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ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15 (d) OF THE

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year-ended December 31, 2015 IMPERIAL OIL LIMITED Commission file number: 0-12014

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

CANADA (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

505 QUARRY PARK BOULEVARD S.E., CALGARY, AB, CANADA (Address of principal executive offices)

98-0017682 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

> T2C 5N1 (Postal Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

1-800-567-3776

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

Name of each exchange on

which registered

None

Title of each class

None

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: Common Shares (without par value) (Title of Class)

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer (as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act).

Yes ü No.....

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

YesNo ü

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 ü 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).

Yesü 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.

Yes ü No.....

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company (see the definitions of large accelerated filer, a ccelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934).

Large accelerated filer ü Accelerated filer...... Non-accelerated filer...... Smaller reporting company.......

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12 b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934).

YesNo ü

As of the last business day of the 2015 second fiscal quarter, the aggregate market value of the voting stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant was Canadian \$12,432,611,661 based upon the reported last sale price of such stock on the Toronto Stock Exchange on that date.

The number of common shares outstanding, as of February 10, 2016, was 847,599,011.

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All dollar amounts set forth in this report are in Canadian dollars, except where otherwise indicated.	

Note that numbers may not add due to rounding.

The following table sets forth (i) the rates of exchange for the Canadian dollar, expressed in United States (U.S.) dollars, in effect at the end of each of the periods indicated, (ii) the average of exchange rates in effect on the last day of each month during such periods, and (iii) the high and low exchange rates during such periods, in each case based on the noon buying rate in New York City for wire transfers in Canadian dollars as certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

dollars	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Rate at end of period	0.7226	0.8620	0.9401	1.0042	0.9835
Average rate during period	0.7748	0.9023	0.9665	1.0006	1.0144
High	0.8529	0.9423	1.0164	1.0299	1.0584
Low	0.7148	0.8588	0.9348	0.9600	0.9430
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On February 10, 2016, the noon buying rate in New York City for wire transfers in Canadian dollars as certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York was \$0.7159 U.S. = \$1.00 Canadian.

Forward-looking statements

Statements of future events or conditions in this report, including projections, targets, expectations, estimates, and business plans are forward-looking statements. Actual future financial and operating results, including demand growth and energy source mix; production growth and mix; project plans, dates, costs and capacities; production rates; production life and resource recoveries; cost savings; product sales; financing sources; and capital and environmental expenditures could differ materially depending on a number of factors, such as changes in the supply of and demand for crude oil, natural gas, and petroleum and petrochemical products and resulting price impacts; availability and allocation of capital; currency exchange rates; political or regulatory events; project schedules; commercial negotiations; the receipt, in a timely manner, of regulatory and third-party approvals; unanticipated operational disruptions; unexpected technological developments; and other factors discussed in Item 1A of this annual report on Form 10-K and in the management s discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations contained in Item 7. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve a number of risks and uncertainties, some that are similar to other oil and gas companies and some that are unique to Imperial. Imperial s actual results may differ materially from those expressed or implied by its forward-looking statements and readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on them. Imperial undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements contained by applicable law.

The term project as used in this report can refer to a variety of different activities and does not necessarily have the same meaning as in any government payment transparency reports.

PART I

Item 1. Business

Imperial Oil Limited was incorporated under the laws of Canada in 1880 and was continued under the Canada Business Corporations Act (the CBCA) by certificate of continuance dated April 24, 1978. The head and principal office of the company is located at 505 Quarry Park Boulevard S.E. Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2C 5N1. Exxon Mobil Corporation owns approximately 69.6 percent of the outstanding shares of the company. In this report, unless the context otherwise indicates, reference to the company or Imperial includes Imperial Oil Limited and its subsidiaries.

The company is one of Canada s largest integrated oil companies. It is active in all phases of the petroleum industry in Canada, including the exploration for, and production and sale of, crude oil and natural gas. In Canada, it is a major producer of crude oil, natural gas and the largest petroleum refiner and a leading marketer of petroleum products. It is also a major producer of petrochemicals.

The company s operations are conducted in three main segments: Upstream, Downstream and Chemical. Upstream operations include the exploration for, and production of, crude oil, natural gas, synthetic oil and bitumen. Downstream operations consist of the transportation and refining of crude oil, blending of refined products and the distribution and marketing of those products. Chemical operations consist of the manufacturing and marketing of various petrochemicals.

Financial information about segments and geographic areas for the company is contained in the Financial section of this report under note 2 to the consolidated financial statements: Business segments .

Upstream

Disclosure of reserves

Summary of oil and gas reserves at year-end

The table below summarizes the net proved reserves for the company, as at December 31, 2015, as detailed in the Supplemental information on oil and gas exploration and production activities part of the Financial section, starting on page 28 of this report.

All of the company s reported reserves are located in Canada. The company has reported proved reserves based on the average of the first-day-of-the-month price for each month during the last 12-month period ending December 31. Natural gas is converted to an oil-equivalent basis at six million cubic feet per one thousand barrels. When crude oil and natural gas prices are in the range seen in late 2015 and early 2016 for an extended period of time, under the United States Securities and Exchange Commission s (SEC) definition of proved reserves, certain quantities of oil and natural gas could temporarily not qualify as proved reserves. Otherwise, no major discovery or other favourable or adverse event has occurred since December 31, 2015 that would cause a significant change in the estimated proved reserves as of that date.

	Liquids (a)	Natural gas	Synthetic oil millions	Bitumen	Total oil- equivalent basis millions
	millions of	f billions of	of	millions of	of
	barrels	cubic feet	barrels	barrels	barrels
Net proved reserves:					
Developed	23	283	581	3,063	3,714
Undeveloped	11	300	-	452	513
Total net proved	34	583	581	3,515	4,227

(a) Liquids include crude oil, condensate and natural gas liquids (NGLs). NGL proved reserves are not material and are therefore included under liquids.

The estimation of proved reserves, which is based on the requirement of reasonable certainty, is an ongoing process based on rigorous technical evaluations, commercial and market assessments and detailed analysis of well information such as flow rates and reservoir pressure declines. Furthermore, the company only records proved reserves for projects which have received significant funding commitments by management made toward the development of the reserves. Although the company is reasonably certain that proved reserves will be produced, the timing and amount recovered can be affected by a number of factors, including completion of development projects, reservoir performance, regulatory approvals, royalty framework and significant changes in projections of long-term oil and gas price levels. In addition, proved reserves could be affected by an extended period of low prices which could reduce the level of the company s capital spending and also impact our partners capacity to fund their share of joint projects.

