# 2016

# A year in transition and a focus on the future









# Let's get moving.





#### **CAI** at a Glance

Founded in

1989

40 offices and agents in

## 20 countries

NYSE under symbol

CAI

The only container lessor with in-house US domestic and global logistic capabilities

A step back to move forward. In 2016 we operated in a difficult economic marketplace, with competitors being aggressive in a weak environment. Our focus was to optimize our current investments while focusing on the strategic initiatives that will build lasting success and future value.





## CAI's strength is the steadfast commitment we have to our customers and their transportation needs.

For more than a quarter century, CAI has built a reputation among its customers for reliability, responsiveness, and efficiency. We built our reputation first in the global shipping industry for our container-leasing services. Our capabilities have since expanded to include railcar leasing and logistics services.

Our success today is driven by size, location, and relationships. CAI's global container fleet of more than 1.2 million TEUs (twenty-foot equivalent units) transports every type of shippable cargo imaginable, from agricultural products, raw materials, and chemicals to refrigerated commodities and finished goods. From our San Francisco headquarters, our operations extend throughout North America, Europe, and the Asia-Pacific region. CAI's 40 offices and agents in key shipping locations worldwide are augmented by relationships with the world's leading shippers and logistics experts across more than 380 depot facilities in 54 countries.

During a time when global trade and politics are entering a period of uncertainty, CAI remains a steady, reliable resource for its customers. Our focus on service includes offerings customized to each customer's needs, as well as the skillful application of technology that provides minuteto-minute visibility of our global fleet. Our worldwide reach, dedicated workforce, and mastery of technology provide CAI with a competitive advantage few can match.

1.2M+

TEU fleet size

container customers

depot facilities in 54 countries

different equipment types

book value assets





## CAI Logistics is a team of global experts in managing and moving the world's goods.

We have made transportation logistics a key component of CAI's business offering. Today our logistics specialists serve the international freight, North American intermodal, and over-the-road trucking markets. Our strategy is to firmly establish CAI's global reputation as a full-service logistics provider by meeting each customer's transportation needs specific to the commodity moved. Our offices are strategically situated across the United States as part of a larger network of agents and depots worldwide.

Our growing logistics enterprise began with CAI Logistics, which serves our North American customers. During 2016 we added Challenger Overseas, a US-based non-vessel operating common carrier (NVOCC) that handles containerized imports and exports, and Hybrid Logistics, specialists in in-house truck brokerage services. Both groups are staffed by professionals with extensive experience across a wide variety of industries.

Our skilled logistics experts help CAI's customers identify their best modes of shipment, the equipment ideally suited to their commodity, plus the best routes and ways to handle transfers—all with attention to minimizing costs and maximizing speed and efficiency. Our human capital is further enhanced and supported by the latest technology available.

The needs of an increasingly complex world demand the expertise necessary to catalog, map, and track the movement of materials on both a local and a global scale. The CAI logistics team is there to answer the call.

logistics customers

12K+

carriers

22 +

shipping lines

Class I railroads

moves per year

logistics offices





## CAI Rail diversifies our corporate portfolio and highlights our transportation expertise.

We launched CAI Rail in 2012 and have continued to expand our presence in this vital transportation sector ever since. Our rail fleet now exceeds 6,000 cars and represents more than 10 percent of our leasing revenue and income.

CAI's growing and diverse railcar portfolio services customers' need to transport various commodities both across the country and around the world. Our cars move commodities vital to the construction, energy, and food industries. They are designed, built, and leased to transport a wide array of commodities, including food, forest products, industrial products, energy products and chemicals, and grain and other agricultural products.

Physical assets are essential to any transportation-based enterprise, but expert personnel are equally important. Our CAI Rail team comprises industry professionals with backgrounds in finance, marketing, engineering, and operations. Their expertise ensures that customer expectations for the proper rail equipment and long-term reliability are met and often exceeded.

Our suite of CAI Rail services includes:

- Offering net and full-service operating leases
- Refurbishing equipment to meet each customer's specific needs
- Providing both newly manufactured and used railcars

2012

first railcars acquired

·\$370M

in assets

6K+

railcars in fleet

rail customers

industries served

car types

#### **Fellow Stockholders:**

During 2016 we focused on strengthening the company's financial results while planning for the longer term with strategic acquisitions. Looking ahead to 2017, we will place a renewed emphasis on optimizing the investments we already have, to increase the return on our equity.

> The Year's Highlights During 2016 we executed strategically important acquisitions, were aggressively focused on improving operating results, and benefited from improving fundamentals in the latter part of the year.

> In February 2016 CAI acquired Challenger Overseas, LLC, a New Jersey-based non-vessel operating common carrier, for approximately \$11 million, a portion of which is based on the NVOCC's future performance.

> Four months later we acquired Portland, Oregon-based Hybrid Logistics, Inc., and its affiliate, General Transportation Services, Inc., for a combined \$12 million, again with a portion subject to future performance. This acquisition alone doubled our annual logistics revenue, expanded our customer base significantly, and provided additional scope to leverage and expand relationships with existing customers and carriers.

> These combined transactions increased our range of services to include intermodal, truck brokerage, ocean freight forwarding, and container and rail leasing. We now have the internal capacity to meet our customers' many transportation needs and will look to leverage those capabilities to expand business with our existing customers and to grow our overall customer base. We will do it with the consistent, high-quality service that our customers expect from us.

Container In 2016 the markets in which we operate continued to experience the impact of a weak overall economic environment. Container prices stayed historically low due to declining steel prices and weak shipping demand. In response we resumed the practice of selling our fleet's oldest and most damaged units. We took the added step of placing our assets in higher-demand markets.

As we entered 2016, new-container lease rates were feeling the impact of significant deflation in the cost of new containers, which was being driven by the price of steel from China. In the second half of 2016, however, prices for steel from China and consequently new-container costs recovered to historically normal levels. Increasing container costs plus higher utilization have resulted in a significant rebound in container lease rates as we enter 2017.

We observed increased lease-out activity throughout Asia in 2016. By the end of the year, our inventory there was very limited, and in response we launched an effort to reposition equipment back to China to meet the growing demand.

Rail The US railcar market presented new challenges in 2016, following a year of increased production orders tied to the energy business; but a drop in oil and natural-gas prices reduced the demand for coal and for the sand used in domestic fracking. This has enabled railroads to operate at higher velocities, which has resulted in customers generally needing fewer railcars to meet their needs.

Because most of our rail fleet operates under long-term contracts, the slowdown had a limited impact on our financial results. That said, rental rates on new railcars were aggressive, as deliveries of new equipment from prior backlogs placed pressure on those rates.

Despite the difficult environment, we took a proactive response by focusing on expanding our customer base and placing more railcars under lease. We also adjusted our order book for better market opportunities by scheduling more deliveries in the second half of 2017 and early 2018.

Logistics During 2016 our logistics business faced a highly competitive environment of moderate growth, excess capacity, and restricted peak-season freight demand. Despite these challenges, we added customers and experienced steady success, thanks largely to our efforts to grow our marketing staff and expand the cross-marketing of CAI service offerings.

Our logistics strategy is simple and straightforward: Invest in the future.

This strategy was most immediately evident through the addition of Hybrid Logistics in the second quarter of 2016. Hybrid's in-house truck brokerage expertise enhanced our ability to leverage the relationships and services within our existing logistics business.

Despite weak overall demand due to moderate freight movements, our investment in our logistics capabilities during 2016 has positioned CAI to add shareholder value and increase returns in anticipation of an improved economic environment.

Strategic Perspective We took the long view in 2016 as we continued to position CAI for future growth.

We enhanced our position as a value-added company through several strategic initiatives. These included investing in our more productive assets while divesting the company of idle stock, maximizing the use of our capital, and enhancing our diversification efforts through strategic acquisitions.

A consolidation of the world's major shipping lines is under way, confirming our view that we need to work more strategically with our customers. The strategic decisions we made in 2016 anticipated that a smaller number of larger players will constitute our customer base in the years ahead.

Outlook As we look ahead to 2017 and beyond, our outlook remains optimistic. We see supply and demand balancing among our core businesses due in part to our focus on maximizing the use of existing assets.

We intend to optimize the return on the capital we have already committed through higher utilization and the disposal of low-returning equipment. We believe our reduced fleet size and diversification efforts are the right strategy for the long term.

We know we will achieve our objectives, thanks largely to the tireless efforts of CAI employees worldwide.

As always, we are grateful to you, our shareholders, for your continued confidence and support.

Sincerely,

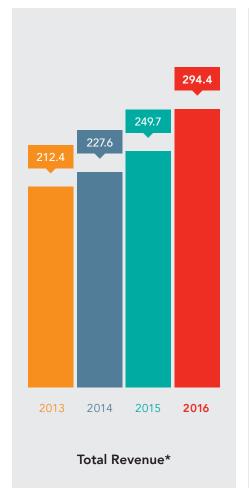


Victor Garcia President and Chief Executive Officer

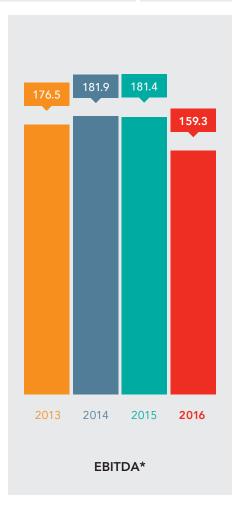
Hiromitsu Ogawa Chairman of the Board

### **Financial Highlights**

(dollars in millions)	2013	2014	2015	2016
Total Revenue	\$212.4	\$227.6	\$249.7	\$294.4
Operating Income	108.8	103.6	67.4	53.3
Net Income	63.4	59.9	26.6	6.0
EBITDA	176.5	181.9	181.4	159.3



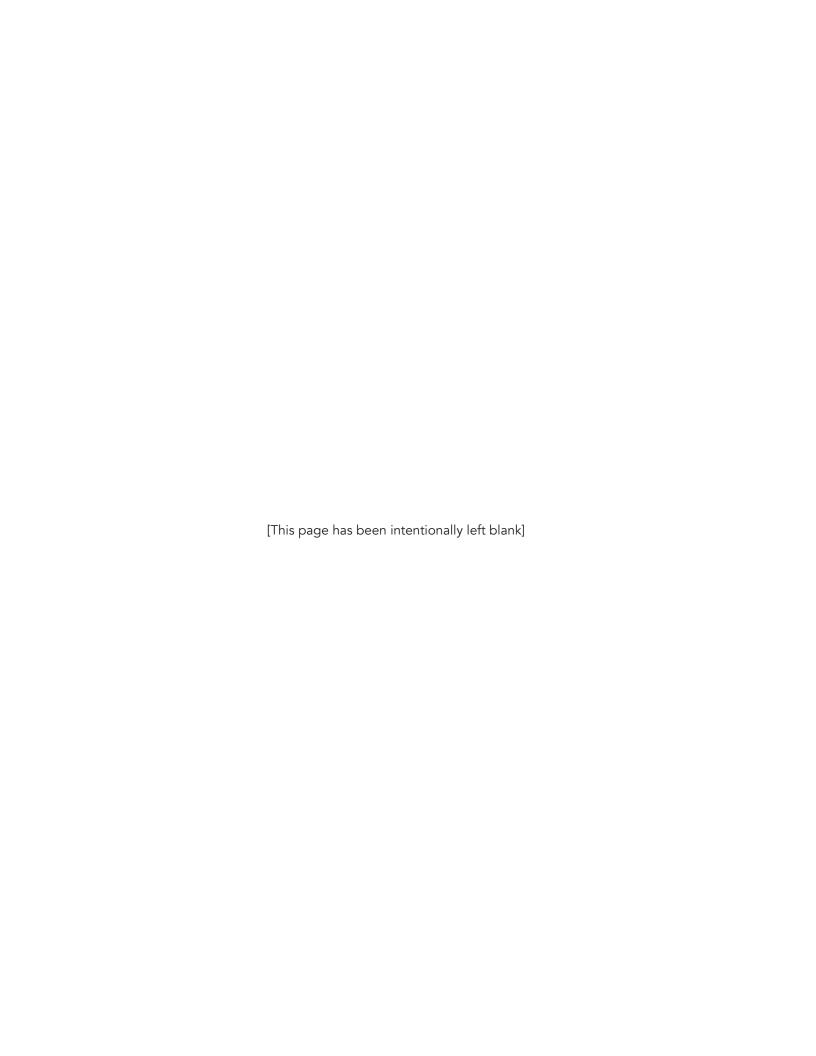




\*dollars in millions

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TRANSITION REPORT PURSUAN	T TO SECTION 12 OD 15(4)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE	• •
For the Transition Period from	to
Commission file number	-001-33388
CAI Internatio (Exact name of registrant as spec	,
Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	94-3109229 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)
Steuart Tower 1 Market Plaza, Suite 900 San Francisco, California (Address of principal executive office)  (415) 788-010 (Registrant's telephone number in	94105 (Zip Code)
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:	
Title of each class	Name of exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share	New York Stock Exchange
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None	
Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer	r, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes ☐ No 🗵
Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pu	rsuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes $\square$ No $\boxtimes$
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reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer

Accelerated filer |

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Smaller reporting company

(Do not check if smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in the Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Yes  $\square$  No  $\bowtie$ 

As of June 30, 2016, the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter, the aggregate market value of common stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant (based upon the closing sale price of such shares on the New York Stock Exchange on June 30, 2016) was approximately \$87.6 million. Shares of registrant's common stock held by each executive officer, director and beneficial holders of 10% or more of our common stock have been excluded in that such persons may be deemed to be affiliates of the registrant. This determination of affiliate status is not necessarily a conclusive determination for other purposes.

As of February 28, 2017, there were 19,057,217 shares of the registrant's common stock outstanding.

#### DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the registrant's definitive proxy statement relating to the registrant's 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, which will be filed no later than 120 days after the close of the registrant's fiscal year ended December 31, 2016, are incorporated by reference into Part III hereof.

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#### SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Annual Report on Form 10-K contains certain forward-looking statements, including, without limitation, statements concerning the conditions in our industry, our operations, our economic performance and financial condition, including, in particular, statements relating to our business, operations, and growth strategy and service development efforts. The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 provides a "safe harbor" for certain forward-looking statements so long as such information is identified as forward-looking and is accompanied by meaningful cautionary statements identifying important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected in the information. When used in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, the words "may," "might," "should," "estimate," "project," "plan," "anticipate," "expect," "intend," "outlook," "believe" and other similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements and information. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of their dates. These forward-looking statements are based on estimates and assumptions by our management that, although we believe to be reasonable, are inherently uncertain and subject to a number of risks and uncertainties. These risks and uncertainties include, without limitation, those identified under the caption Item 1A. "Risk Factors" in this Annual Report on Form 10-K and our other reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as otherwise required by law. Reference is also made to such risks and uncertainties detailed from time to time in our filings with the SEC.

Unless the context requires otherwise, references to "CAI," the "Company," "we," "us" or "our" in this Annual Report on Form 10-K refer to CAI International, Inc. and its subsidiaries.

#### PART I

#### **ITEM 1: BUSINESS**

#### **Our Company**

We are one of the world's leading transportation finance and logistics companies. We purchase equipment, primarily intermodal shipping containers and railcars, which we lease to our customers. We also manage equipment for third-party investors. In operating our fleet, we lease, re-lease and dispose of equipment and contract for the repair, repositioning and storage of equipment. We also provide domestic and international logistics services.

The following table shows the composition of our equipment fleet as of December 31, 2016 and our average utilization for the year ended December 31, 2016:

	As of December 31, 2016	Percent of Total Container Fleet
Owned container fleet in TEUs	921,694	85%
Managed container fleet in TEUs	162,582	15%
Total container fleet in TEUs	1,084,276	100%
Owned container fleet in CEUs	1,014,078	87%
Managed container fleet in CEUs	146,258	13%
Total container fleet in CEUs	1,160,336	100%
Owned railcar fleet in units	6,459	
		Year Ended December 31, 2016
Average container fleet utilization in CEUs		92.8%
Average owned container fleet utilization in CEUs		93.5%
Average railcar fleet utilization		95.7%

The intermodal marine container industry-standard measurement unit is the 20-foot equivalent unit, or TEU, which compares the size of a container to a standard 20-foot container. For example, a 20-foot container is equivalent to one TEU and a 40-foot container is equivalent to two TEUs. Containers can also be measured in cost equivalent units (CEUs), whereby the cost of each type of container is expressed as a ratio relative to the cost of a standard 20-foot dry van container. For example, the CEU ratio for a standard 40-foot dry van container is 1.6, and a 40-foot high cube container is 1.7.

Utilization of containers is computed by dividing the average total units on lease during the period in CEUs, by the total CEUs in our container fleet. Utilization of railcars is computed by dividing the average number of railcars on lease during the period by the total number of railcars in our fleet. In both cases, the total fleet excludes new units not yet leased and off-hire units designated for sale. If new units not yet leased are included in the total fleet, total container fleet utilization would be 91.1%, owned container fleet utilization would be 91.6%, and railcar fleet utilization would be 86.4%, for the year ended December 31, 2016.

Our revenue consists of container lease income and rail lease income from our owned container and rail car fleets, management fee income for managing containers for third-party investors and logistics revenue for the provision of logistics services. Substantially all of our revenue is denominated in U.S. dollars. For the year ended December 31, 2016, we recorded revenue of \$294.4 million and net income attributable to CAI common stockholders of \$6.0 million. A comparison of our 2016 financial results with those of the prior years can be found in Item 6 "Selected Financial Data" of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

We earn our container lease income from intermodal containers which are deployed by our customers in a wide variety of global trade routes. Virtually all of our containers are used internationally and no container is domiciled in one particular place for a prolonged period of time. As such, substantially all of our container assets are considered to be international with no single country of use. Our railcars are used by lessees on railroads in North America. Our logistics business provides both domestic and international logistics services.

#### **History**

We were founded in 1989 by our Chairman, Hiromitsu Ogawa, as a traditional container leasing company that leased containers owned by us to container shipping lines. We were originally incorporated under the name Container Applications International, Inc. in the State of Nevada in August 1989. In February 2007, we were reincorporated under our present name in the State of Delaware.

In December 2011, we formed CAI Rail Inc. (CAI Rail), as a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. CAI Rail purchases and leases our fleet of railcars in North America.

In July 2015, we purchased ClearPointt Logistics LLC (ClearPointt), an intermodal logistics company focused on the domestic intermodal market, for approximately \$4.1 million. ClearPointt is headquartered in Everett, Washington.

In February 2016, we purchased Challenger Overseas, LLC (Challenger), a Non-Vessel Operating Common Carrier (NVOCC), for approximately \$10.8 million. Challenger is headquartered in Eatontown, New Jersey.

In June 2016, we purchased Hybrid Logistics, Inc. and its affiliate General Transportation Services, Inc. (collectively, Hybrid), asset light truck brokers, for approximately \$12.0 million. Hybrid is headquartered in Portland, Oregon.

#### **Corporate Information**

Our corporate headquarters and principal executive offices are located at Steuart Tower, 1 Market Plaza, Suite 900, San Francisco, California 94105. Our telephone number is (415) 788-0100 and our website address is <a href="http://www.capps.com">http://www.capps.com</a>. We operate our business in 23 offices in 13 countries including the United States, and have agents in Asia, Europe, South Africa, and South America. Our wholly-owned international subsidiaries are located in the United Kingdom, Japan, Malaysia, Sweden, Germany, Singapore, Luxembourg, Australia, Chile, South Korea, Barbados and Bermuda.

#### **Segment Information**

We organize our business by the nature of services we provide and separate our business into three reportable segments: container leasing, rail leasing and logistics.

The container leasing segment derives its revenue from the ownership and leasing of containers and fees earned for managing container portfolios on behalf of third party investors. The rail leasing segment derives its revenue from the ownership and leasing of railcars. The logistics segment derives its revenue from the provision of logistics services. There are no significant inter-segment revenues.

The operating results of each segment and details of our revenues for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014, and information regarding the geographic areas in which we do business are summarized in Note 17 to our consolidated financial statements in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

#### **Industry Overview**

#### **Container Leasing**

We operate in the worldwide intermodal freight container leasing industry. Intermodal freight containers, or containers, are large, standardized steel boxes used to transport cargo by a number of means, including ship, truck and rail. Container shipping lines use containers as the primary means for packaging and transporting freight internationally, principally from export-oriented economies in Asia to other Asian countries, North America and Western Europe.

Containers are built in accordance with standard dimensions and weight specifications established by the International Standards Organization (ISO). Standard dry van containers are eight feet wide, either 20 or 40 feet long and are either 8 feet 6 inches or 9 feet 6 inches tall.

The three principal categories of containers are described as follows:

- **Dry van containers.** A dry van container is constructed of steel sides, roof and end panel with a set of doors on the other end, a wooden floor and a steel undercarriage. Dry van containers are the least expensive and most commonly used type of container. Dry van containers comprise approximately 90% of the worldwide container fleet, as measured in TEUs. They are used to carry general cargo, such as manufactured component parts, consumer staples, electronics and apparel.
- **Refrigerated containers.** A refrigerated container has an integrated refrigeration unit on one end which plugs into a generator set or other outside power source and is used to transport perishable goods.
- Specialized equipment. Specialized equipment includes open-top, flat-rack, palletwide and swapbody containers, roll trailers, and generator sets. An open-top container is similar in construction to a dry van container except that the roof is replaced with a tarpaulin supported by removable roof bows. A flat-rack container is a heavily reinforced steel platform with a wood deck and steel end panels. Open-top and flat-rack containers are generally used to move heavy or oversized cargo, such as marble slabs, building products or machinery. Palletwide containers are a type of dry-van container externally similar to ISO standard containers, but internally about two inches wider so as to accommodate two European-sized pallets side-by-side. Swapbody containers are a type of dry van container designed to be easily transferred between rail, truck, and barge and are equipped with legs under their frames. Roll trailers are a type of flat-bed trailer equipped with rubber wheels underneath for terminal haulage and stowage on board roll-on/roll-off vessels.

Containers provide a secure and cost-effective method of transportation because they can be used in multiple modes of transportation, making it possible to move cargo from a point of origin to a final destination without repeated unpacking and repacking. As a result, containers reduce transit time and freight and labor costs as they permit faster loading and unloading of shipping vessels and more efficient utilization of transportation containers than traditional bulk shipping methods. The protection provided by containers also reduces damage, loss and theft of cargo during shipment. While the life of containers varies based upon the damage and normal wear and tear suffered by the container, we estimate that the average useful life of a dry van container used in our fleet is 13.0 years.

Container shipping lines own and lease containers for their use. Based on container fleet information reported by Drewry Maritime Research, transportation companies (including container shipping lines and freight forwarders) own approximately 53% of the total worldwide container fleet and container leasing companies own approximately 47% of the total worldwide container fleet based on TEUs. Given the uncertainty and variability of export volumes and the fact that container shipping lines have difficulty in accurately forecasting their container requirements at different ports, the availability of containers for lease significantly reduces a container shipping line's need to purchase and maintain excess container inventory. In addition, container leases allow the container shipping lines to adjust their container fleets both seasonally and over time and help to balance trade flows. The flexibility offered by container leasing helps container shipping lines improve their overall fleet management and provides the container shipping lines with an alternative source of financing.

*Fleet Overview.* The table below summarizes the composition of our container fleet as of December 31, 2016 by type of equipment:

	Dry Van Containers	Percent of Total Fleet	Refrigerated Containers	Percent of Total Fleet	Specialized Equipment	Percent of Total Fleet	Total	Percent of Total Fleet
Owned container fleet in TEUs	801,136	74%	53,630	5%	66,928	6%	921,694	85%
Managed container fleet in TEUs	160,765	15%	584	0%	1,233	0%	162,582	15%
Total container fleet in TEUs	961,901	89%	54,214	5%_	68,161	6%	1,084,276	100%
	Dry Van Containers	Percent of Total Fleet	Refrigerated Containers	Percent of Total Fleet	Specialized Equipment	Percent of Total Fleet	Total	Percent of Total Fleet
Owned container fleet in CEUs							<b>Total</b> 1,014,078	
	Containers	Total Fleet	Containers	Total Fleet	Equipment	Total Fleet		Total Fleet

Marketing and Operations Overview. Our marketing and operations personnel are responsible for developing and maintaining relationships with our lessees, facilitating lease contracts and maintaining the day-to-day coordination of operational issues. This coordination allows us to negotiate lease contracts that satisfy both our financial return requirements and our lessees' operating needs. It also facilitates our awareness of lessees' potential equipment shortages and their awareness of our available equipment inventories. We have marketing and operations employees in twelve countries, supported by independent agents in a further seven countries.

**Leases Overview.** To meet the needs of our lessees and achieve a favorable utilization rate, we lease containers under three main types of leases:

- Long-Term Leases. Our long-term leases have terms of one year or more and specify the number of containers to be leased, the pick-up and drop-off locations, the applicable per diem rate and the contract term. We typically enter into long-term leases for a fixed term ranging from three to eight years, with five-year term leases being most common. Our long-term leases generally require our lessees to maintain all units on lease for the duration of the lease, which provides us with scheduled lease payments. A small percentage of our long-term leases contain an early termination option and afford the lessee interchangeability of containers, and the ability to redeliver containers if the lessee's fleet requirements change. Generally, leases with an early termination provision impose various economic penalties to the customer if the customer elects to exercise the early termination provision.
- Short-Term Leases. Short-term leases include both master interchange leases and customized short-term leases. Master interchange leases provide a master framework pursuant to which lessees can lease containers on an as-needed basis, and thus command a higher per diem rate than long-term leases. The terms of master interchange leases are typically negotiated on an annual basis. Under our master interchange leases, lessees know in advance their per diem rates and drop-off locations, subject to monthly port limits. We also enter into other short-term leases that typically have a term of less than one year and are generally used for one-way leasing, typically for small quantities of containers. The terms of short-term leases are customized for the specific requirements of the lessee. Short-term leases are sometimes used to reposition containers to high-demand locations and accordingly may contain terms that provide incentives to lessees.

• Finance Leases. Finance leases provide our lessees with an alternative method to finance their container acquisitions. Finance leases are long-term in nature and require relatively little customer service attention. They ordinarily require fixed payments over a defined period and generally provide lessees with a right to purchase the leased containers for a nominal amount at the end of the lease term. Per diem rates under finance leases include an element of repayment of capital and, therefore, typically are higher than per diem rates charged under long-term leases. Finance leases require the container lessee to keep the container on lease for the entire term of the lease.

The following table provides a summary of our container fleet by lease type as of December 31, 2016:

	As of December 31, 2016	
	TEUs	CEUs
Long-term leases	73%	75%
Short-term leases	19%	16%
Finance leases	8%	9%
Total	100%	100%

Our lease agreements contain general terms and conditions detailing standard rights and obligations, including requirements that lessees pay a per diem rate, depot charges, taxes and other charges when due, maintain equipment in good condition, return equipment in good condition in accordance with return conditions set forth in the lease agreement, use equipment in compliance with all applicable laws, and pay us for the value of the equipment as determined by the lease agreement if the equipment is lost or destroyed. A default clause in our lease agreements gives us certain legal remedies in the event that an equipment lessee is in breach of lease terms.

Our lease agreements contain an exclusion of warranties clause and require lessees to defend and indemnify us in most instances from third-party claims arising out of the lessee's use, operation, possession or lease of the equipment. Lessees are required to maintain physical damage and comprehensive general liability insurance, or be adequately self-insured, and to indemnify us against loss with respect to the equipment. We also maintain our own contingent physical damage and third-party liability insurance that covers our equipment during both on-lease and off-lease periods. All of our insurance coverage is subject to annual deductible provisions and per occurrence and aggregate limits.

Management Services Overview. We manage containers for third-party investors under management agreements that cover portfolios of containers. We lease, re-lease and dispose of the containers and contract for their repair, re positioning and storage. Our management agreements have multiple year terms and provide that we receive a management fee based upon the actual net operating income for each container, which is equal to the actual rental revenue for a container less the actual operating expenses directly attributable to that container. Management fees are collected monthly or quarterly, depending upon the agreement, and generally are not paid if net operating revenue is zero or less for a particular period. If operating expenses exceed revenue, third-party investors are required to pay the excess or we may deduct the excess, including our management fee, from future net operating revenue. Under these agreements, we also receive a commission for selling or otherwise disposing of containers for the third-party investor. Our management agreements generally require us to indemnify the third-party investor for liabilities or losses arising out of a breach of our obligations. In return, the third-party investor typically indemnifies us in our capacity as the manager of the container against a breach by the third-party investor, sales taxes on commencement of the arrangement, withholding taxes on payments to the third-party investor under the management agreement and any other taxes, other than our income taxes, incurred with respect to the containers that are not otherwise included as operating expenses deductible from revenue.

**Re-leasing, Logistics Management and Depot Management.** We believe that managing the period after lease termination, in particular after our containers' first lease, is one of the most important aspects of our business. Successful management of this period requires disciplined re-leasing capabilities, logistics management and depot management.

- Re-leasing. Since our leases (other than finance leases) allow our lessees to return their containers, we typically lease a container several times during its useful life. New containers can usually be leased with a limited marketing and customer service infrastructure because initial leases for new containers typically cover large volumes of units and are fairly standardized transactions. Used containers, on the other hand, are typically leased in smaller transactions that are structured to accommodate pick-ups and returns in a variety of locations. Our utilization rates depend on our re-leasing abilities. Factors that affect our ability to re-lease used containers include the size of our lessee base, ability to anticipate lessee needs, our presence in relevant geographic locations and the level of service we provide our lessees. We believe that our global presence and long-standing relationships with more than 300 container lessees as of December 31, 2016 provide us an advantage over our smaller competitors in re-leasing our containers.
- Logistics Management. The shipping industry is characterized by large regional trade imbalances, with
  loaded containers generally flowing from export-oriented economies in Asia to other Asian countries,
  North America and Western Europe. Because of these trade imbalances, container shipping lines have an
  incentive to return leased containers in relatively low export areas to reduce the cost of shipping empty
  containers. We have managed this structural imbalance of inventories with the following approach:
  - Limiting or prohibiting container returns to low-demand areas. In order to minimize our repositioning costs, our leases typically include a list of the specific locations to which containers may be returned, limitations on the number of containers that may be returned to low-demand locations, high drop-off charges for returning containers to low-demand locations or a combination of these provisions;
  - Taking advantage of the secondary resale market. In order to maintain a younger fleet age
    profile, we have aggressively sold older containers when they are returned to low demand
    areas;
  - Developing country-specific leasing markets to utilize older containers in the portable storage market. In North America and Western Europe, we lease on a limited basis older containers for use as portable storage;
  - Seeking one-way lease opportunities to move containers from lower demand locations to higher demand locations. One-way leases may include incentives, such as free days, credits and damage waivers. The cost of offering these incentives is considerably less than the cost we would incur if we paid to reposition the containers; and
  - Paying to reposition our containers to higher demand locations. At locations where our inventories remain high, despite the efforts described above, we will selectively choose to ship excess containers to locations with higher demand.
- Depot Management. As of December 31, 2016, we managed our equipment fleet through 296 independent equipment depot facilities located in 50 countries. Depot facilities are generally responsible for repairing containers when they are returned by lessees and for storing the containers while they are off-hire. Our operations group is responsible for managing our depot contracts and periodically visiting depot facilities to conduct inventory and repair audits. We also supplement our internal operations group with the use of independent inspection agents. As of December 31, 2016, a majority of our off-lease inventory was located at depots that are able to report notices of container activity and damage detail via electronic data interchange, or EDI.

Most of the depot agency agreements follow a standard form and generally provide that the depot will be liable for loss or damage of containers and, in the event of loss or damage, will pay us the previously agreed loss value of the applicable containers. The agreements require the depots to maintain insurance against container loss or damage and we carry insurance to cover the risk that a depot's insurance proves insufficient.

Our container repair standards and processes are generally managed in accordance with standards and procedures specified by the Institute of International Container Lessors, or the IICL. The IICL establishes and documents the acceptable interchange condition for containers and the repair procedures required to return damaged containers in acceptable interchange condition. When containers are returned by lessees, the depot arranges an inspection of the containers to assess the repairs required to return the containers to acceptable IICL condition. As part of the inspection process, damages are categorized either as lessee damage or normal wear and tear. Items typically designated as lessee damage include dents in the container, while items such as rust are typically designated as normal wear and tear. In general, lessees are responsible for the lessee damage portion of repair costs and we are responsible for normal wear and tear.

Customer Concentration. Revenue from our ten largest container lessees represented 60.4% of container leasing revenue for the year ended December 31, 2016, with revenue from our two largest lessees, CMA CGM and MSC Mediterranean Shipping Co, accounting for 15.7% and 10.2%, respectively, of container leasing revenue, or \$31.7 million and \$20.6 million, respectively. The \$31.7 million and \$20.6 million of revenue represented 10.8% and 7.0%, respectively, of our total revenue for the period.

Proprietary Real-time Information Technology System. Our proprietary real-time information technology system tracks all of our containers individually by container number, provides design specifications for the containers, tracks on-lease and off-lease transactions, matches each on-lease unit to a lease contract and each off-lease unit to a depot contract, maintains the major terms for each lease contract, tracks accumulated depreciation, calculates the monthly bill for each container lessee and tracks and bills for container repairs. Most of our depot activity is reported electronically, which enables us to prepare container lessee bills and calculate financial reporting information more efficiently.

In addition, our system allows our lessees to conduct business with us through the Internet. This allows our lessees to review our container inventories, monitor their on-lease information, view design specifications and receive information on maintenance and repair. Many of our lessees receive billing and on- and off- lease information from us electronically.

Our Suppliers. We purchase most of our containers in China from manufacturers that have met our qualification requirements. We are currently not dependent on any single manufacturer. We have long-standing relationships with all of our major container suppliers. Our technical services personnel review the designs for our containers and periodically audit the production facilities of our suppliers. In addition, we contract with independent third-party inspectors to monitor production at factories while our containers are being produced. This provides an additional layer of quality control and helps ensure that our containers are produced in accordance with our specifications.

*Our Competition.* We compete primarily with other container leasing companies, including both larger and smaller lessors. We also compete with bank leasing companies offering long-term operating leases and finance leases, and container shipping lines, which sometimes lease their excess container inventory. Other participants in the shipping industry, such as container manufacturers, may also decide to enter the container leasing business. It is common for container shipping lines to utilize several leasing companies to meet their container needs and to minimize reliance on any one individual leasing company.

Our competitors compete with us in many ways, including pricing, lease flexibility, supply reliability, customer service and the quality and condition of containers. Some of our competitors have greater financial resources than we do, or are affiliates of larger companies. We emphasize the quality of our fleet, supply reliability and high level of customer service to our container lessees. We focus on ensuring adequate container availability in high-demand locations, dedicate large portions of our organization to building relationships with lessees, maintain close day-to-day coordination with lessees and have developed a proprietary information technology system that allows our lessees to access real-time information about their containers.

**Seasonality.** We have historically experience d increased seasonal demand for containers in the second and third quarters of the year. However, equipment rental revenue may fluctuate significantly in future periods based upon the level of demand by container shipping lines for leased containers, our ability to maintain a high utilization rate of containers in our total fleet, changes in per diem rates for leases.

#### Rail Leasing

*Fleet Overview.* We own a fleet of railcars of various types including: 50ft and 60ft box cars for paper and forest products; covered hoppers for grain, cement, sand, plastic pellets and many other industrial products; general purpose tank cars that are used to transport food-grade and other liquid and gaseous commodities; gondolas for coal and steel; and general service flat cars. We owned 6,459 railcars as of December 31, 2016.

In June 2015 we entered into a multi-year railcar order (the "Agreement") with a railcar manufacturer. Under the Agreement, we committed to purchase 2,000 railcars of various types for use on the North American rail system, for a total investment expected to be in excess of \$200 million. In October 2016, we entered into an amendment to the Agreement, by which we modified the type of railcars yet to be delivered as of the effective date of the amendment, reduced the overall baseline pricing and revised the amount and delivery dates for the various car types. As of December 31, 2016, 468 railcars had been delivered under the Agreement, 1,007 cars are to be delivered in 2017 at a cost of \$100.0 million, and a further 525 cars are to be delivered in 2018 at a cost of \$72.0 million.

