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Registration No. 333-163868

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO FORM S-4 REGISTRATION STATEMENT

**UNDER** 

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

## **QUALITY DISTRIBUTION, LLC**

and the Guarantors identified in footnote (1) below

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of

4213 (Primary Standard Industrial 04-3668323 (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization)

Classification Code Number)
4041 Park Oaks Blvd., Suite 200

**Identification Number)** 

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(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant s principal executive offices)

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**Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public:** As soon as practicable after this Registration Statement becomes effective.

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are being offered in connection with the formation of a holding company and there is compliance with General Instruction G, check the following box.

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

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

Large accelerated filer " Accelerated filer " Non-accelerated filer " Smaller reporting company x

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

If applicable, place an X in the box to designate the appropriate rule provision relied upon in conducting this transaction:

Exchange Act Rule 13e-4(i) (Cross-Border Issuer Tender Offer) "

Exchange Act Rule 14d-1(d) (Cross-Border Third-Party Tender Offer) "

The registrants hereby amend this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrants shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

(1) The following parent of Quality Distribution, LLC and domestic direct or indirect wholly owned subsidiaries of Quality Distribution, LLC are guarantors of the exchange 10% Senior Notes due 2013 and the 11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2013, and are Co-Registrants, each of which is incorporated in the jurisdiction and has the I.R.S. Employer Identification Number indicated: Quality Distribution, Inc., a Florida corporation (59-3239073); American Transinsurance Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation (23-2613934); Boasso America Corporation, a Louisiana corporation (72-1176189); Chemical Leaman Corporation, a Pennsylvania corporation (23-2021808); EnviroPower, Inc., a Delaware corporation (23-2735584); Fleet Transport Company, Inc., a Delaware corporation (23-2848144); Mexico Investments, Inc., a Florida corporation (59-3433851); MTL of Nevada, a Nevada corporation (88-0350589); QD Risk Services, Inc., a Florida corporation (80-0388660); Power Purchasing, Inc., a Delaware corporation (23-2611487); Quala Systems, Inc., a Delaware corporation (23-2343087); Quality Carriers, Inc., an Illinois corporation (36-2590063); and Transplastics, Inc., a Delaware corporation (23-2932792).

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

Subject to Completion, dated April 7, 2010

QUALITY DISTRIBUTION, LLC

**QD CAPITAL CORPORATION** 

Offer to Exchange

All Outstanding \$134,499,000 Principal Amount of 10% Senior Notes due 2013 For

10% Senior Notes due 2013 Which Have Been Registered Under the Securities Act of 1933

and

All Outstanding \$80,742,000 Principal Amount at Issuance of 11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2013 For

11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2013 Which Have Been Registered Under the Securities Act of 1933

#### The Exchange Offer:

We will exchange all existing 10% Senior Notes due 2013 that are validly tendered and not validly withdrawn for an equal principal amount of exchange 10% Senior Notes due 2013 that have been registered, and we will exchange all existing 11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2013 that are validly tendered and not validly withdrawn for an equal principal amount of exchange 11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2013 that have been registered.

You may withdraw tenders of existing 10% Senior Notes due 2013 or existing 11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2013 at any time prior to the expiration of the exchange offer.

The exchange offer expires at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on [\_\_\_\_\_], 2010, unless we extend the offer. **The Exchange Notes:** 

The terms of the exchange 10% Senior Notes due 2013 to be issued in the exchange offer are substantially identical to the existing 10% Senior Notes due 2013, and the terms of the exchange 11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2013 to be issued in the exchange offer are substantially identical to the existing 11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2013, except that in each case the exchange notes will be freely tradable by persons who are not affiliated with us.

No public market currently exists for the existing 10% Senior Notes due 2013 or the existing 11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2013. We do not intend to list either the exchange 10% Senior Notes due 2013 or the exchange 11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2013 on any securities exchange and, therefore, no active public market is anticipated for any of the exchange notes.

The exchange notes, like the existing notes, will be guaranteed by our parent, Quality Distribution, Inc., and each of our existing and certain future U.S. restricted subsidiaries.

The exchange 10% Senior Notes due 2013, like the existing 10% Senior Notes due 2013, will be unsecured and rank equally with all of our existing and future senior debt and rank senior to our existing and future subordinated debt, and will be effectively subordinated to all of our secured debt, to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt, and to all liabilities of our non-guarantor subsidiaries.

The exchange 11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2013, like the existing 11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2013, will be unsecured and rank equally with all of our existing and future senior subordinated debt, and will be effectively subordinated to all of our senior unsecured debt and our secured debt, to the extent of the value of the assets securing the secured debt, and to all liabilities of our non-guarantor subsidiaries.

Like the existing notes, if we fail to make payments on the exchange notes, Quality Distribution, Inc. and our subsidiary guarantors must make them instead. The exchange notes, and the guarantees, will also be junior to all of our secured debt and all liabilities of our non-guarantor subsidiaries.

Each broker-dealer that receives any exchange notes pursuant to the exchange offer must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of those exchange notes.

If the broker-dealer acquired existing notes as a result of market-making or other trading activities, such broker-dealer may use this prospectus for the exchange offer, as supplemented or amended, in connection with its resales of exchange notes.

You should carefully consider the <u>risk factors</u> beginning on page 1 of this prospectus before participating in the exchange offer.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is [\_\_\_\_], 2010.

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You should rely only on the information contained in this document. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with any other information. This document may only be used where it is legal to sell these securities.

The information contained in this prospectus is accurate only as of the date of this prospectus, regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus or of any sale of our notes. In this prospectus, unless the context otherwise requires or indicates, (i) the terms our company, we, us and our refer to Quality Distribution, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and its consolidated subsidiaries and their predecessors, (ii) QDI refers to Quality Distribution, Inc., our parent company, (iii) QD Capital refers to QD Capital Corporation, our wholly owned subsidiary and a co-issuer of the 10% Senior Notes due 2013 and the 11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2013, (iv) the Issuers refers to QD LLC (without its consolidated subsidiaries and their predecessors) and QD Capital, (v) QCI refers to our wholly owned subsidiary Quality Carriers, Inc., an Illinois corporation (vi) Boasso refers to our wholly owned subsidiary Boasso America Corporation, a Louisiana corporation, (vii) Apollo refers to our majority shareholder, Apollo Management, L.P. and its affiliates (viii) the Existing 2013 Senior Notes refers to the Issuers outstanding 10% Senior Notes due 2013 and the Existing 2013 PIK Notes refers to the Issuers outstanding 11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2013, (ix) the Exchange 2013 Senior Notes and the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes refers to the Issuers 10% Senior Notes due 2013 and the Issuers 11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2013, respectively, that are registered under the Securities Act of 1933 and will be issued pursuant to this exchange offer, (x) the Existing Notes refers to the Existing 2013 Senior Notes and the Existing 2013 PIK Notes collectively, (xi) the Exchange Notes refers to the Exchange 2013 Senior Notes and the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes collectively, (xii) the 2013 Senior Notes refers to the Existing 2013 Senior Notes and the Exchange 2013 Senior Notes collectively, (xiii) the 2013 PIK Notes refers to the Existing 2013 PIK Notes and the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes collectively, (xiv) the ABL Facility refers to our asset-based revolving credit facility that we entered into on December 18, 2007, (xv) 9% Notes refers to our 9% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2010, and (xvi) 2012 Notes refers to our Senior Floating Rate Notes due 2012.

In connection with the exchange offer, we have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-4 under the Securities Act, relating to the Exchange Notes to be issued in the exchange offer. As permitted by SEC rules, this prospectus does not contain all the information included in the registration statement. Accordingly, this prospectus incorporates important business and financial information about us that is not included in or delivered with this document. Copies of this information are available without charge to any person to whom this prospectus is delivered, upon written or oral request. Written requests should be sent to Quality Distribution, Inc., Attention: Investor Relations, 4041 Park Oaks Boulevard, Suite 200, Tampa, Florida 33610. Oral requests should be made by telephone (813) 569-7235. To obtain delivery, you must request the information no later than [\_\_\_\_\_\_\_], 2010, which is five business days before the expiration of the Exchange Offer.

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#### MARKET AND INDUSTRY DATA

Market and industry data and other statistical information used throughout this prospectus are based on independent industry publications, government publications and other published independent sources, including *Bulk Transporter s Tank Truck Carrier 2008 Annual Gross Revenue Report*. Some data are also based on our good faith estimates, which are derived from our review of management s knowledge of the industry and independent sources. Although we believe that this information is reliable, we cannot guarantee its accuracy and completeness, nor have we independently verified it. We also obtain certain other market share and industry data from internal company analyses and management estimates, and based on our knowledge of the industry. While we believe such internal company analyses and management estimates are reliable, no independent sources have verified such analyses and estimates. Although we are not aware of any misstatements regarding the market share and the industry data that we present in this prospectus, our estimates involve risks and uncertainties and are subject to change based on various factors, including those discussed under Risk Factors and Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements.

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#### **SUMMARY**

This summary highlights information contained elsewhere in this prospectus but might not contain all of the information that is important to you. Before participating in the exchange offer, you should read this entire prospectus carefully, including the Risk Factors section and the consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included elsewhere in this prospectus. Except as otherwise noted, the financial data included in the prospectus comes from the consolidated financial statements of our parent, Quality Distribution, Inc. and its subsidiaries. Quality Distribution, Inc. is a guarantor of our Existing 2013 Senior Notes, our Existing 2013 PIK Notes, our 9% Notes, our 2012 Notes and our ABL Facility and has no material assets or operations other than its ownership of 100% of our membership interests. As a result, the consolidated financial position and results of operations of Quality Distribution, Inc. are substantially the same as ours.

#### **Our Company**

We operate the largest chemical bulk tank truck network in North America through our wholly owned subsidiary QCI, and are a leading provider of ISO (International Organization for Standardization) container and depot services through our wholly owned subsidiary Boasso.

The bulk tank truck market in North America includes all products shipped by bulk tank truck carriers and consists primarily of liquid and dry bulk chemicals (including plastics) and bulk dry and liquid food-grade products. We primarily transport a broad range of chemical products and provide our customers with logistics and other value-added services. We are a core carrier for many of the major companies engaged in chemical processing including BASF, Dow, DuPont, ExxonMobil, Georgia-Pacific, Honeywell, Procter & Gamble, Rohm & Haas, Sunoco and Unilever, and we provide services to most of the top 100 chemical producers with United States operations.

Our transportation revenue is a function of the volume of shipments by the bulk chemical industry, prices, the average number of miles driven per load, our market share and the allocation of shipments between tank truck transportation and other modes of transportation such as rail. The volume of shipments of chemical products is, in turn, affected by many other industries and end use markets, including consumer and industrial products, paints and coatings, paper and packaging, agriculture and food products, and tends to vary with changing economic conditions.

Boasso is the leading North American provider of ISO tank container transportation and depot services with eight terminals located in the eastern half of the United States. In addition to intermodal ISO tank transportation services, Boasso provides tank cleaning, heating, testing, maintenance and storage services to customers. Boasso provides local and over-the-road trucking primarily within the proximity of the port cities where its depots are located and also sells equipment that its customers use for portable alternative storage or office space.

Demand for ISO tank containers is impacted by the volume of imports and exports of chemicals through United States ports. Boasso s revenues are accordingly impacted by this import/export volume, in particular the number of shipments through ports at which Boasso has terminals and the volume of rail shipments from ports at which Boasso has terminals as well as by Boasso s market share. Economic conditions and differences among the laws and currencies of nations may impact the volume of shipments as well.

#### **Our Formation and Development**

We are a Delaware limited liability company formed on April 14, 2002. We are a holding company with no significant assets or operations other than the ownership of our operating subsidiaries, including QCI and Boasso. Our sole member is QDI. QDI is a holding company with no significant assets or operations other than the ownership of 100% of our membership interests. QD Capital, our wholly owned subsidiary, is a Delaware corporation, formed on May 1, 2003 and is a co-issuer of the Existing Notes and will be a co-issuer of the Exchange Notes. QD Capital has nominal assets and no operations.

We are the primary obligor under the Existing Notes, the ABL Facility and other outstanding notes, and will be the primary obligor under the Exchange Notes. QDI is a guarantor under the ABL Facility and the Existing Notes and will be a guarantor of the Exchange Notes.

QDI was formed in 1994 as a holding company known as MTL, Inc. In 1999, QDI changed its name from MTL, Inc. to Quality Distribution, Inc. On May 30, 2002, as part of a corporate reorganization, QDI transferred substantially all of its assets to us, consisting principally of the capital stock of QDI s operating subsidiaries. On November 13, 2003, QDI consummated the initial public offering of its common stock. Boasso became our wholly owned subsidiary in December 2007, when we acquired all of its outstanding capital stock from a third party.

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QDI is owned principally by Apollo. As of December 31, 2009, Apollo owned or controlled approximately 52.2% of QDI s outstanding common stock, and approximately 47.1% of QDI s common stock on a fully diluted basis.

#### **Risk Factors**

An investment in the Exchange Notes involves a high degree of risk. Potential investors should carefully consider the risk factors set forth under Risk Factors beginning on page 1 and the other information contained in this prospectus prior to participating in the exchange offer.

#### **Corporate Information**

Our principal executive offices are located at 4041 Park Oaks Blvd., Suite 200, Tampa, Florida, 33610, and our telephone number is (813) 630-5826.

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#### Summary of the Terms of the Exchange Offer

We and the guarantors of the Existing Notes have entered into registration rights agreements with the dealer managers in connection with the issuances of the Existing Notes, in which we agreed to file a registration statement relating to an offer to exchange the Existing 2013 Senior Notes for Exchange 2013 PIK Notes for Exchange 2013 PIK Notes within 120 days of the issuances of the Existing Notes and to use our commercially reasonable efforts to cause the registration statement to be declared effective within 180 days following the issuances of the Existing Notes. The registration statement, of which this prospectus forms a part, was initially filed pursuant to this obligation on December 18, 2009, and was declared effective by the SEC on [\_\_\_\_\_\_], 2010. We further agreed to use our best efforts to consummate the exchange offer within 40 days following the effective date of the registration statement. In the exchange offer, you are entitled to exchange your Existing 2013 Senior Notes for Exchange 2013 Senior Notes or your Existing 2013 PIK Notes for Exchange 2013 PIK Notes. The Exchange Notes that you receive will be identical in all material respects to the class of Existing Notes that you tendered for exchange except that:

the issuance of the Exchange Notes has been registered under the Securities Act, and as a result the Exchange Notes will be freely tradable by persons who are not affiliated with us;

the Exchange Notes are not entitled to registration rights, which are only applicable to the Existing Notes under the registration rights agreements; and

our obligation to pay additional interest on the Existing Notes because (a) the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part was not initially filed by February 12, 2010, (b) the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part was not declared effective by April 13, 2010, or (c) the exchange offer was not consummated by May 23, 2010, in each case, at incremental rates ranging from 0.25% per annum to 1.0% per annum depending on how long we fail to comply with these deadlines, does not apply to the Exchange Notes.

The Exchange Offer

We are offering to exchange (i) up to all outstanding 10% Senior Notes due 2013, which were issued on October 15, 2009, for a like principal amount of 10% Senior Notes due 2013 that have been registered under the Securities Act, and (ii) up to all outstanding 11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2013, which were issued on October 15, 2009, for a like principal amount of 11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2013 that have been registered under the Securities Act (which principal amount of 11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2013 includes \$653,785 of interest that was paid in kind on February 1, 2010, thereby increasing the aggregate outstanding principal amount of 11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2013).

Resales

We believe that the Exchange Notes issued in the exchange offer may be offered for resale, resold and otherwise transferred by you without compliance with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act provided that:

the Exchange Notes are being acquired in the ordinary course of your business;

you are not participating, do not intend to participate, and have no arrangement or understanding with any person to participate, in the distribution of the Exchange Notes issued to you in the exchange offer; and

you are not an affiliate of ours.

If any of these conditions are not satisfied and you transfer any Exchange Notes issued to you in the exchange offer without delivering a prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act or without an exemption from registration of your Exchange Notes, you may incur liability under the Securities Act. We will not assume, nor will we indemnify you against, any such liability.

Each broker-dealer that is issued Exchange Notes in the exchange offer for its own account in exchange for Existing Notes that were acquired by that broker-dealer as a result of market-marking or other trading activities, must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any resale of those Exchange Notes. A broker-dealer may use this prospectus for an offer to resell, resale or other retransfer of the Exchange Notes issued to it in the exchange offer.

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Expiration Date; Withdrawal of Tenders

The exchange offer will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, [\_\_\_\_\_], 2010, or such later date and time to which we extend it. A tender of Existing Notes pursuant to the exchange offer may be withdrawn at any time prior to the expiration date. Any Existing Notes not accepted for exchange for any reason will be returned without expense to the tendering holder promptly after the expiration or termination of the exchange offer.

