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**FORM 10-Q**

Quarterly report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

**For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2016**

Commission File No. 1-8726

**RPC, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

**58-1550825**

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

2801 Buford Highway, Suite 520, Atlanta, Georgia 30329

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code — **(404) 321-2140**

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes x No "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes x No "

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 definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer x Accelerated filer "  
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes "  
No x

As of October 21, 2016, RPC, Inc. had 217,522,209 shares of common stock outstanding.

**RPC, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**

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**RPC, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**

## PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2016 AND DECEMBER 31, 2015

(In thousands)

(Unaudited)

	September 30, 2016	December 31, 2015 (Note 1)
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 139,087	\$ 65,196
Accounts receivable, net	144,785	232,187
Inventories	110,868	128,441
Income taxes receivable	50,264	51,392
Prepaid expenses	4,528	8,961
Other current assets	6,274	6,031
Total current assets	455,806	492,208
Property, plant and equipment, less accumulated depreciation of \$1,562,000 in 2016 and \$1,423,000 in 2015	539,270	688,335
Goodwill	32,150	32,150
Other assets	25,666	24,401
Total assets	\$ 1,052,892	\$ 1,237,094
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 54,822	\$ 75,811
Accrued payroll and related expenses	14,606	16,654
Accrued insurance expenses	4,932	4,296
Accrued state, local and other taxes	6,992	2,838
Income taxes payable	4,026	7,639
Other accrued expenses	1,706	226
Total current liabilities	87,084	107,464
Long-term accrued insurance expenses	9,706	11,348
Long-term pension liabilities	30,289	33,009

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Deferred income taxes	84,665	115,495
Other long-term liabilities	3,338	17,497
Total liabilities	215,082	284,813
Common stock	21,752	21,699
Capital in excess of par value	—	—
Retained earnings	832,937	948,551
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(16,879)	(17,969)
Total stockholders' equity	837,810	952,281
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 1,052,892	\$ 1,237,094

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

**RPC, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES****CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**

FOR THE THREE AND NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2016 AND 2015

(In thousands except per share data)

(Unaudited)

	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	September 30		September 30	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Revenues	\$175,884	\$291,924	\$507,977	\$995,754
Cost of revenues (exclusive of items shown below)	146,615	234,640	434,868	768,702
Selling, general and administrative expenses	34,859	37,345	114,863	119,985
Depreciation and amortization	51,975	69,047	168,891	204,824
(Gain) loss on disposition of assets, net	(1,148 )	3,791	(3,919 )	1,115
Operating loss	(56,417 )	(52,899 )	(206,726 )	(98,872 )
Interest expense	(115 )	(250 )	(566 )	(1,331 )
Interest income	169	5	296	20
Other income (expense), net	86	(795 )	274	4,932
Loss before income taxes	(56,277 )	(53,939 )	(206,722 )	(95,251 )
Income tax benefit	(17,335 )	(18,766 )	(86,583 )	(33,571 )
Net loss	\$(38,942 )	\$(35,173 )	\$(120,139 )	\$(61,680 )
Loss per share				
Basic	\$(0.18 )	\$(0.16 )	\$(0.56 )	\$(0.29 )
Diluted	\$(0.18 )	\$(0.16 )	\$(0.56 )	\$(0.29 )
Dividends per share	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$0.155

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE LOSS

FOR THE THREE AND NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2016 AND 2015

(In thousands)

(Unaudited)

	Three months ended September 30		Nine months ended September 30	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Net loss	\$(38,942)	\$(35,173)	\$(120,139)	\$(61,680)
Other comprehensive (loss) income:				
Pension adjustment and reclassification adjustment, net of taxes	126	126	380	376
Foreign currency translation	(144 )	(598 )	712	(1,474 )
Unrealized gain (loss) on securities, net of taxes	7	(27 )	(2 )	(29 )
Comprehensive loss	\$(38,953)	\$(35,672)	\$(119,049)	\$(62,807)

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**RPC, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

(In thousands)

(Unaudited)

	Common Stock		Capital in	Retained	Accumulated	Total
	Shares	Amount	Excess of	Earnings	Other	
			Par Value		Loss	
Balance, December 31, 2015	216,991	\$21,699	\$ —	\$948,551	\$ (17,969)	) \$952,281
Stock issued for stock incentive plans, net	827	83	7,353	—	—	7,436
Stock purchased and retired	(296 )	(30 )	(7,713 )	4,525	—	(3,218 )
Net loss	—	—	—	(120,139)	—	(120,139)
Pension adjustment, net of taxes	—	—	—	—	380	380
Foreign currency translation	—	—	—	—	712	712
Unrealized loss on securities, net of taxes	—	—	—	—	(2 )	(2 )
Excess tax benefits for share-based payments	—	—	360	—	—	360
Balance, September 30, 2016	217,522	\$21,752	\$ —	\$832,937	\$ (16,879)	) \$837,810

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**RPC, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES****CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2016 AND 2015

(In thousands)

(Unaudited)

	Nine months ended September 30,	
	2016	2015
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Net loss	\$ (120,139 )	\$ (61,680 )
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation, amortization and other non-cash charges	171,642	208,420
Stock-based compensation expense	8,065	7,695
(Gain) loss on disposition of assets, net	(3,919 )	1,115
Deferred income tax benefit	(31,677 )	(52,038 )
Excess tax benefits for share-based payments	(360 )	(1,410 )
(Increase) decrease in assets:		
Accounts receivable	89,173	348,939
Income taxes receivable	1,488	3,447
Inventories	17,843	18,629
Prepaid expenses	4,436	3,089
Other current assets	(378 )	(4,666 )
Other non-current assets	(1,251 )	1,691
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:		
Accounts payable	(21,603 )	(63,200 )
Income taxes payable	(3,613 )	5,017
Accrued payroll and related expenses	(2,067 )	(28,743 )
Accrued insurance expenses	636	(902 )
Accrued state, local and other taxes	4,154	499
Other accrued expenses	52	(249 )
Pension liabilities	(2,121 )	(146 )
Long-term accrued insurance expenses	(1,642 )	775
Other long-term liabilities	(14,159 )	3
Net cash provided by operating activities	94,560	386,285
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Capital expenditures	(24,917 )	(155,202 )
Proceeds from sale of assets	7,141	7,935
Net cash used for investing activities	(17,776 )	(147,267 )

## FINANCING ACTIVITIES

Payment of dividends	-	(33,599	)
Borrowings from notes payable to banks	-	588,400	
Repayments of notes payable to banks	-	(793,400	)
Debt issuance costs for notes payable to banks	(35	)	-
Excess tax benefits for share-based payments	360	1,410	
Cash paid for common stock purchased and retired	(3,218	)	(4,093
Net cash used for financing activities	(2,893	)	(241,282
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	73,891	(2,264	)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	65,196	9,772	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 139,087	\$ 7,508	
Supplemental cash flows disclosure:			
Interest paid, net of amounts capitalized	\$ 373	\$ 1,124	
Income taxes (received) paid, net	\$ (39,333	)	\$ 8,535
Supplemental disclosure of noncash investing activities:			
Capital expenditures included in accounts payable	\$ 3,002	\$ 5,349	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

## RPC, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 1. GENERAL

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements include the accounts of RPC, Inc. and its wholly-owned subsidiaries (“RPC” or the “Company”) and have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States for complete financial statements. These consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 810, “Consolidation” and Rule 3A-02(a) of Regulation S-X. In accordance with ASC Topic 810 and Rule 3A-02 (a) of Regulation S-X, the Company’s policy is to consolidate all subsidiaries and investees where it has voting control.

In the opinion of management, all adjustments (all of which consisted of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. Operating results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2016 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2016.

The balance sheet at December 31, 2015 has been derived from the audited financial statements at that date but does not include all of the information and footnotes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for complete financial statements. For further information, refer to the consolidated financial statements and footnotes thereto included in the Company’s annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015.

A group that includes the Company’s Chairman of the Board, R. Randall Rollins, and his brother Gary W. Rollins, who is also a director of the Company, and certain companies under their control, controls in excess of fifty percent of the Company’s voting power.

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the presentation in the current year.

#### 2. REVENUES

RPC's revenues are generated principally from providing services and the related equipment. Revenues are recognized when the services are rendered and collectability is reasonably assured. Revenues from services and equipment are based on fixed or determinable priced purchase orders or contracts with the customer and do not include the right of return. Rates for services and equipment are priced on a per day, per unit of measure, per man hour or similar basis. Sales tax charged to customers is presented on a net basis within the consolidated statement of operations and excluded from revenues.

3. RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

The Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued the following applicable Accounting Standards Updates (ASU):

**Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements:**

**Accounting Standards Update No. 2015-16, Business Combinations (Topic 805): Simplifying the Accounting for Measurement-Period Adjustments.** The amendments eliminate the requirement to retrospectively account for adjustments made to provisional amounts recognized in a business combination. Adjustments to provisional amounts that are identified during the measurement period are required to be recognized in the reporting period in which the adjustments are determined and calculated as if the accounting had been completed at the acquisition date and either disclosed on the face of the income statement or in the notes by each category. The Company adopted these provisions in the first quarter of 2016 and plans to apply the provisions for all business combinations completed thereafter. The adoption did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

**Accounting Standards Update No. 2015-07, Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820): Disclosures for Investments in Certain Entities That Calculate Net Asset Value per Share (or Its Equivalent).** The amendments remove the requirement to categorize within the fair value hierarchy all investments for which fair value is measured using the net asset value per share (or its equivalent) practical expedient. In addition, there is no requirement to make certain disclosures for such investments. The Company adopted these provisions in the first quarter of 2016 and plans to exclude the pension assets that are measured using the net asset value per share from the fair value hierarchy disclosure. The adoption did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

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### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**Accounting Standards Update No. 2014-15, Presentation of Financial Statements — Going Concern (Subtopic 205-40): Disclosure of Uncertainties about an Entity’s Ability to Continue as a Going Concern.** Financial statements are generally prepared under the presumption that the reporting organization will continue to operate as a going concern, except in limited circumstances. This ASU provides guidance on management’s responsibility to include footnote disclosures when there is substantial doubt about the organization’s ability to continue as a going concern. The Company adopted these provisions in the first quarter of 2016 and will provide such disclosures as required if there are conditions and events that raise substantial doubt about its ability to continue as a going concern. The adoption did not have a material impact on the Company’s consolidated financial statements.

#### **Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements Not Yet Adopted:**

**Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-15, Statement of Cash Flows (Topic 230): Classification of Certain Cash Receipts and Cash Payments.** The amendments provide guidance in the presentation and classification of certain cash receipts and cash payments in the statement of cash flows including debt prepayment or debt extinguishment costs, contingent consideration payments made after a business combination, proceeds from the settlement of insurance claims, proceeds from the settlement of corporate-owned life insurance policies, and distributions received from equity method investees. The amendments are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, and interim periods within those fiscal years with early adoption permitted. The amendments should be applied using a retrospective transition method to each period presented. If it is impracticable to apply the amendments retrospectively for some of the issues, the amendments for those issues would be applied prospectively as of the earliest date practicable. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of adopting these provisions on its consolidated financial statements.

**Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-13, Financial Instruments — Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments.** The amendments require the credit losses on available-for-sale debt securities and purchased financial assets with credit deterioration should be presented as an allowance rather than a write down. It also allows recording of credit loss reversals in current period net income. The amendments are effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2019 with early application permitted a year earlier. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of adopting these provisions on its consolidated financial statements.

**Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-12, Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606): Narrow-Scope Improvements and Practical Expedients.** The amendments provide clarifying guidance on (i) the

criteria of collectability and recognition of related revenue; (ii) election to exclude amounts collected from customers for all sales (and other similar) taxes from the transaction price; (iii) measurement date for noncash consideration and variability related to the form of consideration. In addition, the amendments provide a practical expedient (i) to reflect the aggregate effect of all modifications that occur before the beginning of the earliest period presented; (ii) to clarify the status of completed contracts under legacy GAAP and (iii) the disclosures related to the application of this guidance using the modified retrospective or retrospective transition method. The Company plans to adopt these provisions in the first quarter of 2018 and is currently evaluating the impact of adopting these provisions on its consolidated financial statements.

**Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-11, Revenue Recognition (Topic 605) and Derivatives and Hedging (Topic 815): Rescission of SEC Guidance Because of Accounting Standards Updates 2014-09 and 2014-16 Pursuant to Staff Announcements at the March 3, 2016 EITF Meeting.** This ASU rescinds certain SEC guidance related to (i) revenue and expense recognition for freight services; (ii) shipping and handling fees and costs; (iii) consideration given by a vendor to a customer; and (iv) gas balancing arrangements that are currently codified under various topics. The Company plans to adopt these provisions in the first quarter of 2018 and is currently evaluating the impact of adopting these provisions on its consolidated financial statements.

**Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-10, Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606): Identifying Performance Obligations and Licensing.** The amendments clarify the following two aspects: (a) identifying performance obligations – better articulating the principle for determining whether promises to transfer goods or services are separately identifiable and revising the related factors and examples to align with the clarification; and (b) the licensing implementation guidance to improve its operability and understandability. The Company plans to adopt these provisions in the first quarter of 2018 and is currently evaluating the impact of adopting these provisions on its consolidated financial statements.

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### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-09, Compensation — Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting.** The amendments simplify several aspects of the accounting for share-based payment award transactions, including: (a) income tax consequences; (b) classification of awards as either equity or liabilities; and (c) classification within the statement of cash flows. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016, and interim periods within those annual periods. Early adoption is permitted for any organization in any interim or annual period. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of adopting these provisions on its consolidated financial statements.

**Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-08, Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606): Principal versus Agent Considerations (Reporting Revenue Gross versus Net).** The amendments relate to when another party, along with the entity, is involved in providing a good or service to a customer. Topic 606 requires an entity to determine whether the nature of its promise is to provide that good or service to the customer (i.e., the entity is a principal) or to arrange for the good or service to be provided to the customer by the other party (i.e., the entity is an agent). The Company plans to adopt these provisions in the first quarter of 2018 and is currently evaluating the impact of adopting these provisions on its consolidated financial statements.

**Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-07, Investments — Equity Method and Joint Ventures (Topic 323) Simplifying the Transition to the Equity Method of Accounting.** The amendments eliminate the requirement to adjust the investment, results of operations, and retained earnings retroactively when an investment qualifies for use of the equity method as a result of an increase in the level of ownership interest or degree of influence. The cost of acquiring the additional interest in the investee is to be added to the current basis of the investor's previously held interest and the equity method is to be adopted as of the date the investment becomes qualified for it. In addition, an entity that has an available-for-sale equity security that becomes qualified for the equity method of accounting is required to recognize through earnings the unrealized holding gain or loss in accumulated other comprehensive income at the date the investment becomes qualified for use of the equity method. The amendments are effective for fiscal years and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2016. The amendments should be applied prospectively with earlier application permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of adopting these provisions on its consolidated financial statements.

**Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-02, Leases (Topic 842).** Under the new guidance, lessees will need to recognize a right-of-use asset and a lease liability for virtually all of their leases (other than leases that meet the definition of a short-term lease), at the commencement of the lease term. The liability will be equal to the present value of lease payments. The asset will be based on the liability, subject to adjustment, such as for initial direct costs. The amendments in this standard are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, including interim periods within those fiscal years. Early application is permitted. Lessees (for capital and operating leases) and lessors



(for sales-type, direct financing, and operating leases) must apply a modified retrospective transition approach for leases existing at, or entered into after, the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented in the financial statements. Lessees and lessors may not apply a full retrospective transition approach. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of adopting these provisions on its consolidated financial statements.

**Accounting Standards Updates No. 2016-01, Financial Instruments — Overall (Subtopic 825-10): Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities.** The amendments make targeted improvements to existing U.S. GAAP and affects accounting for equity investments and financial instruments and liabilities and related disclosures. The guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim periods within those fiscal years with early adoption permitted for certain provisions. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of these provisions on its consolidated financial statements.