When crude oil and natural gas prices are in the range seen in late 2015 and early 2016 for an extended period of time, under the SEC definition of proved reserves, certain quantities of oil and natural gas, such as oil sands operations, could temporarily not qualify as proved reserves. Amounts required to be de-booked as proved reserves on an SEC basis are subject to being re-booked as proved reserves at some point in the future when price levels recover. Under

the terms of certain contractual arrangements or government royalty regimes, lower prices can also increase proved reserves attributable to the company. It is not expected that any temporary changes in reported proved reserves under SEC definitions would affect the operation of the underlying projects or alter the outlook for future production volumes.

Technologies used in establishing proved reserves estimates

Imperial s proved reserves in 2015 were based on estimates generated through the integration of available and appropriate geological, engineering and production data, utilizing well established technologies that have been demonstrated in the field to yield repeatable and consistent results.

Data used in these integrated assessments included information obtained directly from the subsurface via wellbores, such as well logs, reservoir core samples, fluid samples, static and dynamic pressure information, production test data, and surveillance and performance information. The data utilized also included subsurface information obtained through indirect measurements, including high-quality 3-D and 4-D seismic data, calibrated with available well control information. The tools used to interpret the data included proprietary seismic processing software, proprietary reservoir modeling and simulation software and commercially available data analysis packages.

In some circumstances, where appropriate analog reservoirs were available, reservoir parameters from these analogs were used to increase the quality of and confidence in the reserves estimates.

Preparation of reserves estimates

Imperial has a dedicated reserves management group that is separate from the base operating organization. Primary responsibilities of this group include oversight of the reserves estimation process for compliance with the SEC rules and regulations, review of annual changes in reserves estimates and the reporting of Imperial s proved reserves. This group also maintains the official company reserves estimates for Imperial s proved reserves. In addition, this group provides training to personnel involved in the reserve estimation and reporting processes within Imperial.

The reserves management group maintains a central database containing the official company reserves estimates. Appropriate controls, including limitations on database access and update capabilities, are in place to ensure data integrity within this central database. An annual review of the system s controls is performed by internal audit. Key components of the reserves estimation process include technical evaluations and analysis of well and field performance and a rigorous peer review. No changes may be made to reserves estimates in the central database, including the addition of any new initial reserves estimates or subsequent revisions, unless those changes have been thoroughly reviewed and evaluated by duly authorized personnel within the base operating organization. In addition, changes to reserves estimates that exceed certain thresholds require further review and endorsement by the operating organization and the reserves management group, culminating in reviews with and approval by senior management and the company s board of directors.

The Operations Technical Subsurface Engineering Manager is a professional engineer registered in Alberta, Canada and has over 30 years of petroleum industry experience, including 22 years of reserves related experience. The position provides leadership to the internal reserves management group and is responsible for filing a reserves report with the Canadian securities regulatory authorities. The company s internal reserves evaluation staff consists of 47 persons with an average of 14 years of relevant technical experience in evaluating reserves, of whom 31 persons are qualified reserves evaluators for purposes of Canadian securities regulatory requirements. The company s internal reserves evaluation management team is made up of 17 persons with an average of 14 years of relevant experience in evaluating and managing the evaluation of reserves. No independent qualified reserves evaluator or auditor was involved in the preparation of the company s reserves data.

Proved undeveloped reserves

As at December 31, 2015, approximately 12 percent of the company s proved reserves were proved undeveloped reserves reflecting volumes of 513 million oil-equivalent barrels. Nearly all of those undeveloped reserves are associated with the Cold Lake field. This compared to 1,704 million oil-equivalent barrels of proved undeveloped reserves reported at the end of 2014. Decreased proved undeveloped bitumen reserves in 2015 were largely due to the start-up of the Kearl expansion project, resulting in a transfer of proved undeveloped reserves to proved developed reserves.

The remaining proved undeveloped reserves are associated with ongoing drilling programs, mainly at Cold Lake. Proved undeveloped reserves that have remained undeveloped for five years or more are primarily associated with Cold Lake s ongoing drilling program and were not material compared to the company s total proved reserves.

One of the company s requirements to report resources as proved reserves is that management has made significant funding commitments towards the development of the reserves. The company has a disciplined investment strategy and many major fields require a long lead-time in order to be developed. The company made investments of about

\$2.4 billion during the year to progress the development of reported proved undeveloped reserves, principally the Kearl expansion project.

Oil and gas production, production prices and production costs

Reference is made to the portion of the Financial section entitled Management s discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations on page 32 of this report for a narrative discussion on the material changes.

Average daily production of oil

The company s average daily oil production by final products sold during the three years ended December 31, 2015 was as follows. All reported production volumes were from Canada.

thousands of barrels per day (a) 2		2015	2014	2013
Bitumen:				
Cold Lake:	- gross (b)	158	146	153
	- net (c)	139	114	127
Kearl:	- gross (b)	108	51	16
	- net (c)	106	47	15
Total Bitumen:	- gross (b)	266	197	169
	- net (c)	245	161	142
Synthetic oil (d):	- gross (b)	62	64	67
	- net (c)	58	60	65
Liquids:	- gross (b)	16	21	25
•	- net (c)	15	16	20
Total:	- gross (b)	344	282	261
	- net (c)	318	237	227

(a) Barrels per day metric is calculated by dividing the volume for the period by the number of calendar days in the period.

- (b) Gross production is the company s share of production (excluding purchases) before deduction of the mineral owners or governments share or both.
- (c) Net production is gross production less the mineral owners or governments share or both.
- (d) The company s synthetic oil production volumes were from the company s share of production volumes in the Syncrude joint venture.

Average daily production and production available for sale of natural gas

The company s average daily production and production available for sale of natural gas during the three years ended December 31, 2015 are set forth below. All reported production volumes were from Canada. All gas volumes in this report are calculated at a pressure base of 14.73 pounds per square inch absolute at 60 degrees Fahrenheit. Reference is made to the portion of the Financial section entitled Management s discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations on page 32 of this report for a narrative discussion on the material changes.

millions of cubic feet per day (a)	2015	2014	2013
Gross production (b) (c)	130	168	201
Net production (c) (d) (e)	125	156	189
Net production available for sale (f)	94	124	152

⁽a)

Cubic feet per day metric is calculated by dividing the volume for the period by the number of calendar days in the period.