Conditions to the Exchange Offer

The exchange offer is subject to customary conditions, some of which we may waive.

Procedures for Tendering Existing Notes

If you wish to accept the exchange offer, you must complete, sign and date the accompanying letter of transmittal, or a copy of the letter of transmittal, according to the instructions contained in this prospectus and the letter of transmittal. You must also mail or otherwise deliver the letter of transmittal, or the copy, together with the Existing Notes and any other required documents, to the exchange agent at the address set forth on the cover of the letter of transmittal. If you hold Existing Notes through The Depository Trust Company, or DTC, and wish to participate in the exchange offer, you must comply with the Automated Tender Offer Program procedures of DTC, by which you will agree to be bound by the letter of transmittal.

By signing or agreeing to be bound by the letter of transmittal, you will represent to us that, among other things:

any Exchange Notes that you receive will be acquired in the ordinary course of your business;

you have no arrangement or understanding with any person or entity to participate in the distribution of the Exchange Notes;

if you are a broker-dealer that will receive Exchange Notes for your own account in exchange for Existing Notes that were acquired as a result of market-making activities, that you will deliver a prospectus, as required by law, in connection with any resale of those Exchange Notes;

if you are not a broker-dealer, that you are not engaged in, and you do not intend to engage in, the distribution of Exchange Notes; and

you are not our affiliate as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act.

Guaranteed Delivery Procedures If you wish to tender your Existing Notes and your Existing Notes are not immediately available or you cannot deliver your Existing Notes, the letter of transmittal or any other documents required by the letter of transmittal or comply with the applicable procedures under DTC s Automated Tender Offer Program prior to the expiration date, you must tender your Existing Notes according to the guaranteed delivery procedures described in this prospectus.

Effect on Holders of Existing Notes

As a result of the making of, and upon acceptance for exchange of all validly tendered Existing 2013 Senior Notes or Existing 2013 PIK Notes pursuant to the terms of, the exchange offer, we will have fulfilled covenants contained in the registration rights agreements applicable to the Existing 2013 Senior Notes and the Existing 2013 PIK Notes and, accordingly, we will not be obligated to pay additional interest as described in the registration rights agreement applicable to the particular class of Existing Notes. If you are a holder of Existing Notes and do not tender your Existing Notes in the exchange offer, you will continue to hold the Existing Notes and you will be entitled to all the rights and limitations applicable to the Existing Notes in the indenture governing the particular class of Existing Notes, except for any rights under the registration rights agreement applicable to the class of Existing Notes that by their terms terminate upon the consummation of the exchange offer.

Consequences of Failure to Exchange

All untendered Existing Notes will continue to be subject to the restrictions on transfer provided for in the Existing Notes and in the indentures governing the Existing Notes. In general, the Existing Notes may not be offered or sold unless registered under the Securities Act, except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. Other than in connection with the exchange offer, or as otherwise required under certain limited circumstances pursuant to the terms of the registration rights agreements, we do not currently anticipate that we will register the Existing Notes under the Securities Act.

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Accounting Treatment We will record the Exchange Notes in our accounting records at the same carrying value as the Existing

Notes, as reflected in our accounting records on the date of exchange. Accordingly, we will not recognize any gain or loss for accounting purposes in connection with the exchange offer. We will capitalize certain expenses of the exchange offer as deferred financing costs and amortize those costs over the life of the

Exchange Notes.

Certain U.S. Federal Income Tax

Considerations

The exchange of Existing Notes for Exchange Notes in the exchange offer should not be a taxable event for U.S. federal income tax purposes. See Certain U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations.

Use of Proceeds We will not receive any cash proceeds from the issuance of the Exchange Notes. In consideration for

issuing the Exchange Notes as contemplated in this prospectus, we will receive in exchange Existing Notes in like principal amount, which will be canceled and as such will not result in any increase in our indebtedness. We did not receive any cash proceeds from the issuances of the Existing Notes, which were issued in exchange for 9% Notes and 2012 Notes that were outstanding on the date of the issuances of the

Existing Notes.

Exchange Agent The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. is the exchange agent for the exchange offer. The

address and telephone number of the exchange agent are set forth in the section entitled The Exchange

Offer Exchange Agent.

**Summary of the Terms of the Exchange Notes** 

Issuers Quality Distribution, LLC and QD Capital Corporation

Securities Offered

Exchange 2013 Senior Notes \$134,499,000 Principal Amount of 10% Senior Notes due 2013

Exchange 2013 PIK Notes \$81,395,785 Principal Amount of 11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2013 (\$653,785

of the aggregate principal amount is due to the payment in kind of interest on February 1, 2010, thereby increasing the outstanding principal amount of the 11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK

Notes due 2013)

Maturity Date

Exchange 2013 Senior Notes June 1, 2013

Exchange 2013 PIK Notes November 1, 2013

Interest

Exchange 2013 Senior Notes Interest on the Exchange 2013 Senior Notes will accrue at a rate of 10% per annum and will be

payable in cash on June 1 and December 1 of each year, commencing June 1, 2010.

Holders who exchange their Existing 2013 Senior Notes for Exchange 2013 Senior Notes will receive the same interest payment on June 1, 2010 that they would have received if they had

not accepted the exchange offer.

Interest on the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes will accrue interest at the rate of 11.75% per annum, payable as follows: 9% in cash and 2.75% by increasing the outstanding principal amount of the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes. Interest on the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes is payable on February 1, May 1, August 1 and November 1 of each year, commencing February 1, 2010.

Under the terms of the Existing 2013 PIK Notes, a regularly scheduled interest payment is scheduled to occur on May 1, 2010, which is prior to the anticipated expiration of the exchange offer. Interest will be paid with respect to the Existing 2013 PIK Notes as scheduled on May 1, 2010 to holders of record on April 15, 2010, even if a holder s Existing 2013 PIK Notes have been tendered in the exchange offer, and no interest will be paid on May 1, 2010 with respect to Exchange 2013 PIK Notes. The portion of the interest that is paid-in-kind on May 1, 2010 will, when the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes are issued by us after the expiration of the exchange

Exchange 2013 PIK Notes

offer, be issued by increasing the outstanding principal amount of Exchange 2013 PIK Notes if the holder  $\,$  s Existing 2013 PIK Notes are accepted by us in the exchange offer.

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Guarantees

Our obligations under the Exchange Notes are fully and unconditionally guaranteed, jointly and severally, on an unsecured basis by our parent company, QDI, and each of our existing and certain future U.S. restricted subsidiaries. Exchange Notes are not and will not be, however, guaranteed by our foreign subsidiaries or our unrestricted subsidiaries. Investors should not rely on the QDI guarantee in evaluating an investment in the Exchange Notes as QDI currently has no material assets other than the ownership of 100% of our membership interests, and the covenants contained in the indentures governing the Exchange Notes will not apply to QDI.

#### Ranking

Exchange 2013 Senior Notes

The Exchange 2013 Senior Notes and the guarantees thereof will be our unsecured and unsubordinated obligations and will rank:

equally in right of payment with all of our existing and future senior unsecured debt, including the Existing 2013 Senior Notes and the 2012 Notes and the guarantees thereof:

effectively junior to all of our existing and future secured debt, including borrowings under the ABL Facility, to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt;

senior in right of payment to all of our existing and future subordinated debt, including the Existing 2013 PIK Notes, the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes and the 9% Notes and the guarantees thereof; and

structurally subordinated to all liabilities, including trade payables, of our subsidiaries that are not guarantors, which are principally our subsidiaries in Mexico and Canada, and which provided less than 1% of our operating revenues in 2009.

Exchange 2013 PIK Notes

The Exchange 2013 PIK Notes and the guarantees thereof will be our unsecured and subordinated obligations and will rank:

equally in right of payment with all of our existing and future unsecured subordinated debt, including the Existing 2013 PIK Notes and the 9% Notes and the guarantees thereof:

junior in right of payment with all of our existing and future senior unsecured debt, including the Existing 2013 Senior Notes, the Exchange 2013 Senior Notes and the 2012 Notes and the guarantees thereof;

effectively junior to all of our existing and future secured debt, including borrowings under the ABL Facility, to the extent of the value of the assets securing such debt; and

structurally subordinated to all liabilities, including trade payables, of our subsidiaries that are not guarantors, which are principally our subsidiaries in Mexico and Canada, and which provided less than 1% of our operating revenues in 2009.

#### Optional Redemption

Exchange 2013 Senior Notes

We may redeem some or all of the Exchange 2013 Senior Notes at any time, upon providing required notice, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Exchange 2013 Senior Notes plus accrued and unpaid interest and additional interest, if any, to the applicable redemption date.

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Exchange 2013 PIK Notes

Prior to the first anniversary of the issuance of the Existing 2013 PIK Notes, we may redeem some or all of the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes plus accrued and unpaid interest and additional interest, if any, to the applicable redemption date plus the applicable make-whole premium. On or after the first anniversary of the issuance of the Existing 2013 PIK Notes, we may redeem some or all of the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes plus accrued and unpaid interest and additional interest, if any, to the applicable redemption date. Additionally, on or prior to the first anniversary of the issuance of the Existing 2013 PIK Notes, we may redeem up to 35% of the aggregate principal amount of the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes with the net proceeds of specified equity offerings at a redemption price equal to 111.75% of the principal amount of the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes plus accrued and unpaid interest and additional interest, if any, to the applicable redemption date.

Mandatory Redemption for Exchange 2013 Senior Notes

Semi-Annual Mandatory Redemption

Additional Mandatory Redemption

Reductions in Mandatory Redemption Amounts

Mandatory Offer to Repurchase

The Exchange 2013 Senior Notes must be redeemed on each June 1 and December 1, commencing December 1, 2010, at 100.00% of the principal amount, plus any accrued and unpaid interest to the date of redemption, in an aggregate principal amount of \$6 million. The required redemption amount may be increased by unpaid amounts required to be carried forward from prior periods.

Beginning with the year ending December 31, 2011, promptly following the delivery by QDI of its Annual Report on Form 10-K for each fiscal year (or the delivery by QD LLC of financial statements if QDI ceases to be a reporting company under the Exchange Act) but no later than 105 days after year-end, the Exchange 2013 Senior Notes must be redeemed at 100.00% of the principal amount, plus any accrued and unpaid interest to the date of redemption, in an aggregate principal amount equal to 50% of consolidated excess cash flow for such fiscal year minus \$12 million.

Both required redemption amounts will be reduced to the extent necessary so that

the sum of borrowing availability under the ABL Facility, plus unrestricted cash and cash equivalents, is at least \$37.5 million;

the minimum borrowing availability requirements under the ABL Facility are satisfied;

there is fixed charge coverage ratio of at least  $1.0\ \mathrm{to}\ 1.0$  as calculated under the ABL Facility; and

no other event of default is otherwise caused under the ABL Facility by the redemption.

The required redemption amounts are also reduced by any optional redemptions and repurchases during the redemption period.

If we sell all or substantially all of our assets or undergo other types of changes in control, each holder will have the right to require us to repurchase all or any part of such holder s Exchange Notes at 101% of the aggregate principal amount of the Exchange Notes.

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Certain Covenants

The indentures governing the Exchange Notes, among other things, limit our ability and the ability of our restricted subsidiaries to:

incur or guarantee additional indebtedness;

pay dividends or distributions on, or redeem or repurchase, capital stock and make other restricted payments;

make investments;

consummate certain asset sales;

engage in transactions with affiliates;

grant or assume liens; and

consolidate, merge or transfer all or substantially all of our assets.

These limitations are subject to a number of important qualifications and exceptions as described in this prospectus.

The Exchange Notes generally will be freely transferable. However, we do not currently intend to list either class of the Exchange Notes on any exchange, and there can be no assurance as to the development or liquidity of any market for any of the Exchange Notes.

Limited Market

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#### **Summary Financial Data**

The following table sets forth summary consolidated financial data, and other historical consolidated financial data of QDI. QDI is or will be a guarantor of the Existing 2013 Senior Notes, the Exchange 2013 Senior Notes, the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes, the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes, the 9% Notes, the 2012 Notes and the ABL Facility and has no material assets or operations other than its ownership of 100% of our membership interests. As a result, the consolidated financial position and results of operations of QDI are substantially the same as ours. The summary historical consolidated financial information set forth below is qualified in its entirety by reference to, and should be read in conjunction with, our consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included elsewhere in this prospectus and the section entitled Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations. The historical results do not necessarily indicate results expected for any future period.

The consolidated statements of operations data set forth below for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007 and the historical balance sheet data as of December 31, 2009 and 2008 are derived from our audited financial statements included in this prospectus. The historical statements of operations data for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005 and the historical balance sheet data as of December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005 are derived from our audited financial statements that are not included in this prospectus.

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Operating revenues	\$ 613,609	\$ 815,290	\$ 751,558	\$ 730,159	\$ 678,076
Operating expenses:	, , , , , , , , ,	, , , , , ,	, ,	, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	, ,
Purchased transportation	373,539	466,823	471,531	493,686	471,238
Depreciation and amortization	20,218	21,002	17,544	16,353	17,278
Impairment charge (2)	148,630				
Other operating expenses	186,398	294,487	238,630	171,842	149,741
Operating (loss) income	(115,176)	32,978	23,853	48,278	39,819
Interest expense, net	28,047	35,120	30,524	29,388	26,712
Write-off of debt issuance costs	20	283	2,031	·	1,110
Gain on extinguishment of debt	(1,870)	(16,532)			
Other expense (income)	1,912	(2,945)	940	888	(222)
(Loss) income before taxes	(143,285)	17,052	(9,642)	18,002	12,219
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes	37,249	4,940	(2,079)	(38,168)	352
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Net (loss) income	\$ (180,534)	\$ 12,112	\$ (7,563)	\$ 56,170	\$ 11,867
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Net (loss) income per common share:					
Basic	\$ (9.28)	\$ 0.63	\$ (0.39)	\$ 2.97	\$ 0.63
Diluted	\$ (9.28)	\$ 0.62	\$ (0.39)	\$ 2.87	\$ 0.61
Weighted average common shares outstanding:	ψ (y. <b>2</b> 0)	Ф 0.0 <b>2</b>	ψ (0.25)	Ψ 2.07	ψ 0.01
Basic	19,449	19,379	19,336	18,920	18,934
Diluted	19,449	19,539	19,336	19,571	19,301

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31
2009 2008 2007 2006 2005
(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT TERMINAL,

	TRAILER AND TRACTOR DATA)				
Other Data (1)					
Cash paid for interest	\$ 22,704	\$ 30,690	\$ 28,850	\$ 27,034	\$ 24,645
Net cash provided by operating activities	39,756	19,593	14,052	28,236	9,039
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	9,577	(8,524)	(63,399)	(10,591)	(16,063)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(50,515)	(13,485)	52,194	(12,474)	5,858
Number of terminals at end of period	108	149	169	165	165
Number of trailers operated at end of period	6,410	7,115	7,506	7,769	7,461
Number of tractors operated at end of period	2,839	3,224	3,927	3,829	3,539
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges (3)		1.4x		1.5x	1.4x
<b>Balance Sheet Data at Period End (1)</b>					
Working capital	\$ 19,016	\$ 44,967	\$ 67,093	\$ 59,673	\$ 43,079
Total assets	279,616	502,103	493,976	417,873	377,053
Total indebtedness, including current maturities	321,284	362,586	349,271	279,122	289,116
Shareholders (deficit) equity	(140,736)	31,020	27,300	31,774	(27,462)

- (1) On December 17, 2007, we acquired 100% of the stock of Boasso America Corporation. The results of Boasso have been included in our results since the date of the acquisition.
- (2) The impairment charge resulted from an impairment analysis of goodwill and intangible assets performed during the quarter ended June 30, 2009. Refer to Note 12 to the consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.
- (3) For the purpose of computing the ratio of earnings to fixed charges, earnings consist of earnings from continuing operations before income taxes and fixed charges. Fixed charges consist of interest expense including the amortization of deferred debt issuance costs. In 2007 and 2009 earnings were insufficient to cover fixed charges by approximately \$9.6 million and \$143.3 million, respectively.

#### RISK FACTORS

You should carefully consider the risks described below before participating in the exchange offer. Although the risks described below are all of the risks that we believe are material, they are not the only risks relating to our business and the Exchange Notes. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial may also materially and adversely affect our business operations. Any of the following risks could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition or results of operations. In such case, you may lose all or part of your investment.

#### Risks Related to the Exchange Offer

Your Existing Notes will not be accepted for exchange if you do not follow the exchange offer procedures described in this prospectus.

