

CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP  
Form 10-Q/A  
May 06, 2005  
Table of Contents

---

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

---

**FORM 10-Q/A**

(Amendment No. 1)

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

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2004

OR

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

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

Commission File Number 001-16441

---

**CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Edgar Filing: CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP - Form 10-Q/A

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation or organization)

**76-0470458**  
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

**510 Bering Drive**

**Suite 500**

**Houston, Texas**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**77057-1457**  
(Zip Code)

**(713) 570-3000**

(Registrant's 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 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 is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes  No

Number of shares of common stock outstanding at April 30, 2004: 223,378,007

---

---

**Table of Contents**

**CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP.**

**INDEX**

	<b>Page</b>
<u>Explanatory Note Regarding Restatement</u>	3
<b>PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION</b>	
Item 1. Financial Statements	
<u>Consolidated Balance Sheet at December 31, 2003 and March 31, 2004</u>	4
<u>Consolidated Statement of Operations and Comprehensive Loss for the three months ended March 31, 2003 and 2004</u>	5
<u>Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for the three months ended March 31, 2003 and 2004</u>	6
<u>Condensed Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements</u>	7
Item 2. <u>Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations</u>	22
Item 3. <u>Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk</u>	31
Item 4. <u>Controls and Procedures</u>	32
<b>PART II OTHER INFORMATION</b>	
Item 2. <u>Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds</u>	32
Item 6. <u>Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K</u>	33
<u>Signatures</u>	34

**Table of Contents**

**EXPLANATORY NOTE REGARDING RESTATEMENT**

The Company has restated its consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2003, and consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income (loss) and stockholders' equity for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2003. The restatement affected periods prior to 2002. The impact of the restatement on such prior periods was reflected as an adjustment to opening accumulated deficit as of January 1, 2002. The restatement was reported in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004 and is now being reported in this amendment to our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q/A for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2004. The restatement will also be reported in amendments to our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q/A for the quarterly periods ended June 30, 2004 and September 30, 2004.

The consolidated financial statements have been restated to reflect the correction of errors for certain non-cash items relating to the Company's lease accounting practices. On February 7, 2005, the Securities and Exchange Commission issued a public letter to the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants to clarify the interpretation of existing accounting literature applicable to certain leases and leasehold improvements. As a result, the Company has adjusted its method of accounting for tenant leases, ground leases and depreciation.

The corrections to the Company's consolidated financial statements consist of non-cash adjustments primarily attributable to increases in site rental revenues, ground lease expense (included in site rental costs of operations) and depreciation expense. Since the adjustments affected results of operations at the Company's majority owned Australian subsidiary (CCAL) and the Company's two joint ventures with Verizon Communications, they also resulted in changes to minority interests and the purchase price allocation for the acquisition of a minority interest in 2003. The adjustments for depreciation expense also affected the discontinued operations of its UK subsidiary (CCUK), resulting in a change to the net gain on disposal. These adjustments have no effect on the Company's credit (provision) for income taxes since the net impact on deferred tax assets and liabilities is offset by changes in valuation allowances. The adjustments do not affect historical net cash flows from operating, investing or financing activities, future cash flows or the timing of payments under related leases. Moreover, the corrections do not have any impact on cash balances, compliance with any financial covenants or debt instruments, or the current economic value of the Company's leaseholds and its tower assets. The net impact of the accounting correction will generally be to accelerate ground lease expense (as such expenses are straight-lined over a period that equals or exceeds the remaining depreciable life of the tower, along with periods covered by tenant renewal options) and depreciation expense and, to a lesser extent, site rental revenues (as such revenues are only straight-lined over the current lease term, without regard to renewal options that may be exercised by a tenant).

The restatement adjustments increased the Company's net loss and net loss per share for the three months ended March 31, 2003 by approximately \$10.0 million or \$0.06 per share, and increased the net loss and net loss per share for the three months ended March 31, 2004 by approximately \$11.7 million or \$0.05 per share.

For a discussion of the individual restatement adjustments, see Note 1 of the Company's condensed notes to consolidated financial statements in Item 1. Financial Statements. Additionally, see Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations. For more information on the impact of the restatement on other periods, see our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004.

The Company did not amend its Annual Report on Form 10-K or Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for periods affected by the restatement that ended prior to March 31, 2004. The financial statements and related financial information contained in the Company's previously filed reports should no longer be relied upon.

## Edgar Filing: CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP - Form 10-Q/A

All referenced amounts in this Quarterly Report for prior periods and prior period comparisons reflect the balances and amounts on a restated basis.

For the convenience of the reader, this Form 10-Q/A sets forth the original filing in its entirety. However, this Form 10-Q/A only (1) amends and restates Items 1, 2, and 4 of Part I of the original filing, in each case solely as a result of, and to reflect, the restatement and certain balance sheet reclassifications (as discussed in Note 1 of the condensed notes to consolidated financial statements), and (2) adds Item 2 of Part II to the original filing. No other information in the original filing is amended hereby. The foregoing items have not been updated to reflect other events occurring after the original filing or to modify or update those disclosures affected by subsequent events. In addition, pursuant to the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, Item 6 of Part II of the original filing has been amended to contain the currently dated certifications from the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as required by Sections 302 and 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. The certifications of the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer are attached to this Form 10-Q/A as Exhibits 31.1, 31.2 and 32.1.

Except for the foregoing amended information, this Form 10-Q/A retains the information as of the date of the original filing, and the Company has not updated the information contained herein to reflect events that occurred at a later date. Other events occurring after the date of the original filing or other disclosures necessary to reflect subsequent events have been addressed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004, or will be addressed in the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2005, and reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission subsequent to the date of this filing.

**Table of Contents****CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES****CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET**

(In thousands of dollars, except share amounts)

	December 31,  2003  (As restated)	March 31,  2004  (As restated) (Unaudited)
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 435,827	\$ 171,485
Short-term investments	26,600	
Receivables:		
Trade, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$9,160 and \$9,659 at December 31, 2003 and March 31, 2004, respectively	80,659	83,252
Other	1,394	1,735
Inventories	15,542	17,435
Deferred site rental receivable	2,332	1,525
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	77,545	77,037
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>639,899</b>	<b>352,469</b>
Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$1,398,607 and \$1,499,061 at December 31, 2003 and March 31, 2004, respectively	4,580,442	4,528,882
Goodwill	1,210,080	1,238,800
Deferred site rental receivable	76,333	80,485
Deferred financing costs and other assets, net of accumulated amortization of \$48,585 and \$49,050 at December 31, 2003 and March 31, 2004, respectively	105,479	111,493
	<b>\$ 6,612,233</b>	<b>\$ 6,312,129</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 40,749	\$ 37,235
Accrued interest	49,063	31,230
Accrued compensation and related benefits	19,117	7,857
Deferred rental revenues and other accrued liabilities	267,459	274,089
Long-term debt, current maturities	267,142	46,461
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>643,530</b>	<b>396,872</b>
Long-term debt, less current maturities	3,182,850	3,138,866
Deferred ground lease payable	98,524	103,172
Other liabilities	209,629	219,590
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>4,134,533</b>	<b>3,858,500</b>
Commitments and contingencies		
Minority interests	176,645	177,253
Redeemable preferred stock	506,702	507,037
Stockholders' equity:		

Edgar Filing: CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP - Form 10-Q/A

Common stock, \$.01 par value; 690,000,000 shares authorized; shares issued: December 31, 2003 220,758,321 and March 31, 2004 222,154,730	2,208	2,222
Additional paid-in capital	3,349,459	3,364,473
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	247,249	297,090
Unearned stock compensation	(8,122)	(11,672)
Accumulated deficit	(1,796,441)	(1,882,774)
Total stockholders equity	1,794,353	1,769,339
	<u>\$ 6,612,233</u>	<u>\$ 6,312,129</u>

See condensed notes to consolidated financial statements.

**Table of Contents****CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES****CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE LOSS (Unaudited)**

(In thousands of dollars, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2003	2004
	(As restated)	(As restated)
<b>Net revenues:</b>		
Site rental and broadcast transmission	\$ 186,515	\$ 220,588
Network services and other	31,764	29,110
	<u>218,279</u>	<u>249,698</u>
<b>Operating expenses:</b>		
Costs of operations (exclusive of depreciation, amortization and accretion):		
Site rental and broadcast transmission	77,410	86,577
Network services and other	24,942	25,316
General and administrative	22,192	23,643
Corporate development	1,620	439
Restructuring charges (credits)		(33)
Asset write-down charges		1,948
Non-cash general and administrative compensation charges	2,431	2,696
Depreciation, amortization and accretion	89,461	94,441
	<u>218,056</u>	<u>235,027</u>
Operating income	223	14,671
Other income (expense):		
Interest and other income (expense)	(1,642)	(25,216)
Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs	(72,638)	(59,506)
	<u>(74,057)</u>	<u>(70,051)</u>
Loss before income taxes, minority interests and cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	(74,057)	(70,051)
Provision for income taxes	(4,466)	(6,455)
Minority interests	1,543	(131)
	<u>(76,980)</u>	<u>(76,637)</u>
Loss before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	(76,980)	(76,637)
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle for asset retirement obligations, net of related income tax benefits of \$636	(2,035)	
	<u>(79,015)</u>	<u>(76,637)</u>
Net loss	(79,015)	(76,637)
Dividends on preferred stock, net of gains on purchases of preferred stock	(14,958)	(9,696)
	<u>\$ (93,973)</u>	<u>\$ (86,333)</u>
Net loss after deduction of dividends on preferred stock, net of gains on purchases of preferred stock	\$ (93,973)	\$ (86,333)
Net loss	\$ (79,015)	\$ (76,637)
Other comprehensive income (loss):		



Edgar Filing: CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP - Form 10-Q/A

Foreign currency translation adjustments	(13,473)	49,295
Derivative instruments:		
Net change in fair value of cash flow hedging instruments	(711)	(434)
Amounts reclassified into results of operations	1,659	980
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Comprehensive loss	\$ (91,540)	\$ (26,796)
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Per common share basic and diluted:		
Loss before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	\$ (0.43)	\$ (0.39)
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	(0.01)	
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Net loss	\$ (0.44)	\$ (0.39)
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Common shares outstanding basic and diluted (in thousands)	216,958	219,294
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

See condensed notes to consolidated financial statements.

