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FORM 10-Q

ý QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDED March 31, 2018 OR

oTRANSITION REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 Commission File Number 001-35700

Diamondback Energy, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant As Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware 45-4502447 (State or Other Jurisdiction of (IRS Employer

Incorporation or Organization) Identification Number)

500 West Texas, Suite 1200

Midland, Texas 79701

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(432) 221-7400

(Registrant Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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 past 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 ý 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 \circ No "

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

Non-Accelerated Filer o Smaller Reporting Company o

Emerging Growth Company o

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. o

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

As of May 4, 2018, 98,611,408 shares of the registrant's common stock were outstanding.

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GLOSSARY OF OIL AND NATURAL GAS TERMS

The following is a glossary of certain oil and gas terms that are used in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (this "report"):

Basin A large depression on the earth's surface in which sediments accumulate.

Stock tank barrel, or 42 U.S. gallons liquid volume, used in this report in reference to crude oil or Bbl

other liquid hydrocarbons.

Barrels of oil equivalent, with six thousand cubic feet of natural gas being equivalent to one barrel of **BOE**

oil.

BOE per day. BOE/d

British

Thermal Unit The quantity of heat required to raise the temperature of one pound of water by one degree Fahrenheit.

or Btu

The process of treating a drilled well followed by the installation of permanent equipment for the

production of natural gas or oil, or in the case of a dry hole, the reporting of abandonment to the Completion

appropriate agency.

Crude oil Liquid hydrocarbons retrieved from geological structures underground to be refined into fuel sources.

Finding and development

costs

Capital costs incurred in the acquisition, exploitation and exploration of proved oil and natural gas

reserves divided by proved reserve additions and revisions to proved reserves.

Gross acres or gross wells

The total acres or wells, as the case may be, in which a working interest is owned.

Horizontal A drilling technique used in certain formations where a well is drilled vertically to a certain depth and

drilling then drilled at a right angle with a specified interval.

Horizontal Wells drilled directionally horizontal to allow for development of structures not reachable through

traditional vertical drilling mechanisms. wells Thousand cubic feet of natural gas. Mcf

The interests in ownership of the resource and mineral rights, giving an owner the right to profit from Mineral

the extracted resources. interests

MMBtu Million British Thermal Units.

Net acres or net. The sum of the fractional working interest owned in gross acres.

gas properties

Oil and natural Tracts of land consisting of properties to be developed for oil and natural gas resource extraction.

Plugging and abandonment Refers to the sealing off of fluids in the strata penetrated by a well so that the fluids from one stratum will not escape into another or to the surface. Regulations of all states require plugging of abandoned wells.

A specific geographic area which, based on supporting geological, geophysical or other data and also preliminary economic analysis using reasonably anticipated prices and costs, is deemed to have potential for the discovery of commercial hydrocarbons.

Proved reserves

Prospect

The estimated quantities of oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids which geological and engineering data demonstrate with reasonable certainty to be commercially recoverable in future years from known reservoirs under existing economic and operating conditions.

Reserves

The estimated remaining quantities of oil and natural gas and related substances anticipated to be economically producible, as of a given date, by application of development projects to known accumulations. In addition, there must exist, or there must be a reasonable expectation that there will exist, the legal right to produce or a revenue interest in the production, installed means of delivering oil and natural gas or related substances to the market and all permits and financing required to implement the project. Reserves are not assigned to adjacent reservoirs isolated by major, potentially sealing, faults until those reservoirs are penetrated and evaluated as economically producible. Reserves

should not be assigned to areas that are clearly separated from a known accumulation by a non-productive reservoir (i.e., absence of reservoir, structurally low reservoir or negative test results). Such areas may contain prospective resources (i.e., potentially recoverable resources from undiscovered accumulations).

A porous and permeable underground formation containing a natural accumulation of producible Reservoir natural gas and/or oil that is confined by impermeable rock or water barriers and is separate from other reservoirs.

Royalty An interest that gives an owner the right to receive a portion of the resources or revenues without having to carry any costs of development.

Spacing The distance between wells producing from the same reservoir. Spacing is often expressed in terms of

acres (e.g., 40-acre spacing) and is often established by regulatory agencies.

Working interest that gives the owner the right to drill, produce and conduct operating activities on the property and receive a share of production and requires the owner to pay a share of the costs of drilling and production operations.

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GLOSSARY OF CERTAIN OTHER TERMS

The following is a glossary of certain other terms that are used in this report.

Company Diamondback Energy, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

Equity Plan The Company's Equity Incentive Plan.

Exchange Act The Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

GAAP Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

General Partner Viper Energy Partners GP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and the General Partner of the

Partnership.