We will not accept your Existing Notes for exchange if you do not follow the exchange-offer procedures described in this prospectus. We will issue Exchange Notes as part of the exchange offer only after a timely receipt of your Existing Notes, a properly completed and duly executed letter of transmittal or agent s message and all other required documents. Therefore, if you want to tender your Existing Notes for exchange, you should comply with the exchange procedures and allow sufficient time for your Existing Notes or agent s message to be received by the exchange agent. If we do not receive your Existing Notes, letter of transmittal or agent s message and other required documents by the expiration date of the exchange offer, we will not accept your Existing Notes for exchange. We are under no duty to notify you of defects or irregularities in your tender of Existing Notes for exchange. If there are defects or irregularities in your tender of your Existing Notes, we may not accept your Existing Notes for exchange.

If you choose not to exchange your Existing Notes in the exchange offer or do not validly tender your Existing Notes, the transfer restrictions currently applicable to your Existing Notes will remain in force, which could inhibit your ability to sell your Existing Notes.

If you do not exchange your Existing Notes for Exchange Notes in the exchange offer or fail to validly tender your Existing Notes, then your Existing Notes will continue to be subject to certain transfer restrictions. In general, the restrictions prevent the Existing Notes from being offered or sold unless the offer and sale is registered or exempt from registration under the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. Except as may required by the registration rights agreements in certain limited circumstances, we do not intend to register resales of the Existing Notes under the Securities Act.

The market for Existing Notes may be significantly more limited after the exchange offer and you may not be able to sell your Existing Notes after the exchange offer.

If Existing Notes are tendered and accepted for exchange under the exchange offer, the trading market for Existing Notes that remain outstanding may be significantly more limited. As a result, the liquidity of the Existing Notes not tendered for exchange could be adversely affected. The extent of the market for Existing Notes and the availability of price quotations would depend upon a number of factors, including the number of holders of Existing Notes remaining outstanding and the interest of securities firms in maintaining a market in the Existing Notes. An issue of securities with a similar outstanding market value available for trading, which is called the float, may command a lower price than would be comparable to an issue of securities with a greater float. As a result, the market price for Existing Notes that are not exchanged in the exchange offer may be affected adversely as Existing Notes exchanged in the exchange offer reduce the float. The reduced float also may make the trading price of the Existing Notes that are not exchanged more volatile.

Certain persons who participate in the exchange offer must deliver a prospectus in connection with resales of the Exchange Notes.

Based on interpretations of the staff of the SEC contained in *Exxon Capital Holdings Corp.*, SEC no-action letter (May 13, 1988), *Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc.*, SEC no-action letter (June 5, 1991) and *Shearman & Sterling*, SEC no-action letter (July 2, 1993), we believe that you may generally offer for resale, resell or otherwise transfer the Exchange Notes without compliance with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act. However, in some instances described in this prospectus, certain holders of Exchange Notes will remain obligated to comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act to transfer the Notes. If such a holder transfers any Exchange Notes without delivering a prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act or without an applicable exemption from registration under the Securities Act, the holder could incur liability under the Securities Act. We do not and will not assume, or indemnify such holders against, this liability.

Risks Related to the Exchange Notes

The following risks specifically apply to holders of Exchange Notes issued in the exchange offer and should be considered, along with other risk factors, by eligible holders. There are additional risk factors attendant to being an investor in our Exchange Notes whether or not you elect to tender your Existing Notes. These risks are described elsewhere in this prospectus Risk Factors section under the headings Risks Related to Our Indebtedness and Risks Related to Our Business.

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#### The Exchange Notes will be effectively junior to liabilities of certain subsidiaries.

We conduct substantially all of our operations through our subsidiaries. As a result, we are required to rely upon our subsidiaries for the funds necessary to meet our obligations, including the payment of interest on and principal of the Exchange Notes. The ability of the subsidiaries to make these payments will be subject to, among other things, applicable state laws. Although the guarantees of the Exchange Notes provide the holders of the Exchange Notes with a direct claim against the guarantors, the subsidiary non-guarantors have not guaranteed the obligations under the Exchange Notes. Claims of creditors of our subsidiary non-guarantors, including trade creditors and the lenders under the ABL Facility, generally will have priority with respect to the assets and earnings of these subsidiaries over the claims of our creditors, including holders of the Exchange Notes. For the year ended December 31, 2009, less than 1% of our operating revenue was generated by our non-guarantor subsidiaries. The non-guarantor subsidiaries had approximately \$0.9 million of liabilities, including trade payables, but excluding intercompany balances, at December 31, 2009.

#### We may not be able to repurchase the Exchange Notes upon a change of control.

Upon the occurrence of certain change of control events, we will be required to offer to repurchase all of the outstanding 2013 Senior Notes and 2013 PIK Notes at 101% of the principal amount thereof plus, without duplication, accrued and unpaid interest and additional interest, if any, to the date of repurchase. However, a change of control will cause an event of default under the ABL Facility and may cause an acceleration of the borrowings thereunder. There can be no assurance that we will have sufficient funds at the time of the change of control to make the required repurchase of all such notes or that restrictions in the ABL Facility will allow such repurchases. In addition, certain important corporate events, such as leveraged recapitalizations that would increase the level of our indebtedness, would not constitute a Change of Control under the indentures for the Exchange Notes.

#### An active trading market may not develop for the Exchange Notes.

We do not intend to list the Exchange Notes on a national securities exchange. Although the deal managers in connection with the issuances of the Existing Notes have advised us that they currently intend to make a market in the Exchange Notes, they are not obligated to do so and may discontinue such market-making activity at any time without notice. In addition, market-making activity will be subject to the limits imposed by the Securities Act and the Exchange Act and may be limited during the exchange offer. If a trading market does not develop, you may not be able to sell the Exchange Notes. If any of the Exchange Notes are traded after their issuance, they may trade at a discount from the initial offering price of the Existing Notes, depending upon:

prevailing interest rates;
the market for similar securities; and

other factors, including general economic conditions and our financial condition, performance and prospects. The market for non-investment grade debt securities has historically been subject to disruptions that have caused volatility in their prices independent of the operating and financial performance of the issuers of these securities. It is possible that the market for the Exchange Notes will be subject to these kinds of disruptions regardless of our prospects and financial performance. Accordingly, declines in the liquidity and market price of the Exchange Notes may occur independent of our operating and financial performance. We cannot assure you that any liquid market for the Exchange Notes will develop.

We believe that the Exchange 2013 Senior Notes should be treated as contingent payment debt instruments for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

We believe that the Exchange 2013 Senior Notes should be treated as contingent payment debt instruments for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Assuming the Exchange 2013 Senior Notes are properly classified as such, each U.S. holder, regardless of its U.S. federal income tax accounting method, will be required to accrue interest on a constant-yield method at a rate that represents our determination of the yield on our comparable non-contingent, fixed-rate debt instrument with terms and conditions otherwise similar to the Exchange 2013 Senior Notes. This method is similar to the accrual of income under the original issue discount rules and is discussed in greater detail below. The rules governing contingent payment debt instruments are complex and there can be no assurance that the IRS will agree with this result, in which case a U.S. holder could

be required for any particular taxable year to include a greater or lesser amount of interest income. U.S. holders will also recognize gain or loss on the sale, exchange, redemption, retirement or other disposition of an Exchange 2013 Senior Note in an amount equal to the difference between the amount realized and their adjusted tax basis in the Exchange 2013 Senior Note. Gain recognized by a U.S. holder on such sale, exchange, redemption or retirement generally will be treated as ordinary interest income; any loss will be ordinary loss to the extent of the interest previously included in income, and thereafter, capital loss.

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#### The Exchange 2013 PIK Notes will be issued with original issue discount for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

The Existing 2013 PIK Notes will be treated as issued with original issue discount for U.S. federal income tax purposes to the extent that their stated principal amount exceeded their issue price and to the extent that the Existing 2013 PIK Notes provide for pay-in-kind interest. The Exchange 2013 PIK Notes will be treated as issued with original issue discount in the same amount as the original issue discount applicable to the Existing 2013 PIK Notes. A U.S. holder of Exchange 2013 PIK Notes treated as issued with original issue discount will be required to include such original issue discount in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes as it accrues, in accordance with a constant-yield method based on compounding of interest, before the receipt of cash payments attributable to such original issue discount.

Because each guarantor s liability under its guarantees may be reduced to zero, avoided or released under certain circumstances, you may not receive any payments from some or all of the guarantors.

You have the benefit of the guarantees of the guarantors. However, the guarantees by the guarantors are limited to the maximum amount that the guarantors are permitted to guarantee under applicable law. As a result, a guarantor s liability under its guarantee could be reduced to zero, depending on the amount of other obligations of such guarantor. Furthermore, you will lose the benefit of a particular guarantee if it is released under certain circumstances described in this prospectus. In addition, enforcement of the guarantees of the Exchange Notes against any guarantor may be subject to legal challenge in a bankruptcy or reorganization case or a lawsuit by or on behalf of creditors of any guarantor and would be subject to certain defenses available to guarantors generally. Although the indentures governing the Exchange Notes contain waivers of most guarantor defenses, certain of those waivers may not be enforced by a court in a particular case. To the extent that the guarantees of the Exchange Notes are not enforceable, the Exchange Notes would be effectively subordinated to all liabilities of the guarantors, including trade payables of any guarantors.

#### The guarantee of our parent company is of limited value.

Investors should not rely on the QDI guarantee in evaluating an investment in the Exchange Notes as QDI currently has no material assets other than the ownership of 100% of our membership interests and the covenants contained in the indentures governing the Exchange Notes will not apply to QDI.

Repayment of our debt, including required principal and interest payments on and redemptions of the Exchange Notes, is dependent on cash flow generated by our subsidiaries.

Our subsidiaries own substantially all of our assets and conduct a significant portion of our operations. Accordingly, repayment of our indebtedness, including the Exchange Notes, is dependent, to a significant extent, on the generation of cash flow by our subsidiaries and their ability to make such cash available to us, by dividend, debt repayment or otherwise. Our non-guarantor subsidiaries do not have any obligation to pay amounts due on the Exchange Notes or to make funds available for that purpose. Our subsidiaries may not be able to, or may not be permitted to, make distributions to enable us to make payments in respect of our indebtedness, including the Exchange Notes. Each subsidiary is a distinct legal entity and, under certain circumstances, legal and contractual restrictions may limit our ability to obtain cash from our subsidiaries. While the indentures governing the Exchange Notes limit the ability of our subsidiaries to incur consensual restrictions on their ability to pay dividends or make other intercompany payments to us, these limitations are subject to certain qualifications and exceptions. In the event that we do not receive distributions from our subsidiaries we may be unable to make required principal and interest payments on our indebtedness, including the Exchange Notes.

#### Your right to receive payments on the Exchange Notes is effectively junior to those lenders who have a security interest in our assets.

As of December 31, 2009, we had approximately \$96.4 million of senior secured indebtedness, consisting of debt under the ABL Facility, capital lease obligations and other secured notes; and approximately \$44.7 million in availability under the ABL Facility. Our obligations under the Exchange Notes and our guarantors obligations under their guarantees of the Exchange Notes will be unsecured. As a result, the Exchange Notes and the related guarantees will be effectively subordinated to all of our and the guarantors secured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the assets securing the indebtedness. Our obligations under the ABL Facility and each applicable guarantor s obligations under its guarantee of the ABL Facility are secured by a security interest in substantially all of our domestic tangible and intangible assets. In the event that we or a relevant guarantor are declared bankrupt, become insolvent or are liquidated or reorganized, our obligations under the ABL Facility and any other secured obligations will be entitled to be paid in full from our assets or the assets of such guarantor, as the case may be, securing such obligation before any payment may be made with respect to the Exchange Notes. In addition, if we default under the ABL Facility, the lenders could declare all of the funds borrowed thereunder, together with accrued interest, immediately due and payable. If we were unable to repay such indebtedness, the lenders could foreclose on the pledged assets to the exclusion of holders of the Exchange Notes, even if an event of default exists at such time under the indentures under which the Exchange Notes will be issued. Furthermore, if the lenders under the ABL

Facility foreclose and sell the pledged equity interests in any subsidiary guarantor under the Exchange Notes, then that guarantor

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will be released from its guarantee of the Exchange Notes automatically and immediately upon such sale. In any such event, because the Exchange Notes will not be secured by any of our assets or the equity interests in subsidiary guarantors, it is possible that there would be no assets remaining from which your claims could be satisfied or, if any assets remained, they might be insufficient to satisfy your claims fully.

Your right to receive payment on any Exchange 2013 PIK Notes will also be junior to our senior unsecured indebtedness, such as the 2013 Senior Notes.

The Exchange 2013 PIK Notes and the guarantees of the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes will be our senior subordinated unsecured obligations and will rank junior in right of payment to all senior unsecured indebtedness, such as the 2013 Senior Notes, in addition to any secured indebtedness. In the event that we are declared bankrupt, become insolvent or are liquidated or reorganized, all of our secured obligations, such as the ABL Facility, and all of our senior unsecured obligations, such as the 2013 Senior Notes, will be entitled to be paid in full from our assets before any payment may be made with respect to the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes. Once the secured and senior unsecured obligations are paid in full, holders of the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes would participate ratably in our remaining assets with all other holders of our senior subordinated unsecured obligations, such as the 9% Notes, based upon the respective amount owed to each creditor. Accordingly, in the event of our bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or reorganization, the proceeds from the sale of our assets may be insufficient to repay our obligations under the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes in full or at all.

If we default on our obligations to pay our other indebtedness, we may not be able to make payments on the Exchange Notes.

Any default under the agreements governing our indebtedness, including a default under the ABL Facility that is not waived by the required lenders, and the remedies sought by the holders of such indebtedness, could make us unable to pay principal, premium, if any, or interest on the Exchange Notes and could substantially decrease the market value of the Exchange Notes. If we are unable to generate sufficient cash flow and are otherwise unable to obtain funds necessary to meet required payments of principal, premium, if any, or interest on our indebtedness, or if we otherwise fail to comply with the various covenants, including financial and operating covenants, in the instruments governing our indebtedness (including the ABL Facility), we could be in default under the terms of the agreements governing such indebtedness. In the event of such default, the holders of such indebtedness could elect to declare all the funds borrowed thereunder to be due and payable, together with accrued and unpaid interest, the lenders under the ABL Facility could elect to terminate their commitments, cease making further loans and institute foreclosure proceedings against our assets, or we may be required to apply all of our available cash to repay such holders, and we could be forced into bankruptcy or liquidation. If our operating performance declines, we may in the future need to seek waivers from the required lenders under the ABL Facility to avoid being in default. If we breach our covenants under the ABL Facility, the lenders could exercise their rights as described above, and we could be forced into bankruptcy or liquidation.

#### **Risks Related to Our Indebtedness**

Our debt agreements contain restrictions that could limit our flexibility in operating our business.

sell certain assets, including stock of our subsidiaries;

The ABL Facility and the indentures governing our 2013 Senior Notes and 2013 PIK Notes contain various covenants that limit or prohibit our ability, among other things, to:

incur or guarantee additional indebtedness or issue certain preferred shares;
redeem, repurchase, make distributions on or retire subordinated indebtedness or make other restricted payments;
make certain loans, acquisitions, capital expenditures or investments;

enter into sale and leaseback transactions;

create or incur liens;

consolidate, merge, sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of our assets; and enter into certain transactions with our affiliates.

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The ABL Facility matures June 18, 2013. However, the maturity date of the ABL Facility may be accelerated if we default on our obligations under the ABL Facility. If the maturity of the ABL Facility is accelerated, we do not believe that we will have sufficient cash on hand to repay the ABL Facility or, unless conditions in the credit markets improve significantly, that we will be able to refinance the ABL Facility on acceptable terms, or at all.

The failure to repay or refinance the ABL Facility at final maturity will have a material adverse effect on our business and financial condition, would cause substantial liquidity problems and may result in the bankruptcy of us and/or our subsidiaries. Any actual or potential bankruptcy or liquidity crisis may materially harm our relationships with our customers and suppliers, result in loss of market share, increase the cost of providing our services and otherwise result in significant permanent harm to our ability to operate our business. Because a substantial portion of our revenues is dependent on our affiliates and independent owner-operators rather than company-owned facilities and company employees, our ability to manage our business through any actual or potential bankruptcy or liquidity crisis may be limited, particularly if there is significant harm to our reputation and relationships with customers, suppliers, affiliates and independent owner-operators. The holders of our 2013 Senior Notes and 2013 PIK Notes are not entitled to any security interest in any of our property or that of our subsidiaries, and any deterioration of our business or prospects in connection with an actual or potential bankruptcy or liquidity crisis would have a material adverse effect on the value of the 2013 Senior Notes or the 2013 PIK Notes and the amount that the holders of 2013 Senior Notes or the 2013 PIK Notes would recover in a bankruptcy or restructuring.

As a result of the restrictions in our debt agreements, we could be limited in the manner in which we conduct our business, and we may be unable to engage in favorable business activities or finance future operations or capital needs.

We have pledged a significant portion of our assets as collateral under the ABL Facility. If any of these lenders accelerate the repayment of borrowings, there can be no assurance that we will have sufficient assets to repay our indebtedness.