- (b) Gross production is the company s share of production (excluding purchases) before deduction of the mineral owners or governments share or both.
- (c) Production of natural gas includes amounts used for internal consumption with the exception of the amounts reinjected.
- (d) Net production is gross production less the mineral owners or governments share or both.
- (e) Net production reported in the above table is consistent with production quantities in the net proved reserves disclosure.
- (f) Includes sales of the company s share of net production and excludes amounts used for internal consumption.

Total average daily oil-equivalent basis production

The company s total average daily production expressed in oil-equivalent basis is set forth below, with natural gas converted to an oil-equivalent basis at six million cubic feet per one thousand barrels.

thousands of barrels per day (a)	2015	2014	2013
Total production oil-equivalent basis:			
- gross (b)	366	310	295
- net (c)	339	263	259

(a) Barrels per day metric is calculated by dividing the volume for the period by the number of calendar days in the period.

(b) Gross production is the company s share of production (excluding purchases) before deduction of the mineral owners or governments share or both.

(c) Net production is gross production less the mineral owners or governments share or both. *Average unit sales price*

The company s average unit sales price and average unit production costs by product type for the three years ended December 31, 2015 were as follows.

dollars per barrel	2015	2014	2013
Bitumen	32.48	67.20	60.57
Synthetic oil	61.33	99.58	99.69
Liquids	30.62	67.82	75.61
dollars per thousand cubic feet			
Natural gas	2.78	4.54	3.27

Unit sales prices decreased in 2015, primarily driven by the decline in the global crude oil and natural gas price environment.

Average unit production costs

dollars per barrel	2015	2014	2013
Bitumen	25.16	34.87	32.20
Synthetic oil	54.81	62.14	53.27
Total oil-equivalent basis (a)	30.60	41.02	35.93

(a) Includes liquids, bitumen, synthetic oil and natural gas.

Bitumen unit production costs were lower in 2015, primarily driven by Kearl expansion project start-up and cost management.

Synthetic oil unit production costs were lower in 2015, primarily driven by cost management.

Synthetic oil production costs increased in 2014, primarily due to higher maintenance activities at Syncrude.

Drilling and other exploratory and development activities

The company has been involved in the exploration for and development of crude oil and natural gas in Canada only.

Wells Drilled

The following table sets forth the net exploratory and development wells that were drilled or participated in by the company during the three years ended December 31, 2015.

wells	2015	2014	2013
Net productive exploratory	-	-	1
Net dry exploratory	-	-	1
Net productive development	46	111	157
Net dry development	-	-	-
Total	46	111	159

In 2015, the following wells were drilled to add productive capacity: 41 development wells at Cold Lake, of which 36 development wells relate to the Cold Lake Nabiye expansion project and five net other wells.

In 2014, the following wells were drilled to add productive capacity: 90 development wells at Cold Lake, of which 74 development wells relate to the Cold Lake Nabiye expansion project, eight net tight gas wells and 13 net other wells.

In 2013, the following wells were drilled to add productive capacity: 120 development wells at the Cold Lake Nabiye expansion project, 34 net tight oil development wells and three net other wells.

Wells drilling

At December 31, 2015, the company was participating in the drilling of the following exploratory and development wells. All wells were located in Canada.

		2015		
wells	Gross	Net		
Total	6	3		

Exploratory and development activities regarding oil and gas resources

Cold Lake

In February 2012, the Nabiye expansion at Cold Lake was sanctioned. Facilities start-up occurred throughout December 2014 followed by initial steam injection into the reservoir in January 2015. Bitumen production commenced February 2015.

To maintain production at Cold Lake, additional wells were drilled on existing phases in 2015.

The company also conducts experimental pilot operations to improve recovery of bitumen from wells by means of new drilling, production and recovery techniques.

Mackenzie Delta

In 1999, the company and three other companies entered into an agreement to study the feasibility of developing Mackenzie Delta gas, anchored by three large onshore natural gas fields. The company retains a 100 percent interest in the largest of these fields.

In late 2010, the National Energy Board (NEB) announced its approval of plans to build and operate the project subject to 264 conditions in areas such as engineering, safety and environmental protection. Federal cabinet approved the project in early 2011.

The commercial viability of these natural gas resources, and the pipeline required to transport this natural gas to markets, is dependent on a number of factors. These factors include natural gas markets, continued support from northern parties, fiscal framework and the cost of constructing, operating and abandoning the field production and pipeline facilities.

In 2015, the company applied to the NEB and the Government of Northwest Territories (GNWT) for an extension of the pipeline and gathering system construction permits. The NEB and GNWT provided a nine month extension to the permits while they consider the extension request. No final investment decision has been made.

Beaufort Sea

In 2007, the company acquired a 50 percent interest in an exploration licence in the Beaufort Sea. As part of the evaluation, a 3-D seismic survey was conducted in 2008 and the company has since carried out data collection programs to support environmental studies and safe exploration drilling operations.

In 2010, the company executed an agreement to cross-convey interests with another company to acquire a 25 percent interest in an additional Beaufort Sea exploration licence. As a result of that agreement, the company operates both licences and its interest in the original licence was reduced to 25 percent. The exploration licences are held through 2019 and 2020, respectively.

In 2013, the company and its joint venture partners filed a project description, initiating the formal regulatory review of the project. Current activities continue to focus on data gathering, regulatory groundwork, and community consultation. No final drilling investment decision has been made.

Other oil sands activity

The company filed a regulatory application for a new in-situ oil sands project at Aspen in December 2013, using steam-assisted gravity drainage (SAGD) technology to develop the project in three phases producing about 45,000 barrels per day before royalties, per phase.

In 2015, the company amended the regulatory application to develop the project using solvent-assisted, steam-assisted gravity drainage (SA-SAGD) technology. The technology significantly improves capital efficiency and lowers greenhouse gas intensity versus the existing SAGD technologies. The project is proposed to be executed in two phases producing about 75,000 barrels per day before royalties, per phase. Development timing is subject to regulatory approvals and market conditions. No final investment decision has been made.