**Overview of Our Leases.** We offer multiple lease options to our railcar customers, including full service leases, net operating leases and per diem leases. Our full service leases provide our customers with comprehensive management services including maintenance and the payment of taxes. Net operating leases allow customers to manage and pay the cost of operating and maintaining railcars themselves. Our per diem lease product enables customers to pay through a settlement process on an hourly and mileage basis.

Customer Concentration. Our railcar customers are typically industrial companies who ship their products or raw materials by rail. Our customers are generally large, creditworthy, industrial companies. Additionally, we work with a number of North American Class I Railroads and regional carriers. Revenue from our ten largest customers represented 42.6% of rail leasing revenue for the year ended December 31, 2016, with no customer generating more than 10%.

*Our Competition.* We function in a highly competitive marketplace that includes large and small operating lessors, financial institutions with passive leasing enterprises, captive leasing companies owned by manufacturers and at times with shippers holding large and diverse fleets of railcars. We compete on the basis of customer relationships, lease rate, maintenance expertise, service capability and availability of railcars.

#### Logistics

Overview of Our Services. We offer comprehensive logistics services including intermodal, truck brokerage, port drayage, warehousing, international ocean freight and freight forwarding, as well as the arrangement and coordination of international air freight services and customs brokerage. Through our network of transportation carriers and equipment providers, we arrange for the movement of our customers' freight. We contract with railroads to provide transportation for the line-haul portion of the shipment and with local trucking companies, known as "drayage companies," for pickup and delivery. We may also offer use of our own CAI equipment for domestic beneficial cargo owner (BCO) movements. As part of our intermodal and truck brokerage services, we negotiate and bundle rates for our customers, track shipments in transit, and facilitate the handling of claims for freight loss or damage on behalf of our customers. We also provide international export and import services for full container loads, less than container loads, perishable cargo, project cargo, and airfreight across the globe.

We have a network of logistics professionals dedicated to developing, implementing and operating customized logistics solutions. We offer a wide range of transportation management services and technology solutions including shipment optimization, load consolidation, mode selection, carrier management, load planning and execution and web-based shipment visibility.

**Customer Concentration.** We provide services to customers in a wide variety of industries, including consumer products, retail and durable goods. Revenue from our ten largest customers represented 38.4% of logistics revenue for the year ended December 31, 2016, with no customer generating more than 10%.

Our Competition. The transportation services industry is highly competitive. We compete against other logistics companies, third party brokers, asset-backed trucking companies and shipping lines that market their own intermodal and international shipping services. Several large trucking companies have entered into agreements with railroads to market intermodal services nationwide. Competition is based primarily on freight rates, quality of services, reliability, transit time and scope of operations. We believe we have a strong competitive advantage being able to offer customers a variety of services under one organization. Few, if any, of our competitors can offer customers leasing of containers, sale of used containers, rail service, nationwide truck brokerage and international export/import services. This distinct advantage, along with the cross selling between all of our divisions, is expected to provide CAI with significant opportunities to increase market share.

**Relationship with Railroads.** A key element of our business strategy is to strengthen our close working relationship with the major railroads in the United States and Canada. Due to our size and relative importance, some railroads have dedicated support personnel to focus on our day-to-day service requirements. We have relationships with all seven of the Class 1 freight railroads, and our senior executives meet with each of the railroads on a regular basis to discuss major strategic issues concerning intermodal transportation.

Transportation rates are market driven. We sometimes negotiate with the railroads or other major service providers on a route or customer specific basis. Consistent with industry practice, some of the rates we negotiate are special commodity quotations (SCQs), which provide discounts from published price lists based on competitive market factors and are designed by the railroads or major service providers to attract new business or to retain existing business. SCQ rates are generally issued for the account of a single Intermodal Marketing Company (IMC). SCQ rates apply to specific customers in specified shipping lanes for a specific period of time, usually up to 12 months. Other transactional or spot market business is negotiated on a daily basis, dependent on capacity and dynamic pricing, consistent with existing market conditions.

**Relationship with Drayage Companies.** We have a "Quality Drayage Program," under which participants commit to provide high quality drayage service along with clean and safe equipment, maintain a defined on-time performance level and follow specified procedures designed to minimize freight loss and damage. We negotiate drayage rates for transportation between specific origin and destination points.

**Relationship with Trucking Companies.** Our truck brokerage operation has relationships with more than 14,000 trucking companies that we use to transport freight. Our truck brokerage operation handles the administrative and regulatory aspects of the trucking company relationship including an eight step vetting process. Our relationships with these trucking companies are important since these relationships determine pricing, load coverage and overall service.

Relationship with Shipping Lines. Our international division has relationships with every major shipping line providing a worldwide network of shipping options based on price and service for export and import cargoes. These relationships enable us to provide a basket of options that best suit the needs of our customers at any given moment. Supported by a world-wide agency network, we are able to provide the best price and service option any place in the world. Additional value and customized solutions can be accomplished by offering use of our own CAI equipment for domestic and international BCO movements.

**Risk Management and Insurance.** We require all drayage companies participating in our Quality Drayage Program to carry general liability insurance, truckman's auto liability insurance and cargo insurance. Railroads, which are self-insured, provide limited cargo protection per shipment. To cover freight loss or damage our carriers are carefully vetted to ensure all cargo insurance requirements are in place and monitored. We also carry contingent cargo insurance to protect from any lapse in a carrier's primary insurance.

#### **Credit Control**

We provide services for container shipping lines, freight forwarders, railroads and other companies that meet our credit criteria. Our credit policy sets different maximum exposure limits depending on our relationship and previous experience with each equipment lessee. Credit criteria may include, but are not limited to, trade route, country, business climate, social and political climate, assessments of net worth, asset ownership, bank and trade credit references, credit bureau reports, including those from Dynamar, operational history and financial strength. We monitor our customers' performance on an ongoing basis. Our credit control processes are aided by the long payment experience we have with most of our customers, our broad network of relationships that provide current information about our customers' market reputations and our focus on collections.

#### **Environmental Matters**

We are subject to federal, state, local and foreign laws and regulations relating to the protection of the environment, including those governing the discharge of pollutants to air and water, the management and disposal of hazardous substances and wastes and the cleanup of contaminated sites. We could incur substantial costs, including cleanup costs, fines and third-party claims for property or natural resource damage and personal injury, as a result of violations of environmental laws and regulations in connection with our or our lessees' current or historical operations. Under some environmental laws in the United States and certain other countries, the owner or operator of equipment may be liable for environmental damage, cleanup or other costs in the event of a spill or discharge of material from the equipment without regard to the fault of the owner or operator. While we typically maintain liability insurance coverage and typically require our lessees to provide us with indemnity against certain losses, the insurance coverage is subject to large deductibles, limits on maximum coverage and significant exclusions and may not be sufficient or available to protect against any or all liabilities and such indemnities may not cover or be sufficient to protect us against losses arising from environmental damage.

#### Regulation

We are subject to regulations promulgated in various countries, including the United States, seeking to protect the integrity of international commerce and prevent the use of equipment for international terrorism or other illicit activities. For example, the Container Security Initiative, the Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism and Operation Safe Commerce are among the programs administered by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security that are designed to enhance security for cargo moving throughout the international transportation system by identifying existing vulnerabilities in the supply chain and developing improved methods for ensuring the security of containerized cargo entering and leaving the United States. Moreover, the International Convention for Safe Containers, 1972, as amended, adopted by the International Maritime Organization, applies to new and existing containers and seeks to maintain a high level of safety of human life in the transport and handling of containers by providing uniform international safety regulations. As these regulations develop and change, we may incur increased compliance costs due to the acquisition of new, compliant equipment and/or the adaptation of existing equipment to meet new requirements imposed by such regulations.

Our rail operations are subject to various laws, rules, and regulations administered by authorities in jurisdictions where we do business; the United States, Canada and Mexico. In the United States, for example, our railcar fleet is subject to safety, operations, maintenance, and mechanical standards, rules, and regulations enforced by various federal and state agencies and industry organizations, including the U.S. Department of Transportation, the Federal Railroad Administration, and the Association of American Railroads. State agencies regulate some health and safety matters related to rail operations not otherwise preempted by federal law. As these regulations develop and change, we may incur increased compliance costs due to additional maintenance or substantial modification or refurbishment of our railcars to meet new requirements imposed by such regulations. In addition, violations of these rules and regulations can result in substantial fines and penalties, including potential limitations on operations or forfeitures of assets.

Our logistics business is licensed by the Department of Transportation as brokers in arranging for the transportation of general commodities by motor carriers and railroads. To the extent that we perform truck brokerage and intermodal services, we do so under these licenses. The Department of Transportation prescribes qualifications for acting in this capacity, including a surety bond that we have posted. To date, compliance with these regulations has not had a material adverse effect on our results of operations or financial condition. However, the transportation industry is subject to legislative or regulatory changes that can affect the economics of the industry by requiring changes in operating practices or influencing the demand for, and cost of providing, transportation services.

#### **Employees**

As of December 31, 2016, we had 212 employees worldwide. We are not a party to any collective bargaining agreements. We believe that relations with our employees are good.

#### **Available Information**

Our Internet website address is <a href="http://www.capps.com">http://www.capps.com</a>. Our Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (Exchange Act) are available free of charge through our website as soon as reasonably practicable after they are electronically filed with, or furnished to, the SEC. Also, copies of our filings with the SEC will be made available, free of charge, upon written request to the Company.

#### ITEM 1A: RISK FACTORS

In addition to the other information contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, we have identified the following risks and uncertainties that may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. Investors should carefully consider the risks described below before making an investment decision. The risks described below are not the only ones we face. Additional risks not presently known to us or that we currently believe are immaterial may also impair our business operations. Our business could be harmed by any of these risks. The trading price of our common stock could decline due to any of these risks and investors may lose all or part of their investment. This section should be read in conjunction with our audited consolidated financial statements and related notes thereto, and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

#### Risks Related to Container Leasing

Market conditions are weak due to a combination of factors, including significant declines in steel prices, new container prices, used container prices and slower trade growth which has led to lower demand for containers. This decline in market conditions accelerated in 2015 and continued into 2016.

Market conditions have been unusually weak and have significantly reduced our profitability. There has been an overall decline in worldwide commodity prices, and in particular, steel prices, which declined approximately 40% from October 2014 through December 2015, although there has been a steady recovery in prices during 2016, with prices approximately doubling during the year. World containerization trade growth decelerated significantly during 2015 and trade growth remained weak in 2016. The decline in steel prices, along with slower trade growth resulted in a reduced demand for containers, and contributed to a significant decline in the price of new containers. New container prices declined during 2015 and reached a low point of approximately \$1,250 in the first quarter of 2016. Sale prices for used containers decreased significantly in 2015 and into 2016, resulting in losses on the sale of equipment. The above factors are contributing to the pressure on our profitability. If steel prices decline and the market conditions we saw in 2015 and 2016 return, our profitability will decline further, which could limit the availability of our liquidity and capital resources and therefore constrain our ability to repay debt, invest in additional containers or repurchase our common shares.

Container leasing demand can be negatively affected by numerous market factors as well as external political and economic events that are beyond our control. Decreasing leasing demand could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Demand for containers depends largely on the rate of world trade and economic growth. Demand for leased containers is also driven by our customers' "lease vs. buy" decisions. Cyclical recessions can negatively affect lessors' operating results because during economic downturns or periods of reduced trade, shipping lines tend to lease fewer containers, or lease containers only at reduced rates, and tend to rely more on their own fleets to satisfy a greater percentage of their requirements. As a result, during periods of weak global economic activity, container lessors like ourselves typically experience decreased leasing demand, decreased equipment utilization, lower average rental rates, decreased leasing revenue, decreased used container resale prices and significantly decreased profitability. These effects can be severe.

For example, our profitability decreased significantly from the third quarter of 2008 to the third quarter of 2009 due to the effects of the global financial crisis, and profitability would have decreased further if trade activity did not start to recover at the end of 2009. Starting in 2015 and through 2016, our operating performance and profitability was also negatively impacted due to slower global trade growth resulting in reduced demand for leased containers, decreases in lease rental revenue, decreased used container sales prices, and higher operating costs. If these trends continue, our profitability will be negatively affected, which could constrain our ability to invest in additional containers or repurchase our common shares.

Other general factors affecting demand for leased containers, container utilization and per diem rental rates include:

- available supply and prices of new and used containers;
- changes in the operating efficiency of our customers;
- economic conditions and competitive pressures in the shipping industry;
- shifting trends and patterns of cargo traffic, including a reduction in exports from Asian nations or increased trade imbalances;
- the availability and terms of container financing;
- fluctuations in interest rates and foreign currency values;
- overcapacity or undercapacity of the container manufacturers;
- the lead times required to purchase containers;
- the number of containers purchased by competitors and container lessees;
- container ship fleet overcapacity or undercapacity;
- increased repositioning by container shipping lines of their own empty containers to higher-demand locations in lieu of leasing containers from us;
- consolidation or withdrawal of individual container lessees in the container shipping industry;
- import/export tariffs and restrictions;
- customs procedures, foreign exchange controls and other governmental regulations;
- natural disasters that are severe enough to affect local and global economies;
- political and economic factors, including any changes in international trade agreements;
- currency exchange rates; and
- future regulations which could restrict our current business practices and increase our cost of doing business.

All of these factors are inherently unpredictable and beyond our control. These factors will vary over time, often quickly and unpredictably, and any change in one or more of these factors may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. Many of these factors also influence decisions by our customers to lease or buy containers. Should one or more of these factors influence our customers to buy a larger percentage of the containers they operate, our utilization rate would decrease, resulting in decreased revenue and increased storage and repositioning costs.

Lease rates may decrease further due to a decrease in new container prices, weak leasing demand, increased competition or other factors, resulting in reduced revenues, lower margins, and reduced profitability and cash flows.

Market lease rates are typically a function of, among other things, new equipment prices (which are heavily influenced by steel prices), interest rates, the type and length of the lease, the equipment supply and demand balance at a particular time and location, and other factors more fully described below. A decrease in lease rates can have a materially adverse effect on our leasing revenues, profitability and cash flow. The low container prices experienced in 2016, together with low interest rates, have resulted in market lease rates reaching historically low levels.

A decrease in market lease rates negatively impacts the lease rates on both new container investments and the existing containers in our fleet. Most of our existing containers are on operating leases, which means that the lease term is shorter than the expected life of the container, so the lease rate we receive for the container is subject to change at the expiration of the current lease. Lower new container prices, widespread availability of attractively priced financing, and aggressive competition for new leasing transactions continue to pressure market lease rates, and market lease rates are currently significantly below our portfolio average. As a result, during periods of low market lease rates, including the present period, the average lease rate received for our containers is negatively impacted by both the addition of new containers at low lease rates as well as, and more significantly by, the turnover of existing containers from leases with higher lease rates to leases with lower lease rates. We have a large number of historically high rate leases that expire between 2017 and 2020 and those that have expired or been renegotiated have been re-priced at today's low lease rates.

### A reduction in the price of new containers could harm our business, results of operations and financial condition.

New container prices have been increasing since their lows in the first quarter of 2016. If new container prices decreased, however, the per diem lease rates of older, off-lease containers would also be expected to decrease and the prices obtained for containers sold at the end of their useful life would also be expected to decrease. Between the beginning of 2014 and the first quarter of 2016, due primarily to decreases in steel prices and other macro-economic factors outside of our control, new container pricing and the sale prices of containers sold at the end of their useful life declined. New container prices have recovered during 2016 and into 2017, although used prices remain low. If the price of new containers declines such that the market per diem lease rate or resale value for all containers is reduced further, our revenue and income could decline. A continuation of these factors could harm our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows, even if this sustained reduction in price would allow us to purchase new containers at a lower cost.

#### We face risks associated with re-leasing containers after their initial long term lease.

Containers used in our fleet have an average useful life that is generally between 12 and 15 years. When we purchase newly manufactured containers, we typically lease them out under long-term leases with terms of 3 to 8 years at a lease rate that is correlated to the price paid for the container. As containers leased under term leases are not leased out for their full economic life, we face risks associated with re-leasing containers after their initial long term lease at a rate that continues to provide a reasonable economic return based on the initial purchase price of the container. If prevailing container lease rates decline significantly between the time a container is initially leased out and when its initial long term lease expires, or if overall demand for containers declines, we may be unable to earn a sufficient lease rate from the re-leasing of containers when their initial term leases expire. This could adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

# The demand for leased containers is particularly tied to international trade. If international trade were to decrease, it could reduce demand for container leasing, which would materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

A substantial portion of our containers are used in trade involving goods being shipped from exporting countries (e.g., China and other Asian countries) to importing countries (e.g., the United States or European nations). The willingness and ability of international consumers to purchase foreign goods is dependent upon political support for an absence of government-imposed barriers to international trade in goods and services. For example, international consumer demand for foreign goods is related to price; if the price differential between foreign goods and domestically-produced goods were to decrease due to increased tariffs on foreign goods, strengthening in the applicable foreign currencies relative to domestic currencies, rising foreign wages, increasing input or energy costs or other factors, then demand for foreign goods could decrease, which in turn could result in reduced demand for container leasing. A similar reduction in demand for container leasing could result from an increased use of quotas or other technical barriers to restrict trade. The current regime of relatively free trade may not continue, which would materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

In addition, U.S. President Donald J. Trump, certain members of the U.S. Congress, and key U.S. administrative officials and policy makers have announced the intention to withdraw from certain international trade agreements (i.e. the Trans Pacific Partnership) or renegotiate existing trade agreements (i.e. NAFTA), and the possible implementation of tariffs, border taxes or other measures that could impact the level of trade between the U.S. and other countries, including Asia and Mexico. Any such changes to trade agreements or the implementation of tariffs could have a material impact on the purchase of foreign goods, and negatively impact our customers and the volume of container and rail shipments, which would materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our customers may decide to lease fewer containers. Should shipping lines decide to buy a larger percentage of the containers they operate, our utilization rate and level of investment would decrease, resulting in decreased leasing revenues, increased storage costs, increased repositioning costs and lower growth.

We, like other suppliers of leased containers, are dependent upon decisions by shipping lines to lease rather than buy their container equipment. Should shipping lines decide to buy a larger percentage of the containers they operate, our utilization rate would decrease, resulting in decreased leasing revenues, increased storage costs and increased positioning costs. A decrease in the portion of leased containers operated by shipping lines would also reduce our investment opportunities and significantly constrain our growth. Most of the factors affecting the decisions of our customers are outside of our control.

## Used container sale prices have decreased and may decrease further, leading to losses on the sale of used rental equipment.

Although our revenues primarily depend upon equipment leasing, our profitability is also affected by the gains or losses we realize on the sale of used containers because, in the ordinary course of our business, we sell certain containers when they are returned to us. The volatility of the selling prices and gains or losses from the disposal of such equipment may be significant. Used container selling prices, which can vary substantially, depend upon, among other factors, the cost of new containers, the global supply and demand balance for containers, the location of the containers, the supply and demand balance for used containers at a particular location, the repair condition of the container, refurbishment needs, materials and labor costs and equipment obsolescence. Most of these factors are outside of our control.

Containers are typically sold if it is in our best interest to do so, after taking into consideration earnings prospects, book value, remaining useful life, repair condition, suitability for leasing or other uses and the prevailing local sales price for containers. Gains or losses on the disposition of used containers will fluctuate and may be significant if we sell large quantities of used containers.

Used container selling prices and the gains or losses that we have recognized from selling used containers have varied widely over the last fifteen years. Selling prices for used container and our disposal gains were exceptionally high from 2010 to 2012 due to a generally tight global supply and demand balance for containers. Since the beginning of 2013, due primarily to decreases in steel prices and other macro-economic factors outside of our control, new container pricing and the sale prices of containers sold at the end of their useful life declined. During 2015 and 2016, disposal prices have been close to, and in many cases below, our residual values which has resulted in losses being incurred on the sales of used equipment. As a result of consistent losses being recorded, particularly on the sale of 40-foot high cube dry van containers, we reduced the residual value for these containers from \$1,650 to \$1,400 per container, effective July 1, 2016, which resulted in an increase in depreciation expense of \$5.4 million for 2016. If used container prices remain at the current low level or decrease further, losses on the sale of used containers could increase, our residual values may need to be reduced further, resulting in increased depreciation expense, and we may incur impairment charges on such equipment. A continued decline in these factors could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

#### We may incur significant costs to reposition containers.

When lessees return containers to locations where supply exceeds demand, we may make a decision to reposition containers to higher demand areas rather than sell the container and realize a loss on that sale. Repositioning expenses vary depending on geographic location, distance, freight rates and other factors, and may not be fully covered by drop-off charges collected from the last lessee of the containers or pick-up charges paid by the new lessee. We seek to limit the number of units that can be returned and impose surcharges on containers returned to areas where demand for such containers is not expected to be strong. However, market conditions may not enable us to continue such practices. In addition, we may not accurately anticipate which port locations will be characterized by high or low demand in the future, and our current contracts will not protect us from repositioning costs if ports that we expect to be high-demand ports turn out to be low-demand ports at the time leases expire.

## Lessee defaults may adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition by decreasing revenue and increasing storage, repositioning, collection and recovery expenses.

Our container equipment is leased to numerous lessees. Lessees are required to pay rent and indemnify us for damage to or loss of equipment. Lessees may default in paying rent and performing other obligations under their leases. A delay or diminution in amounts received under the leases (including leases on our managed equipment), or a default in the performance of maintenance or other lessee obligations under the leases could adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows and our ability to make payments on our debt.

Our cash flows from container equipment, principally container rental revenue, management fee revenue, gain on sale of equipment portfolios, gain on disposition of used equipment and commissions earned on the sale of equipment on behalf of equipment investors, are affected significantly by the ability to collect payments under leases and the ability to replace cash flows from terminating leases by re-leasing or selling equipment on favorable terms. All of these factors are subject to external economic conditions and the performance by lessees and service providers that are not within our control.

In addition, when lessees default, we may fail to recover all of our equipment, and the equipment we do recover may be returned in damaged condition or to locations where we will not be able to efficiently re-lease or sell the equipment. As a result, we may have to repair and reposition the equipment to other places where we can re-lease or sell it, and we may lose revenue and incur additional operating expenses in repossessing, repositioning and storing the equipment.

We believe that the risk of lessee defaults remains high. Excess vessel capacity over the last several years has led to low ocean freight rates, which has resulted in large financial losses for certain carriers. For example, Hanjin Shipping Co. Ltd (Hanjin), the world's 7<sup>th</sup> largest container shipping line, declared bankruptcy on August 31, 2016, and a second major shipping line entered into restructuring negotiations with its creditors, which was successfully completed in 2016. We expect excess vessel capacity to persist and freight rates to remain under pressure, which could adversely affect the credit worthiness of our customers. The Hanjin bankruptcy resulted in us recording bad debt expense of \$2.5 million and an impairment charge of \$2.0 million in 2016. Additional large lessee default could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flow.

We maintain insurance to reimburse the Company and third-party investors for customer defaults. The insurance agreements are subject to deductibles of \$3.0 million or \$3.5 million per occurrence, depending on the customer's credit rating, and have significant exclusions and, therefore, may not be sufficient to prevent us from suffering material losses. In 2016, we filed a significant insurance claim as a result of the Hanjin bankruptcy. As a result of this claim, our level of insurance cover in 2017 has been reduced to \$8.0 million per occurrence and \$13.0 million in aggregate. Additional insurance claims made by the Company may result in such insurance not being available to us in the future on commercially reasonable terms, or at all.

#### We may incur additional asset impairment charges and depreciation expense.

We incurred a charge of \$24.5 million in 2015 to impair the carrying value of certain off-lease equipment. Additional asset impairment charges may result from the occurrence of unexpected adverse events or management decisions that impact our estimates of expected cash flows generated from our long-lived assets. We review our long-lived assets for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value of an asset may not be recoverable. We may be required to recognize additional asset impairment charges in the future as a result of prolonged reductions in demand for specific container types, a n extended weak economic environment, persistent challenging market conditions, events related to particular customers or asset type, or as a result of asset or portfolio sale decisions by management. If an asset, or group of assets, is considered to be impaired, it may also indicate that the residual value of the associated equipment type needs to be reduced. We reduced the residual value for 40-foot high cube dry van containers from \$1,650 to \$1,400 per container, effective July 1, 2016, which resulted in an increase in depreciation expense of \$5.4 million for 2016. If residual values of our rental equipment are lowered further, then our depreciation expense will increase, which would have an adverse impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

# We derive a substantial portion of our revenue from a limited number of container lessees. The loss of, or reduction in business by, any of these container lessees, or a default from any large container lessee, could result in a significant loss of revenue and cash flow.

We have derived, and believe that we will continue to derive, a significant portion of our revenue and cash flow from a limited number of container lessees. Revenue from our ten largest container lessees represented 41.5% of total revenue for the year ended December 31, 2016, with revenue from our single largest container lessee accounting for 10.8%, or \$31.7 million. As our business grows, and as consolidation continues among our shipping line customers, we expect the proportion of revenue generated by our larger customers to continue to increase. The loss of such a customer would have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. In addition, a default by any of our largest lessees would result in a major reduction in our leasing revenue, large repossession expenses, potentially large lost equipment charges and a material adverse impact on our performance and financial condition.

#### Sustained Asian economic, social or political instability could reduce demand for leasing.

Many of our customers are substantially dependent upon shipments of goods exported from Asia. From time to time, there have been economic disruptions, financial turmoil, natural disasters and political instability in this region. If these events were to occur in the future, they could adversely affect our equipment lessees and the general demand for shipping and lead to reduced demand for leased equipment or otherwise adversely affect us. Currently China is transitioning from an export based economy to a domestic demand economy. Any consequent reductions in demand for leased equipment could adversely impact our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

### Consolidation and concentration in the container shipping industry could decrease the demand for leased containers.

We primarily lease containers to container shipping lines. The container shipping lines have historically relied on a large number of leased containers to satisfy their needs. Consolidation of major container shipping lines, such as between Cosco and China Shipping Container Lines, that occurred in 2016, or the creation of additional operating alliances between shipping lines, could create efficiencies and decrease the demand that container shipping lines have for leased containers because they may be able to fulfill a larger portion of their needs through their owned container fleets. It could also create concentration of credit risk if the number of our container lessees decreases due to consolidation. Additionally, large container shipping lines with significant resources could choose to manufacture their own containers, which would decrease their demand for leased containers and could have an adverse impact on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. Finally, decreased demand from shipping companies for leased containers could also occur due to consolidation caused by the financial failure of container shipping companies, such as the bankruptcy of Hanjin during 2016.

## Changes in market price, availability or transportation costs of containers could adversely affect our ability to maintain our supply of containers.

We currently purchase almost all of our containers from manufacturers based in China. If it became more expensive for us to procure containers in China or to transport these units at a low cost from China to the locations where they are needed by our container lessees because of changes in exchange rates between the U.S. Dollar and Chinese Yuan, further consolidation among container suppliers, increased tariffs imposed by the United States or other governments or for any other reason, we may have to seek alternative sources of supply. While we are not currently dependent on any single current manufacturer of our containers, we may not be able to make alternative arrangements quickly enough to meet our container needs, and the alternative arrangements may increase our costs.

#### It may become more expensive for us to store our off-hire containers.

We are dependent on third-party depot operators to repair and store our equipment in port areas throughout the world. In many of these locations the land occupied by these depots is increasingly being considered as prime real estate. Accordingly, local communities are considering increasing restrictions on depot operations which may increase their costs of operation and in some cases force depots to relocate to sites further from the port areas. Additionally, depots in prime locations may become filled to capacity based on market conditions and may refuse additional containers due to space constraints. This could require us to enter into higher-cost storage agreements with third-party depot operators in order to accommodate our customers' turn-in requirements and could result in increased costs and expenses for us. If these changes affect a large number of our depots it could significantly increase the cost of maintaining and storing our off-hire containers.

#### We face extensive competition in the equipment leasing industry.

We may be unable to compete favorably in the highly competitive equipment leasing business. We compete with a number of major leasing companies, many smaller lessors, manufacturers of equipment, companies and financial institutions offering finance leases, promoters of equipment ownership and leasing as a tax-efficient investment, container shipping lines, which sometimes lease their excess container stocks, and suppliers of alternative types of containers for freight transport. Some of these competitors have greater financial resources and access to capital than we do. Additionally, some of these competitors may have large, underutilized inventories of equipment, which could lead to significant downward pressure on per diem rates, margins and prices of equipment.

Our business requires large amounts of working capital to fund our operations. We are aware that some of our competitors have had ownership changes and there has been consolidation in the industry in recent years. As a consequence, these competitors may have greater resources available to aggressively seek to expand their market share. This could include offering lease rates with which we may not be able to effectively compete. We may not be able to compete successfully against these competitors.

Competition among equipment leasing companies depends upon many factors, including, among others, per diem rates; lease terms, including lease duration, drop-off restrictions and repair provisions; customer service; and the location, availability, quality and individual characteristics of equipment units. The highly competitive nature of our industry may reduce lease rates and margins and undermine our ability to maintain our current level of container utilization or achieve our growth plans.

#### The international nature of our business exposes us to numerous risks.

Our ability to enforce lessees' obligations will be subject to applicable law in the jurisdiction in which enforcement is sought. As containers are predominantly located on international waterways, it is not possible to predict, with any degree of certainty, the jurisdictions in which enforcement proceedings may be commenced. For example, repossession from defaulting lessees may be difficult and more expensive in jurisdictions in which laws do not confer the same security interests and rights to creditors and lessors as those in the United States and in jurisdictions where recovery of containers from defaulting lessees is more cumbersome. As a result, the relative success and expedience of enforcement proceedings with respect to containers in various jurisdictions cannot be predicted.

We are also subject to risks inherent in conducting business across national boundaries, any one of which could adversely impact our business. These risks include:

- regional or local economic downturns;
- changes in governmental policy or regulation;
- restrictions on the transfer of funds into or out of the countries in which we operate;
- value-added tax and other sales-type taxes which could result in additional costs to us if they are not properly collected or paid;
- · domestic and foreign customs and tariffs;
- international incidents;
- war, hostilities, terrorist attacks, piracy, or the threat of any of these events;
- government instability;
- nationalization of foreign assets;
- government protectionism;
- compliance with export controls, including those of the U.S. Department of Commerce;
- compliance with import procedures and controls, including those of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security;
- consequences from changes in tax laws, including tax laws pertaining to container investors;
- potential liabilities relating to foreign withholding taxes;
- labor or other disruptions at key ports;
- · difficulty in staffing and managing widespread operations; and
- restrictions on our ability to own or operate subsidiaries, make investments or acquire new businesses in these jurisdictions.

One or more of these factors could impair our current or future international operations and, as a result, harm our overall business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

# We may incur costs associated with new security regulations, which may adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We may be subject to regulations promulgated in various countries, including the United States, seeking to protect the integrity of international commerce and prevent the use of equipment for international terrorism or other illicit activities. For example, the Container Security Initiative, the Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism and Operation Safe Commerce are among the programs administered by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security that are designed to enhance security for cargo moving throughout the international transportation system by identifying existing vulnerabilities in the supply chain and developing improved methods for ensuring the security of containerized cargo entering and leaving the United States. Moreover, the International Convention for Safe Containers, 1972 (CSC), as amended, adopted by the International Maritime Organization, applies to new and existing containers and seeks to maintain a high level of safety of human life in the transport and handling of containers by providing uniform international safety regulations. As these regulations develop and change, we may incur compliance costs due to the acquisition of new, compliant equipment and/or the adaptation of existing equipment to meet new requirements imposed by such regulations. Additionally, certain companies are currently developing or may in the future develop products designed to enhance the security of equipment transported in international commerce. Regardless of the existence of current or future government regulations mandating the safety standards of intermodal shipping equipment, our competitors may adopt such products or our equipment lessees may require that we adopt such products. In responding to such market pressures, we may incur increased costs, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

We operate in numerous tax jurisdictions. A taxing authority within any of these jurisdictions may challenge our operating structure which could result in additional taxes, interest and penalties that could materially impact our financial conditions and our future financial results.

We have implemented a number of structural changes with respect to our Company and its domestic and international subsidiaries in an effort to reduce our income tax obligations in countries in which we operate. There can be no assurance that our tax structure and the amount of taxes we pay in any of these countries will not be challenged by the taxing authorities in the countries in which we operate. If the tax authorities challenge our tax positions or the amount of taxes paid for the purchase, lease or sale of equipment in each jurisdiction in which we operate, we could incur substantial expenses associated with defending our tax position as well as expenses associated with the payment of any additional taxes, penalties and interest that may be imposed on us. The payment of these amounts could have an adverse material effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

#### Environmental liability may adversely affect our business and financial condition.

We are subject to federal, state, local and foreign laws and regulations relating to the protection of the environment, including those governing the discharge of pollutants to air, ground and water, the management and disposal of hazardous substances and wastes and the cleanup of contaminated sites. We could incur substantial costs, including cleanup costs, fines and costs arising out of third-party claims for property or natural resource damage and personal injury, as a result of violations of or liabilities under environmental laws and regulations in connection with our or our lessees' current or historical operations. Under some environmental laws in the United States and certain other countries, the owner or operator of a container may be liable for environmental damage, cleanup or other costs in the event of a spill or discharge of material from a container without regard to whether or not the spill or discharge was the fault of the owner or operator. While we typically maintain liability insurance and typically require lessees to provide us with indemnity against certain losses, insurance coverage may not be sufficient, or available, to protect against any or all liabilities and such indemnities may not be sufficient to protect us against losses arising from environmental damage. Moreover, our lessees may not have adequate resources, or may refuse to honor their indemnity obligations and our insurance coverage is subject to large deductibles, coverage limits and significant exclusions.

Many countries, including the United States, restrict, prohibit or otherwise regulate the use of chemical refrigerants due to their ozone depleting and global warming effects. Our refrigerated containers currently use R134A or 404A refrigerant. While R134A and 404A do not contain CFCs (which have been restricted since 1995), the European Union has instituted regulations beginning in 2011 to phase out the use of R134A in automobile air conditioning systems due to concern that the release of R134A into the atmosphere may contribute to global warming. While the European Union regulations do not currently restrict the use of R134A or 404A in refrigerated containers or trailers, it has been proposed that, beginning in 2025, R134A and 404A usage in refrigerated containers will be banned, although the final decision has not yet been made. Further, certain manufacturers of refrigerated containers, including the largest manufacturer of cooling machines for refrigerated containers, have begun testing units that utilize alternative refrigerants, such as carbon dioxide, that may have less global warming potential than R134A and 404A. If future regulations prohibit the use or servicing of containers using R134A or 404A refrigerants, we could be forced to incur large retrofitting expenses. In addition, refrigerated containers that are not retrofitted may become difficult to lease, command lower rental rates and disposal prices, or may have to be scrapped.

Also, the foam insulation in the walls of intermodal refrigerated containers requires the use of a blowing agent that contains hydrochlofluorcarbons (CFCs, specifically HCFC-141b). Manufacturers are in various stages of phasing out the use of this blowing agent in the manufacturing process. In accordance with the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer, the continued use of HCFC-141b in manufacturing is currently permitted. The European Union ("EU") prohibits the import and the placing on the market in the EU of intermodal containers with insulation made with HCFC-141b ("EU Regulation"). However, the European Commission has recognized that notwithstanding its regulation, under international conventions governing free movement of intermodal containers, the use of such intermodal refrigerated containers admitted into EU countries on temporary customs admission should be permitted. Each country in the EU has its own individual and different regulations to implement the EU Regulation. We have procedures in place that we believe comply with the EU and country regulations. However, if such intermodal refrigerated containers exceed their temporary customs admission period and/or their custom admissions status changes (e.g., should such container be off-hired) and such intermodal refrigerated containers are deemed placed on the market in the EU, or if our procedures are deemed not to comply with EU or a country's regulation, we could be subject to fines and penalties. Also, if future international conventions or regulations prohibit the use or servicing of containers with foam insulation that utilized this blowing agent during the manufacturing process, we could be forced to incur large retrofitting expenses and those containers that are not retrofitted may become more difficult to lease and command lower rental rates and disposal prices.

