\$	1,300,000	\$	1,209,736	\$	_
Total					\$	1,300,000	\$	1,209,736	\$	_

<sup>(1)</sup> The interest rate is 8.50% through May 31, 2021 and increases to 12.00% on June 1, 2021 through maturity.

## NOTES TO SCHEDULE IV - CONSOLIDATED MORTGAGE LOANS ON REAL ESTATE

### Reconciliation of Mortgage Loans on Real Estate

	For the Years Ended December 31,					
	2020		2019		2018	
Beginning balance	\$ 1,235,000	\$	1,300,000	\$	1,500,000	
Additions:						
New loans	_		_		_	
Interest receivable	18,069					
Total Additions	\$ 18,069	\$	_	\$	_	
Deductions:						
Principal repayments <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 43,333	\$	65,000	\$	236,867	
Foreclosures	_		_		_	
Amortization of deferred costs	_		_		_	
Principal, Interest and Deferred Costs Write Up(1)	_		_		(36,867)	
Total deductions	\$ 43,333	\$	65,000	\$	200,000	
Ending balance	\$ 1,209,736	\$	1,235,000	\$	1,300,000	

<sup>(1)</sup> In 2018, Four Wood Corridor and Compass SWD executed a \$1.3 million loan agreement and Compass SWD paid approximately \$237 thousand in cash for assets secured by the previous \$1.5 million loans. As a result, SWD Enterprises was released from the terms of its loans, and the Company recognized a provision for loan gain of \$37 thousand in the Consolidated Statements of Operations. Refer to Note 5 ("Financing Notes Receivable") for further details.

<sup>(2)</sup> During 2020, the monthly principal payment was \$10,833 through April 30, 2020 and interest only through the remainder of the year. The monthly principal payment is \$10,833 from January 31, 2021 through May 31, 2021, \$16,250 from June 30, 2021 through May 31, 2022, \$24,375 from June 30, 2022 through May 31, 2023, \$35,509 from June 30, 2023 through October 30, 2024 and \$46,347 upon maturity on November 30, 2024.

## ITEM 16. FORM 10-K SUMMARY

None.

## CORENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE TRUST, INC.

# **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

# CORENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE TRUST, INC.

(Registrant)

By: /s/ Robert L. Waldron

Robert L. Waldron

**Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)** 

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this Report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

SIGNATURE /s/ David J. Schulte David J. Schulte	TITLE Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	DATE March 4, 2021
/s/ Robert L. Waldron Robert L. Waldron	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	March 4, 2021
/s/ Kristin M. Leitze Kristin M. Leitze	Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)	March 4, 2021
/s/ Todd Banks Todd Banks	Director	March 4, 2021
/s/ Conrad S. Ciccotello Conrad S. Ciccotello	Director	March 4, 2021
/s/ John D. Grier John D. Grier	Director	March 4, 2021
/s/ Catherine A. Lewis Catherine A. Lewis	Director	March 4, 2021

# FIRST AMENDMENT TO MEMBERSHIP INTEREST PURCHASE AGREEMENT

This First Amendment to Membership Interest Purchase Agreement (this "Amendment"), dated as of March 3, 2021, is entered into by and among among CGI Crimson Holdings, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company ("Carlyle"), John D. Grier, an individual ("J. Grier"), Crimson Midstream Holdings, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "Company"), and CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc., a Maryland corporation ("Parent"). Each of Carlyle, J. Grier, the Company and Parent are individually referred to herein as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties." Capitalized terms used but not defined in this Amendment shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Agreement (as hereinafter defined).

### RECITALS

- A. The Parties are all a party to that certain Membership Interest Purchase Agreement dated as of February 4, 2021 (the "Agreement").
- B. The Parties intend for the transactions contemplated by the Agreement to be effective as of 12:01 a.m. Central Time on February 1, 2021, and have agreed to amend the Agreement to provide for such effective time, and for other purposes as more specifically set forth in this Amendment.
- **NOW, THEREFORE,** in consideration of the Closing of the transactions contemplated under the Agreement, and the foregoing premises and the covenants hereinafter contained, the Parties, intending to be legally bound, hereby agree as follows:
- 1. Each of the following defined terms appearing in ARTICLE I of the Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:
  - "Closing Working Capital' means (a) the Current Assets of the Company, less (b) the Current Liabilities of the Company, determined as of the Effective Time and calculated using the format and methodology reflected on Exhibit H."
  - "GIGS Retained Liabilities' means those Liabilities relating to, arising out of or resulting from (i) any income, franchise and similar Taxes of the Parent Group or their Affiliates and (ii) any Asset Taxes allocable to any taxable period before or ending at (and including) the Effective Time (determined in accordance with ). Notwithstanding the foregoing, CORR shall not retain any liabilities for any Asset Taxes resulting from any of the Cox Entities or their respective Affiliates' failure, if any, to pay Taxes related to the GIGS Assets as required pursuant to the terms of the GIGS Lease."
- 2. The following definition is hereby added to ARTICLE I of the Agreement immediately following the definition of the term "Effect":
  - "Effective Time' has the meaning set forth in Section 2.03(a)."