NYMEX New York Mercantile Exchange.

Partnership Viper Energy Partners LP, a Delaware limited partnership.

Partnership The first amended and restated agreement of limited partnership, dated June 23, 2014, entered into by the General Partner and Diamondback in connection with the closing of the Viper Offering.

SEC United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

Securities Act The Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

2024 Senior The Company's 4.750% senior unsecured notes due 2024 in the aggregate principal amount of \$500

Notes million.

2025 Senior The Company's 5.375% senior unsecured notes due 2025 in the aggregate principal amount of \$500

Notes million.

Senior Notes The 2024 Senior Notes and the 2025 Senior Notes.

Viper LTIP Viper Energy Partners LP Long Term Incentive Plan.

Viper Offering The Partnerships' initial public offering. Wells Fargo Wells Fargo Bank, National Association.

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CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Forward-looking statements may include statements about our

plans, objectives, expectations and intentions.

Various statements contained in this report that express a belief, expectation, or intention, or that are not statements of historical fact, are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act, and Section 21E of the Exchange Act. These forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond our control. All statements, other than statements of historical fact, regarding our strategy, future operations, financial position, estimated revenues and losses, projected costs, prospects, plans and objectives of management are forward-looking statements. When used in this report, the words "could," "believe," "anticipate," "intend," "estimate," "expect," "may," "continue," "predict," "potential," "project" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain such identifying words. In particular, the factors discussed in this report and detailed under Part II, Item 1A. Risk Factors in this report and our Annual Report on Form 10–K for the year ended December 31, 2017 could affect our actual results and cause our actual results to differ materially from expectations, estimates or assumptions expressed, forecasted or implied in such forward-looking statements.

Tot ward tooking statements may include statements about our.
business strategy;
exploration and development drilling prospects, inventories, projects and programs;
oil and natural gas reserves;
acquisitions;
identified drilling locations;
ability to obtain permits and governmental approvals;
<pre>*echnology;</pre>
financial strategy;
realized oil and natural gas prices;
production;
• lease operating expenses, general and administrative costs and finding and development costs;
future operating results; and

All forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this report or, if earlier, as of the date they were made. We do not intend to, and disclaim any obligation to, update or revise any forward-looking statements unless required by securities laws. You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Moreover, we operate in a very competitive and rapidly changing environment. New risks emerge from time to time. It is not possible for our

management to predict all risks, nor can we assess the impact of all factors on our business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements we may make. Although we believe that our plans, intentions and expectations reflected in or suggested by the forward-looking statements we make in this report are reasonable, we can give no assurance that these plans, intentions or expectations will be achieved or occur, and actual results could differ materially and adversely from those anticipated or implied in the forward-looking statements.

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Diamondback Energy, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited)

Assets	March 31, 2018 (In thousan values and	December 31, 2017 ds, except par share data)
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$72,487	\$112,446
Accounts receivable:	\$ 72,407	\$112,440
Joint interest and other	71,017	73,038
Oil and natural gas sales	165,263	158,575
Inventories	8,963	9,108
Derivative instruments	0,70 <i>3</i>	531
Prepaid expenses and other	6,737	4,903
Total current assets	324,467	358,601
Property and equipment:	321,107	330,001
Oil and natural gas properties, full cost method of accounting (\$4,204,745 and \$4,105,865		
excluded from amortization at March 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively)	9,648,825	9,232,694
Midstream assets	295,161	191,519
Other property, equipment and land	82,095	80,776
Accumulated depletion, depreciation, amortization and impairment	(2,274,909)(2,161,372)
Net property and equipment	7,751,172	7,343,617
Funds held in escrow	10	6,304
Investment in real estate, net	109,103	
Other assets	40,136	62,463
Total assets	\$8,224,888	\$7,770,985
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable-trade	\$63,129	\$94,590
Accrued capital expenditures	262,242	221,256
Other accrued liabilities	100,557	92,512
Revenues and royalties payable	82,055	68,703
Derivative instruments	99,685	100,367
Total current liabilities	607,668	577,428
Long-term debt	1,701,912	1,477,347
Derivative instruments	6,492	6,303
Asset retirement obligations	21,258	20,122
Deferred income taxes	152,369	108,048
Other long term liabilities	7	
Total liabilities	2,489,706	2,189,248
Commitments and contingencies (Note 16)		
Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock, \$0.01 par value, 200,000,000 shares authorized, 98,610,608 issued and outstanding at March 31, 2018; 98,167,289 issued and outstanding at December 31, 2017	986	982