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## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**Accounting Standards Update No. 2015-11, Inventory (Topic 330): Simplifying the Measurement of Inventory.**

Current requirements are to measure inventory at the lower of cost or market. Market could be replacement cost, net realizable value, or net realizable value less an approximated normal profit margin. These amendments allow inventory to be measured at lower of cost or net realizable value and eliminates the market requirement. Net realizable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less reasonably predictable costs of completion, disposal, and transportation. The amendments do not apply to inventory that is measured using last-in, first-out or the retail inventory method. The amendments are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016, including interim periods within those fiscal years. The amendments are to be applied prospectively with earlier application permitted. The Company plans to adopt these provisions in the first quarter of 2017 and currently does not expect the adoption to have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

**Accounting Standards Update 2014-09, Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606).** The core principle of the guidance is that an entity should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. To achieve that core principle, an entity should apply a five step process – (i) identifying the contract(s) with a customer, (ii) identifying the performance obligations in the contract, (iii) determining the transaction price, (iv) allocating the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract and (v) recognizing revenue when (or as) the entity satisfies a performance obligation. The Company plans to adopt these provisions in the first quarter of 2018 in accordance with ASU 2015-14 that deferred the effective date of ASU 2014-09 for all entities by one year. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of adopting these provisions on its consolidated financial statements.

## 4. LOSS PER SHARE

Basic and diluted loss per share are computed by dividing net loss by the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the respective periods. In addition, the Company has periodically issued share-based payment awards that contain non-forfeitable rights to dividends and are therefore considered participating securities. Restricted shares of common stock (participating securities) outstanding and a reconciliation of weighted average shares outstanding is as follows:

(In thousands)	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	September 30		September 30	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Net loss available for stockholders:	\$(38,942 )	\$(35,173 )	\$(120,139 )	\$(61,680 )

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Less: Adjustments for losses attributable to participating securities	-	-	-	(240 )
Net loss used in calculating losses per share	\$(38,942 )	\$(35,173 )	\$(120,139 )	\$(61,920 )
Weighted average shares outstanding (including participating securities)	217,531	213,679	217,511	213,617
Adjustment for participating securities	(3,265 )	(3,337 )	(3,298 )	(3,373 )
Shares used in calculating basic losses per share	214,266	210,342	214,213	210,244
Dilutive effect of stock based awards	-	-	-	-
Shares used in calculating diluted losses per share	214,266	210,342	214,213	210,244

## 5. STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

In April 2014, the Company reserved 8,000,000 shares of common stock under the 2014 Stock Incentive Plan with a term of 10 years expiring in April 2024. This plan provides for the issuance of various forms of stock incentives, including, among others, incentive and non-qualified stock options and restricted shares. As of September 30, 2016, there were 6,238,000 shares available for grant.

Stock-based employee compensation expense was as follows for the periods indicated:

(in thousands)	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	September 30,		September 30	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Pre-tax expense	\$ 2,703	\$ 2,586	\$ 8,065	\$ 7,695
After tax expense	\$ 1,716	\$ 1,642	\$ 5,121	\$ 4,886

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## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

*Restricted Stock*

The following is a summary of the changes in non-vested restricted shares for the nine months ended September 30, 2016:

	Shares	Weighted Average Grant-Date Fair Value
Non-vested shares at December 31, 2015	3,312,175	\$ 13.17
Granted	920,100	10.77
Vested	(883,201 )	11.57
Forfeited	(93,399 )	13.27
Non-vested shares at September 30, 2016	3,255,675	\$ 12.92

The total fair value of shares vested during the nine months ended September 30, 2016 was \$9,611,000 and during the nine months ended September 30, 2015 was \$12,727,000. Tax benefits for compensation tax deductions in excess of compensation expense for restricted shares totaled \$360,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and \$1,410,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2015. These tax benefits were credited to capital in excess of par value and classified as financing activities in the consolidated statements of cash flows.

As of September 30, 2016, total unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested restricted shares was \$40,826,000 which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 3.6 years.

**6. BUSINESS SEGMENT INFORMATION**

RPC's service lines have been aggregated into two reportable oil and gas services segments, Technical Services and Support Services, because of the similarities between the financial performance and approach to managing the service lines within each of the segments, as well as the economic and business conditions impacting their business activity levels. Corporate includes selected administrative costs incurred by the Company that are not allocated to business units. Gains or losses on disposition of assets are reviewed by the Company's chief decision maker on a consolidated basis, and accordingly the Company does not report these gains or losses at the segment level.

Technical Services include RPC's oil and gas service lines that utilize people and equipment to perform value-added completion, production and maintenance services directly to a customer's well. These services include pressure pumping services, snubbing, coiled tubing, nitrogen pumping, well control consulting and firefighting, downhole tools, wireline, and fluid pumping services. These Technical Services are primarily used in the completion, production and maintenance of oil and gas wells. The principal markets for this segment include the United States, including the Gulf of Mexico, the mid-continent, southwest, Rocky Mountain and Appalachian regions, and international locations including primarily Argentina, Canada, Gabon, Bolivia, China and Mexico. Customers include major multi-national and independent oil and gas producers, and selected nationally-owned oil companies.

Support Services include RPC's oil and gas service lines that primarily provide equipment for customer use or services to assist customer operations. The equipment and services include drill pipe and related tools, pipe handling, inspection and storage services and oilfield training services. The demand for these services tends to be influenced primarily by customer drilling-related activity levels. The principal markets for this segment include the United States, including the Gulf of Mexico and the mid-continent regions, and selected international locations. Customers include domestic operations of major multi-national and independent oil and gas producers, and selected nationally-owned oil companies.

Inter-segment revenues are generally recorded in segment operating results at prices that management believes approximate prices for arm's length transactions and are not material to operating results. Certain information with respect to RPC's business segments is set forth in the following tables:

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Certain information with respect to RPC's business segments is set forth in the following tables:

(in thousands)	<b>Three months ended September 30</b>		Nine months ended September 30	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Revenues:				
Technical Services	\$ 163,331	\$ 271,346	\$ 470,020	\$ 925,245
Support Services	12,553	20,578	37,957	70,509
Total revenues	\$ 175,884	\$ 291,924	\$ 507,977	\$ 995,754
Operating loss:				
Technical Services	\$(48,627 )	\$(44,240 )	\$(177,581 )	\$(87,631 )
Support Services	(5,541 )	(1,850 )	(19,340 )	599
Corporate	(3,397 )	(3,018 )	(13,724 )	(10,725 )
Gain (loss) on disposition of assets, net	1,148	(3,791 )	3,919	(1,115 )
Total operating loss	\$(56,417 )	\$(52,899 )	\$(206,726 )	\$(98,872 )
Interest expense	(115 )	(250 )	(566 )	(1,331 )
Interest income	169	5	296	20
Other income (expense), net	86	(795 )	274	4,932
Loss before income taxes	\$(56,277 )	\$(53,939 )	\$(206,722 )	\$(95,251 )

<b>As of and for the nine months ended September 30, 2016</b>	<b>Technical Services</b>	<b>Support Services</b>	<b>Corporate</b>	<b>Total</b>
(in thousands)				
Depreciation and amortization	\$ 148,880	\$ 19,657	\$ 354	\$ 168,891
Capital expenditures	20,596	1,953	2,368	24,917
Identifiable assets	\$ 749,721	\$ 78,471	\$ 224,700	\$ 1,052,892

<b>As of and nine months ended September 30, 2015</b>	<b>Technical Services</b>	<b>Support Services</b>	<b>Corporate</b>	<b>Total</b>
(in thousands)				
Depreciation and amortization	\$ 179,778	\$ 24,667	\$ 379	\$ 204,824
Capital expenditures	144,715	9,732	755	155,202
Identifiable assets	\$ 1,094,802	\$ 116,890	\$ 76,399	\$ 1,288,091

## 7. INVENTORIES

Inventories of \$110,868,000 at September 30, 2016 and \$128,441,000 at December 31, 2015 consist of raw materials, parts and supplies.

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## 8.EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN

The following represents the net periodic benefit cost and related components of the Company's multiple employers Retirement Income Plan:

(in thousands)	<b>Three months ended</b>		<b>Nine months ended</b>	
	<b>September 30</b>		<b>September 30</b>	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Interest cost	\$ 502	\$ 474	\$ 1,505	\$ 1,422
Expected return on plan assets	(533 )	(565 )	(1,599 )	(1,695 )
Amortization of net losses	200	198	599	594
Net periodic benefit cost	\$ 169	\$ 107	\$ 505	\$ 321

The Company contributions to this plan were \$4,300,000 during the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and \$850,000 during the nine months ended September 30, 2015.