**Table of Contents****CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES****CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited)****(In thousands of dollars)**

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2003	2004
	(As restated)	(As restated)
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net loss	\$ (79,015)	\$ (76,637)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation, amortization and accretion	89,461	94,441
Losses on purchases of long-term debt		24,367
Amortization of deferred financing costs and discounts on long-term debt	17,488	2,960
Non-cash general and administrative compensation charges	2,431	2,696
Asset write-down charges		1,948
Minority interests	(1,543)	131
Equity in losses and write-downs of unconsolidated affiliates	2,453	1,173
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	2,035	
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Decrease in accrued interest	(28,307)	(17,833)
Decrease in accounts payable	(12,248)	(4,306)
Increase in deferred rental revenues and other liabilities	12,601	2,022
(Increase) decrease in receivables	2,595	(1,697)
Increase in inventories, prepaid expenses and other assets	(2,019)	(2,348)
Net cash provided by operating activities	5,932	26,917
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Proceeds from disposition of property and equipment	7,472	755
Capital expenditures	(52,849)	(19,448)
Investments in affiliates and other	(250)	(14,028)
Maturities of investments	282,496	62,650
Purchases of investments	(243,113)	(36,050)
Net cash used for investing activities	(6,244)	(6,121)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from issuance of capital stock	1,055	3,562
Purchases of long-term debt		(267,359)
Net borrowings (payments) under revolving credit agreements	(22,895)	(15,000)
Purchases of capital stock	(13,558)	(4,108)
Principal payments on long-term debt		(2,750)
Incurrence of financing costs		(412)
Net cash used for financing activities	(35,398)	(286,067)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	(1,562)	929

Edgar Filing: CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP - Form 10-Q/A

Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(37,272)	(264,342)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	453,172	435,827
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 415,900	\$ 171,485
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:		
Interest paid	\$ 81,415	\$ 71,904
Income taxes paid	117	153

See condensed notes to consolidated financial statements.

**Table of Contents**

**CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES**

**CONDENSED NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**1. General**

The information contained in the following notes to the consolidated financial statements is condensed from that which would appear in the annual consolidated financial statements; accordingly, the consolidated financial statements included herein should be reviewed in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004, and related notes thereto, included in the Annual Report on Form 10-K (the Form 10-K ) filed by Crown Castle International Corp. with the Securities and Exchange Commission. All references to the Company include Crown Castle International Corp. and its subsidiary companies unless otherwise indicated or the context indicates otherwise.

The consolidated financial statements included herein are unaudited; however, they include all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) which, in the opinion of management, are necessary to present fairly the consolidated financial position of the Company at March 31, 2004 and the consolidated results of operations and the consolidated cash flows for the three months ended March 31, 2003 and 2004. Accounting measurements at interim dates inherently involve greater reliance on estimates than at year end. The results of operations for the interim periods presented are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the entire year. Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior period's financial statements to be consistent with the presentation in the current period (see *Investments* ).

*Effects of Restatement*

The consolidated financial statements as presented for the three months ended March 31, 2003 and 2004 have been restated to reflect the correction of errors for certain non-cash items relating to the Company's lease accounting practices. On February 7, 2005, the Securities and Exchange Commission issued a public letter to the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants to clarify the interpretation of existing accounting literature applicable to certain leases and leasehold improvements. As a result, the Company has adjusted its method of accounting for tenant leases, ground leases and depreciation.

The corrections to the Company's consolidated financial statements consist of non-cash adjustments primarily attributable to increases in site rental revenues, ground lease expense (included in site rental costs of operations) and depreciation expense. Since the adjustments affected results of operations at CCAL and the Company's two joint ventures with Verizon Communications, they also resulted in changes to minority interests and the purchase price allocation for the acquisition of a minority interest in 2003. The cumulative effects of these adjustments on the Company's consolidated statements of operations from inception through March 31, 2004 are as follows: an increase in site rental revenues of \$31,975,000; an increase in site rental costs of operations of \$91,704,000; an increase in depreciation expense of \$161,816,000; an increase in operating losses of \$221,545,000; an increase in other expense (attributable to the loss on the issuance of an interest in the Crown Atlantic joint venture) of \$3,126,000; an increase in minority interests of \$40,700,000; and an increase in net losses of \$183,971,000. These adjustments have no effect on the Company's credit (provision) for income taxes since the net impact on deferred tax assets and liabilities is offset by changes in valuation allowances. The adjustments do not affect historical net cash flows from operating, investing or financing activities, future cash flows or the timing of payments under related leases. Moreover, the corrections do not have any impact on cash balances, compliance with any financial covenants or debt instruments, or the current economic value of the Company's leaseholds and its tower assets. The net impact of the accounting correction will generally be to accelerate ground lease expense (as such expenses are straight-lined over a period that equals or exceeds the remaining depreciable life of the tower, along with periods covered by tenant renewal options) and depreciation expense and, to a lesser extent, site rental revenues (as such revenues are only straight-lined over the current lease term, without regard to renewal options that may be exercised by a tenant).



**Table of Contents**

Historically, the Company has calculated straight-line ground lease expense (for leases with fixed escalation provisions) using the current lease term (typically five to ten years) without regard to renewal options. Further, the Company depreciated all tower assets over a 20-year useful life, without regard to the term of the underlying ground lease, because of its historical experience in successfully renewing ground leases prior to expiration. As a result of this accounting adjustment, the Company now calculates its straight-line ground lease expense using a time period that equals or exceeds the remaining depreciable life of the tower asset. Further, when a tenant has exercisable renewal options that would compel the Company to exercise existing ground lease renewal options, the Company has straight-lined the ground lease expense over a sufficient portion of such ground lease renewals to coincide with the final termination of the tenant's renewal options. The Company has also shortened the depreciable lives of certain tower assets that have ground lease expirations prior to the end of their useful life. When calculating its straight-line site rental revenues, the Company now considers all fixed elements of a tenant lease's escalation provisions, even if such escalation provisions also include a variable element.

In addition, certain issuance costs from prior financing transactions that were previously included in deferred financing costs (\$387,000) or additional paid-in capital (\$16,057,000) have been charged to interest and other income (expense) (\$10,877,000) or included with dividends on preferred stock (\$5,567,000). Such corrections were made in accordance with EITF Issue No. 98-14, *Debtor's Accounting for Changes in Line-of-Credit or Revolving-Debt Arrangements* ( EITF 98-14 ), and EITF Topic No. D-42, *The Effect on the Calculation of Earnings per Share for the Redemption or Induced Conversion of Preferred Stock* ( EITF D-42 ). EITF 98-14 requires that a proportionate amount of unamortized deferred financing costs be written off when the borrowing availability under a credit facility is reduced. EITF D-42 requires that financing costs related to preferred stock that were classified as additional paid-in capital upon issuance be charged to results of operations upon the subsequent purchase or redemption of such preferred stock.

In addition, certain foreign currency translation adjustments (\$686,000) included in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) have been charged to results of operations for 2001 in accordance with EITF Issue No. 01-5, *Application of FASB Statement No. 52 to an Investment Being Evaluated for Impairment That Will Be Disposed Of* ( EITF 01-5 ). In 2001, the Company wrote off an investment in Brazil, but did not write off the related translation adjustments. EITF 01-5 requires that accumulated foreign currency translation adjustments be included as part of the carrying amount of a foreign investment being evaluated for impairment under a committed plan of disposal.

Finally, the Company has recorded deferred income tax provisions resulting from the adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets*, pursuant to which goodwill balances were no longer amortized. The deferred income tax provisions amounted to \$4,000,000, \$2,000,000 and \$500,000 for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2003 and the three months ended March 31, 2004, respectively. Such amounts had previously been inappropriately offset by deferred tax assets.

The adjustments to amounts previously presented in the consolidated statement of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2003 and 2004 are summarized as follows.

	As Previously Stated	Restatement Adjustments	As Restated
	(In thousands of dollars, except per share amounts)		
<b>Three Months Ended March 31, 2003:</b>			
Site rental revenues	\$ 184,960	\$ 1,555	\$ 186,515
Site rental costs of operations	73,360	4,050	77,410
Depreciation expense	80,357	9,104	89,461
Operating income	11,822	(11,599)	223
Provision for income taxes	(3,966)	(500)	(4,466)
Minority interests	(557)	2,100	1,543

Edgar Filing: CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP - Form 10-Q/A

Net loss	(69,016)	(9,999)	(79,015)
Dividends on preferred stock, net of gains on purchases of preferred stock	(14,371)	(587)	(14,958)
Net loss per common share - basic and diluted	(0.38)	(0.06)	(0.44)
<b>Three Months Ended March 31, 2004:</b>			
Site rental revenues	\$ 219,377	\$ 1,211	\$ 220,588
Site rental costs of operations	82,987	3,590	86,577
Depreciation expense	84,822	9,619	94,441
Operating income	26,669	(11,998)	14,671
Interest and other income (expense)	(24,829)	(387)	(25,216)
Provision for income taxes	(5,955)	(500)	(6,455)
Minority interests	(1,346)	1,215	(131)
Net loss	(64,967)	(11,670)	(76,637)
Net loss per common share - basic and diluted	(0.34)	(0.05)	(0.39)

**Table of Contents**

The following tables describe the effects of the restatement on net loss and the related per share amounts for the three months ended March 31, 2003 and 2004.

	<b>Three Months Ended March 31,</b>	
	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>
	<b>(In thousand of dollars, except per share amounts)</b>	
Net loss, as previously stated	\$ (69,016)	\$ (64,967)
Adjustments to site rental revenues	1,555	1,211
Adjustments to site rental costs of operations	(4,050)	(3,590)
Adjustments to depreciation expense	(9,104)	(9,619)
Adjustments to interest and other income (expense)		(387)
Adjustments to provision for income taxes	(500)	(500)
Adjustments to minority interests	2,100	1,215
Net loss, as restated	(79,015)	(76,637)
Dividends on preferred stock, net of gains on purchases of preferred stock, as restated	(14,958)	(9,696)
Net loss after deduction of dividends on preferred stock, net of gains on purchases of preferred stock, as restated	\$ (93,973)	\$ (86,333)
Per common share basic and diluted:		
Net loss, as previously stated	\$ (0.38)	\$ (0.34)
Adjustments to site rental revenues	0.01	0.01
Adjustments to site rental costs of operations	(0.02)	(0.02)
Adjustments to depreciation expense	(0.05)	(0.05)
Adjustments to interest and other income (expense)		
Adjustments to provision for income taxes		
Adjustments to minority interests	0.01	0.01
Adjustments to dividends on preferred stock, net of gains on purchases of preferred stock	(0.01)	
Net loss, as restated	\$ (0.44)	\$ (0.39)

The following table describes the effects of the restatement on comprehensive loss for the three months ended March 31, 2003 and 2004.

