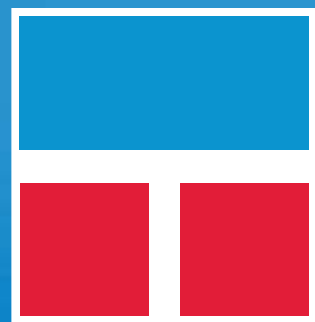


2011  
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**TESCO**<sup>®</sup>

THE DRILLING INNOVATION COMPANY™





**CAUTION  
ROTATING  
EQUIPMENT**

# Selected Consolidated Financial Information

	Years Ended December 31,				
	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Statements of income (loss) data:	(in millions, except share and per share amounts)				
Revenue					
Top Drive	\$ 344.7	\$ 243.9	\$ 224.8	\$ 341.4	\$ 289.1
Tubular Services	151.1	121.9	118.3	166.5	158.7
CASING DRILLING	17.2	12.9	13.7	27.0	14.6
	<u>513.0</u>	<u>378.7</u>	<u>356.8</u>	<u>534.9</u>	<u>462.4</u>
Operating income (loss)					
Top Drives	88.8	62.8	49.5	106.8	80.5
Tubular Services	16.7	8.2	(2.9)	22.5	23.7
CASING DRILLING	(12.4)	(11.6)	(20.6)	(12.6)	(14.1)
Research and Engineering	(12.5)	(9.1)	(7.4)	(11.1)	(12.0)
Corporate and Other	(38.1)	(35.0)	(33.0)	(30.8)	(29.9)
	<u>42.5</u>	<u>15.3</u>	<u>(14.4)</u>	<u>74.8</u>	<u>48.2</u>
Interest expense, net	(1.1)	0.6	0.9	4.2	3.2
Other (income) expense	2.3	0.9	2.3	(0.1)	2.9
Income (loss) before income taxes	<u>41.3</u>	<u>13.8</u>	<u>(17.6)</u>	<u>70.7</u>	<u>42.1</u>
Income tax (benefit) provision	14.3	6.8	(12.3)	20.8	10.0
Net income (loss)	<u>27.0</u>	<u>7.0</u>	<u>(5.3)</u>	<u>49.9</u>	<u>32.1</u>
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:					
Basic	38,211	37,835	37,598	37,221	36,604
Diluted	38,878	38,261	37,598	37,833	37,404
Earnings (loss) per share:					
Basic	\$ 0.71	\$ 0.19	\$ (0.14)	\$ 1.34	\$ 0.88
Diluted	\$ 0.69	\$ 0.18	\$ (0.14)	\$ 1.32	\$ 0.86
Cash dividends per common share	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Balance sheet data:					
Total assets	\$ 549.2	\$ 454.9	\$ 442.6	\$ 499.9	\$ 471.5
Debt and capital leases	6.6	—	8.6	49.6	80.8
Shareholders' equity	412.8	375.7	362.2	351.9	303.6
Cash flow data:					
Cash flow provided by operating activities	\$ 19.3	\$ 54.8	\$ 63.0	\$ 77.0	\$ 25.3
Cash flows used in investing activities	(57.6)	(25.8)	(3.8)	(58.5)	(64.4)
Cash flows provided by (used in) financing activities	0.8	(8.4)	(40.4)	(19.5)	48.9
Other data:					
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(a)</sup>	\$ 85.7	\$ 56.9	\$ 42.4	\$ 114.5	\$ 79.1
Net cash (debt) <sup>(b)</sup>	16.4	60.6	31.3	(29.0)	(57.7)

\*See pages 17 and 18 of Form 10-K for an explanation of these items.



## Introduction



Tesco Corporation is an industry leader in the development and commercialization of innovative drilling technologies and services. By reducing drilling risk and increasing operational efficiency, TESCO creates real value for our customers. The combination of engineering and service excellence, coupled with a demonstrated track record for providing proven technology, TESCO delivers solutions to the oil and gas industry.

2011 was a growth year for TESCO. We finished the year with 35% overall revenue growth compared to 2010 and a net income increase from \$7.0 million to \$26.9 million. These results are attributed to our investment in people, systems and technology to strengthen our market share in both Top Drives and Tubular Services while maintaining our leadership position in CASING DRILLING™.

The foundation of TESCO is the Top Drive business segment which experienced 41% increase in revenue through the sales of 115 Top Drives (106 new and 9 used), rental revenue from our 132 units and the expansion of the aftermarket sales and service business. TESCO remains the world's largest provider of rental top drives and possesses the industry's highest operational up-time efficiency through the efforts of a world-class service and maintenance organization.



Top Drive | Sales and Rentals

Revenue increased by 24% through both our proprietary and conventional casing running services. Most impressively, we substantially improved this business segment's profitability and ended the last quarter with a 18% operating margin. As the inventor of the automated casing running tool, TESCO has run over 100 million feet of casing with our proprietary Casing Drive System™ (CDS™). Year-over-year, we continue to set records for the number of jobs performed. In 2011, the CDS was used to run casing on 3,557 wells, a 12% increase over 2010. This achievement indicates the industry's adoption of the automated casing running tool as a safer and more efficient process. With the industry's largest fleet and highest level of experience, TESCO is well-positioned as the global leader in automated pipe running.

TESCO CASING DRILLING® continued to set world records and industry first's in 2011. The introduction of the XCD3™ Casing Drill Bit has proven itself to be a commercial success by allowing operators to drill with casing to new depths with high rates of penetration. In this highly active year, we simultaneously drilled and cased over 140 intervals bringing our total footage to exceed 3.5 million feet, the most in the industry. Operators are utilizing this technology offshore for both top hole vertical drilling as well as for directional and horizontal drilling. The technology transfer from onshore to offshore will serve as a platform for the introduction of our new Liner Drilling System for deepwater applications.

Our expanding global presence, performance in service excellence, and commitment to engineering is what makes TESCO, THE DRILLING INNOVATION COMPANY™. Within this annual report, we will discuss many of our significant accomplishments, explain our financial results for 2011 and present our position in the marketplace as a strategic partner and inventive collaborator to the industry.



Tubular Services | CDS™



CASING DRILLING™ | XCD3™ Bit



## Fellow Shareholders,

## 2011 WAS AN OUTSTANDING YEAR FOR TESCO

In 2011, we shook off the traces of the downturn that began in 2008 and moved back to our pre-2009 growth rates. It was a tough three years of rebuilding, but our employees showed their resolve and will to win. Our revenue for the year was \$513 million, 35% higher than 2010, and our net income was \$27.0 million, or \$0.69 per diluted share, versus \$7.0 million, or \$0.18 per diluted share, for the preceding year.

Operationally, our Top Drive and Tubular Services segments continued to provide a strong base of earnings in 2011. Our proprietary tubular service offering continued to gain market acceptance and we remain committed to growing this segment as we believe that every drilling rig with a top drive system will eventually convert to running casing with an automated system, such as our Casing Drive System™ (CDS™). We continued to grow our CASING DRILLING™ segment in 2011 and invested in new and enhanced product and service offerings that are being developed in our Research and Engineering division.

We are financially stronger than ever and ready to deliver:

- Operating income increased from \$15.3 million in 2010 to \$42.5 million in 2011.
- Our top drive backlog increased to 74 units with a potential revenue value of \$91.1 million at December 31, 2011 from 25 units at December 31, 2010.
- We funded a substantial increase in our working capital requirements with cash provided by operating activities.
- While we continue to grow our business organically, during the fourth quarter we entered the Egyptian tubular services market by completing the acquisition of Premiere Casing Services – Egyptian S. A. E. (“Premiere”) for approximately \$24.9 million.
- Our balance sheet is strong and we have no amounts outstanding under our \$132 million revolving credit facility at December 31, 2011.



Our 2011 results reflect decisions made eight years ago, decisions made during the challenging days of the downturn and decisions made by our exceptional employees throughout the past year. All of these decisions fall under our over-arching goal of becoming the industry leader in eliminating Non-Productive Time (NPT).

Eight years ago we established goals to become a world class Top Drive manufacturer, to revolutionize the process of running casing and to commercialize TESCO CASING DRILLING®. To accomplish these objectives we recognized that we needed to provide:

- A clearly differentiated product offering
- Superior service and product capability
- Global infrastructure and revenue base
- A balance sheet capable of carrying us through the cycles of our business
- All founded upon an outstanding workforce and a culture of performance.

When the worldwide economic downturn struck in 2008, we were well on course with all of these goals. We were demonstrating our technology leadership through the development of four very successful new top drive models and the introduction of a new cementing system to complement our CASING DRILLING™ offering. As a result, 2008 proved to be a record year for TESCO.

Unfortunately, the downturn of 2009, coupled with the incident in the Gulf of Mexico, was a major blow to our performance and forced us to completely re-evaluate our strategy. We re-examined our product and service offerings and realized that we had untapped opportunities to pursue. We also determined a need to codify our culture in a memorable way, we refer to this as TESCOSITY™.

## EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT TEAM



Back (Left to Right): Guy V. Bennett, Robert L. Kayl, Dietmar J. Neidhardt  
Front (Left to Right): Fernando R. Assing, Dean Ferris, Julio M. Quintana, Jeffrey L. Foster

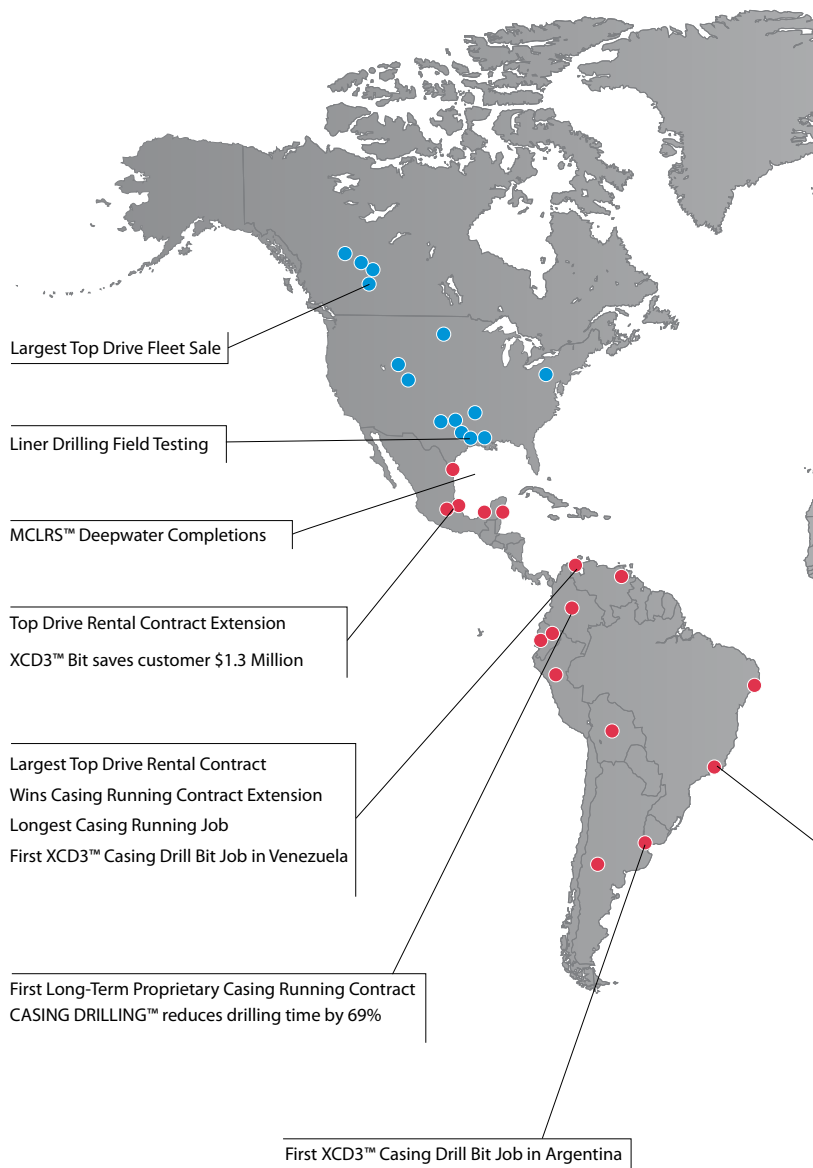
## Global Performance

We continue to believe that the future of oil and gas resides in the international realm. In fact, we expect as much as 65% of our 2012 revenue to come from sources outside of the U.S. and Canada. In 2011, our employees expanded TESCO's base of operations to encompass more international regions and today we are operating in Latin America, Europe, Russia, Middle East / Africa and Asia Pacific as well as in the United States and Canada. The map highlights how active and successful TESCO has been geographically this year:

That is just a sampling of TESCO "firsts" for 2011, but some of our other actions are just as telling as to how we are effectively putting our stamp on drilling operations around the globe.

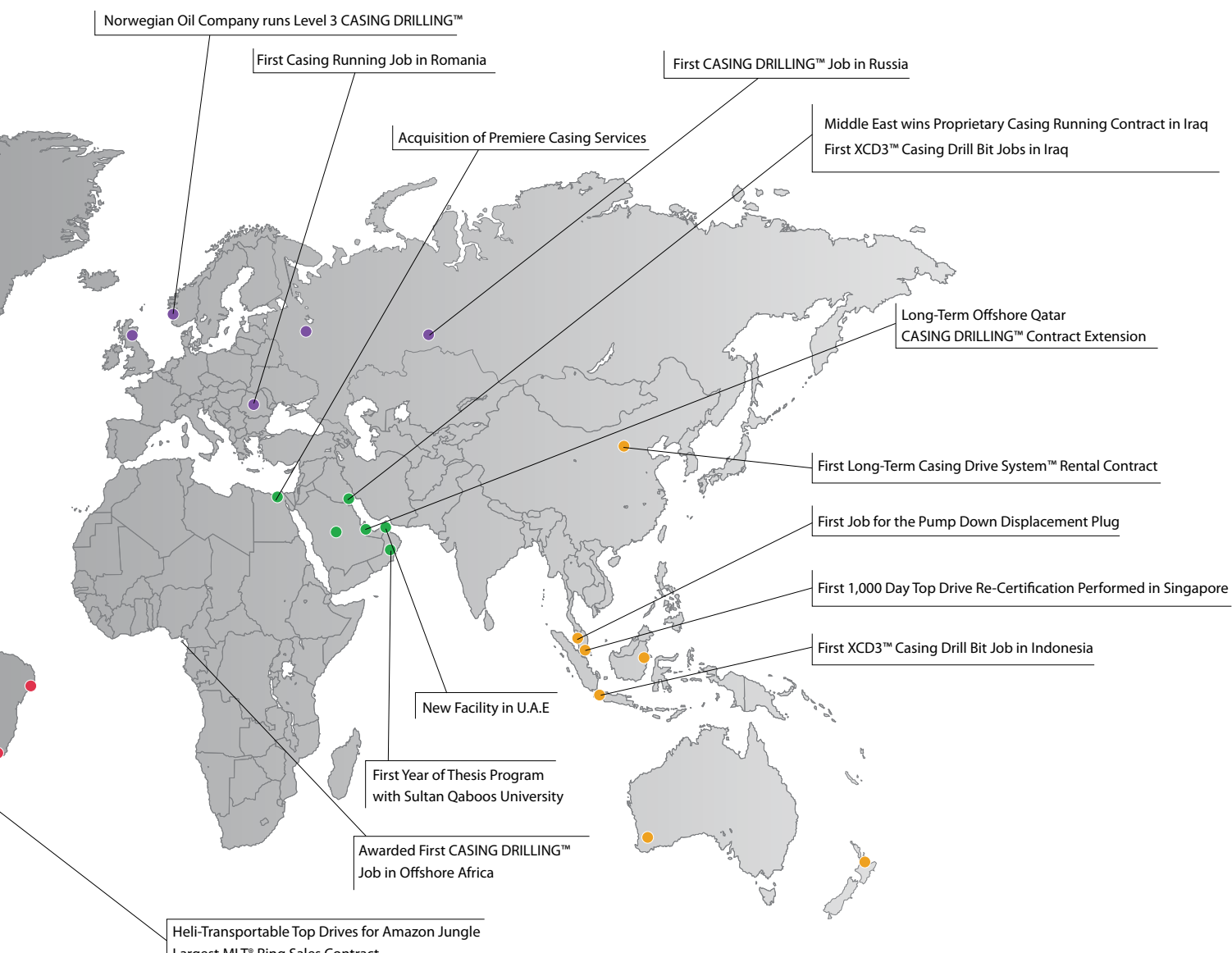
In November, one of our oil and gas customers encountered severe loss circulation problems, well control events and stuck pipe. After losing the first well while drilling conventionally, they called on TESCO CASING DRILLING® to save the day. Using Level 1 and Level 2 CASING DRILLING™ technology, TESCO successfully deepened the hole and was able to save the second well; a success which saved \$13 million for our customer.

In an unlikely situation in Kurdistan, Iraq, TESCO was called upon to repair a competitor's top drive. Some companies might take the attitude that we do not work on maintaining our competitor's equipment. Our view is different, we eliminate our customer's Non-Productive Time regardless of the source. Our technician successfully repaired the top drive and placed it back into operation in only seven days. Our stated goal is to differentiate ourselves through our Service, Discipline and Teamwork. Though we are far from perfect and always looking to improve, this incident is but one more example that we are recognized for putting our customers first.



The acquisition of Premiere provides an entry into the Egyptian tubular services market and expansion into the onshore and offshore market throughout North Africa and the Middle East region. In fact, as of this writing, we have won a major award in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia directly as a result of this acquisition. We welcome Premiere's senior management team and employees whom are now a critical part of our Dubai-based Middle East business unit.





**TESCO Facilities**

- North America
- Latin America
- Europe / Russia
- Middle East / Africa
- Asia Pacific





## Outlook for Continued Growth

During 2011, the United States credit rating was downgraded by Standards and Poor's and several countries within the European Union ("EU") experienced intense sovereign debt and credit issues, both of which continue to rattle global credit and equity markets. The uncertainty over the outcome of international and the EU's financial support programs, as well as the possibility that other EU member states may experience similar financial troubles, lingers over all equity markets. Furthermore, the North American natural gas prices are highly depressed with no clear end in sight. Nevertheless, oil is nearing all-time highs and the liquid rich gas fields of North America continue drilling. Industry analysts see the rig business continuing to stay strong, particularly internationally, where TESCO really shines.

We believe the years post 2008 have molded and shaped our leadership team to know how to deal with downturns. As importantly, we have also been proved during the rapid growth years of 2004-2008. We stand ready to deliver on our promised growth. The plans we have developed, the processes we have implemented and the people we have hired and developed are getting ready to pay off in a major way with what promises to be a great 2012.

We are well on the way to being the company that the oil and gas exploration companies turn to when they want to eliminate Non-Productive Time. Our adherence and practice of our values, along with the continual rollout of new products or new solutions to old problems is gaining recognition that we are truly THE DRILLING INNOVATION COMPANY™.

I wish to thank our employees for their willingness to stretch to the highest standards of performance and our management team for embodying the best of our cultural values. As importantly, I want to thank you, our shareholders, for having faith in us during the difficult days and believing in our long-term commitment to create sustaining value for our investors.

**Julio M. Quintana**  
President and Chief Executive Officer





Extraordinary people working to accomplish a goal of the highest standard.

# TESCOSITY™

**Extraordinary people** working to accomplish a goal of the highest standard.

A **progressive thinking company** that applies unconventional solutions to conventional problems.

A company that is **different, by design.**

Leaders who are not afraid to

**challenge the status quo.**

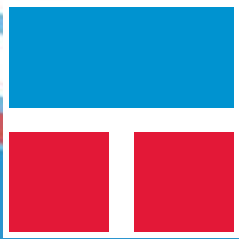
**A driving force which cannot be ignored.**

**Pushing technology forward**

in the industry by doing it the **TESCO way.**



TESCOSITY™ is a rich term which is often hard to define, but easy to recognize, is seen in our people, in our service, in our tools, in our innovation and in our performance. It permeates all that we do and is rapidly redefining us as a world class provider of oil and gas services.



**TESCO**<sup>®</sup>



**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

**Form 10-K**

**ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2011

**TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Commission file number: 001-34090



**Tesco Corporation**

*(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)*

Alberta

*(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation or Organization)*

76-0419312

*(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)*

3993 West Sam Houston Parkway North  
Suite 100  
Houston, Texas

*(Address of Principal Executive Offices)*

77043-1221

*(Zip Code)*

713-359-7000

*(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)*

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

**Title of Each Class**

**Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered**

Common Shares, without par value

Nasdaq Stock Market

**Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:**

None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Act. Yes  No

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  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 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes  No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

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

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer  (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company

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

The aggregate market value of voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates of the registrant at the close of business on June 30, 2011 was \$457,429,005 based upon the last sales price reported for such date on the NASDAQ Stock Market. For purposes of this disclosure, shares of common stock held by persons who hold more than 5% of the outstanding shares of common stock and shares held by officers and directors of the registrant as of June 30, 2011 have been excluded as such persons may be deemed to be affiliates. This determination

is not necessarily conclusive.

Number of shares of Common Stock outstanding as of February 29, 2012: 38,585,611

**DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE**

Portions of the Proxy Statement for the registrant's 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Report on Form 10-K.



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Below is a list of defined terms that are used throughout this document:

TESCO CASING DRILLING®	= CASING DRILLING
TESCO’s Casing Drive System	= CDS™ or CDS
TESCO’s Multiple Control Line Running System	= MCLRS™ or MCLRS

A list of our trademarks and the countries in which they are registered is presented below:

Trademark	Country of Registration
TESCO®	United States, Canada
TESCO CASING DRILLING®	United States
CASING DRILLING®	Canada
CASING DRILLING™	United States
Casing Drive System™	United States, Canada
CDS™	United States, Canada
Multiple Control Line Running System™	United States, Canada
MCLRS™	United States, Canada

When we refer to “TESCO”, “we”, “us”, “our”, “ours”, or “the Company”, we are describing Tesco Corporation and our subsidiaries.

## PART I

### Item 1. Business

#### *Business and Strategy*

We are a global leader in the design, manufacture and service delivery of technology based solutions for the upstream energy industry. We seek to change the way wells are drilled by delivering safer and more efficient solutions that add real value by reducing the costs of drilling for and producing oil and natural gas. Our product and service offerings consist mainly of equipment sales and services to drilling contractors and oil and natural gas operating companies throughout the world.

We were created on December 1, 1993 through the amalgamation of Shelter Oil and Gas Ltd., Coexco Petroleum Inc., Forewest Industries Ltd. and Tesco Corporation. The amalgamated corporation continued under the name Tesco Corporation, which is organized under the laws of Alberta, Canada.

Our four business segments are:

- Top Drives – top drive sales, top drive rentals and after-market sales and services;
- Tubular Services – proprietary and conventional tubular services;
- CASING DRILLING – proprietary CASING DRILLING technology; and
- Research and Engineering – internal research and development activities related to our proprietary tubular services, CASING DRILLING technology and top drive model development.

For a further discussion of our business segments, see Part II, Item 7, Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and Part II, Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note 14 included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K (the "Report on Form 10-K").

#### *Top Drive segment*

Our Top Drive segment sells equipment and provides services to drilling contractors and oil and natural gas operating companies throughout the world. We provide top drive rental services on a day-rate basis for land and offshore drilling rigs, and we provide after-market sales and service for our customers.

We primarily manufacture top drives that are used in drilling operations to rotate the drill string while suspended from the derrick above the rig floor. Our top drives offer portability and flexibility, permitting drilling companies to conduct top drive drilling for all or any portion of a well. We offer for sale a range of portable and permanently installed top drive products that includes both hydraulically and electrically powered machines capable of delivering 400 to 1,350 horsepower, with a rated lifting capacity of 150 to 750 tons. With each top drive we sell, we offer the services of top drive technicians who provide customers with training, installation and support services.

We offer seven distinct model series of top drive systems, using hydraulic, permanent magnet alternating current (“AC”) and induction AC technology. We believe that we are industry leaders in the development and provision of permanent magnet technology in both portable and permanently installed top drive systems. This technology provides very high power density, allowing for high performance and low weight. We use AC induction technology and late generation power electronics in our smaller horsepower systems, such as our EMI machines, allowing the end user to specify its preferred power electronics and motor combination and permitting us to select components from a larger vendor base. EMI top drive units are available with 150 to 250 ton load path configurations. We also developed our EXI system in response to market demands for a high performance compact electric top drive system, commonly required on modern fast moving rigs frequently used in pad drilling operations. The EXI system has a load path rating of 350 tons and generates 600 horsepower at the quill. The ESI is a new model of our current EXI System, which has a load path rating of 500 tons and generates 1,350 horsepower at the quill. The HXI is a new generation of our current hydraulic HMI system, incorporating a full suite of operational features and providing a significant gain in performance at the quill. The HXI machine has a load path rating of 250 tons and has a 700 horsepower self-contained diesel-driven hydraulic power unit.