An additional environmental concern affecting our operations relates to the construction materials used in our dry containers. The floors of dry containers are plywood, usually made from tropical hardwoods. Due to concerns regarding the de-forestation of tropical rain forests and climate change, many countries which have been the source of these hardwoods have implemented severe restrictions on the cutting and export of these woods. Accordingly, container manufacturers have switched a significant portion of production to more readily available alternatives such as birch, bamboo, and other farm grown wood species. Container users are also evaluating alternative designs that would limit the amount of plywood required and are also considering possible synthetic materials to replace the plywood. These new woods or other alternatives have not proven their durability over the typical 10 to 15 year life of a dry container, and if they cannot perform as well as the hardwoods have historically, the future repair and operating costs for these containers could be significantly higher and the useful life of the containers may be decreased.

Use of counterfeit and improper refrigerant in refrigeration machines for refrigerated containers could result in irreparable damage to the refrigeration machines, death or personal injury, and materially impair the value of our refrigerated container fleet.

There are reports of counterfeit and improper refrigerant gas being used to service refrigeration machines. The use of this counterfeit gas has led to the explosion of several refrigeration machines within the industry. A small number of these incidents have resulted in personal injury or death and, in all cases, the counterfeit gas has led to irreparable damage to the refrigeration machines.

A testing procedure has been developed and approved by the IICL to determine whether counterfeit gas has been used to service a refrigeration machine. These tests are carried out on our refrigeration machines when they are off-hired and returned to a depot. If such tests are not proven safe and effective or if the use of such counterfeit and improper refrigerant is more widespread than currently believed, the value of our refrigerated container fleet and our ability to lease refrigerated containers could be materially impaired and could therefore have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

#### We may face litigation involving our management of equipment for third-party investors.

We manage equipment for third-party investors under management agreements that are negotiated with each third-party investor. We make no assurances to third-party investors that they will make any amount of profit on their investment or that our management activities will result in any particular level of income or return of their initial capital. Although our management agreements contain contractual protections and indemnities that are designed to limit our exposure to litigation relating to these investments, such provisions may not be effective and we may be subject to a significant loss in a successful litigation by a third-party investor.

#### Certain liens may arise on our equipment.

Depot operators, repairmen and transporters may come into possession of our equipment from time to time and have sums due to them from lessees or sub-lessees of equipment. In the event of nonpayment of those charges by lessees or sub-lessees, we may be delayed in, or entirely barred from, repossessing equipment, or be required to make payments or incur expenses to discharge liens on our equipment.

#### The lack of an international title registry for containers increases the risk of ownership disputes.

There is no internationally recognized system of recordation or filing to evidence our title to containers nor is there an internationally recognized system for filing security interests in containers. Although we have not incurred material problems with respect to this lack of an internationally recognized system, the lack of an international title recordation system for containers could result in disputes with lessees, end-users, or third parties who may improperly claim ownership of the containers.

#### Risks Related to Railcar Leasing

Weak economic conditions, financial market volatility, and other factors may decrease customer demand for our assets and services and negatively impact our business and results of operations.

We rely on continued demand from our customers to lease our railcars. Demand for railcars depends on the markets for our customers' products and services and the strength and growth of their businesses. Some of our customers operate in cyclical markets, such as the steel, chemical, energy and construction industries, which are susceptible to macroeconomic downturns and may experience significant changes in demand over time. Weakness in certain sectors of the economy in the United States and other parts of the world may make it more difficult for us to lease certain types of railcars that are either returned at the end of a lease term or returned as a result of a customer bankruptcy or default.

In many cases, demand for our assets also depends on our customers' desire to lease, rather than buy, the assets. Tax and accounting considerations, interest rates, and operational flexibility, among other factors, may influence a customer's decision to lease or buy assets. We have no control over these external considerations, and changes in these factors, including potential changes to lease accounting rules, could negatively impact demand for our assets held for lease.

Additional factors, such as changes in harvest or production volumes, changes in supply chains, choices in types of transportation assets, availability of substitutes and other operational needs may also influence customer demand for our assets. Significant declines in customer demand for our assets and services could adversely affect our financial performance.

#### We may be unable to maintain assets on lease at satisfactory rates.

Our profitability depends on our ability to lease railcars at satisfactory rates, sell railcars, and to re-lease railcars upon lease expiration. Circumstances such as economic downturns, changes in customer behavior, excess capacity in particular railcar types or generally in the marketplace, or other changes in supply or demand can adversely affect asset utilization rates and lease rates. Economic uncertainty or a decline in customer demand for our railcars could cause customers to request shorter lease terms and lower lease rates, which may result in a decrease in our asset utilization rate and reduced revenues. Alternatively, customers may seek to lock-in relatively low lease rates for longer terms, which may result in an adverse impact on current or future revenues.

### A significant decrease in lease renewals by our customers could negatively impact operations and substantially increase our costs.

Decreases in customer demand for our railcars could increase the number of leases that are not renewed upon expiration, resulting in the early return of railcars. Railcars that are returned by our customers often must undergo maintenance and service work before being leased to new customers. A significant increase in the number of railcars requiring maintenance may negatively affect our operations and substantially increase maintenance and other related costs. In addition, low demand for certain types of railcars in our fleet may make those railcars more difficult to lease to new customers if they are returned at the end of their existing leases or following a customer default, which could negatively affect our results of operations.

# Our rail operations are subject to various laws, rules, and regulations. If these laws, rules, and regulations change or we fail to comply with them, it could have a significant negative effect on our business and profitability.

Our rail operations are subject to various laws, rules, and regulations administered by authorities in jurisdictions where we do business. In the United States, our railcar fleet is subject to safety, operations, maintenance, and mechanical standards, rules, and regulations enforced by various federal and state agencies and industry organizations, including the U.S. Department of Transportation, the Federal Railroad Administration, and the Association of American Railroads. State agencies regulate some health and safety matters related to rail operations not otherwise preempted by federal law. Our business and railcar fleet may be adversely impacted by new rules or regulations, or changes to existing rules or regulations, which could require additional maintenance or substantial modification or refurbishment of our railcars, or could make certain types of railcars inoperable or obsolete or require them to be phased out prior to the end of their useful lives. In addition, violations of these rules and regulations can result in substantial fines and penalties, including potential limitations on operations or forfeitures of assets.

### We enter long-term railcar purchase commitments that could subject us to material operational and financial risks.

In order to obtain committed access to a supply of newly built railcars on competitive terms, we sometimes enter into long-term supply agreements with manufacturers to purchase significant numbers of newly built railcars over a multi-year period. In many cases, we cannot cancel or materially reduce our orders under these purchase commitments. If economic conditions weaken during the term of a long-term supply agreement, it is possible that we may be required to continue to accept delivery of, and pay for, new railcars at times when it may be difficult for us to lease such railcars and our financing costs may be high, which could negatively affect our revenues and profitability. For example, in 2015 and 2016 we entered into agreements with two U.S. railcar manufacturers to purchase 2,740 new railcars over a three year period. As of December 31, 2016 we had purchased 1,208 railcars under these agreements at a cost of \$79.9 million. Due to a weak and highly competitive railcar leasing environment, 679 of these cars currently remain off-lease. Under the same agreements, we have commitments to spend \$100.0 million in 2017 and \$72.0 million in 2018. We intend to place all of these railcars on multi-year leases, but if we are not able to do so at rates that are sufficient to earn a return on our investment, it could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

### A significant and sustained decrease in the price of crude oil and related products could reduce customer demand for our railcars.

Demand for railcars that are used to transport commodities used in drilling operations, including frac sand, is dependent on the demand for these commodities. Sustained low oil prices could cause oil producers to curtail the drilling of new wells or cease production at certain existing wells that are uneconomical to operate at current crude price levels. Reduced oil drilling activity could result in decreased demand for our railcars used to transport the commodities used in drilling operations, such as frac sand.

#### Changes in railroad efficiency may adversely affect demand for our railcars.

Railroad infrastructure investments that improve efficiency or declines in rail traffic due to decreased demand could increase the average speed at which railroads can operate their trains, which may reduce the number of railcars needed for railroads to haul the same amount of cargo. Adverse weather conditions, railroad mergers, and increase in rail traffic could result in slower transit times making rail transportation less attractive to shippers versus other modes of transport. In each case, these changes could reduce demand for our railcars and negatively impact revenue and our result of operations.

#### We are subject to extensive environmental regulations and the costs of remediation may be material.

We are subject to extensive federal, state, and local environmental laws and regulations concerning, among other things, the discharge of hazardous materials. Under some environmental laws in the United States, the owner of a leased railcar may be liable for environmental damage, cleanup or other costs in the event of a spill or discharge of material from a railcar without regard to the owner's fault. We routinely assess environmental liabilities, including our potential obligations and the possible amount of recoveries from other responsible parties. Due to the regulatory complexities and the potential liability for the operations of our lessees, it is possible environmental and remediation costs could adversely affect our financial performance.

#### We may incur future asset impairment charges.

We review long-lived assets for impairment regularly, or when circumstances indicate the carrying value of an asset or investment may not be recoverable. Among other circumstances, the following may change our estimates of the cash flows we expect our long-lived assets or joint venture investments will generate, which could require us to recognize asset impairment charges:

- a weak economic environment or challenging market conditions;
- new laws, rules or regulations affecting our assets, or changes to existing laws, rules or regulations;
- · events related to particular customers or asset types; and
- asset portfolio sale decisions by management.

#### Our assets may become obsolete.

In addition to changes in laws, rules, and regulations that may make assets obsolete, changes in the preferred method our customers use to ship their products, changes in demand for particular products, or a shift by customers toward purchasing assets rather than leasing them may adversely impact us. Our customers' industries are driven by dynamic market forces and trends, which are influenced by economic and political factors. Changes in our customers' markets may significantly affect demand for our rail assets. A reduction in customer demand or change in customers' preferred method of product transportation could result in the economic obsolescence of the assets leased by those customers.

#### Competition could result in decreased profitability.

We operate in a highly competitive business environment. In certain cases, our competitors are larger than we are and have greater financial resources, higher credit ratings, and a lower cost of capital. In addition, we compete against railcar manufacturers that have leasing subsidiaries. These factors may enable our competitors to offer leases to customers at lower rates than we can provide, thus negatively impacting our profitability, asset utilization and investment volume.

We derive a substantial portion of our revenue from a limited number of railcar lessees. The loss of, or reduction in business by, any of these railcar lessees, or a default from any large railcar lessee, could result in a significant loss of revenue and cash flow.

We have derived, and believe that we will continue to derive, a significant portion of our revenue and cash flow from a limited number of railcar lessees. Revenue from our ten largest railcar lessees represented 6% of total revenue for the year ended December 31, 2016, with revenue from our single largest railcar lessee accounting for 2%, or \$4.6 million. The loss of such a customer would have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. In addition, a default by any of our largest railcar lessees would result in a major reduction in our leasing revenue, large repossession expenses, potentially large lost equipment charges and a material adverse impact on our performance and financial condition.

# Lessee defaults may adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition by decreasing revenue and increasing storage, repositioning, collection and recovery expenses.

Our railcar equipment is leased to numerous lessees. Lessees are required to pay rent and indemnify us for damage to or loss of equipment. Lessees may default in paying rent and performing other obligations under their leases. A delay or diminution in amounts received under the leases, or a default in the performance of maintenance or other lessee obligations under the leases could adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows and our ability to make payments on our debt.

Our cash flows from railcar equipment, principally railcar rental revenue, are affected significantly by the ability to collect payments under leases and the ability to replace cash flows from terminating leases by re-leasing or selling equipment on favorable terms. All of these factors are subject to external economic conditions and the performance by lessees and service providers that are not within our control.

In addition, when lessees default, we may fail to recover all of our equipment, and the equipment we do recover may be returned in damaged condition or to locations where we will not be able to efficiently re-lease or sell the equipment. As a result, we may have to repair and reposition the equipment to other places where we can re-lease or sell it, and we may lose revenue and incur additional operating expenses in repossessing, repositioning and storing the equipment.

We maintain insurance to reimburse the Company for customer defaults. The insurance agreements are subject to deductibles of \$3.0 million per occurrence and have significant exclusions and, therefore, may not be sufficient to prevent us from suffering material losses. Our level of insurance cover in 2017 is \$8.0 million per occurrence and \$13.0 million in aggregate. Additional insurance claims made by the Company may result in such insurance not being available to us in the future on commercially reasonable terms, or at all.

#### Certain liens may arise on our equipment.

Depot operators and repairmen may come into possession of our equipment from time to time and have sums due to them from lessees or sub-lessees of equipment. In the event of nonpayment of those charges by lessees or sub-lessees, we may be delayed in, or entirely barred from, repossessing equipment, or be required to make payments or incur expenses to discharge liens on our equipment.

#### Risk Related to Logistics

Because we depend on railroads for our operations, our operating results and financial condition are likely to be adversely affected by any reduction or deterioration in rail service.

We depend on the major railroads in the United States for virtually all of the intermodal services we provide. In many markets, rail service is limited to one or two railroads. Consequently, a reduction in, or elimination of, rail service to a particular market is likely to adversely affect our ability to provide intermodal transportation services to some of our customers. In addition, the railroads are relatively free to adjust shipping rates up or down as market conditions permit. Rate increases would result in higher intermodal transportation costs, reducing the attractiveness of intermodal transportation compared to truck or other transportation modes, which could cause a decrease in demand for our services. Further, our ability to continue to expand our intermodal transportation business is dependent upon the railroads' ability to increase capacity for intermodal freight and provide consistent and reliable service. Our business could also be adversely affected by a work stoppage at one or more railroads or by adverse weather conditions or other factors that hinder the railroads' ability to provide reliable transportation services. In the past, there have been service issues when railroads have merged. As a result, we cannot predict what effect, if any, further consolidations among railroads may have on intermodal transportation services or our results of operations.

## Because our relationships with the major railroads are critical to our ability to provide intermodal transportation services, our business may be adversely affected by any change to those relationships.

We have important relationships with certain major U.S. railroads. To date, the railroads have chosen to rely on us, other IMCs and other intermodal competitors to market their intermodal services rather than fully developing their own marketing capabilities. If one or more of the major railroads were to decide to reduce their dependence on us, the volume of intermodal shipments we arrange would likely decline, which could adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition.

### Because we rely on drayage companies in our intermodal operations, our ability to expand our business or maintain our profitability may be adversely affected by a shortage of drivers and drayage capacity.

In certain markets we serve, we use third-party drayage companies for pickup and delivery of some or all of our intermodal containers. Most drayage companies operate relatively small fleets and have limited access to capital for fleet expansion. In some of our markets, there are a limited number of drayage companies that can meet our quality standards. This could limit our ability to expand our intermodal business or require us to establish more of our own drayage operations in some markets, which could increase our operating costs and could adversely affect our profitability and financial condition. Also, the trucking industry chronically experiences a shortage of available drivers, which may limit the ability of third-party drayage companies to expand their fleets. This shortage also may require them to increase drivers' compensation, thereby increasing our cost of providing drayage services to our customers. Therefore, the driver shortage could also adversely affect our profitability and limit our ability to expand our intermodal business.

# Because we depend on trucking companies for our truck brokerage services, our ability to maintain or expand our truck brokerage business may be adversely affected by a shortage of trucking capacity.

We depend upon various third-party trucking companies for the transportation of our customers' loads. Particularly during periods of economic expansion, trucking companies may be unable to expand their fleets due to capital constraints or chronic driver shortages, and these trucking companies also may raise their rates. If we face insufficient capacity among our third-party trucking companies, we may be unable to maintain or expand our truck brokerage business. Also, we may be unable to pass rate increases on to our customers, which could adversely affect our profitability.

### Our results of operations are susceptible to changes in general economic conditions and cyclical fluctuations.

Economic recession, customers' business cycles, changes in fuel prices and supply, interest rate fluctuations, increases in fuel or energy taxes and other general economic factors affect the demand for transportation services and the operating costs of railroads, trucking companies and drayage companies. We have little or no control over any of these factors or their effects on the transportation industry. Increases in the operating costs of railroads, trucking companies or drayage companies can be expected to result in higher freight rates. Our operating margins could be adversely affected if we were unable to pass through to our customers the full amount of higher freight rates. Economic recession or a downturn in customers' business cycles also may have an adverse effect on our results of operations and growth by reducing demand for our services. Therefore, our results of operations, like the entire freight transportation industry, are cyclical and subject to significant period-to-period fluctuations.

### Relatively small increases in our transportation costs that we are unable to pass through to our customers are likely to have a significant effect on our gross margin and operating income.

Because transportation costs represent such a significant portion of our costs, even relatively small increases in these transportation costs, if we are unable to pass them through to our customers, are likely to have a significant effect on our gross margin and operating income.

# The transportation industry is subject to government regulation, and regulatory changes could have a material adverse effect on our operating results or financial condition.

We are licensed by the Department of Transportation as freight brokers. The Department of Transportation prescribes qualifications for acting in this capacity, including surety bond requirements. As freight brokers, we may become subject to new or more restrictive regulations relating to new laws and regulations specific to legal liability, such as motor carriers are today. Future laws and regulations may be more stringent and require changes in operating practices, influence the demand for transportation services or increase the cost of providing transportation services, any of which could adversely affect our business and results of operations.

We are not able to accurately predict how new governmental laws and regulations, or changes to existing laws and regulations, will affect the transportation industry generally, or us in particular. Although government regulation that affects us and our competitors may simply result in higher costs that can be passed along to customers, that may not be the case.

# Our operations may be subject to various environmental laws and regulations, the violation of which could result in substantial fines or penalties.

From time to time, we arrange for the movement of hazardous materials at the request of our customers. As a result, we may be subject to various environmental laws and regulations relating to the handling of hazardous materials. If we are involved in a spill or other accident involving hazardous materials, or if we are found to be in violation of applicable laws or regulations, we could be subject to substantial fines or penalties and to civil and criminal liability, any of which could have an adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

### We derive a significant portion of our logistics revenue from our largest customers and the loss of several of these customers could have a material adverse effect on our revenue and business.

Revenue from our ten largest customers represented 38.4% of logistics revenue for the year ended December 31, 2016. A reduction in or termination of our services by such customers could have a material adverse effect on our revenue and business.

#### An economic downturn could materially adversely affect our business.

Our operations and performance depend significantly on economic conditions. Uncertainty about global economic conditions poses a risk as consumers and businesses may postpone spending in response to tighter credit, negative financial news and/or declines in income, which could have a material negative effect on demand for transportation services. We are unable to predict the likely duration and severity of disruptions in the financial markets and the adverse global economic conditions, and if the current uncertainty continues or economic conditions further deteriorate, our business and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected. Other factors that could influence demand include fluctuations in fuel costs, labor costs, consumer confidence, and other macroeconomic factors affecting consumer spending behavior. There could be a number of follow-on effects from a credit crisis on our business, including the insolvency of key transportation providers and the inability of our customers to obtain credit to finance development and/or manufacture products resulting in a decreased demand for transportation services. Our revenues and gross margins are dependent upon this demand, and if demand for transportation services declines, our revenues and gross margins could be adversely affected.

#### **General Business Risks**

#### Our level of indebtedness reduces our financial flexibility and could impede our ability to operate.

We have a significant amount of indebtedness and we intend to borrow additional amounts under our credit facilities to purchase equipment and make acquisitions and other investments. We expect that we will maintain a significant amount of indebtedness on an ongoing basis. As of December 31, 2016, our total outstanding debt was \$1,487.2 million. Interest expense on such debt will be \$9.9 million per quarter for 2017, assuming floating interest rates remain consistent with those as of December 31, 2016. There is no assurance that we will be able to refinance our outstanding indebtedness when it becomes due, or, if refinancing is available, that it can be obtained on terms that we can afford.

Some of our credit facilities require us to pay a variable rate of interest, which will increase or decrease based on variations in certain financial indexes, and fluctuations in interest rates can significantly decrease our profits. We do not have any hedge or similar contracts that would protect us against changes in interest rates.

The amount of our indebtedness could have important consequences for us, including the following:

- requiring us to dedicate a substantial portion of our cash flow from operations to make payments on our debt, thereby reducing funds available for operations, future business opportunities and other purposes;
- limiting our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, changes in our business and the industry in which we operate;
- making it more difficult for us to satisfy our debt obligations, and any failure to comply with such
  obligations, including financial and other restrictive covenants, could result in an event of default
  under the agreements governing such indebtedness, which could lead to, among other things, an
  acceleration of our indebtedness or foreclosure on the assets securing our indebtedness, which could
  have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash
  flows;
- making it difficult for us to pay dividends on, or repurchase, our common stock;
- placing us at a competitive disadvantage compared to our competitors having less debt;
- limiting our ability to borrow additional funds, or to sell assets to raise funds, if needed, for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions or other purposes; and
- increasing our vulnerability to general adverse economic and industry conditions, including changes in interest rates.

We may not generate sufficient cash flow from operations to service and repay our debt and related obligations and have sufficient funds left over to achieve or sustain profitability in our operations, meet our working capital and capital expenditure needs or compete successfully in our industry.

### We will require a significant amount of cash to service and repay our outstanding indebtedness and our ability to generate cash depends on many factors beyond our control.

Our ability to make payments on and repay our indebtedness and to fund planned capital expenditures will depend on our ability to generate cash in the future. As of December 31, 2016, our total outstanding debt was \$1,487.2 million. Interest expense on such debt will be \$9.9 million per quarter in 2017, assuming floating interest rates remain consistent with those at December 31, 2016. These amounts will increase to the extent we borrow additional funds. It is possible that:

- our business will not generate sufficient cash flow from operations to service and repay our debt and to fund working capital requirements and planned capital expenditures;
- future borrowings will not be available under our current or future credit facilities in an amount sufficient to enable us to refinance our debt; or
- we will not be able to refinance any of our debt on commercially reasonable terms or at all.

### Our credit facilities impose, and the terms of any future indebtedness may impose, significant operating, financial and other restrictions on us and our subsidiaries.

Restrictions imposed by our credit facilities or other indebtedness will limit or prohibit, among other things, our ability to:

- incur additional indebtedness;
- pay dividends on or redeem or repurchase our stock;
- enter into new lines of business;
- issue capital stock of our subsidiaries (except to the Company);
- make loans and certain types of investments;
- create liens;
- sell certain assets or merge with or into other companies;
- enter into certain transactions with stockholders and affiliates; and
- restrict dividends, distributions or other payments from our subsidiaries.

These restrictions could adversely affect our ability to finance our future operations or capital needs and pursue available business opportunities. A breach of any of these restrictions, including a breach of financial covenants, could result in a default in respect of the related indebtedness. If a default occurs, the relevant lenders could elect to declare the indebtedness, together with accrued interest and fees, to be immediately due and payable and proceed against any collateral securing that indebtedness, which would constitute substantially all of our equipment assets.

# Actual or threatened terrorist attacks, efforts to combat terrorism, or the outbreak of war and hostilities could negatively impact our operations and profitability and may expose us to liability.

Terrorist attacks and the threat of such attacks have contributed to economic instability in the United States and elsewhere, and further acts or threats of terrorism, violence, war or hostilities could similarly affect world trade and the industries in which we and our customers operate. In addition, terrorist attacks or hostilities may directly impact ports, depots, our facilities or those of our suppliers or customers, and could impact our sales and our supply chain. A severe disruption to the worldwide ports system and flow of goods could result in a reduction in the level of international trade and lower demand for our equipment or services. Any of these events could also negatively affect the economy and consumer confidence, which could cause a downturn in the transportation industry. The consequence of any terrorist attacks or hostilities are unpredictable, and we may not be able to foresee events that could have an adverse effect on our operations.

It is also possible that our equipment could be involved in a terrorist attack. Although our lease agreements require our lessees to indemnify us against all damages arising out of the use of our containers, and we carry insurance to potentially offset any costs in the event that our customer indemnifications prove to be insufficient, our insurance does not cover certain types of terrorist attacks, and we may not be fully protected from liability of the reputational damage that could arise from a terrorist attack which utilizes one of our containers.

### Our operations could be affected by natural or man-made events in the locations in which we or our customers or suppliers operate.

We have operations in locations subject to severe weather conditions, natural disasters, the outbreak of contagious disease, or man-made incidents such as chemical explosions, any of which could disrupt our operations. In addition, our suppliers and customers also have operations in such locations. For example, in 2015, a chemical explosion and fire in the port of Tianjin, China damaged or destroyed a small number of our containers and disrupted operations in the port. Similarly, outbreaks of pandemic or contagious diseases, such as H1N1 (swine) flu and the Ebola virus, could significantly reduce the demand for international shipping or could prevent our containers from being discharged in the affected areas or in other locations after having visited the affected areas. Any future natural or man-made disasters or health concerns in the world where we have business operations could lead to disruption of the regional and global economies, which could result in a decrease in demand for leased containers.

#### We may be affected by market or regulatory responses to climate change.

Changes in laws, rules, and regulations, or actions by authorities under existing laws, rules, or regulations, to address greenhouse gas emissions and climate change could negatively impact our customers and business. For example, restrictions on emissions could significantly increase costs for our customers whose production processes require significant amounts of energy. Customers' increased costs could reduce their demand to lease our assets. Potential consequences of laws, rules, or regulations addressing climate change could have an adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations, and cash flows.

### Our business could be adversely affected by strikes or work stoppages by draymen, truckers, port workers and railroad workers.

There has been labor unrest, including strikes and work stoppages, among workers at various transportation providers and in industries affecting the transportation industry, such as port workers. We could lose business due to any significant work stoppage or slowdown and, if labor unrest results in increased rates for transportation providers such as draymen, we may not be able to pass these cost increases on to our customers. Strikes among longshoreman and clerical workers at ports in the past few years have slowed down the ports for a time, creating a major impact on the transportation industry. Work stoppages occurring among owner-operators in a specific market have increased our operating costs periodically over the past several years. In the past several years, there have been strikes involving railroad workers. Future strikes by railroad workers in the United States, Canada or anywhere else that our customers' freight travels by railroad would impact our operations. Any significant work stoppage, slowdown or other disruption involving ports, railroads, truckers or draymen could adversely affect our business and results of operations.

# Our senior executives are critical to the success of our business and our inability to retain them or recruit new personnel could adversely affect our business.

Most of our senior executives and other management-level employees have over fifteen years of industry experience. We rely on this knowledge and experience in our strategic planning and in our day-to-day business operations. Our success depends in large part upon our ability to retain our senior management, the loss of one or more of whom could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows. Our success also depends on our ability to retain our experienced sales force and technical personnel as well as recruiting new skilled sales, marketing and technical personnel. Competition for these individuals in our industry is intense and we may not be able to successfully recruit, train or retain qualified personnel. If we fail to retain and recruit the necessary personnel, our business and our ability to obtain new equipment lessees and provide acceptable levels of customer service could suffer.

We rely on our information technology systems to conduct our business. If these systems fail to adequately perform their functions, or if we experience an interruption in their operation, our business, results of operations and financial prospects could be adversely affected.

The efficient operation of our business is highly dependent on our information technology systems. We rely on our systems to track transactions, such as repair and depot charges and changes to book value, and movements associated with each of our owned or managed equipment units. We use the information provided by our systems in our day-to-day business decisions in order to effectively manage our lease portfolio and improve customer service. We also rely on them for the accurate tracking of the performance of our managed fleet for each third-party investor, and the tracking and billing of logistics moves. The failure of our systems to perform as we expect could disrupt our business, adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows and cause our relationships with lessees and third-party investors to suffer. In addition, our information technology systems are vulnerable to damage or interruption from circumstances beyond our control, including fire, natural disasters, power loss and computer systems failures, unauthorized breach and viruses. Any such interruption could have a material adverse effect on our business, reputation, results of operations and financial prospects.

# As a U.S. corporation, we are subject to U.S. Executive Orders and U.S. Treasury Sanctions Regulations regarding doing business in or with certain nations and specially designated nationals.

As a U.S. corporation, we are subject to U.S. Executive Orders and U.S. Treasury Sanctions Regulations restricting or prohibiting business dealings in or with certain nations and with certain specially designated nationals (individuals and legal entities). Any determination that we have violated such Executive Orders and U.S. Treasury Sanctions Regulations could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

# As a U.S. corporation, we are subject to the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, and a determination that we violated this act may affect our business and operations adversely.

As a U.S. corporation, we are subject to the regulations imposed by the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA), which generally prohibits U.S. companies and their intermediaries from making improper payments to foreign officials for the purpose of obtaining or keeping business. Any determination that we have violated the FCPA could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

A failure to comply with export control or economic sanctions laws and regulations could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial condition. We may be unable to ensure that our agents and/or customers comply with applicable sanctions and export control laws.

We face several risks inherent in conducting our business internationally, including compliance with applicable economic sanctions laws and regulations, such as laws and regulations administered by the U.S. Department of Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC"), the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Commerce. We must also comply with all applicable export control laws and regulations of the United States (including but not limited to the U.S. Export Administration Regulations) and other countries. Any determination of a violation or an investigation into violations of export controls or economic sanctions laws and regulations could result in significant criminal or civil fines, penalties or other sanctions and repercussions, including reputational harm that could materially affect our business, results of operations or financial condition.

### We may pursue acquisitions or joint ventures in the future that could present unforeseen integration obstacles or costs.

We have pursued, and may continue to pursue, acquisitions and joint ventures in the future. Acquisitions involve a number of risks and present financial, managerial and operational challenges, including:

- potential disruption of our ongoing business and distraction of management;
- customer retention;
- difficulty integrating personnel and financial and other systems;
- hiring additional management and other critical personnel; and
- increasing the scope, geographic diversity and complexity of our operations.

In addition, we may encounter unforeseen obstacles or costs in the integration of acquired businesses. Also, the presence of one or more material liabilities of an acquired company that are unknown to us at the time of acquisition may have a material adverse effect on our business. Acquisitions or joint ventures may not be successful, and we may not realize any anticipated benefits from acquisitions or joint ventures.

#### Fluctuations in foreign exchange rates could reduce our profitability.

Most of our revenues and costs are billed in U.S. dollars. Our operations and used equipment sales in locations outside of the U.S. have some exposure to foreign currency fluctuations, and trade growth and the direction of trade flows can be influenced by large changes in relative currency values. In addition, most of our container equipment fleet is manufactured in China. Although the purchase price is in U.S. dollars, our manufacturers pay labor and other costs in the local currency, the Chinese yuan. To the extent that our manufacturers' costs increase due to changes in the valuation of the Chinese yuan, the dollar price we pay for equipment could be affected. Adverse or large exchange rate fluctuations may negatively affect our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

#### Risks Related to our Stock

#### Our stock price has been volatile and may remain volatile.

The trading price of our common stock may be subject to wide fluctuations in response to quarter-to-quarter variations in operating results, new products or services by us or our competitors, general conditions in the shipping industry and the intermodal equipment sales and leasing markets, changes in earnings estimates by analysts, or other events or factors which may or may not be under our control. Broad market fluctuations may adversely affect the market price of our common stock. Since the initial public offering of our stock at \$15.00 per share on May 16, 2007, the market price of our stock has fluctuated significantly from a high of \$30.28 per share to a low of \$2.12 per share through March 1, 2017. Since the trading volume on our stock is modest on a daily basis, shareholders may experience difficulties in liquidating our stock. Factors affecting the trading price of our common stock may include:

- variations in our financial results;
- changes in financial estimates or investment recommendations by any securities analysts following our business;
- the public's response to our press releases, our other public announcements and our filings with the SEC:
- our ability to successfully execute our business plan;
- changes in accounting standards, policies, guidance, interpretations or principles;
- future sales of common stock by us or our directors, officers or significant stockholders or the perception such sales may occur;
- our ability to achieve operating results consistent with securities analysts' projections;

- the operating and stock price performance of other companies that investors may deem comparable to us;
- recruitment or departure of key personnel;
- our ability to timely address changing equipment lessee and third-party investor preferences;
- equipment market and industry factors;
- the size of our public float;
- general stock market conditions; and
- other events or factors, including those resulting from war, incidents of terrorism or responses to such events.

In addition, if the market for companies deemed similar to us or the stock market in general experiences loss of investor confidence, the trading price of our common stock could decline for reasons unrelated to our business or financial results. The trading price of our common stock might also decline in reaction to events that affect other companies in our industry even if these events do not directly affect us.

Future new sales of our common stock by us or outstanding shares by existing stockholders, or the perception that there will be future sales of new shares from the Company or existing stockholders, may cause our stock price to decline and impair our ability to obtain capital through future stock offerings.

A substantial number of shares of our common stock held by our current stockholders could be sold into the public market at any time. In addition, the perception of, or actual sale of, new shares by us may materially and adversely affect our stock price and could impair our ability to obtain future capital through an offering of equity securities.

We do not currently pay dividends to holders of our common stock, and we cannot assure you that we will pay dividends to holders of our common stock in the future.

Although our board of directors may consider a dividend policy under which we would pay cash dividends on our common stock, any determinations by us to pay cash dividends on our common stock in the future will be based primarily upon our financial condition, results of operations, business requirements, tax considerations and our board of directors' continuing determination that the declaration of dividends under the dividend policy are in the best interests of our stockholders and are in compliance with all laws and agreements applicable to the dividend program. In addition, the terms of our credit agreements contain provisions restricting the payment of cash dividends subject to certain exceptions. Consequently, investors may be required to rely on sales of their common stock as the only way to realize any future gains on their investment.

If securities analysts do not publish research or reports about our business or if they decrease their financial estimates or investment recommendations, the price of our stock could decline.

The trading market for our common shares may rely in part on the research and reports that industry or financial analysts publish about us or our business. We do not control or influence the decisions or opinions of these analysts and analysts may not cover us.

If any analyst who covers us decreases his or her financial estimates or investment recommendation, the price of our stock could decline. If any analyst ceases coverage of our company, we could lose visibility in the market, which in turn could cause our stock price to decline.

Our founder, Mr. Hiromitsu Ogawa, will continue to have substantial control over us and could act in a manner with which other stockholders may disagree or that is not necessarily in the interests of other stockholders.

Based upon beneficial ownership as of December 31, 2016, Mr. Ogawa beneficially owns 20.4% of our outstanding common stock. As a result, he may have the ability to determine the outcome of matters submitted to our stockholders for approval, including the election of directors and any merger, consolidation or sale of all or substantially all of our assets. In addition, he may have the ability to control the management and affairs of our company. Mr. Ogawa may have interests that are different from yours. For example, he may support proposals and actions with which you may disagree or which are not in your interests. The concentration of ownership could delay or prevent a change in control of us or otherwise discourage a potential acquirer from attempting to obtain control of us, which in turn could reduce the price of our common stock. In addition, as Chairman of our Board of Directors, Mr. Ogawa may influence decisions to maintain our existing management and directors in office, delay or prevent changes of control of our company, or support or reject other management and board proposals that are subject to stockholder approval, such as amendments to our employee stock plans and approvals of significant financing transactions.

Our certificate of incorporation and bylaws and Delaware law contain provisions that could discourage a third party from acquiring us and consequently decrease the market value of an investment in our common stock.

Our certificate of incorporation and bylaws and Delaware corporate law each contain provisions that could delay, defer or prevent a change in control of our company or changes in our management. Among other things, these provisions:

- authorize us to issue preferred stock that can be created and issued by the board of directors without prior stockholder approval, with rights senior to those of our common stock;
- permit removal of directors only for cause by the holders of a majority of the shares entitled to vote
  at the election of directors and allow only the directors to fill a vacancy on the board of directors;
- prohibit stockholders from calling special meetings of stockholders;
- prohibit stockholder action by written consent, thereby requiring all stockholder actions to be taken at a meeting of our stockholders;
- require the affirmative vote of 66%% of the shares entitled to vote to amend our bylaws and certain articles of our certificate of incorporation, including articles relating to the classified board, the size of the board, removal of directors, stockholder meetings and actions by written consent;
- allow the authorized number of directors to be changed only by resolution of the board of directors;
- establish advance notice requirements for submitting nominations for election to the board of directors and for proposing matters that can be acted upon by stockholders at a meeting;
- classify our board of directors into three classes so that only a portion of our directors are elected each year; and
- allow our directors to amend our bylaws.