	<b>Three Months Ended March 31,</b>	
	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>
	<b>(In thousand of dollars)</b>	
Comprehensive loss, as previously stated	\$ (79,545)	\$ (14,569)
Adjustments to net loss	(9,999)	(11,670)
Adjustments to foreign currency translation adjustments	(1,996)	(557)



Comprehensive loss, as restated	<u>\$ (91,540)</u>	<u>\$ (26,796)</u>
---------------------------------	--------------------	--------------------

**Table of Contents**

The following tables describe the cumulative effects of the restatement on the consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2003 and March 31, 2004.

	<u>Property and Equipment</u>	<u>Goodwill</u>	<u>Deferred Site Rental Receivable (a)</u>	<u>Deferred Financing Costs and Other Assets</u>	<u>Deferred Ground Lease Payable</u>	<u>Other Liabilities</u>	<u>Minority Interests</u>	<u>Stockholders Equity</u>
(In thousand of dollars)								
Balances as of December 31, 2003, as previously stated	\$ 4,741,945	\$ 1,206,713	\$	\$ 147,173	\$	\$ 211,763	\$ 208,333	\$ 1,984,413
Reclassification of previously stated amounts			45,887	(41,694)	8,134	(8,134)		
Adjustments to site rental revenues			30,764					30,764
Adjustments to site rental costs of operations					88,114			(88,114)
Adjustments to depreciation expense	(152,197)							(152,197)
Adjustments to provision for income taxes						6,000		(6,000)
Adjustments to minority interests							(39,485)	39,485
Adjustments to purchase price allocation for acquisition	4,386	3,367					10,879	(3,126)
Foreign currency translation adjustments (b)	(13,692)		2,014		2,276		(3,082)	(10,872)
<b>Balances as of December 31, 2003, as restated</b>	<b>\$ 4,580,442</b>	<b>\$ 1,210,080</b>	<b>\$ 78,665</b>	<b>\$ 105,479</b>	<b>\$ 98,524</b>	<b>\$ 209,629</b>	<b>\$ 176,645</b>	<b>\$ 1,794,353</b>
Balances as of March 31, 2004, as previously stated	\$ 4,700,727	\$ 1,235,433	\$	\$ 155,618	\$	\$ 222,162	\$ 210,317	\$ 1,971,626
Reclassification of previously stated amounts			47,896	(43,738)	9,072	(9,072)		
Adjustments to site rental revenues			31,975					31,975
Adjustments to site rental costs of operations					91,704			(91,704)
Adjustments to depreciation expense	(161,816)							(161,816)
Adjustments to interest and other income (expense)				(387)				(387)
Adjustments to provision for income taxes						6,500		(6,500)
Adjustments to minority interests							(40,700)	40,700
Adjustments to purchase price allocation for acquisition	4,386	3,367					10,879	(3,126)
Foreign currency translation adjustments (b)	(14,415)		2,139		2,396		(3,243)	(11,429)
<b>Balances as of March 31, 2004, as restated</b>	<b>\$ 4,528,882</b>	<b>\$ 1,238,800</b>	<b>\$ 82,010</b>	<b>\$ 111,493</b>	<b>\$ 103,172</b>	<b>\$ 219,590</b>	<b>\$ 177,253</b>	<b>\$ 1,769,339</b>

Edgar Filing: CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP - Form 10-Q/A

- (a) Balances as of December 31, 2003 and March 31, 2004, as restated, include current portion of \$2,332 and \$1,525, respectively.
- (b) Amounts represent the effect of foreign currency translation for the lease accounting adjustments to the Australian operations.

**Table of Contents***Investments*

As of December 31, 2003, all investments (consisting of auction rate securities) were classified as held-to-maturity since the Company had the positive intent and ability to hold such investments until they matured. Held-to-maturity securities are stated at amortized cost. Although the Company's auction rate securities had contractual maturities which exceeded one year, the underlying interest rates on such securities reset at intervals of less than 90 days. Therefore, these auction rate securities were priced and subsequently traded as short-term investments because of the interest rate reset feature. As a result, the Company has classified its auction rate securities as short-term investments in the accompanying consolidated balance sheet. The 2003 balance of such securities was previously classified as cash equivalents due to the liquidity and pricing reset feature. In 2004, these securities were reclassified as short-term investments to conform with the current presentation. There was no impact on net earnings or cash flow from operations as a result of the reclassification.

*Stock-Based Compensation*

The Company used the intrinsic value based method of accounting for its stock-based employee compensation plans until December 31, 2002. This method does not result in the recognition of compensation expense when employee stock options are granted if the exercise price of the options equals or exceeds the fair market value of the stock at the date of grant. On January 1, 2003, the Company adopted the fair value method of accounting (using the prospective method of transition) for stock-based employee compensation awards granted on or after that date (see Note 2). The following table shows the pro forma effect on the Company's net loss and loss per share as if compensation cost had been recognized for all stock options based on their fair value at the date of grant. The pro forma effect of stock options on the Company's net loss for those periods may not be representative of the pro forma effect for future periods due to the impact of vesting and potential future awards.

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>	
	<b>March 31,</b>	
	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>
	<b>(As restated)</b>	<b>(As restated)</b>
	<b>(In thousands of dollars, except per share amounts)</b>	
Net loss, as reported	\$ (79,015)	\$ (76,637)
Add: Stock-based employee compensation expense included in reported net loss	2,431	2,696
Deduct: Total stock-based employee compensation expense determined under fair value based method for all awards	(9,358)	(5,761)
Net loss, as adjusted	(85,942)	(79,702)
Dividends on preferred stock, net of gains on purchases of preferred stock	(14,958)	(9,696)
Net loss applicable to common stock for basic and diluted computations, as adjusted	\$ (100,900)	\$ (89,398)
Loss per common share - basic and diluted:		
As reported	\$ (0.44)	\$ (0.39)
As adjusted	\$ (0.47)	\$ (0.41)



---

**Table of Contents****CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES****CONDENSED NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)****2. New Accounting Pronouncements**

In June 2001, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (the FASB) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 143, *Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations* (SFAS 143). SFAS 143 addresses financial accounting and reporting for obligations associated with the retirement of tangible long-lived assets and the related asset retirement costs. The fair value of a liability for an asset retirement obligation is to be recognized in the period in which it is incurred and can be reasonably estimated. Such asset retirement costs are to be capitalized as part of the carrying amount of the related long-lived asset and depreciated over the asset's estimated useful life. Fair value estimates of liabilities for asset retirement obligations will generally involve discounted future cash flows. Periodic accretion of such liabilities due to the passage of time is to be recorded as an operating expense. The provisions of SFAS 143 were effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2002, with initial application as of the beginning of the fiscal year. The Company adopted the requirements of SFAS 143 as of January 1, 2003. The adoption of SFAS 143 resulted in the recognition of liabilities amounting to \$4,062,000 for contingent retirement obligations under certain tower site land leases (included in other long-term liabilities on the Company's consolidated balance sheet), the recognition of asset retirement costs amounting to \$1,391,000 (included in property and equipment on the Company's consolidated balance sheet), and the recognition of a charge for the cumulative effect of the change in accounting principle amounting to \$2,035,000 (net of related income tax benefits of \$636,000). Accretion expense related to liabilities for contingent retirement obligations (included in depreciation, amortization and accretion on the Company's consolidated statement of operations) amounted to \$103,000 and \$125,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2003 and 2004, respectively. At December 31, 2003 and March 31, 2004, liabilities for contingent retirement obligations amounted to \$4,836,000 and \$5,020,000, respectively.

In June 2002, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 146, *Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities* (SFAS 146). SFAS 146 replaces the previous accounting guidance provided by Emerging Issues Task Force Issue No. 94-3, *Liability Recognition for Certain Employee Termination Benefits and Other Costs to Exit an Activity (including Certain Costs Incurred in a Restructuring)* (EITF 94-3). SFAS 146 requires that costs associated with exit or disposal activities be recognized when they are incurred, rather than at the date of a commitment to an exit or disposal plan (as provided by EITF 94-3). Examples of costs covered by SFAS 146 include certain employee severance costs and lease termination costs that are associated with a restructuring or discontinued operation. The provisions of SFAS 146 were effective for exit or disposal activities initiated after December 31, 2002, and are to be applied prospectively. The Company adopted the requirements of SFAS 146 as of January 1, 2003. See Note 11.

In November 2002, the FASB's Emerging Issues Task Force released its final consensus on Issue No. 00-21, *Revenue Arrangements with Multiple Deliverables* (EITF 00-21). EITF 00-21 addresses certain aspects of the accounting for arrangements under which multiple revenue-generating activities will be performed, including the determination of whether an arrangement involving multiple deliverables contains more than one unit of accounting. The guidance in EITF 00-21 is effective for revenue arrangements entered into in fiscal periods beginning after June 15, 2003. The Company adopted the provisions of EITF 00-21 as of July 1, 2003, and such adoption did not have a significant effect on its consolidated financial statements.

In December 2002, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 148, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation Transition and Disclosure* (SFAS 148). SFAS 148 amends Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation* (SFAS 123), to provide alternative methods of transition for a voluntary change to the fair value method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation. In addition, SFAS 148 amends the provisions of SFAS 123 to require more prominent disclosures in both annual and interim financial statements about the method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation and the effect of the method used on reported results of operations. The Company adopted the disclosure requirements of SFAS 148 as of December 31, 2002. On January 1, 2003, the Company adopted the fair value method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation using the prospective method of transition as provided by SFAS 148. Under this transition method, the Company is recognizing compensation cost for all

## Edgar Filing: CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP - Form 10-Q/A

employee awards granted on or after January 1, 2003. The adoption of this new accounting method did not have a significant effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In January 2003, the FASB issued FASB Interpretation No. 46, *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities* ( FIN 46 ). In December 2003, the FASB issued a revised version of FIN 46. FIN 46 clarifies existing accounting

**Table of Contents****CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES****CONDENSED NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

literature regarding the consolidation of entities in which a company holds a controlling financial interest. A majority voting interest in an entity has generally been considered indicative of a controlling financial interest. FIN 46 specifies other factors (variable interests) which must be considered when determining whether a company holds a controlling financial interest in, and therefore must consolidate, an entity (variable interest entities). The provisions of FIN 46, as revised, are effective for the first reporting period ending after March 15, 2004. The Company adopted the provisions of FIN 46 as of March 31, 2004, and such adoption did not have a significant effect on its consolidated financial statements.