In addition to our top drive sales, we rent top drives on a day-rate basis for land and offshore drilling rigs. Our rental fleet offers a range of systems that can be installed in practically any mast configuration, including workover rigs. Our fleet is composed principally of hydraulically powered top drive systems, with power ratings of 475 to 1,205 horsepower and load path ratings of

150 to 650 tons, each equipped with its own independent diesel engine driven hydraulic power unit. This unique combination permits a high level of portability and installation flexibility.

Our top drive rental fleet, which was comprised of 132 units at December 31, 2011, is deployed strategically around the world to be available to customers on a timely basis. Our fleet is highly transportable and we mobilize the top drive units to meet customer requests. In order of size by region from highest to lowest, we currently have rental units in Latin America, the United States and Canada, Russia, Asia-Pacific, Europe, and the Middle East. In response to the economic downturn and operating conditions during 2009, we redeployed over 10% of our U.S. fleet to international locations, including the Middle East, Latin America, Russia and Asia. During 2010 and 2011, we continued to mobilize top drives to geographic areas with higher demand such as Russia, Romania and Latin America.

We also provide after-market sales and services to our installed customer base around the globe. We maintain regional stocks of high-demand parts in order to expedite top quality, original replacement parts for top drive systems. Our service offerings include the commissioning of all new units and recertification of working units including top drives, power units and various other top drive product and component repairs. Our field-experienced personnel are responsible for the rig up and installation of all units, which includes both rental units and customer-owned units. Our personnel also provide onsite training and top drive supervision. In addition, technicians are available to perform work under ongoing maintenance contracts.

### *Markets and Competition*

Demand for our top drive products and rental services depends primarily upon capital spending of drilling contractors and oil and natural gas companies and the level of drilling activity. Our customers for top drive sales and after-market sales and service primarily consist of drilling contractors, rig builders and equipment brokers. Occasionally, we may also sell top drives and provide after-market sales and services to major and independent oil and natural gas companies and national oil companies who wish to own and manage their own top drive systems. Our customers for our rental fleet include drilling contractors, major and independent oil and natural gas companies and national oil companies.

We estimate that approximately 60% of land drilling rigs are currently equipped with top drive systems, including the former Soviet Union and China, where few rigs operate with top drives today. By contrast, we estimate that approximately 95% of offshore rigs are equipped with top drives. We were the first top drive manufacturer to provide portable top drives for land drilling rigs. We believe that significant further land-based market potential exists for our top drive drilling system technology, including both portable and permanently installed applications. Further, where many top drive systems approach the end of their useful lives and are inefficient or may not have legacy parts available, we believe that a market for replacement systems will be created. This represents an important opportunity for us.

Our primary competitors in the sale of top drive systems are National Oilwell Varco, Inc. ("NOV") and Canrig Drilling Technology Ltd., a subsidiary of Nabors Industries Ltd. We believe that we have the second largest customer installed base and are the number two global provider of top drives, following NOV. Of the three major top drive system providers, we are the only company that maintains a sizable fleet of assets solely for the purposes of rental. Competition in the sale of top drive systems takes place primarily on the basis of the features and capacities of the equipment, the quality of the services and technical support offered, delivery lead time and price.

### *Backlog*

We believe that top drive sales backlog is a leading indicator of how our business will be affected by changes in the global macro-economic environment. We consider a product sale order as backlog when the customer has signed a purchase contract, submitted the purchase order and, if required by the purchase agreement, paid a non-refundable deposit. Revenue from services is recognized as the services are rendered, based upon agreed daily, hourly or job rates. Accordingly, we have no backlog for services.

Our top drive sales backlog at December 31, 2011 was 74 units with a total potential revenue value of \$91.1 million, compared to 25 units with a total potential revenue value of \$33.0 million at December 31, 2010. This increase reflects a higher order rate as a result of the strengthened economic and industry conditions in 2011. Sales activity has improved in 2011 compared to 2010, and our backlog has surpassed pre-recession levels.

We have the ability to expand or downsize our top drive manufacturing capacity to meet current and expected customer demand. In response to declining demand for our top drives due to industry and operating conditions caused by the recession, we downsized our manufacturing operations substantially during 2009. As market conditions improved during 2010 and 2011, we maintained and added to our core manufacturing team, with a current manufacturing capacity of 11 to 14 top drive units per month,



depending on system complexity. We believe that our top drive business needs to maintain manufacturing inventory of one to two quarters of production. This limits our exposure in the event that the sales market softens and allows us to effectively manage our supply chain and workforce, yet allows us to be responsive to our client base.

### ***Tubular Services segment***

Our Tubular Services segment includes a suite of proprietary offerings, as well as conventional casing and tubing running services. Casing is steel pipe that is installed in oil, natural gas or geothermal wells to maintain the structural and pressure integrity of the well bore, isolate water bearing surface sands, prevent communication between subsurface strata, and provide structural support of the wellhead and other casing and tubing strings in the well. Most operators and drilling contractors install casing using service companies, like ours, who use specialized equipment and personnel trained for this purpose. Wells can have from two to ten casing strings of various sizes installed. These jobs encompass wells from vertical holes to high angle extended reach wells and include both onshore and offshore applications.

Our proprietary service offerings use certain components of our CASING DRILLING technology, in particular the patented Casing Drive System (“CDS”), to provide a safer and more automated method for running casing and, if required, reaming the casing into the hole. The CDS is a tool which facilitates running and reaming casing into a well bore on any rig equipped with a top drive. This tool offers improved safety and efficiency over traditional methods by eliminating operations that are associated with high risk of personal injury. It also increases the likelihood that the casing can be run to casing point on the first attempt, offers the ability to simultaneously rotate and reciprocate the casing string as required while circulating drilling fluid, and requires fewer people on the rig for casing running operations than traditional methods.

We also offer installation service of deep water smart well completion equipment using our Multiple Control Line Running System (“MCLRS”) proprietary and patented technology. We believe that this technology substantially improves the quality of the installation of high-end well completions by eliminating damage and splices to control and injection lines. We also believe that this technology improves the speed and safety of the completion process by splitting the work area between personnel making up the tubing and personnel installing completion equipment.

Our conventional service offerings provide equipment and personnel for the installation of tubing and casing, including power tongs, pick-up/lay-down units, torque monitoring services, connection testing services and power swivels for new well construction and in work-over and re-entry operations.

### ***Markets and Competition***

Our Tubular Services customers primarily consist of oil and natural gas operating companies, including major and independent companies, national oil companies and, on occasion, other service companies that have contractual obligations to provide tubular running and handling services. Demand for our tubular services strongly depends upon capital spending of oil and natural gas companies and the level of drilling activity.

The conventional tubular services market consists generally of several large, global operators and a large number of small and medium-sized operators that typically operate in limited geographic areas where the market is highly fragmented. The largest global competitors in this market are Weatherford International, Ltd. (“Weatherford International”), Franks International, Inc. and Baker Hughes Incorporated. Competition in the conventional tubular services market takes place primarily on the basis of the quality of the services offered, the quality and utility of the equipment provided, the proximity of the service provider and equipment to the work site and price.

While we are aware of competitive technology similar to our CDS tool, we believe that we continue to be the market leader in this technology. Other companies offering similar technology and services include NOV, Weatherford International and Franks International, Inc. Our CDS system is easily and quickly installed on any top drive system and we offer skilled and trained personnel at the field level who have specialized knowledge of top drive drilling system operations.

### ***CASING DRILLING segment***

Our CASING DRILLING process uses oilfield casing in place of drill pipe to simultaneously drill and case the well, reducing both drilling time and the chance of unscheduled drilling events. CASING DRILLING technology minimizes the use of conventional drill pipe and drill collars and enables the operators to eliminate pipe trips and case the interval while drilling. This avoids well bore exposure during tripping and mitigates associated risks such as borehole collapse, lost circulation problems and stuck tools or pipe.

The CASING DRILLING retrievable bottomhole assembly, which is comprised of the drill bit and other downhole tools, such as drilling motors, rotary steerable drilling systems, measurement-while-drilling and logging-while-drilling equipment, is lowered via wireline, drill pipe or a tubing string inside the casing and latched to the bottom joint of casing, retaining the ability to maintain the circulation of drilling fluid at all times. Tools are recovered in a similar fashion, by use of wireline, or alternatively by use of drill pipe or a tubing string. Since the casing remains on bottom in the well at all times, wellbore integrity is preserved, and the risk of a well control incident is reduced.

### *Markets and Competition*

Our CASING DRILLING customers primarily consist of oil and natural gas operating companies, including major and independent companies, national oil companies and, on occasion, other service companies that have contractual obligations to provide tubular running and handling services. Demand for our CASING DRILLING services strongly depends upon capital spending of oil and natural gas companies and the level of drilling activity.

We are not currently aware of any commercially or technically viable direct competition for our proprietary CASING DRILLING retrievable process, services or products, although several of our competitors are known to have developed prototypes that are similar, and in some cases have deployed them in a field environment. We continue to be the only company offering customers a broad range of tool sizes and the possibility of using casing to drill directional wells combined with specialized equipment that can be readily retrieved when drilling is complete.

We believe that the primary competition to our CASING DRILLING process is the traditional drill pipe drilling process and, to a lesser extent, other methods for casing while drilling that do not involve a retrievable bottom hole assembly. Such alternative methods of casing while drilling offer limited applications because of the cutting structure, and they cannot be combined with directional tools which facilitate the drilling of directional (i.e. non-vertical) wells. While we offer such alternative (i.e. non-retrievable) methods in addition to our proprietary CASING DRILLING process, we believe that Weatherford International has the largest share of the non-retrievable portion of the market.

### *Research and Engineering segment*

As a technology-driven company, we continue to invest significantly in research and development activities, primarily related to our proprietary technologies in tubular services, CASING DRILLING and top drive model development. We hold rights, through patents and patent license agreements, to patented and/or patent pending technologies for certain innovations that we believe will have application to our core businesses. We pursue patent protection in appropriate jurisdictions where we believe our innovations could have significant potential application to our core businesses. We hold patents and patent applications in the United States, Canada, Europe, Norway and various other countries. Our patent portfolio currently includes 186 issued patents, comprised of 83 U.S. and 103 foreign patents, and 164 pending patent applications, comprised of 49 U.S. and 115 foreign patent applications. We generally retain all intellectual property rights to our technology through non-disclosure and technology ownership agreements with our employees, suppliers, consultants and other third parties with whom we do business.

The overall design of our portable top drive assembly is protected by patents that will continue in force for several more years. Various specific aspects of the design of the top drive and related equipment are also patented, including the torque track system that improves operational handling by absorbing the torque generated by our top drives. Our CASING DRILLING method and retrievable apparatus are protected by patents that will continue in force for several more years. In addition, we have patents that protect the combination of the retrievable drill bit assembly with a rotary steerable tool. Our CDS is protected by patents on some of the gripping tools and on the "link tilt" system, which is a method used to handle casing. We hold numerous patents related to the installation and utilization of certain accessories for casing for purposes of casing rotation. Various other related methods and tools are patent protected as well.

We have been party to patent infringement claims and we may not be able to protect or enforce our intellectual property rights. For further discussion, see Part I, Item 1A, Risk Factors and Part II, Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note 12 included in this Report on Form 10-K.

Our research and development costs were \$12.5 million, \$9.1 million and \$7.4 million for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively. We will continue to invest in the development, commercialization and enhancements of our proprietary technologies.

### **Financial information about geographic areas**

Our Top Drive, Tubular Services and CASING DRILLING businesses are distributed globally. We do not track or measure property, plant and equipment by business segment and, as such, this information is not presented. The following table presents our revenue by segment and geographic areas for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009 (in thousands):

	Top Drive Segment				
	United States and Canada		International		Total
	Revenue	%	Revenue	%	Revenue
2011	\$ 219,168	64%	\$ 125,530	36%	\$ 344,698
2010	137,826	57%	106,107	43%	243,933
2009	107,348	48%	117,505	52%	224,853

	Tubular Services Segment				
	United States and Canada		International		Total
	Revenue	%	Revenue	%	Revenue
2011	\$ 97,644	65%	\$ 53,480	35%	\$ 151,124
2010	84,656	69%	37,228	31%	121,884
2009	78,428	66%	39,871	34%	118,299

	CASING DRILLING Segment				
	United States and Canada		International		Total
	Revenue	%	Revenue	%	Revenue
2011	\$ 4,572	27%	\$ 12,575	73%	\$ 17,147
2010	6,822	53%	6,026	47%	12,848
2009	6,508	48%	7,188	52%	13,696

- (1) Effective January 1, 2010, we changed the contracts for new top drive sales to generally sell the units directly from our manufacturing facility in Canada. This change increased the amount of top drive revenue recorded in Canada in 2011 and 2010, as compared to 2009, presented above.

### **Procurement of Materials and Supplies**

For a discussion of the procurement of materials and supplies, see Part II, Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note 14 included in this Report on Form 10-K.

### **Seasonality**

Our business is subject to seasonal cycles, associated with winter-only, summer-only, dry-season or regulatory-based access to drilling locations. The most significant of these occur in Canada and Russia, where traditionally the first and fourth calendar quarters of each year are the busiest as the contractor fleet can access drilling locations that are only accessible when frozen. As of December 31, 2011, approximately 17% of our top drive rental fleet operated in Canada and Russia.

In certain Asia Pacific and South American regions, we are subject to decline in activities due to seasonal rains. Further, seasonal variations in the demand for hydrocarbons and accessibility of certain drilling locations in North America can affect our business, as our activity follows the active drilling rig count reasonably closely. We actively manage our highly mobile rental fleet around the world to minimize the impact of geographically specific seasonality.

### **Customers**

Our accounts receivable are principally with major international and national oil and natural gas service and exploration and production companies and are subject to normal industry credit risks. We perform ongoing credit evaluations of customers and grant credit based upon past payment history, financial condition and anticipated industry conditions. Customer payments are regularly monitored and a provision for doubtful accounts is established based upon specific situations and overall industry conditions. Many of our customers are located in international areas that are inherently subject to risks of economic, political and civil instabilities, including the effects of currency fluctuations and exchange controls, such as devaluation of foreign currencies and other economic problems, which may impact our ability to collect those accounts receivable. We monitor customers who are



at risk for non-payment and, if warranted by the set of circumstances, will lower available credit extended to those customers or establish alternative arrangements, including increased deposit requirements or payment schedules.

No single customer accounted for 10% or more of our consolidated revenue in any of the three years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009.

### ***Employees***

As of December 31, 2011, the total number of our employees worldwide was 2,061. We believe that our relationship with our employees is good. We work to maintain a high level of employee satisfaction and we believe our employee compensation systems are competitive.

### ***Available Information***

Our annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and all amendments thereto, are available free of charge on our internet website at [www.tescocorp.com](http://www.tescocorp.com). These reports are posted on our website as soon as reasonably practicable after such reports are electronically filed in the United States ("U.S.") with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and in Canada on the System for Electronic Document Analysis and Retrieval ("SEDAR"). Our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics ("Code") is also posted on our website. We intend to satisfy the disclosure requirement under Item 5.05 of Form 8-K and applicable NASDAQ rules regarding amendments to or waivers of our Code by posting this information on our Internet website at [www.tescocorp.com](http://www.tescocorp.com). In addition to our internet website, copies of our U.S. public filings are available at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov) and copies of our Canadian public filings are available at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

## **Item 1A. Risk Factors**

### **Cautionary Statement for Purposes of the "Safe Harbor" Provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995**

This Report on Form 10-K contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Canadian and United States securities laws, including the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. From time to time, our public filings, press releases and other communications (such as conference calls and presentations) will contain forward-looking statements. Forward-looking information is often, but not always, identified by the use of words such as "anticipate", "believe", "expect", "plan", "intend", "forecast", "target", "project", "may", "will", "should", "could", "estimate", "predict" or similar words suggesting future outcomes or language suggesting an outlook. Forward-looking statements in this Report on Form 10-K include, but are not limited to, statements with respect to expectations of our prospects, future revenue, earnings, activities and technical results.

Forward-looking statements and information are based on current beliefs as well as assumptions made by, and information currently available to, us concerning our anticipated financial performance, business prospects, strategies and regulatory developments. Although management considers these assumptions to be reasonable based on information currently available to it, they may prove to be incorrect. The forward-looking statements in this Report on Form 10-K are made as of the date it was issued and we do not undertake any obligation to update publicly or to revise any of the included forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by applicable law.

By their very nature, forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties, both general and specific, and risks that outcomes implied by forward-looking statements will not be achieved. We caution readers not to place undue reliance on these statements as a number of important factors could cause the actual results to differ materially from the beliefs, plans, objectives, expectations and anticipations, estimates and intentions expressed in such forward-looking statements.

These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, changes in the global economy and credit markets, the impact of changes in oil and natural gas prices and worldwide and domestic economic conditions on drilling activity and demand for and pricing of our products and services, other risks inherent in the drilling services industry (e.g. operational risks, potential delays or changes in customers' exploration or development projects or capital expenditures, the uncertainty of estimates and projections relating to levels of rental activities, uncertainty of estimates and projections of costs and expenses, risks in conducting foreign operations, the consolidation of our customers, and intense competition in our industry), risks, including litigation risks, associated with our intellectual property and risks associated with the performance of our technology and other risks set forth in Part I, Item 1A, Risk Factors included in this Report on Form 10-K. These risks and uncertainties may cause our actual results, levels of activity, performance or achievements to be materially different from those expressed or implied by any forward-looking statements. When relying on our forward-looking statements to make decisions, investors and others should carefully consider the foregoing factors and other uncertainties and potential events. The forward-looking statements in this document are provided for the limited

purpose of enabling current and potential investors to evaluate an investment in us. Readers are cautioned that such statements may not be appropriate, and should not be used, for other purposes.

### **Risks associated with the global economy**

***The current global economic and political environment may negatively impact industry fundamentals, and the related decrease in demand for drilling rigs could cause a downturn in the oil and natural gas industry. Such a condition could have a material adverse impact on our business.***

An extended deterioration in the global economic environment may impact fundamentals that are critical to our industry, such as the global demand for, and consumption of, oil and natural gas. Reduced demand for oil and natural gas generally results in lower oil and natural gas prices and prolonged weakness in the economy could impact the economics of planned drilling projects, resulting in curtailment, reduction, delay or postponement for an indeterminate period of time. Furthermore, an extended deterioration in the political environment in countries where we operate or that produce significant supply of the world's demand for oil may also impact fundamentals that are critical to our industry, such as the global supply of oil and natural gas. Constraints in the global supply of oil caused by political turmoil in any of the large oil-producing countries of the world could significantly increase oil and natural gas prices while the removal of such constraints could significantly decrease oil and natural gas prices for an indeterminate period of time. Such volatility in oil and natural gas prices could negatively impact the world economy and our industry. Any long-term reduction in oil and natural gas prices will reduce oil and natural gas drilling and production activity and result in a corresponding decline in the demand for our products and services, which could adversely affect the demand for sales, rentals or services of our top drive units and for our Tubular Services and CASING DRILLING businesses. These reductions could adversely affect the future net realizability of assets, including inventory, fixed assets, goodwill and other intangible assets.

***We are exposed to risks associated with the financial markets.***

While we intend to finance our operations with existing cash, cash flow from operations and borrowing under our existing credit facility, we may require additional financing to support our growth. If any of the significant lenders, insurance companies or other financial institutions are unable to perform their obligations under our credit agreements, insurance policies or other contracts, and we are unable to find suitable replacements on acceptable terms as a result of recent credit disruptions or otherwise, our results of operations, liquidity and cash flows could be adversely affected.

Many of our customers access the credit markets to finance their oil and natural gas drilling and production activity. The possible inability of these parties to obtain financing on acceptable terms, due to the recent credit disruptions or otherwise, could impair their ability to perform under their agreements with us and lead to various negative effects on us, including business disruption, decreased revenue and increases in bad debt write-offs. A sustained decline in the financial stability of these parties could have an adverse impact on our business and results of operations.

***The occurrence or threat of terrorist attacks could materially impact our business.***

The occurrence or threat of future terrorist attacks could adversely affect the economies of the United States and other developed countries. A lower level of economic activity could result in a decline in energy consumption, which could cause a decrease in spending by oil and natural gas companies for exploration and development. In addition, these risks could trigger increased volatility in prices for crude oil and natural gas which could also adversely affect spending by oil and natural gas companies. A decrease in spending for any reason could adversely affect the markets for our products and thereby adversely affect our revenue and margins and limit our future growth prospects. Moreover, these risks could cause increased instability in the financial and insurance markets and adversely affect our ability to access capital and to obtain insurance coverage that we consider adequate or are required to obtain by our contracts with third parties.

***We face risks related to natural disasters and pandemic diseases, which could materially and adversely disrupt our operations and affect travel required for our worldwide operations.***

A portion of our business involves the movement of people and certain parts and supplies to or from foreign locations. Any restrictions on travel or shipments to and from foreign locations, due to the occurrence of natural disasters such as earthquakes; floods or hurricanes; or an epidemic or outbreak of diseases, including the H1N1 virus, in these locations, could significantly disrupt our operations and decrease our ability to provide services to our customers. In addition, our local workforce could be affected by such an occurrence or outbreak which could also significantly disrupt our operations and decrease our ability to provide services to our customers.

## **Risks associated with the oil and natural gas industry**

***Our offshore oil and natural gas operations have been, and could be further, adversely impacted by the Deepwater Horizon drilling rig accident and resulting oil spill; changes in and compliance with restrictions or regulations on offshore drilling in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico and in other areas around the world may adversely affect our business and operating results.***

On April 20, 2010, a fire and explosion occurred onboard the semisubmersible drilling rig *Deepwater Horizon*, owned by Transocean Ltd. and under contract to a subsidiary of BP plc. As a result of the incident and related oil spill, the Secretary of the US Department of the Interior directed the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement (“BOEMRE”) to issue a suspension, until November 30, 2010, of drilling activities for specified drilling configurations and technologies. The BOEMRE also issued new guidelines and regulations regarding safety, environmental matters, drilling equipment and decommissioning applicable to drilling in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico, and may take other additional steps that could increase the costs of exploration and production, reduce the area of operations and result in permitting delays.

At this time, we cannot predict with any certainty what further impact, if any, the *Deepwater Horizon* incident may have on the regulation of offshore oil and natural gas exploration and development activity, or on the cost or availability of insurance coverage to cover the risks of such operations. Ongoing effects of and delays from the lifted suspension of drilling activity in the US Gulf of Mexico, or the enactment of new or stricter regulations in the United States and other countries where we operate, could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

***We could be subject to substantial liability claims, which would adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.***

Certain equipment and processes are used by us and other companies in the oil and natural gas industry during the delivery of oilfield services in hostile environments, such as exploration, development and production applications. An accident or a failure of a product or process could cause personal injury, loss of life, damage to property, equipment or the environment, and suspension of operations. Our insurance may not protect us against liability for some kinds of events, including events involving pollution, or against losses resulting from business interruption. Moreover, in the future we may not be able to maintain insurance at levels of risk coverage or policy limits that we deem adequate. Substantial claims made under our policies could cause our premiums to increase. Any future damages caused by our products that are not covered by insurance, or are in excess of policy limits or are subject to substantial deductibles, could adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

***We face risks due to the cyclical nature of the energy industry and the corresponding credit risk of our customers.***

Changing political, economic or military circumstances throughout the energy-producing regions of the world can impact the market price of oil and natural gas for extended periods of time. As most of our accounts receivable are with customers involved in the oil and natural gas industry, any significant change in such circumstances could result in financial exposure in relation to affected customers.

***Fluctuations in the demand for and prices of oil and natural gas would negatively impact our business.***

Fluctuations in the demand for and prices of oil and natural gas impact the level of drilling activity by our customers and potential customers. The prices are primarily determined by supply, demand, government regulations relating to oil and natural gas production and processing, and international political events, none of which can be accurately predicted. In times of declining activity, not only is there less opportunity for us to sell our products and services but there is increased competitive pressure that tends to reduce our prices and, therefore, our margins.

***Possible legislation and regulations related to global warming and climate change could have an adverse effect on our operations and the demand for oil and natural gas.***

Foreign, federal, state, and local authorities and agencies are currently evaluating and promulgating climate-related legislation and regulations that are focused on restricting greenhouse gas (“GHG”) emissions. In the United States, the Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) is taking steps to require monitoring and reporting of GHG emissions and to regulate GHGs as pollutants under the Clean Air Act (“CAA”). The EPA finalized the Mandatory Greenhouse Reporting Rules in 2009. The EPA expanded those rules to require the reporting of GHG emissions from other specified large GHG emission sources in the United States on an annual basis, as well as certain onshore and offshore oil and natural gas production facilities on an annual basis, beginning in 2012 for emissions occurring in 2011.