The Company permits selected highly compensated employees to defer a portion of their compensation into the non-qualified Supplemental Retirement Plan ("SERP"). The SERP assets are marked to market and totaled \$17,785,000 as of September 30, 2016 and \$16,081,000 as of December 31, 2015. The SERP assets are reported in non-current other assets on the consolidated balance sheets and changes in the fair value of these assets are reported in the consolidated statements of operations as compensation cost in selling, general and administrative expenses. Trading gains (losses) related to the SERP assets were approximately as follows:

(in thousands)	<b>Three months ended</b>		<b>Nine months ended</b>	
	<b>September 30</b>		<b>September 30</b>	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Trading gains (losses), net	\$ 977	\$ (1,424 )	\$ 713	\$ (1,030 )

The SERP liability includes participant deferrals net of distributions and is recorded on the consolidated balance sheets in long-term pension liabilities with any change in the fair value of the liabilities recorded as compensation cost



within selling, general and administrative expenses in the consolidated statements of operations.

## 9. NOTES PAYABLE TO BANKS

The Company has a revolving credit facility with Banc of America Securities, LLC, SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc., and Regions Capital Markets as Joint Lead Arrangers and Joint Book Managers, and a syndicate of four other lenders. The facility has a general term of five years ending January 17, 2019 and provides for a line of credit of up to \$125 million, including a \$50 million letter of credit subfacility, and a \$35 million swingline subfacility. The revolving credit facility contains customary terms and conditions, including restrictions on indebtedness, dividend payments, business combinations and other related items. The revolving credit facility includes a full and unconditional guarantee by the Company's 100 percent owned domestic subsidiaries whose assets equal substantially all of the consolidated assets of the Company and its subsidiaries. Certain of the Company's minor subsidiaries are not guarantors.

On June 30, 2016, the Company amended the revolving credit facility to (1) establish a borrowing base to be the lesser of (a) \$125 million or (b) the difference between (i) a specified percentage (ranging from 70% to 80%) of eligible accounts receivable less (ii) the amount of any outstanding letters of credit, (2) secure payment obligations under the credit facility with a security interest in the consolidated accounts receivable, and (3) replace the financial covenants related to minimum leverage and debt service coverage ratios with a covenant to maintain a minimum tangible net worth of not less than \$700 million. As of September 30, 2016, the Company was in compliance with this covenant.

Revolving loans under the amended revolving credit facility bear interest at one of the following two rates at the Company's election:

the Base Rate, which is a fluctuating rate per annum equal to the highest of (a) the Federal Funds Rate plus 0.50%, (b) Bank of America's publicly announced "prime rate," and (c) the Eurodollar Rate plus 1.00%; in each case plus a margin that ranges from 0.125% to 1.125% based on a quarterly consolidated leverage ratio calculation; or

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the Eurodollar Rate, which is the rate per annum equal to the London Interbank Offering Rate (“LIBOR”); plus, a margin ranging from 1.125% to 2.125%, based upon a quarterly debt covenant calculation.

In addition, the Company pays an annual fee ranging from 0.225% to 0.325%, based on a quarterly consolidated leverage ratio calculation, on the unused portion of the credit facility.

The Company has incurred loan origination fees and other debt related costs associated with the revolving credit facility in the aggregate of approximately \$3.0 million. These costs, net of amounts written off as a result of a reduction in the size of the revolving credit facility in 2015, are being amortized to interest expense over the remaining term of the five-year loan, and the remaining net balance of \$0.3 million at September 30, 2016 is classified as part of non-current other assets.

On January 4, 2016, the Company entered into a separate one year \$35 million uncommitted letter of credit facility with Bank of America, N.A. Under the terms of the letter of credit facility, the Company will pay 0.75% per annum on outstanding letters of credit. No origination fees were incurred in connection with this facility. Letters of credit outstanding under this facility totaled \$17.7 million as of September 30, 2016 and \$29.3 million as of December 31, 2015.

As of September 30, 2016, RPC had no outstanding borrowings under the revolving credit facility. Interest incurred and paid on the credit facility, interest capitalized related to facilities and equipment under construction, and the related weighted average interest rates were as follows for the periods indicated:

	<b>Three months ended</b>		<b>Nine months ended</b>		
	<b>September 30</b>		<b>September 30</b>		
	2016	2015	2016	2015	
(in thousands except interest rate data)					
Interest incurred	\$ 115	\$ 376	\$ 334	\$ 1,738	
Capitalized interest	\$ -	\$ 145	\$ -	\$ 455	
Weighted average interest rate	<b>N/A</b>	4.3	% <b>N/A</b>	2.1	%

## 10. INCOME TAXES

The Company determines its periodic income tax benefit or expense based upon the current period income and the annual estimated tax rate for the Company adjusted for any change to prior period estimates. The estimated tax rate is revised, if necessary, as of the end of each successive interim period during the fiscal year to the Company's current annual estimated tax rate.

For the three months ended September 30, 2016, the income tax benefit reflects an effective tax rate of 30.8 percent compared to an effective tax rate of 34.8 percent for the comparable period in the prior year. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016, the income tax benefit reflects an effective tax rate of 41.9 percent compared to an effective tax rate of 35.2 percent for the comparable period in the prior year. The nine-month effective tax rate includes a discrete income tax benefit of \$15.7 million recognized during the first quarter of 2016 related to the favorable resolution of uncertain state income tax positions. As a result of this adjustment, the balance of unrecognized tax benefits as of September 30, 2016 was approximately \$2.2 million.

The Company adopted the provisions of Accounting Standards Update 2015-17 as of the year ended December 31, 2015 that requires all deferred tax balances to be classified as non-current. Accordingly, the net deferred tax balance has been reflected as a non-current liability in the accompanying balance sheet as of September 30, 2016.

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## 11. FAIR VALUE DISCLOSURES

The various inputs used to measure assets at fair value establish a hierarchy that distinguishes between assumptions based on market data (observable inputs) and the Company's assumptions (unobservable inputs). The hierarchy consists of three broad levels as follows:

1. Level 1 – Quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
2. Level 2 – Quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active, and model-based valuation techniques for which all significant assumptions are observable in the market or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities.
3. Level 3 – Unobservable inputs developed using the Company's estimates and assumptions, which reflect those that market participants would use.

The following table summarizes the valuation of financial instruments measured at fair value on a recurring basis in the balance sheets as of September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015:

(in thousands)	Fair value measurements at September 30, 2016 with:		
	Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (Level 1)	Significant other observable inputs (Level 2)	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3)
Assets:			
Trading securities	\$ -	\$ 17,785	\$ -
Available-for-sale securities	257	-	-

(in thousands)	Fair value measurements at December 31, 2015 with:		
	Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (Level 1)	Significant other observable inputs (Level 2)	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3)
Assets:			
Trading securities	\$ -	\$ 16,081	\$ -
Available-for-sale securities	259	-	-

The Company determines the fair value of the marketable securities that are available-for-sale through quoted market prices. The total fair value is the final closing price, as defined by the exchange in which the asset is actively traded, on the last trading day of the period, multiplied by the number of units held without consideration of transaction costs. Significant observable inputs in addition to quoted market prices were used to value trading securities. As a result, the Company classified these investments as using level 2 inputs.

There were no outstanding borrowings on the revolving credit facility at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015. The fair value of borrowings is based on quotes from the lender (level 2 inputs). The borrowings under the Company's revolving credit facility bear interest at the variable rate described in Note 9. The Company is subject to interest rate risk on the variable component of the interest rate.

The carrying amounts of other financial instruments reported in the balance sheet for current assets and current liabilities approximate their fair values because of the short-term nature of these instruments.

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## 12. ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) INCOME

Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income consists of the following (in thousands):

	Pension Adjustment	Unrealized Gain (Loss) On Securities	Foreign Currency Translation	Total
Balance at December 31, 2015	\$ (14,715 )	\$ 36	\$ (3,290 )	\$(17,969)
Change during the period:				
Before-tax amount	-	(3 )	712	709
Tax benefit	-	1	-	1
Reclassification adjustment, net of taxes:				
Amortization of net loss <sup>(1)</sup>	380	-	-	380
Total activity for the period	380	(2 )	712	1,090
Balance at September 30, 2016	\$ (14,335 )	\$ 34	\$ (2,578 )	\$(16,879)

(1) Reported as part of selling, general and administrative expenses.