In May 2003, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 150, *Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of both Liabilities and Equity* (SFAS 150). SFAS 150 requires that mandatorily redeemable financial instruments issued in the form of shares be classified as liabilities, and specifies certain measurement and disclosure requirements for such instruments. The provisions of SFAS 150 were effective at the beginning of the first interim period beginning after June 15, 2003. The Company adopted the requirements of SFAS 150 as of July 1, 2003. The Company determined that (1) its 12<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>% Exchangeable Preferred Stock was to be reclassified as a liability upon adoption of SFAS 150 and (2) its 8<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>% Convertible Preferred Stock and its 6.25% Convertible Preferred Stock were not to be reclassified as liabilities, since the conversion features caused them to be contingently redeemable rather than mandatorily redeemable financial instruments. In addition, the dividends on the Company's 12<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>% Exchangeable Preferred Stock were included in interest expense on its consolidated statement of operations beginning on July 1, 2003. The Company redeemed the remaining outstanding shares of 12<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>% Exchangeable Preferred Stock in December of 2003.

In December 2003, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 132 (revised 2003), *Employers' Disclosures about Pensions and Other Postretirement Benefits* (SFAS 132(R)). SFAS 132(R) revises the required disclosures about pension plans and other postretirement benefit plans. SFAS 132(R) replaces Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 132, *Employers' Disclosures about Pensions and Other Postretirement Benefits* (which was originally issued in February 1998), but retains its disclosure requirements. SFAS 132(R) requires additional disclosures about the assets, obligations, cash flows and net periodic benefit cost of defined benefit pension plans, and requires that certain disclosures be included in interim financial statements. SFAS 132(R) applies to the Company's disclosures for CCUK's defined benefit plan. The provisions of SFAS 132(R) are generally effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2003; however, many of the new disclosure requirements for information about foreign plans, as well as information about future benefit payments, do not become effective until fiscal years ending after June 15, 2004. The interim-period disclosure requirements of SFAS 132(R) are effective for interim periods beginning after December 15, 2003. The Company has adopted the annual reporting requirements of SFAS 132(R) as of December 31, 2003, except for the disclosure about future benefit payments. The Company has adopted the interim-period reporting requirements as of March 31, 2004 (see Note 7).

**3. Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets**

A summary of goodwill by operating segment is as follows:

Three Months Ended March 31, 2004			
CCUSA	CCUK	Crown Atlantic	Consolidated Total



Edgar Filing: CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP - Form 10-Q/A

	(As restated)	(In thousands of dollars)		(As restated)
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 215,061	\$ 939,642	\$ 55,377	\$ 1,210,080
Effect of exchange rate changes		28,720		28,720
Balance at end of period	\$ 215,061	\$ 968,362	\$ 55,377	\$ 1,238,800

**Table of Contents****CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES****CONDENSED NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

The value of site rental contracts from acquisitions included in CCUSA are accounted for as other intangible assets with finite useful lives, and are included in deferred financing costs and other assets on the Company's consolidated balance sheet. A summary of other intangible assets with finite useful lives is as follows:

	<b>Three Months Ended March 31, 2004</b>		
	<b>Gross</b>		
	<b>Carrying</b>	<b>Accumulated</b>	<b>Net</b>
	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Amortization</b>	<b>Book</b>
	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Amortization</b>	<b>Value</b>
	<b>(In thousands of dollars)</b>		
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 30,005	\$ (14,653)	\$ 15,352
Amortization expense		(463)	(463)
Balance at end of period	<u>\$ 30,005</u>	<u>\$ (15,116)</u>	<u>\$ 14,889</u>
Estimated aggregate amortization expense: Years ending December 31, 2004 through 2008		<u>\$ 1,852</u>	

**4. Long-term Debt**

Long-term debt consists of the following:

	<b>December 31,</b>	<b>March 31,</b>
	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>
	<b>(In thousands of dollars)</b>	
2000 Credit Facility	\$ 1,289,750	\$ 1,287,000
Crown Atlantic Credit Facility	195,000	180,000
4% Convertible Senior Notes due 2010	230,000	230,000
10 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> % Senior Discount Notes due 2011, net of discount	12,366	11,201
9% Senior Notes due 2011	161,712	26,133
11 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> % Senior Discount Notes due 2011, net of discount	10,979	10,320
9 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> % Senior Notes due 2011	114,265	4,753
10 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> % Senior Notes due 2011	428,695	428,695
9 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> % Senior Notes due 2011	407,225	407,225
7.5% Senior Notes due 2013	300,000	300,000

Edgar Filing: CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP - Form 10-Q/A

7.5% Series B Senior Notes due 2013	300,000	300,000
	<u>3,449,992</u>	<u>3,185,327</u>
Less: current maturities	(267,142)	(46,461)
	<u>\$ 3,182,850</u>	<u>\$ 3,138,866</u>

*Crown Atlantic Credit Facility*

In February of 2004, Crown Atlantic amended its credit facility to reduce the available borrowings from \$301,050,000 to \$250,000,000. The amendment of the credit facility resulted in a loss of \$387,000 consisting of the write-off of certain financing costs (as restated). Such loss is included in interest and other income (expense) on the Company's consolidated statement of operations. During the three months ended March 31, 2004, Crown Atlantic repaid \$15,000,000 in outstanding borrowings under the Crown Atlantic Credit Facility. Crown Atlantic utilized cash provided by its operations to effect this repayment. As a result, available borrowings under the Crown Atlantic Credit Facility amount to \$70,000,000.

*Purchases of the Company's Debt Securities*

On December 5, 2003, the Company commenced cash tender offers and consent solicitations for all of its outstanding 9% Senior Notes and 9<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>% Senior Notes. On December 31, 2003, in accordance with the terms of the tender offers, the purchase prices for the tendered notes (excluding accrued interest through the purchase date) were determined to be 107.112% of the outstanding principal amount for the 9% Senior Notes and 109.140% of the outstanding principal amount for the 9<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>% Senior Notes. Such purchase prices include a consent payment of \$20.00 for each \$1,000 principal amount of the tendered notes. On January 7, 2004, the Company (1) utilized \$146,984,000 of its cash to purchase the \$135,579,000 in outstanding principal amount of the tendered 9% Senior Notes, including accrued interest thereon of \$1,763,000, and (2) utilized \$124,030,000 of its cash to purchase the \$109,512,000 in outstanding principal amount of the tendered 9<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>% Senior Notes, including accrued interest thereon of \$4,508,000.

**Table of Contents****CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES****CONDENSED NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

The purchase of the tendered 9% Senior Notes resulted in a loss of \$12,466,000 for the first quarter of 2004, consisting of the write-off of unamortized deferred financing costs (\$2,823,000) and the excess of the total purchase price over the carrying value of the tendered notes (\$9,643,000). The purchase of the tendered 9½% Senior Notes resulted in a loss of \$11,652,000 for the first quarter of 2004, consisting of the write-off of unamortized deferred financing costs (\$1,642,000) and the excess of the total purchase price over the carrying value of the tendered notes (\$10,010,000). Such losses are included in interest and other income (expense) on the Company's consolidated statement of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2004. The 9% Senior Notes and 9½% Senior Notes that were tendered through December 31, 2003 have been classified as current maturities of long-term debt on the Company's consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2003.

In January of 2004, the Company (1) utilized \$1,570,000 of its cash to purchase \$1,500,000 in outstanding principle amount at maturity of its 10<sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>% Discount Notes and (2) utilized \$1,046,000 of its cash to purchase \$1,000,000 in outstanding principle amount at maturity of its 11¼% Discount Notes, both in public market transactions. The debt purchases resulted in losses of \$249,000 that are included in interest and other income (expense) on the Company's consolidated statement of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2004.

*Reporting Requirements Under the Indentures Governing the Company's Debt Securities (the Indentures)*

The following information (as such capitalized terms are defined in the Indentures) is presented solely as a requirement of the Indentures; such information is not intended as an alternative measure of financial position, operating results or cash flow from operations (as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles). Furthermore, the Company's measure of the following information may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies.

Summarized financial information for (1) the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries and (2) the Company's Unrestricted Subsidiaries is as follows:

	March 31, 2004			
	Company and Restricted Subsidiaries	Unrestricted Subsidiaries	Consolidation Eliminations	Consolidated Total
	(As restated)	(As restated)	(As restated)	(As restated)
	(In thousands of dollars)			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 83,744	\$ 87,741	\$	\$ 171,485
Other current assets	173,907	7,077		180,984
Property and equipment, net	3,872,180	656,702		4,528,882
Investments in Unrestricted Subsidiaries	479,180		(479,180)	
Goodwill	1,183,423	55,377		1,238,800
Deferred site rental receivable	78,099	2,386		80,485
Other assets, net	72,292	39,201		111,493

Edgar Filing: CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP - Form 10-Q/A

	\$ 5,942,825	\$ 848,484	\$ (479,180)	\$ 6,312,129
Current liabilities	\$ 377,013	\$ 19,859	\$	\$ 396,872
Long-term debt, less current maturities	2,958,866	180,000		3,138,866
Deferred ground lease payable	81,717	21,455		103,172
Other liabilities	214,937	4,653		219,590
Minority interests	33,916	143,337		177,253
Redeemable preferred stock	507,037			507,037
Stockholders' equity	1,769,339	479,180	(479,180)	1,769,339
	\$ 5,942,825	\$ 848,484	\$ (479,180)	\$ 6,312,129

**Table of Contents****CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES****CONDENSED NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2004		
	Company		Consolidated
	and Restricted Subsidiaries	Unrestricted Subsidiaries	Total
	(As restated)	(As restated)	(As restated)
	(In thousands of dollars)		
Net revenues	\$ 220,098	\$ 29,600	\$ 249,698
Costs of operations (exclusive of depreciation, amortization and accretion)	100,165	11,728	111,893
General and administrative	20,521	3,122	23,643
Corporate development	439		439
Restructuring charges (credits)	(33)		(33)
Asset write-down charges	1,768	180	1,948
Non-cash general and administrative compensation charges	2,522	174	2,696
Depreciation, amortization and accretion	81,959	12,482	94,441
Operating income	12,757	1,914	14,671
Interest and other income (expense)	(23,876)	(1,340)	(25,216)
Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs	(56,826)	(2,680)	(59,506)
Provision for income taxes	(6,455)		(6,455)
Minority interests	1,543	(1,674)	(131)
Net loss	\$ (72,857)	\$ (3,780)	\$ (76,637)

Tower Cash Flow and Adjusted Consolidated Cash Flow for the Company and its Restricted Subsidiaries is as follows under the indentures governing the 4% Convertible Senior Notes, the 10<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>% Senior Notes, the 9<sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>% Senior Notes, the 7.5% Senior Notes and the 7.5% Series B Senior Notes:

	(As restated)
	(In thousands of dollars)
Tower Cash Flow, for the three months ended March 31, 2004	\$ 108,457
Consolidated Cash Flow, for the twelve months ended March 31, 2004	\$ 369,048
Less: Tower Cash Flow, for the twelve months ended March 31, 2004	(397,499)
Plus: four times Tower Cash Flow, for the three months ended March 31, 2004	433,828
Adjusted Consolidated Cash Flow, for the twelve months ended March 31, 2004	\$ 405,377

*Letters of Credit*

The Company has issued letters of credit to various landlords, insurers and other parties in connection with certain contingent retirement obligations under various tower site land leases and certain other contractual obligations. The letters of credit were issued through one of CCUSA's lenders in amounts aggregating \$13,841,000 and expire on various dates through October 2005.