- 3. Section 2.03(a) of the Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:
- "(a) <u>Closing</u>. Upon the terms and subject to the conditions hereof, the consummation of the transactions referred to in (the "Closing") shall take place on the date hereof (the "Closing Date") via an electronic exchange of documents and signatures at such time as mutually agreed between Carlyle and Parent, provided however that, for all purposes under this Agreement, the Parties intend for the transactions contemplated in this Agreement to be effective as of 12:01 a.m. Central Time (the "Effective Time") on February 1, 2021."
- 4. Section 2.04(a)(i) of the Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:
- "(i) At Closing, the Company shall prepare and deliver to Buyer a statement setting forth its good faith estimate of Closing Working Capital (the "Estimated Closing Working Capital"), which statement shall contain an estimated balance sheet of the Company as of the Effective Time (without giving effect to the transactions contemplated herein), a calculation of Estimated Closing Working Capital (the "Estimated Closing Working Capital Statement"), and a certificate of the Chief Financial Officer of the Company that the Estimated Closing Working Capital Statement was prepared in accordance with GAAP applied using the same accounting methods, practices, principles, policies and procedures, with consistent classifications, judgments and valuation and estimation methodologies that were used in the preparation of the Company Financial Statements for the most recent fiscal year end as if such Estimated Closing Working Capital Statement was being prepared and audited as of a fiscal year end."
- 5. Section 2.04(b)(i) of the Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:
- "(i) Within 90 days after the Closing Date, Parent shall prepare and deliver to Carlyle and J. Grier a statement setting forth its calculation of Closing Working Capital, which statement shall contain an unaudited balance sheet of the Company as of the Effective Time (without giving effect to the transactions contemplated herein), a calculation of Closing Working Capital (the "Closing Working Capital Statement") and a certificate of the Chief Financial Officer of Parent that the Closing Working Capital Statement was prepared in accordance with GAAP applied using the same accounting methods, practices, principles, policies and procedures, with consistent classifications, judgments and valuation and estimation methodologies that were used in the preparation of the Company Financial Statements for the most recent fiscal year end as if such Closing Working Capital Statement was being prepared and audited as of a fiscal year end."
- 6. The second sentence of Section 2.04(c)(vi) of the Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

"The amount of any Post Closing Adjustment shall bear interest from and including the Effective Time to but excluding the date of payment at a rate per annum equal to 6%."

- 7. Section 5.15(h) of the Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:
- "(h) Parent (i) has been subject to taxation as a real estate investment trust within the meaning of Sections 856 through and including 860 of the Internal Revenue Code ("REIT"), and has satisfied all requirements to qualify as a REIT, for all taxable years beginning with the fiscal year that ended December 31, 2013 through the fiscal year that ended December 31, 2019; (ii) has operated in a manner consistent with the requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT (provided that the distribution requirements set forth in Section 857(a) of the Code have been determined as if the current taxable year of Parent ended as of the Effective Time); and (iii) has not taken or omitted to take any action that Parent reasonably expects to result in a challenge by the IRS to its status as a REIT, and to Parent's Knowledge, no such challenge is pending or has been threatened in writing."
- 8. Sections 6.05(a) and 6.05(b) of the Agreement are hereby amended and restated in their entirety to read as follows:
- "(a) Effective as of immediately after the Closing, Parent, on its own behalf and on behalf of its Affiliates (including the Company Group), unconditionally and irrevocably acquits, remises, discharges and forever releases Carlyle and its Affiliates, and its and their respective equityholders, partners, managers, trustees, employees, officers, directors and agents (collectively, the "Carlyle Released Parties") from any and all Liabilities, including those arising under any Law, contract, agreement, arrangement, commitment or undertaking, whether written or oral, to the extent arising on or prior to the Effective Time with respect to or relating to the Company Group or Carlyle's ownership of the Subject Units. Parent, on its own behalf and on behalf of its Affiliates (including the Company Group) further covenants and agrees not to bring or threaten to bring or otherwise join in any Proceeding against any of the Carlyle Released Parties or any of them, relating to, arising out of or in connection with any such Liabilities which existed on or prior to the Effective Time. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Liabilities acquitted, remised, discharged and released pursuant to this shall not include any rights of such Person under this Agreement, including any rights to indemnification pursuant hereto, the Transaction Documents and the other documents and agreements executed in consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. Each of the Carlyle Released Parties is an express thirdparty beneficiary of this."
- "(b) Effective as of immediately after the Closing, Carlyle, on its own behalf and on behalf of its Affiliates (but excluding Crimson Gulf Holdings and any of its Subsidiaries), unconditionally and irrevocably acquits, remises, discharges and forever releases each member of the Company Group, and its and their respective equityholders, partners, managers, trustees, employees, officers, directors and agents (collectively, the "Company Released Parties") from any and all Liabilities, including those arising under any Law, contract, agreement, arrangement, commitment or undertaking, whether written or oral, to the extent arising on or prior to the Effective Time with respect to or relating to

the Company Group or Carlyle's ownership of the Subject Units. Carlyle, on its own behalf and on behalf of its Affiliates (but excluding Crimson Gulf Holdings and any of its Subsidiaries) further covenants and agrees not to bring or threaten to bring or otherwise join in any Proceeding against any of the Company Released Parties or any of them, relating to, arising out of or in connection with any such Liabilities which existed on or prior to the Effective Time. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Liabilities acquitted, remised, discharged and released pursuant to this shall not include any rights of such Person (i) under this Agreement, including any rights to indemnification pursuant hereto, the Transaction Documents and the other documents and agreements executed in consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, or (ii) with respect to or relating to Crimson Gulf Holdings, its Subsidiaries or Carlyle's or its Affiliates' ownership of Equity Securities therein. Each of the Company Released Parties is an express third-party beneficiary of this ."