Under the ABL Facility we may be required to satisfy and maintain specified financial ratios. Our ability to meet those financial ratios can be affected by events beyond our control, and there can be no assurance that we will meet those ratios. A failure to comply with the covenants contained in the ABL Facility or our other indebtedness could result in an event of default under the ABL Facility or the agreements governing our other indebtedness, which, if not cured or waived, could have a material adverse affect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. In the event of any default under the ABL Facility or our other indebtedness, the lenders thereunder:

will not be required to lend any additional amounts to us;

could elect to declare all borrowings outstanding, together with accrued and unpaid interest and fees, to be due and payable and terminate all commitments to extend further credit; or

require us to apply all of our available cash to repay these borrowings.

Such actions by the lenders could cause cross defaults under our other indebtedness. If we were unable to repay those amounts, the lenders under the ABL Facility could proceed against the collateral granted to them to secure that indebtedness.

If the indebtedness under the ABL Facility were to be accelerated, there can be no assurance that our assets would be sufficient to repay such indebtedness in full.

Our substantial indebtedness could adversely affect our ability to raise additional capital to fund our operations, limit our ability to react to changes in the economy or our industry and prevent us from making debt service payments.

At December 31, 2009, we had consolidated long-term indebtedness and capital lease obligations, including current maturities, of \$321.3 million. Our ability to generate sufficient cash flow from operations to make scheduled payments on our debt will depend on a range of economic, competitive and business factors, many of which are outside our control. Our business may not generate sufficient cash flow from operations to meet our debt service and other obligations, and currently anticipated cost savings and operating improvements may not be realized on schedule, or at all. If we are unable to meet our expenses and debt service and other obligations, we may need to refinance all or a portion of our indebtedness on or before maturity, sell assets or raise equity. Furthermore, Apollo has no obligation to provide us with debt or equity financing, and we therefore may be unable to generate sufficient cash to service all of our indebtedness. We may not be able to refinance any of

our indebtedness, sell assets or raise equity on commercially reasonable terms or at all, which could cause us to default on our obligations and impair our liquidity. Our inability to generate sufficient cash flow to satisfy our debt obligations or to refinance our obligations on commercially reasonable terms would have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

In addition, covenants in our debt agreements limit the use of proceeds from our ordinary operations and from extraordinary transactions. These limits may require us to apply proceeds in a certain manner or prohibit us from utilizing the proceeds in our operations or from prepaying or retiring indebtedness that we desire.

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Our expected future higher interest expense could limit our ability to react to changes in the economy or our industry and prevent us from making debt service payments.

Our 2013 Senior Notes and 2013 PIK Notes carry higher rates of interest and higher cash rates of interest than the rates of the 2012 Notes and 9% Notes for which they were exchanged. Our higher interest expense may reduce our future profitability.

Our future higher interest expense could have other important consequences with respect to our ability to manage our business successfully, including the following:

it may make it more difficult for us to satisfy our obligations with respect to our indebtedness, and any failure to comply with the obligations of any of our debt instruments, including restrictive covenants and borrowing conditions, could result in an event of default under the ABL Facility, the indentures governing our 2013 Senior Notes and our 2013 PIK Notes, and our other indebtedness:

using a portion of our cash flow to pay interest on our indebtedness will reduce the availability of our cash flow to fund working capital, capital expenditures and other business activities;

it increases our vulnerability to adverse economic and industry conditions;

it limits our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, changes in our business and the industry in which we operate;

it may make us more vulnerable to further downturns in our business or the economy; and

it limits our ability to exploit business opportunities.

Despite our substantial indebtedness, we may still be able to incur significantly more indebtedness, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

The ABL Facility and the indentures governing our 2013 Senior Notes and 2013 PIK Notes contain restrictions on our ability to incur additional indebtedness. These restrictions are subject to a number of important qualifications and exceptions, and the indebtedness incurred in compliance with these restrictions could be substantial. Accordingly, we or our subsidiaries could incur significant additional indebtedness in the future. As of December 31, 2009, we had approximately \$44.7 million available for additional borrowing under the ABL Facility, including a subfacility for letters of credit, and the covenants under our debt agreements would allow us to borrow a significant amount of additional indebtedness. Additional leverage could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

We may not be able to generate sufficient cash to make required interest and principal payments on, and redemptions of, our indebtedness, and may be forced to take other actions to satisfy our obligations under our indebtedness that may not be successful.

Our 9% Notes mature November 15, 2010 and the ABL Facility matures June 18, 2013. However, the maturity date of the ABL Facility may be accelerated if we default on our obligations under the ABL Facility. Additionally, we must make regular payments under the ABL Facility and our capital leases, and semi-annual and quarterly interest payments under our outstanding notes. In addition, subject to certain exceptions, we are required to make regular redemptions of our 2013 Senior Notes.

Our ability to satisfy our debt obligations will depend upon, among other things:

our future financial and operating performance, which will be affected by prevailing economic conditions and financial, business, regulatory and other factors, many of which are beyond our control; and

our future ability to borrow under the ABL Facility, the availability of which depends on, among other things, our complying with the covenants in the ABL Facility.

We cannot assure you that our business will generate sufficient cash flow from operations, or that we will be able to draw under the ABL Facility or otherwise, in an amount sufficient to fund our liquidity needs.

If our cash flows and capital resources are insufficient to service our indebtedness, we may be forced to reduce or delay capital expenditures, sell assets, seek additional capital or restructure or refinance our indebtedness, including the Exchange Notes. These alternative measures may not be successful and may not permit us to meet our scheduled debt-service obligations. Our ability to restructure or refinance our debt will depend on the condition of the capital markets and our financial condition at such time. Any refinancing of our debt could be at higher interest rates and may require us to comply with more onerous covenants, which could further restrict our business operations. In addition, the terms of existing or future debt agreements may restrict us from adopting some of these alternatives. In the absence of such operating results and resources, we could face substantial liquidity problems and might be required to dispose of material assets or operations to meet our debt service and other obligations. We may not be able to consummate those dispositions for fair market value or at all. Furthermore, any proceeds that we could realize from any such dispositions may not be adequate to meet our debt service obligations then due.

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#### Risks Related to Our Business

Our business is subject to general and industry specific economic factors that are largely out of our control and could affect our operations and profitability.

Our business is dependent on various economic factors over which we have little control, that include:

the availability of qualified drivers,

access to the credit and capital markets,

changes in regulations concerning shipment and storage of material we transport and depot,

increases in fuel prices, taxes and tolls,

interest rate fluctuations,

excess capacity in the tank trucking industry,

changes in license and regulatory fees,

potential disruptions at U.S. ports of entry,

downturns in customers business cycles, and

reductions in customers shipping requirements.

As a result, we may experience periods of overcapacity, declining prices, lower profit margins and less availability of cash in the future. We have a large number of customers in the chemical-processing and consumer-goods industries. If these customers experience fluctuations in their business activity due to an economic downturn, work stoppages or other industry conditions, the volume of freight transported by us or container services provided by us on behalf of those customers may decrease. The trucking industry has experienced a slowdown due to lower demand resulting from slowing economic conditions through 2008 and 2009. We expect these weak conditions to continue in 2010.

Our reliance upon affiliates and independent owner-operators could adversely affect our operations and profitability.

We rely heavily upon participants in our affiliate program and independent owner-operators to perform the services for which we contract with our customers. A reduction in the number of independent owner-operators, whether due to capital requirements related to the expense of obtaining, operating and maintaining equipment or for other reasons, could have a negative effect on our operations and profitability. Similarly, the loss of one or more affiliates could adversely affect our profitability.

Contracts with affiliates are for various terms and contracts with independent owner-operators may be terminated by either party on short notice. Although affiliates and independent owner-operators are responsible for paying for their own equipment and other operating costs, significant increases in these costs could cause them to seek a higher percentage of the revenue generated if we are unable to increase our rates

commensurately. A continued decline in the rates we pay to our affiliates and independent owner-operators could adversely affect our ability to maintain our existing affiliates and independent owner-operators and attract new affiliates, independent owner-operators and drivers. Disagreements with affiliates or independent owner-operators as to payment or other terms, or the failure of a key affiliate to meet our contractual obligations or otherwise perform consistent with our requirements may require us to utilize alternative suppliers, in each case at potentially higher prices or with disruption of the services that we provide to our customers. If we fail to deliver on time or if the costs of our services increase, then our profitability and customer relationships could be harmed.

Although our affiliates and independent owner-operators have substantial contractual obligations to us, we do not control them. These affiliates and independent owner-operators typically utilize tractors and trailers bearing our tradenames and trademarks. To the extent that one of our affiliates or independent owner-operators are subject to negative publicity, they could be confused with us and it could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, cash flows or financial condition.

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We are self-insured and have exposure to certain claims and are subject to the insurance marketplace, all of which could affect our profitability.

The primary accident risks associated with our business are:

motor-vehicle related bodily injury and property damage,

workers compensation claims,

cargo loss and damage, and

general liability claims.

We currently maintain insurance for:

motor-vehicle related bodily injury and property damage claims, covering all employees, owner operators and affiliates,

workers compensation insurance coverage on our employees and company drivers, and

general liability claims.

Our insurance program includes a self insured deductible of \$2.0 million per incident for bodily injury and property damage and a \$1.0 million deductible for workers compensation. In addition, we currently maintain insurance policies with a total limit of \$40.0 million. The \$2.0 million deductible per incident could adversely affect our profitability, particularly in the event of an increase in the number or severity of incidents. Additionally, we are self-insured for damage to the equipment that we own and lease, for cargo losses and such self-insurance is not subject to any maximum limitation. We extend insurance coverage to our affiliates for (i) motor vehicle related bodily injury, (ii) property damage, and (iii) cargo loss and damage. Under this extended coverage, affiliates are responsible for only a small portion of the applicable deductibles.

We are subject to changing conditions and pricing in the insurance marketplace and we cannot assure you that the cost or availability of various types of insurance may not change dramatically in the future. To the extent these costs cannot be passed on to our customers in increased freight rates, increases in insurance costs could reduce our future profitability and cash flow.

The trucking industry is subject to regulation, and changes in trucking regulations may increase costs.

As a motor carrier, we are subject to regulation by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration and the U.S. Department of Transportation, and by various state, federal and provincial agencies. These regulatory authorities exercise broad powers governing activities such as operating authority, safety, hours of service, hazardous materials transportation, financial reporting and acquisitions. There are additional regulations specifically relating to the trucking industry, including testing and specification of equipment, product-handling requirements and drug testing of drivers. The trucking industry is subject to possible regulatory and legislative changes that may affect the economics of the industry by requiring changes in operating practices, emissions or by changing the demand for common or contract carrier services or the cost of providing truckload services. Possible changes include:

increasingly stringent environmental regulations, including changes intended to address climate change,

restrictions, taxes or other controls on emissions,
increasing control over the transportation of hazardous materials,
changes in the hours-of-service regulations, which govern the amount of time a driver may drive in any specific period,
onboard black box recorder devices,
requirements leading to accelerated purchases of new trailers,
mandatory limits on vehicle weight and size, and
mandatory regulations imposed by the Department of Homeland Security

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From time to time, various legislative proposals are introduced, including proposals to increase federal, state, or local taxes, including taxes on motor fuels and emissions, which may increase our operating costs, require capital expenditures or adversely impact the recruitment of drivers.

Restrictions on emissions or other climate change laws or regulations could also affect our customers that use significant amounts of energy or burn fossil fuels in producing or delivering the products we carry. We could also lose revenue if our customers divert business from us because we have not complied with their sustainability requirements.

Increased unionization could increase our operating costs or constrain operating flexibility.

Although only approximately 3.1% of our driver population, including independent owner-operators and employees of affiliates, was subject to collective bargaining agreements at December 31, 2009, unions such as the International Brotherhood of

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Teamsters have traditionally been active in the U.S. trucking industry. Unionized workers could disrupt our operations by strike, work stoppage or other slowdown. In addition, our non-union workforce has been subject to unionization efforts in the past, and we could be subject to future unionization. Increased unionization of our workforce could result in higher compensation and working condition demands that could increase our operating costs or constrain our operating flexibility.

#### Our operations involve hazardous materials, which could create environmental liabilities.

Our activities, particularly those relating to our handling, transporting and storage of bulk chemicals, are subject to environmental, health and safety laws and regulation by governmental authorities in the United States as well as foreign governmental authorities. Among other things, these environmental laws and regulations address emissions to the air, discharges on land and in water, the generation, handling, storage, transportation, treatment and disposal of waste materials, and the health and safety of our employees. These laws generally require us to obtain and maintain various licenses and permits. Most environmental laws provide for substantial fines and potential criminal sanctions for violations. Environmental, health and safety laws and regulations are complex, change frequently and have tended to become stricter over time. Some of these laws and regulations are subject to varying and conflicting interpretations. There can be no assurance that violations of such laws, regulations, permits or licenses will not be identified or occur in the future, or that such laws and regulations will not change in a manner that could impose material costs on us.

As a handler of hazardous substances, we are potentially subject to strict, joint and several liability for investigating and rectifying the consequences of spills and other environmental releases of these substances. We have incurred remedial costs and regulatory penalties for chemical or wastewater spills and releases at our facilities or over the road. As a result of environmental studies conducted at our facilities or at third party sites, we have identified environmental contamination at certain sites that will require remediation and we are currently conducting investigation and remediation projects at seven of our facilities. Future liabilities and costs under environmental, health, and safety laws are not easily predicted, and such liabilities could result in a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations or business reputation.

In addition, we have been named a potentially responsible party at various sites under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 and other environmental regulatory programs. Our current reserves provided for these sites may prove insufficient, which would result in future charges against earnings. Further, we could be named a potentially responsible party at other sites in the future and the costs associated with such future sites could be material.

#### Potential disruptions at U.S. ports of entry could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Any disruption of the delivery of ISO tank containers to those ports where we do business would reduce the number of ISO tank containers that we transport, store, clean or maintain. This reduced activity may have a material adverse effect on our operations.

#### If fuel prices increase significantly, our results of operations could be adversely affected.

We are subject to risk with respect to purchases of fuel. Prices and availability of petroleum products are subject to political, economic and market factors that are generally outside our control. Political events in the Middle East, Venezuela, and elsewhere, as well as hurricanes and other weather-related events, and current and future market-based (cap-and-trade) greenhouse gas emissions control mechanisms, also may cause the price of fuel to increase. Because our operations are dependent upon diesel fuel, significant increases in diesel fuel costs could materially and adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition if we are unable to pass increased costs on to customers through rate increases or fuel surcharges. Historically, we have recovered the majority of the increases in fuel prices from customers through fuel surcharges. Fuel surcharges that can be collected may not always fully offset the increase in the cost of diesel fuel. To the extent fuel surcharges are insufficient to offset our fuel costs, our results of operations may be adversely affected.

#### Loss of qualified drivers or other personnel could limit our growth and negatively affect operations.

During periods of high trucking volumes, there is substantial competition for qualified drivers in the trucking industry. Furthermore, certain geographic areas have a greater shortage of qualified drivers than other areas. We operate in many of the geographic areas where there have been driver shortages in the past and have turned down new business opportunities as a result of the lack of qualified new drivers. Difficulty in attracting qualified personnel, particularly qualified drivers, could require us to increase driver compensation, forego available customer opportunities and underutilize the tractors and trailers in our network. These actions could result in increased costs and decreased revenues. In addition, we may not be able to recruit other qualified personnel in the future.

The loss of one or more significant customers may adversely affect our business.

We are dependent upon a limited number of large customers. Our top ten customers accounted for approximately 32.4% of our total revenues during 2009. The loss of one or more of our other major customers, or a material reduction in services performed for such customers, may have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

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#### Our business may be harmed by terrorist attacks, future wars or anti-terrorism measures.

In the aftermath of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, federal, state and municipal authorities have implemented and are implementing various security measures, including checkpoints and travel restrictions on large trucks and fingerprinting of drivers in connection with new hazardous materials endorsements on their licenses. Such existing measures and future measures may have significant costs associated with them which a motor carrier is forced to bear. Moreover, large trucks carrying toxic chemicals are a potential terrorist target, and we may be obligated to take measures, including possible capital expenditures intended to protect our trucks. In addition, the insurance premiums charged for some or all of the coverage currently maintained by us could continue to increase dramatically or such coverage could be unavailable in the future

#### We depend on members of our senior management.

We believe that our ability to successfully implement our business strategy and to operate profitably depends in large part on the continued employment of our senior management team. If members of senior management become unable or unwilling to continue in their present positions, our business or financial results could be adversely affected.

#### Our long-lived assets are subject to potential asset impairment.

At December 31, 2009, goodwill and other intangible assets represented approximately \$45.5 million, or approximately 16.3% of our total assets and approximately 24.5% of our non-current assets, the carrying value of which may be reduced if we determine that those assets are impaired. In addition, net property and equipment totaled approximately \$127.3 million, or approximately 45.5% of our total assets.