**5. Redeemable Preferred Stock**

Redeemable preferred stock (\$.01 par value, 20,000,000 shares authorized) consists of the following:

	December 31, 2003	March 31, 2004
	(In thousands of dollars)	
8¼% Cumulative Convertible Redeemable Preferred Stock; shares issued and outstanding: 200,000 (stated net of unamortized value of warrants; mandatory redemption and aggregate liquidation value of \$200,000)	\$ 196,614	\$ 196,717
6.25% Convertible Preferred Stock; shares issued and outstanding: 6,361,000 (stated net of unamortized issue costs; mandatory redemption and aggregate liquidation value of \$318,050)	310,088	310,320
	<u>\$ 506,702</u>	<u>\$ 507,037</u>

**Table of Contents****CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES****CONDENSED NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

In March of 2004, the Company paid its quarterly dividends on the 8¼% Convertible Preferred Stock by issuing a total of 325,000 shares of its common stock. As allowed by the Deposit Agreement relating to dividend payments on the 8¼% Convertible Preferred Stock, the Company repurchased the 325,000 shares of common stock from the dividend paying agent for a total of \$4,108,000 in cash. The Company utilized cash from an Unrestricted investment subsidiary to effect the stock repurchase. The Company may choose to continue such issuances and repurchases of stock in the future in order to avoid further dilution caused by the issuance of common stock as dividends on its preferred stock.

**6. Stockholders' Equity**

In February of 2004, the Company issued 35,400 shares of common stock to the non-executive members of its Board of Directors. These shares had a grant-date fair value of \$11.85 per share. In connection with these shares, the Company recognized non-cash general and administrative compensation charges of approximately \$419,000 for the three months ended March 31, 2004.

In March of 2004, the Company granted 457,163 shares of restricted common stock to certain of its executives. These restricted shares had a grant-date fair value of \$12.60 per share, determined based on the closing market price of the Company's common stock on the grant date. The restrictions on the shares will expire in various annual amounts over the vesting period of four years, with provisions for accelerated vesting based on the market performance of the Company's common stock. In connection with these restricted shares, the Company will recognize non-cash general and administrative compensation charges of approximately \$5,760,000 over the vesting period. In order to reach the first target level for accelerated vesting of these restricted shares, the market price of the Company's common stock would have to close at or above \$14.81 per share for twenty consecutive trading days. Reaching the first target level would result in the restrictions expiring with respect to one third of these restricted shares.

**7. Employee Benefit Plan**

The components of net periodic pension cost for CCI's defined benefit pension plan are as follows:

	<b>Three Months Ended March 31,</b>	
	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>
	<b>(In thousands of dollars)</b>	
Service cost	\$ 854	\$ 680
Interest cost	473	666
Expected return on plan assets	(473)	(684)
Amortization of net actuarial (gain) loss	133	190
<b>Net periodic pension cost</b>	<b>\$ 987</b>	<b>\$ 852</b>



CCUK contributed approximately \$664,000 to its pension plan during the three months ended March 31, 2004, and expects to contribute a total of approximately \$2,746,000 for the year ending December 31, 2004.

#### **8. Per Share Information**

Per share information is based on the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during each period for the basic computation and, if dilutive, the weighted-average number of potential common shares resulting from the assumed conversion of outstanding stock options, warrants, convertible preferred stock and convertible senior notes for the diluted computation.

Table of Contents

## CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONDENSED NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

A reconciliation of the numerators and denominators of the basic and diluted per share computations is as follows:

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2003	2004
	(As restated)	(As restated)
	(In thousands of dollars,	
	except per share amounts)	
Loss before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	\$ (76,980)	\$ (76,637)
Dividends on preferred stock	(17,682)	(9,696)
Gains on purchases of preferred stock	2,724	
Loss before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle applicable to common stock for basic and diluted computations	(91,938)	(86,333)
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	(2,035)	
Net loss applicable to common stock for basic and diluted computations	\$ (93,973)	\$ (86,333)
Weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the period for basic and diluted computations (in thousands)	216,958	219,294
Per common share basic and diluted:		
Loss before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	\$ (0.43)	\$ (0.39)
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	(0.01)	
Net loss	\$ (0.44)	\$ (0.39)

The calculations of common shares outstanding for the diluted computations exclude the following potential common shares. The inclusion of such potential common shares in the diluted per share computations would be antidilutive since the Company incurred net losses for all periods presented.

	March 31,	
	2003	2004
	(In thousands)	
Options to purchase shares of common stock at exercise prices currently ranging from \$-0- to \$39.75 per share	22,372	18,469

## Edgar Filing: CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP - Form 10-Q/A

Warrants to purchase shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$7.50 per share	640	640
Warrants to purchase shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$26.875 per share	1,000	1,000
Shares of 8¼% Cumulative Convertible Redeemable Preferred Stock which are convertible into shares of common stock	7,442	7,442
Shares of 6.25% Convertible Preferred Stock which are convertible into shares of common stock	8,625	8,625
Shares of restricted common stock	5,817	2,326
4% Convertible Senior Notes which are convertible into shares of common stock		21,237
	<hr/>	<hr/>
Total potential common shares	45,896	59,739
	<hr/>	<hr/>

### 9. Commitments and Contingencies

The Company is involved in various claims, lawsuits and proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business. While there are uncertainties inherent in the ultimate outcome of such matters and it is impossible to presently determine the ultimate costs that may be incurred, management believes the resolution of such uncertainties and the incurrence of such costs should not have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial position or results of operations.

**Table of Contents****CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES****CONDENSED NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)****10. Operating Segments**

The measurement of profit or loss currently used to evaluate the results of operations for the Company and its operating segments is earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization, as adjusted ( Adjusted EBITDA ). The Company defines Adjusted EBITDA as net income (loss) plus cumulative effect of change in accounting principle, minority interests, provision for income taxes, interest expense, amortization of deferred financing costs and dividends on preferred stock, interest and other income (expense), depreciation, amortization and accretion, non-cash general and administrative compensation charges, asset write-down charges and restructuring charges (credits). Adjusted EBITDA is not intended as an alternative measure of operating results or cash flow from operations (as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles), and the Company's measure of Adjusted EBITDA may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. There are no significant revenues resulting from transactions between the Company's operating segments. All periods have been restated to reflect the correction of certain accounting errors (see Note 1). The financial results for the Company's operating segments are as follows:

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2004					Consolidated Total
	CCUSA	CCUK	CCAL	Crown Atlantic	Corporate Office and Other	
	(As restated)		(As restated) (In thousands of dollars)	(As restated)		
Net revenues:						
Site rental and broadcast transmission	\$ 92,851	\$ 90,408	\$ 9,254	\$ 28,075	\$	\$ 220,588
Network services and other	11,974	14,407	1,204	1,525		29,110
	<u>104,825</u>	<u>104,815</u>	<u>10,458</u>	<u>29,600</u>		<u>249,698</u>
Costs of operations (exclusive of depreciation, amortization and accretion)	38,931	56,372	4,862	11,728		111,893
General and administrative	11,903	2,033	2,380	1,448	5,879	23,643
Corporate development					439	439
Adjusted EBITDA	<u>53,991</u>	<u>46,410</u>	<u>3,216</u>	<u>16,424</u>	<u>(6,318)</u>	<u>113,723</u>
Restructuring charges (credits)					(33)	(33)
Asset write-down charges	1,768			180		1,948
Non-cash general and administrative compensation charges	811	481	15	173	1,216	2,696
Depreciation, amortization and accretion	<u>50,994</u>	<u>23,597</u>	<u>7,234</u>	<u>12,318</u>	<u>298</u>	<u>94,441</u>
Operating income (loss)	418	22,332	(4,033)	3,753	(7,799)	14,671
Interest and other income (expense)	(216)	198	168	(406)	(24,960)	(25,216)
Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs	(16,024)	(2,184)	(1,103)	(2,680)	(37,515)	(59,506)
Provision for income taxes	(500)	(5,802)	(153)			(6,455)

Edgar Filing: CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP - Form 10-Q/A

Minority interests			1,543	(1,674)		(131)
Net income (loss)	\$ (16,322)	\$ 14,544	\$ (3,578)	\$ (1,007)	\$ (70,274)	\$ (76,637)
Capital expenditures	\$ 5,562	\$ 12,672	\$ 305	\$ 734	\$ 175	\$ 19,448
Total assets (at period end)	\$ 3,006,252	\$ 2,094,608	\$ 295,679	\$ 725,920	\$ 189,670	\$ 6,312,129

**Table of Contents****CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES****CONDENSED NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)**