These provisions could discourage proxy contests and make it more difficult for our stockholders to elect directors and take other corporate actions, which may prevent a change of control or changes in our management that a stockholder might consider favorable. In addition, Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law may discourage, delay or prevent a change in control of us. Any delay or prevention of a change in control or change in management that stockholders might otherwise consider to be favorable could cause the market price of our common stock to decline.

#### ITEM 1B: UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

None.

#### **ITEM 2: PROPERTIES**

Office Locations. As of December 31, 2016, we operated our business in 23 offices in 13 different countries including the U.S. We have 10 offices in the U.S. including our headquarters in San Francisco, California. We have 13 offices outside the U.S., including offices operated by third-party corporate service providers in Bermuda and Luxembourg. In addition, we have agents in Asia, Europe, South Africa, and South America. Our headquarters is used for our container leasing, rail leasing and logistics segments. Our offices in Everett, Eatontown, Portland, Tampa, Jacksonville, Knoxville, Milan and Kennesaw are used for our logistics segment operations. Each one of our other offices is used for our container leasing segment. All of our offices, except those operated by third party corporate service providers, are leased.

The following table summarizes our office locations as of December 31, 2016:

#### Office Locations — U.S.

San Francisco, CA (Headquarters)

Charleston, SC

Everett, WA

Eatontown, NJ

Portland, OR

Tampa, FL

Jacksonville, FL

Knoxville, TN

Milan, TN

Kennesaw, GA

#### Office Locations — International

Brentwood, United Kingdom

St. Michael, Barbados

Antwerp, Belgium

Hong Kong

Singapore

Delmenhorst, Germany

Hamburg, Germany

Tokyo, Japan

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Taipei, Taiwan

Luxembourg

Hamilton, Bermuda

Sydney, Australia

#### ITEM 3: LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

From time to time we may become a party to litigation matters arising in connection with the normal course of our business, including in connection with enforcing our rights under our leases. While we cannot predict the outcome of these matters, in the opinion of our management, any liability arising from these matters will not have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations or cash flows. Nevertheless, unexpected adverse future events, such as an unforeseen development in our existing proceedings, a significant increase in the number of new cases or changes in our current insurance arrangements could result in liabilities that have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition, results of operations or cash flows. We are currently not party to any material legal proceedings which are material to our business, financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

#### 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 "CAI." The following table reflects the range of high and low sales prices of our common stock, as reported on the NYSE in each quarter of the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015:

	High		ghL	
2016:				
Fourth Quarter	\$	10.32	\$	6.81
Third Quarter	\$	9.19	\$	7.59
Second Quarter				6.92
First Quarter	\$	10.15	\$	4.86
2015:				
Fourth Quarter	\$	12.36	\$	8.71
Third Quarter	\$	20.87	\$	9.82
Second Quarter	\$	25.54	\$	20.40
First Quarter	\$	25.70	\$	20.25

As of March 1, 2017, there were 38 registered holders of record of the common stock and 2,275 beneficial holders, based on information obtained from our transfer agent.

#### **Dividends**

We have never declared or paid dividends on our capital stock. Our board of directors may consider adopting a dividend policy in the future. Any determinations by us to pay cash dividends on our common stock in the future will be based primarily upon our financial condition, results of operations, business requirements, tax considerations and our board of directors' continuing determination that the declaration of dividends under the dividend policy are in the best interests of our stockholders and are in compliance with all laws and agreements applicable to the dividend program. In the absence of such a policy, we intend to retain future earnings to finance the operation and expansion of our business, and to repurchase our common stock. Our financing arrangements also contain restrictions on our ability to pay cash dividends and repurchase our common stock.

#### **Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities**

Period	Total Number of Shares (or Units) Purchased <sup>(1)</sup>	Average Price Paid per Share (or Unit) <sup>(1)</sup>	Total Number of Shares (or Units) Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs <sup>(2)</sup>	Maximum Number (or Approximate Dollar Value) of Shares (or Units) that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs <sup>(2)</sup>
October 1, 2016 – October 31, 2016	_	\$ —	_	806,388
November 1, 2016 – November 30, 2016	236	9.04	_	806,388
December 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016 2014				806,388
Total	236	\$ 9.04		806,388

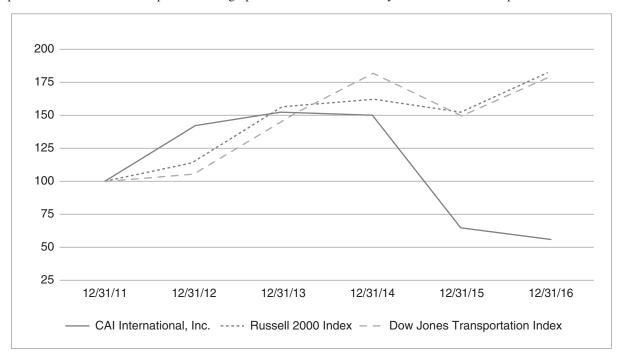
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<sup>(1)</sup> During the three months ended December 31, 2016, we withheld 236 shares of common stock, at an average price of \$9.04 per share, to satisfy tax obligations of certain of our employees upon the vesting of restricted stock awards.

(2) On December 14, 2015, we announced that our Board of Directors had approved the repurchase of up to one million shares of our outstanding common stock. On February 4, 2016, our Board of Directors approved a one million share increase in the previously approved share repurchase plan, bringing the total authorized for repurchase to two million shares of outstanding common stock. The repurchase plan does not have an expiration date and does not oblige us to acquire any particular amount of our common stock. As of December 31, 2016, approximately 0.8 million shares remained available for repurchase under our share repurchase plan.

#### **Performance Graph**

The graph below compares cumulative shareholder returns on our common stock as compared with the Russell 2000 Stock Index and the Dow Jones Transportation Stock Index for the period from December 31, 2011 to December 31, 2016. The graph assumes an investment of \$100 as of December 31, 2011. The stock performance shown on the performance graph below is not necessarily indicative of future performance.



	De	c. 31.				Retur	ns as	of Decer	nber :	31,		
Company/Index			2012 2013		2013	2014		2015		2016		
CAI International, Inc	\$	100	\$	142	\$	152	\$	150	\$	65	\$	56
Russell 2000 Index		100		115		157		163		153		183
Dow Jones Transportation Index		100		106		147		182		150		180

#### ITEM 6: SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The selected financial data presented below have been derived from our audited consolidated financial statements and give effect to the correction of errors detailed in Note 2(b) to our Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10K. In addition to the adjustments made to net interest expense and net income in the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 as detailed in Note 2(b) to our Consolidated Financial Statements, net interest expense increased by \$0.5 million and \$0.1 million, and net income decreased by \$0.5 million and \$0.1 million, for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

Historical results are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations to be expected in future periods. You should read the selected consolidated financial data and operating data presented below in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and with our consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

#### **Consolidated Statement of Operations Data**

	Year Ended December 31,								
(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012				
Revenue									
Container lease income		\$ 217,505	\$ 210,756	\$ 197,360	\$ 157,603				
Rail lease income	30,490	17,433	10,336	7,179	2,972				
Logistics revenue	61,536	11,502		_	_				
Management fee revenue	2,142	3,227	6,497	7,866	12,094				
Gain on sale of equipment portfolios					1,256				
Total revenue	294,354	249,667	227,589	212,405	173,925				
Operating expenses									
Depreciation of rental equipment	104,877	113,590	77,976	67,109	48,352				
Storage, handling and other expenses	35,862	30,194	26,043	19,257	9,402				
Logistics transportation costs	51,980	10,172	_	_	_				
Loss (gain) on sale of used rental equipment	12,671	654	(6,522)	(7,356)	(12,445)				
Administrative expenses	35,678	27,617	26,538	24,628	25,560				
Total operating expenses	241,068	182,227	124,035	103,638	70,869				
Operating income	53,286	67,440	103,554	108,767	103,056				
Other expenses									
Net interest expense	42,754	36,271	35,592	36,477	28,842				
Other expenses	654	182	773	1,190	170				
Total other expenses		36,453	36,365	37,667	29,012				
Net income before income taxes and									
non-controlling interest	9,878	30,987	67,189	71,100	74,044				
Income tax expense	3,844	4,252	7,191	7,057	9,818				
Net income	6,034	26,735	59,998	64,043	64,226				
Net income attributable to non-controlling									
interest	37	134	111	594	816				
Net income attributable to CAI common									
stockholders	\$ 5,997	\$ 26,601	\$ 59,887	\$ 63,449	\$ 63,410				
Net income per share attributable to CAI									
common stockholders									
Basic	\$ 0.31	\$ 1.28	\$ 2.89	\$ 2.86 \$	\$ 3.25				
Diluted	\$ 0.31	\$ 1.27	\$ 2.83	\$ 2.80 \$	\$ 3.18				
Weighted average shares outstanding									
Basic	19,318	20,773	20,732	22,157	19,495				
Diluted	19,393	20,988	21,155	22,672	19,945				
Other Financial Data									
EBITDA (unaudited) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 159,274	\$ 181,359	\$ 181,910	\$ 176,502 \$	\$ 151,821				
Purchase of equipment	251,165	389,331	307,283	312,144	524,354				
Net proceeds from sale of equipment portfolios	_		_	´ —	10,320				
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#### **Consolidated Balance Sheet Data**

	As of December 31,							
(Dollars in thousands)	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012			
Cash*	\$ 52,326	\$ 59,765	\$ 62,053	\$ 54,994	\$ 22,047			
Rental equipment, net	1,807,010	1,748,211	1,564,777	1,465,092	1,210,234			
Net investment in direct finance leases	100,541	103,368	94,964	81,208	85,554			
Total assets	2,055,934	1,973,585	1,784,018	1,662,615	1,377,662			
Debt	1,476,026	1,419,809	1,253,633	1,125,553	947,136			
Total liabilities	1,598,430	1,513,480	1,342,032	1,248,021	1,030,872			
Total CAI stockholders' equity	457,504	459,182	441,197	414,000	346,790			

<sup>\*</sup> Includes restricted cash of \$6,192, \$7,212, \$8,232, \$9,253 and \$4,376 and cash owned by variable interest entities of \$30,449, \$35,106, \$26,011, \$14,600 and \$3,695 at December 31, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

#### **Selected Operating Data (unaudited):**

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Owned container fleet in TEUs <sup>(2)</sup>	921,694	984,085	934,101	860,729	704,417
Managed container fleet in TEUs <sup>(2)</sup>	162,582	198,093	235,538	283,725	359,133
	1,084,276	1,182,178	1,169,639	1,144,454	1,063,550
Owned container fleet in CEUs <sup>(3)</sup>	1,014,078	1,029,117	961,244	903,713	745,966
Managed container fleet in CEUs <sup>(3)</sup>	146,258	177,958	214,432	262,071	331,017
	1,160,336	1,207,075	1,175,676	1,165,784	1,076,983
Owned railcar fleet in units	6,459	5,096	2,361	1,804	1,456
Percentage of on-lease container fleet on					
long-term leases <sup>(4)</sup>	75%	74%	73%	75%	71%
Percentage of on-lease container fleet on					
short-term leases <sup>(4)</sup>	16%	17%	20%	20%	23%
Percentage of on-lease container fleet on finance					
leases	9%	9%	7%	5%	6%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Average container fleet utilization in TEUs <sup>(5)</sup>	92.4%	91.8%	91.5%	91.8%	94.2%
Average container fleet utilization in CEUs (6)	92.8%	92.5%	92.3%	92.7%	94.7%
Average railcar fleet utilization <sup>(7)</sup>	95.7%	96.6%	95.9%	94.1%	81.6%

<sup>(1)</sup> EBITDA is defined as net income before interest, income taxes, depreciation and amortization of intangible assets. We believe EBITDA is helpful in understanding our past financial performance as a supplement to net income and other performance measures calculated in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP). Our management believes that EBITDA is useful to investors in evaluating our operating performance because it provides a measure of operating results unaffected by differences in capital structures, capital investment cycles and ages of related assets among otherwise comparable companies in our industry. EBITDA has limitations as an analytical tool, which you should not consider in isolation or as a substitute for any measure reported under GAAP; its usefulness as a performance measure as compared to net income is limited by the fact that EBITDA excludes the impact of interest expense, depreciation and amortization expense and taxes. We borrow money in order to finance our operations; therefore, interest expense is a necessary element of our costs and ability to generate revenue. Similarly, our use of capital assets makes depreciation and amortization expense a necessary element of our costs and ability to generate income. In addition, since we are subject to state and federal income taxes, any measure that excludes tax expense has material limitations.

The following table provides a reconciliation of EBITDA to net income, the most comparable performance measure under GAAP (in thousands):

Year Ended December 31,										
2016		2015		2014		2013			2012	
\$	5,997	\$	26,601	\$	59,887	\$	63,449	\$	63,410	
	42,754		36,271		35,998		37,585		28,842	
1	05,236		114,003		78,451		67,631		48,849	
	1,443		232		383		780		902	
	3,844		4,252		7,191		7,057		9,818	
\$ 1	59,274	\$	181,359	\$	181,910	\$	176,502	\$	151,821	
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- (2) Reflects the total number of TEUs in our managed or owned equipment fleet, as applicable, as of the end of the period indicated, including units for sale and units we have purchased but held at the manufacturer.
- (3) Reflects the total number of CEUs in our managed or owned equipment fleet, as applicable, as of the end of the period indicated, including units for sale and units we have purchased but held at the manufacturer.
- (4) Long-term leases comprise leases that had a contractual term in excess of twelve months at the time of inception of the leases, including leases that permit cancellation by the lessee within 12 months if penalties are paid, and leases that have exceeded their initial contractual term of 12 months or greater. Short-term leases comprise leases that had a contractual term of 12 months or less at the time of inception of the leases.
- (5) Reflects the average number of TEUs in our equipment fleet on lease as a percentage of total TEUs available for lease. In calculating TEUs available for lease, we exclude units for sale and units held at the manufacturer that we have purchased.
- (6) Reflects the average number of CEUs in our equipment fleet on lease as a percentage of total CEUs available for lease. In calculating CEUs available for lease, we exclude units for sale and units held at the manufacturer that we have purchased.
- (7) Reflects the average number of units in our railcar fleet on lease as a percentage of total units available for lease. In calculating units available for lease, we exclude units for sale and units held at the manufacturer that we have purchased. If new railcars not yet leased are included in the total railcar fleet, railcar fleet utilization would be 86.4% for the year ended December 31, 2016.

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

The following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations give effect to the correction of errors detailed in Note 2(b) to our consolidated financial statements and should be read in conjunction with those consolidated financial statements and related notes thereto, included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. In addition to historical consolidated financial information, the following discussion contains forward-looking statements that reflect our plans, estimates and beliefs. Our actual results may differ materially from those contained in or implied by any forward-looking statements. See "Special Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements." Factors that could cause or contribute to these differences include those discussed below and elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, particularly in Item 1A. "Risk Factors."

Unless the context requires otherwise, references to "CAI," the "Company," "we," "us" or "our" in this Annual Report on Form 10-K refer to CAI International, Inc. and its subsidiaries.

#### Overview

We are one of the world's leading transportation finance and logistics companies. We purchase equipment, primarily intermodal shipping containers and railcars, which we lease to our customers. We also manage equipment for third-party investors. In operating our fleet, we lease, re-lease and dispose of equipment and contract for the repair, repositioning and storage of equipment. We also provide domestic and international logistics services. As of December 31, 2016, our container fleet comprised 1,160,336 CEUs, 87% of which represented our owned fleet and 13% of which represented our managed fleet. In addition, we also own 6,459 railcars, which we lease with in North America.

In July 2015, we purchased ClearPointt, an intermodal logistics company focused on the domestic intermodal market, for approximately \$4.1 million. ClearPointt is headquartered in Everett, Washington.

In February 2016, we purchased Challenger, an NVOCC, for approximately \$10.8 million. Challenger is headquartered in Eatontown, New Jersey.

In June 2016, we purchased Hybrid, asset light truck brokers, for approximately \$12.0 million. Hybrid is headquartered in Portland, Oregon.

Our revenue comprises container lease income and rail lease income from our owned container and railcar fleets, management fee income for managing containers for third-party investors, and logistics revenue for the provision of logistics services.

Our container and rail lease income from our owned fleets depends primarily upon a combination of: (1) the number of units in our owned fleet; (2) the utilization level of equipment in our owned fleet; and (3) the per diem rates charged under each equipment lease. The same factors in our managed fleet affect the amount of our management fee income. The number of CEUs in our fleet varies over time as we purchase new equipment based on prevailing market conditions during the year and sell used equipment to parties in the secondary resale market.

#### **Key Metrics**

Utilization. We measure container utilization on the basis of the average number of TEUs and CEUs on lease expressed as a percentage of our total container fleet available for lease. We measure railcar utilization on the basis of the average number of railcars on lease expressed as a percentage of our total railcar fleet available for lease. In both cases, we calculate the total fleet available for lease by excluding new units that have been manufactured for us but either remain at the manufacturer or have not yet entered their first lease, and off-hire units that are likely to be sold. Our utilization is primarily driven by the overall level of equipment demand, the location of our available equipment and the quality of our relationships with equipment lessees. The location of available equipment is critical because equipment available in high-demand locations is more readily leased and is typically leased on more favorable terms than equipment available in low-demand locations.

The equipment leasing market is highly competitive. As such, our relationships with our equipment lessees are important to ensure that container shipping lines continue to select us as one of their providers of leased equipment. Our average container fleet utilization rate in CEUs for the year ended December 31, 2016 was 92.8% comp are d to 92.5% and 92.3% for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively. The slight increase in our average fleet utilization from 2015 is primarily attributable to an increase in the volume of off-lease containers sold during 2016 and an increase in demand for leased containers towards the end of 2016. Our average railcar fleet utilization rate for the year ended December 31, 2016 was 95.7% compared to 96.6% and 95.9% for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively. If new railcars not yet leased are included in the total railcar fleet, railcar fleet utilization would be 86.4% for the year ended December 31, 2016. Our utilization rate may increase or decrease depending on future global economic conditions and the additional supply of new equipment.

Per Diem Rates. The per diem rate for a lease is set at the time we enter into a lease agreement. Our long-term per diem rates have historically been strongly influenced by new equipment pricing, interest rates, the balance of supply and demand for equipment at a particular time and location, our estimate of the residual value of the equipment at the end of the lease, the type and age of the equipment being leased, purchasing activities of equipment by container shipping lines and efficiencies in container utilization by container shipping lines. The overall average per diem rates for equipment in our owned fleet and in the portfolios of equipment comprising our managed fleet do not change significantly in response to changes in new equipment prices because existing lease agreements can only be re-priced upon the expiration of the lease.

#### Revenue

Our revenue is comprised of container lease income, rail lease income, logistics revenue and management fee revenue.

Container Lease Income. We generate container lease income by leasing our owned containers primarily to container shipping lines. Approximately 90% of our container lease income is derived from rental of containers. Container lease income is comprised of monthly lease payments due under the lease agreements together with payments for other charges set forth in the leases, such as handling fees, drop-off charges and repair charges. A small percentage of our owned container fleet is subject to finance leases. Under a finance lease, the lessee's payments consist of principal and interest components. The interest component is recognized as finance lease income. Lessees under our finance leases have the substantive risks and rewards of equipment ownership and may have the option to purchase the equipment at the end of the lease term for a nominal amount.

**Rail Lease Income.** We generate rail lease income by leasing our railcars primarily for the transport of industrial goods, materials and other products on railroad tracks throughout North America. Rail lease income is comprised of monthly lease payments due under the lease agreements. Lease income may be based on a fixed monthly rate or may be recognized on an hourly or mileage basis. None of our railcars are subject to finance leases.

**Logistics Revenue.** We generate logistics revenue by arranging for the movement of our customers' freight through our network of transportation carriers and equipment providers. Revenue is comprised of the gross price charged to our customers.

Management Fee Revenue. Management fee revenue is generated by our management services, which include the leasing, re-leasing, repair, repositioning, storage and disposition of equipment. We provide these management services pursuant to management agreements with third-party investors that purchase portfolios of equipment from us. Under these agreements, which have multiple year terms, we earn fees for the management of the equipment and a commission, or a managed units' sales fee, upon disposition of equipment under management.

#### **Operating Expenses**

Our operating expenses include transportation costs, depreciation of rental equipment, storage, handling and other expenses applicable to our owned equipment, and administrative expenses.

We depreciate our containers on a straight line basis over a period ranging from 12 to 15 years to a fixed estimated residual value depending on the type of container (see Note 2(e) in our consolidated financial statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K). We regularly assess both the estimated useful life of our containers and the expected residual values, and, when warranted, adjust our depreciation estimate accordingly. Railcar equipment is depreciated over its estimated useful life of 43 years to its estimated residual value using the straight line method. Depreciation expense for rental equipment will vary over time based upon the size of our owned rental equipment fleet and the purchase price of new equipment. If our rental equipment is impaired, the equipment is written-down to its fair value and the amount of the write-down is recorded in depreciation expense.

Storage, handling and other expenses are operating costs of our owned rental equipment fleet. Storage and handling expenses occur when lessees drop off equipment at depots at the end of a lease. Storage and handling expenses vary significantly by location. Other expenses include repair expenses, which are the result of normal wear and tear on the equipment, and repositioning expenses, which are incurred when we contract to move equipment from locations where our inventories exceed actual or expected demand to locations with higher demand. Storage, handling and other expenses are directly related to the number of units in our owned fleet and inversely related to our utilization rate for those units: as utilization increases, we typically have lower storage, handling and repositioning expenses.

Logistics transportation costs represent the expenses we incur for providing logistics services to our customers. Such costs include shipping, pick-up and delivery charges, primarily from railroads and drayage companies we contract with to fulfill the movement of our customers' freight.

Our administrative expenses are primarily employee-related costs such as salary, bonus and commission expenses, employee benefits, rent, allowance for doubtful accounts and travel and entertainment costs, as well as expenses incurred for outside services such as legal, consulting and audit-related fees.

Our operating expenses include the gain or loss on sale of used rental equipment. This gain or loss is the result of our sale of older used equipment in the secondary resale market and is the difference between:

(1) the cash we receive for these units, less selling expenses; and (2) the net book value of the units.

#### **Results of Operations**

The following table summarizes our results of operations for the three years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014 (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2016	2015	2014		
Revenue					
Container lease income	\$ 200,186	\$ 217,505	\$ 210,756		
Rail lease income	30,490	17,433	10,336		
Logistics revenue	61,536	11,502	_		
Management fee revenue	2,142	3,227	6,497		
Total revenue	294,354	249,667	227,589		
Operating expenses					
Depreciation of rental equipment	104,877	113,590	77,976		
Storage, handling and other expenses	35,862	30,194	26,043		
Logistics transportation costs	51,980	10,172	· —		
Loss (gain) on sale of used rental equipment	12,671	654	(6,522)		
Administrative expenses	35,678	27,617	26,538		
Total operating expenses	241,068	182,227	124,035		
Operating income	53,286	67,440	103,554		
Other expenses					
Net interest expense	42,754	36,271	35,592		
Other expense	654	182	773		
Total other expenses	43,408	36,453	36,365		
Net income before income taxes and non-controlling interest	9,878	30,987	67,189		
Income tax expense	3,844	4,252	7,191		
Net income	6,034	26,735	59,998		
Net income attributable to non-controlling interest	37	134	111		
Net income attributable to CAI common stockholders	\$ 5,997	\$ 26,601	\$ 59,887		

#### Year Ended December 31, 2016 Compared to Year Ended December 31, 2015

**Revenue.** The following discussion explains the significant changes in the composition of our total revenue for the year ended December 31, 2016 compared to the year ended December 31, 2015:

Container Lease Income. Container lease income decreased \$17.3 million, or 8%, to \$200.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2016, from \$217.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. While the average number of CEUs of on-lease owned containers remained relatively consistent between the two periods, there was a \$14.0 million decrease in rental revenue resulting from a 5% decrease in average owned container per diem rental rates, and a decrease of \$3.6 million reflecting lost revenue related to the bankruptcy of Hanjin during the year ended December 31, 2016. The reduction in average container per diem rental rates has been caused by competitive market pressure, as well as our investment in used containers through sale and leaseback transactions and the acquisition of container portfolios from our managed fleet. Used containers are purchased at a lower price, and command a lower per diem rental rate, than new containers.

Approximately 28% of our investment in containers during the last twelve months was in used containers.

New container prices declined through 2015, reaching a low point in the first quarter of 2016. This was primarily due to a drop in steel prices, and led to decreases in container per diem rates. Demand for new containers also softened, primarily due to economic conditions in China, resulting in a decline in container rental revenue that may continue in future periods. As a result of conditions in the container market, we invested more heavily in railcars during 2016 and expect our revenues in this business to grow in future periods.

Rail Lease Income. Rail lease income increased \$13.1 million, or 75%, to \$30.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2016, from \$17.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2015, primarily as a result of a 74% increase in the average size of our on-lease railcar fleet during the last twelve months. The average lease income per railcar has also increased as new railcars, which command higher per diem rental rates than used railcars, now form a larger percentage of the fleet.

Logistics Revenue. Logistics revenue increased \$50.0 million, or 435%, to \$61.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2016, from \$11.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2015, mainly attributable to the acquisition of Challenger in February 2016 and Hybrid in June 2016.

Management Fee Revenue. Management fee revenue for the year ended December 31, 2016 was \$2.1 million, a decrease of \$1.1 million, or 34%, from \$3.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2015, primarily due to a 21% reduction in the size of the on-lease managed container fleet and a decrease of 15% in average per diem rates in our managed fleet for the year ended December 31, 2016 compared to the year ended December 31, 2015, partially offset by a non-recurring charge of \$0.8 million recorded during the year ended December 31, 2015, related to an adjustment of prior period management fees.

The size of our managed fleet has decreased in the past several years as older equipment has been sold and market conditions have favored the purchase of container portfolios from our managed container fleet rather than establishing new portfolios. We continue to believe that the management of equipment for third party investors is beneficial to our company and we will continue to pursue those opportunities. At the same time, based on market conditions, we intend to continue to pursue the purchase of container portfolios if attractive opportunities present themselves. Consequently, market conditions will dictate whether there will be net additions or subtractions from our managed fleet.

*Expenses.* The following discussion explains the significant changes in expenses for the year ended December 31, 2016 compared to the year ended December 31, 2015:

Depreciation of Rental Equipment. Depreciation of rental equipment de creased by \$8.7 million, or 8%, to \$104.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2016, from \$113.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. This decrease was primarily attributable to a \$2 4.5 million impairment charge recorded during 2015 for certain off-lease containers, partially offset by an increase of \$5.4 million as a result of a decrease in our estimate of residual value for 40-foot high cube dry van containers (see Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates below), a \$2.0 million impairment charge, net of insurance recoveries, related to estimated irrecoverable equipment on lease to Hanjin, a \$3.1 million impairment charge recorded during the year for certain off-lease damaged containers that we intend to sell, and an increase of \$4.5 million in depreciation attributable to CAI Rail, reflecting the increase in size of our railcar fleet.

Storage, Handling and Other Expenses. Storage, handling and other expenses increased by \$5.7 million, or 19%, to \$3.5.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2016, from \$30.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. The increase was primarily attributable to a \$3.1 million increase in storage costs and a \$2.0 million increase in handling and positioning fees, both caused by the average volume of off-lease and for sale owned container equipment increasing by 24% compared to the prior year. In addition, repair costs in the railcar business increased by \$0.4 million as a result of the increase in the size of the rail fleet.

Logistics Transportation Costs. Transportation costs increased by \$41.8 million, or 411%, to \$52.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2016, from \$10.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2015, mainly attributable to the acquisition of Challenger in February 2016 and Hybrid in June 2016.

Loss on Sale of Used Rental Equipment. Loss on sale of used rental equipment increased \$12.0 million to a loss of \$12.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2016, from a loss of \$0.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. While we sold approximately 62% more used containers compared to prior year, there was a reduction of 21% in the average sale price per unit, reflecting the decline in new equipment prices during the past year, and an increase of 205% in the average loss per unit. The loss on sale has also been impacted by the strengthening of the U.S. dollar compared to other currencies, particularly the Euro.

Administrative Expenses. Administrative expenses increased by \$8.1 million, or 29%, to \$35.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2016, from \$2.7.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. The increase was primarily a result of \$9.6 million of administrative expenses incurred by our newly acquired logistics businesses and \$2.5 million of bad debt expense incurred during the year related to the bankruptcy of Hanjin. There were also higher employee-related costs as a result of an increase in headcount, particularly in our logistics business. The increases were partially offset by a \$3.8 million credit related to an adjustment to our estimated contingent consideration related to our acquisitions.

Net Interest Expense. Net interest expense of \$42.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2016 increased \$6.5 million, or 18%, from \$36.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. The increase in net interest expense was due primarily to an increase in our average loan principal balance as we continue to increase our borrowings to finance our acquisition of additional rental equipment, particularly in our rail business, and an increase in the average interest rate on our outstanding debt.

Other Expense. Other expense of \$0.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2016 increased \$0.5 million, or 260%, from \$0.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. The increase was attributable to a loss on foreign exchange of \$0.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2016. Gains and losses on foreign currency primarily occur when foreign denominated financial assets and liabilities are either settled or re-measured in U.S. dollars. The loss on foreign exchange for the year ended December 31, 2016 was primarily the result of movements in the U.S. dollar exchange rate against the Euro.

Income Tax Expense. Income tax expense of \$3.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2016 de creased \$0.4 million, or 10%, from \$4.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. The effective tax rate for the year ended December 31, 2016 was 39% compared to an effective tax rate of 14% for the year ended December 31, 2015. The increase in rate is primarily attributable to the increase in the proportion of the railcar fleet's pretax income, all of which is U.S. income, combined with a decrease in pretax income in lower tax jurisdictions that has led to a corresponding increase in the proportion of pretax income generated in higher tax jurisdictions. Net income was also impacted by our determination that foreign tax credits arising from the sale of a subsidiary could not be utilized, resulting in a non-cash tax charge of \$1.4 million during the year. Note 12 to our consolidated financial statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K includes a reconciliation between the tax expense calculated at the statutory U.S. income tax rate and the actual tax expense for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015.

#### Year Ended December 31, 2015 Compared to Year Ended December 31, 2014

**Revenue.** The following discussion explains the significant changes in the composition of our total revenue for the year ended December 31, 2015 compared to the year ended December 31, 2014:

Container Lease Income. Container lease income increased \$6.7 million, or 3%, to \$217.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2015, from \$210.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. This was primarily due to a \$9.8 million increase in rental revenue attributable to a 5% increase in the average number of CEUs of owned containers on lease and a \$0.6 million increase in finance lease income, reflecting the additional finance leases entered into during 2015, partially offset by a \$6.1 million decrease in revenue resulting from a 3% decrease in average owned container per diem rental rates. We made investments in containers during the year ended December 31, 2015 which increased the average size of the owned fleet by 7%, although the impact on rental revenue was partially offset by a slight reduction in the utilization of our owned fleet, on a CEU basis, from 93.7% in the year ended December 31, 2014 to 93.4% in the year ended December 31, 2015. The reduction in average container per diem rental rates has been caused by competitive market pressure, as well as our investment in used containers through sale and leaseback transactions and the acquisition of container portfolios from our managed fleet. Used containers are purchased at a lower price, and command a lower per diem rental rate, than new containers. Approximately 15% of our investment in containers during 2015 was in used containers.

*Rail Lease Income.* Rail lease income increased \$7.1 million, or 69%, to \$17.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2015, from \$10.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, primarily as a result of a 69% increase in the average size of our railcar fleet during 2015.

Logistics Revenue. Logistics revenue of \$11.5 million was recognized for the year ended December 31, 2015, mainly attributable to the acquisition of ClearPointt during the year.

Management Fee Revenue. Management fee revenue for the year ended December 31, 2015 was \$3. 2 million, a decrease of \$3.3 million, or 50%, from \$6.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, primarily due to a non-recurring charge of \$0.8 million recorded during the year related to an adjustment of prior period management fees. In addition, there was a 17% reduction in the size of the on-lease managed container fleet as a result of our purchase of previously managed container portfolios, and a decrease of 5% in average per diem rates in our managed fleet for the year ended December 31, 2015 compared to the year ended December 31, 2014.

*Expenses.* The following discussion explains the significant changes in expenses for the year ended December 31, 2015 compared to the year ended December 31, 2014:

Depreciation of Rental Equipment. Depreciation of rental equipment increased by \$35.6 million, or 46%, to \$113.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2015, from \$78.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. This increase was primarily attributable to a \$2 4.5 million impairment charge recorded during the year for certain off-lease containers, which represented approximately 10% of our standard owned dry van fleet, a 7% increase in the size of our owned container fleet and an increase of \$1.8 million in depreciation attributable to CAI Rail, reflecting the increase in size of our railcar fleet. Depreciation typically grows at a higher rate than the size of the fleet as older units with little or no depreciation charge are replaced with new equipment.

Storage, Handling and Other Expenses. Storage, handling and other expenses increased by \$4.2 million, or 16%, to \$30.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2015, from \$26.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. The increase was primarily attributable to a \$1.5 million increase in repair costs and a \$2.5 million increase in storage costs caused by an increase in the average volume of off-lease and for sale owned equipment during the year ended December 31, 2015 compared to the year ended December 31, 2014.

Logistics Transportation Costs. Transportation costs of \$10.2 million were recognized for the year ended December 31, 2015, mainly attributable to the acquisition of ClearPointt during the year.

Loss (Gain) on Sale of Used Rental Equipment. Loss on sale of used rental equipment increased \$7.2 million to a loss of \$0.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2015, a 110% increase from a gain of \$6.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. The increase has primarily been caused by a reduction in average sale price, reflecting the decline in new equipment prices, as well as the impact of the strengthening of the dollar compared to other currencies. Included in the loss on sale of used rental equipment for the year ended December 31, 2015 was a gain of \$1.6 million arising from the sale of newly manufactured railcars, and a loss of \$0.9 million due to the write-off of equipment on lease to customers that is unlikely to be recovered.

Administrative Expenses. Administrative expenses increased by \$1.1 million, or 4%, to \$27.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2015, from \$26.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. The increase was primarily a result of higher employee-related costs as a result of an increase in headcount, particularly in our Rail and Logistics businesses.

Net Interest Expense. Net interest expense of \$36.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2015 increased \$0.7 million, or 2%, from \$35.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. The increase in net interest expense was due primarily to an increase in our average loan principal balance as we increased our borrowings to finance our acquisition of additional rental equipment, partially offset by a reduction in the average interest rate on outstanding debt.

Other Expense. Other expense of \$0.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2015 decreased \$0.6 million, or 76%, from \$0.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. The decrease was due primarily to a decrease of \$0.4 million in the write-off of prepaid financing costs related to refinancing arrangements and a decrease of \$0.2 million in foreign exchange transaction losses. Gains and losses on foreign currency primarily occur when foreign denominated financial assets and liabilities are either settled or remeasured in U.S. dollars. The loss on foreign exchange for the year ended December 31, 2015 was primarily the result of movements in the U.S. dollar exchange rate against the Euro.

Income Tax Expense. Income tax expense of \$4.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2015 decreased \$2.9 million from \$7.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. The effective tax rate for the year ended December 31, 2015 was 14% compared to an effective tax rate of 11% for the year ended December 31, 2014. The increase in rate is primarily attributable to the growth of our railcar fleet during 2015 and a \$24.5 million impairment charge recognized in the year. The increase in the proportion of our railcar fleet combined with a decrease of pretax income in lower tax jurisdictions due to the impairment charge led to a corresponding increase in the proportion of pretax income generated in higher tax jurisdictions, and resulted in an increase in the effective tax rate. Note 12 to our consolidated financial statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K includes a reconciliation between the tax expense calculated at the statutory U.S. income tax rate and the actual tax expense for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014. Foreign tax differentials for those years of \$7.7 million and \$18.0 million, respectively, are the primary reasons for the effective tax rates in both years being below the statutory U.S. rate.

#### Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our principal sources of liquidity have historically been cash flows from operations, sales of equipment portfolios, borrowings from financial institutions and sale of our stock. We believe that cash flow from operations, future sales of equipment portfolios and borrowing availability under our credit facilities will be sufficient to meet our liquidity needs for at least the next 12 months.

We have typically funded a significant portion of the purchase price for new equipment through borrowings under our credit facilities. However, from time to time we have funded new equipment acquisitions through the use of working capital.

#### Revolving Credit Facilities

(i) On March 15, 2013, we entered into the Third Amended and Restated Revolving Credit Agreement, as amended, with a consortium of banks to finance the acquisition of container rental equipment and for general working capital purposes. As of December 31, 2016, the maximum commitment under our revolving credit facility was \$775.0 million, which may be increased to a maximum of \$960.0 million under certain conditions described in the agreement. As of December 31, 2016, we had an outstanding balance of \$526.0 million and availability of \$248.9 million under our revolving credit facility (net of \$0.1 million in letters of credit), subject to our ability to meet the collateral requirements under the agreement governing the facility. Based on the borrowing base and collateral requirement at December 31, 2016, the borrowing availability under the revolving credit facility was \$65.1 million, assuming no additional contribution of assets. The entire amount of the facility drawn at any time plus accrued interest and fees is callable on demand in the event of certain specified events of default.

There is a commitment fee on the unused amount of the total commitment, payable quarterly in arrears. The revolving credit facility provides that swing line loans (short-term borrowings of up to \$25.0 million in the aggregate that are payable within 10 business days or at maturity date, whichever comes earlier) and standby letters of credit (up to \$30.0 million in the aggregate) will be available to us. These credit commitments are part of, and not in addition to, the maximum credit commitment. The interest rates vary depending upon whether the loans are characterized as Base Rate loans or Eurodollar Rate loans as defined in the revolving credit facility. Interest rates are based on LIBOR for Eurodollar loans and Base Rate for Base Rate loans. As of December 31, 2016 the average interest rate on our revolving credit facility was 2.5%. The revolving credit facility will mature in March 2020.

We use the revolving credit facility primarily to fund the purchase of containers and for general working capital needs. As of December 31, 2016, we had commitments to purchase \$17.0 million of containers and had rental equipment payable of \$12.2 million. We have typically used our cash flow from operations and the proceeds from sales of equipment portfolios to third-party investors to repay our revolving credit facility. As we expand our owned fleet, our revolving credit facility balance will be higher and will result in higher interest expense.

(ii) On October 22, 2015, we entered into the Second Amended and Restated Revolving Credit Agreement for CAI Rail with a consortium of banks, pursuant to which the prior revolving credit facility was amended. As of December 31, 2016, the maximum credit commitment under the revolving line of credit was \$500.0 million. CAI Rail's revolving credit facility may be increased up to a maximum of \$700.0 million, in accordance with the terms of the agreement. Borrowings under this revolving credit facility bear interest at a variable rate. The interest rates vary depending upon whether the loans are characterized as Base Rate loans or Eurodollar Rate loans, as defined in the revolving credit agreement. Interest rates are based on LIBOR for Eurodollar loans and Base Rate for Base Rate loans. As of December 31, 2016, the average interest rate under the agreement was 2.4%.

As of December 31, 2016, the outstanding balance under CAI Rail's revolving credit facility was \$223.5 million. As of December 31, 2016, we had \$276.5 million in availability under the facility, subject to our ability to meet the collateral requirements under the agreement governing the facility. Based on the borrowing base and collateral requirements at December 31, 2016, the borrowing availability under the credit facility was \$2.6 million, assuming no additional contribution of assets. The entire amount of the facility drawn at any time plus accrued interest and fees is callable on demand in the event of certain specified events of default. The revolving credit facility for CAI Rail matures in October 2020.

We use the revolving credit facility primarily to fund the purchase of railcars. As of December 31, 2016, in addition to a rental equipment payable of \$13.0 million, we had commitments to purchase \$172.5 million of railcars; \$100.4 million in the twelve months ending December 31, 2017 and \$72.1 million in the twelve months ending December 31, 2018.

(iii) On September 23, 2016, we entered into a Revolving Credit Agreement for CAI International GmbH with a financial institution to finance the acquisition of rental equipment. As of December 31, 2016, the maximum credit commitment under the revolving credit facility was EUR 25.0 million. Borrowings under this revolving credit facility bear interest at a variable rate. Interest rates are based on EURIBOR. As of December 31, 2016, we had not drawn on the facility. The entire amount of the facility drawn at any time plus accrued interest and fees is callable on demand in the event of certain specified events of default. The revolving credit facility matures in September 2020.

#### Term Loan Facilities

- (i) On March 22, 2013, we entered into a \$30.0 million five-year term loan agreement with Development Bank of Japan (DBJ). The loan is payable in 19 quarterly installments of \$0.5 million starting July 31, 2013 and a final payment of \$21.5 million on April 30, 2018. The loan bears a variable interest rate based on LIBOR. As of December 31, 2016, the loan had a balance of \$23.7 million and an average interest rate of 2.9%.
- (ii) On December 20, 2010, we entered into a term loan agreement with a consortium of banks. Under this loan agreement, we were eligible to borrow up to \$300.0 million, subject to certain borrowing conditions, which amount is secured by certain assets of our wholly-owned foreign subsidiaries. The loan agreement provides for an amortizing facility with a term of six years. The interest rates vary depending upon whether the loans are characterized as Base Rate loans or Eurodollar rate loans, as defined in the term loan agreement. The loan bears a variable interest rate based on LIBOR for Eurodollar loan, and Base Rate for Base Rate loans.

On March 28, 2013, the term loan agreement was amended which reduced the principal balance of the loan from \$249.4 million to \$125.0 million through payment of \$124.4 million from the proceeds of the \$229.0 million fixed-rate asset-backed notes issued by the Company's indirect wholly-owned subsidiary, CAL Funding II Limited (CAL II) (see paragraph (ii) of *Asset-Backed Notes* below).

On October 1, 2014, we entered into an amended and restated term loan agreement with a consortium of banks, pursuant to which the prior loan agreement was refinanced. The amended and restated term loan agreement, which contains similar terms to the prior loan agreement, was amended to, among other things: (a) reduce the borrowing rates from LIBOR plus 2.25% to LIBOR plus 1.6% (per annum) for Eurodollar loans, (b) increase the outstanding loan commitment from \$115.0 million to \$150.0 million, (c) extend the maturity to October 1, 2019, and (d) revise certain of the covenants and restrictions under the prior loan agreement to provide us with additional flexibility. As of December 31, 2016, the term loan had a balance of \$129.8 million and an average interest rate of 2.3%.

(iii) On April 11, 2012, we entered into a term loan agreement with a consortium of banks. The agreement, as amended, provided for a five-year term loan of up to \$142.0 million, subject to certain borrowing conditions, which amount was secured by certain of our assets.

On June 30, 2016, we entered into an amended and restated term loan agreement, pursuant to which the prior loan agreement was amended, restated and refinanced. The amended and restated term loan agreement, which contains similar terms to the prior loan agreement, was amended to, among other things: (a) provide us with the ability to increase the commitments under the facility to a maximum of \$100.0 million, subject to certain conditions, (2) extend the maturity date to June 30, 2021, and (c) revise certain of the covenants and restrictions under the prior agreement to provide us with additional flexibility. The term loan's outstanding principal is amortized quarterly, with quarterly payments equal to 1.75% multiplied by the original outstanding principal. The amended and restated term loan agreement bears a variable interest rate based on LIBOR for Eurodollar loans and Base Rate for base rate loans. As of December 31, 2016, the loan had a balance of \$96.5 million and an interest rate of 2.5%.

- (iv) On December 22, 2015, we entered into a \$20.0 million five-year term loan agreement for CAI Rail with a financial institution. The term loan's outstanding principal bears interest at a fixed rate of 3.4% per annum and is amortized quarterly. Any unpaid principal and interest is due and payable on December 22, 2020. The proceeds from the term loan were primarily used to repay outstanding amounts under CAI Rail's revolving credit facility. As of December 31, 2016, the loan had a balance of \$18.9 million.
- (v) On August 30, 2016, we entered into a term loan agreement of up to \$100.0 million with a consortium of banks for the acquisition of railcars, subject to certain borrowing conditions, which is secured by certain of our railcars and other assets. The loan agreement is an amortizing facility with a term of five years. Borrowings under the loan bear interest at a fixed rate as specified in the applicable term note entered into at the time a draw is made under the loan agreement. Principal and interest on the borrowings are payable monthly during the five-year term of the note. At closing of the loan agreement, we made a draw of \$50.0 million on the facility at a fixed interest rate of 3.6% per annum. Any unpaid principal and interest is due on August 30, 2021. As of December 31, 2016, the loan had a balance of \$49.1 million.

#### Asset-Backed Notes

(i) On October 18, 2012, CAL II issued \$171.0 million of 3.47% fixed rate asset-backed notes (Series 2012-1 Asset-Backed Notes). Principal and interest on the Series 2102-1 Asset-Backed Notes is payable monthly commencing on November 26, 2012, and the Series 2012-1 Asset-Backed Notes mature in October 2027. The proceeds from the Series 2012-1 Asset-Backed Notes were used to repay part of the Company's borrowings under its senior revolving credit facility. The Series 2012-1 Asset-Backed Notes had a balance of \$99.8 million as of December 31, 2016.

(ii) On March 28, 2013, CAL II issued \$229 million of 3.35% fixed rate asset-backed notes (Series 2013-1 Asset-Backed Notes). Principal and interest on the Series 2013-1 Asset-Backed Notes are payable monthly commencing on April 25, 2013, and the Series 2013-1 Asset-Backed Notes mature in March 2028. The proceeds from the new Series 2013-1 Asset-Backed Notes were used partly to reduce the balance of the Company's term loan with a consortium of banks as described in paragraph (ii) of *Term Loan Facilities* above, and to partially pay down the Company's senior revolving credit facility. The Series 2013-1 Asset-Backed Notes had a balance of \$143.1 million as of December 31, 2016.

The agreements under each of the asset-backed notes described above require the Company to maintain a restricted cash account to cover payment of the obligations. As of December 31, 2016, the restricted cash account had a balance of \$6.2 million.

#### Other Debt Obligations

On September 13, 2012, our wholly-owned subsidiary, Container Applications Limited (CAL), entered into a Note Purchase Agreement with certain institutional investors, pursuant to which CAL issued \$103.0 million of 4.9% Senior Secured Notes due September 13, 2022 (the Notes) to the investors. The Notes are guaranteed by us and secured by certain of our assets and those of CAL.

The Notes bear interest at 4.9% per annum, due and payable semiannually on March 13 and September 13 of each year, commencing on March 13, 2013. In addition, CAL is required to make certain principal payments on March 13 and September 13 of each year, commencing on March 13, 2013. Any unpaid principal and interest is due and payable on September 13, 2022. As of December 31, 2016, the Notes had a balance of \$71.1 million.

On June 25, 2014, one of our Japanese investor funds that is consolidated by us as a VIE (see Note 4 to our consolidated financial statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K) entered into a term loan agreement with a bank. Under the terms of the agreement, the Japanese investor fund entered into two loans; a five year, amortizing loan of \$9.2 million at a fixed interest rate of 2.7%, and a five year, non-amortizing loan of \$1.6 million at a variable interest rate based on LIBOR. The debt is secured by assets of the Japanese investor fund, and is subject to certain borrowing conditions set out in the loan agreement. As of December 31, 2016, the term loans held by the Japanese investor fund totaled \$5.8 million and had an average interest rate of 2.5%.

As of December 31, 2016, we had collateralized financing obligations totaling \$100.0 million (see Note 4 to our consolidated financial statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K). The obligations had an average interest rate of 1.1% as of December 31, 2016 with maturity dates between March 2017 and September 2019.

Our term loans, senior secured notes, asset-backed notes, collateralized financing obligations and term loans held by VIEs are secured by specific pools of rental equipment and other assets owned by the Company, the underlying leases thereon and the Company's interest in any money received under such contracts.

In addition to customary events of default, our revolving credit facilities and term loans contain restrictive covenants, including limitations on certain liens, indebtedness and investments. In addition, all of our debt facilities contain various restrictive financial and other covenants. The financial covenants in our debt facilities require us to maintain (1) a consolidated funded debt to consolidated tangible net worth ratio of no more than 3.75:1.00, and in the case of our asset-backed notes, of no more than 4.50:1:00; and (2) a fixed charge coverage ratio of at least 1.20:1.00, and in the case of our asset-backed notes, of at least 1.10:1.00. As of December 31, 2016, we were in compliance with all of our debt covenants.

Under certain conditions, as defined in our credit agreements with our banks and/or note holders, we are subject to certain cross default provisions that may result in an acceleration of principal repayment under these credit facilities if an uncured default condition were to exist. Our asset-backed notes are not subject to any such cross default provisions.

#### **Cash Flow**

The following table sets forth certain cash flow information for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014 (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,					
	2016	2014				
Net income	\$ 6,034	\$ 26,735	\$ 59,998			
Adjustments to income	123,222	120,634	79,689			
Net cash provided by operating activities	129,256	147,369	139,687			
Net cash used in investing activities	(181,600)	(305,248)	(225,355)			
Net cash provided by financing activities	46,599	156,536	95,142			
Effect on cash of foreign currency translation	(674)	75	(1,394)			
Net (decrease) increase in cash	(6,419)	(1,268)	8,080			
Cash at beginning of period	52,553	53,821	45,741			
Cash at end of period	\$ 46,134	\$ 52,553	\$ 53,821			

#### Operating Activities Cash Flows

Net cash provided by operating activities of \$129.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2016, decreased \$18.1 million from \$147.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. The decrease was due to a \$21.1 million decrease in net income as adjusted for depreciation, amortization and other non-cash items, and a decrease of \$3.0 million in our net working capital adjustments. The decrease in net income as adjusted for non-cash items was primarily due to a \$20.7 million decrease in net income, an \$8.8 million decrease in depreciation expense, a \$3.8 million reduction in contingent consideration and a \$3.8 million decrease in deferred income taxes, partially offset by an increase of \$12.0 million in loss on sale of used rental equipment and a \$2.7 million increase in bad debt expense as a result of the Hanjin bankruptcy. Net working capital used in operating activities of \$1.8 million during the year ended December 31, 2016, was due to a \$1.8 million increase in accounts receivable, primarily caused by an increase in rail and logistic billings and the timing of receipts, a \$2.7 million increase in prepaid expenses and other assets, primarily due to an insurance receivable related to the Hanjin bankruptcy, and a \$2.1 million decrease in unearned revenue, partially offset by an increase of \$3.6 million in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other current liabilities, primarily caused by the timing of payments, and a \$1.3 million increase in due to container investors.

Net cash provided by operating activities of \$14 7.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2015 increased \$7.7 million from \$139.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. The increase was primarily due to an \$11.9 million increase in net income as adjusted for depreciation, amortization and other non-cash items, partially offset by a \$4.2 million decrease in our net working capital adjustments. Net working capital used in operating activities of \$4.8 million during the year ended December 31, 2015 was primarily due to a \$3.7 million decrease in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other current liabilities, primarily caused by the timing of payments and a \$7.2 million decrease in amounts due to container investors, partially offset by a \$4.7 million decrease in accounts receivable, primarily caused by the timing of receipts, and a \$1.4 million increase in unearned revenue, primarily caused by a rail contract we entered into in 2015.

#### Investing Activities Cash Flows

Net cash used in investing activities decreased \$123.6 million to \$181.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2016 from \$305.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2015. The decrease in cash usage was primarily attributable to a \$138. 2 million decrease in the purchase of rental equipment, partially offset by an increase of \$11.5 million for the acquisition of our new logistics companies and a \$2.5 million decrease in receipt of principal payments from direct financing leases.

Net cash used in investing activities increased \$79.9 million to \$305.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2015 from \$225.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. The increase in cash usage was primarily attributable to an \$82.0 million increase in the purchase of rental equipment and the \$4.1 million acquisition of our new logistics business, ClearPointt, partially offset by a \$5.8 million increase in receipt of principal payments from direct financing leases.

#### Financing Activities Cash Flows

Net cash provided by financing activities of \$46.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2016 decreased \$109.9 million compared to the year ended December 31, 2015, primarily as a result of lower net borrowings being required to finance the acquisition of rental equipment. During the year ended December 31, 2016, our net cash inflow from borrowings was \$56.3 million compared to \$167.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2015, reflecting a decrease in investment in rental equipment during 2016 compared to 2015. The decrease was also attributable to a decrease of \$4.7 million in proceeds received from the exercise of stock options, partially offset by a decrease of \$3.8 million used to repurchase our stock pursuant to our previously announced stock repurchase plan.

Net cash provided by financing activities of \$15 6.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2015 increased \$61.4 million compared to the year ended December 31, 2014 primarily as a result of higher net borrowings being required to finance the acquisition of rental equipment. During the year ended December 31, 2015, our net cash inflow from borrowings was \$167.0 million compared to \$127.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, reflecting the increase in investment in rental equipment during 2015 compared to 2014.

#### Stock Repurchase Plan

On December 14, 2015, we announced that our Board of Directors had approved the repurchase of up to one million shares of our outstanding common stock. On February 4, 2016, the Company's Board of Directors approved a one million share increase in the previously approved share repurchase program bringing the total authorized for repurchase to two million shares of our outstanding common stock. The number, price, structure and timing of the repurchases, if any, will be at our sole discretion and future repurchases will be evaluated by us depending on market conditions, liquidity needs and other factors. Stock repurchases may be made in the open market, block trades or privately negotiated transactions. The repurchase authorization does not have an expiration date and does not oblige us to acquire any particular amount of our common stock. During the year ended December 31, 2016, we repurchased and retired 1,104,312 shares of our common stock at a weighted-average price of \$8.29 per share for an aggregate price of approximately \$9.2 million excluding related commission charges, under our publicly-announced repurchase plan. As of December 31, 2016, approximately 0.8 million shares remained available for repurchase under our share repurchase plan.

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

The following table sets forth our contractual obligations and commercial commitments by due date as of December 31, 2016 (in thousands):

	Payments Due by Period									
	Total	Less than 1 year	1 – 2 years	2 – 3 years	3 – 4 years	4 – 5 years	More than 5 years			
Total debt obligations:										
Revolving credit facilities	\$ 749,500	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 749,500	\$ —	\$ —			
Term loans	317,901	21,663	41,904	122,899	25,300	106,135	_			
Senior secured notes	71,105	6,110	6,110	6,110	6,110	6,110	40,555			
Asset-backed notes	242,875	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	42,875			
Collateralized financing obligations	100,039	28,693	22,683	48,663	_	_	_			
Term loans held by VIE	5,828	2,287	1,829	1,712	_	_	_			
Interest on debt and capital lease obligations <sup>(1)</sup>	135,433	39,934	35,893	33,753	16,928	6,147	2,778			
Rental equipment payable	25,207	25,207	_	_	_	_	_			
Rent, office facilities and equipment	2,381	1,590	416	375	_	_	_			
Equipment purchase commitments	189,496	117,433	72,063							
Total contractual obligations	\$ 1,839,765	\$ 282,917	\$ 220,898	\$ 253,512	\$ 837,838	\$ 158,392	\$ 86,208			

(1) Our estimate of interest expense commitment includes \$62.3 million relating to our revolving credit facilities, \$27.7 million relating to our term loans, \$16.0 million relating to our senior secured notes, \$25.4 million relating to our asset backed notes, \$3.9 million relating to our collateralized financing obligations, and \$0.2 million related to our term loans held by VIEs. The calculation of interest commitment related to our debt assumes the following weighted average interest rates as of December 31, 2016: revolving credit facilities, 2.5%; term loans, 2.7%; senior secured notes, 4.9%; asset backed notes, 3.4%; collateralized financing obligations, 1.1%; and term loans held by VIEs, 2.5%. These calculations assume that interest rates will remain at the same level over the next five years. We expect that interest rates will vary over time based upon fluctuations in the underlying indexes upon which these interest rates are based.

See Note 10 to our consolidated financial statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K for a description of the terms of our revolving credit facilities, term loans, asset based notes and capital lease obligations.

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

As of December 31, 2016, we had no off-balance sheet arrangements or obligations other than noted below. An off-balance sheet arrangement includes any contractual obligation, agreement or transaction arrangement involving an unconsolidated entity under which we would have: (1) retained a contingent interest in transferred assets; (2) an obligation under derivative instruments classified as equity; (3) any obligation arising out of a material variable interest in an unconsolidated entity that provides financing, liquidity, market risk or credit risk support to us, or that engages in leasing, hedging or research and development services with us; or (4) made guarantees.

We transferred ownership of certain equipment to Japanese container funds which were established by Japan Investment Adviser Co., Ltd. (JIA) and CAIJ, Inc. (CAIJ). Prior to April 2016, CAIJ was an 80%-owned subsidiary of CAI with the remaining 20% owned by JIA. Prior to the purchase of equipment from us, the Japanese container funds received contributions from unrelated Japanese investors, under separate Japanese investment agreements allowed under Japanese commercial laws. The contributions were used to purchase equipment from us. Under the terms of the agreements, the Japanese container funds managed each of the investments but were able to outsource all or part of each operation to a third party. Pursuant to its services agreements with investors, the Japanese container funds outsourced the general management of their operations to CAIJ. The Japanese container funds also entered into management service agreements and financing arrangements whereby we manage the leasing activity of equipment owned by the Japanese container funds. The profit or loss from each investment will substantially belong to each respective investor, except with respect to certain financing arrangements where the terms of the transaction provide us with an option to purchase the equipment at a fixed price. If we decide to exercise our purchase options and resell the equipment to a third party, we would realize any profit or loss from the sale. See Notes 4 and 15 to our consolidated financial statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to use judgment in making estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the reported amounts of income and expense during the reporting period and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements. We have identified the policies and estimates below as critical to our business operations and the understanding of our results of operations. These policies and estimates are considered critical due to the existence of uncertainty at the time the estimate is made, the likelihood of changes in estimates from period to period and the potential impact that these estimates can have on our financial statements. Significant items subject to such estimates and assumptions include revenue recognition, consolidation of container funds, accounting for rental equipment, allowance for doubtful accounts and income taxes. The following accounting policies and estimates include inherent risks and uncertainties related to judgments and assumptions made by us. Our estimates are based on the relevant information available at the end of each period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Revenue Recognition

We provide a range of services to our customers incorporating rental, sale and management of equipment, and the provision of logistics services. Revenue for all forms of service is recognized when earned following the guidelines under FASB ASC 605, *Revenue Recognition* and FASB ASC 840, *Leases*. Revenue is reported net of any related sales tax.

Container and Rail Lease Income. We recognize revenue from operating leases of our owned equipment as earned over the term of the lease. Where minimum lease payments vary over the lease term, revenue is recognized on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. We recognize revenue on a cash basis for certain railcar leases that are billed on an hourly or mileage basis through a third-party railcar manager. Finance lease income is recognized using the effective interest method, which generates a constant rate of interest over the period of the lease. We cease recognition of lease revenue if and when a lessee defaults in making timely lease payments or we otherwise determine that future lease payments are not likely to be collected from the lessee. Our determination of the collectability of future lease payments is made by management on the basis of available information, including the current creditworthiness of lessees, historical collection results and review of specific past due receivables. If we experience unexpected payment defaults from our lessees, we will cease accruing rental revenue as earned and will recognize revenue as cash is received.

Management Fee Revenue. We recognize revenue from management fees earned under management agreements on a monthly basis. Fees are calculated as a percentage of net operating income, which is revenue from the equipment under management minus direct operating expense related to those units. If a lessee of a managed unit defaults in making timely lease payments or we otherwise determine that future lease payments are not likely to be collected from the lessee, then we will cease to record lease revenue for purposes of our internal record keeping in connection with determining the amount of management fees that we have earned, which in turn will result in reduced management fee revenue.

Logistics Revenue. Our logistics business derives its revenue from three principal sources: (1) truck brokerage services, (2) intermodal transportation services, and (3) international ocean freight and freight forwarding services. We recognize logistics revenue when these services are provided to our customers. For truck brokerage services, revenue is recognized when delivery has been completed. Intermodal transportation services can take a longer time to complete; for any such services not completed at the end of a reporting period, we use a percentage of completion method to allocate the appropriate revenue to each separate reporting period using relative transit time. We provide international freight forwarding services as an indirect carrier, sometimes referred to as a Non-Vessel Operating Common Carrier (NVOCC). When we act as an NVOCC with respect to shipments of freight, a House Ocean Bill of Lading (HOBL) is typically issued to the customer. Based upon the terms in the contract of carriage (the HOBL), revenue and purchased transportation costs for these shipments are recognized at the time the freight departs the terminal of origin which is when the customer is billed.

We report logistics revenue on a gross basis as we are the primary obligor and responsible for providing the services desired by the customer. We are responsible for fulfillment, including the acceptability of the service, and have discretion in setting sales prices and as a result, our earnings may vary. We also have discretion in selecting vendors from multiple suppliers for the services ordered by our customers. Lastly, we have credit risk for our receivables.

#### Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

Our allowance for doubtful accounts is developed based on two key components: (1) specific reserves for receivables which are impaired for which management believes full collection is doubtful; and (2) a general reserve for estimated losses inherent in the receivables. The general reserve is estimated by applying certain percentages to receivables that have not been specifically reserved, ranging from 1.0% on accounts that are one to thirty days overdue, to 100% on accounts that are one year overdue. Our allowance for doubtful accounts is reviewed regularly by our management and is based on the risk profile of the receivables, credit quality indicators such as the level of past due amounts and non-performing accounts and economic conditions. Changes in economic conditions or other events may necessitate additions or deductions to the allowance for doubtful accounts. The allowance is intended to provide for losses inherent in the owned fleet's accounts receivable, and requires the application of estimates and judgments as to the outcome of collection efforts and the realization of collateral, among other things

The credit risk on accounts receivable related to the equipment we manage is the responsibility of third-party investors. Under our management agreements, if we are unable to ultimately collect any amount due from a managed unit lessee, third-party investors are obligated to reimburse us for any amounts we have previously paid to them in anticipation of receiving the uncollectible amount from the container lessee.

# Rental Equipment

#### Container

We purchase new container equipment from container manufacturers for the purpose of leasing such equipment to customers. We also purchase used container equipment through sale-leaseback transactions with our customers, or equipment that was previously owned by one of our third party investors. Used equipment is typically purchased with an existing lease in place.

Container rental equipment is recorded at original cost and depreciated to an estimated residual value on a straight-line basis over its estimated useful life. The estimated useful lives and residual values of our container equipment are based on historical disposal experience and our expectations for future used container sale prices. Depreciation estimates are reviewed on a regular basis to determine whether changes have taken place that would suggest that a change in depreciation estimates, useful lives of its equipment or the assigned residual values, is warranted.

After we conducted our regular depreciation policy review, we concluded that a change in the estimated residual value for 40-foot high cube dry van containers from \$1,650 to \$1,400 per container, effective July 1, 2016, was appropriate. The change increased our depreciation expense by \$5.4 million, decreased net income by \$5.2 million, and decreased diluted earnings per share by \$0.27 for the year ended December 31, 2016.

Depreciation estimates were last changed for 40-foot high cube dry van containers (and other container types within our fleet) during 2012. Since that time, disposal prices for 40-foot high cube dry van containers have declined and we experienced losses when selling certain of these assets during 2015 and 2016. The change in residual value estimate was made to better align residual value with expectations for future used container sale prices.

In considering changes to residual values for the three major dry van categories, we reviewed 3-year, 5-year, 7-year, and 11-year average disposition pricings trends. As with all estimates, particularly related to long-lived assets, current market performance may not necessarily be indicative of long-term residual values, so we do not adjust residual values to point-in-time prices. Rather, we consider the mix of data shown in the following table and use the average over time to either confirm residual value estimates or support revisions to those estimates.

The sale-related unit proceeds by dry van container category that we considered as of December 31, 2016 are shown below:

Category	3-year Avg.		5-y	5-year Avg. 7-year Avg.		7-year Avg.		ear Avg.
20-ft. standard dry van containers	\$	957	\$	1,076	\$	1,125	\$	1,109
40-ft. standard dry van containers		1,172		1,332		1,396		1,358
40-ft. high cube dry van containers		1,189		1,346		1,438		1,454

Our residual value estimates (\$1,050 for a 20-ft. dry van, \$1,300 for a 40-ft. dry van, and \$1,400 for a 40-ft. high cube dry van) are lower in each instance than the historical averages, with the exception of the 3-year average for all equipment types and the 5-year average for 40-ft. high cube dry vans. While we experienced losses when selling certain of these assets during 2015 and 2016, we do not adjust long-term residual value estimates based on short-term data points, such as current year sale results and the 3-year average shown above, as we do not believe they are indicative of a change in the long-term market value for these containers. We regularly review this data and update our analysis, and will make further revisions to residual value estimates as and when conditions warrant.

The largest segment of our non-dry van container fleet consists of 20-ft. refrigerated containers and 40-ft. high cube refrigerated containers. We regularly review the residual value estimates associated with our refrigerated containers. Given the specific nature of these assets and the lower volumes of containers that are sold each year in the secondary market, there is less variability in asset pricing. Similar to our dry van containers, we evaluate the relationship between sales prices and residual values over a long-term horizon. When measured at December 31, 2016, sales proceeds for 20-ft. refrigerated and 40-ft. high cube refrigerated containers averaged \$3,180 and \$4,052, respectively, over the prior 3-year period, and \$3,219 and \$4,098, respectively, over the prior 5-year period. We excluded 7-year and 11-year historical averages from our analysis as we do not have a long enough history of sales for refrigerated containers. The current residual values for 20-ft. refrigerated and 40-ft. high cube refrigerated containers are set at \$2,750 and \$3,500, respectively. Based on the data trends, we believe that the residual value estimates for our refrigerated containers are appropriate and do not warrant revision.

We continuously monitor disposal prices across our entire portfolio for indications of a deeper, more sustained market downturn. We will adjust our residual value estimates as and when conditions warrant.

The estimated useful lives and residual values for the majority of our container equipment purchased new from the factory are as follows:

	 esidual Value	Depreciable Life in Years
20-ft. standard dry van container	\$ 1,050	13.0
40-ft. standard dry van container	\$ 1,300	13.0
40-ft. high cube dry van container	\$ 1,400	13.0
20-ft. refrigerated container	\$ 2,750	12.0
40-ft. high cube refrigerated container	\$ 3,500	12.0

Other specialized equipment is depreciated to its estimated residual value, which ranges from \$1,000 to \$3,500, over its estimated useful life of between 12.5 years and 15 years.

For used container equipment acquired through sale-leaseback transactions, we often adjust our estimates for remaining useful life and residual values based on current conditions in the sale market for older containers and our expectations for how long the equipment will remain on-hire to the current lessee.

#### Rail

Railcar equipment is recorded at original cost and depreciated over its estimated useful life of 43 years to its estimated residual value of \$8,700 using the straight-line method. We determine the useful life based on our estimate of the period over which the asset will generate revenue. Residual value is based on the average estimated scrap value of our railcars. We periodically review the appropriateness of our estimates of useful life and residual value based on changes in economic circumstances and other factors.

Our railcars may undergo refurbishment and upgrade programs to, for example, extend their useful life, meet higher car classification grades, enter new product or service segments, increase the tonnage carried, or to achieve higher utilization. If the cost incurred for such a program is in excess of \$5,000 per car, the costs are capitalized.

Normal repairs and maintenance associated with our railcar assets are expensed as incurred.

# Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

On at least an annual basis, we evaluate our rental equipment fleet to determine whether there have been any events or changes in circumstances indicating that the carrying amount of all, or part, of our fleet may not be recoverable. Events which would trigger an impairment review include, among others, a significant decrease in the long-term average market value of rental equipment, a significant decrease in the utilization rate of rental equipment resulting in an inability to generate income from operations and positive cash flow in future periods, or a change in market conditions resulting in a significant decrease in lease rates.

When testing for impairment, equipment is generally grouped by equipment type, and is tested separately from other groups of assets and liabilities. Potential impairment exists when the estimated future undiscounted cash flows generated by an asset group, comprised of lease proceeds and residual values, less related operating expenses, are less than the carrying value of that asset group. If potential impairment exists, the equipment is written down to its fair value. In determining the fair value of an asset group, we consider market trends, published value for similar assets, recent transactions of similar assets and in certain cases, quotes from third party appraisers. During the year ended December 31, 2015, our annual impairment review resulted in a charge for certain off-lease containers of \$24.5 million, which is included in depreciation expense in our consolidated statement of income. No impairment charges were recorded in 2016 and 2014 as a result of our annual review.

#### Consolidation of Container Funds

We regularly perform a review of our container fund arrangements with investors to determine whether or not we have a variable interest in the fund and if the fund is a variable interest entity (VIE). If it is determined that we do not have a variable interest in the fund, further analysis is not required and we do not consolidate the fund. If it is determined that we do have a variable interest in the fund and the fund is a VIE, further analysis is performed to determine if we are the primary beneficiary of the VIE and meet both of the following criteria under FASB ASC Topic 810, Consolidation:

- we have the power to direct the activities of the VIE that most significantly impact the VIE's economic performance; and
- we have the obligation to absorb losses of the VIE that could be potentially significant to the VIE or the right to receive benefits from the VIE that could potentially be significant to the VIE.

If in our judgment we meet both of the above criteria, we include the VIE's financial statements in our consolidated financial statements as required under FASB ASC Topic 810, *Consolidation*.

We currently enter into two types of container fund arrangements with investors which are reviewed under FASB ASC Topic 810, *Consolidation*. These arrangements include container funds that we manage for investors and container funds that have entered into financing arrangements with investors. Several of the funds that we manage, and all of the funds under financing arrangements, are Japanese container funds that were established under separate investment agreements allowed under Japanese commercial laws. Each of the funds is financed by unrelated Japanese third party investors. (See Notes 4 and 15 to our consolidated financial statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K).

#### Income Taxes

Deferred tax liabilities and assets are recognized for the expected future tax consequences of events that have been reflected in our consolidated financial statements. Deferred tax liabilities and assets are determined based on the differences between the book values and the tax basis of particular assets and liabilities, using tax rates in effect for the years in which the differences are expected to reverse. A valuation allowance is recorded to reduce our deferred tax assets to an amount we determine is more likely than not to be realized, based on our analyses of past operating results, future reversals of existing taxable temporary differences and projected taxable income. Our analyses of future taxable income are subject to a wide range of variables, many of which involve estimates. Uncertainty regarding future events and changes in tax regulation could materially alter our valuation of deferred tax liabilities and assets. If we determine that we would not be able to realize all or part of our deferred tax assets in the future, we would increase our valuation allowance and record a corresponding charge to our earnings in the period in which we make such determination. If we later determine that we are more likely than not to realize our deferred tax assets, we would reverse the applicable portion of the previously provided valuation allowance.

We recognize the effect of income tax positions only if those positions are more likely than not of being sustained. Recognized income tax positions are measured at the largest amount that is greater than 50% likely of being realized. Changes in recognition or measurement are reflected in the period in which the change in judgment occurs. We record penalties and interest related to unrecognized tax benefits within income tax expense.

#### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements.**

In August 2016, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2016-15, Statement of Cash Flows (Topic 230): Classification of Certain Cash Receipts and Cash Payments (ASU 2016-15). ASU 2016-15 is intended to reduce diversity in practice in how certain transactions are classified in the statement of cash flows, including debt prepayment or debt extinguishment costs, contingent consideration payments made after a business combination, and proceeds from the settlement of insurance claims, among others. In November 2016, the FASB also issued ASU No. 2016-18, Statement of Cash Flows (Topic 230): Restricted Cash, which will require that the statement of cash flows explain the change during the period in the total of cash, cash equivalents, and amounts generally described as restricted cash or restricted cash equivalents. Companies will also be required to reconcile such total to amounts on the balance sheet and disclose the nature of the restrictions. ASU 2016-15 and ASU 2016-18 are effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2017, with early adoption permitted, provided that all of the amendments are adopted in the same period, and must be applied using a retrospective transition method. We are currently evaluating the potential impact the adoption of the standard will have on our consolidated statements of cash flows.

In March 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-09, Compensation — Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting (ASU 2016-09), which is intended to improve the accounting for share-based payment transactions as part of the FASB's simplification initiative. ASU 2016-09 changes how companies account for certain aspects of share-based payment awards to employees, including the accounting for income taxes, forfeitures, and statutory tax withholding requirements, as well as classification of related amounts within the statements of cash flows. ASU 2016-02 is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016, with early adoption permitted. We are currently evaluating the potential impact the adoption of the standard will have on our consolidated financial statements.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-02, *Leases (Topic 842)* (ASU 2016-02). Under ASU 2016-02, lessors will account for leases using an approach that is substantially equivalent to existing U.S. GAAP for sales-type leases, direct financing leases and operating leases. In addition, lessors would be precluded from recognizing selling profit and revenue at lease commencement for any sales-type or direct finance lease that does not transfer control of the underlying asset to the lessee. For lessees, both finance leases and operating leases will result in the lessee recognizing a right-of-use asset and a lease liability on balance sheet, with an exception for leases that commence at or near the end of the underlying asset's economic life. ASU 2016-02 is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2018, with early adoption permitted. The new guidance must be adopted using a modified retrospective transition. We are currently evaluating the potential impact the adoption of the standard will have on our consolidated financial statements.

In November 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-17, *Balance Sheet Classification of Deferred Taxes* (ASU 2015-17), which requires companies to present all deferred tax assets and liabilities as noncurrent on the balance sheet. We early adopted ASU 2015-17 effective December 31, 2015 on a prospective basis. No prior periods were retrospectively adjusted, and adoption did not have an impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In April 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-03, Simplifying the Presentation of Debt Issuance Costs (ASU 2015-03). The new guidance requires that debt issuance costs related to a recognized debt liability be presented in the balance sheet as a direct deduction from the carrying amount of that debt liability, consistent with the accounting treatment for debt discounts. We adopted ASU 2015-03 effective January 1, 2016. Adoption of the guidance resulted in the reclassification of unamortized debt issuance costs of \$11.2 million and \$11.8 million as of December 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively, from prepaid expenses and other current assets to a reduction of debt on our consolidated balance sheets.

In February 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-02, *Consolidation (Topic 810): Amendment to the Consolidation Analysis* (ASU 2015-02). The new guidance changes (1) the identification of variable interests (fees paid to a decision maker or service provider), (2) the VIE characteristics for a limited partnership or similar entity, and (3) the primary beneficiary determination. The guidance is effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2015, with early adoption permitted. We adopted ASU 2015-02 effective January 1, 2016, and adoption had no impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)* (ASU 2014-09), which supersedes previous revenue recognition guidance. ASU 2014-09 requires revenue recognition to depict the transfer of goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration the company expects to receive in exchange for those goods or services. Companies will need to use more judgment and estimates than under the guidance currently in effect, including estimating the amount of variable revenue to recognize over each identified performance obligation. Additional disclosures will be required to help users of financial statements understand the nature, amount and timing of revenue and cash flows arising from contracts. ASU 2014-09 is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2017, with early adoption permitted for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016. We are currently evaluating the impact of adopting this new guidance on our consolidated financial statements.

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

Market risk represents the risk of changes in value of a financial instrument, derivative or non-derivative, caused by fluctuations in foreign exchange rates and interest rates. Changes in these factors could cause fluctuations in our results of operations and cash flows. We are exposed to the market risks described below.

Foreign Exchange Rate Risk. Although we have significant foreign-based operations, the U.S. dollar is our primary operating currency. Thus, most of our revenue and expenses are denominated in U.S. Dollars. We have equipment sales in British Pound Sterling, Euros and Japanese Yen and incur overhead costs in foreign currencies, primarily in British Pound Sterling and Euros. During the year ended December 31, 2016, the U.S. Dollar increased in value in relation to other major foreign currencies (such as the Euro and British Pound Sterling). The increase in the value of the U.S. Dollar has decreased our revenues and expenses denominated in foreign currencies. The increase in the value of the U.S. Dollar relative to foreign currencies will also result in U.S. dollar denominated assets held at some of our foreign subsidiaries to increase in value relative to the foreign subsidiaries' local currencies. For the year ended December 31, 2016, we recognized a loss on foreign exchange of \$0.7 million. A 10% change in foreign exchange rates would not have a material impact on our business, financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Interest Rate Risk. The nature of our business exposes us to market risk arising from changes in interest rates to which our variable-rate debt is linked. As of December 31, 2016, the principal amount of debt outstanding under variable-rate revolving credit facilities was \$749.5 million. In addition, at December 31, 2016 we had balances on our variable rate term loans of \$250.0 million, and \$5.8 million of variable rate loans held by a VIE. The average interest rate on our variable rate debt was 2.5% as of December 31, 2016 based on LIBOR plus a margin based on certain conditions.

A 1.0% increase or decrease in underlying interest rates for these obligations will increase or decrease interest expense by approximately \$10.0 million annually assuming debt remains constant at December 31, 2016 levels.

We do not currently participate in hedging, interest rate swaps or other transactions to manage the market risks described above.

### ITEM 8: FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

The consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule are contained in Item 15 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K, and are incorporated herein by reference. See Part IV, Item 15(a) for an index to the consolidated financial statements and supplementary data.

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

None.

#### ITEM 9A: CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

### Management's Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

In accordance with Rule 13a-15(b) under the Exchange Act, we carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our President and Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation 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 Annual Report on Form 10-K. Based upon their evaluation of these disclosure controls and procedures, our President and Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of December 31, 2016.

Management has excluded Challenger and Hybrid from its assessment of the effectiveness of disclosure controls and procedures that are also part of internal control over financial reporting, as of December 31, 2016, as permitted by the guidance issued by the Office of the Chief Accountant of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Challenger was acquired by the Company during the first quarter of 2016 and represented 2% and 0.6%, respectively, of total revenue and total assets of the related consolidated financial statement amounts as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016. Hybrid was acquired by the Company during the second quarter of 2016 and represented 9% and 0.9%, respectively, of total revenue and total assets of the related consolidated financial statement amounts as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016.

# **Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

As a result of the Challenger and Hybrid acquisitions, we commenced a project to evaluate the processes and procedures of Challenger and Hybrid's internal control over financial reporting and incorporate Challenger and Hybrid's internal control over financial reporting into our internal control over financial reporting framework. Except for the activities described above, there were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting (as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(f) and 15d – 15(f) under the Exchange Act) during the quarter ended December 31, 2016 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

#### Management's Annual Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act). Our internal control over financial reporting is a process designed with the participation of our principal executive officer and principal financial officer or persons performing similar functions to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of our financial statements for external reporting purposes in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Our internal control over financial reporting includes policies and procedures that: (a) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect our transactions and dispositions of assets; (b) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, and that our receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorizations of our management and Board of Directors; and (c) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of our assets that could have a material effect on our financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, our internal controls and procedures may not prevent or detect misstatements. A control system, no matter how well conceived and operated, can only provide reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, have been detected. 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.

As of December 31, 2016, our management, with the participation of our President and Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting based on the framework established in Internal Control — Integrated Framework (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Based on this evaluation, management has determined that our internal control over financial reporting is effective as of December 31, 2016.

Management has excluded Challenger Overseas LLC and Hybrid Logistics, Inc. from its assessment of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2016, as permitted by the guidance issued by the Office of the Chief Accountant of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Challenger was acquired by the Company during the first quarter of 2016 and represented 2% and 0.6%, respectively, of total revenue and total assets of the related consolidated financial statement amounts as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016. Hybrid was acquired by the Company during the second quarter of 2016 and represented 9% and 0.9%, respectively, of total revenue and total assets of the related consolidated financial statement amounts as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016.

KPMG LLP, the independent registered public accounting firm that audited our 2016 consolidated financial statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, has issued an attestation report on our internal control over financial reporting. The report appears below.

#### Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Stockholders CAI International, Inc.:

We have audited CAI International, Inc. and subsidiaries' (the Company) internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2016, based on criteria established in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework* (2013) issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). CAI International, Inc.'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 Annual 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 conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether 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, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audit also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

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.

In our opinion, CAI International, Inc. maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2016, based on criteria established in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

The Company acquired Challenger Overseas LLC on February 12, 2016, and management excluded from its assessment of the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2016, Challenger Overseas LLC's internal control over financial reporting which represented 2% and 0.6%, respectively, of total revenue and total assets of the related consolidated financial statement amounts of the Company as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016. The Company acquired Hybrid Logistics, Inc. on June 1, 2016, and management excluded from its assessment of the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2016, Hybrid Logistic Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting which represented 9% and 0.9%, respectively, of total revenue and total assets of the related consolidated financial statement amounts of the Company as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting of the Company also excluded an evaluation of the internal control over financial reporting of Challenger Overseas LLC and Hybrid Logistics, Inc.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheets of CAI International, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2016 and 2015, and the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2016, and the related financial schedule II, and our report dated March 13, 2017 expressed an unqualified opinion on those consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule.

/s/ KPMG LLP

San Francisco, California March 13, 2017

#### ITEM 9B: OTHER INFORMATION

None.

#### **PART III**

# ITEM 10: DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference from our definitive proxy statement for our 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, which will be filed no later than 120 days after December 31, 2016.

#### **Code of Ethics**

We have a written Code of Business Conduct and Ethics in place that applies to all our employees, including our principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer and controller, and persons performing similar functions. A copy of our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics is available on our website at <a href="http://www.capps.com">http://www.capps.com</a>. We intend to use our website as a method of disseminating any change to, or waiver from, our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics as permitted by the applicable SEC rules.

#### ITEM 11: EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference from our definitive proxy statement for our 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, which will be filed no later than 120 days after December 31, 2016.

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

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference from our definitive proxy statement for our 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, which will be filed no later than 120 days after December 31, 2016.

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

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference from our definitive proxy statement for our 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, which will be filed no later than 120 days after December 31, 2016.

# ITEM 14: PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING FEES AND SERVICES

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference from our definitive proxy statement for our 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, which will be filed no later than 120 days after December 31, 2016.

# PART IV

# ITEM 15: EXHIBITS, FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

# (a)(1) Financial Statements.

The following financial statements are included in Item 8 of this report:

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The following financial statement schedule for the Company is filed as part of this report:	
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# ITEM 16: FORM 10-K SUMMARY

None.

#### Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Stockholders CAI International, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of CAI International, Inc. and subsidiaries (the Company) as of December 31, 2016 and 2015, and the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2016. In connection with our audits of the consolidated financial statements, we also have audited financial statement schedule II. These consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule based on our audits.

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

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of CAI International, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2016 and 2015, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2016, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Also in our opinion, the related financial statement schedule, when considered in relation to the basic consolidated financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), CAI International, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2016, based on criteria established in *Internal Control — Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO), and our report dated March 13, 2017 expressed an unqualified opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ KPMG LLP

San Francisco, California March 13, 2017

#### CAI INTERNATIONAL, INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (In thousands, except share information)

	D	ecember 31, 2016	De	ecember 31, 2015 <sup>(1)</sup>
Assets				
Current assets				
Cash	\$	15,685	\$	17,447
Cash held by variable interest entities		30,449		35,106
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$1,340 and				
\$548 at December 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively		63,745		55,284
Current portion of direct finance leases		19,959		21,158
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		5,315		2,155
Total current assets		135,153		131,150
Restricted cash		6,192		7,212
Rental equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$421,153 and \$349,810 at		1 007 010		1.740.011
December 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively		1,807,010		1,748,211
Net investment in direct finance leases		80,582		82,210
Goodwill		15,794		2,905
Intangible assets, net of accumulated amortization of \$2,681 and \$1,237 at December 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively		9,691		1,223
Furniture, fixtures and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$2,833 and		9,091		1,223
\$2,027 at December 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively		550		674
Other non-current assets		962		—
Total assets <sup>(2)</sup>	\$	2,055,934	\$	1,973,585
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Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity Current liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$	13,804	\$	11,962
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	Ψ	11,778	Ψ	4,813
Due to container investors		7,077		5,801
Unearned revenue		10.613		11,990
Current portion of debt		95,527		169.249
Rental equipment payable		25,207		10,901
Total current liabilities	_	164,006		214,716
Debt		1,380,499		1,250,560
Deferred income tax liability		51,804		48,204
Other long term liabilities		2,121		_
Total liabilities <sup>(3)</sup>		1,598,430		1,513,480
Stockholders' equity				
Common stock: par value \$.0001 per share; authorized 84,000,000 shares; issued				
and outstanding 19,057,217 and 20,132,706 shares at December 31, 2016 and				
2015, respectively		2		2
Additional paid-in capital		141,058		148,523
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(8,132)		(7,922)
Retained earnings		324,576		318,579
Total CAI stockholders' equity		457,504		459,182
Non-controlling interest		´ —		923
Total stockholders' equity	_	457,504		460,105
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	2,055,934	\$	1,973,585
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<sup>(1)</sup> Amounts for the year ended December 31, 2015 have been restated for immaterial corrections of identified errors relating to prepaid loan fees (see Note 2 (b) "Correction of Immaterial Errors").

<sup>(2)</sup> Total assets at December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 include the following assets of certain variable interest entities (VIEs) that can only be used to settle the liabilities of those VIEs: Cash, \$30,449 and \$35,106; Net investment in direct finance leases, \$7,331 and \$1,915; and Rental equipment net of accumulated depreciation, \$62,477 and \$85,101, respectively.

<sup>(3)</sup> Total liabilities at December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 include the following VIE liabilities for which the VIE creditors do not have recourse to CAI International, Inc.: Current portion of debt, \$30,980 and \$60,382; Debt, \$74,887 and \$59,445, respectively.

# CAI INTERNATIONAL, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (In thousands, except per share data)

	Year Ended December 31,				1,
	2016 2015 <sup>(1)</sup>			2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	
Revenue					
Container lease income	\$ 200,186	\$ 2	17,505	\$	210,756
Rail lease income	30,490	-	17,433		10,336
Logistics revenue	61,536		11,502		
Management fee revenue	2,142		3,227		6,497
Total revenue	294,354	24	49,667		227,589
Operating expenses					
Depreciation of rental equipment	104,877	1.	13,590		77,976
Storage, handling and other expenses	35,862	3	30,194		26,043
Logistics transportation costs	51,980		10,172		_
Loss (gain) on sale of used rental equipment	12,671		654		(6,522)
Administrative expenses	35,678		27,617		26,538
Total operating expenses	241,068	18	82,227		124,035
Operating income	53,286	(	57,440		103,554
Other expenses					
Net interest expense	42,754	3	36,271		35,592
Other expense	654		182		773
Total other expenses	43,408	3	36,453		36,365
Net income before income taxes and non-controlling interest	9,878	3	30,987		67,189
Income tax expense	3,844		4,252		7,191
Net income	6,034	2	26,735		59,998
Net income attributable to non-controlling interest	37		134		111
Net income attributable to CAI common stockholders	\$ 5,997	\$ 2	26,601	\$	59,887
Net income per share attributable to CAI common stockholders					
Basic	\$ 0.31	\$	1.28	\$	2.89
Diluted	\$ 0.31	\$	1.27	\$	2.83
Weighted average shares outstanding					
Basic	19,318	2	20,773		20,732
Diluted	19,393	2	20,988		21,155

<sup>(1)</sup> Amounts for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 have been restated for immaterial corrections of identified errors relating to prepaid loan fees (see Note 2 (b) "Correction of Immaterial Errors").

# CAI INTERNATIONAL, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (In thousands)

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2016		2015(1)		2014 <sup>(1)</sup>
Net income	\$	6,034	\$	26,735	\$ 59,998
Other comprehensive income, net of tax:					
Foreign currency translation adjustments		(815)		(2,245)	(3,321)
Comprehensive income		5,219		24,490	56,677
Comprehensive income attributable to non-controlling interest		37		134	111
Comprehensive income attributable to CAI common stockholders	\$	5,182	\$	24,356	\$ 56,566

<sup>(1)</sup> Amounts for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 have been restated for immaterial corrections of identified errors relating to prepaid loan fees (see Note 2 (b) "Correction of Immaterial Errors").

# CAI INTERNATIONAL, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (In thousands)

		n Stock Amount	Additional Paid-In Capital	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Retained Earnings <sup>(1)</sup>	Non- Controlling Interest	Total Equity
Balances as of December 31, 2013	22,240	\$ 2	\$ 184,263	\$ (2,356)	\$ 232,091	\$ 594	
Net income	_	_			59,887	111	59,998
Foreign currency translation adjustment		_	_	(3,321)	_	_	(3,321)
Repurchase of common stock	(1,483)	_	(31,395)	_	_	_	(31,395)
Exercise of stock options	7	_	114		_	_	114
Stock based compensation – options	_	_	1,627		_	_	1,627
Stock based compensation – restricted stock	24		258	_	_	_	258
Excess tax benefit from share-based compensation awards			27	_	_	_	27
Contributions and other	_	_	_	_	_	84	84
Balances as of December 31, 2014	20,788	2	154,894	(5,677)	291,978	789	441,986
Net income	_	_	_	_	26,601	134	26,735
Foreign currency translation adjustment		_	_	(2,245)	_	_	(2,245)
Repurchase of common stock	(1,089)	_	(12,997)	( / /	_	_	(12,997)
Exercise of stock options	415	_	4,744		_	_	4,744
Stock based compensation – options	_	_	1,542	_	_	_	1,542
Stock based compensation – restricted stock	21	_	373	_	_	_	373
Excess tax benefit from share-based compensation awards		_	3	_	_	_	3
Payment of income tax withheld on							
vested restricted stock	(2)		(36)	·			(36)
Balances as of December 31, 2015	20,133	2	148,523	(7,922)	318,579	923	460,105
Net income	_	_	_		5,997	37	6,034
Foreign currency translation adjustment		_	_	(815)	_	_	(815)
Disposal of subsidiary	_	_	_	605	_	(960)	(355)
Repurchase of common stock	(1,104)	_	(9,176)		_	_	(9,176)
Stock based compensation – options	_	_	1,292		_	_	1,292
Stock based compensation – restricted stock	31	_	440	_	_	_	440
Payment of income tax withheld on vested restricted stock	(3)	_	(21)	_	_	_	(21)
Balances as of December 31, 2016			\$ 141,058	\$ (8,132)	\$ 324,576	<u>\$</u>	\$ 457,504

<sup>(1)</sup> Amounts for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 have been restated for immaterial corrections of identified errors relating to prepaid loan fees (see Note 2 (b) "Correction of Immaterial Errors").

# CAI INTERNATIONAL, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (in thousands)

	Year Ended Decen		
	2016	2015(1)	2014 <sup>(1)</sup>
Cash flows from operating activities	¢ 6024	¢ 26.725	¢ 50.000
Net income	\$ 6,034	\$ 26,735	\$ 59,998
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation	105,236	114,003	78,451
Amortization of debt issuance costs	2,975	2,943	3,552
Amortization of intangible assets	1,443	232	383
Stock-based compensation expense	1,732	1,915	1,885
Reduction in contingent consideration	(3,789)	_	
Unrealized loss on foreign exchange	276	251	81
Loss (gain) on sale of used rental equipment	12,671	654	(6,522)
Loss on disposal of subsidiary	146		
Deferred income taxes	1,138	4,967	2,170
Bad debt expense	3,151	448	248
Changes in other energting assets and liabilities:			
Changes in other operating assets and liabilities: Accounts receivable	(1,799)	4,733	(6,397)
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(2,691)	(81)	4,256
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other current liabilities	3,572	(3,654)	3,046
Due to container investors	1,276	(7,183)	(1,831)
Unearned revenue	(2,115)	1,406	367
	129,256	147,369	139,687
Net cash provided by operating activities	129,230	147,309	139,007
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of rental equipment	(251,165)	(389,331)	(307,283)
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(15,599)	(4,100)	_
Net proceeds from sale of used rental equipment	66,073	66,150	65,637
Disposal of subsidiary, net of cash disposed of	(460)		_
Purchase of furniture, fixtures and equipment	(82)	(83)	(28)
Receipt of principal payments from direct financing leases	19,633	22,116	16,319
Net cash used in investing activities	(181,600)	(305,248)	(225,355)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from debt	552,540	748,731	372,510
Principal payments on debt	(496,270)	(581,739)	(245,136)
Debt issuance costs	(1,515)	(3,226)	(1,999)
Decrease in restricted cash	1,020	1,020	1,021
Repurchase of stock	(9,176)	(12,997)	(31,395)
Exercise of stock options	(>,1,0)	4,744	114
Excess tax benefit from share-based compensation awards	_	3	27
Net cash provided by financing activities	46,599	156,536	95,142
Effect on cash of foreign currency translation	(674)	75	$\frac{-33,112}{(1,394)}$
Net (decrease) increase in cash	(6,419)	$\frac{73}{(1,268)}$	8,080
Cash at beginning of the period	52,553	53,821	45,741
Cash at end of the period	\$ 46,134	\$ 52,553	\$ 53,821
Cash at the of the period	<del>\$ 40,134</del>	<u> </u>	\$ 33,021
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information			
Cash paid during the period for:			
Income taxes	\$ 889	\$ 2,340	\$ 852
Interest	38,491	33,124	32,774
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Supplemental disclosure of non-cash investing and financing activity	¢ 10.026	¢ 20.604	¢ 20.179
Transfer of rental equipment to direct finance lease	\$ 19,036	\$ 30,604	\$ 30,178
Transfer of direct finance lease to rental equipment	732	_	_

<sup>(1)</sup> Amounts for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 have been restated for immaterial corrections of identified errors relating to prepaid loan fees (see Note 2 (b) "Correction of Immaterial Errors").

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

#### **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

#### (1) The Company and Nature of Operations

CAI International, Inc., together with its subsidiaries (collectively, CAI or the Company), is a transportation finance and logistics company. The Company purchases equipment, primarily intermodal shipping containers and railcars, which it leases to its customers. The Company also manages equipment for third-party investors. In operating its fleet, the Company leases, re-leases and disposes of equipment and contracts for the repair, repositioning and storage of equipment. The Company also provides domestic and international logistics services.

In July 2015, the Company purchased ClearPointt Logistics LLC (ClearPointt), an intermodal logistics company focused on the domestic intermodal market, for approximately \$4.1 million. ClearPointt is headquartered in Everett, Washington.

In February 2016, the Company purchased Challenger Overseas LLC (Challenger), a Non-Vessel Operating Common Carrier (NVOCC), for approximately \$10.8 million (see Note 5). Challenger is headquartered in Eatontown, New Jersey.

In June 2016, the Company purchased Hybrid Logistics, Inc. and its affiliate, General Transportation Services, Inc. (collectively, Hybrid), asset light truck brokers, for approximately \$12.0 million (see Note 5). Hybrid is headquartered in Portland, Oregon.

The Company's common stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "CAI". The Company's corporate headquarters are located in San Francisco, California.

#### (2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### (a) Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of CAI International, Inc., its wholly — owned subsidiaries, and its previously 80% — owned subsidiary, CAIJ, Inc. (CAIJ), up to its date of disposal in April 2016. All significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

The Company regularly performs a review of its container fund arrangements with investors to determine whether or not it has a variable interest in the fund and if the fund is a variable interest entity (VIE). If it is determined that the Company does not have a variable interest in the fund, further analysis is not required and the Company does not consolidate the fund. If it is determined that the Company does have a variable interest in the fund and the fund is a VIE, further analysis is performed to determine if the Company is the primary beneficiary of the VIE and meets both of the following criteria under Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 810:

- it has power to direct the activities of a VIE that most significantly impact the VIE's economic performance; and
- it has the obligation to absorb losses of the VIE that could be potentially significant to the VIE or the right to receive benefits from the VIE that could potentially be significant to the VIE.

If in the Company's judgment both of the above criteria are met, the VIE's financial statements are included in the Company's consolidated financial statements as required under FASB ASC Topic 810, *Consolidation* (see Note 4).

#### **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

# (b) Correction of Immaterial Errors

During the year ended December 31, 2016, the Company determined that its financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 and for prior years, contained errors resulting from the incorrect accounting for debt issuance costs. The Company previously amortized debt issuance costs using the straight-line method, rather than the effective interest method. The Company's accounting policy for debt issuance costs is described below in Note 2(j). In accordance with FASB ASC Topic 250, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections*, the Company evaluated the materiality of the errors from both a quantitative and qualitative perspective, and concluded that the errors were immaterial to the Company's prior period interim and annual consolidated financial statements, and have corrected such balances herein.

The associated correcting entries were recorded in the respective period, starting with the opening consolidated balance sheet of December 31, 2015. The consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2015 presented herein has been revised, resulting in a \$1.2 million increase in debt and a \$1.2 million decrease in retained earnings. The adjustments to the previously reported consolidated statements of income for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 resulted in an increase in net interest expense of \$0.2 million and \$0.4 million, respectively, and a decrease to net income of \$0.2 million and \$0.4 million, respectively. In addition, retained earnings in the consolidated statements of stockholders' equity at December 31, 2014 and 2013 decreased by \$0.9 million and \$0.5 million, respectively, to correct the accounting for debt issuance costs in prior periods.

#### (c) Use of Estimates

Certain estimates and assumptions were made by the Company's management that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting periods. Significant items subject to such estimates and assumptions include revenue recognition, allowances for receivables, the carrying amount of rental equipment, the residual values and lives of rental equipment, and income tax uncertainties. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

# (d) Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment

Furniture, fixtures, office equipment and software, are depreciated on a straight-line basis over estimated useful lives of five years with no salvage value. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the shorter of their useful lives or the respective lease life.

# (e) Rental equipment

#### Container

The Company purchases new container equipment from container manufacturers for the purpose of leasing such equipment to customers. The Company also purchases used container equipment through sale-leaseback transactions with its customers, or equipment that was previously owned by one of the Company's third party investors. Used equipment is typically purchased with an existing lease in place.

Container rental equipment is recorded at original cost and depreciated to an estimated residual value on a straight-line basis over its estimated useful life. The estimated useful lives and residual values of the Company's container equipment are based on historical disposal experience and the Company's expectations for future used container sale prices. Depreciation estimates are reviewed on a regular basis to determine whether changes have taken place that would suggest that a change in depreciation estimates, useful lives of its equipment or the assigned residual values, is warranted.

#### **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

After the Company conducted its regular depreciation policy review, it concluded that a change in the estimated residual value for 40-foot high cube dry van containers from \$1,650 to \$1,400 per container, effective July 1, 2016, was appropriate. The change increased the Company's depreciation expense by \$5.4 million, decreased net income by \$5.2 million, and decreased diluted earnings per share by \$0.27 for the year ended December 31, 2016.

Depreciation estimates were last changed for 40-foot high cube dry van containers (and other container types within the Company's fleet) during 2012. Since that time, disposal prices for 40-foot high cube dry van containers have declined and the Company experienced losses when selling certain of these assets during 2015 and 2016. The change in residual value estimate was made to better align residual value with expectations for future used container sale prices.

In considering changes to residual values for the three major dry van categories, the Company reviewed 3-year, 5-year, 7-year, and 11-year average disposition pricings trends. As with all estimates, particularly related to long-lived assets, current market performance may not necessarily be indicative of long-term residual values, so the Company does not adjust residual values to point-in-time prices. Rather, the Company considers the mix of data shown in the following table and uses the average over time to either confirm residual value estimates or support revisions to those estimates.

The sale-related unit proceeds by dry van container category that we considered as of December 31, 2016 are shown below:

Category	3-y	ear Avg.	g. 5-year Avg. 7-year Avg. 11-year			7-year Avg.		5-year Avg. 7-year Avg.		ear Avg.
20-ft. standard dry van containers	\$	957	\$	1,076	\$	1,125	\$	1,109		
40-ft. standard dry van containers		1,172		1,332		1,396		1,358		
40-ft. high cube dry van containers		1,189		1,346		1,438		1,454		

The Company's residual value estimates (\$1,050 for a 20-ft. dry van, \$1,300 for a 40-ft. dry van, and \$1,400 for a 40-ft. high cube dry van) are lower in each instance than the historical averages, with the exception of the 3-year average for all equipment types and the 5-year average for 40-ft high cube dry vans. While the Company experienced losses when selling certain of these assets during 2015 and 2016, the Company does not adjust long-term residual value estimates based on short-term data points, such as current year sale results and the 3-year average shown above, as the Company does not believe they are indicative of a change in the long-term market value for these containers. The Company regularly review s this data and updates its analysis, and will make further revisions to residual value estimates as and when conditions warrant.

The largest segment of the Company's non-dry van container fleet consists of 20-ft. refrigerated containers and 40-ft. high cube refrigerated containers. The Company regularly reviews the residual value estimates associated with its refrigerated containers. Given the specific nature of these assets and the lower volumes of containers that are sold each year in the secondary market, there is less variability in asset pricing. Similar to the Company's dry van containers, the Company evaluates the relationship between sales prices and residual values over a long-term horizon. When measured at December 31, 2016, sales proceeds for 20-ft. refrigerated and 40-ft. high cube refrigerated containers averaged \$3,180 and \$4,052, respectively, over the prior 3-year period, and \$3,219 and \$4,098, respectively, over the prior 5-year period. The Company excluded 7-year and 11-year historical averages from its analysis as it does not have a long enough history of sales for refrigerated containers. The current residual values for 20-ft. refrigerated and 40-ft. high cube refrigerated containers are set at \$2,750 and \$3,500, respectively. Based on the data trends, the Company believes that the residual value estimates for its refrigerated containers are appropriate and do not warrant revision.

The Company continuously monitors disposal prices across its entire portfolio for indications of a deeper, more sustained market downturn. The Company will adjust its residual value estimates as and when conditions warrant.

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The estimated useful lives and residual values for the majority of the Company's container equipment purchased new from the factory are as follows:

	 esidual Value	Life in Years
20-ft. standard dry van container	\$ 1,050	13.0
40-ft. standard dry van container	\$ 1,300	13.0
40-ft. high cube dry van container	\$ 1,400	13.0
20-ft. refrigerated container	\$ 2,750	12.0
40-ft. high cube refrigerated container	\$ 3,500	12.0

Other specialized equipment is depreciated to its estimated residual value, which ranges from \$1,000 to \$3,500, over its estimated useful life of between 12.5 years and 15 years.

For used container equipment acquired through sale-leaseback transactions, we often adjust our estimates for remaining useful life and residual values based on current conditions in the sale market for older containers and our expectations for how long the equipment will remain on-hire to the current lessee.

#### Rail

Railcar equipment is recorded at original cost and depreciated over its estimated useful life of 43 years to its estimated residual value of \$8,700 using the straight-line method. The useful life is based on an estimate of the period over which the asset will generate revenue for the Company. Residual value is based on the average estimated scrap value of the Company's railcars. The Company periodically reviews the appropriateness of its estimates of useful life and residual value based on changes in economic circumstances and other factors.

The Company's railcars may undergo refurbishment and upgrade programs to, for example, extend their useful life, meet higher car classification grades, enter new product or service segments, increase the tonnage carried, or to achieve higher utilization. If the cost incurred for such a program is in excess of \$5,000 per car, the costs are capitalized.

Normal repairs and maintenance associated with the Company's railcar assets are expensed as incurred.

#### (f) Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

On at least an annual basis, the Company evaluates its rental equipment fleet to determine whether there have been any events or changes in circumstances indicating that the carrying amount of all, or part, of its fleet may not be recoverable. Events which would trigger an impairment review include, among others, a significant decrease in the long-term average market value of rental equipment, a significant decrease in the utilization rate of rental equipment resulting in an inability to generate income from operations and positive cash flow in future periods, or a change in market conditions resulting in a significant decrease in lease rates.

When testing for impairment, equipment is generally grouped by rental type, and is tested separately from other groups of assets and liabilities. Potential impairment exists when the estimated future undiscounted cash flows generated by an asset group, comprised of lease proceeds and residual values, less related operating expenses, are less than the carrying value of that asset group. If potential impairment exists, the equipment is written down to its fair value. In determining the fair value of an asset group, the Company considers market trends, published value for similar assets, recent transactions of similar assets and in certain cases, quotes from third party appraisers. During the year ended December 31, 2015, the market conditions for certain off-lease containers changed which resulted in their carrying value exceeding their fair value. The fair value was estimated based on recent gross sales proceeds for sales of similar containers and management's judgment of market conditions. The resulting impairment charge of \$24.5 million relating to the container leasing segment is included in depreciation expense in the consolidated statement of income. No impairment charges were recorded in 2016 and 2014.

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#### (g) Intangible Assets

Intangible assets with definite useful lives are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate an asset's carrying value may not be recoverable. The Company amortizes intangible assets on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Trademarks and tradenames	2-3 years
Customer relationships	8 years

#### (h) Goodwill

In connection with the acquisitions of ClearPointt in 2015 and Challenger and Hybrid in 2016, the Company recorded \$15.8 million of goodwill. Goodwill represents the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of the net assets acquired in a business combination. Goodwill is not amortized but is evaluated for impairment at the reporting unit level annually, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that impairment may exist.

The Company assesses qualitative factors such as industry and market considerations, overall financial performance and other relevant events and factors affecting a reporting unit to determine if it is more likely than not that impairment may exist and whether it is necessary to perform the two-step quantitative goodwill impairment test. The first step involves comparing the fair value to the carrying value of each reporting unit that has goodwill assigned to it. If the carrying value exceeds the fair value, a second step is performed to compute the amount of the impairment. The Company performed the annual impairment test during the fourth quarter of 2016 and concluded that there was no impairment of goodwill.

#### (i) Direct Finance Leases

Interest on finance leases is recognized using the effective interest method. Lease income is recorded in decreasing amounts over the term of the contract, resulting in a level rate of return on the net investment in direct finance leases.

#### (j) Debt Issuance Costs

To the extent that the Company is required to pay issuance fees or direct costs relating to its debt and credit facilities, such fees are amortized over the lives of the related debt using the effective interest method and reflected in interest expense.

#### (k) Foreign Currency Translation

The accounts of the Company's foreign subsidiaries have been converted at rates of exchange in effect at year-end for balance sheet accounts and average exchange rates for the year for income statement accounts. The effects of changes in exchange rates in translating foreign subsidiaries' financial statements are included in stockholders' equity as accumulated other comprehensive income.

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#### (l) Accounts Receivable

Amounts billed under leases for equipment owned by the Company, as well as amounts due from customers for the provision of logistics services, are recorded in accounts receivable. The Company estimates an allowance for doubtful accounts for accounts receivable it does not consider fully collectible. The allowance for doubtful accounts is developed based on two key components: (1) specific reserves for receivables for which management believes full collection is doubtful; and (2) a general reserve for estimated losses inherent in the receivables. The general reserve is estimated by applying certain percentages to receivables that have not been specifically reserved, ranging from 1.0% on accounts that are one to thirty days overdue, to 100% on accounts that are one year overdue. The allowance for doubtful accounts is reviewed regularly by management and is based on the risk profile of the receivables, credit quality indicators such as the level of past due amounts and non-performing accounts and economic conditions. Changes in economic conditions or other events may necessitate additions or deductions to the allowance for doubtful accounts. The allowance is intended to provide for losses inherent in the company's accounts receivable, and requires the application of estimates and judgments as to the outcome of collection efforts and the realization of collateral, among other things.