Additional paid-in capital	5,299,811	5,291,011	
Accumulated deficit	116,286	(37,133)	
Total Diamondback Energy, Inc. stockholders' equity	5,417,083	5,254,860	
Non-controlling interest	318,099	326,877	
Total equity	5,735,182	5,581,737	
Total liabilities and equity	\$8,224,888	\$7,770,985	
See accompanying notes to combined consolidated financial statements.			
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Diamondback Energy, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Operations (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ender March 31,		
	2018	2017 ands, except	
	•	amounts)	
Revenues:	per snare	amounts)	
Oil sales	\$419 268	\$ \$207,074	
Natural gas sales	14,378	9,922	
Natural gas liquid sales	33,113	15,502	
Lease bonus	_	1,602	
Midstream services	11,395	1,130	
Other operating income	2,041	_	
Total revenues	480,195	235,230	
Costs and expenses:	.00,170	200,200	
Lease operating expenses	37,345	26,626	
Production and ad valorem taxes	27,304	15,725	
Gathering and transportation	4,285	2,619	
Midstream services	11,189	854	
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	115,216	58,929	
General and administrative expenses (including non-cash equity-based compensation, net of	,	,	
capitalized amounts, of \$7,451 and \$7,063 for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and 201	7,16,325	13,744	
respectively)	,	•	
Asset retirement obligation accretion	355	323	
Other operating expense	530		
Total costs and expenses	212,549	118,820	
Income from operations	267,646	116,410	
Other income (expense):			
Interest expense, net	(13,701)(12,225)	
Other income, net	2,736	1,145	
Gain (loss) on derivative instruments, net	(32,345)37,701	
Gain on revaluation of investment	899		
Total other income (expense), net	(42,411)26,621	
Income before income taxes	225,235	143,031	
Provision for income taxes	47,081	1,957	
Net income	178,154	141,074	
Net income attributable to non-controlling interest	15,342	4,801	
Net income attributable to Diamondback Energy, Inc.	\$162,812	\$136,273	
Earnings per common share:			
Basic	\$1.65	\$1.46	
Diluted	\$1.65	\$1.46	
Weighted average common shares outstanding:			
Basic	98,555	93,161	
Diluted	98,769	93,364	
Dividends declared per share	\$0.125	\$	

See accompanying notes to combined consolidated financial statements.

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Diamondback Energy, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity (Unaudited)

	Stock Additional Paid-in Shares Amoun Capital		Retained Earnings	Earnings Non-Controlling		
			(AccumulatedInterest Deficit)			
	(In the	ousands))	,		
Balance December 31, 2016	90,14	4\$ 901	\$4,215,955	\$ (519,394) \$ 320,830	\$4,018,292
Net proceeds from issuance of common units -					147,523	147,523
Viper Energy Partners LP					147,323	147,323
Unit-based compensation					819	819
Stock-based compensation			8,587			8,587
Distribution to non-controlling interest					(6,482) (6,482
Common shares issued in public offering, net of offering costs	f	_	14	_	_	14
Common shares issued for acquisition	7,686	77	809,096			809,173
Exercise of stock options and vesting of restricted stock units	298	3	355	_	_	358
Net income			_	136,273	4,801	141,074
Balance March 31, 2017	98,128	3\$ 981	\$5,034,007	\$ (383,121) \$ 467,491	\$5,119,358
Balance December 31, 2017	98,16	7\$ 982	\$5,291,011	\$ (37,133) \$ 326,877	\$5,581,737
Impact of adoption of ASU 2016-01, net of tax			_	(9,393) (6,671) (16,064)
Unit-based compensation			_		1,288	1,288
Stock-based compensation			8,804			8,804
Distribution to non-controlling interest					(18,737) (18,737)
Exercise of stock options and vesting of restricted stock units	443	4	(4)—	_	_
Net income				162,812	15,342	178,154
Balance March 31, 2018	98,610)\$ 986	\$5,299,811	\$ 116,286	\$ 318,099	\$5,735,182

See accompanying notes to combined consolidated financial statements.

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Diamondback Energy, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

	Three Mo 2018	nths Ended Marc	2017			
	(In thousa	ınds)				
Cash flows from operating activities:						
Net income Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	\$	178,154		\$	141,074	
Provision for deferred income taxes	46,908			1,425		
Asset retirement obligation accretion	355			323		
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	¹ 115,216			58,929		
Amortization of debt issuance costs	748			852		
Change in fair value of derivative instruments	38			(39,375)
Income from equity investment	(2,167)	(3)
Gain on revaluation of investment	(899)	_		
Equity-based compensation expense	¹ 7,451			7,063		
Gain on sale of assets, net Changes in operating assets and liabilities:	 s			(12)
Accounts receivable Accounts receivable-related party	6,322 d			(20,104 199)