We review for potential goodwill impairment on an annual basis as part of our goodwill impairment testing in the second quarter of each year with a measurement date of June 30, and more often if a triggering event or circumstance occurs making it likely that impairment exists. In addition, we test for the recoverability of long-lived assets at year end, and more often if an event or circumstance indicates the carrying value may not be recoverable. We conduct impairment testing based on our current business strategy in light of present industry and economic conditions, as well as future expectations.

The annual goodwill impairment review performed in June 2009 indicated there was goodwill impairment. As a result of the analysis, we concluded that a total impairment charge to goodwill of \$146.2 million was necessary at June 30, 2009, of which \$144.3 million was related to our trucking segment, eliminating 100% of the carrying amount of goodwill, and \$1.9 million was related to our container services segment.

If there are changes to the methods used to allocate carrying values, if management s estimates of future operating results change, if there are changes in the identified reporting units or if there are changes to other significant assumptions, the estimated carrying values and the estimated fair value of our goodwill could change significantly, and could result in future impairment charges, which could materially impact our results of operations and financial condition.

#### Our restructuring involves risks to our business operations and may not reduce our costs.

During 2008 and 2009, we eliminated non-driver positions, consolidated and closed under-performing company terminals, implemented certain contract terminations, transitioned company-owned terminals to affiliates and took other measures intended to reduce future costs. These steps have placed, and will continue to place, pressures on our management, administrative and operational infrastructure as well as on our results of operations. Employees that departed in connection with the restructuring possessed knowledge of our business, skills and relationships with our customers, affiliates, drivers and other employees that were not replaced. As a result, our remaining employees may be required to serve new operational roles in which they have limited experience, which may reduce employee satisfaction and productivity. New relationships may also reduce customer, affiliate or driver satisfaction. Additionally, our restructuring plans and related efforts may divert management s and other employee s attention from other business concerns.

Due to the restructuring, we took pre-tax charges in 2008 and 2009, which represent severance-related costs and costs associated with lease and contract terminations. The majority of these costs were cash expenditures paid during 2008 and 2009 or costs that we expect to pay in the future. Actual costs may exceed our estimates, and we expect to take additional charges in 2010. Furthermore, we have formulated this restructuring plan with the goal of reducing our future operating expenses. Our future operating expenses may not be reduced as we expect, or reductions may be offset in the future by other expenses.

In addition, risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial may also materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and/or operating results.

Interests of Apollo may conflict with your interests.

At March 8, 2010, Apollo and its affiliated funds owned or controlled approximately 52.2% of QDI s outstanding common stock. As a result, Apollo can influence substantially all matters requiring shareholder approval, including the election of directors, the approval of significant corporate transactions, such as acquisitions and the ability to block an unsolicited tender offer. The interests of Apollo may conflict with your interests. For example, if we encounter financial difficulties, or are unable to pay our debts as they mature, Apollo may have an interest in pursuing acquisitions, divestitures, financings or other transactions that, in their judgment, could enhance their equity investment, even though these transactions might involve risk to QDI s shareholders or our debt holders. Similarly, if our financial performance and creditworthiness significantly improve in the future, Apollo may have an interest in pursuing reorganizations, restructurings, or other transactions that could increase our leverage or impair our creditworthiness or otherwise, in their judgment, enhance Apollo s equity investment in QDI, even though these transactions might involve risk to QDI s shareholders or our debt holders.

#### CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Exchange Act. All statements included in this prospectus that address activities, events or developments that we or our management expect, believe or anticipate will or may occur in the future are forward-looking statements. These statements represent our reasonable judgment on the future based on various factors and using numerous assumptions and are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause our actual results and financial position to differ materially. We claim the protection of the safe harbor for forward-looking statements provided in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Exchange Act. Examples of forward-looking statements include: (i) projections of revenue, earnings, capital structure and other financial items, (ii) statements of our plans and objectives, (iii) statements of expected future economic performance, and (iv) assumptions underlying statements regarding us or our business. Forward-looking statements can be identified by, among other things, the use of forward-looking language, such as believes, should, could, seeks. plans, intends, anticipates or scheduled to or the negatives of those terms, or other variations of the scheduled to or the negatives of those terms, or other variations of the scheduled to or the negatives of those terms, or other variations of the scheduled to or the negatives of those terms, or other variations of the scheduled to or the negatives of those terms, or other variations of the scheduled to or the negatives of those terms, or other variations of the scheduled to or the negatives of the scheduled to or the negative to the negative to the scheduled to or the negative to comparable language, or by discussions of strategy or other intentions. Forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause the actual results to differ materially from those contemplated by the statements. The forward-looking information is based on various factors and was derived using numerous assumptions. Important factors that could cause our actual results to be materially different from the forward-looking statements include the following risks and other factors discussed under the section entitled Risk Factors beginning on page 1 of this prospectus. These factors include:

the effect of local and national economic, credit and capital market conditions on the economy in general, and on the industries in which we operate in particular,
turmoil in credit and capital markets,
access to available and reasonable financing on a timely basis,
availability and price of diesel fuel,
adverse weather conditions,
competitive rate fluctuations,
our substantial leverage and restrictions contained in our debt arrangements and interest rate fluctuations in our floating rate indebtedness,

the cyclical nature of the transportation industry due to various economic factors such as excess capacity in the industry, the availability of qualified drivers, changes in fuel and insurance prices, interest rate fluctuations, and downturns in customers business cycles and shipping requirements,

potential disruption at U.S. ports of entry,

our dependence on affiliates and independent owner-operators and our ability to attract and retain drivers,

changes in the future, or our inability to comply with, governmental regulations and legislative changes affecting the transportation industry,

our material exposure to both historical and changing environmental regulations and the increasing costs relating to environmental compliance including those relating to the control of greenhouse gas emissions, such as market-based (cap-and-trade) mechanisms,

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our liability as a self-insurer to the extent of our deductibles, as well as our ability or inability to reduce our claims exposure through insurance due to changing conditions and pricing in the insurance marketplace,

the cost of complying with existing and future anti-terrorism security measures enacted by federal, state and municipal authorities,

the potential loss of our ability to use net operating losses to offset future income,

increased unionization, which could increase our operating costs or constrain operating flexibility,

changes in senior management,

our ability to successfully manage workforce restructurings,

our ability to effectively manage terminal operations that are converted from company-operated to affiliate,

our ability to successfully integrate acquired businesses,

potential future impairment charges,

changes in planned or actual capital expenditures due to operating needs, changes in regulation, covenants in our debt arrangements and other expenses, including interest expenses, and

interests of Apollo, QDI s largest shareholder, which may conflict with your interests.

In addition, there may be other factors that could cause our actual results and financial condition to be materially different from the results referenced in the forward-looking statements. For example, the cost estimates and expected cost savings for our recent reduction in workforce were determined based upon the operating information and upon certain assumptions that we believe to be reasonable. The estimates are subject to a number of assumptions, which depend upon the actions of persons other than us or other factors beyond our control.

All forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus are qualified in their entirety by this cautionary statement. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made, and we do not intend to update or otherwise revise the forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this prospectus or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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#### THE EXCHANGE OFFER

#### Purpose and Effect of the Exchange Offer

We hereby offer to exchange a like principal amount of Exchange 2013 Senior Notes for any and all Existing 2013 Senior Notes, and a like principal amount of Exchange 2013 PIK Notes for any and all Existing 2013 PIK Notes, on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this prospectus and the accompanying letter of transmittal. You may tender some or all of your Existing 2013 Senior Notes or Existing 2013 PIK Notes pursuant to the exchange offer. As of the date of this prospectus, \$134,499,000 principal amount of Existing 2013 Senior Notes are and \$81,395,785 principal amount of Existing 2013 PIK Notes are outstanding (which principal amount of Existing 2013 PIK Notes includes \$653,785 of interest that was paid in kind on February 1, 2010, thereby increasing the aggregate outstanding principal amount of Existing 2013 PIK Notes). This prospectus, together with the letter of transmittal is first being sent to holders of the Existing Notes on or about [ Our obligation to accept the Existing Notes for exchange pursuant to the exchange offer is subject to certain conditions described in Certain Conditions to the Exchange Offer. We currently expect that the conditions will be met and that no waivers will be necessary. We have entered into registration rights agreements with the dealer managers in connection with the issuances of the Existing Notes, in which we agreed to file a registration statement or statements relating to an offer to exchange the Existing 2013 Senior Notes for Exchange 2013 Senior Notes, and the Existing 2013 PIK Notes for Exchange 2013 PIK Notes, within 120 days of the issuances of the Existing Notes, and to use our commercially reasonable efforts to cause the registration statement or statements to be declared effective within 180 days following the issuances of the Existing Notes. The registration statement, of which this prospectus forms a part, was initially filed pursuant to this obligation on December 18, 2009 and was declared effective by the SEC on [\_\_\_\_\_], 2010. We also agreed to use our best efforts to consummate the exchange offer within 40 days following the effective date of the registration statements. The Exchange 2013 Senior Notes will have terms substantially identical to the Existing 2013 Senior Notes, and the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes will have terms substantially identical to the Existing 2013 PIK Notes, except that the Exchange Notes will not contain terms with respect to transfer restrictions, registration rights and additional interest payable for the failure to have the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part declared effective by April 13, 2010 or the exchange offer consummated by May 23, 2010. The Existing Notes were issued on October 15, 2009.

Under the circumstances set forth below, we will be obligated under the registration rights agreements to use our commercially reasonable efforts to cause the SEC to declare effective a shelf registration statement or statements for the resale of the Existing Notes and to keep the shelf registration statement or statement or statements effective until the earlier of (a) the date on which all outstanding Existing Notes held by persons that are not our affiliates may be resold without registration under the Securities Act pursuant to Rule 144 without being subject to volume restrictions or public information requirements, and (b) such time as all of the Existing Notes have been sold thereunder. These circumstances include:

because of any change in current law or applicable interpretations of the staff of the SEC, we are not permitted to effect the exchange offer;

the exchange offer is not consummated within 220 days after the closing date of the offering of the Existing Notes; or

any holder of Existing Notes who is not entitled to participate in the exchange offer so requests in writing on or before the 60th day after the consummation of the exchange offer.

Each holder of Existing Notes that wishes to exchange Existing Notes for transferable Exchange Notes in the exchange offer will be required to make the following representations to us in writing:

that any Exchange Notes to be received by it will be acquired in the ordinary course of its business;

that at the time of the commencement of the exchange offer it had no arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in the distribution (within the meaning of the Securities Act) of Exchange Notes in violation of the Securities Act;

that it is not an affiliate, as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act, of ours, or if it is an affiliate of ours, that it will comply with the applicable registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act;

if such holder is not a broker-dealer, that it is not engaged in, and does not intend to engage in, the distribution of Exchange Notes; and

if such holder is a broker-dealer, that it will receive Exchange Notes for its own account in exchange for Existing Notes that were acquired as a result of market-making or other trading activities and that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of the Exchange Notes.

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#### Resale of Exchange Notes

Based on interpretations of the SEC staff set forth in no-action letters issued to unrelated third parties, we believe that Exchange Notes issued under the exchange offer in exchange for Existing Notes may be offered for resale, resold and otherwise transferred by a holder of such Exchange Notes without compliance with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act, if:

such holder is not an affiliate of ours within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act;

such Exchange Notes are acquired in the ordinary course of the holder s business; and

the holder does not intend to participate in the distribution of such Exchange Notes.

Any holder who tenders Existing Notes in the exchange offer with the intention of participating in any manner in a distribution of the Exchange Notes:

cannot rely on the position of the staff of the SEC set forth in Based on interpretations of the staff of the SEC contained in *Exxon Capital Holdings Corp.*, SEC no-action letter (May 13, 1988), *Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc.*, SEC no-action letter (June 5, 1991) and *Shearman & Sterling*, SEC no-action letter (July 2, 1993) or similar no-action letters; and

must comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any resale transaction

This prospectus may be used for an offer to resell, for the resale or for other retransfer of Exchange Notes only as specifically set forth in this prospectus. With regard to broker-dealers, only broker-dealers that acquired the Existing Notes as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities may participate in the exchange offer. Each broker-dealer that receives Exchange Notes for its own account in exchange for Existing Notes, where such Existing Notes were acquired by such broker-dealer as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities, must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of the Exchange Notes. Please read Plan of Distribution for more details regarding these procedures for the transfer of Exchange Notes.

#### Terms of the Exchange Offer

Upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this prospectus and in the letter of transmittal, we will accept for exchange any Existing Notes properly tendered and not withdrawn prior to the expiration date of the exchange offer. We will issue a like principal amount of Exchange 2013 Senior Notes in exchange for the principal amount of Existing 2013 Senior Notes surrendered under the exchange offer, and a like principal amount of Exchange 2013 PIK Notes in exchange for the principal amount of Existing 2013 PIK Notes surrendered under the exchange offer.

The form and terms of the Exchange 2013 Senior Notes will be substantially identical to the form and terms of the Existing 2013 PIK Notes, and the form and terms of the Existing 2013 PIK Notes, except the Exchange Notes will be registered under the Securities Act, will not bear legends restricting their transfer and will not provide for any additional interest upon our failure to fulfill our obligations under the registration rights agreements to file, and cause to be effective, a registration statement or statements. The Exchange 2013 Senior Notes will evidence the same debt as the Existing 2013 Senior Notes, and the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes will evidence the same debt as the Existing 2013 PIK Notes, and the Exchange 2013 PIK Notes will be issued under and entitled to the benefits of the same indenture that authorized the issuance of the Existing 2013 PIK Notes. Consequently, both series of 2013 Senior Notes will be treated as a single class of debt securities under the indenture governing the 2013 PIK Notes.

This exchange offer is not conditioned upon any minimum aggregate principal amount of Existing 2013 Senior Notes or Existing 2013 PIK Notes being tendered for exchange.

As of the date of this prospectus, \$134,499,000 principal amount of Existing 2013 Senior Notes are outstanding and \$81,395,785 principal amount of Existing 2013 PIK Notes are outstanding (which principal amount of Existing 2013 PIK Notes includes \$653,785 of interest that was paid in kind on February 1, 2010, thereby increasing the outstanding principal amount of Existing 2013 PIK Notes). This prospectus and the letter of transmittal are being sent to all registered holders of Existing Notes. There will be no fixed record date for determining registered holders of Existing Notes entitled to participate in the exchange offer.

We intend to conduct the exchange offer in accordance with the provisions of the registration rights agreements, the applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations of the SEC. Existing Notes that are not tendered for exchange in the exchange offer will remain outstanding and continue to accrue interest and will be entitled to the rights and benefits such holders have under the indenture relating to the particular class of Existing Notes held by the holder.

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We will be deemed to have accepted for exchange properly tendered Existing Notes when we have given oral or written notice of the acceptance to the exchange agent. The exchange agent will act as agent for the tendering holders for the purposes of receiving the Exchange Notes from us and delivering Exchange Notes to such holders. Subject to the terms of the registration rights agreements, we expressly reserve the right to amend or terminate the exchange offer, and not to accept for exchange any Existing Notes not previously accepted for exchange, upon the occurrence of any of the conditions specified below under the caption

Certain Conditions to the Exchange Offer.

Holders who tender Existing Notes in the exchange offer will not be required to pay brokerage commissions or fees, or, except for those described below, transfer taxes with respect to the exchange of Existing Notes. We will pay all charges and expenses, other than those transfer taxes described below, in connection with the exchange offer. It is important that you read the section labeled Fees and Expenses below for more details regarding fees and expenses incurred in the exchange offer.

#### **Expiration Date; Extensions; Amendments**

This exchange offer will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time on [\_\_\_\_\_\_], 2010, unless in our sole discretion, we extend it.

In order to extend the exchange offer, we will notify the exchange agent orally or in writing of any extension. We will notify in writing or by public announcement the registered holders of Existing Notes of the extension no later than 9:00 a.m., New York City time on the business day after the previously scheduled expiration date.

We reserve the right, in our sole discretion:

to delay accepting for exchange any Existing Notes;

to amend the terms of the exchange offer, or to terminate the exchange offer and to refuse to accept Existing Notes not previously accepted, if any of the conditions set forth below under or written notice of such termination or amendment to the exchange agent; or

to extend the exchange offer by giving oral or written notice to the exchange agent.

Any such delay in acceptance, extension, termination or amendment will be followed as promptly as practicable by oral or written notice or public announcement thereof to the registered holders of Existing Notes. If we amend the exchange offer in a manner that we determine to constitute a material change, including the waiver of a material condition, we will promptly disclose such amendment in a manner reasonably calculated to inform the holders of Existing Notes of such amendment and will extend the exchange offer to the extent required by law, if necessary. Generally we must keep the exchange offer open for at least five business days after a material change. Pursuant to Rule 14e-1(b) under the Exchange Act, if we increase or decrease the percentage of Existing Notes being sought, we will extend the exchange offer for at least ten business days from the date that notice of such increase or decrease is first published, sent or given by us to holders of the Existing Notes. We currently do not intend to decrease the percentage of Existing Notes being sought.