In addition, climate change legislation is pending in the United States Congress. Foreign jurisdictions are also considering the need to address climate changes by legislation or regulation. Several regional GHG initiatives have formed which may require reporting or development of cap and trade programs. These developments may curtail production and demand for fossil fuels such as oil and natural gas in areas of the world where our customers operate and thus adversely affect future demand for our services, which may in turn adversely affect future results of operations. Additionally, federal and/or state legislation to reduce the effects of GHG may potentially have a direct or indirect adverse effect on our operations, including the possible imposition on us and/or our customers of additional operational costs due to carbon emissions generated by oil and gas related activities. Finally, our business could be negatively affected by climate change related physical changes or changes in weather patterns, which could result in damages to or loss of our physical assets, impacts on our ability to conduct operations and/or disruption of our customers' operations.

***Our onshore oil and natural gas operations could be adversely impacted by changes in and compliance with restrictions or regulations on onshore drilling in the United States and in other areas around the world which may adversely affect our business and operating results.***

New federal and state legislation regulating hydraulic fracturing may result in increased costs to drill, complete and operate wells, as well as delays in obtaining permits to drill wells all of which could negatively impact our clients and thereby our business and operating results. If legislation is passed to ban hydraulic fracturing, the number of wells drilled in the future could drop dramatically, and the economic performance of those drilled would be negatively affected. Local authorities have also instituted restrictions to hydraulic fracturing operations which could result in negative impacts to our business.

***Our revenue and earnings are subject to fluctuations period over period and are difficult to forecast.***

Our revenue and earnings may vary significantly from quarter to quarter depending upon:

- the level of drilling activity worldwide, as well as the particular geographic focus of the activity;
- the variability of customer orders, which are particularly unpredictable in international markets;
- the levels of inventories of our products held by end-users and distributors;
- the mix of our products sold or leased and the margins on those products;
- new products offered and sold or leased by us or our competitors;
- weather conditions or other natural disasters that can affect our operations or our customers' operations;
- changes in oil and natural gas prices and currency exchange rates, which in some cases affect the costs and prices for our products;
- the level of capital equipment project orders, which may vary with the level of new rig construction and refurbishment activity in the industry;
- changes in drilling and exploration plans, which can be particularly volatile in international markets;
- the variability of customer orders or a reduction in customer orders, which may leave us with excess or obsolete inventories;
- the ability of our vendors to timely supply necessary component parts used for the manufacturing of our products; and
- the ability to manufacture and timely deliver customer orders, particularly in the top drive segment due to the increasing size and complexity of our models.

In addition, our fixed costs cause our margins to decrease when demand is low and service capacity is underutilized.

***Any significant consolidation or loss of end-user customers could have a negative impact on our business.***

Exploration and production company operators and drilling contractors have undergone substantial consolidation in recent years. Additional consolidation is probable. In addition, many oil and natural gas properties could be transferred over time to different potential customers.



Consolidation of drilling contractors results in fewer end-users for our products and could result in the combined contractor standardizing its equipment preferences in favor of a competitor's products.

Merger activity among both major and independent oil and natural gas companies also affects exploration, development and production activity, as these consolidated companies attempt to increase efficiency and reduce costs. Generally, only the more promising exploration and development projects from each merged entity are likely to be pursued, which may result in overall lower post-merger exploration and development budgets. Moreover, some end-users prefer not to use relatively new products or premium products in their drilling operations.

***We operate in an intensively competitive industry, and if we fail to compete effectively, our business will suffer.***

Our competitors may attempt to increase their market share by reducing prices or our customers may adopt competing technologies. The drilling industry is driven primarily by cost minimization. Our strategy is aimed at reducing drilling costs through the application of new technologies. Our competitors, many of whom have a more diverse product line and access to greater amounts of capital than we do, have the ability to compete against the cost savings generated by our technology by reducing prices and by introducing competing technologies. Our competitors may also have the ability to offer bundles of products and services to customers that we do not offer. We have limited resources to sustain prolonged price competition and maintain the level of investment required to continue the commercialization and development of our new technologies.

***To compete in our industry, we must continue to develop new technologies and products.***

The markets for our products and services are characterized by continual technological developments and we have identified our products as providing technological advantages over other competitive products. As a result, substantial improvements in the scope and quality of product function and performance can occur over a short period of time. If we are not able to develop commercially competitive products in a timely manner in response to changes in technology, our business may be adversely affected. Our future ability to develop new products depends on our ability to:

- design and commercially produce products that meet the needs of our customers;
- successfully market new products; and
- obtain and maintain patent protection.

We may encounter resource constraints, technical barriers, or other difficulties that would delay introduction of new products and services in the future. Our competitors may introduce new products or obtain patents before we do and achieve a competitive advantage. Additionally, the time and expense invested in product development may not result in commercial applications.

For example, from time to time, we have incurred significant losses in the development of new technologies which were not successful for various commercial or technical reasons. If we are unable to successfully implement technological or research and engineering type activities, our growth prospects may be reduced and our future revenue may be materially and adversely affected. Moreover, we may experience operating losses after new products are introduced and commercialized because of high start-up costs, unexpected manufacturing costs or problems, or lack of demand.

### **Risks associated with our business**

***We have been party to patent infringement claims and we may not be able to protect or enforce our intellectual property rights.***

In two separate actions, we were sued by VARCO I/P, Inc. and Weatherford International, who have alleged that our CDS tool and other equipment and processes violate certain of their patents. See Part II, Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note 12 included in this Report on Form 10-K. We settled our lawsuit with Weatherford International, and we believe the suit with VARCO I/P, Inc. is without merit. We intend to continue to defend ourselves vigorously. In the event that we are not successful in defending ourselves in this matter, it may have a material adverse effect on our Tubular Services and CASING DRILLING segments and, therefore, on our business. In addition, in the future we may be subject to other infringement claims and if any of our products were found to be infringing, our consolidated financial results may be adversely affected.

Some of our products and the processes used to produce them have been granted U.S. and international patent protection, or have patent applications pending. Nevertheless, patents may not be granted from our applications and, if patents are issued, the claims allowed may not be sufficient to protect our technology. Recent changes in U.S. patent law may have the effect of making certain of our patents more likely to be the subject of claims for invalidation.

Our competitors may be able to independently develop technology that is similar to ours without infringing on our patents. This is especially true internationally where the protection of intellectual property rights may not be as effective. In addition, obtaining and maintaining intellectual property protection internationally may be significantly more expensive than doing so domestically. We may have to spend substantial time and money defending our patents. After our patents expire, our competitors will not be legally constrained from marketing products substantially similar to ours.

***We are subject to legal proceedings and may, in the future, be subject to additional legal proceedings.***

We are currently involved in legal proceedings described in Part II, Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note 12 including in this Report on Form 10-K. From time to time, we may become subject to additional legal proceedings which may include contract, tort, intellectual property, tax, regulatory compliance and other claims.

We are also subject to complaints or allegations from former, current or prospective employees from time to time, alleging violations of employment-related laws. Lawsuits or claims could result in decisions against us which could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

***Our products and services are used in hazardous conditions, and we are subject to risks relating to potential liability claims.***

Most of our products are used in hazardous drilling and production applications where an accident or a failure of a product can have catastrophic consequences. For example, the unexpected failure of a top drive to rotate a drill string during drilling operations could result in the loss of control over a well, leading to blowout and the discharge of pollutants into the environment. Damages arising from an occurrence at a location where our products are used have in the past and may in the future result in the assertion of potentially large claims against us.

While we attempt to limit our exposure to such risks through contracts with our customers, these measures may not protect us against liability for certain kinds of events, including blowouts, cratering, explosions, fires, loss of well control, loss of hole, damaged or lost drilling equipment, damage or loss from inclement weather or natural disasters, and losses resulting from business interruption. Our insurance coverage generally provides that we assume a portion of the risk in the form of a self-insured retention, and may not be adequate in risk coverage or policy limits to cover all losses or liabilities that we may incur. The occurrence of an event not fully insured or indemnified against, or the failure of a customer or insurer to meet its indemnification or insurance obligations, could result in substantial losses. Moreover, we may not be able in the future to maintain insurance at levels of risk coverage or policy limits that we deem adequate. Any significant claims made under our policies will likely cause our premiums to increase. Any future damages caused by our products or services that are not covered by insurance, are in excess of policy limits or are subject to substantial deductibles, could reduce our earnings and cash available for operations.

***Environmental compliance and remediation costs and the costs of environmental liabilities could exceed our estimates.***

The energy industry is affected by changes in public policy, federal, state, local, and foreign laws and regulations. The adoption of laws and regulations curtailing exploration and development drilling for oil and natural gas for economic, environmental and other policy reasons may adversely affect our operations due to our customers having limited drilling and other opportunities in the oil and natural gas exploration and production industry. The operations of our customers, as well as our properties, are subject to increasingly stringent laws and regulations relating to environmental protection, including laws and regulations governing air emissions, water discharges, waste management and workplace safety.

***Our credit facility contains restrictions that may limit our ability to finance future operations or capital needs and could accelerate debt payments.***

Our credit facility contains restrictive covenants which limit the amount of borrowings available by the maintenance of certain financial ratios. Decreases in our financial performance could prohibit us from borrowing amounts under our credit facility, force us to make repayments of outstanding debt in order to remain in compliance with these restrictive covenants, or accelerate our debt payments and other financing obligations and those of our subsidiaries. Additionally, our credit agreements are collateralized by equity interests in our subsidiaries. A breach of the covenants under these agreements could permit the lenders to exercise their rights to foreclose on these collateral interests. If this were to occur, we might not be able to repay such debt and other financing obligations. These restrictions may negatively impact our ability to finance future operations, implement our business strategy or fund our capital needs. Compliance with these financial ratios may be affected by events beyond our control, including the risks and uncertainties described in the other risk factors discussed elsewhere in this report.

For further discussion of our credit facility, see Part II, Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note 8 included in this Report on Form 10-K.

***We have a revolving credit facility that is not contracted at market rates.***

Our current credit facility, which expires in June 2012, contains provisions for interest rates on borrowings and commitment fees that were established prior to the credit crisis of 2008 and 2009. Although we have no amounts outstanding under our current credit facility, when we replace our credit facility in today's bank loan market, for any reason, including an event of default on our part, we may be unable to negotiate lending terms at the same or substantially similar rates, or for the same borrowing capacity, that we currently hold. Any change in the terms of our fees or borrowing capacity could adversely affect our liquidity and results of operations.

At this time it is difficult to forecast the future state of the bank loan market. As a result of the uncertain state of various financial institutions and the credit markets generally, we may be unable to maintain our current borrowing capacity in the event of bank or banks failure to fund any commitments under the current credit facility, and we may not be able to refinance our bank facility in the same amount and on the same terms as we currently hold, which could negatively impact our liquidity and results of operations.

***We provide warranties on our products and if our products fail to operate properly our business will suffer.***

We provide warranties as to the proper operation and conformance to specifications of the equipment we manufacture. Our products are often deployed in harsh environments including subsea applications. The failure of these products to operate properly or to meet specifications may increase our costs by requiring additional engineering resources and services, replacement of parts and equipment or monetary reimbursement to a customer. We have experienced quality problems with raw material vendors, which required us to recall and replace certain equipment and components. We have also received warranty claims and we expect to continue to receive them in the future. Such claims may exceed the reserve we have set aside for them. To the extent that we incur substantial warranty claims in any period because of quality issues with our products, our reputation, ability to obtain future business and earnings could be materially and adversely affected.

***Our foreign operations and investments involve special risks.***

We sell products and provide services in parts of the world where the political and legal systems are very different from those in the U.S. and Canada. In places like Russia, Latin America, the Middle East and Asia/Pacific, we may have difficulty or extra expense in navigating the local bureaucracies and legal systems. We may face challenges in enforcing contracts in local courts or be at a disadvantage when we have a dispute with a customer that is an agency of the state. We may be at a disadvantage to competitors that are not subject to the same international trade and business practice restrictions that U.S. and Canadian laws impose on us.

While diversification is desirable, it can expose us to risks related to cultural, political and economic factors of foreign jurisdictions which are beyond our control. As a general rule, we have elected not to carry political risk insurance against these risks. Such risks include the following:

- loss of revenue, property and equipment as a result of hazards such as wars or insurrection;
- the effects of currency fluctuations and exchange controls, such as devaluation of foreign currencies and other economic problems;
- changes or interpretations in laws, regulations and policies of foreign governments, including those associated with changes in the governing parties, nationalization, and expropriation;
- protracted delays in securing government consents, permits, licenses, or other regulatory approvals necessary to conduct our operations; and
- protracted delays in the collection of accounts receivable due to economic, political and civil instabilities.

***Our profitability is driven to a large extent by our ability to deliver the products we manufacture in a timely manner.***

Disruptions to our production schedule may adversely impact our ability to meet delivery commitments. If we fail to deliver products according to contract terms, we may suffer financial penalties and a diminution of our commercial reputation and future product orders.

***We rely on the availability of raw materials, component parts and finished products to produce our products.***

We buy raw materials, components and precision machining or sub-assembly services from many different vendors located in Canada, the United States, Europe, South East Asia and the Middle East. The price and lead times for some products have fluctuated along with the general changes of steel prices around the world. We also source a substantial amount of electrical components, including permanent magnet motors and drives as well as a substantial amount of hydraulic components, including hydraulic motors, from suppliers located in the U.S. and abroad. The inability of suppliers to meet performance, quality specifications and delivery schedules could cause delays in manufacturing and make it difficult or impossible for us to meet outstanding orders or accept new orders for the manufacture of the affected equipment. In addition, the lack of an efficient supply chain could cause us to hold higher levels of inventory.

***The design of some of our equipment is based on components provided by specific sole source manufacturers.***

Some of our products have been designed around components which are only available from one source of supply. In some cases, a manufacturer has developed or modified the design of a component at our request, and consequently we are the only purchaser of such items. If the manufacturer of such an item should go out of business or cease or refuse to manufacture the component in question, or raise the price of such components unduly, we may have to identify alternative components and redesign portions of our equipment. This could cause delays in manufacturing and make it difficult or impossible for us to meet outstanding orders or accept new orders for the manufacture of the affected equipment.

***Our business requires the retention and recruitment of a skilled workforce and key employees, and the loss of such employees could result in the failure to implement our business plans.***

As a technology based company, we depend upon skilled engineering and other professionals in order to engage in product innovation and ensure the effective implementation of our innovative technology, especially CASING DRILLING. We compete for these professionals, not only with other companies in the same industry, but with oil and natural gas service companies generally and other industries. In periods of high energy and industrial manufacturing activity, demand for the skills and expertise of these professionals increases, which can make the hiring and retention of these individuals more difficult and expensive. Failure to recruit and retain such individuals may result in our inability to maintain a competitive advantage over other companies and loss of customer satisfaction. The loss or incapacity of certain key employees for any reason, including our President and Chief Executive Officer, Julio M. Quintana, could have a negative impact on our ability to implement our business plan due to the specialized knowledge these individuals possess. We do not maintain key man insurance on any of our personnel.

Our business relies on the skills and availability of trained and experienced trades and technicians to provide efficient and necessary services to us and our customers. Hiring and retaining such individuals are critical to the success of our business plan. Retention of staff and the prevention of injury to staff are essential in order to provide a high level of service.

***We may be unable to identify or complete acquisitions.***

Acquisitions have been and may continue to be an element of our business strategy. We can give no assurance that we will be able to integrate successfully the assets and operations of acquired businesses with our own business. Any inability on our part to integrate and manage the growth of acquired businesses may have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition. We can give no assurance that we will be able to identify and acquire additional businesses in the future on terms favorable to us.

**Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments.**

None.



## Item 2. Properties.

The following table details our principal facilities, including (i) all properties that we own, and (ii) those leased properties that serve as corporate or regional headquarters as of December 31, 2011.

<b>Location</b>	<b>Approximate Square Footage (Buildings)</b>	<b>Owned or Leased</b>	<b>Description</b>
Houston, Texas	26,500	Leased	Corporate headquarters.
Houston, Texas	67,800	Owned	Headquarters for North American operations in Top Drive, Tubular Services and CASING DRILLING segments, and our U.S. regional operations base which also provides equipment repair and maintenance for U.S. and certain overseas operations.
Kilgore, Texas	21,900	Owned	Regional operations base for the Tubular Services segment in east Texas and northern Louisiana.
Lafayette, Louisiana	43,300	Owned	Regional operations base for the Tubular Services segment in southern Louisiana and the Gulf of Mexico.
Calgary, Alberta, Canada	85,000	Owned	Manufacturing of top drives and other equipment.
Mexico City, Mexico	1,615	Leased	Regional headquarters for Latin America, including Mexico.
Aberdeen, Scotland	22,700	Leased	Regional headquarters for Europe and West Africa.
Moscow, Russia	3,987	Leased	Regional headquarters for the former Soviet Union.
Dubai, United Arab Emirates	3,800	Leased	Regional headquarters for the Middle East, North Africa and East Africa.
Republic of Singapore	15,500	Leased	Regional headquarters for China, Japan, Australia and New Zealand.

In addition, we lease operational facilities at locations in Texas, Colorado, Pennsylvania, Arkansas, North Dakota and Wyoming. Each of these locations supports operations in its local area, primarily for the Tubular Services segment.

Outside the U.S., we lease additional operating facilities in Canada, Mexico, Venezuela, Colombia, Ecuador, Argentina, Brazil, Norway, Russia, Romania, Egypt, Dubai, Indonesia, China, Australia, Malaysia, Oman and New Zealand. The majority of these facilities support the Top Drive, Tubular Services and CASING DRILLING segments.

We consider our existing equipment and facilities to be adequate to support our operations.

## Item 3. Legal Proceedings.

The information with respect to this Item 3 is set forth in Part II, Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note 12 included in this Report on Form 10-K.

## Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.

None.

## PART II

### Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities.

#### *Market Information*

Our outstanding shares of common stock are traded on the Nasdaq Stock Market ("NASDAQ") under the symbol "TESO." The following table outlines the share price trading range and volume of shares traded by quarter for 2011 and 2010.

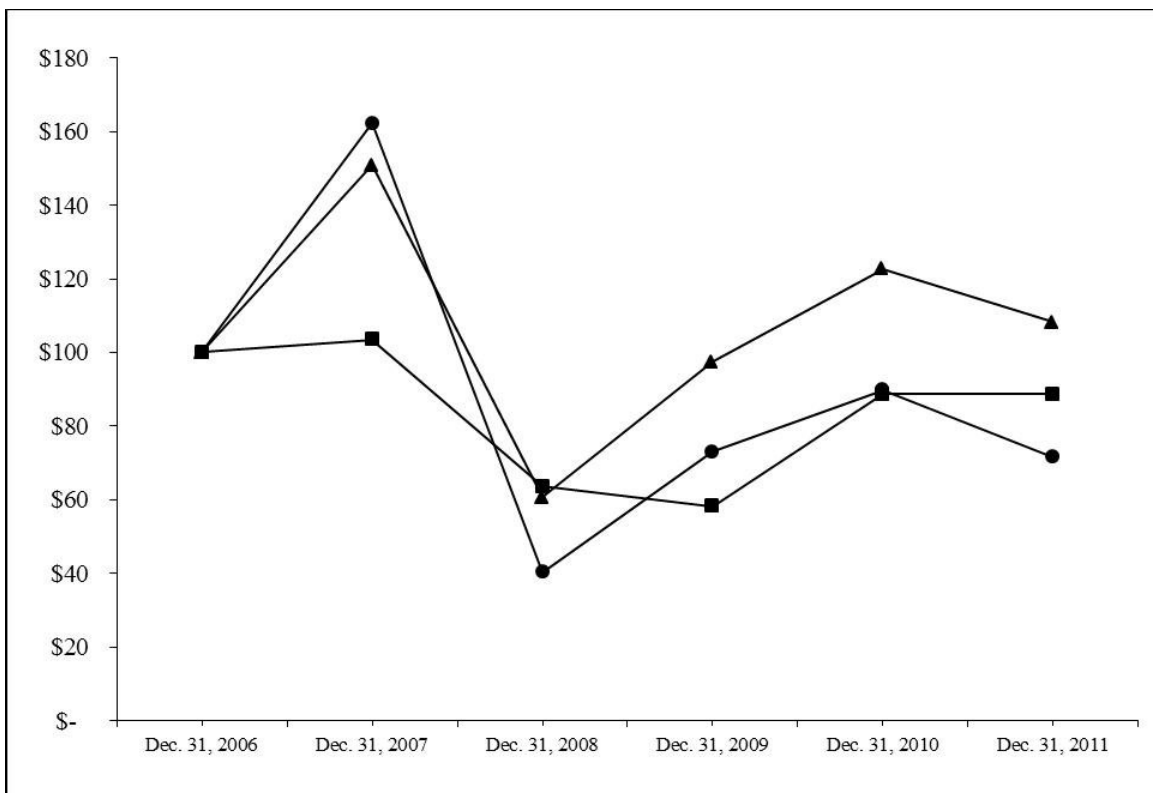
	Share Price Trading Range	
	High	Low
	(\$ per share)	
2011		
1st Quarter	\$ 22.36	\$ 14.20
2nd Quarter	22.49	16.46
3rd Quarter	23.39	11.33
4th Quarter	17.54	10.01
2010		
1st Quarter	\$ 15.24	\$ 10.85
2nd Quarter	13.51	9.00
3rd Quarter	14.47	9.64
4th Quarter	16.40	11.30

As of February 29, 2012, there were approximately 229 holders of record of our common stock, including brokers and other nominees.

#### *Dividend Policy*

We have not declared or paid any dividends since 1993 and do not expect to declare or pay dividends in the near future. Any decision to pay dividends on our common shares will be made by our Board of Directors on the basis of our earnings, financial requirements and other relevant conditions existing at the time. Pursuant to our Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, we are currently prohibited from paying dividends to our shareholders.

The following performance graph and table compares the yearly percentage change in the cumulative shareholder return for the five year period commencing on December 31, 2006 and ending on December 31, 2011 on our common shares (assuming a \$100 investment was made on December 31, 2006) with the total cumulative return of the S&P 500 Composite Index and the Philadelphia Oil Service Sector Index (“OSX”), assuming reinvestment of dividends.



	Dec. 31, 2006	Dec. 31, 2007	Dec. 31, 2008	Dec. 31, 2009	Dec. 31, 2010	Dec. 31, 2011
● Tesco Corp.	\$ 100	\$ 162	\$ 40	\$ 73	\$ 90	\$ 72
▲ OSX	\$ 100	\$ 151	\$ 61	\$ 98	\$ 123	\$ 108
■ S & P 500	\$ 100	\$ 104	\$ 64	\$ 58	\$ 89	\$ 89

## Item 6. Selected Financial Data.

The following selected historical financial data as of December 31, 2011 and 2010 and for each of the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009 is derived from the audited consolidated financial statements included in Part II, Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data in this Report on Form 10-K. The selected financial data as of December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007 and for each of the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007 are derived from audited consolidated financial statements. The selected financial data is not necessarily indicative of results to be expected in future periods and should be read in conjunction with Part II, Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data included in this Report on Form 10-K.

	Years Ended December 31,				
	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Statements of income (loss) data:	(in millions, except share and per share amounts)				
Revenue					
Top Drive	\$ 344.7	\$ 243.9	\$ 224.8	\$ 341.4	\$ 289.1
Tubular Services	151.1	121.9	118.3	166.5	158.7
CASING DRILLING	17.2	12.9	13.7	27.0	14.6
	<u>513.0</u>	<u>378.7</u>	<u>356.8</u>	<u>534.9</u>	<u>462.4</u>
Operating income (loss)					
Top Drives	88.8	62.8	49.5	106.8	80.5
Tubular Services	16.7	8.2	(2.9)	22.5	23.7
CASING DRILLING	(12.4)	(11.6)	(20.6)	(12.6)	(14.1)
Research and Engineering	(12.5)	(9.1)	(7.4)	(11.1)	(12.0)
Corporate and Other	(38.1)	(35.0)	(33.0)	(30.8)	(29.9)
	<u>42.5</u>	<u>15.3</u>	<u>(14.4)</u>	<u>74.8</u>	<u>48.2</u>
Interest expense, net	(1.1)	0.6	0.9	4.2	3.2
Other (income) expense	2.3	0.9	2.3	(0.1)	2.9
Income (loss) before income taxes	<u>41.3</u>	<u>13.8</u>	<u>(17.6)</u>	<u>70.7</u>	<u>42.1</u>
Income tax (benefit) provision	14.3	6.8	(12.3)	20.8	10.0
Net income (loss)	<u>27.0</u>	<u>7.0</u>	<u>(5.3)</u>	<u>49.9</u>	<u>32.1</u>
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:					
Basic	38,211	37,835	37,598	37,221	36,604
Diluted	38,878	38,261	37,598	37,833	37,404
Earnings (loss) per share:					
Basic	\$ 0.71	\$ 0.19	\$ (0.14)	\$ 1.34	\$ 0.88
Diluted	\$ 0.69	\$ 0.18	\$ (0.14)	\$ 1.32	\$ 0.86
Cash dividends per common share	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —

### Factors Affecting Trends

- Our effective tax rate has fluctuated as follows: 2011: 35%, 2010: 49%, 2009: 70%; 2008: 29%, 2007: 24%;
- In 2011, we recorded \$2.4 million in interest income related to a refund received during the year from the Mexican tax authorities and a \$1.8 million charge to bad debt expense for accounts deemed uncollectible. For a detailed discussion of the refund from the Mexican tax authorities, see Part II, Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note 12 included in this Report on Form 10-K;
- In 2010, we recorded a \$1.9 million increase in income tax expense for a valuation allowance adjustment established on foreign subsidiary net operating losses; and
- In 2009, we recorded an impairment charge of \$14.4 million to reduce obsolete and slow moving inventory to its net realizable value, an impairment charge of \$3.6 million to reduce fixed assets held for sale to its net realizable value, and \$3.7 million for severance and relocation costs as part of a cost restructuring.