- 9. Section 6.07 of the Agreement is hereby amended by changing each reference to "the Closing Date" therein to "the Effective Date".
- 10. Except as modified by this Amendment, the Agreement and each Exhibit and Schedule thereto remain in full force and effect, and each Party, by execution and delivery of this Amendment, ratifies all terms and conditions of the Agreement as modified hereby. In the event of any conflict between this Amendment and the Agreement, this Amendment shall control to the extent of that conflict.
- 11. This Amendment, the Agreement, the Exhibits and Schedules to the Agreement, and the Transaction Documents collectively constitute the entire agreement between the Parties pertaining to the subject matter hereof and supersede all prior agreements, understandings, negotiations and discussions, whether oral or written, of the Parties pertaining to the subject matter hereof or thereof except as specifically set forth herein or therein.
- 12. This Amendment will be binding upon and will inure to the benefit of the Parties hereto and their respective permitted successors and assigns. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, no Party may assign this Amendment or its rights under this Amendment or delegate any performance obligations under this Amendment without the written consent of the other Parties, which will not be unreasonably withheld or delayed.
- 13. The provisions of the following Sections of the Agreement are hereby incorporated into this Amendment, mutatis mutandis: Section 8.02, Section 8.03, and Sections 8.05 through 8.13.

[Signature Page Follows]

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Parties have executed this First Amendment to Membership Interest Purchase Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

COMPANY:	CRIMSON MIDSTREAM HOLDINGS, LLC
	By: /s/ John D. Grier Name: John D. Grier Title: Chief Executive Officer
J. GRIER:	
	/s/ John D. Grier John D. Grier
CARLYLE:	CGI CRIMSON HOLDINGS, L.L.C.
	By: /s/ Ferris Hussein Name: Ferris Hussein Title: Managing Director
PARENT:	CORENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE TRUST, INC.
	By: /s/ David J. Schulte  Name: David J. Schulte  Title: Chief Executive Officer

# Subsidiaries of CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. As of December 31, 2020

# **Subsidiary**

# **State of Incorporation or Formation**

CorEnergy BBWS, Inc. CorEnergy Pipeline Company, LLC Corridor Bison, LLC Corridor Leeds Path West, Inc. Corridor MoGas, Inc. Corridor Private Holdings, Inc. Corridor Public Holdings, Inc. Four Wood Corridor, LLC Grand Isle Corridor, LP	Delaware Delaware Delaware Delaware Delaware Delaware Delaware Delaware Delaware
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Grand Isle GP, Inc.	Delaware
Grand Isle LP, Inc.	Delaware
LCP Oregon Holdings, LLC	Delaware
MoGas Pipeline LLC	Delaware
Mowood, LLC	Delaware
Omega Gas Marketing, LLC	Delaware
Omega Pipeline Company, LLC	Delaware
Pinedale Corridor, LP	Delaware
Pinedale GP, Inc.	Delaware
Pinedale LP I, LLC	Delaware
United Property Systems, LLC	Delaware

# **Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the following Registration Statements:

- (1) Registration Statement (Form S-3 No. 333-198921) of CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc.,
- (2) Registration Statement (Form S-8 No. 333-198799) pertaining to the CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. Director Compensation Plan,
- (3) Registration Statement (Form S-3 No. 333-228065) pertaining to the CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. Dividend Reinvestment Plan, and
- (4) Registration Statement (Form S-3 No. 333-228101) of CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc.;

of our reports dated March 4, 2021, with respect to the consolidated financial statements of CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. included in this Annual Report (Form 10-K) of CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2020.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Kansas City, Missouri

March 4, 2021

### CERTIFICATIONS

### I, David J. Schulte, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K of CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 4, 2021 /s/ David J. Schulte

David J. Schulte

Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

### **CERTIFICATIONS**

### I, Robert L. Waldron, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K of CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 4, 2021 /s/ Robert L. Waldron

Robert L. Waldron

Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

### **SECTION 906 CERTIFICATION**

Pursuant to U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2001, the undersigned officers of CorEnergy Infrastructure Trust, Inc. (the "Company"), hereby certify that the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2020, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), fully complies with the requirements of Section13(a) or 15(d), as applicable, of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and that the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ David J. Schulte

David J. Schulte

Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

Date: March 4, 2021 /s/ Robert L. Waldron

Robert L. Waldron

Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

Date: March 4, 2021

The foregoing certification is being furnished solely pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 and is not being filed as part of this report. A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.