Without limiting the manner in which we may choose to make public announcements of any delay in acceptance, extension, termination or amendment of the exchange offer, we shall have no obligation to publish, advertise, or otherwise communicate any such public announcement, other than by issuing a timely press release to a financial news service.

#### **Certain Conditions to the Exchange Offer**

Despite any other term of the exchange offer, we will not be required to accept for exchange, or exchange any Exchange Notes for, any Existing Notes, and we may terminate the exchange offer as provided in this prospectus before accepting any Existing Notes for exchange if in our reasonable judgment:

the Exchange Notes to be received will not be tradable by the holder without restriction under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act and without material restrictions under the blue sky or securities laws of substantially all of the states of the United States;

the exchange offer, or the making of any exchange by a holder of Existing Notes, would violate applicable law or any applicable interpretation of the staff of the SEC; or

any action or proceeding has been instituted or threatened in any court or by or before any governmental agency with respect to the exchange offer that, in our judgment, would reasonably be expected to impair our ability to proceed with the exchange offer.

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In addition, we will not be obligated to accept for exchange the Existing Notes of any holder that prior to the expiration of the exchange offer has not made:

the representations described under Purpose and Effect of the Exchange Offer, Procedures for Tendering and Plan of Distribution, and

such other representations as may be reasonably necessary under applicable SEC rules, regulations or interpretations to make available to us an appropriate form for registration of the Exchange Notes under the Securities Act.

We expressly reserve the right, at any time or at various times on or prior to the scheduled expiration date of the exchange offer, to extend the period of time during which the exchange offer is open. Consequently, we may delay acceptance of any Existing Notes by giving oral or written notice of such extension to the registered holders of the Existing Notes in accordance with the notice procedures described in the following paragraph. During any such extensions, all Existing Notes previously tendered will remain subject to the exchange offer, and we may accept them for exchange unless they have been previously withdrawn. We will return any Existing Notes that we do not accept for exchange for any reason without expense to their tendering holder promptly after the expiration or termination of the exchange offer.

We expressly reserve the right to amend or terminate the exchange offer on or prior to the scheduled expiration date of the exchange offer, and to reject for exchange any Existing Notes not previously accepted for exchange, upon the occurrence of any of the conditions of the exchange offer specified above. We will give written notice or public announcement of any extension, amendment, non-acceptance or termination to the registered holders of the Existing Notes as promptly as practicable. In the case of any extension, such notice will be issued no later than 9:00 a.m., New York City time, on the business day after the previously scheduled expiration date.

These conditions are for our sole benefit and we may, in our sole discretion, assert them regardless of the circumstances that may give rise to them or waive them in whole or in part at any time or at various times except that all conditions to the exchange offer, other than those described in the first sentence of this section, must be satisfied or waived by us prior to the expiration of the exchange offer. If we fail to exercise any of the foregoing rights, that failure in itself will not constitute a waiver of such right. Each such right will be deemed an ongoing right that we may assert at any time or at various times except that all conditions to the exchange offer, other than those described in the first sentence of this section, must be satisfied or waived by us prior to the expiration of the exchange offer.

In addition, we will not accept for exchange any Existing Notes tendered, and will not issue Exchange Notes in exchange for any such Existing Notes, if any stop order is threatened or in effect with respect to the registration statement of which this prospectus constitutes a part.

#### **Procedures for Tendering**

Only a holder of Existing Notes may tender such Existing Notes in the exchange offer. To tender in the exchange offer, a holder must:

complete, sign and date the letter of transmittal, or a facsimile of the letter of transmittal; have the signature on the letter of transmittal guaranteed if the letter of transmittal so requires; and mail or deliver such letter of transmittal or facsimile to the exchange agent prior to the expiration date; or

comply with DTC  $\,$  s Automated Tender Offer Program procedures described below. In addition, either:

the exchange agent must receive Existing Notes along with the letter of transmittal; or

the exchange agent must receive, prior to the expiration date, a timely confirmation of book-entry transfer of such Existing Notes into the exchange agent s account at DTC according to the procedures for book-entry transfer described below or a properly transmitted agent s message; or

the holder must comply with the guaranteed delivery procedures described below.

To be tendered effectively, the exchange agent must receive any physical delivery of the letter of transmittal and other required documents at the address set forth below under Exchange Agent prior to the expiration date.

The tender by a holder that is not withdrawn prior to the expiration date will constitute an agreement between such holder and us in accordance with the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this prospectus and in the letter of transmittal.

The method of delivery of Existing Notes, the letter of transmittal and all other required documents to the exchange agent is at the holder s election and risk. Rather than mail these items, we recommend that holders use an overnight or hand delivery service. In

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all cases, holders should allow sufficient time to assure delivery to the exchange agent before the expiration date. Holders should not send us the letter of transmittal or Existing Notes. Holders may request their respective brokers, dealers, commercial banks, trust companies or other nominees to effect the above transactions for them.

Any beneficial owner whose Existing Notes are registered in the name of a broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee and who wishes to tender should contact the registered holder promptly and instruct it to tender on the owner s behalf. If such beneficial owner wishes to tender on its own behalf, it must, prior to completing and executing the letter of transmittal and delivering its Existing Notes, either:

make appropriate arrangements to register ownership of the Existing Notes in such owner s name; or

obtain a properly completed bond power from the registered holder of Existing Notes. The transfer of registered ownership may take considerable time and may not be completed prior to the expiration date.

Signatures on a letter of transmittal or a notice of withdrawal described below must be guaranteed by a member firm of a registered national securities exchange or of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., a commercial bank or trust company having an office or correspondent in the United States or another eligible guarantor institution within the meaning of Rule 17Ad-15 under the Exchange Act, unless the Existing Notes tendered pursuant thereto are tendered:

by a registered holder who has not completed the box entitled Special Issuance Instructions or Special Delivery Instructions on the letter of transmittal; or

for the account of an eligible guarantor institution.

If the letter of transmittal is signed by a person other than the registered holder of any Existing Notes, such Existing Notes must be endorsed or accompanied by a properly completed bond power. The bond power must be signed by the registered holder as the registered holder s name appears on the Existing Notes and an eligible guaranter institution must guarantee the signature on the bond power.

If the letter of transmittal or any Existing Notes or bond powers are signed by trustees, executors, administrators, guardians, attorneys-in-fact, officers of corporations or others acting in a fiduciary or representative capacity, such persons should so indicate when signing. Unless waived by us, they should also submit evidence satisfactory to us of their authority to deliver the letter of transmittal.

The exchange agent and DTC have confirmed that any financial institution that is a participant in DTC s system may use DTC s Automated Tender Offer Program to tender. Participants in the program may, instead of physically completing and signing the letter of transmittal and delivering it to the exchange agent, transmit their acceptance of the exchange offer electronically. They may do so by causing DTC to transfer the Existing Notes to the exchange agent in accordance with its procedures for transfer. DTC will then send an agent s message to the exchange agent. The term agent s message means a message transmitted by DTC, received by the exchange agent and forming part of the book-entry confirmation, to the effect that:

DTC has received an express acknowledgment from a participant in its Automated Tender Offer Program that is tendering Existing Notes that are the subject of such book-entry confirmation;

such participant has received and agrees to be bound by the terms of the letter of transmittal (or, in the case of an agent s message relating to guaranteed delivery, that such participant has received and agrees to be bound by the applicable notice of guaranteed delivery); and

the agreement may be enforced against such participant.

We will determine in our sole discretion all questions as to the validity, form, eligibility (including time of receipt), acceptance of tendered Existing Notes and withdrawal of tendered Existing Notes. Our determination will be final and binding. We reserve the absolute right to reject any Existing Notes not properly tendered or any Existing Notes the acceptance of which would, in the opinion of our counsel, be unlawful. We also reserve the right to waive any defects, irregularities or conditions of tender as to particular Existing Notes. Our interpretation of the terms and conditions of the exchange offer (including the instructions in the letter of transmittal) will be final and binding on all parties. Unless waived, any defects or irregularities in connection with tenders of Existing Notes must be cured within such time as we shall determine. Although we intend to notify holders of defects or irregularities with respect to tenders of Existing Notes, neither we, the exchange agent nor any other person will incur any liability for failure to give such notification. Tenders of Existing Notes will not be deemed made until such defects or irregularities have been cured or waived. Any Existing Notes received by the exchange agent that are not properly tendered and as to which the defects or irregularities have not been cured or waived will be returned to the exchange agent without cost to the tendering holder, unless otherwise provided in the letter of transmittal, promptly following the expiration date.

In all cases, we will issue Exchange Notes for Existing Notes that we have accepted for exchange under the exchange offer only after the exchange agent timely receives:

Existing Notes or a timely book-entry confirmation of such Existing Notes into the exchange agent s account at DTC; and

a properly completed and duly executed letter of transmittal and all other required documents or a properly transmitted agent s message.

By signing the letter of transmittal, each tendering holder of Existing Notes will represent that, among other things:

any Exchange Notes that the holder receives will be acquired in the ordinary course of its business;

the holder has no arrangement or understanding with any person or entity to participate in the distribution of the Exchange Notes;

if the holder is not a broker-dealer, that it is not engaged in and does not intend to engage in the distribution of the Exchange Notes;

if the holder is a broker-dealer that will receive Exchange Notes for its own account in exchange for Existing Notes that were acquired as a result of market-making or other trading activities, that it will deliver a prospectus, as required by law, in connection with any resale of such Exchange Notes; and

the holder is not our affiliate, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.

#### **Book-Entry Transfer**

The exchange agent will make a request to establish account(s) with respect to Existing Notes at DTC for purposes of the exchange offer promptly after the date of this prospectus, and any participant in DTC s system may make book-entry delivery of Existing Notes by causing DTC to transfer such Existing Notes into the exchange agent s account at DTC in accordance with DTC s procedures for transfer. Holders of Existing Notes who are unable to deliver confirmation of the book-entry tender of their Existing Notes into the exchange agent s account at DTC or all other documents of transmittal to the exchange agent on or prior to the expiration date must tender their Existing Notes according to the guaranteed delivery procedures described below.

#### **Guaranteed Delivery Procedures**

Holders wishing to tender their Existing Notes but whose Existing Notes are not immediately available or who cannot deliver their Existing Notes, the letter of transmittal or any other required documents to the exchange agent or comply with the applicable procedures under DTC s Automated Tender Offer Program prior to the expiration date of the exchange offer may tender if:

the tender is made through an eligible guarantor institution;

on or prior to the expiration date, the exchange agent receives from such eligible guarantor institution either a properly completed and duly executed notice of guaranteed delivery by facsimile transmission with receipt confirmed by telephone and an original delivered by guaranteed overnight carrier, mail or hand delivery or a properly transmitted agent s message and notice of guaranteed delivery:

setting forth the name and address of the holder, the registered number(s) of such Existing Notes (if applicable) and the principal amount of Existing Notes tendered;

stating that the tender is being made thereby; and

guaranteeing that, within three New York Stock Exchange trading days after the expiration date, the letter of transmittal or facsimile thereof together with the Existing Notes or a book-entry confirmation, and any other documents required by the letter of transmittal will be deposited by the eligible guarantor institution with the exchange agent; and

the exchange agent receives such properly completed and executed letter of transmittal or facsimile thereof, as well as all tendered Existing Notes in proper form for transfer or a book-entry confirmation, and all other documents required by the letter of transmittal, within three New York Stock Exchange trading days after the expiration date.

Upon request to the exchange agent, a notice of guaranteed delivery will be sent to holders who wish to tender their Existing Notes according to the guaranteed delivery procedures set forth above.

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#### Withdrawal of Tenders

Except as otherwise provided in this prospectus, holders of Existing Notes may withdraw their tenders at any time prior to the expiration date.

For a withdrawal to be effective:

the exchange agent must receive a written notice, which notice may be by facsimile transmission or letter of withdrawal at one of the addresses set forth below under Exchange Agent, or

holders must comply with the appropriate procedures of DTC s Automated Tender Offer Program system. Any such notice of withdrawal must:

specify the name of the person who tendered the Existing Notes to be withdrawn;

identify the Existing Notes to be withdrawn, including the class and principal amount of such Existing Notes and the registered number(s) of such Existing Notes (if applicable); and

where certificates for Existing Notes have been transmitted, specify the name in which such Existing Notes were registered, if different from that of the withdrawing holder.

If certificates for Existing Notes have been delivered or otherwise identified to the exchange agent, then, prior to the release of such certificates, the withdrawing holder must also submit:

the serial numbers of the particular certificates to be withdrawn; and

a signed notice of withdrawal with signatures guaranteed by an eligible guarantor institution unless such holder is an eligible institution.

If Existing Notes have been tendered pursuant to the procedure for book-entry transfer described above, any notice of withdrawal must specify the name and number of the account at DTC to be credited with the withdrawn Existing Notes and otherwise comply with the procedures of such facility. We will determine all questions as to the validity, form and eligibility, including time of receipt, of such notices, and our determination shall be final and binding on all parties. We will deem any Existing Notes so withdrawn not to have validity tendered for exchange for purposes of the exchange offer. Any Existing Notes that have been tendered for exchange but that are not exchanged for any reason will be returned to their holder without cost to the holder (or, in the case of Existing Notes tendered by book-entry transfer into the exchange agent s account at DTC according to the procedures described above, such Existing Notes will be credited to an account(s) maintained with DTC for the Existing Notes) as soon as practicable after withdrawal, rejection of tender or termination of the exchange offer.

Properly withdrawn Existing Notes may be retendered by following one of the procedures described under Procedures for Tendering above at any time on or prior to the expiration date.

#### **Exchange Agent**

The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. has been appointed as exchange agent for the exchange offer. You should direct questions and requests for assistance, requests for additional copies of this prospectus or of the letter of transmittal and requests for the notice of guaranteed delivery to the exchange agent addressed as follows:

For Delivery by Hand, Overnight Delivery,

By Facsimile Transmission

**Registered or Certified Mail:** 

(for eligible institutions only):

The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A.

(212) 298-1915

**Corporate Trust Operations** 

Corporate Trust Operations

Reorganization Unit

Reorganization Unit

101 Barclay Street 7E

New York, New York 10286

To Confirm by Telephone

or for Information Call:

(212) 815-5920

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Reorganization Unit

Delivery of the letter of transmittal to an address other than as set forth above or transmission via facsimile other than as set forth above does not constitute a valid delivery of such letter of transmittal.

#### Fees and Expenses

We will bear the expense of soliciting tenders. The principal solicitation is being made by mail; however, we may make additional solicitations by telephone or in person or otherwise by our officers and regular employees and those of our affiliates.

We have not retained any dealer-manager in connection with the exchange offer and will not make any payments to broker-dealers or others soliciting acceptances of the exchange offer. We will, however, pay the exchange agent reasonable and customary fees for its services and reimburse it for its related reasonable out-of-pocket expenses.

Our expenses in connection with the exchange offer include:

SEC registration fees;
fees and expenses of the exchange agent and trustee;

accounting and legal fees and printing costs; and

related fees and expenses.

#### **Transfer Taxes**

We will pay all transfer taxes, if any, applicable to the exchange of Existing Notes under the exchange offer. The tendering holder, however, will be required to pay any transfer taxes, whether imposed on the registered holder or any other person, if:

certificates representing Existing Notes for principal amounts not tendered or accepted for exchange are to be delivered to, or are to be issued in the name of, any person other than the registered holder of Existing Notes tendered;

tendered Existing Notes are registered in the name of any person other than the person signing the letter of transmittal; or

a transfer tax is imposed for any reason other than the exchange of the Existing Notes under the exchange offer. If satisfactory evidence of payment of such taxes is not submitted with the letter of transmittal, the amount of such transfer taxes will be billed to that tendering holder.

Holders who instruct us to register Exchange Notes in the name of, or request that Existing Notes not tendered or not accepted in the exchange offer be returned to, a person other than the registered tendering holder will be required to pay any applicable transfer tax.

#### Consequences of Failure to Exchange

Holders of Existing Notes who do not exchange their Existing Notes for Exchange Notes under the exchange offer will remain subject to the restrictions on transfer of such Existing Notes:

as set forth in the legend printed on the Existing Notes as a consequence of the issuances of the Existing Notes pursuant to the exemptions from, or in transactions not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and applicable state securities

laws; and

otherwise as set forth in the offering memorandum and consent solicitation statement distributed in connection with the offering of the Existing Notes.