	Years Ended December 31,				
	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
	(in millions)				
Balance sheet data:					
Total assets	\$ 549.2	\$ 454.9	\$ 442.6	\$ 499.9	\$ 471.5
Debt and capital leases	6.6	—	8.6	49.6	80.8
Shareholders' equity	412.8	375.7	362.2	351.9	303.6
Cash flow data:					
Cash flow provided by operating activities	\$ 19.3	\$ 54.8	\$ 63.0	\$ 77.0	\$ 25.3
Cash flows used in investing activities	(57.6)	(25.8)	(3.8)	(58.5)	(64.4)
Cash flows provided by (used in) financing activities	0.8	(8.4)	(40.4)	(19.5)	48.9
Other data:					
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(a)</sup>	\$ 85.7	\$ 56.9	\$ 42.4	\$ 114.5	\$ 79.1
Net cash (debt) <sup>(b)</sup>	16.4	60.6	31.3	(29.0)	(57.7)

- (a) We evaluate our performance based on non-GAAP measures, of which a primary performance measure is adjusted EBITDA, which consists of earnings (net income or loss) available to common shareholders, net interest expense, income taxes, non-cash stock compensation expense, non-cash impairments, depreciation and amortization and other non-cash items. This measure may not be comparable to similarly titled measures employed by other companies and is not a measure of performance calculated in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in U.S. ("GAAP"). The measure should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for operating income, net income or loss, cash flows provided by operating, investing or financing activities, or other cash flow data prepared in accordance with GAAP. The amounts included in the adjusted EBITDA calculation, however, are derived from amounts included in the historical consolidated statements of income data.

We believe that adjusted EBITDA is useful to an investor in evaluating our operating performance because it is widely used by investors in our industry to measure a company's operating performance without regard to items such as income taxes, net interest expense, depreciation and amortization, and non-cash stock compensation expense, which can vary substantially from company to company depending upon accounting methods and book value of assets, financing methods, capital structure and the method by which assets were acquired; it helps investors more meaningfully evaluate and compare the results of our operations from period to period by removing the impact of our capital structure (primarily interest expense) and asset base (primarily depreciation and amortization) and actions that do not affect liquidity (stock compensation expense) from our operating results; and it helps investors identify items that are within our operational control. Depreciation and amortization charges, while a component of operating income, are fixed at the time of the asset purchase in accordance with the depreciable lives of the related asset and as such are not a directly controllable period operating charge. Adjusted EBITDA is derived from our consolidated statements of income as follows (in millions):

	Years Ended December 31,				
	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
	(in millions)				
Net income (loss)	\$ 27.0	\$ 7.0	\$ (5.3)	\$ 49.9	\$ 32.1
Income tax provision (benefit)	14.3	6.8	(12.3)	20.8	10.0
Depreciation and amortization	38.5	36.1	36.7	33.3	27.3
Net interest expense (income)	(1.1)	0.6	0.9	4.2	3.2
Stock compensation expense—non-cash	7.0	6.4	4.4	6.3	6.5
Impairment of inventory and assets—non-cash	—	—	18.0	—	—
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 85.7	\$ 56.9	\$ 42.4	\$ 114.5	\$ 79.1

- (b) Net cash (debt) represents the amount cash and cash equivalents exceeds (or is less than) total debt. Net cash (debt) is not a calculation based upon GAAP. The amounts included in the net cash (debt) calculation, however, are derived from amounts included in our historical consolidated balance sheets. In addition, net cash (debt) should not be considered as an alternative

to operating cash flows or working capital as a measure of liquidity. We have reported net cash (debt) because we regularly review net cash (debt) as a measure of our liquidity. However, the net cash (debt) measure presented in this Report on Form 10-K may not always be comparable to similarly titled measures reported by other companies due to differences in the components of the calculation. Net cash (debt) is derived from the consolidated balance sheets as follows (in millions):

	Years Ended December 31,				
	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
	(in millions)				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 23.0	\$ 60.6	\$ 39.9	\$ 20.6	\$ 23.1
Current portion of long term debt	(2.8)	—	—	(10.2)	(10.0)
Long term debt	(3.8)	—	(8.6)	(39.4)	(70.8)
Net cash (debt)	\$ 16.4	\$ 60.6	\$ 31.3	\$ (29.0)	\$ (57.7)

## Item 7. Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

*Our Management’s Discussion and Analysis (“MD&A”) should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and the accompanying footnotes included in Part II, Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data included in this Report on Form 10-K. Our MD&A includes forward-looking statements that are subject to risks and uncertainties that may result in actual results differing from the statements we make. These risks and uncertainties are discussed further in Part I, Item 1A, Risk Factors included in this Report on Form 10-K.*

### Overview

Listed below is a general outline of our MD&A:

- *Our business* – includes a summary of our business purposes, a description of the current business environment, a summary of our 2011 performance and an outlook for 2012;
- *Results of operations* – includes a year-over-year analysis of the results of our business segments, our corporate activities and other income statement items;
- *Liquidity and capital resources* – includes a general discussion of our sources and uses of cash, available liquidity, our liquidity outlook for 2012, an overview of cash flow activity during 2011, and additional factors that could impact our liquidity;
- *Critical accounting estimates* – includes a discussion of accounting estimates that involve the use of significant assumptions and/or judgments in the preparation of our consolidated financial statements; and
- *Off balance sheet arrangements* – includes a discussion of our (i) off balance sheet arrangements, including guarantees and letters of credit, if any, and (ii) other contractual obligations.

### Our Business

We are a global leader in the design, manufacture and service delivery of technology-based solutions for the upstream energy industry. We seek to change the way wells are drilled by delivering safer and more efficient solutions that add real value by reducing the costs of drilling for and producing oil and natural gas.

Our four business segments are:

- Top Drives – top drive sales, top drive rentals and after-market sales and services;
- Tubular Services – proprietary and conventional tubular services;
- CASING DRILLING – proprietary CASING DRILLING technology; and
- Research and Engineering – internal research and development activities related to our top drive model development, proprietary tubular services, and CASING DRILLING technology.

For a detailed description of these business segments, see Part I, Item 1, Business included in this Report on Form 10-K.

## Business Environment

The global economy was negatively affected by the economic crisis that started in late 2008, which led to a significant global economic downturn. Many oil and natural gas operators significantly curtailed their drilling activity in 2009 due to lower oil and natural gas prices and tightening credit availability, which had the greatest impact on natural gas drilling across North America (excluding Mexico). During 2010 and 2011, natural gas drilling recovered significantly, particularly in the shale regions of U.S. International rig count also recovered from 2009 levels. However, during 2011 the U.S. credit rating was downgraded by Standards and Poor's and several countries within the European Union ("EU") experienced intense sovereign debt and credit issues, both of which continue to rattle global credit and equity markets. The uncertainty over the outcome of international and the EU's financial support programs and the possibility that other EU member states may experience similar financial troubles could further disrupt global markets. Additionally, many governments are seeking additional revenue sources, including eliminating key federal income tax incentives currently available to oil and natural gas exploration and production companies. Current global macro-economic conditions make any projections difficult and uncertain; however, the recovery from the 2009 recession appears to continue. One of the key indicators of our business is the number of active drilling rigs. Below is a table that shows rig counts by region for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009.

	Average Rig Count <sup>(1)</sup>			Increase (Decrease)			
	2011	2010	2009	2010 to 2011		2009 to 2010	
U.S.	1,875	1,541	1,086	334	22%	455	42%
Canada	423	351	221	72	21%	130	59%
Latin America (includes Mexico)	424	383	356	41	11%	27	8%
Asia Pacific (includes China)	256	269	243	(13)	(5)%	26	11%
Middle East	292	265	252	27	10%	13	5%
Africa	78	83	62	(5)	(6)%	21	34%
Europe (includes Russia)	118	93	84	25	27%	9	11%
Worldwide	3,466	2,985	2,304	481	16%	681	30%

(1) Source: Baker Hughes Incorporated worldwide rig count; averages are monthly.

### Summary of 2011 and Operational Performance

During 2011, our Top Drive and Tubular Services segments improved on their performance in 2010 and provided a strong base of earnings. Our proprietary tubular services offering continues to gain market acceptance, and we remain committed to growing this segment as we believe that every top drive rig will eventually convert to running casing with an automated system, such as the CDS system that we offer. In addition, in 2011 we continued to grow our CASING DRILLING segment. We also invested in new and enhanced product and service offerings that are being developed in our Research and Engineering segment. We continue to grow fiscally stronger as demonstrated by the following factors:

- we increased revenue from \$378.7 million in 2010 to \$513.0 million in 2011;
- we increased operating income from \$15.3 million in 2010 to \$42.5 million in 2011;
- our top drive backlog has increased from 25 units with potential revenue value of \$33.0 million at December 31, 2010 to 74 units with potential revenue value of \$91.1 million at December 31, 2011;
- we funded a substantial increase in our working capital requirements due to increased demand from cash provided by operating activities and from the sale of used top drives;
- we continue to grow our business organically as well as through acquisitions. During the fourth quarter of 2011, we entered the Egyptian tubular services market by completing the acquisition of Premiere Casing Services - Egypt S.A.E. ("Premiere") for approximately \$24.9 million; and
- we had no amounts outstanding under our revolving credit facility at December 31, 2011 and 2010.

Outlook for 2012

The current outlook for the global economy varies widely, but we believe that most indicators point towards a continued slow recovery in 2012. Below is a table that shows projected drilling activity for 2012 by region and compares these projections to the number of wells drilled during each of the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009. In particular, U.S. and Canadian activity is projected to increase by 6% and international activity is projected to increase by 5% from average 2011 levels.

	Wells drilled <sup>(1)</sup>			
	Years ended December 31,			
	2012	2011	2010	2009
	<b>(forecast)<sup>(1)</sup></b>			
U.S.	47,918	44,905	45,617	37,204
Canada	13,010	12,612	10,912	8,010
Latin America	5,148	4,743	5,450	4,531
Europe, Africa, Middle East (including Russia)	12,892	12,086	11,359	10,519
Far East (including China)	27,704	26,880	23,802	23,655
Worldwide	106,672	101,226	97,140	83,919

<sup>(1)</sup> Source: Report by World Oil magazine, February 2012.

Current global macro-economic conditions make any projections difficult and uncertain; however, in each of our revenue generating segments, we anticipate moderately improved activity into 2012, as follows:

- *Top Drive* – Based upon existing drilling and bidding levels and current economic forecasts, we expect our top drive order rate and rental activity to moderately increase in 2012. Our outstanding backlog was 74 units at December 31, 2011 compared to 25 units at December 31, 2010. We expect domestic and international demand for our top drive rental services will expand. As such, we intend to grow our rental fleet of top drives in 2012;
- *Tubular Services* – We expect our CDS proprietary and conventional casing business to continue to grow moderately in 2012. We will continue to focus our efforts on the expansion of our proprietary casing service offerings and the sales of CDS equipment. In addition, we continue to expand our tubular services activities in most major unconventional shale regions in North America and selected international locations to further expand our global foot print. We continue to develop relationships with new and existing customers in both our Tubular Services and CASING DRILLING segments; and
- *CASING DRILLING* – We expect improvement in our CASING DRILLING revenue and operating results in 2012 based on signed contracts and current bidding activity. We plan to maintain our CASING DRILLING infrastructure around the world while optimizing headcount in locations with higher demand and streamlining internal processes.

## Results of operations

Below is a summary of our revenue and operating results for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009 (in thousands, except percentages):

	Year Ended December 31,			Increase/Decrease			
	2011	2010	2009	2010 to 2011		2009 to 2010	
<i>Segment revenue</i>							
Top Drive	\$ 344,698	\$ 243,933	\$ 224,853	\$ 100,765	41%	\$ 19,080	8%
Tubular Services	151,124	121,884	118,299	29,240	24%	3,585	3%
CASING DRILLING	17,147	12,848	13,696	4,299	33%	(848)	(6)%
Consolidated revenue	<u>\$ 512,969</u>	<u>\$ 378,665</u>	<u>\$ 356,848</u>	<u>\$ 134,304</u>	35%	<u>\$ 21,817</u>	6%
<i>Segment operating income (loss)</i>							
Top Drive	\$ 88,799	\$ 62,818	\$ 49,532	\$ 25,981	41%	\$ 13,286	27%
Tubular Services	16,680	8,228	(2,942)	8,452	103%	11,170	380%
CASING DRILLING	(12,392)	(11,594)	(20,643)	(798)	(7)%	9,049	44%
Research and engineering	(12,512)	(9,075)	(7,431)	(3,437)	(38)%	(1,644)	(22)%
Corporate and other	(38,058)	(35,060)	(32,945)	(2,998)	(9)%	(2,115)	(6)%
Consolidated operating income (loss)	42,517	15,317	(14,429)	27,200	178%	29,746	206%
Other expense	1,245	1,495	3,176	(250)	(17)%	(1,681)	(53)%
Income (loss) before income taxes	41,272	13,822	(17,605)	27,450	199%	31,427	179%
Income tax provision (benefit)	14,276	6,777	(12,340)	7,499	111%	19,117	155%
Net income (loss)	<u>\$ 26,996</u>	<u>\$ 7,045</u>	<u>\$ (5,265)</u>	<u>\$ 19,951</u>	283%	<u>\$ 12,310</u>	234%

### Top Drive Segment

Our Top Drive business segment sells equipment and provides services to drilling contractors and oil and natural gas operating companies throughout the world. We primarily manufacture top drives that are used in drilling operations to rotate the drill string while suspended from the derrick above the rig floor. We also provide top drive rental services on a day-rate basis for land and offshore drilling rigs, and we provide after-market sales and support for our customers. The following is a summary of our top drive operating results and metrics for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009 (revenue and operating income in thousands, except percentages):



	Year Ended December 31,			Increase/Decrease			
	2011	2010	2009	2010 to 2011		2009 to 2010	
<b>Top Drive revenue</b>							
Sales	\$ 152,599	\$ 85,584	\$ 91,398	67,015	78%	(5,814)	(6)%
Rental services	135,706	109,179	83,845	26,527	24%	25,334	30%
After-market sales and services	56,393	49,170	49,610	7,223	15%	(440)	(1)%
	<u>\$ 344,698</u>	<u>\$ 243,933</u>	<u>\$ 224,853</u>	<u>\$ 100,765</u>	41%	<u>\$ 19,080</u>	8%
<b>Top Drive operating income</b>	\$ 88,799	\$ 62,818	\$ 49,532	25,981	41%	13,286	27%
<b>Number of top drive sales:</b>							
New	106	61	79	45	74%	(18)	(23)%
Used or consigned	9	8	11	1	13%	(3)	(27)%
End of period number of top drives in rental fleet:	132	125	117	7	6%	8	7%
Rental operating days <sup>(a)</sup>	28,280	23,972	18,218	4,308	18%	5,754	32%
Average daily operating rate	\$ 4,799	\$ 4,554	\$ 4,602	245	5%	(48)	(1)%

(a) Defined as a day that a unit in our rental fleet is under contract and operating; does not include stand-by days.

*Top Drive sales revenue* — The increase in revenue from 2010 to 2011 was due to increased number of new top drive units sold as a result of increased demand, both domestically and internationally. The number of new top drive units sold during 2011 approached the pre-recession levels of 118 units in 2008. The decrease in revenue from 2009 to 2010 was due to decreased number of units sold during the respective periods as a result of the global economic downturn, which did not significantly impact our top drive sales until the second half of 2009. The decrease in units sold from 2009 to 2010 was primarily due to strong results in the first half of 2009 that was driven by the fulfillment of backlog orders that were placed in 2008 prior to the downturn in the drilling industry, compared to being in a slight economic recovery in the last half of 2010. Although sales activity increased during the second half of 2010, it was not significant enough to compensate for the slower sales in the first half of 2010 as compared to 2009 as a whole.

Our selling price per unit varies significantly depending on the model, whether the unit was previously operated in our rental fleet and whether a power unit was included in the sale. Revenue related to the sale of used or consigned top drive units was \$9.0 million, \$8.0 million and \$10.4 million during 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

*Top Drive rental services revenue* — The increase in revenue from 2010 to 2011 and 2009 to 2010 was due to the increase in rental operating days during the respective periods resulting from a 16% growth in the average worldwide rig count year-over-year. Our rental fleet has increased by 8 units during 2010 and by 7 units in 2011 to meet the demand of our customers for rental services. In addition, the increase in top drive rental revenues is due to improved average daily rates from 2010 to 2011.

*Top Drive after-market sales and services revenue* — The increase in revenue from 2010 to 2011 is the result improved drilling activity as shown by the 16% increase in the average worldwide rig count year-over-year. Revenues decreased slightly from 2009 to 2010 as a result of the economic crisis, which decreased the number of operating top drives in need of repairs. In addition, drilling contractors began performing their own maintenance on units that we have historically maintained.

*Top Drive operating income* — The improvement in Top Drive operating results from 2010 to 2011 and 2009 to 2010 was a function of revenue factors discussed above, which provided flow-through to our operating margin as benefits derived from economies of scale were realized. No significant adjustments affecting operating income were recorded in 2011 or 2010. This was not the case in 2009, where our operating margins were decreased by several adjustments netting to \$3.8 million. During 2009, we performed an analysis of our inventory parts in connection with our then current backlog and operating forecasts and recorded a charge of \$5.4 million to reflect the net realizable value of our Top Drive inventory and incurred severance costs of \$1.3 million due to cost restructurings. This was partially offset by non-recurring gains recorded in 2009, including \$1.6 million for the sale of certain ancillary top drive equipment and \$1.3 million for the sale of a building and property located in Canada.

## Tubular Services Segment

Our Tubular Services business segment includes both proprietary and conventional services, which are typically offered as a “call out” service on a well-by-well basis. Our proprietary Tubular Service business is based on our proprietary casing running service technology, which uses certain components of our CASING DRILLING technology, in particular the CDS, and provides an efficient method for running casing and, if required, reaming the casing into the hole. Additionally, our proprietary Tubular Service business includes the installation services of deep water smart well completion equipment using our MCLRS, a proprietary and patented technology that improves the quality of the installation of high-end well completions. Our conventional Tubular Service business provides equipment and personnel for the installation of tubing and casing, including power tongs, pick-up/lay-down units, torque monitoring services, connection testing services and power swivels for new well construction and in work-over and re-entry operations. Below is a summary of our tubular services operating results and metrics for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009 (revenue and operating income in thousands, except percentages):

	Year Ended December 31,			Increase/Decrease			
	2011	2010	2009	2010 to 2011		2009 to 2010	
<b>Tubular Services revenue</b>							
Proprietary	\$ 120,315	\$ 100,734	\$ 95,440	\$ 19,581	19%	\$ 5,294	6%
Conventional	30,809	21,150	22,859	9,659	46%	(1,709)	(7)%
	<u>\$ 151,124</u>	<u>\$ 121,884</u>	<u>\$ 118,299</u>	<u>\$ 29,240</u>	24%	<u>\$ 3,585</u>	3%
<b>Tubular Services operating income</b>							
	\$ 16,680	\$ 8,228	\$ (2,942)	\$ 8,452	103%	\$ 11,170	380%
Number of proprietary jobs	3,557	3,173	2,569	384	12%	604	24%

The increase in Tubular Services proprietary revenue from 2010 to 2011 and from 2009 to 2010 was due to the corresponding increase in proprietary jobs during the respective periods. In addition, our 2010 results were negatively affected by bidding and pricing pressure in the U.S. as the Gulf of Mexico workforce displaced by the Deepwater Horizon explosion and the resulting drilling moratorium was competing for on-shore work. Lastly, Tubular Services revenue for 2011 included \$2.3 million of revenue for CDS equipment sales to one customer while no CDS equipment sales were made during 2010.

Our Tubular Services conventional revenue improved from 2010 to 2011 due to the 16% increase in average worldwide rig count year-over-year. The majority of the conventional revenue growth was driven by the more recently developing shale formations in North America and new entry markets in Asia Pacific and the Middle East regions. As we penetrate these markets we intend to transition customer preferences to our proprietary offerings.

The improvement in our Tubular Services operating results from 2010 to 2011 was primarily a function of revenue factors discussed above, which provided flow-through to our operating margin as benefits derived from economies of scale were realized. No significant adjustments affecting operating income were recorded in 2011. During 2010, our operating results including a \$1.8 million decrease in operating income resulting from a customer dispute over contract terms interpretations. The improvement in our Tubular Services operating results from 2009 to 2010 was a function of revenue factors discussed above offset by the \$1.8 million customer dispute discussed in the previous sentence. Our 2009 operating results included the impairment of \$1.8 million for assets held for sale and severance costs of \$0.4 million due to cost restructuring in 2009. Additionally, we performed an analysis of our inventory parts in connection with our operating activities and projected future demand for all business segments in 2009 and recorded a charge of \$2.0 million in 2009 to reflect the net realizable value of our Tubular Services inventory.

### CASING DRILLING Segment

Our CASING DRILLING business is based on our proprietary CASING DRILLING technology, which uses patented equipment and processes to allow an oil or gas well to be drilled using standard well casing pipe. In contrast, conventional or straight practice rotary drilling requires the use of drill pipe and drill string components. The demonstrated benefits of using well casing to drill the well compared to conventional drilling include, among other benefits, a reduction in the risk of unscheduled downhole events that typically result in non-productive time and additional cost and operational risk to the drilling contractor and well operator. Below is a summary of our CASING DRILLING operating results and metrics for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009 (in thousands, except percentages):

	Year Ended December 31,			Increase/Decrease			
	2011	2010	2009	2010 to 2011		2009 to 2010	
CASING DRILLING revenue	\$ 17,147	\$ 12,848	\$ 13,696	\$ 4,299	33%	\$ (848)	(6)%
CASING DRILLING operating loss	\$ (12,392)	\$ (11,594)	\$ (20,643)	\$ (798)	7%	\$ 9,049	44%

The increase in CASING DRILLING revenue from 2010 to 2011 was due to increased demand for our CASING DRILLING services, specifically in Latin America and Middle Eastern countries. The decrease in CASING DRILLING revenue from 2009 to 2010 was due to the delay or lack of work for CASING DRILLING due to weak domestic and international demand in this sector of the oil and natural gas industry. CASING DRILLING activity has recently improved, and revenue accordingly increased in the third and fourth quarters of 2011.

Our CASING DRILLING operating loss slightly increased from 2010 to 2011 despite revenues increasing due to significant customer delays in the first half of 2011, which caused increased staffing and other costs while waiting for the scheduled jobs to commence. Our operating income improved by \$1.3 million in the second half of 2011 as compared to the first half of 2011. Our CASING DRILLING operating loss decreased from 2009 to 2010 despite revenues decreasing due to non-recurring charges recorded in 2009. Specifically, we performed an analysis of our inventory parts to determine excess or slow moving items based on our operating activities and projected future demand for all business segments in 2009 and recorded a charge of \$7.0 million to reflect the net realizable value of our CASING DRILLING inventory. Our operating results in 2009 were also negatively impacted by an impairment charge of \$1.8 million for assets held for sale, a loss on sale of operating assets located in Latin America of \$0.5 million, and severance costs of \$0.2 million as a result of cost restructuring measures.