Work continues on technical evaluations to support potential Cold Lake Grand Rapids, Corner and Clyden in-situ development regulatory applications.

The company also has interests in other oil sands leases in the Athabasca and Peace River areas of northern Alberta. Evaluation wells completed on these leased areas established the presence of bitumen. The company continues to evaluate these leases to determine their potential for future development.

Liquefied natural gas (LNG) activity

WCC LNG Ltd., jointly owned by the company (20 percent) and ExxonMobil Canada Ltd. (80 percent), was granted an export licence in 2013 for up to 30 million tonnes of LNG per year for a period of 25 years. The project is proceeding through the pre-application phase in a B.C. environmental assessment process. No final investment decision has been made.

Exploratory and development activities regarding oil and gas resources extracted by mining methods

Kearl

Kearl is a joint venture established to recover shallow deposits of oil sands using open-pit mining methods to extract the crude bitumen, which is processed through extraction and froth treatment trains. The company holds a 70.96 percent participating interest in the joint venture and ExxonMobil Canada Properties holds the other 29.04 percent. The product, a blend of bitumen and diluent, is shipped to certain of the company s refineries, Exxon Mobil Corporation refineries and to other third parties. Diluent is natural gas condensate or other light hydrocarbons added to the crude bitumen to facilitate transportation by pipeline and rail.

The Kearl expansion project was completed and started-up in the second quarter of 2015, adding an additional 110,000 barrels of bitumen per day before royalties, of which the company s share is about 78,000 barrels per day.

Potential future debottlenecking of both the initial development and expansion would increase output to reach the regulatory capacity of 345,000 barrels of bitumen per day, of which the company s share would be about 245,000 barrels per day. Such debottlenecking remains under evaluation.

Other oil sands activity

The company is continuing to evaluate other undeveloped, mineable oil sands acreage in the Athabasca region.

Present activities

Review of principal ongoing activities

Cold Lake

Cold Lake is an in-situ heavy oil bitumen operation. The product, a blend of bitumen and diluent, is shipped to certain of the company s refineries, Exxon Mobil Corporation refineries and to other third parties.

During 2015, net production at Cold Lake was about 139,000 barrels per day and gross production was about 158,000 barrels per day.

The Province of Alberta, in its capacity as lessor of Cold Lake oil sands leases, is entitled to a royalty on production at Cold Lake. Royalties are subject to the oil sands royalty regulations and are based upon a sliding scale determined largely by the price of crude oil.

Kearl

During 2015, the company s share of Kearl s net bitumen production was about 106,000 barrels per day and gross production was about 108,000 barrels per day.

The Province of Alberta, in its capacity as lessor of Kearl oil sands leases, is entitled to a royalty on production at Kearl. Royalties are subject to the oil sands royalty regulations and are based upon a sliding scale determined largely by the price of crude oil.

Syncrude

Syncrude is a joint venture established to recover shallow deposits of oil sands using open-pit mining methods to extract crude bitumen, and then upgrade it to produce a high-quality, light (32 degrees API), sweet, synthetic crude oil. The company holds a 25 percent participating interest in the joint venture. The produced synthetic crude oil is shipped to certain of the company s refineries, Exxon Mobil Corporation refineries and to other third parties.

In 2015, the company s share of Syncrude s net production of synthetic crude oil was about 58,000 barrels per day and gross production was about 62,000 barrels per day.

Effective January 1, 2009, the Syncrude Crown Royalty Agreement was amended. Under the amended agreement, starting in 2010 and through 2015, Syncrude paid the existing Crown royalty rates plus an incremental royalty, the amount of which was subject to minimum production thresholds, before transitioning to the new generic royalty framework in 2016. Syncrude s royalty is based on bitumen value with upgrading costs and revenues excluded from the calculation.

Conventional oil and gas

The Norman Wells oil field in the Northwest Territories is the company s largest conventional oil producing asset. During 2015, average net production was about 10,000 barrels per day and gross production was about 11,000 barrels per day, currently accounting for about 70 percent of the company s gross production of conventional crude oil.

Delivery commitments

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The company has no material commitments to provide a fixed and determinable quantity of oil or gas under existing contracts and agreements.

Oil and gas properties, wells, operations, and acreage

Production wells

The company s production of liquids, bitumen and natural gas is derived from wells located exclusively in Canada. The total number of wells capable of production, in which the company had interests at December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2014, is set forth in the following table. The statistics in the table are determined in part from information received from other operators.

	Year-ended December 31, 2015			Year-	ended De	ecember 31	, 2014	
	Crud	le oil	Natur	al gas	Cruc	le oil	Natur	al gas
wells	Gross (a)	Net (b)	Gross (a)	Net (b)	Gross (a)	Net (b)	Gross (a)	Net (b)
Total (c)	4,731	4,592	3,611	1,199	4,678	4,488	3,614	1,205

(a) Gross wells are wells in which the company owns a working interest.

(b) Net wells are the sum of the fractional working interests owned by the company in gross wells, rounded to the nearest whole number.

(c) Multiple completion wells are permanently equipped to produce separately from two or more distinctly different geological formations. At year-end 2015, the company had an interest in 26 gross wells with multiple completions (2014 - 25 gross wells).

Land holdings

At December 31, 2015 and 2014, the company held the following oil and gas rights, and bitumen and synthetic oil leases, all of which are located in Canada, specifically in the western provinces, in the Canada lands and in the Atlantic offshore.

		Developed		Undevel	oped	Total	
thousands of acres		2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014
Western provinces:							
Liquids and gas	- gross (a) (b)	1,400	1,449	1,016	1,053	2,416	2,502
	- net (b) (c)	686	705	528	541	1,214	1,246
Bitumen	- gross (a)	193	141	673	725	866	866
	- net (c)	181	130	319	370	500	500
Synthetic oil	- gross (a)	118	118	136	135	254	253
	- net (c)	29	29	34	34	63	63
Canada lands (d):							
Liquids and gas	- gross (a)	4	4	2,274	2,274	2,278	2,278
	- net (c)	2	2	720	720	722	722
Atlantic offshore:							
Liquids and gas	- gross (a)	65	65	288	288	353	353
	- net (c)	6	6	46	46	52	52
Total (e):	- gross (a) (b)	1,780	1,777	4,387	4,475	6,167	6,252
	- net (b) (c)	904	872	1,647	1,711	2,551	2,583

(a) Gross acres include the interests of others.