	Pension Adjustment	Unrealized Gain (Loss) On Securities	Foreign Currency Translation	Total
Balance at December 31, 2014	\$ (16,246 )	\$ (98 )	\$ (1,489 )	\$(17,833)
Change during the period:				
Before-tax amount	-	(46 )	(1,474 )	(1,520 )
Tax benefit	-	17	-	17
Reclassification adjustment, net of taxes:				
Amortization of net loss <sup>(1)</sup>	376	-	-	376
Total activity for the period	376	(29 )	(1,474 )	(1,127 )
Balance at September 30, 2015	\$ (15,870 )	\$ (127 )	\$ (2,963 )	\$(18,960)

(1) Reported as part of selling, general and administrative expenses.

## 13. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

On October 25, 2016, the Board of Directors approved a \$0.05 per share cash dividend payable December 9, 2016 to stockholders of record at the close of business November 10, 2016.



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

#### **Overview**

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere in this document. See also "Forward-Looking Statements" on page 25.

RPC, Inc. ("RPC") provides a broad range of specialized oilfield services primarily to independent and major oilfield companies engaged in exploration, production and development of oil and gas properties throughout the United States, including the Gulf of Mexico, mid-continent, southwest, Rocky Mountain and Appalachian regions, and in selected international locations. The Company's revenues and profits are generated by providing equipment and services to customers who operate oil and gas properties and invest capital to drill new wells and enhance production or perform maintenance on existing wells. We continuously monitor factors that impact current and expected customer activity levels, such as the price of oil and natural gas, changes in pricing for our services and equipment, and utilization of our equipment and personnel. Our financial results are affected by geopolitical factors such as political instability in the petroleum-producing regions of the world, the actions of the OPEC oil cartel, overall economic conditions and weather in the United States, the prices of oil and natural gas, and our customers' drilling and production activities.

The discussion of our key business and financial strategies set forth under the Overview section in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015 is incorporated herein by reference. In 2016, the Company's strategy of utilizing equipment in unconventional basins has continued. During the nine months ended September 30, 2016, we made capital expenditures totaling \$24.9 million primarily for the maintenance of our existing revenue-producing equipment.

During the third quarter of 2016, revenues decreased 39.8 percent to \$175.9 million compared to the same period in the prior year. The decrease in revenues resulted primarily from lower industry activity levels, equipment utilization and pricing for our services, partially offset by higher service intensity. International revenues for the third quarter of 2016 decreased 44.9 percent to \$10.7 million compared to the same period in the prior year. We continue to pursue international growth opportunities, but the nature of this work is unpredictable and we believe that international revenues will continue to represent a low percentage of RPC's consolidated revenues in the future.



Cost of revenues decreased during the third quarter of 2016 in comparison to the same period of the prior year due to lower activity levels, coupled with reduced personnel headcount and incentive compensation. As a percentage of revenues, cost of revenues increased due to inefficiencies resulting from lower activity levels and continued low pricing for our services.

Selling, general and administrative expenses were \$34.9 million in the third quarter of 2016 compared to \$37.3 million in the third quarter of 2015. The decrease in these expenses resulted from lower total employment costs due to headcount reductions. As a percentage of revenues, these costs increased to 19.8 percent in the third quarter of 2016 compared to 12.8 percent in the third quarter of 2015 due to significant decline in revenues.

Losses before income taxes were \$56.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016 compared to \$53.9 million in the same period of 2015. Losses per share were \$0.18 for the three months ended September 30, 2016 compared to \$0.16 in the same period of 2015. Cash provided by operating activities was \$94.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 compared to \$386.3 million in the same period of 2015 due primarily to an unfavorable change in working capital coupled with higher net losses.

We expect capital expenditures during full year 2016 will be approximately \$35 million, and will be directed primarily towards the capitalized maintenance of our existing fleet of revenue-producing equipment.

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### **Outlook**

Drilling activity in the U.S. domestic oilfields, as measured by the rotary drilling rig count, reached a recent cyclical peak of 1,931 during the third quarter of 2014. Between the third quarter of 2014 and the second quarter of 2016, the drilling rig count fell by approximately 79 percent. During the second quarter of 2016, the U.S. domestic drilling rig count reached the lowest level ever recorded. The principal catalyst for this steep rig count decline is the decrease in the price of oil in the world markets, which began in the second quarter of 2014. The price of oil began to fall at that time due to the perceived oversupply of oil, weak global demand growth, and the strength of the U.S. dollar on world currency markets. The price of oil fell by approximately 70 percent from its peak during the second quarter of 2014 to the end of the first quarter of 2016. During the second quarter of 2016, the price of oil increased slightly, and late in the second quarter and during the third quarter, the domestic drilling rig count began to increase as well. As of the beginning of the fourth quarter of 2016, RPC believes that U.S. oilfield activity will increase moderately during the near term, although we do not have any long-term visibility at this time.

The current and projected prices of oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids are important catalysts for U.S. domestic drilling activity. During 2015 and through the first quarter of 2016, the prices of oil and natural gas fell to levels that discourage our customers from undertaking most of their potential exploration and production activities. The prices of oil and natural gas have increased slightly during the second and third quarters of 2016, although they have not yet risen to levels that provide most of our customers financial returns that will encourage significant improvement in drilling and production activities. The average price of natural gas liquids during the third quarter of 2016 increased by approximately 15 percent compared to the third quarter of the prior year, but decreased by approximately four percent compared to the second quarter of 2016. These commodity price trends, if they continue, have moderately positive implications for our near-term activity levels. As evidence of the impact of recovering commodity prices on our customers' activity levels, the oil-directed drilling rig count at the end of the third quarter of 2016 had increased by approximately 35 percent compared to the lowest oil-directed rig count recorded during the second quarter of 2016, and the natural gas-directed rig count had increased by approximately 17 percent between the lowest rig count recorded in the second quarter of 2016 and the end of the third quarter of 2016.

The majority of the U.S. domestic rig count remains directed towards oil. At the end of the third quarter of 2016, approximately 81 percent of the U.S. domestic rig count was directed towards oil, a slight increase compared to the end of 2015. We believe that oil-directed drilling will remain the majority of domestic drilling, and that natural gas-directed drilling will remain a low percentage of U.S. domestic drilling in the near term. We believe that this relationship will continue due to relatively low prices for natural gas, high production from existing natural gas wells, and industry projections of limited increases in domestic natural gas demand during the near term.

We continue to monitor the market for our services and the competitive environment in 2016. We believe that the recent increases in the U.S. domestic rig count indicate that the current industry downturn has reached a trough, and that the U.S. domestic rig count will continue to recover moderately during the near term. In addition, we believe that the continued significant oversupply of oilfield service equipment and personnel in the domestic U.S. market will prevent us from achieving pricing increases for our services until oilfield activity levels increase significantly. Over the long term, we believe that the steep decline in oil-directed drilling in the U.S. domestic market will reduce U.S. domestic oil production and serve as a catalyst for oil prices to increase. This belief is due to the fact that oil-directed wells drilled in shale resource plays typically exhibit high initial production soon after being completed followed by a decline in production in later years. We note that U.S. domestic oil production peaked in the third quarter of 2015, and has declined during the first three quarters of 2016. U.S. domestic natural gas production reached a cyclical peak during the first quarter of 2015, although the latest reported natural gas production statistics remain high by historical standards. We are encouraged by the fact that the drilling and completion activities that took place during 2015 and continue in 2016 are highly service-intensive and require a large amount of equipment and raw materials. Furthermore, we note that some wells in the U.S. domestic market have been drilled but not completed. These uncompleted wells represent potential revenue for RPC's completion-directed service lines, which comprise the majority of RPC's revenues. Finally, we are encouraged by our belief that many of our competitors are not maintaining their equipment to a level that allows them to provide reliable, consistent services to their customers. During 2015 and the first three quarters of 2016, we responded to the significant declines in industry activity levels and pricing for our services by reducing costs including seeking price concessions from our suppliers. In addition, we have reduced employee headcount, closed selected operational locations and revised our variable compensation programs.

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We note in the current competitive environment that many of our smaller competitors have high levels of debt, higher cost structures, and less-developed logistical capabilities than RPC. During 2015 and through the first three quarters of 2016, a number of smaller competitors have ceased operations and sold their businesses or liquidated their assets. During 2016, several of our peers have filed for bankruptcy protection. These observations encourage us to believe that our markets will eventually become less competitive for a period of time. In the fourth quarter of 2015 we initiated a process whereby we more closely scrutinize the maintenance status of our currently idled revenue-producing assets. Through this process, we are attempting to ensure that our idle equipment is prepared to return to service as soon as market conditions encourage us to do so. We believe that this process will provide an advantage to RPC, in contrast to many competitors who do not have the liquidity to maintain their fleets, and thus will not be able to return their assets to service in a timely manner when market conditions improve. In this environment RPC also monitors the financial stability of our customers, due to the fact that many of them have also financed their operations with a large amount of debt, and this type of financing is less available in 2016 than in previous years, although we also note that many of our customers have recently raised equity to stabilize their capital structures and expand their operations. RPC plans minimal increases in our fleet of revenue-producing equipment during the remainder of 2016. Our consistent response to the industry's potential uncertainty is to maintain sufficient liquidity and a conservative capital structure and monitor our discretionary spending. We intend to maintain a financial structure which includes little or no debt during the near term.