We routinely assess whether impairment indicators of our long-lived assets are present based on triggering events that include continued declines in the market or not achieving our internal projections in future years. Although we have seen increased demand for CASING DRILLING in 2011 and expect improved operating results in 2012, we have experienced losses in the CASING DRILLING segment over the past few years and expect losses to continue in the near term. We therefore conducted a test of recoverability as set forth in current accounting guidance for long-lived assets and determined that our CASING DRILLING long-lived assets are not impaired as of December 31, 2011. Our analysis includes significant growth and profitability assumptions beginning in 2013. If the expected market conditions do not occur at the level expected or within the timeframe projected, we may determine in the future that our CASING DRILLING long-lived assets are impaired. As of December 31, 2011, our CASING DRILLING long-lived assets and inventory had a net book value of approximately \$11.7 million and \$6.7 million, respectively. If, in the future, we determine that an impairment of our CASING DRILLING long-lived assets has occurred, the amount of such impairment expense could be material to our results of operations, but we expect that it would not materially impact our cash flows or overall viability.

### Research and Engineering Segment

Our Research and Engineering segment is comprised of our internal research and development activities related to Tubular Services technology, CASING DRILLING technology and top drive model development. The following is a summary of our research and engineering expense for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009 (in thousands, except percentages):

	Year Ended December 31,			Increase/Decrease			
	2011	2010	2009	2010 to 2011		2009 to 2010	
Research and engineering expense	\$ 12,512	\$ 9,075	\$ 7,431	\$ 3,437	38%	\$ 1,644	22%

Research and engineering expenses increased from 2010 to 2011 and 2009 to 2010 as we continue our investment in the development, commercialization and enhancements of our proprietary technologies. During 2011, we incurred \$1.9 million of drilling and refurbishment costs for a liner drilling test well that was successfully demonstrated to customers.

#### Corporate and Other Segment

Corporate and other expenses primarily consist of the corporate level general and administrative expenses and certain selling and marketing expenses. Below is a summary of our corporate and other expense for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009 (in thousands, except percentages):

	Year Ended December 31,			Increase/Decrease			
	2011	2010	2009	2010 to 2011		2009 to 2010	
Corporate and other expenses	\$ 38,058	\$ 35,060	\$ 32,945	\$ 2,998	9%	\$ 2,115	6%
Corporate and other expenses as a % of revenue	7%	9%	9%	(2) pts		—	

Corporate and other expenses were higher in 2011 than in 2010 due to increased payroll and benefit expense from increased headcount and increased expenses for travel, depreciation, advertising and marketing and other administrative costs resulting from expanded operations to meet increased demand for our products and services. These increases were offset by decreased legal expense of \$2.9 million associated with the patent infringement lawsuit that we filed in the third quarter of 2008 and which was settled against one of the four defendants in the fourth quarter of 2010.

Corporate and other expenses were higher in 2010 than in 2009 due to increased incentive cash and stock compensation expense of \$5.3 million that resulted from improved company performance and \$1.2 million of additional legal expense associated with the patent infringement lawsuit discussed above. These increases in 2010 were partially offset by non-recurring expenses recorded in 2009, including legal settlement costs of \$2.2 million and severance costs of \$1.4 million due to cost restructurings.

Corporate and other expenses as a percentage of revenue decreased in 2011 as compared to 2010 and 2009 due to higher revenues during 2011 as we recover from the downturn in the oil and natural gas industry during 2009 and into 2010.

#### Other Expense (Income)

Below is a summary of our other expense (income) for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009 (in thousands, except percentages):

	Year Ended December 31,			Increase/Decrease			
	2011	2010	2009	2010 to 2011		2009 to 2010	
Other expense (income)							
Interest expense	\$ 1,504	\$ 758	\$ 1,891	\$ 746	98%	\$ (1,133)	(60)%
Interest income	(2,596)	(165)	(958)	(2,431)	(1,473)%	793	83%
Foreign exchange losses	2,523	1,043	1,360	1,480	142%	(317)	(23)%
Other expense (income)	(186)	(141)	883	(45)	(32)%	(1,024)	(116)%
Total other expense (income)	\$ 1,245	\$ 1,495	\$ 3,176	\$ (250)	(17)%	\$ (1,681)	(53)%

*Interest expense* — Interest expense increased from 2010 to 2011 and decreased from 2009 to 2010 as a result of outstanding debt balances under our credit facility. We paid our credit facility in full in January 2010 and did not draw on our revolving line

of credit until the fourth quarter of 2011, when we drew down and repaid \$10.0 million on our credit facility to fund working capital needs. As of December 31, 2011 and 2010, we had no amounts outstanding under our credit facility. Our average monthly outstanding debt balance was \$2.1 million, \$0.7 million and \$31.9 million during 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Interest expense recorded in 2011 and 2010 was primarily due to commitment fees for our revolving line of credit. In addition, 2011 results include interest expense on the \$10.0 million borrowed and repaid during the fourth quarter as well as interest expense on the debt assumed with the acquisition of Premiere Casing Services - Egypt SAE ("Premiere") in October 2011.

*Interest income* — Interest income increased from 2010 to 2011 due to a refund received from the Mexican tax authorities during the second quarter of 2011 as described in Part II, Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note 12. We recorded \$2.4 million in interest income and \$0.6 million in other income, partially offset by \$0.4 million of interest expense during 2011 related to this refund. Interest income decreased from 2009 to 2010 primarily due to non-recurring interest income of \$0.8 million received on a tax refund during 2009.

*Foreign exchange losses* — Foreign exchange losses increased from \$1.0 million in 2010 to \$2.5 million in 2011 and decreased from \$1.4 million in 2009 to \$1.0 million 2010 due to fluctuations in the valuation of the U.S. dollar compared to other currencies we transact in around the world, including Canadian dollars, Argentine pesos, Mexican pesos, Russian rubles, Euros, and Singapore dollars, among others. During 2011, our foreign exchange losses were negatively affected by increased volatility in the global economy caused by the United States debt downgrade and European debt crisis. From time to time, we may use foreign currency forward contracts to manage our currency exchange exposures on foreign currency denominated balances and anticipated cash flows. However, we did not have any foreign currency forward contracts in place during the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010, and 2009.

*Other expense (income)* — Other expense (income) reflects gains (losses) on sale of non-operating assets, penalties, and other miscellaneous expense (income). Other expense was higher in 2009 due to accrued penalties of \$0.7 million assessed by a taxing authority during 2009.

#### *Income Tax Provision (Benefit)*

	Year Ended December 31,			Increase/Decrease	
	2011	2010	2009	2010 to 2011	2009 to 2010
Effective income tax rate	35%	49%	70%	(14) pts	(21) pts

We are an Alberta, Canada corporation. We conduct business and are taxed on profits earned in a number of jurisdictions around the world. Our income tax rate is based on the laws and rates in effect in the countries in which our operations are conducted or in which we are considered a resident for income tax purposes. Our effective tax rate, which is income tax expense as a percentage of pre-tax earnings, fluctuates from year to year based on the level of profits earned in each jurisdiction in which we operate and the tax rates applicable to such earnings.

Our effective tax rate for 2011 of 35% was higher than the 26.5% Canadian statutory rate primarily due to the level of profit earned in higher-taxed jurisdictions and non-deductible expenses in those jurisdictions. Our effective tax rate for 2010 of 49% consisted of a \$1.9 million valuation allowance adjustment established on foreign subsidiary net operating losses. No provision is made for taxes that may be payable on the repatriation of accumulated earnings in our foreign subsidiaries on the basis that these earnings will continue to be used to finance the activities of these subsidiaries.

For a further description of income tax matters, see Part II, Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note 10 and Part II, Item 9A. Controls and Procedures included in this Report on Form 10-K.

#### **Liquidity and capital resources**

We rely on our cash and access to credit to fund our operations, growth initiatives and acquisitions. Our primary sources of liquidity are cash flows generated from our operations, available cash and cash equivalents and availability under our revolving credit facility. We use these sources of liquidity to fund our working capital requirements, capital expenditures, strategic investments and acquisitions. For 2012, we forecast capital expenditures to be between \$60 million to \$70 million, based on current market conditions. We expect to be able to fund our activities for 2012 with cash flows generated from our operations, available cash and cash equivalents, and available borrowings under our revolving credit facility.

As of December 31, 2011, we had no outstanding borrowings under our revolving credit facility, and we had availability to borrow \$132.2 million under our revolving credit facility. The availability of current borrowings is, and future borrowings may



be, limited in order to maintain certain financial ratios required by restrictive covenants in our credit facility. We were in compliance with our bank covenants at December 31, 2011. For further discussion on our credit facility, see Part II, Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note 8 included in this Report on Form 10-K.

Our net cash position as of December 31, 2011 and 2010 was as follows (in thousands):

	Years ended December 31,	
	2011	2010
Cash	\$ 23,069	\$ 60,603
Current portion of long term debt	(2,793)	—
Long term debt	(3,832)	—
Net cash	<u>\$ 16,444</u>	<u>\$ 60,603</u>

We report our net cash position because we regularly review it as a measure of our performance. However, the measure presented in this document may not always be comparable to similarly titled measures reported by other companies due to differences in the components of the measurement we use.

### *Cash Flows*

Our cash flows fluctuate with the level of spending by oil and natural gas companies for drilling activities. Certain sources and uses of cash, such as the level of discretionary capital expenditures and the issuance and repayment of debt, are within our control and are adjusted as necessary based on market conditions. The following is a discussion of our cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010.

*Operating Activities* – Net cash provided by operating activities is our primary source of capital and liquidity. Net cash provided by operating activities was \$19.3 million in 2011 compared to \$54.8 million in 2010. The decrease in net cash provided by operating activities is primarily due to cash outlays for inventory purchases, as a result of our increased activity levels from the continued recovery in the economy and the oil and natural gas drilling activities in general. Inventory increased from \$59.2 million at December 31, 2010 to \$111.8 million at December 31, 2011, to support our growing top drive backlog, forecasted demand for top drive rental fleet additions, and forecasted customer demand for new CDS™ tools and AMSS parts.

*Investing Activities* – Net cash used for investing activities was \$57.6 million during 2011 compared to \$25.8 million in 2010. During 2011 and 2010, we used \$47.4 million and \$37.1 million of cash, respectively, for capital expenditures, and sales from operating assets provided \$6.9 million and \$10.4 million of cash, respectively. Our capital expenditures increased by \$10.3 million or 28% in 2011 as compared to 2010 to meet projected demand for our products and services. Additionally, we used \$16.0 million of cash to acquire Premiere, net of cash acquired, during 2011.

*Financing Activities* – Net cash provided in financing activities was \$0.8 million during 2011 compared to net cash used of \$8.4 million in 2010. During 2011, we borrowed and paid back \$10.0 million from our revolving credit facility. During 2010, we used \$8.6 million of cash to repay our debt and had no borrowings under our revolving credit facility.

### **Critical Accounting Estimates**

Our significant accounting policies are described in Part II, Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note 2 in this Report on Form 10-K. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to select appropriate accounting estimates and to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets, liabilities, revenue and expenses and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. We consider our critical accounting estimates to be those that require difficult, complex or subjective judgment necessary in accounting for inherently uncertain matters and those that could significantly influence our financial results based on changes in those judgments. Changes in facts and circumstances may result in revised estimates and actual results may differ materially from those estimates. We believe the most critical accounting policies in this regard are those described below.

*Deferred Taxes* — We record deferred tax assets and liabilities to reflect the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases. By their nature, tax laws are often subject to interpretation. In those cases where a tax position is open to interpretation, differences of opinion can result in differing conclusions as to the amount of tax benefits to be recognized. Valuation allowances are established to reduce

deferred tax assets when it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the tax asset will not be realized. Estimates of future taxable income and ongoing tax planning have been considered in assessing the utilization of available tax losses and credits. Unforeseen events and industry conditions may impact forecasts of future taxable income which, in turn, can affect the carrying value of the deferred tax assets and liabilities and impact our future reported earnings. The level of evidence and documentation necessary to support a position prior to being given recognition and measurement within the financial statements is a matter of judgment that depends on all available evidence. A change in our forecast of future taxable income, or changes in circumstances, assumptions and clarification of uncertain tax regimes may require changes to any valuation allowances associated with our deferred tax assets, which could have a material effect on net income.

*Loss Contingencies* — We accrue loss contingency reserves when our assessments indicate that it is probable that a liability has been incurred or an asset will not be recovered and an amount can be reasonably estimated. Estimates of our liabilities are based on an evaluation of potential outcomes and currently available facts. Actual results may differ from our estimates, and our estimates can be revised in the future, either negatively or positively, depending upon actual outcomes or changes in expectations based on the facts surrounding each matter.

*Revenue Recognition* — We recognize revenue when the earnings process is complete, persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, price is fixed or determinable, and collectability is reasonably assured. For product sales, revenue is recognized upon delivery when title and risk of loss of the equipment is transferred to the customer, with no right of return. For the sale of our top drives, we determine the transfer of title and risk of loss in accordance with contracts with our customers and the related International Commercial Terms. Revenue in the Top Drive segment may be generated from contractual arrangements that include multiple deliverables. Revenue from these arrangements is recognized as each item or service is delivered based on their relative fair value and when the delivered items or services have stand-alone value to the customer. For revenue other than product sales, we recognize revenue as the services are rendered based upon agreed daily, hourly or job rates.

We provide product warranties on equipment sold pursuant to manufacturing contracts and provide for the anticipated cost of such warranties in cost of sales and services when sales revenue is recognized. The accrual of warranty costs is an estimate based upon historical experience and upon specific warranty issues as they arise. We periodically review our warranty provision to assess its adequacy in the light of actual warranty costs incurred. The key factors with respect to estimating our product warranty accrual are our assumptions regarding the quantity and the estimated cost of potential warranty exposure. Historically, our warranty expense has fluctuated based on the identification of specifically identified technical issues, and warranty expense does not necessarily move in concert with sales levels. In the past, we have not recognized a material adjustment from our original estimates of potential warranty costs. However, because the warranty accrual is an estimate, it is reasonably possible that future warranty issues could arise that could have a significant impact on our financial statements.

*Allowance for Doubtful Accounts Receivable* — We maintain an allowance for doubtful accounts to record accounts receivable at their net realizable value. The main factors in determining the allowance needed for accounts receivable are customer bankruptcies, delinquency, and management's estimate of ability to collect outstanding receivables based on the number of days outstanding and risks of economic, political and civil instabilities. We make assumptions regarding current market conditions and how they may affect our customers' ability to pay outstanding receivables based on the length of time that a receivable remains unpaid, our historical experiences with the customers, the financial condition of the individual customers and the international areas in which they operate. Historically, our estimates have not differed materially from the ultimate amounts recognized for bad debts. However, these allowances are based on estimates. If actual results are not consistent with our assumptions and judgments used, we may be exposed to additional write offs of accounts receivable that could be material to our results of operations.

*Excess and Obsolete Inventory Provisions* — Our inventory is stated at the lower of cost or market. Our estimated market value of inventory depends upon demand driven by oil and natural gas drilling activity, which depends in turn upon oil and natural gas prices, the general outlook for economic growth worldwide, available financing for our customers, political stability in major oil and natural gas producing areas and the potential obsolescence of various types of equipment we sell, among other factors. Quantities of inventory on hand are reviewed periodically to ensure they remain active part numbers and the quantities on hand are not excessive based on usage patterns and known changes to equipment or processes. Our primary exposure with respect to estimating our provision for excess and obsolete inventory is our assumption regarding the projected quantity usage patterns. These estimates are based on historical usage and operating forecasts and are reviewed for reasonableness on a periodic basis. Significant or unanticipated changes in business conditions and/or changes in technologies could impact the amount and timing of provision for excess or obsolete inventory that may be required.

*Impairment of Goodwill and Long-Lived Assets* — Long-lived assets, which include goodwill, property, plant and equipment, and intangible assets, comprise a substantial portion of our assets. The carrying value of goodwill is reviewed for impairment on an annual basis and the carrying value of other long-lived assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that their carrying amounts may not be recoverable.

We test consolidated goodwill for impairment using a fair value approach and perform our goodwill impairment test annually as of December 31 or upon the occurrence of a triggering event. Goodwill impairment exists when the estimated fair value of goodwill is less than its carrying value. We estimate the fair value of goodwill based on discounted cash flows (the income approach). The income approach is dependent on a number of significant management assumptions including markets and market share, sales volumes and prices, costs to produce, capital spending, working capital changes, terminal value multiples and the discount rate. The discount rate is commensurate with the risk inherent in the projected cash flows and reflects the rate of return required by an investor in the current economic conditions. During times of economic volatility, significant judgment must be applied to determine our weighted-average cost of capital that we use to determine the discount rate. If actual results are not consistent with our assumptions and judgments used in estimating future cash flows and asset fair values, we may be exposed to goodwill impairment losses that could be material to our results of operations.

When evaluating long-lived assets other than goodwill (such as property, plant and equipment) for potential impairment, we first compare the carrying value of the asset to the asset's estimated, future net cash flows (undiscounted and without interest charges). If the estimated future cash flows are less than the carrying value of the asset, we calculate and recognize an impairment loss. This process requires management to apply judgment in estimating future cash flows and asset fair values, including forecasting useful lives of the assets held and used, estimating future operating activities, future business conditions or technological developments. If actual results are not consistent with our assumptions and judgments used in estimating future cash flows and asset fair values or if we encounter significant, unanticipated changes in circumstances, we may be required to lower the carrying value of our long-lived assets by recording an impairment charge that could be material to our results of operations.

#### *Recent Accounting Pronouncements*

See Part II, Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, Note 2, under the heading "Recent accounting pronouncements" included in this Report on Form 10-K.

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

As of December 31, 2011, we have no off-balance sheet arrangements other than the contractual obligations and letters of credit noted below.

#### *Contractual Obligations*

We are party to various contractual obligations. A portion of these obligations are reflected in our financial statements, such as long term debt, while other obligations, such as operating leases and purchase obligations, are not reflected on our balance sheet. The following is a summary of our contractual cash obligations as of December 31, 2011 (in thousands):

	Payments due by period				
	Total	Less than 1 year	1-3 years	3-5 years	More than 5 years
Long term debt obligations					
Principal	\$ 6,625	\$ 2,793	\$ 3,797	\$ 35	\$ —
Interest	414	333	80	1	—
Operating lease obligations <sup>(a)</sup>	11,108	5,082	3,233	998	1,795
Manufacturing purchase commitments <sup>(b)</sup>	82,672	82,672	—	—	—
	<u>\$ 100,819</u>	<u>\$ 90,880</u>	<u>\$ 7,110</u>	<u>\$ 1,034</u>	<u>\$ 1,795</u>

(a) We have operating lease commitments expiring at various dates, principally administrative offices, operation facilities and equipment.

(b) Represents manufacturing purchase commitments for executed purchase orders that have been submitted to the respective vendor.

#### *Letters of Credit*

We enter into letters of credit in the ordinary course of business. As of December 31, 2011, we had outstanding letters of credit of approximately \$12.8 million.

## **Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.**

We are exposed to market risks in our normal business activities. Market risk is the potential loss that may result from market changes associated with an existing or forecasted financial transaction. The types of market risks we are exposed to are credit risk, foreign currency risk and interest rate risk.

*Credit Risk* – Our financial instruments that potentially subject us to concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash equivalents and accounts receivable. Cash equivalents, such as deposits, investments in short-term commercial paper and other money market instruments, are held by major banks. Our accounts receivable are principally with oil and natural gas service and exploration and production companies and are subject to normal industry credit risks.

*Interest Rate Risk* – At December 31, 2011, our debt consisted of capital leases and a note payable assumed in our acquisition of Premiere Casing Service - Egypt SAE. At year end, we had no outstanding debt related to our credit facility, but we have had significant debt borrowings in the past and currently have the ability to borrow up to \$132.2 million under our existing revolving credit facility, subject to the maintenance of certain financial ratios required by restrictive covenants. Our credit facility has a variable interest rate, which exposes us to interest rate risk. From time to time, we may use derivative financial instruments to manage our interest rate exposures. Exposures arising from changes in prevailing levels of interest rates relative to the contractual rates on our debt may be managed by entering into interest rate swap agreements when it is deemed appropriate. We were not party to any interest rate swaps during the year ended December 31, 2011.

*Foreign Currency Risk* – We have operations in foreign locations that subject us to market risk from changes in foreign currency exchange rates. Although the majority of our business is transacted in U.S. dollars, we transact some business in Canadian dollars, Argentinean pesos, Mexican pesos, Russian rubles, Euro-dollars, and Singapore dollars, among others. From time to time, we use derivative financial instruments to manage our foreign currency exposures. Currency exchange exposures on foreign currency denominated balances and anticipated cash flows may be managed by foreign exchange forward contracts when it is deemed appropriate. We were not party to any foreign exchange forward contracts during the year ended December 31, 2011.

## **Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data.**

The financial statements and supplementary data required by this item are included in Part IV, Item 15, Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules included in this Report on Form 10-K and are presented beginning on page F-1.

## **Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure.**

None.

## **Item 9A. Controls and Procedures.**

### ***Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures***

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures designed to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed in the SEC reports we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”) is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time period specified by the SEC’s rules and forms and that such information is accumulated and communicated to management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. As of December 31, 2011, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer participated with management in evaluating the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act). We acquired Premiere Casing Services-Egypt SAE on October 16, 2011, and Premiere Casing Services-Egypt SAE 's total assets and revenues since the date of acquisition constituted 5% and less than 1%, respectively, of our consolidated assets and revenues as of and for the year ended December 31, 2011. As the acquisition occurred in the fourth quarter of 2011, we excluded Premiere Casing Services-Egypt SAE's disclosure controls and procedures that are subsumed by internal controls over financial reporting from the scope of our assessment of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures. this exclusion is in accordance with the SEC's general guidance that an assessment of a recently-acquired business may be omitted from our scope in the year of acquisition. Our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that, as of December 31, 2011, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at the reasonable assurance level.

### ***Management's report on internal control over financial reporting***

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed by, or under the supervision of, a company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, or persons performing similar functions, and effected by the board of directors, management and other personnel, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with GAAP. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that: (i) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company, (ii) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP and that receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company, and (iii) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

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

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. Our management, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, has assessed the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2011. In making this assessment, our management used the criteria established in *Internal Control—Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission ("COSO").

Based on management's assessment using the COSO criteria, we have concluded that, as of December 31, 2011, our internal control over financial reporting was effective.

The effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2011 has been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, our independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report which is included herein.

### ***Remediation plan***

As of December 31, 2011, we have remediated the previously reported material weakness in our internal control over financial reporting related to the completeness and accuracy of our world-wide provision for income taxes, by performing the following:

- During the second half of 2010, we hired additional personnel and staffed our Tax Department with a sufficient complement of resources with an appropriate level of tax and accounting knowledge, experience and training to meet our tax and financial reporting requirements;
- During the fourth quarter of 2010 and throughout 2011, we enhanced our quarterly and annual tax provision calculation work papers and implemented processes to ensure the accuracy of figures and the consistency of current and deferred tax balances with actual GAAP and tax return balances on a country by country basis for our material jurisdictions; and
- For the fourth quarter of 2011, we executed a newly implemented internal control related to the review of local statutory book income to GAAP income reconciliations on an annual basis for our material jurisdictions.

### ***Changes in internal control over financial reporting***

The aforementioned remediation efforts, which were implemented during the fourth quarter of 2011, have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, there were changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended December 31, 2011 that materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

### **Item 9B. Other Information.**

None.



### **PART III**

#### **Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance.**

The information required by this Item will be included under the section captioned “Election of Directors (Proposal 1)” in our proxy statement for the 2012 annual meeting of shareholders, which information is incorporated into this Report on Form 10-K by reference.

#### **Item 11. Executive Compensation.**

The information required by this Item will be included under the sections captioned “Compensation Discussion and Analysis” and “Certain Relationships and Related Transactions” in our proxy statement for the 2012 annual meeting of shareholders, which information is incorporated into this Report on Form 10-K by reference.

#### **Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters.**

The information required by this Item will be included under the section captioned “Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management” in our proxy statement for the 2012 annual meeting of shareholders, which information is incorporated into this Report on Form 10-K by reference.

#### **Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions and Director Independence.**

The information required by this Item will be included under the section captioned “Certain Relationships and Related Transactions” in our proxy statement for the 2012 annual meeting of shareholders, which information is incorporated into this Report on Form 10-K by reference.

#### **Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services.**

Information required by this Item will be included under the section captioned “Ratification of the Appointment of the Independent Auditors” in our proxy statement for the 2012 annual meeting of shareholders, which information is incorporated into this Report on Form 10-K by reference.