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2003					
					Corporate	
			Crown		Office	Consolidated
	CCUSA	CCUK	CCAL	Atlantic	and Other	Total
(As restated)		(As restated)	(As restated)		(As restated)	
(In thousands of dollars)						
Net revenues:						
Site rental and broadcast transmission	\$ 83,509	\$ 71,125	\$ 6,929	\$ 24,952	\$	\$ 186,515
Network services and other	13,452	14,845	784	2,683		31,764
	<u>96,961</u>	<u>85,970</u>	<u>7,713</u>	<u>27,635</u>		<u>218,279</u>
Costs of operations (exclusive of depreciation, amortization and accretion)						
General and administrative	40,764	46,083	3,287	12,218		102,352
Corporate development	12,284	1,674	1,700	1,621	4,913	22,192
					1,620	1,620
	<u>43,913</u>	<u>38,213</u>	<u>2,726</u>	<u>13,796</u>	<u>(6,533)</u>	<u>92,115</u>
Adjusted EBITDA	43,913	38,213	2,726	13,796	(6,533)	92,115
Non-cash general and administrative compensation charges	1,184	537		60	650	2,431
Depreciation, amortization and accretion	51,593	18,894	6,097	12,477	400	89,461
	<u>(8,864)</u>	<u>18,782</u>	<u>(3,371)</u>	<u>1,259</u>	<u>(7,583)</u>	<u>223</u>
Operating income (loss)	(8,864)	18,782	(3,371)	1,259	(7,583)	223
Interest and other income (expense)	88	921	182	24	(2,857)	(1,642)
Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs	(8,549)	(8,927)	(895)	(3,941)	(50,326)	(72,638)
Provision for income taxes	(500)	(3,850)	(116)			(4,466)
Minority interests	505		1,252	(214)		1,543
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle for asset retirement obligations	(394)	(1,484)	(57)	(100)		(2,035)
	<u>\$ (17,714)</u>	<u>\$ 5,442</u>	<u>\$ (3,005)</u>	<u>\$ (2,972)</u>	<u>\$ (60,766)</u>	<u>\$ (79,015)</u>
Net income (loss)	\$ (17,714)	\$ 5,442	\$ (3,005)	\$ (2,972)	\$ (60,766)	\$ (79,015)
Capital expenditures	\$ 3,346	\$ 46,228	\$ 983	\$ 2,207	\$ 85	\$ 52,849

**11. Restructuring Charges and Asset Write-Down Charges**

At December 31, 2003 and March 31, 2004, other accrued liabilities includes \$3,085,000 and \$2,722,000, respectively, related to restructuring charges. A summary of the restructuring charges by operating segment is as follows:

Three Months Ended March 31, 2004

	Corporate				Consolidated
	CCUSA	CCUK	Crown Atlantic	Office and Other	
	(In thousands of dollars)				
<b>Amounts accrued at beginning of period:</b>					
Employee severance	\$ 492	\$	\$	\$ 33	\$ 525
Costs of office closures and other	2,143	369	48		2,560
	<u>2,635</u>	<u>369</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>3,085</u>
<b>Amounts charged (credited) to expense:</b>					
Employee severance				(33)	(33)
Costs of office closures and other					
<b>Total restructuring charges (credits)</b>				<u>(33)</u>	<u>(33)</u>
<b>Amounts paid:</b>					
Employee severance	(170)				(170)
Costs of office closures and other	(142)	(9)	(9)		(160)
	<u>(312)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	<u>(9)</u>		<u>(330)</u>
<b>Amounts accrued at end of period:</b>					
Employee severance	322				322
Costs of office closures and other	2,001	360	39		2,400
	<u>\$ 2,323</u>	<u>\$ 360</u>	<u>\$ 39</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 2,722</u>

**Table of Contents**

**CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES**

**CONDENSED NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL (Continued)**

During the three months ended March 31, 2004, the Company abandoned or disposed of certain tower sites and recorded asset write-down charges of \$1,768,000 for CCUSA and \$180,000 for Crown Atlantic.

**12. Subsequent Events**

*Restricted Common Stock*

In April and May of 2004, the Company granted approximately 897,000 shares of restricted common stock to approximately 500 of its employees. These restricted shares had an estimated weighted-average grant-date fair value of \$14.75 per share, determined based on the closing market price of the Company's common stock on the grant dates. The restrictions on the shares will expire in various annual amounts over the vesting period of four years, with provisions for accelerated vesting based on the market performance of the Company's common stock. In connection with these restricted shares, the Company will recognize non-cash general and administrative compensation charges of approximately \$13,235,000 over the vesting period. Such charges will be reduced in the event that any of the restricted shares are forfeited before they become vested. In order to reach the first target level for accelerated vesting of these restricted shares, the market price of the Company's common stock would have to close at or above \$14.81 per share for twenty consecutive trading days. Reaching the first target level would result in the restrictions expiring with respect to one third of these restricted shares.

On April 27, 2004, the market performance of the Company's common stock reached the third (and final) target level for accelerated vesting of the restricted common shares that had been issued during the first quarter of 2003. This third target level was reached when the market price of the Company's common stock closed at or above \$12.45 per share (150% of the second target level of \$8.30 per share) for twenty consecutive trading days. As a result, the restrictions expired with respect to the final third of such outstanding shares during the second quarter of 2004. The acceleration of the vesting for these shares will result in the recognition of non-cash general and administrative compensation charges of \$5,378,000 for the second quarter of 2004. Substantially all of the executives and employees elected to sell a portion of their vested shares in order to pay their respective minimum withholding tax liabilities, and the Company arranged to purchase these shares in order to facilitate the stock sales. The Company purchased approximately 587,600 of such shares of common stock (at a price of \$14.92 per share) for a total of \$8,767,000 in cash. The Company utilized cash from an Unrestricted investment subsidiary to effect the stock purchase.



## **Table of Contents**

### **ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

The following discussion is intended to assist in understanding our consolidated financial condition as of March 31, 2004 and our consolidated results of operations for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2003 and 2004. The statements in this discussion regarding the industry outlook, our expectations regarding the future performance of our businesses and the other nonhistorical statements in this discussion are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are subject to numerous risks, uncertainties and assumptions, including but not limited to prevailing market conditions and those set forth below under the caption *Liquidity and Capital Resources Factors That Could Affect Future Results*.

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the response to Part I, Item 1 of this report and the consolidated financial statements of the Company, including the related notes, and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004. Any capitalized terms used but not defined in this Item have the same meaning given to them in the Form 10-K.

#### ***Restatement of Previously Issued Financial Statements***

Our consolidated results of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2003 and 2004 have been restated to reflect the correction of errors for certain non-cash items relating to our lease accounting practices. In February of 2005, we adjusted our method of accounting for tenant leases, ground leases and depreciation. The corrections to our consolidated results of operations consist of non-cash adjustments primarily attributable to increases in site rental revenues, ground lease expense (included in site rental costs of operations) and depreciation expense. Since the adjustments affected results of operations at CCAL and our two joint ventures with Verizon Communications, they also resulted in changes to minority interests. The cumulative effects of these adjustments on our consolidated statements of operations from inception through March 31, 2004 are as follows: an increase in site rental revenues of \$32.0 million; an increase in site rental costs of operations of \$91.7 million; an increase in depreciation expense of \$161.8 million; an increase in operating losses of \$221.5 million; an increase in other expense (attributable to the loss on the issuance of an interest in the Crown Atlantic joint venture) of \$3.1 million; an increase in minority interests of \$40.7 million; and an increase in net losses of \$184.0 million. These adjustments have no effect on our credit (provision) for income taxes since the net impact on deferred tax assets and liabilities is offset by changes in valuation allowances. The net impact of the accounting correction will generally be to accelerate ground lease expense (as such expenses are straight-lined over a period that equals or exceeds the remaining depreciable life of the tower, along with periods covered by tenant renewal options) and depreciation expense and, to a lesser extent, site rental revenues (as such revenues are only straight-lined over the current lease term, without regard to renewal options that may be exercised by a tenant).

Historically, we have calculated straight-line ground lease expense (for leases with fixed escalation provisions) using the current lease term (typically five to ten years) without regard to renewal options. Further, we depreciated all tower assets over a 20-year useful life, without regard to the term of the underlying ground lease, because of our historical experience in successfully renewing ground leases prior to expiration. As a result of this accounting adjustment, we now calculate our straight-line ground lease expense using a time period that equals or exceeds the remaining depreciable life of the tower asset. Further, when a tenant has exercisable renewal options that would compel us to exercise existing ground lease renewal options, we have straight-lined the ground lease expense over a sufficient portion of such ground lease renewals to coincide with the final termination of the tenant's renewal options. We have also shortened the depreciable lives of certain tower assets that have ground lease expirations prior to the end of their useful life. When calculating our straight-line site rental revenues, we now consider all fixed elements of a tenant lease's escalation provisions, even if such escalation provisions also include a variable element. In addition, (1) certain issuance costs from prior financing transactions have been charged to other expense or included with dividends on preferred stock, (2) certain foreign currency translation adjustments have been charged to a prior year's results of operations and (3) certain adjustments have been made to deferred income tax provisions. See Note 1 to our consolidated financial statements for additional information regarding the restatement.

#### ***Results of Operations***

Edgar Filing: CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP - Form 10-Q/A

The following information is derived from our historical Consolidated Statements of Operations for the periods indicated.