(b) 2014 restated.

- (c) Net acres exclude the interests of others.
- (d) Canada lands include the Arctic Islands, Beaufort Sea/Mackenzie Delta, and other Northwest Territories, Nunavut and Yukon regions.
- (e) Certain land holdings are subject to modification under agreements whereby others may earn interests in the company s holdings by performing certain exploratory work (farm-out) and whereby the company may earn interests in others holdings by performing certain exploratory work (farm-in).

Western provinces

The company s bitumen leases include about 193,000 net acres of oil sands leases near Cold Lake and an area of about 34,000 net acres at Kearl. The company also has about 80,000 net acres of undeveloped, mineable oil sands acreage in the Athabasca region. In addition, the company has interests in other bitumen oil sands leases in the Athabasca areas totalling about 193,000 net acres, which include about 62,000 net acres of oil sands leases in the Clyden area. These 193,000 net acres are amenable to in-situ recovery techniques.

The company s share of Syncrude joint venture leases covering about 63,000 net acres accounts for the entire synthetic oil acreage.

Oil sands leases have an exploration period of fifteen years and are continued beyond that point by meeting the minimum level of evaluation, payment of escalating rentals, or by production. The majority of the acreage in Cold Lake, Kearl and Syncrude is continued by production.

The company holds interests in an additional 1,214,000 net acres of developed and undeveloped land in western Canada related to crude oil and natural gas.

Petroleum and natural gas leases and licences from western provinces have exploration periods ranging from two to 15 years and are continued beyond that point by production.

Canada lands

Land holdings in Canada lands primarily include exploration licence (EL) acreage in the Beaufort Sea of about 252,000 net acres and in the Summit Creek area of central Mackenzie Valley totalling about 222,000 net acres and significant discovery licence (SDL) acreage in the Mackenzie Delta and Beaufort Sea areas of about 183,000 net acres.

Exploration licences on Canada lands and Atlantic offshore have a finite term. If a significant discovery is made, a SDL may be granted that holds the acreage under the SDL indefinitely, subject to certain conditions.

The company s net acreage in Canada lands is either continued by production or held through exploration licences and SDLs.

Atlantic offshore

The Atlantic offshore acreage is continued by production or held by SDLs.

Downstream

Supply

The company supplements its own production of crude oil, condensate and petroleum products with substantial purchases from a number of other sources at freely negotiated prices. Purchases are made under both spot and term contracts from domestic and foreign sources, including Exxon Mobil Corporation.

Transportation

Imperial currently transports the company s crude oil production and third party crude oil required to supply refineries by contracted pipelines, common carrier pipelines and rail. To mitigate uncertainty associated with the timing of industry pipeline projects and pipeline capacity constraints, the company has developed rail infrastructure. The Edmonton rail terminal commenced operation in the second quarter of 2015 and has capacity to ship up to 210,000 barrels per day of crude oil.

Refining

The company owns and operates three refineries, which process predominantly Canadian crude oil. The Strathcona refinery operates lubricating oil production facilities. In addition to crude oil, the company purchases finished products to supplement its refinery production.

In 2015, capital expenditures of about \$84 million were made at the company s refineries. Capital expenditures focused mainly on refinery projects to improve reliability, feedstock flexibility, energy efficiency and environmental performance.

The approximate average daily volumes of refinery throughput during the three years ended December 31, 2015, and the daily rated capacities of the refineries as at December 31, 2015 were as follows.

		ry through ided Decei	Rated capacities (b) at December 31	
thousands of barrels per day	2015	2014	2013	2015
Strathcona, Alberta	181	182	172	189
Sarnia, Ontario	103	109	105	119
Nanticoke, Ontario	102	103	99	113
Dartmouth, Nova Scotia (c)	n/a	n/a	50	n/a
Total	386	394	426	421

(a) Refinery throughput is the volume of crude oil and feedstocks that is processed in the refinery atmospheric distillation units.

(b) Rated capacities are based on definite specifications as to types of crude oil and feedstocks that are processed in the refinery atmospheric distillation units, the products to be obtained and the refinery process, adjusted to include an estimated allowance for normal maintenance shutdowns. Accordingly, actual capacities may be higher or lower than rated capacities due to changes in refinery operation and the type of crude oil available for processing.

(c) Refinery operations at the Dartmouth refinery were discontinued on September 16, 2013.

In 2015, refinery throughput was 92 percent of capacity, 2 percent lower than the previous year. The lower rate was primarily a result of planned maintenance.

In 2014, refinery throughput was 94 percent of capacity, 6 percent higher than the previous year. The higher rate was primarily a result of improved reliability and increased product sales.

Distribution

The company maintains a nationwide distribution system, to handle bulk and packaged petroleum products moving from refineries to market by pipeline, tanker, rail and road transport. The company owns and operates natural gas liquids and products pipelines in Alberta, Manitoba and Ontario and has interests in the capital stock of one crude oil and two products pipeline companies.

Marketing

The company markets petroleum products throughout Canada under well-known brand names, most notably Esso and Mobil, to all types of customers.

The company sells to the motoring public through Esso retail service stations. On average during the year, there were more than 1,700 retail service stations, of which about 470 were company-owned or leased, but none of which were company operated. The remaining approximately 1,250 Esso branded service stations operate under a branded wholesaler model. The company continues to improve its Esso retail service station network, providing customer services such as car washes and convenience stores, primarily at high volume sites in urban centres.

In January 2015, the company announced that it will evaluate its operating model for the company-owned retail stations. The company is evaluating ways of extending the branded wholesaler operating model to the remaining company-owned retail stations as part of Imperial s Esso branded growth strategy.

Imperial sells petroleum products to large industrial and transportation customers, independent marketers, resellers as well as other refiners. The company serves agriculture, residential heating and commercial markets through branded resellers.

The approximate daily volumes of net petroleum products (excluding purchases/sales contracts with the same counterparty) sold during the three years ended December 31, 2015, are set out in the following table.

thousands of barrels per day	2015	2014	2013
Gasolines	247	244	223
Heating, diesel and jet fuels	170	179	160
Heavy fuel oils	16	22	29
Lube oils and other products	45	40	42
Net petroleum product sales	478	485	454
Total Downstroom conital expanditures were \$240 million in 2015			

Total Downstream capital expenditures were \$340 million in 2015.