**PART IV**

**Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules.**

(a) The following documents are filed as part of this report:

(1) Financial Statements

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(b) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
3.1*	Restated Articles of Amalgamation of Tesco Corporation, dated May 29, 2007 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Tesco Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on June 1, 2007)
3.2*	Amended and Restated By-laws of Tesco Corporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Tesco Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 22, 2007)
4.1*	Form of Common Share Certificate for Tesco Corporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Tesco Corporation's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on November 8, 2011)
4.2*	Shareholder Rights Plan Agreement between Tesco Corporation and Computershare Trust Company of Canada, as Rights Agent, Amended and Restated as of May 4, 2011 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Tesco Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on June 13, 2011)
10.1*	Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of June 5, 2007 by and among Tesco Corporation, Tesco US Holding LP, the lender parties thereto and JP Morgan Chase Bank, NA (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Tesco Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on June 7, 2007)
10.2*	Amendment to Credit Agreement dated December 21, 2007 by and among Tesco Corporation, Tesco US Holding LP, the lender parties thereto and JP Morgan Chase Bank, NA (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Tesco Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on December 26, 2007)
10.3*	Second Amendment to Credit Agreement dated as of March 19, 2008 by and among Tesco Corporation, Tesco US Holding LP, the lender parties thereto and JP Morgan Chase Bank, NA (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Tesco Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 20, 2008)
10.4*	Third Amendment to Credit Agreement dated as of October 18, 2010 by and among Tesco Corporation, Tesco US Holding LP, the lender parties thereto and JP Morgan Chase Bank, NA (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Tesco Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on October 21, 2010)

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
10.5*	Lease between NK IV Tech, Ltd. and Tesco Corporation (US), for the lease of the corporate headquarters of Tesco Corporation, dated July 6, 2006 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.9 to Tesco Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 29, 2007)
10.6*	Final Settlement and License Agreement between Tesco Corporation and Weatherford International Inc. and Weatherford/Lamb, Inc. dated January 11, 2011, effective as of October 26, 2010
10.7*+	Form of Director Indemnity Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Tesco Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 6, 2009)
10.8*+	Form of Officer Indemnity Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Tesco Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 6, 2009)
10.9*+	Employment Agreement effective December 31, 2008 by and between Tesco Corporation and Julio M. Quintana (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Tesco Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on August 29, 2008)
10.10*+	Employment Agreement effective August 18, 2008 by and between Tesco Corporation and Robert L. Kayl (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Tesco Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on September 5, 2008)
10.11*+	Employment Agreement effective December 31, 2007 between Tesco Corporation and Jeffrey Foster (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to Tesco Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on January 2, 2008)
10.12*+	Employment Agreement effective May 11, 2009 by and between Tesco Corporation and Fernando Assing (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to Tesco Corporation's Current Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on August 7, 2009)
10.13*+	Employment Agreement dated September 1, 2010, effective as of August 3, 2010 by and between Tesco Corporation and Dean Ferris (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Tesco Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on September 3, 2010)
10.14*+	Employment Agreement dated January 21, 2011, effective as of November 5, 2010 by and between Tesco Corporation and Dietmar J. Neidhardt
10.15*+	First Amendment to the Amended and Restated Employment Agreement effective March 15, 2009 by and between Tesco Corporation and Julio M. Quintana (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Tesco Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 17, 2009)
10.16*+	First Amendment to the Employment Agreement effective March 15, 2009 by and between Tesco Corporation and Robert L. Kayl (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Tesco Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 17, 2009)
10.17*+	First Amendment to the Employment Agreement effective March 15, 2009 by and between Tesco Corporation and Jeffrey Foster (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to Tesco Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 17, 2009)
10.18*+	Second Amendment to the Employment Agreement effective December 31, 2010 by and between Tesco Corporation and Julio M. Quintana

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
10.19*+	Second Amendment to the Employment Agreement effective December 31, 2010 by and between Tesco Corporation and Robert L. Kayl
10.20*+	Second Amendment to the Employment Agreement effective December 31, 2010 by and between Tesco Corporation and Jeffrey L. Foster
10.21*+	First Amendment to the Employment Agreement effective December 31, 2010 by and between Tesco Corporation and Dean Ferris
10.22*+	First Amendment to the Employment Agreement effective December 31, 2010 by and between Tesco Corporation and Fernando Assing
10.23+	Third Amendment to the Employment Agreement effective July 15, 2011, but dated October 10, 2011 by and between Tesco Corporation and Jeffrey L. Foster
10.24+	Letter Agreement effective July 15, 2011, but dated February 23, 2012 by and between Tesco Corporation and Fernando Assing
10.25*+	Amended and Restated Tesco Corporation 2005 Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Tesco Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 22, 2007)
10.26*+	Form of Instrument of Grant under Amended and Restated Tesco Corporation 2005 Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.16 to Tesco Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on February 27, 2008)
10.27*+	Tesco Corporation Employee Stock Savings Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to Tesco Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 22, 2007)
10.28*+	Tesco Corporation Short Term Incentive Plan 2008 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.20 to Tesco Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on February 27, 2008)
10.29*+	Tesco Corporation Short Term Incentive Plan 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.19 to Tesco Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on February 27, 2009)
10.30*+	Tesco Corporation Short Term Incentive Plan 2010 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.21 to Tesco Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 5, 2010)
10.31*+	Tesco Corporation Short Term Incentive Plan 2011 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.33 to Tesco Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 1, 2011)
10.32+	Tesco Corporation Short Term Incentive Plan 2012
14*	Tesco Corporation Code of Business Conduct and Ethics (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 14.1 to Tesco Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on August 15, 2011)
21	Subsidiaries of Tesco Corporation
23	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
24	Power of Attorney (included on signature page)
31.1	Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification, executed by Julio M. Quintana, President and Chief Executive Officer of Tesco Corporation
31.2	Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification, executed by Robert L. Kayl, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Tesco Corporation
32	Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, executed by Julio M. Quintana, President and Chief Executive Officer of Tesco Corporation and Robert L. Kayl, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Tesco Corporation

\* Incorporated by reference

+ Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.



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## Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of Tesco Corporation

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements listed in the index appearing under Item 15(a)(1) present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Tesco Corporation and its subsidiaries at December 31, 2011 and 2010, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2011 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In addition, in our opinion, the financial statement schedule listed in the index appearing under Item 15(a)(2) presents fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein when read in conjunction with the related consolidated financial statements. Also in our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2011, based on criteria established in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). The Company's management is responsible for these financial statements and financial statement schedule, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting appearing under Item 9A. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements, on the financial statement schedule, and on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our integrated audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement and whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audits of the financial statements included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audits also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

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

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

As described in Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting appearing under Item 9A, management has excluded Premiere Casing Services-Egypt SAE from its assessment of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2011 because it was acquired by the Company in a business combination during 2011. We have also excluded Premiere Casing Services-Egypt SAE from our audit of internal controls over financial reporting. Premiere Casing Services-Egypt SAE is a wholly-owned subsidiary whose total assets and total revenues represent 5% and less than 1%, respectively, of the related consolidated financial statement amounts as of and for the year ended December 31, 2011.

/s/PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP  
Houston, Texas  
March 2, 2012

**TESCO CORPORATION**  
**Consolidated Balance Sheets**  
*(in thousands)*

	<b>December 31,</b>	
	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
<b>Assets</b>		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 23,069	\$ 60,603
Accounts receivable trade, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$2,491 and \$865 as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively	117,711	72,971
Inventories, net	111,769	59,190
Income taxes recoverable	3,020	2,343
Deferred income taxes	4,909	8,110
Prepaid and other assets	33,326	22,768
Total current assets	<u>293,804</u>	<u>225,985</u>
Property, plant and equipment, net	203,068	182,686
Goodwill	32,732	29,394
Deferred income taxes	12,416	12,690
Intangible and other assets, net	7,195	4,153
Total assets	<u>\$ 549,215</u>	<u>\$ 454,908</u>
<b>Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity</b>		
Current liabilities		
Current portion of long term debt	\$ 2,793	\$ —
Accounts payable	57,443	23,785
Deferred revenue	25,924	11,987
Warranty reserves	3,103	1,698
Income taxes payable	2,336	3,433
Accrued and other current liabilities	34,069	32,289
Total current liabilities	<u>125,668</u>	<u>73,192</u>
Long term debt	3,832	—
Other liabilities	2,434	1,168
Deferred income taxes	4,474	4,879
Total liabilities	<u>136,408</u>	<u>79,239</u>
Commitments and contingencies (Note 12)		
Shareholders' equity		
First preferred shares; no par value; unlimited shares authorized; none issued and outstanding at December 31, 2011 or 2010	—	—
Second preferred shares; no par value; unlimited shares authorized; none issued and outstanding at December 31, 2011 or 2010	—	—
Common shares; no par value; unlimited shares authorized; 38,569 and 38,058 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively	206,573	196,431
Retained earnings	170,733	143,737
Accumulated comprehensive income	35,501	35,501
Total shareholders' equity	<u>412,807</u>	<u>375,669</u>
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	<u>\$ 549,215</u>	<u>\$ 454,908</u>

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

**TESCO CORPORATION**  
**Consolidated Statements of Income**  
*(in thousands, except per share information)*

	<b>For the years ended December 31,</b>		
	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
Revenue			
Products	\$ 211,313	\$ 134,755	\$ 148,565
Services	301,656	243,910	208,283
	<u>512,969</u>	<u>378,665</u>	<u>356,848</u>
Operating expenses			
Cost of sales and services			
Products	155,168	97,161	113,591
Services	253,626	209,995	206,520
	<u>408,794</u>	<u>307,156</u>	<u>320,111</u>
Selling, general and administrative	49,146	47,117	43,735
Research and engineering	12,512	9,075	7,431
Total operating expenses	<u>470,452</u>	<u>363,348</u>	<u>371,277</u>
Operating income (loss)	42,517	15,317	(14,429)
Other expense			
Interest expense	1,504	758	1,891
Interest income	(2,596)	(165)	(958)
Foreign exchange losses	2,523	1,043	1,360
Other expense (income)	(186)	(141)	883
Total other expense	<u>1,245</u>	<u>1,495</u>	<u>3,176</u>
Income (loss) before income taxes	41,272	13,822	(17,605)
Income tax provision (benefit)	14,276	6,777	(12,340)
Net income (loss)	<u>\$ 26,996</u>	<u>\$ 7,045</u>	<u>\$ (5,265)</u>
Earnings (loss) per share:			
Basic	\$ 0.71	\$ 0.19	\$ (0.14)
Diluted	\$ 0.69	\$ 0.18	\$ (0.14)
Weighted average number of shares:			
Basic	38,211	37,835	37,598
Diluted	38,878	38,261	37,598

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

**TESCO CORPORATION**  
**Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity and**  
**Comprehensive Income**  
*(in thousands)*

	<b>Common stock shares</b>	<b>Common shares</b>	<b>Retained earnings</b>	<b>Accumulated comprehensive income</b>	<b>Total</b>
Balances at December 31, 2008	37,514	\$ 186,286	\$ 141,957	\$ 23,631	\$ 351,874
Components of comprehensive income					
Net income (loss)	—	—	(5,265)	—	(5,265)
Currency translation adjustment	—	—	—	11,870	11,870
Total comprehensive income					6,605
Fair value adjustment for liability-based stock option awards	—	(941)	—	—	(941)
Issuance and exercises under stock plans	236	4,621	—	—	4,621
Balances at December 31, 2009	37,750	189,966	136,692	35,501	362,159
Components of comprehensive income					
Net income (loss)	—	—	7,045	—	7,045
Total comprehensive income					7,045
Issuance and exercises under stock plans	308	6,465	—	—	6,465
Balances at December 31, 2010	38,058	196,431	143,737	35,501	375,669
Components of comprehensive income					
Net income (loss)	—	—	26,996	—	26,996
Total comprehensive income					26,996
Issuance and exercises under stock plans	511	10,142	—	—	10,142
Balances at December 31, 2011	38,569	\$ 206,573	\$ 170,733	\$ 35,501	\$ 412,807

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

**TESCO CORPORATION**  
**Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**  
*(in thousands)*

	For the years ended December 31,		
	2011	2010	2009
<b>Operating Activities</b>			
Net income (loss)	\$ 26,996	\$ 7,045	\$ (5,265)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to cash provided by operating activities			
Depreciation and amortization	38,461	36,128	36,733
Stock compensation expense	7,005	6,404	4,430
Bad debt expense (recovery)	1,763	(514)	312
Deferred income taxes	1,737	(1,806)	(1,950)
Amortization of financial items	182	136	601
Gain on sale of operating assets	(3,129)	(3,924)	(2,743)
Gain on insurance proceeds	—	(305)	—
Impairment of assets held for sale	—	—	3,559
Impairment of inventory balances	—	—	14,400
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Accounts receivable trade, net	(44,222)	(18,486)	44,046
Inventories	(52,541)	12,460	14,093
Prepaid and other current assets	(7,127)	(4,733)	4,116
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	51,362	9,145	(29,246)
Income taxes payable (recoverable)	(2,417)	13,200	(20,110)
Other noncurrent assets and liabilities, net	1,190	99	11
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>19,260</u>	<u>54,849</u>	<u>62,987</u>
<b>Investing Activities</b>			
Additions to property, plant and equipment	(47,387)	(37,073)	(17,282)
Acquisition of Premiere Casing Services, net of cash acquired	(16,001)	—	—
Proceeds on sale of operating assets	6,853	10,359	13,680
Proceeds from insurance policies on casualty losses	—	950	—
Other, net	(1,107)	—	(194)
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(57,642)</u>	<u>(25,764)</u>	<u>(3,796)</u>
<b>Financing Activities</b>			
Issuances of debt	10,000	—	10,000
Repayments of debt	(10,746)	(8,600)	(50,969)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	1,594	188	544
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	<u>848</u>	<u>(8,412)</u>	<u>(40,425)</u>
Effect of foreign exchange losses on cash balances	—	—	545
Change in cash and cash equivalents	<u>(37,534)</u>	<u>20,673</u>	<u>19,311</u>
Net cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	60,603	39,930	20,619
Net cash and cash equivalents, end of period	<u>\$ 23,069</u>	<u>\$ 60,603</u>	<u>\$ 39,930</u>
<b>Supplemental cash flow information</b>			
Cash payments for interest	\$ 352	\$ 758	\$ 1,166
Cash payments for income taxes	15,513	13,762	14,884
Cash received for income tax refunds	511	19,206	6,804
Property, plant and equipment accrued in accounts payable	2,128	1,400	—

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

**TESCO CORPORATION**  
**Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements**

**Note 1— Nature of Operations and Basis of Presentation**

*Nature of operations*

We are a global leader in the design, manufacture and service delivery of technology-based solutions for the upstream energy industry. We seek to change the way wells are drilled by delivering safer and more efficient solutions that add real value by reducing the costs of drilling for and producing oil and natural gas. Our product and service offerings consist mainly of equipment sales and services to drilling contractors and oil and natural gas operating companies throughout the world.

*Basis of presentation*

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("U.S. GAAP") and include the accounts of all consolidated subsidiaries after the elimination of all significant intercompany accounts and transactions.

Unless indicated otherwise, all amounts in these consolidated financial statements are denominated in United States ("U.S.") dollars. All references to US\$ or \$ are to U.S. dollars and references to C\$ are to Canadian dollars.

*Reclassifications*

Our audited consolidated financial statements for prior periods include reclassifications that are made to conform to the current year presentation. These reclassifications did not impact our reported net income or stockholders' equity. These reclassifications include:

- combined common shares and contributed surplus in our audited consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2010 as our common shares have no par value and our board of directors has not assigned a discretionary par value to the common shares.

*Subsequent Events*

We conducted our subsequent events review through the date these consolidated financial statements were filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). No disclosure was deemed necessary.

**Note 2— Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

*Use of estimates*

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. On an ongoing basis, we evaluate our estimates, including those related to reserves for excess and obsolete inventory, uncollectible accounts receivable, valuation of goodwill, intangible assets and long-lived assets, determination of income taxes, contingent liabilities, stock-based compensation and warranty provisions. We base our estimates on historical experience and various other assumptions that we believe are reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying value of our assets and liabilities not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

*Cash and cash equivalents*

Cash equivalents are highly liquid, short-term investments with original maturities of less than three months, which are readily convertible to known amounts of cash. At both December 31, 2011 and 2010, cash and cash equivalents consisted entirely of bank balances.

*Allowance for doubtful accounts*

We establish an allowance for doubtful accounts receivable based on customer bankruptcies or delinquencies and on the number of days outstanding. Uncollectible accounts receivable are written off when a settlement is reached for an amount less



than the outstanding historical balance or when we determine the balance will not be collected.

#### *Inventories and inventory reserves*

Inventories consist primarily of top drives, tubular services and casing drilling tool parts, spare parts, work in process and raw materials to support ongoing manufacturing operations and the installed base of specialized equipment used throughout the world. We have several valuation methods for our various types of inventories and consistently use the following methods for each type of inventory:

- We value our work in process manufactured equipment using standard costs, which approximate actual costs for raw materials, direct labor and manufacturing overhead allocations;
- We value our finished manufactured equipment at the lower of cost or market using specific identification; and
- We value our spare parts at the lower of cost or market using the average cost method.

Research and engineering expenses and selling, general and administrative expenses are reported as period costs and excluded from inventory cost. We establish reserves for obsolete inventory and for inventory in excess of demand based on our usage of inventory on-hand, technical obsolescence and market conditions, as well as our expectations of future demand based on our manufacturing sales backlog, our installed base and our development of new products.

#### *Property, plant and equipment*

Property, plant and equipment are carried at cost. Maintenance and repairs are expensed as incurred. The costs of replacements, betterments and renewals are capitalized. When properties and equipment, other than top drive units in our rental fleet, are sold, retired or otherwise disposed of, the related cost and accumulated depreciation are removed from the books and the resulting gain or loss is recognized on our consolidated statement of income. When top drive units in our rental fleet are sold, the sales proceeds are included in revenue and the net book value of the equipment sold is included in cost of sales and services on our consolidated statement of income.

Property, plant and equipment used in operations are assessed for impairment whenever changes in facts and circumstances indicate a possible significant deterioration in the future cash flows expected to be generated by an asset group. Individual assets are grouped for impairment purposes at the lowest level for which there are identifiable cash flows that are largely independent of the cash flows of other groups of assets. If, upon review, the sum of the undiscounted pretax cash flows is less than the carrying value of the asset group, the carrying value is written down to estimated fair value and reported as an impairment charge in the period in which the determination of the impairment is made. Because there usually is a lack of quoted market prices for long-lived assets, the fair value of impaired assets is typically determined based on the present values of expected future cash flows using discount rates believed to be consistent with those used by principal market participants. Long-lived assets committed by management for disposal within one year are accounted for at the lower of amortized cost or fair value, less cost to sell, with fair value determined using a binding negotiated price, if available, or the present value of expected future cash flows as previously described.

Depreciation and amortization of property, plant and equipment, including capital leases and intangible assets, is computed on the following basis:

<b>Asset Category</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Method</b>	<b>Life</b>
Land, buildings and leaseholds	Buildings	Straight-line	20 years
	Leasehold improvements	Straight-line	Lease term
Drilling equipment	Top drive rental units	Usage	2,600 days
	Tubular services equipment	Straight-line	5 – 7 years
	CASING DRILLING equipment	Straight-line	5 – 7 years
	Support equipment	Straight-line	5 – 7 years
Manufacturing equipment		Straight-line	5 – 7 years
Office equipment and other	Computer hardware and software	Straight-line	2 – 5 years
	IT development costs	Straight-line	5 years
	Furniture and equipment	Straight-line	5 years
	Vehicles	Straight-line	3 – 4 years

#### *Goodwill and other intangible assets*

Goodwill, resulting from business combinations, is initially recorded at acquisition-date fair value. Goodwill is not amortized but is subject to an annual impairment test, which we perform in the fourth quarter of each year, or upon the occurrence of a triggering event. An impairment loss is recognized when the fair value of our goodwill is less than the carrying amount of that goodwill. We perform our goodwill impairment tests at the reporting unit level using the discounted cash flow method. All of our goodwill is assigned to our Tubular Services segment. During the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, management concluded that goodwill was not impaired.

Intangible assets that have indefinite useful lives are not amortized but are subject to an annual impairment test or the occurrence of a triggering event. Indefinite lived intangibles are considered impaired if the fair values of the intangible assets are lower than their net book values. The fair value of intangible assets is determined based on quoted market prices in active markets, if available, or the discounted cash flow method or estimated replacement cost, if quoted market prices are not available. We had no indefinite lived intangibles, other than goodwill, as of December 31, 2011 and 2010.

Intangible assets that have finite useful lives are capitalized at their acquisition-date fair value and amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. Our intangible assets that have finite useful lives consist primarily of customer relationships, patents and non-compete agreements. We review our intangible assets for impairment when circumstances indicate their carrying values may not be recoverable as measured by the amount their carrying values are exceeded by their fair values.

#### *Income taxes*

Deferred income taxes are determined using the liability method and are provided on all temporary differences between the financial reporting basis and the tax basis of our assets and liabilities, except for deferred taxes on income considered to be permanently reinvested in certain foreign subsidiaries. Deferred income taxes are measured using enacted tax rates and laws expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which the temporary differences are expected to reverse. The effect of a change in tax rates applied to deferred income taxes is recognized in the period that the change occurs. A valuation allowance is established to reduce deferred tax assets when it is more likely than not some or all of the benefit from the deferred tax asset will not be realized. Accrued interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits are reflected in interest expense and other expense, respectively, on our consolidated statements of income.

#### *Contingent liabilities*

We recognize liabilities for loss contingencies, including legal costs expected to be incurred in connection with such loss contingencies, when we believe a loss is probable and the amount of the probable loss can be reasonably estimated. Such estimates may be based on advice from third parties or on management's judgment, as appropriate. Revisions to our contingent liabilities are reflected in income in the period in which facts become known or circumstances change that affect our previous judgments with respect to the likelihood or amount of the probable loss.

### *Warranties*

We provide product warranties on equipment sold pursuant to manufacturing contracts and recognize the anticipated cost of these warranties in cost of sales and services when sales revenue is recognized. We estimate our warranty liability based upon historical warranty claim experience and specific warranty claims. We periodically review our warranty provision and make adjustments to the provision as claim data and historical experience change.

### *Per share information*

Basic earnings (loss) per share of common stock is calculated using the weighted average number of our shares outstanding during the year.

Diluted earnings (loss) per share of common stock is calculated using the treasury stock method, under which we assume proceeds obtained upon exercise of “in the money” share-based payments, granted under our compensation plan, would be used to purchase our common shares at the average market price during the period. Diluted earnings (loss) per share includes the shares used in the basic net income calculation, plus our unvested restricted shares and outstanding stock options, to the extent that these instruments dilute earnings (loss) per share. No adjustment to basic earnings (loss) per share is made if the result of the diluted earnings (loss) per share calculation is anti-dilutive.

### *Revenue recognition*

We recognize revenue when the earnings process is complete, persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, price is fixed or determinable, and collectability is reasonably assured. For product sales, revenue is recognized upon delivery when title and risk of loss of the equipment is transferred to the customer, with no right of return. For revenue other than product sales, we recognize revenue as the services are rendered based upon agreed daily, hourly or job rates.

*Top Drive sales* - We determine the transfer of title and risk of loss in accordance with contracts with our customers and the related International Commercial Terms. Revenue in the Top Drive segment may be generated from contractual arrangements that include multiple deliverables. Revenue from these arrangements is recognized as each item or service is delivered based on their relative fair value and when the delivered items or services have stand-alone value to the customer. We generally require customers to pay a non-refundable deposit with their purchase orders. Customer advances or deposits are deferred and recognized as revenue when we have completed all of our performance obligations related to the sale.

*Top Drive rentals, Tubular Services and CASING DRILLING* - Revenue generated from specific time, materials and equipment contracts is based upon agreed daily, hourly or job rates and price, and recognized as amounts are earned in accordance with the contract terms. Under these contracts, we may receive revenue and incur incremental costs directly related to the mobilization of equipment and personnel to the contracted site. Revenue earned and costs incurred directly related to mobilization are deferred and recognized over the estimated contract service period on a straight-line basis, which is consistent with the general pace of activity, level of services being provided and day rates being earned over the service period of the contract. Mobilization costs to relocate equipment when a contract does not exist are expensed as incurred. Demobilization fees received are recognized, along with any related expenses, upon completion of contracts. Revenue generated from materials and equipment sales is recognized upon delivery in accordance with the contract terms.

Shipping and handling costs billed to customers are recognized in net revenue. Shipping and handling costs are included in cost of sales and services.

### *Operating leases*

We have entered into non-cancelable operating lease agreements primarily involving office space. Certain of these leases contain escalating lease payments and we recognize expense on a straight-line basis, which is more representative of the time pattern in which the leased property is physically employed. In certain instances, we are also entitled to reimbursements for part or all of leasehold improvements made and record a deferred credit for such reimbursements, which is amortized over the remaining life of the lease term as a reduction in lease expense.