Amounts billed under leases for equipment owned by third-party investors are also recorded in accounts receivable with a corresponding credit to due to container investors account. The credit risk on accounts receivable related to managed equipment is the responsibility of the third-party investors. Under the Company's management agreements with investors, the third-party investors are obligated to reimburse the Company for any amounts the Company had previously paid to them in advance of receiving the amount from the equipment lessee if the Company is unable to ultimately collect any amount due from a managed equipment lessee. Accounts receivable attributable to the managed fleet included in accounts receivable as of December 31, 2016 and 2015 was \$5.1 million and \$4.5 million, respectively.

#### (m) Income Taxes

Income taxes are accounted for using the asset-and-liability method. Under this method, deferred income taxes are recognized for the future tax consequences of differences between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their financial reporting amounts at each year-end. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. Valuation allowances are established when it is more likely than not that deferred tax assets will not be recovered.

The Company recognizes the effect of income tax positions only if those positions are more likely than not of being sustained. Recognized income tax positions are measured at the largest amount that is greater than 50% likely of being realized. Changes in recognition or measurement are reflected in the period in which the change in judgment occurs. The Company records penalties and interest related to unrecognized tax benefits within income tax expense (see Note 12).

# (n) Revenue Recognition

The Company provides a range of services to its customers incorporating rental, sale and management of equipment and the provision of logistics services. Revenue for all forms of service is recognized when earned following the guidelines under FASB ASC Topic 605, *Revenue Recognition* and FASB ASC Topic 840, *Leases*. Revenue is reported net of any related sales tax.

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# Container and Rail Lease Revenue

The Company recognizes revenue from operating leases of its owned equipment as earned over the term of the lease. Where minimum lease payments vary over the lease term, revenue is recognized on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. The Company recognizes revenue on a cash basis for certain railcar leases that are billed on an hourly or mileage basis through a third-party railcar manager. Early termination of the rental contracts subjects the lessee to a penalty, which is included in lease revenue upon such termination. Finance lease income is recognized using the effective interest method, which generates a constant rate of interest over the period of the lease.

Included in lease revenue is revenue consisting primarily of fees charged to the lessee for handling, delivery, repairs, and fees relating to the Company's damage protection plan, which are recognized as earned.

#### Management Fee Revenue

The Company recognizes revenue from management fees earned under equipment management agreements as earned on a monthly basis. Management fees are typically a percentage of net operating income of each investor group's fleet calculated on an accrual basis. Included in the Company's balance sheet are accounts receivable from the managed fleet which are uncollected lease billings related to managed equipment. The Company's financial statements include accounts payable and accruals of expenses related to managed equipment. The net amount of rentals billed less expenses payable, less management fees, is recorded in amounts due to container investors on the balance sheet.

#### Logistics Revenue

The Company's logistics business derives its revenue from three principal sources: (1) truck brokerage services, (2) intermodal transportation services, and (3) international ocean freight and freight forwarding services. The Company recognizes logistics revenue when these services are provided to its customers. For truck brokerage services, revenue is recognized when delivery has been completed. Intermodal transportation services can take a longer time to complete; for any such services not completed at the end of a reporting period, a percentage of completion method is used to allocate the appropriate revenue to each separate reporting period using relative transit time. The Company provides international freight forwarding services as an indirect carrier, sometimes referred to as a Non-Vessel Operating Common Carrier (NVOCC). When the Company acts as an NVOCC with respect to shipments of freight, a House Ocean Bill of Lading (HOBL) is typically issued to the customer. Based upon the terms in the contract of carriage (the HOBL), revenue and purchased transportation costs for these shipments are recognized at the time the freight departs the terminal or origin.

The Company reports logistics revenue on a gross basis as it is the primary obligor and responsible for providing the services desired by the customer. The Company is responsible for fulfillment, including the acceptability of the service, and has discretion in setting sales prices and as a result, its earnings may vary. The Company also has discretion in selecting vendors from multiple suppliers for the services ordered by the customers. Lastly, the Company has credit risk for the related receivables.

#### (o) Stock-Based Compensation

The Company has granted stock options and restricted stock to certain directors and employees under its 2007 Equity Incentive Plan. The Company accounts for stock-based compensation in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 718, Compensation — Stock Compensation, which requires that compensation cost related to stock-based compensation be recognized in the financial statements. The cost is measured at the date the award is granted based on the fair value of the award. The fair value of stock options is calculated using the Black-Scholes-Merton option pricing model. The stock-based compensation expense is recognized over the vesting period of the grant on a straight-line basis (see Note 11).

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#### (p) Repairs and Maintenance

The Company's leases generally require the lessee to pay for any damage to the equipment beyond normal wear and tear at the end of the lease term. The Company accounts for repairs and maintenance expense on an accrual basis when an obligation to pay has been incurred.

#### (q) Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In November 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-17, *Balance Sheet Classification of Deferred Taxes* (ASU 2015-17), which requires companies to present all deferred tax assets and liabilities as noncurrent on the balance sheet. The Company early adopted ASU 2015-17 effective December 31, 2015 on a prospective basis. No prior periods were retrospectively adjusted, and adoption did not have an impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In April 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-03, Simplifying the Presentation of Debt Issuance Costs (ASU 2015-03). The new guidance requires that debt issuance costs related to a recognized debt liability be presented in the balance sheet as a direct deduction from the carrying amount of that debt liability, consistent with the accounting treatment for debt discounts. The Company adopted ASU 2015-03 effective January 1, 2016. Adoption of the guidance resulted in the reclassification of unamortized debt issuance costs of \$11.2 million and \$11.8 million as of December 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively, from prepaid expenses and other current assets to a reduction of debt on the Company's consolidated balance sheets.

In February 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-02, *Consolidation (Topic 810): Amendment to the Consolidation Analysis* (ASU 2015-02). The new guidance changes (1) the identification of variable interests (fees paid to a decision maker or service provider), (2) the VIE characteristics for a limited partnership or similar entity, and (3) the primary beneficiary determination. The guidance is effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2015, with early adoption permitted. The Company adopted ASU 2015-02 effective January 1, 2016, and adoption had no impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

#### (3) Insurance Receivable and Impairment

In August 2016, Hanjin Shipping Co., Ltd. filed for court protection from its creditors. Based on prior experience, the Company believes that most of its containers will be recovered. The Company maintains insurance to cover the value of containers that are unlikely to be recovered from its customers, the cost to recover containers and up to 180 days of lost lease rental income, subject to a deductible of \$2.0 million. During the year ended December 31, 2016, the Company estimated that containers with a book value of \$3.2 million would not be recovered from Hanjin. An insurance receivable of \$3.8 million was recorded for \$1.2 million of estimated irrecoverable containers in excess of the insurance deductible, which was recorded in depreciation expense, and \$2.6 million of recovery costs, which was recorded as a reduction to storage, handling and other expenses. In addition, bad debt expense of \$2.5 million was recorded in the consolidated statement of income for the year ended December 31, 2016, to fully reserve for the customer's outstanding accounts receivable.

#### (4) Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities as a Non-Controlling Interest

The Company regularly performs a review of its container fund arrangements with investors to determine whether or not it has a variable interest in the fund and if the fund is a VIE. If it is determined that the Company does not have a variable interest in the fund, further analysis is not required and the Company does not consolidate the fund. If it is determined that the Company does have a variable interest in the fund and the fund is a VIE, further analysis is performed to determine if the Company is a primary beneficiary of the VIE and meets both of the following criteria under FASB ASC Topic 810:

• it has power to direct the activities of a VIE that most significantly impact the VIE's economic performance; and

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• it has the obligation to absorb losses of the VIE that could be potentially significant to the VIE or the right to receive benefits from the VIE that could potentially be significant to the VIE.

If in the Company's judgment both of the above criteria are met, the VIE's financial statements are included in the Company's consolidated financial statements as required under FASB ASC Topic 810, *Consolidation*.

The Company currently enters into two types of container fund arrangements with investors which are reviewed under FASB ASC Topic 810, *Consolidation*. These arrangements include container funds that the Company manages for investors and container funds that have entered into financing arrangements with investors. Several of the funds that the Company manages and funds under financing arrangements are Japanese container funds that were established under separate investment agreements allowed under Japanese commercial laws (see Note 15). Each of the funds is financed by unrelated Japanese third party investors.

#### Managed Container Funds

The fees earned by the Company for arranging, managing and establishing container funds are commensurate with the level of effort required to provide those services, and are at or above the same level of seniority as other liabilities of the funds that are incurred in the normal course of business. As such, the Company does not have a variable interest in the managed container funds, and does not consolidate those funds. The Company recognizes gain on sale of containers to the unconsolidated funds as sales in the ordinary course of business. No container portfolios were sold to the Japanese funds in the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014.

#### Collateralized Financing Obligations

As of December 31, 2016, the Company has transferred containers, with a total net book value of \$201.9 million at the time of transfer, to Japanese investor funds while concurrently entering into lease agreements for the same containers, under which the Company leases the containers back from the Japanese investors. In accordance with FASB ASC Topic 840, *Sale-Leaseback Transactions*, the Company concluded these were financing transactions under which sale-leaseback accounting was not applicable.

The terms of the transactions with container funds under financing arrangements include options for the Company to purchase the containers from the funds at a fixed price. As a result of the residual interest resulting from the fixed price call option, the Company concluded that it may absorb a significant amount of the variability associated with the funds' anticipated economic performance and, as a result, the Company has a variable interest in the funds. The funds are considered VIEs under FASB ASC Topic 810, *Consolidation*, because, as lessee of the funds, the Company has the power to direct the activities that most significantly impact each entity's economic performance, including the leasing and managing of containers owned by the funds. As the Company has the power to direct the activities that most significantly impact the economic performance of the VIEs and the variable interest provides the Company with the right to receive benefits from the entity that could potentially be significant to the funds, the Company determined that it is the primary beneficiary of these VIEs and included the VIEs' assets and liabilities as of December 31, 2016 and 2015, and the results of the VIEs' operations and cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014 in the Company's consolidated financial statements.

The containers that were transferred to the Japanese investor funds had a net book value of \$69.8 million as of December 31, 2016. The container equipment, together with \$30.4 million of cash held by the investor funds that can only be used to settle the liabilities of the VIEs, has been included on the Company's consolidated balance sheet with the related liability presented in the debt section of the Company's consolidated balance sheet as collateralized financing obligations of \$100.0 million and term loans held by VIE of \$5.8 million. See Note 10 (e) and Note 10 (f) for additional information. No gain or loss was recognized by the Company on the initial consolidation of the VIEs. Containers sold to the Japanese investor funds during the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014, had book values of \$36.2 million, \$30.4 million and \$40.4 million, respectively.

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#### (5) Acquisitions

During the year ended December 31, 2016, the Company completed the acquisitions of Challenger and Hybrid, for total consideration of \$22.8 million, \$6.0 million of which was contingent and based on their future performance.

The following table summarizes the allocation of the total consideration transferred (in thousands):

Cash	\$ 1,186
Accounts receivable	5,924
Property and equipment	144
Goodwill	12,889
Intangible assets	9,912
Other assets	276
Total assets	30,331
Accounts payable	4,479
Deferred tax liability	2,462
Other liabilities	605
Total liabilities	7,546
Purchase price	\$22,785

Adjustments to record the assets acquired and liabilities assumed at fair value include the recognition of \$9.9 million of intangible assets as follows:

	A	Amount	Estimated Life
Trademarks and tradenames	\$	1,188	2-3 years
Customer relationships		8,724	8 years

During the year ended December 31, 2016, the company decreased its estimate of the acquired companies' future performance, and as a result reduced the contingent consideration liability by \$3.8 million. Expected future payments of \$2.1 million and \$0.1 million are recorded in Other long-term liabilities and Accrued expenses and Other current liabilities, respectively, in the Company's consolidated balance sheet at December 31, 2016. The acquisitions were not material to the Company's consolidated financial statements, either individually or in the aggregate. Accordingly, pro forma results of operations related to these business acquisitions during the year ended December 31, 2016 have not been presented. The Company has included the financial results of these business acquisitions in its consolidated financial statements from their respective date of acquisition.

#### (6) Rental Equipment

The following table provides a summary of the Company's rental equipment (in thousands):

	December 31, 2016	December 31, 2015
Dry containers	\$ 1,322,508	\$ 1,392,825
Refrigerated containers	350,776	308,374
Other specialized equipment	164,934	152,310
Railcars	389,945	244,512
	2,228,163	2,098,021
Accumulated depreciation	(421,153)	(349,810)
Rental equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	\$ 1,807,010	\$ 1,748,211

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#### (7) Net Investment in Direct Finance Leases

The following table represents the components of the Company's net investment in direct finance leases (in thousands):

	cember 31, 2016	De	cember 31, 2015
Gross finance lease receivables <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 123,563	\$	124,747
Unearned income <sup>(2)</sup>	(23,022)		(21,379)
Net investment in direct finance leases	\$ 100,541	\$	103,368

- (1) At the inception of the lease, the Company records the total minimum lease payments, executory costs, if any, and unguaranteed residual value as gross finance lease receivables. The gross finance lease receivables are reduced as customer payments are received. There was \$2.1 million and no unguaranteed residual value, respectively, at December 31, 2016 and 2015, included in gross finance lease receivables. There were no executory costs included in gross finance lease receivables as of December 31, 2016 and 2015.
- (2) The difference between the gross finance lease receivables and the cost of the equipment or carrying amount at the lease inception is recorded as unearned income. Unearned income, together with initial direct costs, are amortized to income over the lease term so as to produce a constant periodic rate of return. There were no unamortized initial direct costs as of December 31, 2016 and 2015.

In order to estimate the allowance for losses contained in the gross finance lease receivables, the Company reviews the credit worthiness of its customers on an ongoing basis. The review includes monitoring credit quality indicators, the aging of customer receivables and general economic conditions.

The categories of gross finance lease receivables based on the Company's internal customer credit ratings can be described as follows:

Tier 1 — These customers are typically large international shipping lines that have been in business for many years and have world-class operating capabilities and significant financial resources. In most cases, the Company has had a long commercial relationship with these customers and currently maintains regular communication with them at several levels of management, which provides the Company with insight into the customer's current operating and financial performance. In the Company's view, these customers have the greatest ability to withstand cyclical down turns and would likely have greater access to needed capital than lower-rated customers. The Company views the risk of default for Tier 1 customers to range from minimal to moderate.

Tier 2 — These customers are typically either smaller shipping lines or freight forwarders with less operating scale or with a high degree of financial leverage, and accordingly the Company views these customers as subject to higher volatility in financial performance over the business cycle. The Company generally expects these customers to have less access to capital markets or other sources of financing during cyclical down turns. The Company views the risk of default for Tier 2 customers as moderate.

Tier 3 — Customers in this category exhibit volatility in payments on a regular basis.

Based on the above categories, the Company's gross finance lease receivables were as follows (in thousands):

	December 31, 2016		pr 31, December 31, 2015	
Tier 1	\$	74,777	\$	86,981
Tier 2		48,786		37,766
Tier 3				
	\$	123,563	\$	124,747

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Contractual maturities of the Company's gross finance lease receivables subsequent to December 31, 2016 for the years ending December 31 are as follows (in thousands):

2017	\$ 28,102
2018	24,161
2019	40,013
2020	10,838
2021	11,578
2022 and thereafter	8,871
	\$123,563

# (8) Intangible Assets

The Company's intangible assets as of December 31, 2016 and 2015 were as follows (in thousands):

	Gross Carrying Amount		Accumulated Amortization		Net Carrying Amount	
December 31, 2016						
Trademarks and tradenames	\$	3,028	\$	(1,850)	\$	1,178
Customer relationships		9,344		(831)		8,513
	\$	12,372	\$	(2,681)	\$	9,691
December 31, 2015						
Trademarks and tradenames	\$	1,840	\$	(1,218)	\$	622
Customer relationships		620		(19)		601
	\$	2,460	\$	(1,237)	\$	1,223

Amortization expense recorded for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014 was \$1.4 million, \$0.2 million and \$0.4 million, respectively, and was included in administrative expenses in the consolidated statements of income.

As of December 31, 2016, estimated future amortization expenses are as follows (in thousands):

2017	\$ 1,968
2018	1,544
2019	1,167
2020	1,167
2021	1,167
2022 and thereafter	2,678
	\$ 9,691

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#### (9) Equipment Leases

The Company leases its equipment on either short-term operating leases through master lease agreements, long-term non-cancelable operating leases, or finance leases. The following represents future minimum rents receivable under long-term non-cancelable operating leases as of December 31, 2016 (in thousands):

2017	\$ 140,327
2018	115,444
2019	74,883
2020	49,708
2021	30,326
2022 and thereafter	42,749
	\$ 453,437

See Note 7 for contractual maturities of the Company's gross finance lease receivables.

#### (10) **Debt**

Details of the Company's debt as of December 31, 2016 and 2015 were as follows (dollars in thousands):

	December 31, 2016			December 31, 2015 <sup>(1)</sup>			
	Outstanding		Average	Outstanding		Average	
e	Current	Long-term	Interest		Long-term		
Revolving credit facility	\$	\$ 526,000	2.5%	\$ 8,500	\$ 488,000	1.8%	March 2020
Revolving credit facility - Rail	_	223,500	2.4%	34,500	126,000	1.9%	October 2020
Term loan	1,800	21,900	2.9%	1,800	23,700	2.3%	April 2018
Term loan	9,000	120,750	2.3%	9,000	129,750	2.2%	October 2019
Term loan	7,000	89,500	2.5%	9,940	99,440	1.9%	June 2021
Term loan	1,158	17,723	3.4%	1,119	18,881	3.4%	December 2020
Term loan	2,705	46,365	3.6%	_	_	_	August 2021
Senior secured notes	6,110	64,995	4.9%	7,175	71,105	4.9%	September 2022
Asset backed notes	40,000	202,875	3.4%	40,000	242,875	3.4%	March 2028
Collateralized financing obligations	28,693	71,346	1.1%	58,553	53,697	0.7%	June 2019
Term loans held by VIE	2,287	3,541	2.5%	1,829	5,748	2.6%	June 2019
	98,753	1,388,495		172,416	1,259,196		
Debt issuance costs	(3,226)	(7,996)		(3,167)	(8,636)	)	
Total Debt	\$ 95,527	\$ 1,380,499		\$ 169,249	\$1,250,560		
	Revolving credit facility – Rail	Revolving credit facility         \$ —           Revolving credit facility – Rail         —           Term loan         1,800           Term loan         9,000           Term loan         7,000           Term loan         1,158           Term loan         2,705           Senior secured notes         6,110           Asset backed notes         40,000           Collateralized financing obligations         28,693           Term loans held by VIE         2,287           Debt issuance costs         (3,226)	Revolving credit facility         \$ - \$526,000           Revolving credit facility - Rail         -         \$223,500           Term loan         1,800         21,900           Term loan         9,000         120,750           Term loan         7,000         89,500           Term loan         1,158         17,723           Term loan         2,705         46,365           Senior secured notes         6,110         64,995           Asset backed notes         40,000         202,875           Collateralized financing obligations         28,693         71,346           Term loans held by VIE         2,287         3,541           98,753         1,388,495           Debt issuance costs         (3,226)         (7,996)	Revolving credit facility         \$ 526,000         2.5%           Revolving credit facility - Rail         -         \$ 526,000         2.5%           Revolving credit facility - Rail         -         \$ 223,500         2.4%           Term loan         1,800         21,900         2.9%           Term loan         9,000         120,750         2.3%           Term loan         7,000         89,500         2.5%           Term loan         2,705         46,365         3.6%           Senior secured notes         6,110         64,995         4.9%           Asset backed notes         40,000         202,875         3.4%           Collateralized financing obligations         28,693         71,346         1.1%           Term loans held by VIE         2,287         3,541         2.5%           Debt issuance costs         (3,226)         (7,996) $(7,996)$	Revolving credit facility $3$ </td <td>Revolving credit facility         <math>  -</math><!--</td--><td><math display="block"> \begin{array}{ c c c c c c } \hline \textbf{Pout} &amp; \textbf{Iong-term} &amp; \textbf{Pout} &amp; \textbf{Iong-term} \\ \hline \textbf{Revolving credit facility} &amp; \textbf{S} &amp; </math></td></td>	Revolving credit facility $  -$ </td <td><math display="block"> \begin{array}{ c c c c c c } \hline \textbf{Pout} &amp; \textbf{Iong-term} &amp; \textbf{Pout} &amp; \textbf{Iong-term} \\ \hline \textbf{Revolving credit facility} &amp; \textbf{S} &amp; </math></td>	$ \begin{array}{ c c c c c c } \hline \textbf{Pout} & \textbf{Iong-term} & \textbf{Pout} & \textbf{Iong-term} \\ \hline \textbf{Revolving credit facility} & \textbf{S} & $

<sup>(1)</sup> Amounts for the year ended December 31, 2015 have been restated for immaterial corrections of identified errors relating to prepaid loan fees (see Note 2 (b) "Correction of Immaterial Errors").

#### (a) Revolving Credit Facilities

Revolving credit facilities consist of the following:

(i) On March 15, 2013, the Company entered into a Third Amended and Restated Revolving Credit Agreement, as amended, with a consortium of banks to finance the acquisition of container rental equipment and for general working capital purposes. On January 30, 2015, the Company entered into an amendment to the Third Amended and Restated Revolving Credit Agreement, pursuant to which the revolving credit facility was amended to extend the maturity date to March 15, 2020, reduce the interest rate, increase the commitment level from \$760.0 million to \$775.0 million, and revise certain of the covenants and restrictions to provide the Company with additional flexibility.

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As of December 31, 2016, the maximum commitment under the revolving credit facility was \$775.0 million. The revolving credit facility may be increased up to a maximum of \$960.0 million, in accordance with the terms of the agreement, so long as no default of event of default exists either before or immediately after giving effect to the increase. There is a commitment fee on the unused amount of the total commitment, payable quarterly in arrears. The revolving credit facility provides that swing line loans (short-term borrowings of up to \$25.0 million in the aggregate that are payable within 10 business days or at maturity date, whichever comes earlier) and standby letters of credit (up to \$30.0 million in the aggregate) will be available to the Company. These credit commitments are part of, and not in addition to, the total commitment provided under the revolving credit facility. The interest rates vary depending upon whether the loans are characterized as Base Rate loans or Eurodollar rate loans, as defined in the revolving credit agreement. Interest rates are based on LIBOR for Eurodollar loans and Base Rate for Based Rate loans. In addition to various financial and other covenants, the Company's revolving credit facility also includes certain restrictions on the Company's ability to incur other indebtedness or pay dividends to stockholders. As of December 31, 2016, the Company was in compliance with the terms of the revolving credit facility.

As of December 31, 2016, the Company had \$248.9 million in availability under the revolving credit facility (net of \$0.1 million in letters of credit) subject to its ability to meet the collateral requirements under the agreement governing the facility. Based on the borrowing base and collateral requirements at December 31, 2016, the borrowing availability under the revolving credit facility was \$65.1 million, assuming no additional contribution of assets. The entire amount of the facility drawn at any time plus accrued interest and fees is callable on demand in the event of certain specified events of default.

The Company's revolving credit facility, including any amounts drawn on the facility, is secured by substantially all of the assets of the Company (not otherwise used as security for its other credit facilities) including containers owned by the Company, which had a net book value of \$713.1 million as of December 31, 2016, the underlying leases and the Company's interest in any money received under such contracts.

(ii) On October 22, 2015, the Company entered into the Second Amended and Restated Revolving Credit Agreement for CAI Rail with a consortium of banks, pursuant to which the prior revolving credit facility was amended to extend the maturity date to October 22, 2020, reduce the interest rate, increase the commitment level from \$250.0 million to \$500.0 million, which may be increased up to a maximum of \$700.0 million subject to certain conditions, and revise certain of the covenants and restrictions under the prior facility to provide the Company with additional flexibility. As of December 31, 2016, the maximum credit commitment under the revolving line of credit was \$500.0 million.

Borrowings under this revolving credit facility bear interest at a variable rate. The interest rates vary depending upon whether the loans are characterized as Base Rate loans or Eurodollar rate loans, as defined in the revolving credit agreement. Interest rates are based on LIBOR for Eurodollar loans, and Base Rate for Base Rate loans.

As of December 31, 2016, CAI Rail had \$276.5 million in availability under the revolving credit facility, subject to its ability to meet the collateral requirements under the agreement governing the facility. Based on the borrowing base and collateral requirements at December 31, 2016, the borrowing availability under the revolving credit facility was \$2.6 million, assuming no additional contribution of assets. The entire amount of the facility drawn at any time plus accrued interest and fees is callable on demand in the event of certain specified events of default.

The agreement governing CAI Rail's revolving credit facility contains various financial and other covenants. As of December 31, 2016, CAI Rail was in compliance with the terms of the revolving credit facility. CAI Rail's revolving credit facility, including any amounts drawn on the facility, is secured by all of the assets of CAI Rail, which had a net book value of \$282.6 million as of December 31, 2016, and is guaranteed by the Company.

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(iii) On September 23, 2016, the Company entered into a Revolving Credit Agreement for CAI International GmbH with a financial institution to finance the acquisition of rental equipment. As of December 31, 2016, the maximum credit commitment under the revolving credit facility was EUR 25.0 million. Borrowings under this revolving credit facility bear interest at a variable rate. Interest rates are based on EURIBOR. As of December 31, 2016, the Company had not drawn on the facility. The entire amount of the facility drawn at any time plus accrued interest and fees is callable on demand in the event of certain specified events of default. The revolving credit facility matures in September 2020.

#### (b) Term Loans

Term loans consist of the following:

(*i*) On March 22, 2013, the Company entered into a \$30.0 million five-year term loan agreement with Development Bank of Japan (DBJ). The loan is payable in 19 quarterly installments of \$0.5 million starting July 31, 2013 and a final payment of \$21.5 million on April 30, 2018. The loan bears interest at variable rates based on LIBOR. As of December 31, 2016, the loan had a balance of \$23.7 million.

The following are the estimated future principal and interest payments under these loans as of December 31, 2016 (in thousands). The payments were calculated assuming the interest rate remains 2.9% through maturity of the loan.

2017	\$ 2,474
2018	22,215
	24,689
Less: Amount representing interest	(989)
Term loan	\$ 23,700

(ii) On December 20, 2010, the Company entered into a term loan agreement with a consortium of banks. Under this loan agreement, the Company was eligible to borrow up to \$300.0 million, subject to certain borrowing conditions, which amount is secured by certain assets of the Company's wholly-owned foreign subsidiaries. The loan agreement is an amortizing facility with a term of six years. The interest rates vary depending upon whether the loans are characterized as Base Rate loans or Eurodollar rate loans, as defined in the term loan agreement. The loan bears a variable interest rate based on LIBOR for Eurodollar loans, and Base Rate for Base Rate loans.

On March 28, 2013, the term loan was amended which reduced the principal balance of the loan from \$249.4 million to \$125.0 million through payment of \$124.4 million from the proceeds of the \$229.0 million fixed-rate asset-backed notes issued by the Company's indirect wholly-owned subsidiary, CAL Funding II Limited (CAL II) (see Note 10 (d) below).

On October 1, 2014, the Company entered into an amended and restated term loan agreement with a consortium of banks, pursuant to which the prior loan agreement was refinanced. The amended and restated term loan agreement, which contains similar terms to the prior loan agreement, was amended to, among other things: (a) reduce the borrowing rates from LIBOR plus 2.25% to LIBOR plus 1.6% (per annum) for Eurodollar loans, (b) increase the loan commitment from \$115.0 million to \$150.0 million, (c) extend the maturity date to October 1, 2019, and (d) revise certain of the covenants and restrictions under the prior loan agreement to provide the Company with additional flexibility. As of December 31, 2016, the term loan had a balance of \$129.8 million.

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The following are the estimated future principal and interest payments under this loan as of December 31, 2016 (in thousands). The payments were calculated assuming the interest rate remains 2.3% through maturity of the loan.

2017	\$ 11,997
2018	11,783
2019	113,776
	137,556
Less: Amount representing interest	(7,806)
Term loan	\$ 129,750

(iii) On April 11, 2012, the Company entered into a term loan agreement with a consortium of banks. The agreement, as amended, provided for a five-year term loan of up to \$142.0 million, subject to certain borrowing conditions, which amount is secured by certain assets of the Company.

On June 30, 2016, the Company entered into an amended and restated term loan agreement, pursuant to which the prior loan agreement was refinanced. The amended and restated term loan agreement, which contains similar terms to the prior loan agreement, was amended to, among other things: (a) provide the Company with the ability to increase the commitments under the facility to a maximum of \$100.0 million, subject to certain conditions, (2) extend the maturity date to June 30, 2021, and (c) revise certain of the covenants and restrictions under the prior agreement to provide the Company with additional flexibility. The term loan's outstanding principal is amortized quarterly, with quarterly payments equal to 1.75% multiplied by the original outstanding principal. The amended and restated term loan agreement bears a variable interest rate based on LIBOR for Eurodollar loans, and Base Rate for base rate loans. As of December 31, 2016, the loan had a balance of \$96.5 million.

The following are the estimated future principal and interest payments under this loan as of December 31, 2016 (in thousands). The payments were calculated assuming the interest rate remains 2.5% through maturity of the loan.

2017	\$ 9,398
2018	9,219
2019	9,040
2020	8,867
2021	69,357
	105,881
Less: Amount representing interest	(9,381)
Term loan	\$ 96,500

(*iv*) On December 22, 2015, the Company entered into a \$20.0 million five-year term loan agreement for CAI Rail with a financial institution. The term loan's outstanding principal bears interest at a fixed rate of 3.4% per annum and is amortized quarterly. Any unpaid principal and interest is due and payable on December 22, 2020. The proceeds from the term loan were primarily used to repay outstanding amounts under CAI Rail's revolving credit facility. As of December 31, 2016, the loan had a balance of \$18.9 million.

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The following are the estimated future principal and interest payments under this loan as of December 31, 2016 (in thousands). The payments were calculated based on the fixed interest rate of 3.4%.

2017	\$ 1,793
2018	1,793
2019	1,793
2020	15,793
	21,172
Less: Amount representing interest	(2,291)
Term loan	\$ 18,881

(v) On August 30, 2016, CAI Rail entered into a term loan agreement of up to \$100.0 million with a consortium of banks for the acquisition of railcars, subject to certain borrowing conditions, which is secured by certain railcars and other assets of CAI Rail. The loan agreement is an amortizing facility with a term of five years. Borrowings under the loan bear interest at a fixed rate as specified in the applicable term note entered into at the time a draw is made under the loan agreement. Principal and interest on the borrowings are payable monthly during the five-year term of the note. At closing of the loan agreement, CAI Rail made a draw of \$50.0 million on the facility at a fixed interest rate of 3.6% per annum. Any unpaid principal and interest is due on August 30, 2021. As of December 31, 2016, the loan had a balance of \$49.1 million.

The following are the estimated future principal and interest payments under this loan as of December 31, 2016 (in thousands). The payments were calculated based on the fixed interest rate of 3.6%.

2017	\$ 4,441
2018	4,441
2019	4,441
2020	4,441
2021	38,524
	56,288
Less: Amount representing interest	(7,218)
Term loan	\$ 49,070

The Company's term loans are secured by rental equipment owned by the Company, which had a net book value of \$378.4 million as of December 31, 2016.

#### (c) Senior Secured Notes

On September 13, 2012, Container Applications Limited (CAL), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into a Note Purchase Agreement with certain institutional investors, pursuant to which CAL issued \$103.0 million of its 4.90% Senior Secured Notes due September 13, 2022 (the Notes) to the investors. The Notes are guaranteed by the Company and secured by certain assets of CAL and the Company.

The Notes bear interest at 4.9% per annum, due and payable semiannually on March 13 and September 13 of each year, commencing on March 13, 2013. In addition, CAL is required to make certain principal payments on March 13 and September 13 of each year, commencing on March 13, 2013. Any unpaid principal and interest is due and payable on September 13, 2022. The Note Purchase Agreement provides that CAL may prepay at any time all or any part of the Notes in an amount not less than 10% of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding. As of December 31, 2016, the Notes had a balance of \$71.1 million.

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The following are the estimated future principal and interest payments under the Notes as of December 31, 2016 (in thousands). The payments were calculated based on the fixed interest rate of 4.9%.

2017	\$ 9,520
2018	9,220
2019	8,920
2020	8,621
2021	8,322
2022 and thereafter	42,467
	87,070
Less: Amount representing interest	(15,965)
Senior secured notes	\$ 71,105

The Company's senior secured notes are secured by rental equipment owned by the Company, which had a net book value of \$93.8 million as of December 31, 2016.

#### (d) Asset-Backed Notes

On October 18, 2012, CAL II issued \$171.0 million of 3.47% fixed rate asset-backed notes (Series 2012-1 Asset-Backed Notes). Principal and interest on the Series 2012-1 Asset-Backed Notes is payable monthly commencing on November 26, 2012, and the Series 2012-1 Asset-Backed Notes mature in October 2027. The proceeds from the Series 2012-1 Asset-Backed Notes were used to repay part of the Company's borrowings under its senior revolving credit facility. As of December 31, 2016, the Series 2012-1 Asset-Backed Notes had a balance of \$99.8 million.

On March 28, 2013, CAL II issued \$229.0 million of 3.35% fixed rate asset-backed notes (Series 2013-1 Asset-Backed Notes). Principal and interest on the Series 2013-1 Asset-Backed Notes is payable monthly commencing on April 25, 2013, and the Series 2013-1 Asset-Backed Notes mature in March 2028. The proceeds from the Series 2013-1 Asset-Backed Notes were used partly to reduce the balance of the Company's term loan as described in Note 10 (b)(ii) above, and to partially pay down the Company's senior revolving credit facility. The Series 2013-1 Asset-Backed Notes had a balance of \$143.1 million as of December 31, 2016.

The following are the estimated future principal and interest payments under the Asset-Backed Notes as of December 31, 2016 (in thousands). The payments were calculated based on the weighted average fixed interest rate of 3.4%.

2017	\$ 47,632
2018	46,272
2019	44,911
2020	43,551
2021	42,190
2022 and thereafter	43,741
	268,297
Less: Amount representing interest	(25,422)
Asset-backed notes	\$ 242,875

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The Company's asset-backed notes are secured by rental equipment owned by the Company, which had a net book value of \$326.0 million as of December 31, 2016.

The agreements under each of the asset-backed notes described above require the Company to maintain a restricted cash account to cover payment of the obligations. As of December 31, 2016, the restricted cash account had a balance of \$6.2 million.

# (e) Collateralized Financing Obligations

As of December 31, 2016, the Company had collateralized financing obligations of \$100.0 million (see Note 4). The obligations had an average interest rate of 1.1% as of December 31, 2016 with maturity dates between March 2017 and September 2019. The debt is secured by a pool of containers covered under the financing arrangements.

The following are the estimated future principal and interest payments under the Company's collateralized financing obligations as of December 31, 2016 (in thousands). The payments were calculated assuming an average interest rate of 1.1% through maturity of the obligations.

2017	\$ 30,628
2018	23,174
2019	50,105
	103,907
Less: Amount representing interest	(3,868)
Collateralized financing obligations	\$ 100,039

# (f) Term Loans Held by VIE

On June 25, 2014, one of the Japanese investor funds that is consolidated by the Company as a VIE (see Note 4) entered into a term loan agreement with a bank. Under the terms of the agreement, the Japanese investor fund entered into two loans; a five year, amortizing loan of \$9.2 million at a fixed interest rate of 2.7%, and a five year, non-amortizing loan of \$1.6 million at a variable interest rate based on LIBOR. The debt is secured by assets of the Japanese investor fund, and is subject to certain borrowing conditions set out in the loan agreement. As of December 31, 2016, the term loans held by the Japanese investor fund totaled \$5.8 million and had an average interest rate of 2.5%.

The following are the estimated future principal and interest payments under this loan as of December 31, 2016 (in thousands). The payments were calculated assuming the interest rate remains 2.5% through maturity of the loan.

2017	\$ 2,408
2018	1,906
2019	1,754
	6,068
Less: Amount representing interest	(240)
Term loans held by VIE	\$ 5,828

The Company's term loans held by VIE are secured by rental equipment owned by the Japanese investor fund, which had a net book value of \$12.7 million as of December 31, 2016.