## Results of Operations

	<b>Three months ended</b>		<b>Nine months ended</b>	
	<b>September 30</b>		<b>September 30</b>	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Consolidated revenues [in thousands]	\$ 175,884	\$ 291,924	\$ 507,977	\$ 995,754
Revenues by business segment [in thousands]:				
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Consolidated operating loss [in thousands]	\$(56,417 )	\$(52,899 )	\$(206,726 )	\$(98,872 )
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Corporate	(3,397 )	(3,018 )	(13,724 )	(10,725 )
Gain (loss) on disposition of assets, net	1,148	(3,791 )	3,919	(1,115 )
Percentage cost of revenues to revenues	83.4 %	80.4 %	85.6 %	77.2 %
	19.8 %	12.8 %	22.6 %	12.0 %

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Percentage selling, general & administrative expenses to revenues

Percentage depreciation and amortization expense to revenues	29.6	%	23.7	%	33.2	%	20.6	%
Average U.S. domestic rig count	483		864		482		1,058	
Average natural gas price (per thousand cubic feet (mcf))	\$2.88		\$2.73		\$2.34		\$2.75	
Average oil price (per barrel)	\$44.93		\$46.81		\$41.57		\$51.11	

THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2016 COMPARED TO THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2015

*Revenues.* Revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2016 decreased 39.8 percent compared to the three months ended September 30, 2015. Domestic revenues of \$165.2 million decreased 39.4 percent compared to the same period in the prior year. The decrease in revenues resulted primarily from lower industry activity levels, equipment utilization and pricing for our services, partially offset by higher service intensity. International revenues of \$10.7 million decreased 44.9 percent for the three months ended September 30, 2016 compared to the same period in the prior year. Our international revenues are impacted by the timing of project initiation and their ultimate duration and can be difficult to predict.

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The average price of natural gas was 5.5 percent higher and the average price of oil was 4.0 percent lower during the third quarter of 2016 as compared to the same period in the prior year. The average domestic rig count during the current quarter was 44.1 percent lower than the same period in 2015.

The Technical Services segment revenues for the third quarter of 2016 decreased 39.8 percent compared to the same period in the prior year. Revenues in this segment decreased due to lower activity levels and pricing as compared to the prior year, particularly within our pressure pumping service line, which is the largest service line within this segment. The Support Services segment revenues for the third quarter of 2016 decreased by 39.0 percent compared to the same period in the prior year. This decrease was due principally to lower pricing and activity levels within rental tools, which is the largest service line within this segment, partially offset by relatively stronger financial results within several of the other service lines which comprise this segment. Both the Technical and Support Services segments continue to report operating losses due to low levels of revenues, partially offset by cost control efforts undertaken throughout the Company and lower depreciation and amortization expenses.

*Cost of revenues.* Cost of revenues decreased 37.5 percent to \$146.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016 compared to \$234.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015. Cost of revenues decreased due to lower activity levels, coupled with reduced personnel headcount and incentive compensation. As a percentage of revenues, cost of revenues increased due to inefficiencies resulting from lower activity levels coupled with continued low pricing for our services.

*Selling, general and administrative expenses.* Selling, general and administrative expenses were \$34.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016 and \$37.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015. These expense decreases resulted from lower total employment costs due to headcount reductions. As a percentage of revenues, these costs increased to 19.8 percent in the third quarter of 2016 compared to 12.8 percent in the third quarter of 2015 primarily due to significantly lower revenues.

*Depreciation and amortization.* Depreciation and amortization decreased 24.7 percent to \$52.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016, compared to \$69.0 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2015 due to minimal capital expenditures during the last two years.

*Gain (loss) on disposition of assets, net.* Gain on disposition of assets, net was \$1.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016 compared to a net loss of \$3.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015. The gain (loss) on disposition of assets, net is comprised of gains or losses related to various property and equipment

dispositions or sales to customers of lost or damaged rental equipment.

*Other (expense) income, net.* Other income, net was \$86 thousand for the three months ended September 30, 2016 compared to other expense, net of \$795 thousand for the same period in the prior year.

*Interest expense.* Interest expense of \$115 thousand for the three months ended September 30, 2016 decreased compared to \$250 thousand for the three months ended September 30, 2015. Interest expense declined during the quarter because RPC had no outstanding balances under its revolving credit facility during the quarter. Interest expense during the third quarter of 2016 principally consists of facility fees on the unused portion of the credit facility.

*Income tax benefit.* Income tax benefit was \$17.3 million during the three months ended September 30, 2016 compared to \$18.8 million for the same period in 2015. The effective tax rate was 30.8 percent for the three months ended September 30, 2016 compared to 34.8 percent for the three months ended September 30, 2015.

NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2016 COMPARED TO NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2015

*Revenues.* Revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 decreased 49.0 percent compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2015. Domestic revenues of \$469.7 million decreased 50.2 percent compared to the same period in the prior year. The decrease in revenues resulted primarily from lower industry activity levels, equipment utilization and pricing for our services, partially offset by higher service intensity. International revenues of \$38.3 million decreased 27.6 percent for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 compared to the same period in the prior year. Our international revenues are impacted by the timing of project initiation and their ultimate duration and can be difficult to predict.

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The average price of natural gas was 14.8 percent lower and the average price of oil was 18.7 percent lower during the nine months ended September 30, 2016 as compared to the same period in the prior year. The average domestic rig count during the nine months ended September 30, 2016 was 54.4 percent lower than the same period in 2015.

The Technical Services segment revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 decreased 49.2 percent compared to the same period in the prior year. Revenues in this segment decreased primarily due to lower activity levels and pricing as compared to the prior year, particularly within our pressure pumping service line, which is the largest service line within this segment. The Support Services segment revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 decreased by 46.2 percent compared to the same period in the prior year. This decrease was due principally to lower pricing and activity levels within rental tools, which is the largest service line within this segment, partially offset by relatively stronger financial results within several of the other service lines which comprise this segment. Both the Technical and Support Services segments reported operating losses due to lower revenues, partially offset by cost control efforts undertaken throughout the Company and lower depreciation and amortization expenses.

*Cost of revenues.* Cost of revenues decreased 43.4 percent to \$434.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 compared to \$768.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015. Cost of revenues decreased due to lower activity levels, coupled with reduced personnel headcount and incentive compensation. As a percentage of revenues, cost of revenues increased due to inefficiencies resulting from lower activity levels coupled with continued low pricing for our services.

*Selling, general and administrative expenses.* Selling, general and administrative expenses were \$114.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and \$120.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015. These expenses decreased due to lower total employment costs due to headcount reductions, as well as other expense reduction efforts partially offset by an increase in bad debt expense and professional fees. The Company recorded a contingent professional fee of \$2.0 million during the first quarter of 2016 in connection with the resolution of an open income tax matter. As a percentage of revenues, these costs increased to 22.6 percent during the nine months ended September 30, 2016 compared to 12.0 percent during the same period in the prior year due to increases in bad debt expense and professional fees previously noted as well as significantly lower revenues.

*Depreciation and amortization.* Depreciation and amortization decreased 17.5 percent to \$168.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016, compared to \$204.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 due to minimal capital expenditures during the last two years.



*Gain (loss) on disposition of assets, net.* Gain on disposition of assets, net was \$3.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 compared to a net loss of \$1.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015. The gain (loss) on disposition of assets, net is comprised of gains or losses related to various property and equipment dispositions or sales to customers of lost or damaged rental equipment.

*Other income (expense), net.* Other income, net was \$274 thousand for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 compared to \$4.9 million for the same period in the prior year. The decrease in the nine months ended September 30, 2016 in comparison to the same period in the prior year is due to proceeds from a legal settlement recorded during the nine months ended September 30, 2015.