### *Research and engineering expenses*

We expense research and engineering costs when incurred. Payments received from third parties, including payments for the use of equipment prototypes, during the research or development process are recognized as a reduction in research and engineering

expense when the payments are received. We include in research and engineering expense, costs for buildings and properties, salaries and employee benefits, materials and equipment, administrative activities and allocations of corporate costs.

#### *Stock-based compensation*

Our stock-based compensation plan provides for the grants of stock options, restricted stock and other stock-based awards to eligible directors, officers, employees and other persons. We measure stock-based compensation cost for awards as of grant date or the employee start date for pre-employment grants, based on the estimated fair value of the award less an estimated rate for pre-vesting forfeitures. For stock option grants, we use a Black-Scholes valuation model to determine the estimated fair value. For restricted stock, the fair value is the average of the high and low price of our stock as traded on the NASDAQ Stock Market on the date of grant.

For equity-classified awards, we recognize compensation expense on a graded basis over the vesting period with estimated pre-vesting forfeitures being adjusted to actual forfeitures in the month of forfeiture and actual vestings in the month of vesting. The graded basis of amortization accelerates the recognition of compensation expense, with generally 61% being recognized in the first year, 28% being recognized in the second year and 11% being recognized in the third year. Compensation expense for our equity-classified awards is recorded as an increase to contributed surplus, which is then transferred to common shares when the restricted award vests or the option is exercised. Consideration received on the exercise of stock options is recorded as an increase to common shares. For liability-classified awards, we recognize compensation expense based on the fair value of the award for the portion of the service period fulfilled at the end of each reporting period. The liability is recorded in accrued and other current liabilities on our consolidated balance sheet with the corresponding increase or decrease to compensation expense.

The tax benefit for stock-based compensation is included as a cash inflow from financing activities in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows. In accordance with ASC 718, we recognize a tax benefit only to the extent it reduces our income taxes payable. For purposes of determining the amount of tax attributes utilized in a given year as compared to the deduction for stock-based compensation, we apply the with-and-without approach. This approach considers deductions for stock-based compensation to be the last item of tax benefit recognized after all other deductions and utilization of prior year carryforwards.

#### *Sale of Operating Assets*

When top drive units from our rental fleet are sold, the sales proceeds are included in revenues and the net book value of the equipment sold is included in cost of sales and services. Proceeds from the sale of used top drives are included in proceeds from the sale of operating assets and the difference between revenues and the cost of sales and services is included in gain on sale of operating assets in our consolidated statements of cash flows.

#### *Foreign currency translation*

The U.S. dollar is the functional currency for all of our worldwide operations. Effective January 1, 2010, and resulting from an analysis of U.S. dollar cash flows, we changed the functional currency for our Canadian operations from the Canadian dollar to the U.S. dollar. Prior to January 1, 2010, assets and liabilities of our Canadian operations, which were denominated in foreign currencies, were translated into U.S. dollars at end-of-period exchange rates, and the resulting translation adjustments were reported, net of their related tax effects, as a component of accumulated comprehensive income on our consolidated statement of shareholders' equity. Assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than the functional currency were remeasured into the functional currency prior to translation into U.S. dollars, and the resulting exchange gains and losses were included in income in the period in which they occurred. As a result of the functional currency change discussed above, our cumulative translation adjustment of \$35.5 million included in accumulated comprehensive income will be adjusted only in the event of a full or partial disposition of our investment in Canada.

#### *Recent accounting pronouncements*

In September 2011, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2011-08, *Testing Goodwill for Impairment*, providing entities with an option to use a qualitative approach to test goodwill for impairment if certain conditions are met. As we are not electing to early adopt, the new provision will be effective for us for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011. The adoption of this amended accounting guidance is not expected to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

### Note 3—Acquisitions

On October 16, 2011, we completed the transaction to acquire 100% of the issued and outstanding stock of Premiere Casing Services - Egypt SAE (“Premiere”), a private tubular services company located in Egypt, for a purchase price of \$24.9 million (\$17.0 million of cash consideration, plus approximately \$7.9 million of assumed liabilities).

The purchase price was allocated to the tangible assets and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their estimated fair values on the acquisition date, with the remaining unallocated purchase price recorded as goodwill. The fair value of the property and equipment was determined based on Level 2 inputs. The valuation of intangible assets, net working capital and other assets and liabilities were evaluated using Level 3 inputs. The table below sets forth the purchase price allocation (in thousands), which resulted in goodwill of \$3.3 million:

Property and equipment, net	\$	13,253
Identifiable intangible assets:		
Customer relationships		3,350
Trade name		650
Non-compete agreements		120
Goodwill		3,338
Non-current deferred tax liability		(746)
Working capital, other assets and liabilities, net		4,947
Total purchase price	\$	<u>24,912</u>

The useful life of the identifiable intangible assets acquired is 7 years for customer relationships, 3 years for trade name, and 5 years for certain non-compete agreements. Useful lives for identifiable intangible assets were estimated at the time of the acquisition based on the periods of time from which we expect to derive benefits from the identifiable intangible assets. The identifiable intangible assets are amortized using the straight-line method, which reflects the pattern in which the assets are consumed. No further adjustments will be made to the current allocation of the purchase price.

Goodwill from this acquisition is a result of the value of the entry into the Egyptian tubular services market and the expansion into the onshore and offshore markets throughout North Africa and the Middle East region as well as the value of Premiere's senior management team and workforce of 200 people, which will be integrated into our Dubai-based Middle East business unit.

### Note 4—Details of certain accounts

At December 31, 2011 and 2010, prepaid and other current assets consisted of the following (in thousands):

	2011	2010
Prepaid taxes other than income	\$ 9,968	\$ 9,601
Prepaid insurance	5,136	3,791
Other prepaid expenses	4,247	3,219
Deposits	7,995	3,055
Restricted cash	2,609	1,502
Non-trade receivables	1,120	1,371
Deferred job costs	2,251	229
	<u>\$ 33,326</u>	<u>\$ 22,768</u>

At December 31, 2011 and 2010, accrued liabilities consisted of the following (in thousands):

	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
Accrued payroll and benefits	\$ 15,545	\$ 15,926
Accrual for foreign withholding tax claim	5,125	5,022
Accrued taxes other than income taxes	9,809	9,488
Other current liabilities	3,590	1,853
	<u>\$ 34,069</u>	<u>\$ 32,289</u>

**Note 5—Inventories and inventories reserves**

At December 31, 2011 and 2010, inventories, net of reserves for excess and obsolete inventories, by major classification were as follows (in thousands):

	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
Raw materials	\$ 75,399	\$ 32,227
Work in progress	6,892	1,837
Finished goods	29,478	25,126
	<u>\$ 111,769</u>	<u>\$ 59,190</u>

We evaluated the carrying value of our global inventory by estimated part-by-part inventory turnover, and we projected sales estimates based on the current operating environment and the timing of forecasted economic recovery. Based on our analysis, no charges were taken during 2011 and 2010 as the net realizable value of our consolidated inventory exceeded its carrying amount.

Reserves for excess and obsolete inventory included on our consolidated balance sheets at December 31, 2011 and 2010 were \$4.4 million and \$4.4 million, respectively. We wrote off \$2.7 million of our inventory against our reserve for excess and obsolete inventory for the year ended December 31, 2010.



## Note 6—Property, plant and equipment

At December 31, 2011 and 2010, property, plant and equipment, by major category were as follows (in thousands):

	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
Land, buildings and leaseholds	\$ 24,588	\$ 20,896
Drilling equipment	312,344	273,996
Manufacturing equipment	6,910	6,112
Office equipment and other	27,621	22,818
Capital work in progress	10,814	11,630
	<u>382,277</u>	<u>335,452</u>
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(179,209)	(152,766)
	<u>\$ 203,068</u>	<u>\$ 182,686</u>

The net book value of used top drive rental equipment sold included in cost of sales and services on our consolidated statements of income was \$3.5 million, \$3.6 million and \$5.2 million during the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

We assumed capital leases with our acquisition of Premiere Casing Services - Egypt SAE. At December 31, 2011 and 2010, capital leases included in property, plant and equipment, at cost, by major category were as follows (in thousands):

	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
Land, buildings and leaseholds	\$ 2,168	\$ —
Drilling equipment	3,543	—
Office equipment and other	713	—
	<u>6,424</u>	<u>—</u>
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(206)	—
	<u>\$ 6,218</u>	<u>\$ —</u>

Depreciation and amortization expense is included on our consolidated statements of income as follows (in thousands):

	<b>Year Ended December 31,</b>		
	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
Cost of sales and services	\$ 36,490	\$ 35,006	\$ 35,458
Selling, general & administrative expense	1,971	1,122	1,275
	<u>\$ 38,461</u>	<u>\$ 36,128</u>	<u>\$ 36,733</u>

## Note 7—Fair value of financial instruments

The carrying value of cash, restricted cash, investments in short-term commercial paper and other money market instruments, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate their fair value due to the relatively short-term period to maturity of the instruments.

The fair value of our long term debt depends primarily on current market interest rates for debt issued with similar maturities by companies with risk profiles similar to ours. We did not have any outstanding borrowings under our credit facility at December 31, 2011. As part of our acquisition of Premiere, we assumed a note payable. At December 31, 2011 the carrying value of this note was \$1.1 million, which approximated its fair value.

## Note 8—Long term debt

Long term debt consists of the following (in thousands):

	December 31,	
	2011	2010
Capital leases	\$ 5,567	\$ —
Other notes payable	1,058	—
Current portion of long term debt	(2,793)	—
Non-current portion of long term debt	\$ 3,832	\$ —

As part of our acquisition of Premiere Casing Services - Egypt SAE ("Premiere") we assumed \$7.4 million of outstanding debt at the acquisition date. At December 31, 2011 the balance of this debt was \$5.6 million related to capital leases and \$1.1 million related to notes payable. These balances represent all of our outstanding debt at December 31, 2011.

The following is a schedule by years of future minimum lease payments under capital leases as of December 31, 2011 (in thousands):

Years ending December 31,	Minimum capital lease commitments
2012	\$ 2,304
2013	2,261
2014	1,182
2015	36
Total minimum capital lease payments	5,783
Less: Amount representing interest	(216)
Present value of net minimum capital least payments	\$ 5,567

We also have a credit agreement which was entered into in 2007 and has since been amended several times, most recently in October 2010 (the "credit facility"). Our credit facility originally had a term loan, which was paid in full in 2009, and a revolving line of credit of \$100 million including up to \$15 million of swingline loans (collectively, the "Revolver"), which was amended to \$145 million in December 2007. Our credit facility has a term of five years and all outstanding borrowings on the Revolver are due and payable on June 5, 2012. Additionally, our credit facility bears interest at a margin above LIBOR, federal funds rate, or the prime rate for U.S. dollar loans as determined by JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. in New York. We are required to pay a commitment fee on available, but unused, amounts of the credit facility of 0.20 percent per annum and a letter of credit fee of 1.00 percent per annum on outstanding face amounts of letters of credit issued under the credit facility.

Amounts available under the Revolver are reduced by letters of credit issued under our credit facility, not to exceed \$20 million in the aggregate of all undrawn amounts and amounts that have yet to be disbursed under all existing letters of credit. Amounts available under the swingline loans may also be reduced by letters of credit or by means of a credit to a general deposit account of the applicable borrower. The availability of future borrowings may also be limited in order to maintain certain financial ratios required under the covenants. As of December 31, 2011, we had no borrowings under the revolver, \$12.8 million in letters of credit outstanding, and \$132.2 million available under the Revolver.

Our credit facility contains covenants that we consider usual and customary for an agreement of this type, including a leverage ratio, a minimum net worth, limitations on allowable amounts for the disposal of obsolete assets and annual capital expenditures, and a fixed charge coverage ratio. The credit facility prohibits incurring any additional indebtedness outside the existing credit facility in excess of \$15 million, paying cash dividends to shareholders and contains other restrictions, which are standard to the industry. In addition, the credit facility is secured by substantially all our assets. All of our direct and indirect material subsidiaries in the United States and Canada are guarantors of any borrowings under the credit facility. We were in compliance with our bank covenants at December 31, 2011.

## Note 9—Shareholders' equity and stock-based compensation

### *Weighted average shares*

The following table reconciles basic and diluted weighted average shares (in thousands):

	December 31,		
	2011	2010	2009
Basic weighted average number of shares outstanding	38,211	37,835	37,598
Dilutive effect of stock compensation awards	667	426	—
Diluted weighted average number of shares outstanding	38,878	38,261	37,598
Anti-dilutive options excluded from calculation due to exercise prices	1,022	1,247	5,269
Anti-dilutive options excluded from calculation due to reported net loss	—	—	714

### *Stock-based compensation*

Our stock-based compensation plan provides for the grants of stock options, restricted stock and other stock-based awards to eligible directors, officers, employees and other persons. The maximum number of shares that may be issued under our incentive plan may not exceed 10% of the issued and outstanding shares of our common stock. As of December 31, 2011, 3,856,928 shares of our common stock were authorized for grants of stock-based awards and 1,605,616 shares were available for future grants.

#### *Stock options*

We grant options to our employees at an exercise price that may not be less than the market price on the date of grant. Stock options granted under our incentive plan have historically vested equally over a three year period and expired no later than seven years from the date of grant. Our stock-based compensation plan allows for options to be denominated in Canadian dollars or U.S. dollars at our discretion. Prior to our delisting from the Toronto Stock Exchange ("TSX") in 2008, options grants were generally in Canadian dollars. In conjunction with our delisting from the TSX, subsequent option grants have been in U.S. dollars and we plan to denominate all future grants in U.S. dollars. The following is a summary of our stock option transactions for the year ended December 31, 2011:

	Number of Shares Underlying Options	Weighted- Average Exercise Price Per Share	Weighted- Average Contractual Term (in years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value (in thousands)
U.S. dollar denominated options				
Outstanding as of December 31, 2010	1,502,120	\$ 12.53		
Granted	47,000	\$ 15.44		
Exercised	(79,678)	\$ 9.08		
Forfeited	(48,640)	\$ 12.22		
Expired	(10,032)	\$ 23.01		
Outstanding at December 31, 2011	<u>1,410,770</u>	\$ 12.76	4.80	\$ 2,721
Vested at December 31, 2011 or expected to vest in the future	<u>1,398,769</u>	\$ 12.75	4.80	\$ 2,714
Exercisable at December 31, 2011	<u>908,602</u>	\$ 12.82	4.38	\$ 2,320
Canadian dollar denominated options				
Outstanding at December 31, 2010	627,456	C\$ 21.41		
Granted	—	C\$ —		
Exercised	(72,727)	C\$ 11.16		
Forfeited	—	C\$ —		
Expired	(79,833)	C\$ 23.40		
Outstanding at December 31, 2011	<u>474,896</u>	C\$ 22.64	1.44	C\$ 54
Vested at December 31, 2011 or expected to vest in the future	<u>474,896</u>	C\$ 22.64	1.44	C\$ 54
Exercisable at December 31, 2011	<u>474,896</u>	C\$ 22.64	1.44	C\$ 54

During 2011, 2010 and 2009, we recognized \$2.8 million, \$2.4 million and \$2.4 million of pre-tax compensation expense for stock options and recorded \$0.9 million, \$0.7 million and \$1.0 million of income tax benefits, respectively. Total compensation cost related to non-vested option awards not yet recognized at December 31, 2011 was approximately \$1.6 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.8 years. Options exercised during the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009 had a total intrinsic value of \$1.1 million, \$0.1 million and \$0.1 million, respectively, generated \$1.5 million, \$0.2 million and \$0.4 million of cash proceeds, respectively, and generated \$0.3 million of associated income tax benefit in 2011. Options exercised in 2010 and 2009 did not generate any significant associated income tax benefit.

*Fair Value Assumptions.* The fair value of each stock option granted is estimated on the date of grant using a Black-Scholes option-pricing model based on several assumptions. These assumptions are based on management's best estimate at the time of grant. For the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, the weighted average grant date fair value per share of options granted was \$7.78, \$6.70 and \$5.57 per share, respectively.

Listed below is the weighted average of each assumption based on grants for years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009:

	2011	2010	2009
Weighted average risk-free interest rate	1.20%	1.30%	2.31%
Expected dividend yield	—%	—%	—%
Expected life (years)	4.5	4.5	4.5
Weighted average expected volatility	61%	60%	67%
Weighted average expected forfeiture rate	2%	6%	9%

We estimate expected volatility based on our historical stock price volatility over the expected term. We estimate the expected term of our option awards based on the vesting period and average remaining contractual term, known as the "simplified method", as we do not have sufficient historical data for estimating our expected term due to significant changes in the make-up of our employees receiving stock-based compensation awards.

Canadian dollar-denominated stock option awards issued to non-Canadian employees and grants to non-employees are liability-classified awards. Accordingly, the fair value of these awards is included in accrued and other current liabilities in our consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and the liability is adjusted to fair value at the end of each reporting period. At December 31, 2011 and 2010, the fair value of these awards was approximately \$0.3 million and \$1.8 million, respectively.

#### *Restricted Stock*

We grant restricted stock units under our incentive plan, which generally vest equally in three annual installments from the date of grant and entitle the grantee to receive the value of one share of our common stock for each vested restricted stock unit. A summary of our restricted stock transactions for the year ended December 31, 2011 is presented below:

	<b>Number of Restricted Shares</b>	<b>Weighted-Average Grant Date Fair Value per Share</b>
<b>U.S. dollar denominated restricted stock units</b>		
Nonvested at December 31, 2010	723,674	\$ 12.43
Granted	37,400	\$ 16.57
Vested	(346,382)	\$ 12.45
Forfeited	(51,613)	\$ 12.64
Nonvested at December 31, 2011	<u>363,079</u>	\$ 12.80

During 2011, 2010 and 2009, we recognized \$4.2 million, \$4.0 million and \$2.9 million of pre-tax compensation expense, respectively, on restricted stock units and recorded \$1.1 million, \$1.0 million and \$1.2 million of income tax benefits, respectively. Total compensation cost related to non-vested restricted stock units not yet recognized at December 31, 2011 was approximately \$2.3 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.8 years. The grant date fair value of our U.S. dollar-denominated restricted stock granted during 2011, 2010 and 2009 was \$0.6 million, \$4.9 million and \$4.2 million, respectively.

#### *Performance Share Units*

We grant performance stock units under our incentive plan, which vest in full after three years and entitle the grantee to receive the value of one share of our common stock for each vested performance share unit, subject to adjustment based on a performance measure. The performance share unit performance objective multiplier can range from zero (when threshold performance is not met) to a maximum of 2.5 times the initial award. Performance share units may be settled by delivery of our shares or the payment of cash based on the market value of our shares at the time of settlement, at our discretion. A summary of our performance share units for the year ended December 31, 2011 is presented below:

	<b>Number of Performance Share Units</b>	<b>Weighted-Average Fair Value at Reported Date</b>
Nonvested at December 31, 2010	149,500	\$ —
Granted	—	
Vested	—	
Expired	(149,500)	\$ —
Nonvested at December 31, 2011	<u>—</u>	\$ —

During 2009, we reversed \$0.9 million of previously recorded stock compensation expense based on the fair market value of these units being zero due to our 2009 operating results. These performance share units expired in 2011 with no delivery of our shares or the payment of cash to the grantees, and no expense was recorded for these units during 2011 and 2010, as we did not meet the minimum performance threshold upon vesting.

**Note 10—Income taxes**

We are an Alberta (Canada) corporation. We conduct business and are taxed on profits earned in a number of jurisdictions around the world. Income taxes have been provided based on the laws and rates in effect in the countries in which operations are conducted or in which we are considered resident for income tax purposes.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the estimated future tax effects of temporary differences between the tax basis of an asset or liability and its basis as reported on our consolidated financial statements. The measurement of deferred tax assets and liabilities is based on enacted tax laws and rates currently in effect in the jurisdictions in which we have operations

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are classified as current or non-current according to the classification of the related asset or liability for financial reporting. The components of the net deferred tax asset (liability) were as follows (in thousands):



	<b>December 31,</b>	
	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
<b>Deferred tax assets:</b>		
<b>Current:</b>		
<b>Canada:</b>		
Loss carryforwards	\$ 259	\$ 11
Accrued liabilities and reserves	1,709	5,077
<b>United States:</b>		
Accrued liabilities and reserves	1,440	3,150
<b>Other International:</b>		
Accrued liabilities and reserves	1,667	166
Current deferred tax assets	<u>5,075</u>	<u>8,404</u>
Less: Valuation allowance	(166)	(294)
Total current deferred tax assets	<u>\$ 4,909</u>	<u>\$ 8,110</u>
<b>Non-current:</b>		
<b>Canada:</b>		
Loss carryforwards	\$ 76	\$ —
Property, plant and equipment	11,651	10,289
Tax credit carryforwards	1,792	3,174
<b>United States:</b>		
Loss carryforwards	5,411	4,656
Tax credit carryforwards	618	275
Stock compensation	4,260	3,512
<b>Other International:</b>		
Loss carryforwards	2,617	2,635
Accrued liabilities and reserves	138	—
Non-current deferred tax assets	<u>26,563</u>	<u>24,541</u>
Less: Valuation allowance	(3,117)	(2,709)
Total non-current deferred tax assets	<u>\$ 23,446</u>	<u>\$ 21,832</u>
<b>Deferred tax liabilities:</b>		
<b>Non-current deferred tax liabilities:</b>		
<b>United States:</b>		
Property, plant and equipment	\$ (13,173)	\$ (12,356)
<b>Other international:</b>		
Property, plant and equipment	(1,614)	(1,665)
Intangibles	(717)	—
Total non-current deferred tax liabilities	<u>(15,504)</u>	<u>(14,021)</u>
Net deferred tax assets	<u>\$ 12,851</u>	<u>\$ 15,921</u>

Deferred tax assets relating to tax benefits of employee stock-based compensation have been reduced to reflect stock options exercised and restricted stock that vested during the year. Some exercises and vestings result in tax deductions in excess of previously recorded benefits based on the option value at the time of grant (“windfalls”). Although these additional tax benefits or “windfalls” are reflected in net operating tax carryforwards pursuant to accounting for stock compensation under GAAP, the additional tax benefit associated with the windfall is not recognized until the deduction reduces taxes payable. Accordingly, since the tax benefit does not reduce our current taxes payable in 2011 or 2010 due to net operating loss carryforwards, these “windfall” tax benefits are not reflected in our net operating losses in deferred tax assets for 2011 or 2010. Windfalls included in net operating loss carryforwards but not reflected in deferred tax assets for 2011 and 2010 are \$1.6 million and \$0.7 million, respectively.

Since we are taxable in a number of jurisdictions around the world, income tax expense as a percentage of pre-tax earnings fluctuates from year to year based on the level of profits earned in these jurisdictions and the tax rates applicable to such profits.

The combined Canadian federal and Alberta provincial income tax rate for 2011 was 26.5%. The combined rates in 2010 and 2009 were 28% and 29%, respectively.

Our income before income taxes consisted of the following (in thousands):

	<b>December 31,</b>		
	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
Canada	\$ 22,145	\$ 13,028	\$ 6,473
United States	(3,512)	(15,629)	(44,936)
Other international	22,639	16,423	20,858
Income before taxes	<u>\$ 41,272</u>	<u>\$ 13,822</u>	<u>\$ (17,605)</u>

Our income tax provision (benefit) consisted of the following (in thousands):

	<b>December 31,</b>		
	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
<b>Current:</b>			
Canada	\$ 616	\$ 1,323	\$ 344
United States	(595)	153	(15,856)
Other international	12,517	7,107	5,122
Total current	<u>12,538</u>	<u>8,583</u>	<u>(10,390)</u>
<b>Deferred:</b>			
Canada	3,265	2,428	(1,791)
United States	560	(6,092)	524
Other international	(2,087)	1,858	(683)
Total deferred	<u>1,738</u>	<u>(1,806)</u>	<u>(1,950)</u>
Income tax provision	<u>\$ 14,276</u>	<u>\$ 6,777</u>	<u>\$ (12,340)</u>

A reconciliation of the statutory rate and the effective income tax rate is as follows:

	<b>Year Ended December 31,</b>		
	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
Statutory tax rate	26.5%	28.0%	29.0%
Effect of:			
Tax rates applied to earnings not attributed to Canada	2.6	(10.2)	21.6
U.S. state taxes	0.7	2.1	—
Non-deductible and permanent items	4.8	10.3	(10.4)
Change in future tax rates	(0.1)	3.2	(3.8)
Change in valuation allowance	1.0	14.0	8.0
Research and development tax credits	(2.7)	(2.3)	2.0
Changes in tax laws	—	—	25.5
Other	1.8	3.9	(1.8)
Effective tax rate	<u>34.6%</u>	<u>49.0%</u>	<u>70.1%</u>

During 2011, we utilized \$9.7 million of non-capital loss carryforwards in Canada. At December 31, 2011, we had \$1.8 million of Canadian loss carryforwards remaining which do not expire until 2027. These losses can be carried forward and applied to reduce future taxable income. Based on our recent history of generating taxable income to utilize our loss carryforwards, expected future income and potential tax planning strategies, we expect to fully utilize these loss carryforwards. Therefore, there is no valuation allowance offsetting the deferred tax asset for these losses.