	Three Months Ended		Three Months Ended	
	March 31, 2003		March 31, 2004	
	Percent		Percent	
	of Net		of Net	
	Amount	Revenues	Amount	Revenues
	(As restated)		(As restated)	
	(In thousands of dollars)			
<b>Net revenues:</b>				
Site rental and broadcast transmission	\$ 186,515	85.4%	\$ 220,588	88.3%
Network services and other	31,764	14.6	29,110	11.7
<b>Total net revenues</b>	<b>218,279</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>249,698</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Operating expenses:</b>				
<b>Costs of operations:</b>				
Site rental and broadcast transmission	77,410	41.5	86,577	39.2
Network services and other	24,942	78.5	25,316	87.0
<b>Total costs of operations</b>	<b>102,352</b>	<b>46.9</b>	<b>111,893</b>	<b>44.8</b>
General and administrative	22,192	10.2	23,643	9.4
Corporate development	1,620	0.7	439	0.2
Restructuring charges (credits)			(33)	
Asset write-down charges			1,948	0.8
Non-cash general and administrative compensation charges	2,431	1.1	2,696	1.1
Depreciation, amortization and accretion	89,461	41.0	94,441	37.8
<b>Operating income</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>14,671</b>	<b>5.9</b>
<b>Other income (expense):</b>				
Interest and other income (expense)	(1,642)	(0.7)	(25,216)	(10.1)
Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs	(72,638)	(33.3)	(59,506)	(23.8)
<b>Loss before income taxes, minority interests and cumulative effect of change in accounting principle</b>	<b>(74,057)</b>	<b>(33.9)</b>	<b>(70,051)</b>	<b>(28.0)</b>
Provision for income taxes	(4,466)	(2.1)	(6,455)	(2.6)
Minority interests	1,543	0.7	(131)	(0.1)
<b>Loss before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle</b>	<b>(76,980)</b>	<b>(35.3)</b>	<b>(76,637)</b>	<b>(30.7)</b>
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle for asset retirement obligations	(2,035)	(0.9)		
<b>Net loss</b>	<b>\$ (79,015)</b>	<b>(36.2)%</b>	<b>\$ (76,637)</b>	<b>(30.7)%</b>

**Table of Contents**

*Comparison of Three Months Ended March 31, 2004 and 2003*

Site rental and broadcast transmission revenues for the three months ended March 31, 2004 were \$220.6 million, an increase of \$34.1 million, or 18.3%, from the three months ended March 31, 2003. Of this increase, \$9.3 million was attributable to CCUSA, \$19.3 million was attributable to CCUK, \$2.3 million was attributable to CCAL and \$3.1 million was attributable to Crown Atlantic. Network services and other revenues for the three months ended March 31, 2004 were \$29.1 million, a decrease of \$2.7 million from the three months ended March 31, 2003. This decrease was primarily attributable to:

- (1) a \$1.5 million decrease in network services and other revenues from CCUSA,
- (2) a \$0.4 million decrease in network services and other revenues from CCUK and
- (3) a \$1.2 million decrease in network services and other revenues from Crown Atlantic, partially offset by
- (4) a \$0.4 million increase in network services and other revenues from CCAL.

Total revenues for the three months ended March 31, 2004 were \$249.7 million, a net increase of \$31.4 million from the three months ended March 31, 2003. The increases in site rental and broadcast transmission revenues reflect the new tenant additions on our tower sites and contractual escalations on existing leases. The increases or decreases in network services and other revenues reflect fluctuations in demand for antenna installations from our tenants. We expect that network services and other revenues may continue to decline as a percentage of total revenues for CCUSA and Crown Atlantic.

Site rental and broadcast transmission costs of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2004 were \$86.6 million, an increase of \$9.2 million from the three months ended March 31, 2003. This increase was primarily attributable to cost increases of \$9.3 million for CCUK and \$1.4 million for CCAL, partially offset by cost decreases of \$1.2 million for CCUSA and \$0.4 million for Crown Atlantic. Network services and other costs of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2004 were \$25.3 million, an increase of \$0.4 million from the three months ended March 31, 2003. This increase was primarily attributable to:

- (1) a \$1.0 million increase in network services and other costs of operations from CCUK and
- (2) a \$0.2 million increase in network services and other costs of operations from CCAL, partially offset by
- (3) a \$0.7 million decrease in network services and other costs of operations from CCUSA and
- (4) a \$0.1 million decrease in network services and other costs of operations from Crown Atlantic.

Total costs of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2004 were \$111.9 million, a net increase of \$9.5 million from the three months ended March 31, 2003. Gross margins (net revenues less costs of operations) for site rental and broadcast transmission as a percentage of site rental and broadcast transmission revenues increased to 60.8% for the three months ended March 31, 2004 from 58.5% for the three months ended March 31, 2003, because of higher margins from the CCUSA and Crown Atlantic operations, partially offset by lower margins from the

## Edgar Filing: CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP - Form 10-Q/A

CCUK and CCAL operations. Gross margins for network services and other as a percentage of network services and other revenues decreased to 13.0% for the three months ended March 31, 2004 from 21.5% for the three months ended March 31, 2003 because of lower margins from the CCUSA, CCUK and Crown Atlantic operations.

The growth of CCUK's operations relative to CCUSA and Crown Atlantic has increased the impact that CCUK's margins have on our consolidated results, and CCUK's margins tend to be lower than our U.S. businesses due to the higher costs associated with our U.K. broadcast business and the costs from the revenue sharing component of leases for land and rooftop sites in the U.K. Such costs for revenue sharing will increase on certain sites to be developed in the future under agreements with British Telecom that were amended in 2003. The amended agreements increase British Telecom's share of the revenue from co-located tenants to 60% on sites developed after October 1, 2003, in exchange for British Telecom waiving future site access fees and funding the common area capital expenditures required to develop such sites.

**Table of Contents**

General and administrative expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2004 were \$23.6 million, an increase of \$1.5 million from the three months ended March 31, 2003. This increase was primarily attributable to:

- (1) a \$0.4 million increase in expenses at CCUK,
- (2) a \$0.7 million increase in expenses at CCAL, and
- (3) a \$1.0 million increase in expenses at our corporate office segment, partially offset by
- (4) a \$0.4 million decrease in expenses related to the CCUSA operations, and
- (5) a \$0.2 million decrease in expenses at Crown Atlantic.

General and administrative expenses as a percentage of revenues decreased to 9.5% for the three months ended March 31, 2004 from 10.2% for the three months ended March 31, 2003, primarily because of lower overhead costs as a percentage of revenues for CCUSA, CCUK and Crown Atlantic.

Corporate development expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2004 were \$0.4 million, compared to \$1.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2003. This decrease was primarily attributable to a decrease in salary costs allocated to corporate activities.

During the three months ended March 31, 2004, we recorded asset write-down charges of \$1.9 million. Such non-cash charges related to the abandonment or disposal of certain tower sites.

For the three months ended March 31, 2004, we recorded non-cash general and administrative compensation charges of \$2.7 million related to the issuance of stock and stock options to certain employees and executives, compared to \$2.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2003. On April 27, 2004, the market performance of our common stock reached the third (and final) target level for accelerated vesting of the restricted common shares that had been issued during the first quarter of 2003. This third target level was reached when the market price of our common stock closed at or above \$12.45 per share (150% of the second target level of \$8.30 per share) for twenty consecutive trading days. As a result, the restrictions expired with respect to the final third of such outstanding shares during the second quarter of 2004. The acceleration of the vesting for these shares will result in the recognition of non-cash general and administrative compensation charges of approximately \$5.4 million for the second quarter of 2004.

Depreciation, amortization and accretion for the three months ended March 31, 2004 was \$94.4 million, an increase of \$5.0 million from the three months ended March 31, 2003. This increase was primarily attributable to:

- (1) a \$4.7 million increase in depreciation related to property and equipment from CCUK, and
- (2) a \$1.1 million increase in depreciation related to property and equipment from CCAL, partially offset by

- (3) a \$0.6 million decrease in depreciation related to property and equipment from CCUSA, and
- (4) a \$0.2 million decrease in depreciation related to property and equipment from Crown Atlantic.

Interest and other income (expense) for the three months ended March 31, 2004 resulted primarily from:

- (1) losses of approximately \$24.4 million from purchases of our debt securities (see [Liquidity and Capital Resources](#) ) and
- (2) approximately \$1.2 million from our share of losses incurred by unconsolidated affiliates, partially offset by
- (3) interest income and foreign exchange gains from invested cash balances.

## **Table of Contents**

Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs for the three months ended March 31, 2004 was \$59.5 million, a decrease of \$13.1 million, or 18.1%, from the three months ended March 31, 2003. This decrease was primarily attributable to:

- (1) purchases and redemptions of our debt securities in 2003 and 2004 (see [Liquidity and Capital Resources](#) ), and
- (2) reductions in outstanding bank indebtedness at Crown Atlantic, partially offset by
- (3) the issuance of the 4% senior notes, the 7.5% senior notes and the 7.5% Series B senior notes in 2003, and
- (4) an increase in outstanding bank indebtedness at CCUSA, the proceeds of which were used to retire CCUK's indebtedness and purchase certain of our public debt and preferred stock.

The provision for income taxes of \$6.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2004 consists primarily of non-cash deferred tax liabilities recognized by CCUK and CCUSA. CCUK's deferred tax liability resulted from differences between book and tax basis for its property and equipment. CCUSA's deferred tax liability resulted from a difference between the book and tax basis of its goodwill.

Minority interests represent the minority partner's interest in Crown Atlantic's operations (43.1% through April 30, 2003 and 37.245% since May 1, 2003), the minority partner's interest in the operations of the Crown Castle GT joint venture (17.8% through April 30, 2003) and the minority shareholder's 22.4% interest in the CCAL operations.

## **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Since inception, we have generally funded our activities, other than acquisitions and investments, through cash provided by operations, excess proceeds from contributions of equity capital and borrowings under our senior credit facilities. We have financed acquisitions and investments with the proceeds from equity contributions, borrowings under our senior credit facilities and issuances of debt securities.

Our goal is to maximize net cash from operating activities and fund all capital spending and debt service from our operating cash flow, without reliance on additional borrowing or the use of our cash. However, due to the risk factors outlined below (see [Factors that Could Affect Future Results](#) ), there can be no assurance that this will be possible. As part of our strategy to achieve increases in net cash from operating activities, we seek to lower our interest expense by reducing outstanding debt balances or lowering interest rates. Such reductions can be made either by using a portion of our existing cash balances to purchase our debt securities, or with attractive refinancing opportunities.

Our business strategy contemplates substantial capital expenditures, although significantly reduced from previous years' levels, in connection with the further improvement, maintenance and selective expansion of our existing tower portfolios. During 2004, we expect that the majority of our discretionary capital expenditures will occur at CCUK in connection with the development of the sites acquired from British Telecom, selected expansion of certain broadcast infrastructure for additional services and additional site improvements.

## Edgar Filing: CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP - Form 10-Q/A

A summary of our net cash provided by operating activities and capital expenditures (both amounts from our consolidated statement of cash flows) is as follows:

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>	
	<b>March 31,</b>	
	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>
	<b>(In thousands of dollars)</b>	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 5,932	\$ 26,917
Capital expenditures	52,849	19,448

The increase in net cash from operating activities for the three months ended March 31, 2004 as compared to the three months ended March 31, 2003 is largely due to growth in our core site leasing and broadcast business and a decrease in cash interest paid, partially offset by the continued decline in our network services business. Changes in



## Table of Contents

working capital, and particularly changes in accrued interest, can have a dramatic impact on our net cash from operating activities for interim periods, largely due to the timing of interest payments on our various senior notes issues. The decrease in capital expenditures for the three months ended March 31, 2004 as compared to the three months ended March 31, 2003 is primarily due to the payment of approximately \$33.2 million in site access fees to British Telecom in March of 2003.