In general, you may not offer or sell the Existing Notes unless they are registered under the Securities Act, or if the offer or sale is exempt from registration under the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. Except as required by the registration rights agreements, we do not intend to register resales of the Existing Notes under the Securities Act. Based on interpretations of the SEC staff, Exchange Notes issued pursuant to the exchange offer may be offered for resale, resold or otherwise transferred by their holders, other than any such holder that is our affiliate within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act, without compliance with the registration and prospectus delivery provisions of the Securities Act, provided that the holders acquired the Exchange Notes in the ordinary course of the holders business and the holders have no arrangement or understanding with respect to the distribution of the Exchange Notes to be acquired in the exchange offer. Any holder who tenders in the exchange offer for the purpose of participating in a distribution of the Exchange Notes:

could not rely on the applicable interpretations of the SEC; and

must comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with a secondary resale transaction.

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#### **Accounting Treatment**

We will record the Exchange Notes in our accounting records at the same carrying value as the Existing Notes, as reflected in our accounting records on the date of exchange. Accordingly, we will not recognize any gain or loss for accounting purposes in connection with the exchange offer. We will capitalize certain expenses of the exchange offer as deferred financing costs and amortize those costs over the life of the Exchange Notes ratably based on the total principal amount of 2013 Senior Notes and 2013 PIK Notes outstanding.

#### Other

Participation in the exchange offer is voluntary, and you should carefully consider whether to accept. You are urged to consult your financial and tax advisors in making your own decision on what action to take.

We may in the future seek to acquire untendered Existing Notes in the open market or privately negotiated transactions, through subsequent exchange offers or otherwise. We have no present plans to acquire any Existing Notes that are not tendered in the exchange offer or to file a registration statement to permit resales of any untendered Existing Notes.

#### USE OF PROCEEDS

The exchange offer is intended to satisfy our obligations under the registration rights agreements we entered into in connection with the offering of the Existing Notes. We will not receive any cash proceeds from the issuance of the Exchange Notes. In consideration for issuing the Exchange Notes as contemplated in this prospectus, we will receive in exchange Existing Notes in like principal amount, which will be canceled and as such will not result in any increase in our indebtedness. We did not receive any cash proceeds from the issuances of the Existing Notes, which were issued in exchange for a portion of our 9% Notes and our 2012 Notes that were outstanding on the date of the issuances of the Existing Notes.

#### **CAPITALIZATION**

The following table sets forth our cash and cash equivalents and our capitalization as of December 31, 2009 on a historical basis. The completion of the exchange offer contemplated by this prospectus will not change the amount of debt outstanding or otherwise affect capitalization and is therefore not reflected in the table below. You should read this table in conjunction with Selected Financial Data and Use of Proceeds included elsewhere in this prospectus as well as the historical consolidated financial statements and related notes included in this prospectus.

#### Quality Distribution, Inc. and Subsidiaries (in thousands):

	As of	As of December 31, 2009		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	5,633		
Debt:				
Borrowings under ABL Facility	\$	68,000		
Senior Floating Rate Notes due 2012		501		
10% Senior Notes due 2013 (1)		134,499		
9% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2010		16,031		
11.75% Senior Subordinated PIK Notes due 2013 (2)		81,211		
Capital Lease obligations		17,165		
Other		12,560		
Total debt, including current maturities		329,967		
Total shareholders (deficit)		(140,736)		
Total capitalization	\$	194,864		

- (1) Excludes discount of \$2.3 million related to the remaining unamortized original issue discount of the 2013 Senior Notes.
- (2) Excludes discount of \$6.4 million related to warrants issued with the 2013 PIK Notes.

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#### SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The selected consolidated financial data set forth below is qualified in its entirety by reference to, and should be read in conjunction with, our consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included elsewhere in this prospectus and the section entitled Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations. The historical results do not necessarily indicate results expected for any future period.

The consolidated statements of operations data set forth below for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007 and the historical balance sheet data as of December 31, 2009 and 2008 are derived from our audited consolidated financial statements included in this prospectus. The historical statements of operations data for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005 and the historical balance sheet data as of December 31, 2007, 2006 and 2005 are derived from our audited consolidated financial statements that are not included in this prospectus.

#### YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31

		2009		2008		2007		2006		2005
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Statements of Operations Data (1)										
Operating revenues	\$	613,609	\$	815,290	\$	751,558	\$	730,159	\$	678,076
Operating expenses:										
Purchased transportation		373,539		466,823		471,531		493,686		471,238
Depreciation and amortization		20,218		21,002		17,544		16,353		17,278
Impairment charge (2)		148,630								
Other operating expenses		186,398		294,487		238,630		171,842		149,741
Operating (loss) income		(115,176)		32,978		23,853		48,278		39,819
Interest expense, net		28,047		35,120		30,524		29,388		26,712
Write-off of debt issuance costs		20		283		2,031		,		1,110
Gain on extinguishment of debt		(1,870)		(16,532)						
Other expense (income)		1,912		(2,945)		940		888		(222)
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(Loss) income before taxes		(143,285)		17,052		(9,642)		18.002		12,219
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes		37,249		4,940		(2,079)		(38,168)		352
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Net (loss) income	\$	(180,534)	\$	12,112	\$	(7,563)	\$	56,170	\$	11,867
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Net (loss) income per common share:										
Basic	\$	(9.28)	\$	0.63	\$	(0.39)	\$	2.97	\$	0.63
Diluted	\$	(9.28)	\$	0.62	\$	(0.39)	\$	2.87	\$	0.61
Weighted average common shares outstanding:	·	( /				( ) ( )				
Basic		19,449		19,379		19,336		18,920		18,934
Diluted		19,449		19,539		19,336		19,571		19,301

#### YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31

2009 2008 2007 2006 2005

#### (DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT TERMINAL,

	TRAILER AND TRACTOR DATA)						
Other Data (1)							
Cash paid for interest	\$ 22,70	4 \$ 30,690	\$ 28,850	\$ 27,034	\$ 24,645		
Net cash provided by operating activities	39,75	6 19,593	14,052	28,236	9,039		
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	9,57	7 (8,524)	(63,399)	(10,591)	(16,063)		
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(50,515	) (13,485)	52,194	(12,474)	5,858		
Number of terminals at end of period	10	8 149	169	165	165		
Number of trailers operated at end of period	6,41	0 7,115	7,506	7,769	7,461		
Number of tractors operated at end of period	2,83	9 3,224	3,927	3,829	3,539		
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges (3)		1.4x		1.5x	1.4x		
<b>Balance Sheet Data at Period End (1)</b>							
Working capital	\$ 19,01	6 \$ 44,967	\$ 67,093	\$ 59,673	\$ 43,079		
Total assets	279,61	6 502,103	493,976	417,873	377,053		
Total indebtedness, including current maturities	321,28	4 362,586	349,271	279,122	289,116		
Shareholders (deficit) equity	(140,736	31,020	27,300	31,774	(27,462)		

- (1) On December 17, 2007, we acquired 100% of the stock of Boasso America Corporation. The results of Boasso have been included in our results since the date of the acquisition.
- (2) The impairment charge resulted from an impairment analysis of goodwill and intangible assets performed during the quarter ended June 30, 2009. Refer to Note 12 to the consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.
- (3) For the purpose of computing the ratio of earnings to fixed charges, earnings consist of earnings from continuing operations before income taxes and fixed charges. Fixed charges consist of interest expense including the amortization of deferred debt issuance costs. In 2007 and 2009 earnings were insufficient to cover fixed charges by approximately \$9.6 million and \$143.3 million, respectively.

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

QDI guarantees the 2013 Senior Notes, the 2013 PIK Notes, the 9% Notes and the 2012 Notes and borrowings under the ABL Facility and has no material assets or operations other than its ownership of all of our membership interests. As a result, the discussion below of the historical results of operations and liquidity of QDI is substantially the same as ours. The following discussion of our results of operations and financial condition should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and the related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. The following discussion includes forward-looking statements. For a discussion of important factors that could cause actual results to differ from results discussed in the forward-looking statements, see Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements beginning on page 11 of this prospectus.

#### Overview

We operate the largest chemical bulk tank truck network in North America through our wholly owned subsidiary QCI and are a leading provider of ISO (International Organization for Standardization) container and depot services through our wholly owned subsidiary Boasso.

The bulk tank truck market in North America includes all products shipped by bulk tank truck carriers and consists primarily of liquid and dry bulk chemicals (including plastics) and bulk dry and liquid food-grade products. We primarily transport a broad range of chemical products and provide our customers with logistics and other value-added services. We are a core carrier for many of the major companies engaged in chemical processing including BASF, Dow, DuPont, ExxonMobil, Georgia-Pacific, Honeywell, Procter & Gamble, Rohm & Haas, Sunoco and Unilever, and we provide services to most of the top 100 chemical producers with United States operations.

Our transportation revenue is a function of the volume of shipments by the bulk chemical industry, prices, the average number of miles driven per load, our market share and the allocation of shipments between tank truck transportation and other modes of transportation such as rail. The volume of shipments of chemical products is, in turn, affected by many other industries and end use markets, including consumer and industrial products, paints and coatings, paper and packaging, agriculture and food products, and tends to vary with changing economic conditions.

Due to the nature of our customers business, our revenues generally decline during winter months, namely the first and fourth fiscal quarters and over holidays. Highway transportation can be adversely affected depending upon the severity of the weather in various sections of the country during the winter months. Our operating expenses also are somewhat higher in the winter months, due primarily to decreased fuel efficiency, increased utility costs and increased maintenance costs of equipment in colder months.

Boasso is the leading North American provider of ISO tank container transportation and depot services with eight terminals located in the eastern half of the United States. In addition to intermodal ISO tank transportation services, Boasso provides tank cleaning, heating, testing, maintenance and storage services to customers. Boasso provides local and over-the-road trucking primarily within the proximity of the port cities where its depots are located and also sells equipment that its customers use for portable alternative storage or office space.

Demand for ISO tank containers is impacted by the volume of imports and exports of chemicals through United States ports. Boasso s revenues are accordingly impacted by this import/export volume in particular the number of shipments through ports at which Boasso has terminals, the volume of rail shipments to and from ports at which Boasso has terminals and by Boasso s market share. Economic conditions and differences among the laws and currencies of nations may impact the volume of shipments as well.

Our bulk service network consists primarily of independently owned third-party affiliate terminals, company-operated terminals and independent owner-operator drivers. Affiliates are independent companies we contract with to operate trucking terminals exclusively on our behalf in defined markets. The affiliates provide the capital necessary to service their contracted business and are also responsible for most of the operating costs associated with servicing the contracted business. Independent owner-operators are generally individual drivers who own or lease their tractors and agree to provide transportation services to us under contract. We believe the use of affiliates and independent owner-operators provides the following key competitive advantages to us in the marketplace:

Locally owned and operated affiliate terminals can provide superior, tailored customer service.

Affiliates and independent owner-operators generally are paid a fixed, contractual percentage of revenue collected on each load they transport creating a variable cost structure that mitigates against cyclical downturns.

Reliance on affiliates and independent owner-operators creates an asset-light business model that generally reduces our capital investment.

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In the first quarter of 2009, we began consolidating certain company-operated terminals and transitioning other company-operated terminals to affiliates. These actions continued throughout 2009 and have resulted in a larger portion of our revenue being generated by affiliates and a substantial reduction in the number of terminals in our network. We believe these actions will reduce certain fixed costs, provide a more variable cost structure and position us with a financially flexible business platform.

We believe the most significant factors relevant to our future business growth are the ability to (i) obtain additional business from existing customers, (ii) add new customers, (iii) improve the utilization of our trailer fleet and (iv) add and retain qualified drivers. While many of our customers source some of their logistics needs with rail, we expect our customers to continue to outsource a greater proportion of their logistics needs to full service tank truck carriers. As a result of our leading market position, strong customer relationships and flexible business model, we believe we are well-positioned to benefit from customers seeking consolidation of their shipping relationships and those opting to outsource a greater portion of their logistics needs to third-party tank truck carriers.

On October 15, 2009, we received approximately \$134.5 million of our 2012 Notes in exchange for new 2013 Senior Notes. We also received approximately \$83.6 million of our 9% Notes in exchange for approximately \$80.7 million aggregate principal amount of our new 2013 PIK Notes, approximately 1.75 million warrants and \$1.8 million in cash. The warrants are exercisable to purchase shares of QDI s common stock at an exercise price of \$0.01 per share, during the period beginning April 16, 2010 and ending on November 1, 2013.

#### **Acquisitions and Dispositions**

During 2009, we did not complete any asset or other acquisitions of businesses or affiliates.

On October 10, 2009, we sold substantially all of the operating assets of our tank wash subsidiary, QSI, for \$13.0 million, of which \$10.0 million was paid in cash and the remaining \$3.0 million in a subordinated note. The subordinated note is a five year non-amortizing note which matures on December 31, 2014. The principal is payable in a lump sum at maturity. Interest is payable quarterly at 7% per annum commencing December 31, 2009. In connection with the sale, QSI entered into various agreements with the purchaser, which is not affiliated with us, including long-term leases of real estate used in the tank wash business and various operating agreements. The assets sold had a net book value of \$4.9 million which included \$4.3 million of equipment, \$0.4 million of inventory, and \$0.2 million of intangibles. The sold QSI business generated approximately \$19.5 million of revenue in 2009 from tank wash and related operations. We recorded a pre-tax gain the fourth quarter of \$7.1 million.

During 2008, we purchased the assets of two transportation companies and the assets of an affiliate for \$2.1 million, in the aggregate, of which \$1.4 million was paid in cash at closing and the remaining \$0.7 million is payable over future periods. Of the total \$2.1 million, we allocated \$1.0 million to property and equipment, \$0.9 million to goodwill, and \$0.2 million to other intangible assets such as non-compete agreements.

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

Our discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based upon our consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with GAAP. We believe the following are the more critical accounting policies that impact the financial statements, some of which are based on management s best estimates available at the time of preparation. Actual future experience may differ from these estimates.

*Property and equipment* Property and equipment expenditures, including tractor and trailer rebuilds that extend the useful lives of such equipment, are capitalized and recorded at cost. For financial statement purposes, these assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets to an estimated salvage value.

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The asset lives used are presented in the following table:

	Average Lives (in years)
Buildings and improvements	10 - 25
Tractors and terminal equipment	5 - 7
Trailers	15 - 20
Furniture and fixtures	3 - 5
Other equipment	3 - 10

Tractor and trailer rebuilds, which are recurring in nature and extend the lives of the related assets, are capitalized and depreciated over the period of extension, generally 3 to 10 years, based on the type and extent of these rebuilds. Maintenance and repairs are charged directly to expense as incurred. Management estimates the useful lives of these assets based on historical trends and the age of the assets when placed in service. Any changes in the actual lives could result in material changes in the net book value of these assets. Additionally, we estimate the salvage values of these assets based on historical sales or disposals, and any changes in the actual salvage values could also affect the net book value of these assets.

Furthermore, we evaluate the recoverability of our long-lived assets whenever adverse events or changes in the business climate indicate that the expected undiscounted future cash flows from the related asset may be less than previously anticipated. If the net book value of the related asset exceeds the undiscounted future cash flows of the asset, the carrying amount would be reduced to the present value of its expected future cash flows and an impairment loss would be recognized. This analysis requires us to make significant estimates and assumptions in projecting future cash flows, and changes in facts and circumstances could result in material changes in the amount of any write-offs for impairment.

Goodwill and Intangible Assets We evaluate goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets for impairment annually during the second quarter with a measurement date of June 30, and more frequently if indicators of impairment arise, in accordance with the FASB guidance. We evaluate goodwill for impairment by determining the fair value based on criteria in the FASB guidance for each reporting unit, our trucking segment and our container services segment. These reporting units contain goodwill and other identifiable intangible assets as a result of previous business acquisitions. As a result of our annual impairment test conducted as of June 30, 2009, we concluded a total impairment charge of \$148.6 million was necessary, of which \$144.3 million of goodwill was related to our trucking segment, eliminating 100% of the carrying amount of goodwill of that segment, \$1.9 million was related to our container services segment and \$2.4 million was related to the tradename of our container services segment.

We recorded a provision for income taxes of \$36.3 million associated with the impairment charge. The impairment charge related to both deductible and nondeductible tax goodwill. The impairment would have normally resulted in a tax benefit of \$52.0 million, but this was offset by \$46.7 million of tax expense related to the nondeductible portion of the goodwill. Additionally, the recording of this impairment charge caused an increase to the valuation allowance against deferred tax assets that we no longer believe are more likely than not to be realized. The increase to the valuation allowance resulted in an increase to tax expense of \$41.6 million. The increase to the valuation allowance was triggered by the impairment charge.