Certain of our U.S. and foreign subsidiaries file separate tax returns and have incurred losses in those respective jurisdictions. At December 31, 2011 we had a deferred tax asset related to the 2011 U.S. loss carryforward of \$5.4 million. No valuation allowance has been established on the U.S. losses, as the future reversals of existing taxable temporary differences in the U.S. will generate enough taxable income to realize the tax benefit of those losses.

At December 31, 2011 we had a deferred tax asset related to foreign loss carryforwards of \$2.6 million. Due to insufficient earnings history in the jurisdictions where such losses were generated, we do not expect to fully utilize these foreign losses. Therefore, a partial valuation allowance has been established against the related deferred tax asset. The valuation allowance at December 31, 2011 was \$2.0 million.

At December 31, 2011 we had a deferred tax asset related to foreign tax credits of \$1.3 million. These foreign tax credits are fully offset by a valuation allowance of \$1.3 million, for a net deferred tax asset related to foreign tax credits of zero.

No provision is made for taxes that may be payable on the repatriation of accumulated earnings in foreign subsidiaries on the basis that these earnings will continue to be used to finance the activities of these subsidiaries. It is not practicable to determine the amount of unrecognized deferred income taxes associated with these unremitted earnings.

At December 31, 2010, we had an accrual for uncertain tax positions of \$1.2 million. During 2011, we reversed \$0.2 million due to a lapse in the statute of limitations, leaving a balance of \$0.9 million at December 31, 2011. The accrual for uncertain tax positions is included in other liabilities in our consolidated balance sheet as we anticipate that these uncertainties will not be resolved within the next 12 months. The resolution of these uncertainties should not have a material impact on our effective tax rate.

A reconciliation of the beginning and ending accrual for uncertain tax positions is as follows (in thousands):

	<b>December 31,</b>		
	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 1,168	\$ 1,168	\$ 1,181
Decreases in tax positions for prior years	—	—	(56)
Increase in tax positions for prior years	—	—	43
Lapse in statute of limitations	(226)	—	—
Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 942</u>	<u>\$ 1,168</u>	<u>\$ 1,168</u>

Interest related to uncertain tax positions is recognized in interest expense on our consolidated balance sheets, and penalties related to uncertain tax positions are recognized in other expense on our consolidated statements of income. At December 31, 2011 and 2010, we had accrued \$0.1 million for the potential payment of interest and penalties on uncertain tax positions.

We are subject to Canadian federal and provincial income tax and have concluded substantially all Canadian federal and provincial tax matters for tax years through 2003. We are also subject to U.S. federal and state income tax and have concluded substantially all U.S. federal income tax matters for tax years through 2009.

We have been previously advised by the Mexican tax authorities that they believe significant expenses incurred by our Mexican operations from 1996 through 2002 are not deductible for Mexican tax purposes. Between 2002 and 2008, formal reassessments disallowing these deductions were issued for each of these years, all of which we appealed to the Mexican court system. We have obtained final court rulings deciding all years in dispute in our favor, except for 1996 as discussed below, and 2001 and 2002, both of which are currently before the Mexican Tax Court. The outcomes of such appeals are uncertain. We continue to believe that the basis for these reassessments was incorrect, and that the ultimate resolution of those outstanding matters will likely not have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In May 2002, we paid a deposit of \$3.3 million to the Mexican tax authorities in order to appeal the reassessment for 1996. In 2007, we requested and received a refund of approximately \$3.7 million (the original deposit amount of \$3.3 million plus \$0.4 million in interest). With the return of the \$3.3 million deposit, the Mexican tax authorities issued a resolution indicating that we were owed an additional \$3.4 million in interest and inflation adjustments but this amount had been retained by the tax authorities to satisfy a second reassessment for 1996. We believed the second reassessment was invalid, and appealed it to the Mexican Tax Court. In 2009, the Mexican Tax Court issued a decision accepting our arguments in part, which was subject to further appeal.

In May 2011, we received a refund of approximately \$3.8 million (the remaining \$3.4 million noted above, plus \$0.4 million of additional interest and inflation adjustments) and recorded \$2.4 million in interest income, \$0.6 million in other income, partially offset by \$0.4 million of related interest expense. The remaining \$1.2 million is included in other liabilities pending the ultimate resolution of this issue.

In addition to the material jurisdictions above, other state and foreign tax filings remain open to examination. We believe that any assessment on these filings will not have a material impact on our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows. We believe that appropriate provisions for all outstanding issues have been made for all jurisdictions and all open years. However, audit outcomes and the timing of audit settlements are subject to significant uncertainty. Therefore, additional provisions on tax-related matters could be recorded in the future as revised estimates are made or the underlying matters are settled or otherwise resolved.

#### Note 11—Goodwill and other intangible assets

##### Goodwill

We perform an impairment test for goodwill annually in the fourth quarter of each year or earlier if indicators of potential impairment exist. We concluded our goodwill was not impaired as of December 31, 2011 and 2010. We had no impairment charges related to goodwill during the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009.

The change in the carrying amount of goodwill is as follows (in thousands):

	December 31,	
	2011	2010
Gross balance, beginning of year	\$ 29,394	\$ 29,394
Additions to goodwill	3,338	—
Gross balance, end of year	<u>\$ 32,732</u>	<u>\$ 29,394</u>

##### Other intangible assets

The estimated useful life, carrying amount and accumulated amortization of our intangible assets at December 31, 2011 and 2010 were as follows (in thousands):

	Estimated useful life	2011		2010	
		Gross carrying amount	Accumulated amortization	Gross carrying amount	Accumulated amortization
Amortized intangible assets					
Customer relationships	5 - 7 years	\$ 5,850	\$ (1,677)	\$ 5,566	\$ (4,286)
Patents	10 - 14 years	2,522	(1,154)	2,522	(961)
Non-compete agreements	5 years	2,010	(1,675)	2,855	(2,066)
Other		1,218	(123)	64	(5)
		<u>\$ 11,600</u>	<u>\$ (4,629)</u>	<u>\$ 11,007</u>	<u>\$ (7,318)</u>

Amortization expense related to our intangible assets for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, was \$1.3 million, \$1.2 million and \$2.0 million, respectively, and is included in cost of sales and services in our consolidated statements of income. Future estimated amortization expense related to our intangible assets for the next five years is expected to be as follows (in thousands):

Years ending December 31,	Amortization expense
2012	\$ 1,563
2013	1,343
2014	1,149
2015	769
2016	750

We did not recognize any impairment losses on our intangible assets during the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 or 2009.

## **Note 12—Commitments and contingencies**

### ***Legal contingencies***

In the normal course of our business, we are subject to legal proceedings brought by or against us and our subsidiaries. None of these proceedings involves a claim for damages exceeding ten percent of our current assets on a consolidated basis.

The estimates below represent our best estimates based on consultation with internal and external legal counsel. There can be no assurance as to the eventual outcome or the amount of loss we may suffer as a result of these proceedings.

Varco I/P, Inc. (“Varco”) filed suit against us in April 2005 in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Louisiana, alleging that our CDS infringes certain of Varco’s U.S. patents. Varco seeks monetary damages and an injunction against further infringement. We filed a countersuit against Varco in June 2005 in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Houston Division seeking invalidation of the Varco patents in question. In July 2006, the Louisiana case was transferred to the federal district court in Houston, and as a result, the issues raised by Varco have been consolidated into a single proceeding in which we are the plaintiff. We also filed a request with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (“USPTO”) for reexamination of the patents on which Varco’s claim of infringement is based. The USPTO accepted the Varco patents for reexamination, and the district court stayed the patent litigation pending the outcome of the USPTO reexamination. In May 2009, the USPTO issued a final action rejecting all of the Varco patent claims that we had contested. Varco has appealed this decision with the USPTO and that reexamination appeal is pending. The outcome and amount of any future financial impacts from this litigation are not determinable at this time.

In December 2009, we received an administrative subpoena from the Department of the Treasury, Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) regarding a past shipment of oilfield equipment made from our Canadian manufacturing facility in 2006 to Sudan. We reviewed this matter and have provided a timely response to the subpoena. Our internal investigation revealed that in 2006 and 2007, a total of four top drive units were shipped to Sudan from our Canadian manufacturing facility. Technicians were also dispatched from one of our regional offices outside of the United States to install the top drive units. The total revenue from these activities with respect to the periods involved were approximately 0.5% and 0.7% of total revenue in 2006 and 2007. Our policy is not to conduct any business in or sell any products to Sudan and we have implemented strengthened controls and procedures designed to ensure compliance with this policy. We disclosed the results of our internal investigation to, and are fully cooperating with, OFAC. We continue to evaluate the potential outcome of this matter. The effect on our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows is not reasonably determinable at this time. Accordingly, we have not accrued a reserve for this matter as of December 31, 2011. An agreement tolling any applicable statute of limitations governing this investigation expired in January 2011 without a request for an extension.

Weatherford International, Inc. and Weatherford/Lamb Inc. (“Weatherford”) filed suit against us in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, Marshall Division in December 2007 (the “Marshall Suit”), alleging that various of our technologies infringe 11 different patents held by Weatherford. Weatherford sought monetary damages and an injunction against further infringement. Our technologies referred to in the claim included the CDS, the CASING DRILLING system and method, a float valve, and the locking mechanism for the controls of the tubular handling system. We filed a general denial seeking a judicial determination that we did not infringe the patents in question and/or that the patents are invalid.

In August 2008, we filed suit against several competitors in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas – Houston Division, including Weatherford (the “Houston Suit”). The Houston Suit claims infringement of two of our patents related to our CDS. On October 26, 2010, we entered into a settlement with Weatherford (the “Settlement”) dismissing both the Marshall Suit and the Houston Suit (as it relates to Weatherford) with prejudice. Among other provisions, the Settlement contains the following terms:

- Non-exclusive irrevocable worldwide and royalty free cross licenses with respect to all the patents asserted by Weatherford in the Marshall Case and by us in the Houston Case, as well as certain other U.S. and foreign equivalents and counterparts; and
- Weatherford has agreed to purchase for five years 67% of its worldwide top drive requirements from us, as long as we can meet production requirements, and to designate us as a preferred provider of after-market sales and service for top drives. The prices we charge Weatherford will be equal to or lower than the prices we charge to any other customer of similar volume of purchases and/or services.

We entered into a Final Settlement and License Agreement (the "Settlement Agreement") with Weatherford on January 11, 2011, effective as of October 26, 2010. As an additional condition of the Settlement Agreement, neither we nor Weatherford will pursue any cause of action that might adversely affect the validity or enforceability of each other's patents as listed in the exhibits to the Settlement Agreement, including any causes of action that may arise from the requests for review we filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in November 2008.

On November 11, 2010 we won a jury verdict against National Oilwell Varco, L.P. ("NOV"), Frank's Casing Crew and Rental Tools, Inc. ("Frank's") and Offshore Energy Services, Inc. ("OES") for infringing our U.S. Patent Nos. 7,140,443 and 7,377,324. In that verdict, the jury found that NOV's accused product, the CRT 350, infringes all valid patent claims in the asserted patents, and that NOV contributorily infringed all valid patent claims in the asserted patents. The jury also found that Frank's accused products, the (i) SuperTAWG, (ii) FA-1, and (iii) CRT 350, and OES's accused products, the CRT 350, infringe all valid patent claims in the asserted patents. Damages were stipulated by the parties and the verdict is subject to entry of judgment and appeal.

We have been previously advised by the Mexican tax authorities that they believe significant expenses incurred by our Mexican operations from 1996 through 2002 are not deductible for Mexican tax purposes. Between 2002 and 2008, formal reassessments disallowing these deductions were issued for each of these years, all of which we appealed to the Mexican court system. We have obtained final court rulings deciding all years in dispute in our favor, except for 1996 as discussed below, and 2001 and 2002, both of which are currently before the Mexican Tax Court. The outcomes of such appeals are uncertain. We continue to believe that the basis for these reassessments was incorrect, and that the ultimate resolution of those outstanding matters will likely not have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In May 2002, we paid a deposit of \$3.3 million to the Mexican tax authorities in order to appeal the reassessment for 1996. In 2007, we requested and received a refund of approximately \$3.7 million (the original deposit amount of \$3.3 million plus \$0.4 million in interest). With the return of the \$3.3 million deposit, the Mexican tax authorities issued a resolution indicating that we were owed an additional \$3.4 million in interest and inflation adjustments but this amount had been retained by the tax authorities to satisfy a second reassessment for 1996. We believed the second reassessment was invalid, and appealed it to the Mexican Tax Court. In 2009, the Mexican Tax Court issued a decision accepting our arguments in part, which was subject to further appeal.

In May 2011, we received a refund of approximately \$3.8 million (the remaining \$3.4 million noted above, plus \$0.4 million of additional interest and inflation adjustments) and recorded \$2.4 million in interest income, \$0.6 million in other income, partially offset by \$0.4 million of related interest expense. The remaining \$1.2 million is included in other liabilities pending the ultimate resolution of this issue.

In July 2006, we received a claim for withholding tax, penalties and interest related to payments over the periods from 2000 to 2004 in a foreign jurisdiction. We disagree with this claim and are currently litigating this matter. In November 2009, we received a favorable decision from a lower level court regarding payments made during 2000, which is subject to appeal. During 2006, we accrued an estimated pre-tax exposure of \$3.8 million and continue to accrue interest for this matter for a total accrual of \$5.1 million as of December 31, 2011.

In August 2008, we received a claim in Mexico for \$1.1 million in fines and penalties related to the exportation of certain temporarily imported equipment that remained in Mexico beyond the authorized time limit for its return. We disagree with this claim and are currently litigating the matter. In December 2009, we received a decision from the Mexican Tax Court in our favor, which is subject to further appeal. The outcome of this litigation is uncertain.



### ***Other contingencies***

We are contingently liable under letters of credit and similar instruments that we enter into in connection with the importation of equipment to foreign countries and to secure our performance on certain contracts. At December 31, 2011 our total exposure under outstanding letters of credit was \$12.8 million.

### ***Commitments***

We have operating lease commitments expiring at various dates, principally for administrative offices, operation facilities and equipment. Rental expense for all operating leases was \$5.5 million, \$5.5 million and \$4.8 million for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Future minimum lease commitments under non-cancelable operating leases with initial or remaining terms of one year or more as of December 31, 2011 are as follows (in thousands):

<b>Years ending December 31,</b>	<b>Minimum lease commitments</b>
2012	\$ 5,082
2013	2,113
2014	1,120
2015	722
2016	276
Thereafter	1,795

As of December 31, 2011, we had \$82.7 million in manufacturing purchase commitments for executed purchase orders that were submitted to respective vendors.

### **Note 13—Warranties**

Changes in our warranty accrual for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010 were as follows (in thousands):

	<b>December 31,</b>	
	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 1,698	\$ 2,251
Charged to expense, net	1,805	381
Deductions	(400)	(934)
Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 3,103</u>	<u>\$ 1,698</u>

### **Note 14—Segment information**

#### ***Business segments***

Our four business segments are: Top Drive, Tubular Services, CASING DRILLING and Research and Engineering. Our Top Drive segment is comprised of top drive sales, top drive rentals and after-market sales and service. Our Tubular Services segment includes both our proprietary and conventional tubular services. Our CASING DRILLING segment consists of our proprietary CASING DRILLING technology. Our Research and Engineering segment is comprised of our internal research and development activities related to our proprietary tubular services and CASING DRILLING technology and top drive model development.

We measure the results of our business segments using, among other measures, each segment's operating income, which includes certain corporate overhead allocations. Overhead costs include field administration and operations support. At a business segment level, we incur costs directly and indirectly associated with revenue. Direct costs include expenditures specifically incurred for the generation of revenue, such as personnel costs on location or transportation, maintenance and repair, and depreciation of our revenue-generating equipment.

Certain sales and marketing activities, financing activities and corporate general and administrative expenses are not allocated to our business segments. Other (income) expense and income taxes are also not allocated to our business segments.

Goodwill is allocated to the business segment to which it specifically relates. Our goodwill has been allocated to the Tubular Services segment. We do not track or measure property, plant and equipment by business segment and, as such, this information is not presented.

Significant financial information relating to these segments is as follows (in thousands):

	Year ended December 31, 2011					Total
	Top Drive	Tubular Services	CASING DRILLING	Research & Engineering	Corporate and Other	
Revenue	\$ 344,698	\$ 151,124	\$ 17,147	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 512,969
Depreciation and amortization	11,086	18,741	4,697	32	3,905	38,461
Operating income (loss)	88,799	16,680	(12,392)	(12,512)	(38,058)	42,517
Other expense						(1,245)
Income before income taxes						\$ 41,272

	Year ended December 31, 2010					Total
	Top Drive	Tubular Services	CASING DRILLING	Research & Engineering	Corporate and Other	
Revenue	\$ 243,933	\$ 121,884	\$ 12,848	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 378,665
Depreciation and amortization	11,011	17,747	4,339	32	2,999	36,128
Operating income (loss)	62,818	8,228	(11,594)	(9,075)	(35,060)	15,317
Other expense						(1,495)
Income before income taxes						\$ 13,822

	Year ended December 31, 2009					Total
	Top Drive	Tubular Services	CASING DRILLING	Research & Engineering	Corporate and Other	
Revenue	\$ 224,853	\$ 118,299	\$ 13,696	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 356,848
Depreciation and amortization	7,980	20,720	4,614	69	3,350	36,733
Operating income (loss)	49,532	(2,942)	(20,643)	(7,431)	(32,945)	(14,429)
Other expense						(3,176)
Income before income taxes						\$ (17,605)

### Geographic areas

We attribute revenue to geographic regions based on the location of the customer. Generally, for service activities, this will be the region in which the service activity occurs. For equipment sales, this will be the region in which the sale transaction is completed and title transfers. Our revenue by geographic area for the past three fiscal years was as follows (in thousands):

	<b>Year ended December 31,</b>		
	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
United States	\$ 144,319	\$ 130,595	\$ 159,200
Canada <sup>(1)</sup>	177,065	98,709	33,083
South America	53,395	35,701	34,888
Asia Pacific	40,591	31,011	44,117
Mexico	40,448	32,407	32,631
Russia <sup>(2)</sup>	27,708	27,283	7,880
Europe, Africa and Middle East	29,443	22,959	45,049
Total	<u>\$ 512,969</u>	<u>\$ 378,665</u>	<u>\$ 356,848</u>

(1) Effective January 1, 2010, we changed the contracts for new top drive sales to generally sell the units directly from our manufacturing facility in Canada. This change increased the amount of top drive revenue recorded in Canada in 2011 and 2010, compared to 2009 presented above.

(2) Prior period geographic information has been adjusted for revenues earned in Russia, which was previously grouped with Europe.

Our physical location of our net property, plant and equipment by geographic area as of December 31, 2011 and 2010 was as follows (in thousands):

	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
United States	\$ 56,758	\$ 60,706
Canada	14,700	13,464
South America	22,943	19,131
Asia Pacific	22,414	22,137
Mexico	35,473	29,582
Russia <sup>(1)</sup>	20,236	21,583
Europe, Africa and Middle East	30,544	16,083
Total	<u>\$ 203,068</u>	<u>\$ 182,686</u>

(1) Prior period geographic information has been adjusted for the physical location of net property, plant and equipment in Russia, which were previously grouped with Europe.

### ***Major customers and credit risk***

Our accounts receivable are principally with major international and national oil and natural gas service and exploration and production companies and are subject to normal industry credit risks. We perform ongoing credit evaluations of customers and grant credit based upon past payment history, financial condition and anticipated industry conditions. Customer payments are regularly monitored and a provision for doubtful accounts is established based upon specific situations and overall industry conditions. Many of our customers are located in international areas that are inherently subject to risks of economic, political and civil instabilities, which may impact our ability to collect those accounts receivable. The main factors in determining the allowance needed for accounts receivable are customer bankruptcies, delinquency, and management's estimate of ability to collect outstanding receivables based on the number of days outstanding and risks of economic, political and civil instabilities. Bad debt expense is included in selling, general and administrative expense in our consolidated statements of income.

For the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009, no single customer represented more than 10% of our consolidated revenue.

### ***Procurement of supplies and materials***

We procure materials and components from many different vendors located throughout the world. A portion of these components are electrical in nature, including permanent magnet motors, induction motors and drives. We also purchase hydraulic components, such as motors, from certain suppliers located in the United States. In order to manufacture many of our proprietary parts, we require substantial quantities of steel. We select our component sources from, and establish supply relationships with, vendors who are prepared to develop components and systems that allow us to produce high performance, reliable and compact machines. For both our electric and hydraulic top drive systems we source key components, such as AC motors, power electronics, and hydraulic systems from vendors who have developed these components for commercial, often non-oilfield applications, and who have adapted them for service conditions specific to our applications. Consequently, our ability to maintain timely deliveries and to provide long term support of certain models may depend on the supply of these components and systems. We attempt to minimize risks associated with this dependency through the development of supply agreements to maintain acceptable levels of ready components.

## Supplementary Data

### Selected quarterly financial data (unaudited)

The following table presents unaudited quarterly financial data for 2011 and 2010 (in thousands, except for per share amounts):

	<b>For the 2011 quarterly period ended</b>			
	<b>March 31</b>	<b>June 30</b>	<b>September 30</b>	<b>December 31<sup>(1)</sup></b>
Revenue	\$ 105,622	\$ 117,278	\$ 126,989	\$ 163,080
Operating income	7,516	8,855	8,426	17,720
Net income	4,317	7,389	3,828	11,462
Earnings (loss) per share:				
Basic	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.30
Diluted	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.29

	<b>For the 2010 quarterly period ended</b>			
	<b>March 31</b>	<b>June 30</b>	<b>September 30</b>	<b>December 31<sup>(2)</sup></b>
Revenue	\$ 86,096	\$ 85,555	\$ 93,476	\$ 113,538
Operating income (loss)	3,038	1,347	5,001	5,929
Net income (loss)	2,205	701	2,984	1,155
Earnings (loss) per share:				
Basic	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.03
Diluted	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.03

(1) Our results for the quarterly period ended December 31, 2011 included a \$1.3 million charge to increase our allowance for uncollectible accounts.

(2) Our results for the quarterly period ended December 31, 2010 included a \$2.2 million charge to operating income resulting from a customer dispute over contract term interpretations and a \$1.6 million increase in income tax expense for a valuation allowance adjustment established on foreign subsidiary net operating losses.

**Schedule II**

**VALUATION AND QUALIFYING ACCOUNTS**

**For the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009**

	<b>Balance at beginning of year</b>	<b>Charged to cost and expenses (b)</b>	<b>Charged to other accounts (a)</b>	<b>Deductions (c)</b>	<b>Balance at end of year</b>
	<b>(in thousands)</b>				
<b>2011</b>					
Allowance for uncollectible accounts	\$ 865	\$ 1,763	\$ —	\$ (137)	\$ 2,491
Inventory reserves	4,440	—	—	—	4,440
Warranty reserves	1,698	1,805	—	(400)	3,103
Allowance for uncollectible deposits <sup>(d)</sup>	3,385	—	—	(3,385)	—
Deferred tax asset valuation allowance	3,003	280	—	—	3,283
<b>2010</b>					
Allowance for uncollectible accounts	\$ 1,539	\$ (531)	\$ 2	\$ (145)	\$ 865
Inventory reserves	7,143	—	—	(2,703)	4,440
Warranty reserves	2,251	381	—	(934)	1,698
Allowance for uncollectible deposits <sup>(d)</sup>	3,385	—	—	—	3,385
Deferred tax asset valuation allowance	1,788	1,937	—	(722)	3,003
<b>2009</b>					
Allowance for uncollectible accounts	\$ 3,195	\$ 312	\$ 38	\$ (2,006)	\$ 1,539
Inventory reserves	3,032	6,434	(166)	(2,157)	7,143
Warranty reserves	3,326	(85)	88	(1,078)	2,251
Allowance for uncollectible deposits <sup>(d)</sup>	3,385	—	—	—	3,385
Deferred tax asset valuation allowance	2,604	277	—	(1,093)	1,788

- (a) Represents currency translation adjustments and reclasses.
- (b) Primarily represents the elimination of accounts receivable and inventory deemed uncollectible or worthless and providing warranty services to customers.
- (c) Negative amounts represent net recoveries of previously written-off receivables or changes to inventory and warranty reserve estimates.
- (d) Relates to interest earned but unpaid on deposits held by Mexican tax authorities which were settled in 2011.

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