Chemical

The company s Chemical operations manufacture and market ethylene, benzene, aromatic and aliphatic solvents, plasticizer intermediates and polyethylene resin. Its petrochemical and polyethylene manufacturing operations are located in Sarnia, Ontario, adjacent to the company s petroleum refinery.

The company s total sales volumes of petrochemicals during the three years ended December 31, 2015, were as follows.

thousands of tonnes	2015	2014	2013
Total sales of petrochemicals	945	953	940

Total Chemical capital expenditures were \$52 million in 2015.

Research

In 2015, the company s total gross research expenditures, before credits, were about \$195 million, as compared with \$175 million in 2014, and \$199 million in 2013. Research expenditures are mainly for developing technologies to improve bitumen recovery, reduce costs, reduce the environmental impact of Upstream operations, supporting environmental and process improvements in the refineries, as well as accessing ExxonMobil s research worldwide.

The company has scientific research agreements with affiliates of Exxon Mobil Corporation, which provide for technical and engineering work to be performed by all parties, the exchange of technical information and the assignment and licensing of patents and patent rights. These agreements provide mutual access to scientific and operating data related to nearly every phase of the petroleum and petrochemical operations of the parties.

Environmental protection

The company regards protecting the environment in connection with its various operations a priority. The company works in cooperation with government agencies, industry associations and communities to address existing, and to anticipate potential, environmental protection issues. In the past five years, the company has made capital and operating expenditures of about \$6.1 billion on environmental protection and facilities. In 2015, the company s environmental capital and operating expenditures totalled approximately \$1.2 billion, which was spent primarily on water and tailings treatment and emission reductions at company-owned facilities and Syncrude and remediation of idled facilities and operations. Capital and operating expenditures relating to environmental protection are expected to be about \$0.9 billion in 2016.

Human resources

Career employees (a)	2015	2014	2013	
Total	5,700	5,500	5,300	

(a) Rounded. Career employees are defined as active executive, management, professional, technical and wage employees who work full time or part time for the company and are covered by the company s benefit plans. The increase in career employees in 2015 is primarily associated with the company s start-up of the Kearl expansion project. About 7 percent of the company s employees are members of unions.

Competition

The Canadian petroleum, natural gas and chemical industries are highly competitive. Competition exists in the search for and development of new sources of supply, the construction and operation of crude oil, natural gas and refined products pipelines and facilities and the refining, distribution and marketing of petroleum products and chemicals. The petroleum industry also competes with other industries in supplying energy, fuel and other needs of consumers.

Government regulation

Petroleum and natural gas rights

Most of the company s petroleum and natural gas rights were acquired from governments, either federal or provincial. These rights in the form of leases or licences are generally acquired for cash or work commitments. A lease or licence entitles the holder to explore for petroleum and/or natural gas on the leased lands for a specified period.

In western provinces, the lease holder can produce the petroleum or natural gas discovered on the leased lands and retains the rights based on continued production. Oil sands leases are retained by meeting the minimum level of evaluation, payment of rentals, or by production.

The holder of a licence relating to Canada lands and the Atlantic offshore can apply for a SDL if a discovery is made. If granted, the SDL holds the lands indefinitely subject to certain conditions. The holder may then apply for a production licence in order to produce petroleum or natural gas from the licenced land.

Crude oil

Production

The maximum allowable gross production of crude oil from wells in Canada is subject to limitation by various regulatory authorities on the basis of engineering and conservation principles.

Exports

Export contracts of more than one year for light crude oil and petroleum products and two years for heavy crude oil (including crude bitumen) require the prior approval of the NEB and the Government of Canada.

Natural gas

Production

The maximum allowable gross production of natural gas from wells in Canada is subject to limitations by various regulatory authorities. These limitations are to ensure oil recovery is not adversely impacted by accelerated gas production practices. These limitations do not impact gas reserves, only the timing of production of the reserves and did not have a significant impact on 2015 gas production rates.

Exports

The Government of Canada has the authority to regulate the export price for natural gas and has a gas export pricing policy, which accommodates export prices for natural gas negotiated between Canadian exporters and U.S. importers.

Exports of natural gas from Canada require approval by the NEB and the Government of Canada. The Government of Canada allows the export of natural gas by NEB order without volume limitation for terms not exceeding 24 months.

Royalties

The Government of Canada and the provinces in which the company produces crude oil and natural gas impose royalties on production from lands where they own the mineral rights. Some producing provinces also receive revenue by imposing taxes on production from lands where they do not own the mineral rights.

Different royalties are imposed by the Government of Canada and each of the producing provinces. Royalties imposed on crude oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids vary depending on a number of parameters, including well production volumes, selling prices and recovery methods. For information with respect to royalties for Cold Lake, Syncrude and Kearl, see Upstream section under Item 1.

Investment Canada Act

The Investment Canada Act requires Government of Canada approval, in certain cases, of the acquisition of control of a Canadian business by an entity that is not controlled by Canadians. The acquisition of natural resource properties may, in certain circumstances, be considered a transaction that constitutes an acquisition of control of a Canadian business requiring Government of Canada approval.

The Act also requires notification of the establishment of new unrelated businesses in Canada by entities not controlled by Canadians, but does not require Government of Canada approval except when the new business is related to Canada s cultural heritage or national identity. The Government of Canada is also authorized to take any measures that it considers advisable to protect national security, including the outright prohibition of a foreign investment in Canada. By virtue of the majority stock ownership of the company by Exxon Mobil Corporation, the company is considered to be an entity which is not controlled by Canadians.

Competition Act

The Competition Bureau ensures that Canadian businesses and consumers prosper in a competitive and innovative marketplace. The Competition Bureau is responsible for the administration and enforcement of the Competition Act (the Act). A merger transaction, whether or not notifiable, is subject to examination by the Commissioner of the Competition Bureau to determine whether the merger will have or is likely to have, the effect of preventing or lessening substantially, competition in a definable market. The assessment of the competitive effects of a merger is made with reference to the factors identified under the Act.