*Interest expense.* Interest expense of \$0.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 decreased in comparison to \$1.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2015. Interest expense declined during the nine months ended September 30, 2016 in comparison to the prior year same period because RPC had no outstanding balances under its revolving credit facility during the current year. The current year expense principally consists of facility fees on the unused portion of the credit facility.

*Income tax benefit.* Income tax benefit was \$86.6 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2016 in comparison to \$33.6 million for the same period in 2015. The effective tax rate of 41.9 percent for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 was higher than the 35.2 percent for the nine months ended September 30, 2015. The income tax benefit during the first nine months of 2016 includes a discrete tax benefit of \$15.7 million recorded in connection with the favorable resolution of an open tax issue.

**RPC, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES****Liquidity and Capital Resources***Cash Flows*

The Company's cash and cash equivalents as of September 30, 2016 were \$139.1 million. The following table sets forth the historical cash flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015:

(In thousands)	Nine months ended September 30,	
	2016	2015
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 94,560	\$ 386,285
Net cash used for investing activities	(17,776 )	(147,267 )
Net cash used for financing activities	(2,893 )	(241,282 )

Cash provided by operating activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 decreased by \$291.7 million compared to the same period in the prior year. This decrease is due primarily to net unfavorable changes in working capital of \$191.7 million coupled with an increase in net losses of \$58.5 million, a decrease in depreciation and amortization expenses of \$36.8 million, and a decrease in long-term liabilities of \$14.2 million primarily related to income taxes, partially offset by an increase in the deferred income tax benefit of \$20.4 million.

The net unfavorable change in working capital is primarily due to unfavorable changes of \$259.8 million in accounts receivable due to a smaller contribution from lower business activity levels and \$10.6 million in income taxes payable/ receivable, net. This unfavorable change was partially offset by favorable changes of \$41.6 million in accounts payable; \$26.7 million in accrued payroll and related expenses; \$5.6 million in prepaid expenses and other current assets and \$3.7 million in accrued state, local and other taxes consistent with lower business activity levels coupled with the timing of payments.

Cash used for investing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 decreased by \$129.5 million, compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2015, primarily as a result of significantly lower capital expenditures in response to weaker industry conditions.

Cash used for financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 decreased by \$238.4 million primarily as a result of lower net loan repayments as there has been no outstanding borrowings since the fourth quarter of 2016 coupled with lower common stock dividends during the nine months ended September 30, 2016 compared to the same period in the prior year. The Company reduced its common stock dividend during the first quarter of 2015 and temporarily suspended its common stock dividend beginning in the second quarter of 2015.

### *Financial Condition and Liquidity*

The Company's financial condition as of September 30, 2016 remains strong. We believe the liquidity provided by our existing cash and cash equivalents and our overall strong capitalization will provide sufficient liquidity to meet our requirements for at least the next twelve months. The Company currently has a \$125 million revolving credit facility that matures in January 2019. The facility contains customary terms and conditions, including restrictions on indebtedness, dividend payments, business combinations and other related items. On June 30, 2016, the Company amended the revolving credit facility to (1) establish a borrowing base to be the lesser of (a) \$125 million or (b) the difference between (i) a specified percentage (ranging from 70% to 80%) of eligible accounts receivable less (ii) the amount of any outstanding letters of credit, (2) secure payment obligations under the credit facility with a security interest in the consolidated accounts receivable, and (3) replace the financial covenants related to minimum leverage and debt service coverage ratios with a covenant to maintain a minimum tangible net worth of not less than \$700 million. As of September 30, 2016, there were no outstanding borrowings. The Company also has a one year \$35 million uncommitted letter of credit facility dated January 4, 2016; RPC had letters of credit outstanding relating to self-insurance programs and contract bids totaling \$17.7 million as of September 30, 2016. Additional information regarding our revolving credit facility is included in Note 9 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in this report.

The Company's decisions about the amount of cash to be used for investing and financing purposes are influenced by its capital position, including access to borrowings under our credit facility, and the expected amount of cash to be provided by operations. We believe our liquidity will continue to provide the opportunity to grow our asset base and revenues during periods with positive business conditions and strong customer activity levels. In addition, the Company's decisions about the amount of cash to be used for investing and financing activities may also be influenced by the financial covenants in our credit facility.

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### *Cash Requirements*

The Company currently expects that capital expenditures will be approximately \$35 million during 2016, of which \$24.9 million has been spent as of September 30, 2016. We expect capital expenditures for the remainder of 2016 to be primarily directed toward capitalized equipment maintenance. The actual amount of 2016 capital expenditures will depend upon equipment maintenance requirements, expansion opportunities, and equipment delivery schedules and can be modified based on market conditions and other factors.

The Company has ongoing sales and use tax audits in various jurisdictions subject to varying interpretations of statutes. The Company has recorded the exposure from these audits to the extent issues are resolved or are reasonably estimable. There are issues that could result in unfavorable outcomes that cannot be currently estimated.

The Company's Retirement Income Plan, a multiple employer trustee defined benefit pension plan, provides monthly benefits upon retirement at age 65 to eligible employees. The Company contributed \$4.3 million to this plan in the nine-month period ended September 30, 2016 and does not expect to make any additional contributions during the remainder of 2016.

As of September 30, 2016, the Company's stock buyback program authorizes the repurchase of up to 31,578,125 shares. There were no shares repurchased on the open market during the nine months ended September 30, 2016, and 2,050,154 shares remain available to be repurchased under the current authorization as of September 30, 2016. The Company may repurchase outstanding common shares periodically based on market conditions and our capital allocation strategies considering restrictions under our credit facility. The stock buyback program does not have a predetermined expiration date.

On July 28, 2015, the Board of Directors voted to temporarily suspend RPC's quarterly cash dividend to common stockholders. However, on October 25, 2016, the Board of Directors approved a special year-end cash dividend of \$0.05 per share payable December 9, 2016 to stockholders of record at the close of business November 10, 2016. Subject to industry conditions and RPC's earnings, financial condition, and other relevant factors, the Company expects to resume regular quarterly cash dividends to common stockholders in the future.

### INFLATION

The Company purchases its equipment and materials from suppliers who provide competitive prices, and employs skilled workers from competitive labor markets. If inflation in the general economy increases, the Company's costs for equipment, materials and labor could increase as well. Also, increases in activity in the domestic oilfield can cause upward wage pressures in the labor markets from which it hires employees as well as increases in the costs of certain materials and key equipment components used to provide services to the Company's customers. In previous periods of strong oilfield activity, we experienced high employment costs due to the demand for skilled labor in our markets as well as high costs for certain raw materials the Company uses to provide its services. During 2015 and through the first and second quarters of 2016, however, supplies of raw materials became more readily available as domestic oilfield activity decreased. In addition, skilled labor became more available, and upward wage pressures subsided. During the first and second quarters of 2016, the prices of both skilled labor and many of the raw materials used in providing our services continued to decline during the near term. During the third quarter of 2016, however, the Company began to experience upward pressure on the price of labor, due to increased oilfield activity and a shortage of skilled employees caused by the industry's headcount reductions since the first quarter of 2015. In addition, there are indications that the prices of certain raw materials used in providing our services may increase as well. In spite of slightly higher oilfield activity, at the beginning of the fourth quarter of 2016, the market for the Company's services is still very competitive, so it may be difficult for the Company to increase the prices charged to our customers to compensate for these cost increases.

#### OFF BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

The Company does not have any material off balance sheet arrangements.

#### RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

##### *Marine Products Corporation*

Effective February 28, 2001, the Company spun-off the business conducted through Chaparral Boats, Inc, RPC's former powerboat manufacturing segment. In conjunction with the spin-off, RPC and Marine Products Corporation entered into various agreements that define the companies' relationship. During the nine months ended September 30, 2016, RPC charged Marine Products Corporation for its allocable share of administrative costs incurred for services rendered on behalf of Marine Products Corporation totaling \$559,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 compared to \$550,000 for the comparable period in 2015.

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### *Other*

The Company periodically purchases in the ordinary course of business products or services from suppliers who are owned by officers or significant stockholders of, or affiliated with the directors of RPC. The total amounts paid to these affiliated parties were \$676,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and \$992,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2015.