We have evaluated at least quarterly whether indicators of impairment exist in accordance with applicable guidance. Prior to our June 30, 2009 analysis, we did not believe that factors attributable to the economic downturn would impact the recoverability of our goodwill. Our performance since the prior period s goodwill impairment test at June 30, 2008 through year end 2008 trended positive and there were no indications from our quarterly reviews that a triggering event had occurred. The first quarter of 2009 showed improved operating income year over year and strong operating cash flow; however, due to the continuing economic downturn, we reviewed not only QDI s market capitalization, but also performed a discounted cash flow analysis based on assumptions adjusted to reflect the current economic environment and which we believed to be appropriate at the time. The conclusions from our extended analysis at March 31, 2009 did not indicate a trend in operating results that would foretell of impairment to our goodwill. For our June 30, 2009 analysis, we adjusted further our assumptions used, such as growth and discount rates, in the annual impairment test to reflect the persistence of the downward economic trend. We continued to evaluate indicators of impairment quarterly following our annual goodwill impairment test at June 30, 2009 through year end 2009, including the quarter ended December 31, 2009. There were no indications that a triggering event had occurred as of December 31, 2009. As of December 31, 2009, we had total goodwill of \$27.0 million, all of which was allocated to container services.

#### Goodwill

Under the FASB guidance, the process of evaluating the potential impairment of goodwill involves a two-step process and requires significant judgment at many points during the analysis. In the first step, we determine whether there is an indication of impairment by comparing the fair value of a reporting unit to its carrying amount, including goodwill. If, based on the first step, we determine that there is an indication of goodwill impairment, we assess the impairment in step two in accordance with the FASB guidance.

In the first step, we determine the fair value for our reporting units using a combination of two valuation approaches: the market approach and the income approach. The market approach uses a guideline company methodology which is based upon a comparison of us to similar publicly-traded companies within our industry. We derive a market value of invested capital or business enterprise value for each comparable company by multiplying the price per share of common stock of the publicly traded companies by their total common shares outstanding and adding each company s current level of debt. We calculate a business enterprise multiple based on revenue and earnings from each company then apply those multiples to each reporting unit s revenue and earnings to conclude a reporting unit business enterprise value. Assumptions regarding the selection of comparable companies are made based on, among other factors, capital structure, operating environment and industry. As the comparable companies were typically larger and more diversified than our reporting units, multiples were adjusted prior to application to our reporting units revenues and earnings to reflect differences in margins, long-term growth prospects and market capitalization.

The income approach uses a discounted debt-free cash flow analysis to measure fair value by estimating the present value of future economic benefits. To perform the discounted debt-free cash flow analysis, we develop a pro forma analysis of each reporting unit to estimate future available debt-free cash flow and discounting estimated debt-free cash flow by an estimated industry weighted average cost of capital based on the same comparable companies used in the market approach. Per the FASB guidance, the weighted average cost of capital is based on inputs (e.g., capital structure, risk, etc.) from a market participant s perspective and not necessarily from the reporting unit or QDI s perspective. Future cash flow is projected based on assumptions for our economic growth, industry expansion, future operations and the discount rate, all of which require significant judgments by management.

After computing a separate business enterprise value under the income approach and market approach, we apply a weighting to them to derive the business enterprise value of the reporting unit. The income approach and market approach were both weighted 50% in the analysis performed at June 30, 2009. The weightings are evaluated each time a goodwill impairment assessment is performed and give consideration to the relative reliability of each approach at that time. Given that the business enterprise value derived from the market approach supported what was calculated in the income approach, we believed that both approaches should be equally weighted. Based on these weightings we concluded a business enterprise value for each reporting unit. We then add debt-free liabilities of the reporting unit to the concluded business enterprise value to derive an implied fair value of the reporting unit. The implied fair value is compared to the reporting unit a scarrying value of total assets. Upon completion of the analysis in step one, we determined that the carrying amount of our trucking reporting unit exceeded its fair value and the carrying amount of our container services reporting unit was nearly breakeven with its fair value, requiring a step two analysis to be performed for both reporting units.

In step two of the goodwill impairment test, the amount of impairment loss is determined by comparing the implied fair value of each reporting unit s goodwill with the carrying value of the reporting unit s goodwill. This involves testing the definite-lived assets in accordance with the FASB guidance using undiscounted cash flows. Then a fair value allocation is performed in accordance with the FASB guidance for each reporting unit based on the business enterprise value obtained in step one. From that we determine the actual goodwill impairment for each reporting unit based on the goodwill residual amount. If the carrying amount of reporting unit goodwill exceeds the implied fair value of that goodwill, an impairment loss must be recognized in an amount equal to the excess. The loss recognized cannot exceed the carrying amount of goodwill. After a goodwill impairment loss is recognized, the adjusted carrying amount of goodwill will be its new accounting basis. Upon completion of step two of the analysis, an impairment charge was determined related to our trucking and container services segments.

#### **Intangible assets**

To determine the implied fair value of our indefinite-lived intangible assets, we utilize the relief from royalty method, pursuant to which those assets are valued by reference to the amount of royalty income they would generate if licensed in an arm s length transaction. Under the relief from royalty method, similar to the discounted cash flow method, estimated net revenues expected to be generated by the asset during its life are multiplied by a benchmark royalty rate and then discounted by the estimated weighted average cost of capital associated with the asset. The resulting capitalized royalty stream is an indication of the value of owning the asset. Based upon management s review of the value of the indefinite-lived intangible assets in our container services segment, we determined that the carrying value of the Boasso tradename exceeded its implied fair value by \$2.4 million. Accordingly, we recorded an impairment charge of \$2.4 million related to our container services segment.

The methodology applied in the analysis performed at June 30, 2009 was consistent with the methodology applied in prior years, but was based on updated assumptions, as appropriate. As a result of the downturn in the economic environment during 2008 and 2009, determining the fair

value of the individual reporting units required more judgment on the part of management than in the

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past. Given the continued recessionary conditions in our industry, estimates of future cash flows used in the analysis performed at June 30, 2009 were lower than those used in the prior year analysis. In addition, our weighted average cost of capital used in the analysis at June 30, 2009 was higher than that used in 2008 due to an increase in the reporting unit risk premium coupled with the market driven inputs to weighted average cost of capital. The discount rates utilized in the analysis also reflect market-based estimates of the risks associated with the projected cash flows of individual reporting units and were increased from the prior year analysis to reflect increased risk due to current volatility in the economic environment.

If there are changes to the methods used to allocate carrying values, if management s estimates of future operating results change, if there are changes in the identified reporting units or if there are changes to other significant assumptions, the estimated carrying values for each reporting unit and the estimated fair value of our goodwill could change significantly, and could result in future impairment charges, which could materially impact our results of operations and financial condition.

Deferred Tax Asset In accordance with FASB guidance, we use the liability method of accounting for income taxes. Significant management judgment is required in determining the provision for income taxes and, in particular, any valuation allowance that is recorded or released against our deferred tax assets.

We continue to evaluate quarterly the positive and negative evidence regarding the realization of net deferred tax assets. The carrying value of our net deferred tax assets is based on our belief that it is more likely than not that we will generate sufficient future taxable income to realize these deferred tax assets. The Company reviews a rolling thirty-six month calculation of U.S. earnings to determine if we are in a cumulative loss position.

During the second quarter of 2009, an impairment charge of \$148.6 million was recorded, and as a result of this charge, we determined that we were in a cumulative loss position. Based on this negative evidence we concluded that it was no longer more likely than not that our net deferred tax asset was realizable. For purposes of assessing realizability of the deferred tax assets, this cumulative financial reporting loss position is considered significant negative evidence that we will not be able to fully realize the deferred tax assets in the future. As a result, a \$41.2 million deferred tax valuation allowance was recorded. Our judgments regarding future taxable income may change due to changes in market conditions, changes in tax laws, operating results or other factors. If any of these factors and related estimates change in the future, it may increase or decrease the valuation allowance and related income tax expense in the same period

At December 31, 2009 we had an estimated \$95.7 million in federal net operating loss carryforwards, \$2.3 million in alternative minimum tax credit carryforwards and \$3.1 million in foreign tax credit carryforwards. The net operating loss carryforwards will expire in the years 2018 through 2027, while the alternative minimum tax credits may be carried forward indefinitely and the foreign tax credits may be carried forward for 10 years.

Uncertain Income Tax Positions In accordance with FASB guidance, we account for uncertainty in income taxes, using a two-step process. The first step is to evaluate the tax position for recognition by determining if the weight of available evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained on audit, including resolution of related appeals or litigation processes, if any. The second step requires us to estimate and measure the tax benefit as the largest amount that is more than 50% likely to be realized upon ultimate settlement. It is inherently difficult and subjective to estimate such amounts, as we have to determine the probability of various possible outcomes. We re-evaluate these uncertain tax positions on a quarterly basis. This evaluation is based on factors including, but not limited to, changes in facts or circumstances, changes in tax law, effectively settled issues under audit, and new audit activity. Such a change in recognition and measurement would result in recognition of a tax benefit and/or an additional charge to the tax provision.

The provision for income taxes was \$37.2 million in 2009 as compared to \$4.9 million in 2008. The effective rate for 2009 was negative 26.0%, which is lower than our normalized tax rate of 39.0%, in large part due to the recording of a deferred tax valuation allowance and an impairment charge.

*Environmental liabilities* We have reserved for potential environmental liabilities based on the best estimates of potential clean-up and remediation for known environmental sites. We employ a staff of environmental professionals to administer all phases of our environmental programs and use outside experts where needed. These professionals develop estimates of potential liabilities at these sites based on projected and known remediation costs. These cost projections are determined through previous experiences with other sites and through bids from third-party contractors. Management believes current reserves are reasonable based on current information.

Accrued loss and damage claims We currently maintain liability insurance for bodily injury and property damage claims, covering all employees, independent owner-operators and affiliates, and workers compensation insurance coverage on our employees and company drivers. This insurance includes deductibles of \$2.0 million per incident for bodily injury and property damage and \$1.0 million for workers compensation for

periods after March 31, 2008. Prior to March 30, 2008, our insurance deductible was \$5.0 million per incident for bodily injury and property damage. As such, we are subject to liability as a self-insurer to the extent of these

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deductibles under the policy. We are self-insured for damage to the equipment we own or lease and for cargo losses. As of December 31, 2009, we had \$33.6 million in an outstanding letter of credit to our insurance administrator to guarantee the self-insurance portion of our liability. If we fail to meet certain terms of our agreement, the insurance administrator may draw down the letter of credit. In developing liability reserves, we rely on professional third party claims administrators, insurance company estimates and the judgment of our own personnel, and independent professional actuaries and attorneys. The most significant assumptions used in the estimation process include determining the trends in loss costs, the expected consistency in the frequency and severity of claims incurred but not yet reported to prior-year claims, and expected costs to settle unpaid claims. Management believes reserves are reasonable given known information, but as each case develops, estimates may change to reflect the effect of new information.

Revenue recognition Transportation revenue, including fuel surcharges, and related costs are recognized on the date freight is delivered. Other service revenue consists primarily of rental revenues, container revenues and tank wash revenues. Rental revenues from affiliates, independent owner-operators and third parties, are recognized ratably over the lease period. Container revenues, consisting primarily of repair and storage services, are recognized when the services are rendered. Tank wash revenues are recognized when the wash is completed. Service revenues on insurance policies are recorded as a contractual percentage of premiums received ratably over the period that the insurance covers. We recognize all revenues on a gross basis as the principal and primary obligor with risk of loss in relation to our responsibility for completion of services as contracted with our customers.

Allowance for uncollectible receivables The allowance for all potentially uncollectible receivables is based on a combination of historical data, cash payment trends, specific customer issues, write-off trends, general economic conditions and other factors. These factors are continuously monitored by our management to arrive at the estimate for the amount of accounts receivable that may be ultimately uncollectible. The receivables analyzed include trade receivables, as well as loans and advances made to independent owner-operators and affiliates. If the financial condition of our customers were to deteriorate, resulting in an impairment of their ability to make payments, an additional allowance could be required.

Stock compensation plans Stock compensation is determined by the assumptions required under the FASB guidance. The fair values of stock option grants are based upon the Black-Scholes option-pricing model and amortized as compensation expense on a straight-line basis over the vesting period of the grants. Restricted stock awards are issued and measured at market value on the date of grant and related compensation expense is recognized over time on a straight-line basis over the vesting period of the grants. Stock-based compensation expense related to stock options and restricted stock was \$0.7 million and \$0.4 million, respectively, for fiscal year 2009. As of December 31, 2009, there was approximately \$5.2 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to the unvested portion of our stock-based awards. The recognition period for the remaining unrecognized stock-based compensation cost generally varies from two to four years. For further discussion on stock-based compensation, see Note 18 of notes to consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

Pension plans We maintain two noncontributory defined-benefit plans resulting from a prior acquisition that cover certain full-time salaried employees and certain other employees under a collective bargaining agreement. Both plans are frozen and, as such, no future benefits accrue. We record annual amounts relating to these plans based on calculations specified by GAAP, which include various actuarial assumptions such as discount rates (6.25% to 6.30%) and assumed rates of return (7.00% to 8.00%) depending on the pension plan. Material changes in pension costs may occur in the future due to changes in these assumptions. Future annual amounts could be impacted by changes in the discount rate, changes in the expected long-term rate of return, changes in the level of contributions to the plans and other factors.

We had an accumulated net pension equity credit (after-tax) of \$1.0 million at December 31, 2009 compared to a charge of \$9.7 million at December 31, 2008. The equity charge in 2008 reflected the decline in our funded status as a result of significant negative asset returns during 2008.

The discount rate is based on a model portfolio of AA-rated bonds with a maturity matched to the estimated payouts of future pension benefits. The expected return on plan assets is based on our expectation of the long-term rates of return on each asset class based on the current asset mix of the funds, considering the historical returns earned on the type of assets in the funds, plus an assumption of future inflation. The current inflation assumption is 3.00%. We review our actuarial assumptions on an annual basis and make modifications to the assumptions based on current rates and trends when appropriate. The effects of the modifications are amortized over future periods.

Assumed discount rates and expected return on plan assets have a significant effect on the amounts reported for the pension plan. At December 31, 2009, our projected benefit obligation (PBO) was \$47.3 million. Our projected 2010 net periodic pension expense is \$1.9 million. A 1.0% decrease in our assumed discount rate would increase our PBO to \$52.3 million and increase our 2010 net periodic pension expense less than \$0.1 million. A 1.0% increase in our assumed discount rate would decrease our PBO to \$43.1 million and decrease our 2010 net periodic pension expense less than \$0.1 million. A 1.0% decrease in our assumed rate of return would not change our PBO but would increase our 2010 net periodic pension expense to \$2.2 million. A 1.0% increase in our assumed rate of return would not change our PBO but would decrease our 2010 net periodic pension expense to \$1.6 million.

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Restructuring We account for restructuring costs associated with one-time termination benefits, costs associated with lease and contract terminations and other related exit activities in accordance with the FASB s guidance. We have made estimates of the costs to be incurred as part of our restructuring plan. During the quarter ended June 30, 2008, we committed to a plan of restructure resulting in the termination of non-driver positions and the consolidation, closure and affiliation of underperforming company terminals. We continued our plan of restructure throughout 2008 which resulted in a restructuring charge of \$5.3 million, of which the majority related to our trucking segment. Our restructuring plan continued in 2009 and resulted in charges of \$3.5 million, of which the majority related to our trucking segment. The charges in 2008 and 2009 related to employee termination benefits and other related exit activities, and included the termination of approximately 350 non-driver positions. We expect to conclude our restructuring plan in 2010 and to take additional related charges during the year. At December 31, 2009, \$1.1 million was accrued related to the restructuring charges, which are expected to be paid through 2010.

#### **New Accounting Pronouncements**

Refer to Note 2, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies New Accounting Pronouncements in the notes to the consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus for discussion of recent accounting pronouncements and for additional discussion surrounding the adoption of accounting standards.

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## **Results of Operations**

The following table sets forth for the periods indicated the percentage of total revenue represented by certain items in our consolidated statements of operations:

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2009	2008	2007	
OPERATING REVENUES:				
Transportation	74.1%	69.4%	77.3%	
Other service revenue	17.1	12.8	10.1	
Fuel surcharge	8.8	17.8	12.6	
Total operating revenues	100.0	100.0	100.0	
OPERATING EXPENSES:				
Purchased transportation	60.9	57.3	62.7	
Compensation	12.5	13.4	11.4	
Fuel, supplies and maintenance	10.2	14.0	10.8	
Depreciation and amortization	3.3	2.6	2.3	
Selling and administrative	4.0	4.4	4.2	

	Year En	Year Ended December 31,				
	2009	2008	2007			
Insurance costs	2.3	1.8	3.2			
Taxes and licenses	0.6	0.6	0.5			
Communication and utilities	1.3	1.6	1.5			
Gain on sale of tank wash assets	(1.2)					
Loss (gain) on disposal of property and equipment	0.1	(0.4)	0.1			
Impairment charge	24.2					
Restructuring costs	0.6	0.7				
Total operating expenses	118.8	96.0	96.7			
Operating (loss) income	(18.8)	4.0	3.3			
Interest expense, net	4.6	4.3	4.1			

Write-off of debt issuance costs