An Advance Ruling Certificate (ARC) may be issued by the Commissioner to a party or parties to a proposed merger transaction who want to be assured that the transaction will not give rise to proceedings under section 92 of the Act. Section 102 of the Act provides that an ARC may be issued when the Commissioner is satisfied that there would not be sufficient grounds on which to apply to the Competition Tribunal for an order against a proposed merger. The issuance of an ARC is discretionary. An ARC cannot be issued for a transaction that has been completed, nor does an ARC ensure approval of the transaction by any agency other than the Competition Bureau.

The company online

The company s website **www.imperialoil.ca** contains a variety of corporate and investor information which is available free of charge, including the company s annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K and amendments to these reports, as well as required interactive data filings. These reports are made available as soon as reasonably practicable after they are filed or furnished to the SEC.

The public may read and copy any materials the company files with the SEC at the SEC s Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549. The public may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. The SEC s website, www.sec.gov, contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC.

Item 1A. Risk factors Volatility of oil and natural gas prices

The company s results of operations and financial condition are dependent on the prices it receives for its oil and natural gas production. Crude oil and natural gas prices are determined by global and North American markets and are subject to changing supply and demand conditions. These can be influenced by a wide range of factors including economic conditions, international political developments and weather. Disruptions to pipelines linking production to markets may reduce the price for that production or lead to curtailment of production. In the past, crude oil and natural gas prices have been volatile, and the company expects that volatility to continue. Any material decline in oil or natural gas prices could have a material adverse effect on certain of the company s operations (especially in the Upstream segment), financial condition, proved reserves and the amount spent to develop oil and natural gas reserves.

A significant portion of the company s production is bitumen. The market prices for bitumen differ from the established market indices for light and medium grades of oil principally due to the higher transportation and refining costs associated with bitumen and limited refining capacity capable of processing bitumen. Bitumen may also be subject to limits on transportation capacity to markets to a larger extent than light crude oil. As a result, the price received for bitumen is generally lower than the price for medium and light oil. Future differentials are uncertain and increases in the bitumen differentials could have a material adverse effect on the company s business.

The company does not use derivative instruments to offset exposures associated with hydrocarbon prices, currency exchange rates and interest rates that arise from existing assets, liabilities and transactions. The company does not engage in speculative derivative activities nor does it use derivatives with leveraged features.

Environmental risks

All phases of the Upstream, Downstream and Chemical businesses are subject to environmental regulation pursuant to a variety of Canadian federal, provincial, territorial and municipal laws and regulations, as well as international conventions (collectively, environmental legislation).

Environmental legislation imposes, among other things, restrictions, liabilities and obligations in connection with the generation, handling, storage, transportation, treatment and disposal of hazardous substances and waste and in connection with spills, releases and emissions of various substances to the environment. As well, environmental regulations are imposed on the qualities and compositions of the products sold and imported. Environmental legislation also requires that wells, facility sites and other properties associated with the company s operations be operated, maintained, monitored, abandoned and reclaimed to the satisfaction of applicable regulatory authorities. In addition, certain types of operations, including exploration and development projects and significant changes to certain existing projects, may require the submission and approval of environmental impact assessments. Compliance with environmental legislation can require significant expenditures and failure to comply with environmental legislation may result in the cessation of operations, imposition of fines and penalties and liability for clean-up costs and damages. The costs of complying with environmental legislation in the future could have a material adverse effect on the company s financial condition or results of operations. The company anticipates that changes in environmental legislation may require, among other things, reductions in emissions from its operations to the air and water and may result in increased capital expenditures. Changes in environmental regulations or other laws (including, but not limited to, application of regulations related to air, water and biodiversity) may increase our cost of compliance or reduce or delay available business opportunities. Future changes in environmental legislation could occur and result in stricter standards and enforcement, larger fines and liability, and increased capital expenditures and operating costs, which could have a material adverse effect on the company s financial condition or results of operations.

There are operational risks inherent in oil and gas exploration and production activities, as well as the potential to incur substantial financial liabilities, if those risks are not effectively managed. The ability to insure such risks is limited by the capacity of the applicable insurance markets, which may not be sufficient to cover the likely cost of a major adverse operating event. Accordingly, the company s primary focus is on prevention, including through its rigorous operations integrity management system. The company s future results will depend on the continued effectiveness of these efforts.

Climate change

Due to concern over the risk of climate change, a number of provinces and the Government of Canada have adopted, or are considering the adoption of, regulatory frameworks to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. These include adoption of cap and trade regimes, carbon taxes, increased efficiency standards and incentives or mandates for renewable energy. These requirements could make our products more expensive, lengthen project implementation times, and reduce demand for hydrocarbons, as well as shift hydrocarbon demand toward relatively lower-carbon sources such as natural gas. Current and pending greenhouse gas regulations may also increase our compliance and abatement costs. In 2015, the Alberta Government made changes to the Specified Gas Emitters Regulation (SGER) that will increase future costs.

Currency

Industry crude oil and natural gas commodity prices and petroleum and chemical product prices are commonly benchmarked in U.S. dollars. The majority of Imperial s sales and purchases are related to these industry U.S. dollar benchmarks. As the company records and reports its financial results in Canadian dollars, to the extent that the Canadian/U.S. dollar exchange rate fluctuates, the company s earnings will be affected.

Reserves replacement

The company s future bitumen, synthetic oil, liquids and natural gas reserves and production, and therefore cash flows, are highly dependent upon the company s success in exploiting its current reserve base and acquiring or discovering additional reserves. Without additions to the company s reserves through exploration, acquisition or development activities, reserves and production will decline over time as reserves are depleted. To the extent cash flows from operations are insufficient to fund capital expenditures and external sources of capital become limited or unavailable, the company s ability to make the necessary capital investments to maintain and expand oil and natural gas reserves will be impaired. In addition, the company may be unable to find and develop or acquire additional reserves to replace oil and natural gas production at acceptable costs.

Research and development

In light of the technological nature of our business and the need for continuous efficiency improvement, the company relies upon the research and development organizations of the company and ExxonMobil, with whom the company conducts shared research.

Safety, business controls and environmental risk management

The scope and nature of the company s operations present a variety of significant hazards and risks, including operational hazards and risks such as explosions, fires, pipeline ruptures, crude oil spills, severe weather, and geological events. Our operations are also subject to the additional hazards of pollution, releases of toxic gas and other environmental hazards and risks. Our results depend on management s ability to minimize these inherent risks, to control effectively our business activities and to minimize the potential for human error. We apply rigorous management systems including a combined program of effective operations integrity management, ongoing upgrades, key equipment replacements, and comprehensive inspection and surveillance. We also maintain a disciplined framework of internal controls and apply a controls management system for monitoring compliance with this framework. Substantial liabilities and other adverse impacts could result if our management systems and controls do not function as intended.