RPC receives certain administrative services and rents office space from Rollins, Inc. (a company of which Mr. R. Randall Rollins is also Chairman, and which is controlled by Mr. Rollins and his affiliates). The service agreements between Rollins, Inc. and the Company provide for the provision of services on a cost reimbursement basis and are terminable on nine months' notice. The services covered by these agreements include office space, selected administration services for certain employee benefit programs, and other administrative services. Charges to the Company (or to corporations which are subsidiaries of the Company) for such services and rent aggregated \$74,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and \$63,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2015.

## **CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The discussion of Critical Accounting Policies is incorporated herein by reference from the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015. There have been no significant changes in the critical accounting policies since year-end.

## **IMPACT OF RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS**

See Note 3 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for a description of recent accounting pronouncements, including the expected dates of adoption and estimated effects on results of operations and financial condition.

## **SEASONALITY**

Oil and natural gas prices affect demand throughout the oil and natural gas industry, including the demand for the Company's products and services. The Company's business depends in large part on the economic conditions of the oil and gas industry, and specifically on the capital expenditures of its customers related to the exploration and production of oil and natural gas. There is a positive correlation between these expenditures and customers' demand for the Company's services. As such, when these expenditures fluctuate, customers' demand for the Company's services fluctuates as well. These fluctuations depend on the current and projected prices of oil and natural gas and resulting drilling activity, and are not seasonal to any material degree.

#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements made in this report that are not historical facts are "forward-looking statements" under Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward-looking statements may include, without limitation, statements regarding the effect of recent accounting pronouncements on the Company's consolidated financial statements; our plans to continue to pursue international growth opportunities and our belief that international revenues will continue to represent a low percentage of our consolidated revenues in the future; our expectation for the amount and focus of our capital expenditures during 2016; the belief that oil and natural gas prices have not risen to levels that provide to most of our customers financial returns that will encourage drilling and production activities; the belief that oil-directed drilling will remain the majority of domestic drilling, and that natural gas-directed drilling will remain a low percentage of U.S. domestic drilling in the near term; the belief that recent increases in U.S. domestic rig count indicate that the current industry downturn has reached a trough and U.S. domestic rig count will continue to recover moderately during the near term; the belief that the continued significant oversupply of oilfield service equipment and personnel in the domestic U.S. market will prevent us from achieving pricing increases for our services until oilfield activity levels increase significantly; the belief that the steep decline in oil-directed drilling in the U.S. domestic oil market will reduce U.S. domestic oil production and serve as a catalyst for oil prices to increase; the belief that many of our competitors are not maintaining their equipment to a level that allows them to provide services to their customers; the belief that markets will eventually become less competitive for a period of time due to the cessation of operations of various competitors; the belief that our continued maintenance of our equipment will provide an advantage to us in contrast to many competitors who do not have the liquidity to maintain their fleets; our plans for minimal increases in our fleet of revenue-producing equipment during 2016; our plans to maintain our financial structure which includes little or no debt during the near term; our plan to maintain sufficient liquidity and a conservative capital structure and monitor our discretionary spending; our business strategy, plans and objectives; market risk exposure; adequacy of capital resources and funds; opportunity for growth and expansion; anticipated pension funding payments and capital expenditures; our expectation that we will resume cash dividends, subject to the earnings and financial condition of the Company and other relevant factors; the possible unfavorable outcome of sales and use tax audits; the impact of inflation and related trends on the Company's financial position and operating results; our beliefs regarding oil field activity and the related impact on wages for skilled labor and the prices of raw material used in providing our services; our belief that because customers are demanding lower prices for our services it will be difficult to realize higher operating profit from these anticipated cost decreases; our belief that changes in foreign exchange rates are not expected to have a material effect on our consolidated results of operations or financial condition; our belief that the outcome of litigation will not have a material adverse effect upon our financial position or results of operations; and our beliefs and expectations regarding future demand for our products and services, and other events and conditions that may influence the oilfield services market and our performance in the future. The Company does not undertake to update its forward-looking statements.

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The words “may,” “will,” “expect,” “believe,” “anticipate,” “project,” “estimate,” “focus,” “plan,” and similar expressions generally identify forward-looking statements. Such statements are based on certain assumptions and analyses made by our management in light of its experience and its perception of historical trends, current conditions, expected future developments and other factors it believes to be appropriate. These statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of RPC to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied in such forward-looking statements. Risk factors that could cause such future events not to occur as expected include those described in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015, its other SEC filings and the following: the declines in the price of oil and natural gas, which tend to result in a decrease in drilling activity and therefore a decline in the demand for our services, the actions of the OPEC cartel, the ultimate impact of current and potential political unrest and armed conflict in the oil producing regions of the world, which could impact drilling activity, adverse weather conditions in oil or gas producing regions, including the Gulf of Mexico, competition in the oil and gas industry, the Company's ability to implement price increases, the potential impact of possible future regulations on hydraulic fracturing on our business, risks of international operations, and reliance on large customers.

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

The Company is subject to interest rate risk exposure through borrowings on its credit facility. As of September 30, 2016, there were no outstanding interest-bearing advances on our credit facility which bear interest at a floating rate.

Additionally, the Company is exposed to market risk resulting from changes in foreign exchange rates. However, since the majority of the Company's transactions occur in U.S. currency, this risk is not expected to have a material effect on its consolidated results of operations or financial condition.

### ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

*Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures* – The Company maintains disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in its Exchange Act reports is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Commission's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to its management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.



As of the end of the period covered by this report, September 30, 2016 (the “Evaluation Date”), the Company carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of its management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of its disclosure controls and procedures. Based upon this evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer concluded that the Company’s disclosure controls and procedures were effective at a reasonable assurance level as of the Evaluation Date.

*Changes in internal control over financial reporting* – Management’s evaluation of changes in internal control did not identify any changes in the Company’s internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the Company’s most recent fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company’s internal control over financial reporting.

**RPC, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES****PART II. OTHER INFORMATION****ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

RPC is involved in litigation from time to time in the ordinary course of its business. RPC does not believe that the outcome of such litigation will have a material adverse effect on the financial position or results of operations of RPC.

**ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS**

See risk factors described in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015.

**ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS**

Shares repurchased by the Company and affiliated purchases in the third quarter of 2016 are outlined below.

Period	Total Number of Shares (or Units) Purchased	Average Price Paid Per Share (or Unit)	Total Number of Shares (or Units) Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	Maximum Number (or Approximate Dollar Value) of Shares (or Units) that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs <sup>(1)</sup>
July 1, 2016 to July 31, 2016	965	<sup>(2)</sup> \$ 15.73	-	2,050,154
August 1, 2016 to August 31, 2016	539	15.32	-	2,050,154

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September 1, 2016 to September 30, 2016	-	-	-	2,050,154
Totals	1,504	\$ 15.58	-	2,050,154

- The Company has a stock buyback program initially adopted in 1998 and subsequently amended in 2013 that
- (1) authorizes the repurchase of up to 31,578,125 shares. There were no shares repurchased as part of this program during the third quarter of 2016. As of September 30, 2016, there are 2,050,154 shares available to be repurchased under the current authorization. Currently the program does not have a predetermined expiration date.
- (2) Represents shares repurchased by the Company in connection with taxes related to vesting of restricted shares.

ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None.

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ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

The information required by Section 1503(a) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and Item 104 of Regulation S-K is included in Exhibit 95.1 to this Form 10-Q.

ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

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## ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
3.1(a)	Restated certificate of incorporation of RPC, Inc. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1999).
3.1(b)	Certificate of amendment of the certificate of incorporation of RPC, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1(b) to Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on May 8, 2006).
3.1(c)	Certificate of amendment of the certificate of incorporation of RPC, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1(c) to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on August 2, 2011).
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws of RPC, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on November 3, 2014).
4	Form of Stock Certificate (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1998).
10.1	Amendment No. 3 to Credit Agreement dated as of June 30, 2016 between RPC, Inc., Bank of America, N.A., and certain other lenders parties party thereto, and the subsidiary loan parties party thereto (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K dated June 30, 2016).
31.1	Section 302 certification for Chief Executive Officer.
31.2	Section 302 certification for Chief Financial Officer.
32.1	Section 906 certifications for Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer.
95.1	Mine Safety Disclosures.
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document

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**SIGNATURES**

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

**RPC, INC.**

/s/ Richard A. Hubbell

Date: October 31, 2016 Richard A. Hubbell  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
(Principal Executive Officer)

/s/ Ben M. Palmer

Date: October 31, 2016 Ben M. Palmer  
Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and  
Treasurer  
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)