The agreements relating to all of the Company's debt contain various financial and other covenants. As of December 31, 2016, the Company was in compliance with all of its debt covenants.

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# (11) Stock-Based Compensation Plan

# **Stock Options**

The Company grants stock options to certain employees and independent directors pursuant to its 2007 Equity Incentive Plan (Plan), as amended, which was originally adopted on April 23, 2007. Under the Plan, a maximum of 2,671,980 share awards may be granted.

Stock options granted to employees have a vesting period of four years from grant date, with 25% vesting after one year, and  $\frac{1}{48}$ <sup>th</sup> vesting each month thereafter until fully vested. Stock options granted to independent directors vest in one year. All of the stock options have a contractual term of ten years.

The following table summarizes the Company's stock option activities for the three years ended December 31, 2016:

	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price		Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term (in years)	Aggre Intrinsio (in thou	Value
Options outstanding, December 31, 2013	1,263,485	\$	14.84			
Options granted	170,000	\$	22.09			
Options forfeited	(5,417)	\$	22.55			
Options exercised	(7,319)	\$	15.60			
Options outstanding, December 31, 2014	1,420,749	\$	15.67			
Options granted	183,000	\$	21.72			
Options exercised	(414,494)	\$	11.45			
Options outstanding, December 31, 2015	1,189,255	\$	18.08			
Options granted	245,000	\$	7.87			
Options forfeited/cancelled	(6,000)	\$	21.99			
Options outstanding, December 31, 2016	1,428,255	\$	16.31	5.7	\$	896
Options exercisable at December 31, 2016	1,051,969	\$	17.56	4.5	\$	700
Expected to vest after December 31, 2016	376,286	\$	12.80	8.9	\$	196

The aggregate intrinsic value represents the value by which the Company's closing stock price of \$8.67 per share on the last trading day of the year ended December 31, 2016 exceeds the exercise price of the stock multiplied by the number of options outstanding or exercisable, excluding options that have a zero or negative intrinsic value. The aggregate intrinsic value of options exercised during 2015 and 2014, based on the closing share price on the date each option was exercised, was \$4.9 million and less than \$0.1 million, respectively.

The Company recorded stock-based compensation expense of \$1.3 million, \$1.5 million and \$1.6 million relating to stock options for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014, respectively. As of December 31, 2016, the remaining unamortized stock-based compensation cost relating to stock options granted to the Company's employees and independent directors was approximately \$2.0 million which is to be recognized over the remaining weighted average vesting period of approximately 2.3 years.

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The total fair value of stock options granted to the Company's employees and independent directors at the time of grant was approximately \$0.9 million, or \$3.55 per share, \$1.7 million, or \$9.20 per share, and \$1.9 million, or \$11.02 per share for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014, respectively, calculated using the Black-Scholes-Merton pricing model under the following weighted average assumptions:

	2016		2016		2016 2015			2014
Stock price	\$	7.87	\$	21.72	\$	22.09		
Exercise price	\$	7.87	\$	21.72	\$	22.09		
Expected term (years)	5.5 - 6.25		5.5 - 6.25		-6.25 $5.5 - 6.25$		5.5 - 6.25	
Expected volatility (%)	45.	4 - 46.7	39.	.5 - 41.8	44.	.8 - 53.5		
Risk-free interest rate (%)	1.3	0 - 1.40	1.8	35 - 2.00	1.7	9 – 1.98		
Dividend yield (%)				_		_		

The expected option term is calculated using the simplified method in accordance with SEC guidance. The expected volatility was derived from the average volatility of the Company's stock over a period approximating the expected term of the options. The risk-free rate is based on daily U.S. Treasury yield curve with a term approximating the expected term of the options. No forfeiture was estimated on all options granted during the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014 as management believes that none of the grantees will leave the Company within the option vesting period.

#### Restricted Stock

The Company grants restricted stock to certain employees pursuant to the Plan. The restricted stock is valued based on the closing price of the Company's stock on the date of grant and has a vesting period of four years. The following table summarizes the activity of restricted stock under the Plan:

	Number of Shares of Restricted Stock	A Gr	eighted Average ant Date ir Value
Restricted stock outstanding, December 31, 2013	28,150	\$	26.11
Restricted stock granted	23,500	\$	22.09
Restricted stock vested	(7,648)	\$	26.13
Restricted stock forfeited	(1,500)	\$	26.41
Restricted stock outstanding, December 31, 2014	42,502	\$	23.87
Restricted stock granted	21,000	\$	21.15
Restricted stock vested	(15,477)	\$	23.81
Restricted stock outstanding, December 31, 2015	48,025	\$	22.70
Restricted stock granted	34,500	\$	7.87
Restricted stock vested	(14,379)	\$	23.61
Restricted stock forfeited	(2,344)	\$	21.96
Restricted stock outstanding, December 31, 2016	65,802	\$	14.75

The Company recognized stock-based compensation expense relating to restricted stock of \$0.4 million for both the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, and \$0.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2014. Unamortized stock-based compensation expense relating to restricted stock as of December 31, 2016 was \$0.7 million, which will be recognized over the remaining average vesting period of 2.2 years.

Stock-based compensation expense is recorded as a component of administrative expenses in the Company's consolidated statements of income with a corresponding credit to additional paid-in capital in the Company's consolidated balance sheets.

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# (12) Income Taxes

For the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014, net income before income taxes and non-controlling interest consisted of the following (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,								
	2016 2015			2016 2015			2016 2015 20		2014
U.S. operations	\$	8,996	\$	6,682	\$	7,853			
Foreign operations		882		24,305		59,336			
	\$	9,878	\$	30,987	\$	67,189			

Income tax expense (benefit) attributable to income from operations consisted of (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,						
	2016		2015			2014	
Current Federal State Foreign	56 (4 2,338 1,372		(2,083) (4) 1,372 (715)	\$	3,005 62 1,954 5,021		
Deferred							
Federal		3,090		5,406		930	
State		238		19		247	
Foreign		(2,190)		(458)		993	
Income tax expense	\$	1,138 3,844	\$	4,967 4,252	\$	2,170 7,191	

The reconciliations between the Company's income tax expense and the amounts computed by applying the U.S. federal income tax rate of 35.0% for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014 are as follows (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,					
	2016 2015			2015	2014	
Computed expected tax expense	\$	3,458	\$	10,845	\$	23,516
Increase (decrease) in income taxes resulting from:						
Foreign tax differential		(88)		(7,676)		(17,955)
State income tax expense, net of federal income tax benefit		310		220		55
Subpart F income		711		597		1,106
Adjustment to contingent consideration		(634)		_		_
Increase in uncertain tax positions		36		17		38
Non-deductible stock-based compensation		155		134		112
Change in valuation allowance		(15)		(152)		167
Other		(89)		267		152
	\$	3,844	\$	4,252	\$	7,191

As of December 31, 2016, the Company had \$72.1 million, \$5.6 million and \$11.3 million of net operating loss (NOL) carry forwards available to offset future federal, foreign and state taxable income, respectively. The NOL carry forwards will begin to expire in 2035, 2017 and 2029 for federal, foreign and state income tax purposes, respectively.

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The tax effects of temporary differences that give rise to significant portions of the deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities as of December 31, 2016 and 2015 are presented below (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31			nber 31,
		2016		2015
Deferred tax assets:				
Accounts receivable	\$	307	\$	123
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		423		145
Unearned revenue		856		436
Stock-based compensation		2,280		1,812
Other		616		442
Net operating loss carry forwards		27,225		13,814
Gross deferred tax assets		31,707		16,772
Valuation allowance		_		(15)
Net deferred tax assets		31,707		16,757
Deferred tax liabilities:				
Intangible assets		2,946		29
Depreciation and amortization		73,305		56,478
Foreign deferred tax liabilities		760		2,664
Deferred subpart F income		6,500		5,790
Gross deferred tax liabilities		83,511		64,961
Net deferred tax liability	\$	51,804	\$	48,204

The realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the generation of future taxable income during the periods in which those temporary differences become deductible. The Company's management considers the projected future taxable income for making this assessment. Based upon the level of historical taxable income and projections for future taxable income over the periods in which the deferred tax assets are deductible, the Company's management believes it is more likely than not the Company will realize the benefits of the deductible differences noted above.

Tax attributes related to stock option windfall deductions are not recorded until they result in a reduction of cash tax payable. Our federal and state net operating losses from windfall deductions were excluded from our deferred tax balance as of December 31, 2016. As of December 31, 2016, the benefit of the federal and state net operating loss deferred tax assets of \$1.0 million and less than \$0.1 million, respectively, will be recorded to additional paid-in capital when they reduce cash tax payable.

Deferred income taxes have not been provided on the undistributed earnings of foreign subsidiaries. As of December 31, 2016, the amount of such earnings totaled approximately \$264.9 million. These earnings have been permanently reinvested and the Company does not plan to initiate any action that would precipitate the payment of income taxes thereon. The amount of income taxes that would have resulted had such earnings been repatriated is not practically determinable.

The following table summarizes the activity related to the Company's unrecognized tax benefits (in thousands):

Balance at January 1, 2015	\$ 188
Increases related to current year tax positions	119
Decreases related to lapsing of statute	(87)
Balance at December 31, 2015	220
Increases related to current year tax positions	77
Decreases related to lapsing of statute	(31)
Balance at December 31, 2016	\$ 266

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The unrecognized tax benefits of approximately \$0.3 million at December 31, 2016, if recognized, would reduce the Company's effective tax rate. The Company accrued potential interest and penalties of less than \$0.1 million related to unrecognized tax benefits for each of the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015.

The Company's tax returns, including the United States, California, New Jersey and South Carolina, are subject to examination by the tax authorities. The Company accrues for unrecognized tax benefits based upon its best estimate of the additional taxes, interest and penalties expected to be paid. These estimates are updated over time as more definitive information becomes available from taxing authorities, completion of tax audits, expiration of statute of limitations, or upon occurrence of other events.

The Company does not believe the total amount of unrecognized tax benefit as of December 31, 2016 will increase or decrease significantly in the next twelve months. As of December 31, 2016, the statute of limitations for tax examinations in the United States has not expired for the years ended December 31, 2013 through 2015 and California, New Jersey and South Carolina have not expired for tax returns filed for the years ended December 31, 2012 through 2015.

### (13) Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The carrying amounts reported in the consolidated balance sheets for cash, accounts receivable and accounts payable approximate fair value because of the immediate or short-term maturity of these financial instruments. The Company's asset-backed notes of \$242.9 million and collateralized financing obligations of \$100.0 million as of December 31, 2016 were estimated to have a fair value of approximately \$232.0 million and \$99.4 million, respectively, based on the fair value of estimated future payments calculated using the prevailing interest rates. The fair value of these financial instruments would be categorized as Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy. Management believes that the balances of the Company's revolving credit facilities of \$749.5 million, term loans totaling \$317.9 million, senior secured notes of \$71.1 million, term loans held by VIE of \$5.8 million, net investment in direct finance leases of \$100.5 million and liabilities relating to the expected future payments for its acquisitions (see Note 5) of \$2.2 million approximate their fair values as of December 31, 2016. The fair value of these financial instruments would be categorized as Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

# (14) Commitments and Contingencies

The Company utilizes certain office facilities and office equipment under non-cancelable operating lease agreements which generally have original terms of up to five years. Future minimum lease payments required under non-cancellable operating leases having an original term of more than one year as of December 31, 2016 are as follows (in thousands):

	 Equipment
Year ending December 31:	
2017	\$ 1,590
2018	416
2019	375
	\$ 2,381

Office Facilities

Office facility expense was \$1.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2016, and \$1.5 million for both the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, which was included in administrative expenses in the consolidated statements of income.

As of December 31, 2016 and 2015, the Company had one outstanding letter of credit of \$0.1 million. The letter of credit guarantees the Company's obligations under certain operating lease agreements.

In addition to the rental equipment payable of \$25.2 million, the Company had commitments to purchase approximately \$189.5 million of rental equipment as of December 31, 2016; \$117.4 million in the twelve months ended December 31, 2017 and \$72.1 million in the twelve months ended December 31, 2018.

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In the ordinary course of business, the Company executes contracts involving indemnifications standard in the industry and indemnifications specific to a transaction such as an assignment and assumption agreement. These indemnifications might include claims related to tax matters, governmental regulations, and contractual relationships. Performance under these indemnities would generally be triggered by a breach of terms of a contract or by a third-party claim. The Company regularly evaluates the probability of having to incur costs associated with these indemnifications and as of December 31, 2016 there were no claims outstanding under such indemnifications and the Company believes that no claims are probable of occurring in the future.

# (15) Related Party Transactions

The Company has transferred legal ownership of certain containers to Japanese container funds that were established by Japan Investment Adviser Co., Ltd. (JIA) and CAIJ, Inc. (CAIJ). Prior to April 2016, CAIJ was an 80%-owned subsidiary of CAI with the remaining 20% owned by JIA. Prior to the transfer of containers from the Company, the Japanese container funds received contributions from unrelated Japanese investors, under separate Japanese investment agreements allowed under Japanese commercial laws. The contributions were used to purchase container equipment from the Company. Under the terms of the agreements, the Japanese container funds manage the activities of certain Japanese entities but may outsource all or part of each operation to a third party. Pursuant to its services agreements with investors, the Japanese container funds have outsourced the general management of their operations to CAIJ. The Japanese container funds have also entered into equipment management service agreements and financing arrangements whereby the Company managed the leasing activity of containers owned by the Japanese container funds.

As described in Note 4, the Japanese managed container funds and financing arrangements are considered VIEs. However, with the exception of the financing arrangements described in Note 4, the Company does not consider its interest in the managed Japanese container funds to be a variable interest. As such, the Company did not consolidate the assets and liabilities, results of operations or cash flows of these funds in its consolidated financial statements.

As described in Note 4, the Company has included in its consolidated financial statements, the assets and liabilities, results of operations, and cash flows of the financing arrangements, in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 810, *Consolidation*.

During the year ended December 31, 2014, the Company purchased, and subsequently cancelled, 400,000 shares of the Company's common stock from Mr. Hiromitsu Ogawa, the Chairman of the Board of Directors, pursuant to the Company's share repurchase plan authorized by the Board of Directors on February 27, 2014. The shares were purchased for proceeds totaling \$8.8 million, at an average price of \$21.92, which represented a modest discount to the closing share price on the dates of purchase.

# (16) Capital Stock

On April 29, 2014, the Company filed a universal shelf registration statement on Form S-3 with the SEC which was declared effective by the SEC on June 19, 2014. Under this shelf registration statement, the Company may sell various debt and equity securities, or a combination thereof, to be offered from time-to-time up to an aggregate offering price of \$300.0 million for all securities, and the selling stockholders may sell up to 3,000,000 shares of common stock in one or more offerings.

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# (17) Segment and Geographic Information

The Company organizes itself by the nature of the services it provides which includes equipment leasing, equipment management and logistics.

The container leasing segment is aggregated with equipment management and derives its revenue from the ownership and leasing of containers and fees earned for managing container portfolios on behalf of third party investors. The rail leasing segment derives its revenue from the ownership and leasing of railcars. The logistics segment derives its revenue from the provision of logistics services. There are no inter-segment revenues.

With the exception of administrative expenses, operating expenses are directly attributable to each segment. Administrative expenses that are not directly attributable to a segment are allocated to container or rail leasing based on the net book value of equipment in each segment.

The following tables show condensed segment information for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014, reconciled to the Company's net income before income taxes and non-controlling interest as shown in its consolidated statements of income for such periods (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31, 2016				
	Container Leasing	Rail Leasing	Logistics	Total	
Container lease income	\$ 200,186	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 200,186	
Rail lease income	_	30,490	_	30,490	
Logistics revenue	_	_	61,536	61,536	
Management fee revenue	2,142			2,142	
Total revenue	202,328	30,490	61,536	294,354	
Depreciation of rental equipment	95,755	9,122		104,877	
Storage, handling and other expenses	32,465	3,386	11	35,862	
Logistics transportation costs	_	_	51,980	51,980	
Loss (gain) on sale of used rental equipment	12,750	33	(112)	12,671	
Administrative expenses	20,453	3,759	11,466	35,678	
Total operating expenses	161,423	16,300	63,345	241,068	
Operating income	40,905	14,190	(1,809)	53,286	
Net interest expense	35,784	6,970		42,754	
Other expense	654	_	_	654	
Total other expenses	36,438	6,970		43,408	
Net income (loss) before income taxes and					
non-controlling interest	\$ 4,467	\$ 7,220	\$ (1,809)	\$ 9,878	
Goodwill	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 15,794	\$ 15,794	
Total assets	\$ 1,638,263	\$ 378,059	\$ 39,612	\$ 2,055,934	
Purchase of rental equipment <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 118,374	\$ 132,791	\$	\$ 251,165	

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	Year Ended December 31, 2015 <sup>(1)</sup>			
	Container Leasing	Rail Leasing	Logistics	Total
Container lease income	\$ 217,505	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 217,505
Rail lease income		17,433	_	17,433
Logistics revenue	_	_	11,502	11,502
Management fee revenue	3,227	_	_	3,227
Total revenue	220,732	17,433	11,502	249,667
Depreciation of rental equipment	108,996	4,594	_	113,590
Storage, handling and other expenses	27,653	2,540	1	30,194
Logistics transportation costs	_	_	10,172	10,172
Loss (gain) on sale of used rental equipment	2,276	(1,622)	_	654
Administrative expenses	21,969	3,131	2,517	27,617
Total operating expenses	160,894	8,643	12,690	182,227
Operating income (loss)	59,838	8,790	(1,188)	67,440
Net interest expense	33,156	3,109	6	36,271
Other expense	182	_	_	182
Total other expenses	33,338	3,109	6	36,453
Net income (loss) before income taxes and				
non-controlling interest	\$ 26,500	\$ 5,681	\$ (1,194)	\$ 30,987
Goodwill	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 2,905	\$ 2,905
Total assets	\$ 1,728,389	\$ 238,896	\$ 6,300	\$ 1,973,585
Purchase of rental equipment <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 226,469	\$ 162,862	\$	\$ 389,331
	Container	Year Ended Dec	ember 31, 2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	, 
	Leasing	Leasing	Logistics	Total
Container lease income	\$ 210,756	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 210,756
Rail lease income	_	10,336	_	10,336
Management fee revenue	6,497			6,497
Total revenue	217,253	10,336		227,589
Depreciation of rental equipment	75,150	2,826	_	77,976
Storage, handling and other expenses	23,841	2,202	_	26,043
Gain on sale of used rental equipment	(6,506)	(16)	_	(6,522)
Administrative expenses	24,180	2,358		26,538
Total operating expenses	116,665	7,370		124,035
Operating income	100,588	2,966		103,554
Net interest expense	33,599	1,993	_	35,592
Other expense	773	1 002		773
Total other expenses	34,372	1,993		36,365
Net income before income taxes and non-controlling interest	\$ 66,216	\$ 973	\$ —	\$ 67,189
(2)	50,210		7	- 37,107

<sup>(1)</sup> Amounts for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 have been restated for immaterial corrections of identified errors relating to prepaid loan fees (see Note 2 (b) "Correction of Immaterial Errors").

\$ 289,921

17,362

307,283

Purchase of rental equipment<sup>(2)</sup> . . . . . . . . . .

<sup>(2)</sup> Represents cash disbursements for purchasing of rental equipment as reflected in the consolidated statements of cash flows for the periods indicated.

# **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

# Geographic Data

The Company earns its revenue primarily from intermodal containers which are deployed by its customers in a wide variety of global trade routes. Virtually all of the Company's containers are used internationally and typically no container is domiciled in one particular place for a prolonged period of time. As such, substantially all of the Company's long-lived assets are considered to be international, with no single country of use.

The Company's railcars, with a net book value of \$370.1 million as of December 31, 2016, are used to transport cargo within North America.

The following table represents the geographic allocation of revenue for the periods indicated based on customers' primary domicile (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,						
	2016		2015			2014	
United States	\$	116,121	\$	48,103	\$	13,821	
France		26,504		25,811		26,586	
Japan		19,706		24,919		26,124	
Switzerland		17,862		18,937		22,813	
Korea		13,495		17,703		23,169	
Other Asia		52,200		62,702		64,677	
Other Europe		36,440		37,353		33,235	
Other International		12,026		14,139		17,164	
Total revenue	\$	294,354	\$	249,667	\$	227,589	

#### (18) Revenue Concentration

Revenue from the Company's ten largest lessees represented 41.5%, 51.9% and 55.4% of total revenue for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014, respectively. Revenue from the Company's single largest lessee, CMA CGM, accounted for 10.8%, or \$31.7 million, 11.6%, or \$29.0 million, and 11.4%, or \$25.9 million, of total revenue for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

# (19) Earnings per Share

Basic earnings per share is computed by dividing income attributable to CAI common stockholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period. Diluted earnings per share reflects the potential dilution that would occur if securities or other contracts to issue common stock were exercised or converted into common stock; however, potential common equivalent shares are excluded if their effect is anti-dilutive.

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The following table sets forth the reconciliation of basic and diluted net income per share for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014 (in thousands, except per share data):

	Year Ended December 31,						
	2016		2015(1)			2014(1)	
Numerator							
Net income attributable to CAI common stockholders used in the calculation of basic and diluted earnings per share	\$	5,997	\$	26,601	\$	59,887	
Denominator							
Weighted-average shares used in the calculation of basic earnings per share		19,318		20,773		20,732	
Effect of dilutive securities:  Stock options and restricted stock		75		215		423	
Weighted-average shares used in the calculation of diluted earnings per share	_	19,393	_	20,988		21,155	
Net income per share attributable to CAI common stockholders:							
Basic	\$	0.31	\$	1.28	\$	2.89	
Diluted	\$	0.31	\$	1.27	\$	2.83	

<sup>(1)</sup> Amounts for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 have been restated for immaterial corrections of identified errors relating to prepaid loan fees (see Note 2(b) "Correction of Immaterial Errors").

The calculation of diluted income per share for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014 excluded from the denominator 1,135,711 shares, 763,847 shares and 600,450 shares, respectively, of common stock options granted to employees and directors because their effect would have been anti-dilutive.

# (20) Selected Quarterly Financial Data (Unaudited)

The following table sets forth key interim financial information for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015 (in thousands, except per share amount):

		2016 Quarte	ers Ended <sup>(1)</sup>	)		2015 Quart	ers Ended <sup>(1</sup>	)
	Dec. 31	Sept. 30	June 30	Mar. 31	Dec. 31	Sept. 30	June 30	Mar. 31
Revenue	\$77,274	\$78,472	\$71,642	\$66,966	\$ 65,692	\$66,117	\$59,366	\$58,492
Operating expenses	64,664	71,110	56,784	48,510	68,292	42,861	36,232	34,842
Operating income (loss)	12,610	7,362	14,858	18,456	(2,600)	23,256	23,134	23,650
Net income (loss) attributable to CAI common stockholders	620	(5,451)	3.711	7,117	(12,630)	12.934	12.824	13,473
Net income (loss) per share attributable to CAI common stockholders:  Basic	\$ 0.03	\$ (0.29)	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.37	\$ (0.63)	\$ 0.62	\$ 0.61	

<sup>(1)</sup> Amounts for the quarters ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, June 30, 2016 and 2015, September 30, 2016 and 2015, and December 31, 2015 have been restated for immaterial corrections of identified errors relating to prepaid loan fees (see Note 2(b) "Correction of Immaterial Errors").

# Schedule II Valuation Accounts (In thousands)

	Balance at Beginning of Period	t Additions Expense	De	eductions*	В	Balance at End of Period
December 31, 2014 Accounts receivable, allowance for doubtful accounts	\$ 503	\$ 248	\$	(71)	\$	680
December 31, 2015 Accounts receivable, allowance for doubtful accounts	\$ 680	\$ 448	\$	(580)	\$	548
December 31, 2016 Accounts receivable, allowance for doubtful accounts	\$ 548	\$ 3,151	\$	(2,359)	\$	1,340

<sup>\*</sup> Primarily consists of write-offs, net of recoveries and other adjustments

# **EXHIBIT INDEX**

Exhibit No.	Description
2.1	Stock Purchase Agreement, dated June 1, 2016, among CAI International, Inc., Hybrid Logistics, Inc., General Transportation Service, Inc., the shareholders named therein, and Zions Bank, a division of ZB, National Association, as escrow agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 of our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2016, filed on August 9, 2016).
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of CAI International, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of our Registration Statement on Form S-1, as amended, File No. 333-140496, filed on April 24, 2007).
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws of CAI International, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on March 10, 2009).
4.1	Form of Common Stock Certificate (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of our Registration Statement on Form S-1, as amended, File No. 333-140496, filed on April 24, 2007).
4.2	Indenture, dated October 18, 2012, between CAL Funding II Limited and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on October 23, 2012).
4.3	Series 2012-1 Supplement, dated October 18, 2012, to Indenture dated October 18, 2012, between CAL Funding II Limited and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on October 23, 2012).
4.4	Series 2013-1 Supplement, dated March 28, 2013, to Indenture dated October 18, 2012, between CAL Funding II Limited and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on April 3, 2013).
4.5	Note Purchase Agreement, dated March 21, 2013, among CAL Funding II Limited, Container Applications Limited, Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and Santander Investment Securities Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on April 3, 2013).
10.1	Amended and Restated Registration Rights Agreement, dated February 16, 2007, among CAI International, Inc., Hiromitsu Ogawa, Ogawa Family Trust dated 7/06/98, Ogawa Family Limited Partnership and DBJ Value Up Fund (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.7 of our Registration Statement on Form S-1, as amended, File No. 333-140496, filed on March 21, 2007).
10.2*	Form of Indemnification Agreement between CAI International, Inc. and each of its current executive officers and directors (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.8 of our Registration Statement on Form S-1, as amended, File No. 333-140496, filed on April 24, 2007).
10.3*	CAI International, Inc. 2007 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on June 8, 2016).
10.4‡‡	P&R Management Agreement, dated March 14, 2006, among Container Applications International, Inc., P&R Equipment & Finance Corporation and Interpool Containers Limited (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.12 of our Registration Statement on Form S-1, as amended, File No. 333-140496, filed on March 27, 2007).
10.5	Third Amended and Restated Revolving Credit Agreement, dated March 15, 2013, by and among CAI International, Inc., Container Applications Limited, the lending institutions listed on Schedule I thereto, Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Union Bank, N.A. and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as syndication agents, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Union Bank, N.A. and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as joint lead arrangers and book managers, and Bank of Montreal (Chicago Branch), JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. and Sovereign Bank, N.A., as co-agents (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on March 21, 2013).

#### Exhibit No. Description

- Amendment No. 1 to Third Amended and Restated Revolving Credit Agreement, dated October 1, 2013, by and among CAI International, Inc., Container Applications Limited, Bank of America, N.A. and other lending institutions from time to time party to the Third Amended and Restated Revolving Credit Agreement, Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Union Bank, N.A. and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as syndication agents, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Union Bank, N.A. and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as joint lead arrangers and book managers, and Bank of Montreal (Chicago Branch), JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. and Sovereign Bank, N.A., as co-agents (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014, filed on February 27, 2015).
- Amendment No. 2 to Third Amended and Restated Revolving Credit Agreement, dated August 15, 2014, by and among CAI International, Inc., Container Applications Limited, Bank of America, N.A. and other lending institutions from time to time party to the Third Amended and Restated Revolving Credit Agreement, Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Union Bank, N.A. and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as syndication agents, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Union Bank, N.A. and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as joint lead arrangers and book managers, and Bank of Montreal (Chicago Branch), JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. and Santander Bank, N.A., as co-agents (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.7 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014, filed on February 27, 2015).
- Amendment No. 3 to Third Amended and Restated Revolving Credit Agreement, dated January 30, 2015, by and among CAI International, Inc., Container Applications Limited, Bank of America, N.A. and other lending institutions from time to time party to the Third Amended and Restated Revolving Credit Agreement, Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, MUFG Union Bank, N.A. and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as syndication agents, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, MUFG Union Bank, N.A. and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as joint lead arrangers and book managers, and Bank of Montreal (Chicago Branch), JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. and Santander Bank, N.A., as co-agents (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on February 5, 2015).
- Amended and Restated Term Loan Agreement, dated October 1, 2014, among Container Applications Limited, CAI International, Inc., the lending institutions from time to time listed on Schedule I thereto, ING Bank N.V. and ING Bank, branch of ING-DIBA AG (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on October 7, 2014).
- Amended and Restated Term Loan Agreement, dated June 30, 2016, among Container Applications Limited, CAI International, Inc., the Lenders listed on Schedule I thereto, SunTrust Bank and SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on July 7, 2016).
- Second Amended and Restated Revolving Credit Agreement, dated October 22, 2015, among CAI Rail, Inc., CAI International, Inc., the lending institutions from time to time listed on Schedule 1 thereto, MUFG Union Bank, N.A. and Bank of America, N.A., as joint lead arrangers and joint bookrunners, Bank of America, N.A., as syndication agent, and ING Bank, a branch of ING-Diba AG and The Huntington National Bank, as co-documentation agents (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on October 27, 2015).
- 10.12 Contribution and Sale Agreement, dated October 18, 2012, between Container Applications Limited and CAL Funding II Limited (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.2 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on October 23, 2012).
- 10.13 Performance Guaranty, dated October 18, 2012, made by CAI International, Inc. for the benefit of Wells Fargo Bank, National Association (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.3 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on October 23, 2012).

Exhibit No.	Description
10.14	Loan and Security Agreement, dated August 30, 2016, among CAI Rail, Inc., the lenders from time to time party thereto, and Bank of Utah, as administrative and collateral agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 of our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 6, 2016).
10.15*	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated April 29, 2011, between CAI International, Inc. and Victor Garcia (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2011, filed on May 6, 2011).
10.16*	Employment Agreement, dated August 20, 2013, between CAI International, Inc. and Timothy B. Page (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on August 23, 2013).
10.17*	Service Agreement, dated August 20, 2013, between Container Applications International (UK) Limited and Daniel Hallahan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.2 of our Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on August 23, 2013).
10.18*	Chairman of the Board Compensation Agreement, dated June 5, 2009, between CAI International, Inc. and Hiromitsu Ogawa (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of Amendment No. 1 to our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q/A for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2009, filed on September 21, 2009).
10.19*	Continuing Services Agreement, dated April 29, 2011, between Masaaki Nishibori and CAI International, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 of our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2011, filed on May 6, 2011).
10.20‡‡	Multi-Year Railcar Order, dated June 29, 2015, among CAI Rail, Inc., Trinity North America Freight Car, Inc. and Trinity Tank Car, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2015, filed on August 5, 2015).
21.1	Subsidiaries of CAI International, Inc.
23.1	Consent of KPMG LLP.
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 13a-14(a).
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 13a-14(a).
32.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Furnished Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer Furnished Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
101	The following financial statements, formatted in XBRL: (i) Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2016 and 2015, (ii) Consolidated Statements of Income for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014; (iii) Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014; (iv) Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014; (v) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014; and (vi) Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

<sup>\*</sup> Management contract or compensatory plan.

<sup>†‡</sup> Confidential treatment granted as to portions of this exhibit. Confidential information has been omitted and filed separately with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 13, 2017

CAI INTERNATIONAL, INC.

By: /s/ VICTOR M. GARCIA

Victor M. Garcia

President and Chief Executive 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, in the capacities indicated, on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017.

Signature	Title(s)
/s/ HIROMITSU OGAWA	Chairman of the Board of Directors
Hiromitsu Ogawa	_
/s/ VICTOR M. GARCIA	President and Chief Executive Officer, Director
Victor M. Garcia	(Principal Executive Officer)
/s/ TIMOTHY B. PAGE	Chief Financial Officer
Timothy B. Page	(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)
/s/ MASAAKI (JOHN) NISHIBORI	Director
Masaaki (John) Nishibori	_
/s/ GARY M. SAWKA	Director
Gary M. Sawka	_
/s/ MARVIN DENNIS	Director
Marvin Dennis	_
	Director
William W. Liebeck	_
/s/ DAVID G. REMINGTON	Director
David G. Remington	_

# LIST OF SUBSIDIARIES

Subsidiary	Jurisdiction
CAI Chile S.p.A	Chile
CAI Consent Sweden AB	Sweden
CAI Deutschland GmbH	Germany
CAI International GmbH	Germany
CAI Korea Yuhan Hoesa	South Korea
CAI Logistics Inc.	Delaware (U.S.A.)
CAI Luxembourg S.a r.l.	Luxembourg
CAI Rail Inc.	Delaware (U.S.A.)
CAI South Africa (Pty) Ltd	South Africa
CAL Funding II Limited	Bermuda
Challenger Overseas LLC	New Jersey
ClearPointt Logistics LLC	Washington (U.S.A.)
Container Applications (Malaysia) SDN BHD	Malaysia
Container Applications (Singapore) Pte. Ltd.	Singapore
Container Applications International (Australia) Pty Ltd	Australia
Container Applications International (U.K.) Limited	United Kingdom
Container Applications International Ltd.	Japan
Container Applications Limited	Barbados
General Transportation Services, Inc.	Oregon
Hybrid Logistics, Inc.	Nevada
Sky Container Trading, Ltd.	United Kingdom

# Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors CAI International, Inc.:

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements (Nos. 333-143000, 333-159870, 333-176369, 333-187058, 333-206102 and 333-212135) on Form S-8 and (No. 333-195557) on Form S-3 of CAI International, Inc. of our reports dated March 13, 2017, with respect to the consolidated balance sheets of CAI International, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2016 and 2015, and the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2016, and the related financial statement schedule II, and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2016, which reports appear in the December 31, 2016 Annual Report on Form 10-K of CAI International, Inc..

Our report dated March 13, 2017, on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2016, contains an explanatory paragraph that states the Company acquired Challenger Oversea LLC on February 12, 2016, and management excluded from its assessment of the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2016, Challenger Overseas LLC's internal control over financial reporting which represented 2% and 0.6%, respectively, of total revenue and total assets of the related consolidated financial statement amounts of the Company as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016. The Company acquired Hybrid Logistics, Inc. on June 1, 2016, and management excluded from its assessment of the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2016, Hybrid Logistics Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting which represented 9% and 0.9%, respectively, of total revenue and total assets of the related consolidated financial statement amounts of the Company as of and for the year ended December 31, 2016. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting of the Company also excluded an evaluation of the internal control over financial reporting of Challenger Overseas LLC and Hybrid Logistics, Inc.

/s/ KPMG LLP

San Francisco, California March 13, 2017

# CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

# I, Victor M. Garcia, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K of CAI International, 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 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 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):
  - 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
  - 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 13, 2017

By: /s/ VICTOR M. GARCIA

Victor M. Garcia President and Chief Executive Officer

# CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

# I, Timothy B. Page, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K of CAI International, 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 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 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
  - o. 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 13, 2017

By: /s/ TIMOTHY B. PAGE

Timothy B. Page Chief Financial Officer

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

In connection with the Annual Report of CAI International, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Victor M. Garcia, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: March 13, 2017

By: /s/ VICTOR M. GARCIA

Victor M. Garcia President and Chief Executive Officer

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

In connection with the Annual Report of CAI International, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Timothy B. Page, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: March 13, 2017

By: /s/ TIMOTHY B. PAGE

Timothy B. Page Chief Financial Officer

# **Corporate Information**

#### **Directors** (pictured left to right)

Gary M. Sawka

Chairman of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, and Director

Hiromitsu Ogawa

Chairman of the Board of Directors

William W. Liebeck

Chairman of the Compensation Committee, and Director

Masaaki (John) Nishibori

Director

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Chairman of the Audit Committee, and Director

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# Annual Report (Form 10-K)

A copy of the company's 2016 Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is available to stockholders, without charge, through the company's website at **www.capps.com** or upon written request to the company's headquarters.

#### **Annual Meeting**

The 2017 annual meeting of stockholders will be held on Friday, June 2, 2017, at 10 a.m. (PDT) at the offices of Perkins Coie, located at 3150 Porter Drive, Palo Alto, CA 94304.

### Website

The company's website provides access to a wide range of information about the company and our products. Please visit us at www.capps.com.

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