Business risks also include the risk of cybersecurity breaches. If our systems for protecting against cybersecurity risks prove not to be sufficient, the company could be adversely affected such as by having its business systems compromised, its proprietary information altered, lost or stolen, or its business operations disrupted.

Preparedness

The company s operations may be disrupted by severe weather events, natural disasters, human error, and similar events. Our ability to mitigate the adverse impacts of these events depends in part upon the effectiveness of our rigorous disaster preparedness and response planning, as well as business continuity planning.

Other business risks

The marketability of the company s production is subject in part to the risks associated with transporting, processing and storing crude oil, natural gas and other related products. The availability, proximity, and capacity of pipeline facilities and railcars could negatively impact our ability to produce at capacity levels. Transportation disruptions could adversely affect commodity prices, the company s price realizations, refining operations and sales volumes, or limit our ability to deliver production to market.

Other factors that may affect the demand for oil, gas and petrochemicals, and therefore impact the company s results, include technological improvements in energy efficiency; seasonal weather patterns, which affect the demand for energy associated with heating and cooling; increased competitiveness of alternative energy sources; and changes in technology or consumer preferences that alter fuels choices, such as toward alternative fueled vehicles.

Reserve estimates

There are numerous uncertainties inherent in estimating quantities of reserves, including many factors beyond the company s control. In general, estimates of economically recoverable oil and natural gas reserves and the future net cash flow are based upon a number of factors and assumptions made as of the date on which the reserve estimates were determined, such as geological and engineering estimates which have inherent uncertainties, the assumed effects of regulation, including royalty frameworks, by governmental agencies and future commodity prices and operating costs, all of which may vary considerably from actual results. Actual production, revenues, taxes, and development, abandonment and operating expenditures with respect to reserves will likely vary from such estimates, and such variances could be material.

Project factors

The company s results depend on its ability to develop and operate major projects and facilities as planned. The company s results will, therefore, be affected by events or conditions that affect the advancement, operation, cost or results of such projects or facilities. These risks include the company s ability to obtain the necessary environmental and other regulatory approvals; changes in resources and operating costs including the availability and cost of materials, equipment and qualified personnel; the impact of general economic, business and market conditions; and the occurrence of unforeseen technical difficulties.

Management effectiveness

In addition to external economic and political factors, our future business results also depend on our ability to manage successfully those factors that are at least in part within our control. The extent to which Imperial manages these factors will impact our performance relative to competition. For projects in which the company is not the operator, Imperial depends on the management effectiveness of one or more co-venturers whom the company does not control.

Item 1B. Unresolved staff comments

None.

Item 2. Properties

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Reference is made to Item 1 above.

Item 3. Legal proceedings Not applicable.

Item 4. Mine safety disclosures

Not applicable.

PART II

Item 5. Market for registrant s common equity, related stockholder matters and issuer purchases of equity securities

Market information

The company s common shares trade on the Toronto Stock Exchange and the NYSE MKT LLC, a subsidiary of NYSE Euronext. Reference is made to the Quarterly financial and stock trading data portion of the Financial section on page 82 of this report. The closing price for Imperial Oil Limited common shares on the Toronto Stock Exchange was \$41.38 as at February 10, 2016.

Dividends

The following table sets forth the frequency and amount of all cash dividends declared by the company on its outstanding common shares for the two most recent fiscal years.

		2	015		2014				
Dollars	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4	Q3	Q2	Q1	
Declared dividend per									
share:	0.14	0.14	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	
Information for security holders outside Canada									

Cash dividends paid to shareholders resident in countries with which Canada has an income tax convention are usually subject to a Canadian non-resident withholding tax of 15 percent, but may vary from one tax convention to another.

The withholding tax is reduced to 5 percent on dividends paid to a corporation resident in the U.S. that owns at least 10 percent of the voting shares of the company.

The company is a qualified foreign corporation for purposes of the reduced U.S. capital gains tax rates, which are applicable to dividends paid by U.S. domestic corporations and qualified foreign corporations.

There is no Canadian tax on gains from selling shares or debt instruments owned by non-residents not carrying on business in Canada, as long as the shareholder does not, in any given 60 month period, own 25 percent or more of the shares of the company.

As of February 10, 2016 there were 11,585 holders of record of common shares of the company.

Between October 1, 2015 and December 31, 2015, pursuant to the company s restricted stock unit plan, 275 shares were issued to employees outside the U.S. in reliance on Regulation S under the *Securities Act*, and 650 shares were issued to a seconded employee in reliance on the section 4(a)(2) exemption under the *Securities Act*.

Securities authorized for issuance under equity compensation plans

Sections of the company s management proxy circular are contained in the Proxy information section, starting on page 83. The company s management proxy circular is prepared in accordance with Canadian securities regulations.

Reference is made to the section under the IV. Company executives and executive compensation :

Entitled Performance graph within the Compensation discussion and analysis section on page 133 of this report; and

Entitled Equity compensation plan information, within the Compensation discussion and analysis section, on page 138 of this report.

Issuer purchases of equity securities

			Total number of shares	Maximum number
	Total number	Average	purchased as	of shares that
	of	price paid per	part of publicly announced	may yet be purchased under
	shares	share	plans or	the plans or
	purchased	(dollars)	programs	programs (a)
October 2015	-	-	-	1,000,000
(October 1 - October 31)				
November 2015				1 000 000
(November 1 - November 30)	-	-	-	1,000,000
December 2015	025	41 70	025	000 075
(December 1 - December 31)	925	41.79	925	999,075

(a) On June 22, 2015, the company announced by news release that it had received final approval from the Toronto Stock Exchange for a new normal course issuer bid and will continue its share repurchase program. The new program enables the company to repurchase up to a maximum of 1,000,000 common shares during the period June 25, 2015 to June 24, 2016. The program will end when the company has purchased the maximum allowable number of shares, or on June 24, 2016.

Item 6. Selected financial data

millions of dollars	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Operating revenues	26,756	36,231	32,722	31,053	30,474

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