For the year ending December 31, 2004, we currently expect that our net cash provided by operating activities will be between approximately \$240.0 million and \$250.0 million. We expect that our net cash from operating activities will be positively impacted by continued growth in our core site leasing and broadcast business in 2004, but we do not expect to benefit from improvements in working capital to the same extent as in 2003. For the year ending December 31, 2004, we currently expect that our cash interest payments will total approximately \$216.4 million, compared to approximately \$213.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2003.

Capital expenditures were \$19.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2004, of which \$5.6 million were for CCUSA, \$12.7 million were for CCUK, \$0.3 million were for CCAL, \$0.7 million were for Crown Atlantic and \$0.2 million were for CCIC. For the year ending December 31, 2004, we currently expect that our total capital expenditures will be between approximately \$70.0 million and \$90.0 million, of which approximately \$20.0 million to \$40.0 million will be for tower and rooftop improvements and enhancements to their structural capacity in order to support additional leasing, and approximately \$40.0 million will be for other activities. As such, we expect that our capital expenditures for this period will be fully funded by net cash from operating activities, as discussed above. Our decisions regarding the construction of new towers are discretionary, and depend upon expectations of achieving acceptable rates of return given current market conditions. Such decisions are influenced by the availability of capital and expected returns on alternative investments.

To fund the execution of our business strategy, we expect to use our available cash balances and cash provided by future operations. We do not currently expect to utilize further borrowings available under our U.S. credit facilities in any significant amounts. We may have additional cash needs to fund our operations in the future should our financial performance deteriorate. We may also have additional cash needs in the future if additional tower acquisitions, build-to-suit or other opportunities arise. If we do not otherwise have cash available, or borrowings under our credit facilities have otherwise been utilized, when our cash need arises, we would be forced to seek additional debt or equity financing or to forego the opportunity. In the event we determine to seek additional debt or equity financing, there can be no assurance that any such financing will be available, on commercially acceptable terms or at all, or permitted by the terms of our existing indebtedness.

As of March 31, 2004, we had consolidated cash and cash equivalents of \$171.5 million (including \$23.6 million at CCUSA, \$20.5 million at CCUK, \$15.0 million at CCAL, \$6.3 million at Crown Atlantic, \$81.4 million in an unrestricted investment subsidiary and \$24.6 million at CCIC), consolidated long-term debt of \$3,185.3 million, consolidated redeemable preferred stock of \$507.0 million and consolidated stockholders' equity of \$1,769.3 million.

For the three months ended March 31, 2003 and 2004, our net cash used for financing activities was \$35.4 million and \$286.1 million, respectively. The amount for 2004 is largely due to financing transactions we have completed in an effort to lower our future cash interest payments and simplify our capital structure. Following is a summary of significant financing transactions completed in 2004.

On December 5, 2003, we commenced cash tender offers and consent solicitations for all of our outstanding 9% senior notes and 9½% senior notes. On December 31, 2003, in accordance with the terms of the tender offers, the purchase prices for the tendered notes (excluding accrued interest through the purchase date) were determined to be 107.112% of the outstanding principal amount for the 9% senior notes and 109.140% of the outstanding principal amount for the 9½% senior notes. Such purchase prices include a consent payment of \$20.00 for each \$1,000 principal amount of the tendered notes. On January 7, 2004, we (1) utilized approximately \$147.0 million of our cash to purchase the \$135.6 million in outstanding principal amount of the tendered 9% senior notes, including accrued interest thereon of \$1.8 million, and (2) utilized approximately \$124.0 million of our cash to purchase the \$109.5 million in outstanding principal amount of the tendered 9½% senior notes,

Edgar Filing: CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP - Form 10-Q/A

including accrued interest thereon of \$4.5 million. The purchase of the tendered 9% senior notes resulted in a loss of \$12.5 million for the first quarter of 2004, consisting of the write-off of unamortized deferred financing costs (\$2.8 million) and the excess of the total

## Table of Contents

purchase price over the carrying value of the tendered notes (\$9.7 million). The purchase of the tendered 9½% senior notes resulted in a loss of \$11.7 million for the first quarter of 2004, consisting of the write-off of unamortized deferred financing costs (\$1.7 million) and the excess of the total purchase price over the carrying value of the tendered notes (\$10.0 million). Such losses are included in interest and other income (expense) on our consolidated statement of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2004. The 9% senior notes and 9½% senior notes that were tendered through December 31, 2003 have been classified as current maturities of long-term debt on our consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2003. Upon completion of these tender offers, the outstanding balances for the 9% senior notes and the 9½% senior notes were \$26.1 million and \$4.8 million, respectively.

In January of 2004, we (1) utilized approximately \$1.6 million of our cash to purchase \$1.5 million in outstanding principle amount at maturity of our 10<sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>% discount notes and (2) utilized approximately \$1.0 million of our cash to purchase \$1.0 million in outstanding principle amount at maturity of our 11<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>% discount notes, both in public market transactions. The debt purchases resulted in losses of \$0.2 million that are included in interest and other income (expense) on our consolidated statement of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2004.

During the three months ended March 31, 2004, Crown Atlantic repaid \$15.0 million in outstanding borrowings under its credit facility. Crown Atlantic utilized cash provided by its operations to effect this repayment. In February of 2004, Crown Atlantic amended its credit facility to reduce the available borrowings from \$301.1 million to \$250.0 million.

In March of 2004, we paid our quarterly dividends on the 8¼% convertible preferred stock by issuing a total of 0.3 million shares of our common stock. As allowed by the Deposit Agreement relating to dividend payments on the 8¼% convertible preferred stock, we repurchased the 0.3 million shares of common stock from the dividend paying agent for a total of \$4.1 million in cash. We utilized cash from an unrestricted investment subsidiary to effect the stock repurchase. We may choose to continue such issuances and repurchases of stock in the future in order to avoid further dilution caused by the issuance of common stock as dividends on our preferred stock.

In April of 2004, the restrictions expired with respect to the final third of the outstanding restricted common shares that had been issued during the first quarter of 2003 (see *Results of Operations* ). Substantially all of the executives and employees elected to sell a portion of their vested shares in order to pay their respective minimum withholding tax liabilities, and we arranged to purchase these shares in order to facilitate the stock sales. We purchased approximately 0.6 million of such shares of common stock (at a price of \$14.92 per share) for a total of \$8.8 million in cash. We utilized cash from an unrestricted investment subsidiary to effect the stock purchase.

We seek to allocate our available capital among the investment alternatives that provide the greatest risk-adjusted returns given current market conditions. As such, we may continue to (1) acquire sites, build new towers and make improvements to existing towers and (2) make investments in emerging businesses that are complementary to our core site leasing and broadcast businesses when the expected returns from such investments meet our investment return criteria. In addition, we may continue to utilize a portion of our available cash balances to purchase our own stock (either common or preferred) or debt securities from time to time as market prices make such investments attractive.

As of April 30, 2004, our restricted U.S., U.K. and Australian subsidiaries had approximately \$332.5 million of unused borrowing availability under the amended 2000 credit facility. As of April 30, 2004, Crown Atlantic had unused borrowing availability under its amended credit facility of approximately \$70.0 million. Our credit facilities require our subsidiaries to maintain certain financial covenants and place restrictions on the ability of our subsidiaries to, among other things, incur debt and liens, pay dividends, make capital expenditures, undertake transactions with affiliates and make investments. These facilities also limit the ability of the borrowing subsidiaries to pay dividends to CCIC.

## Edgar Filing: CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP - Form 10-Q/A

The primary factors that determine our subsidiaries' ability to comply with their debt covenants are (1) their current financial performance (as defined in the credit agreements), (2) their levels of indebtedness and (3) their debt service requirements. Since we do not currently expect that our subsidiaries will need to utilize significant additional borrowings under their credit facilities, the primary risk of a debt covenant violation would result from a deterioration of a subsidiary's financial performance. In addition, the credit facilities will require that financial

## Table of Contents

performance increase in future years as covenant calculations become more restrictive. Should a covenant violation occur in the future as a result of a shortfall in financial performance (or for any other reason), we might be required to make principal payments earlier than currently scheduled and may not have access to additional borrowings under these facilities as long as the covenant violation continues. Any such early principal payments would have to be made from our existing cash balances.

As a holding company, CCIC will require distributions or dividends from its subsidiaries, or will be forced to use its remaining cash balances, to fund its debt obligations, including interest payments on the notes. The terms of the indebtedness of our subsidiaries limit their ability to distribute cash to CCIC. Subject to certain financial covenants, the terms of the amended 2000 credit facility permit the distribution of funds to CCIC in order for it to pay (1) up to \$17.5 million of its annual corporate overhead expenses and (2) interest payments on its existing indebtedness. There can be no assurance, however, that our subsidiaries will generate sufficient cash from their operations to make all of such permitted distributions. As a result, we could be required to apply a portion of our remaining cash to fund interest payments on the notes. If we do not retain sufficient funds or raise additional funds from any future financing, we may not be able to make our interest payments on the notes.

If we are unable to refinance our indebtedness or renegotiate the terms of such debt prior to maturity, we may not be able to meet our debt service requirements, including interest payments on the notes, in the future. Our 4% senior notes, our 9% senior notes, our 9½% senior notes, our 10¾% senior notes, our 9<sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>% senior notes, our 7.5% senior notes and our 7.5% Series B senior notes require annual cash interest payments of approximately \$9.2 million, \$2.4 million, \$0.5 million, \$46.1 million, \$38.2 million, \$22.5 million and \$22.5 million, respectively. Prior to May 15, 2004 and August 1, 2004, the interest expense on our 10<sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>% discount notes and our 11¼% discount notes, respectively, will be comprised solely of the amortization of original issue discount. Thereafter, the 10<sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>% discount notes and the 11¼% discount notes will require annual cash interest payments of approximately \$1.2 million and \$1.2 million, respectively. In addition, our credit facilities require periodic interest payments on amounts borrowed thereunder, which amounts are substantial.

We have issued letters of credit to various landlords, insurers and other parties in connection with certain contingent retirement obligations under various tower site land leases and certain other contractual obligations. The letters of credit were issued through one of CCUSA's lenders in amounts aggregating \$13.8 million and expire on various dates through October 2005.

Our ability to make scheduled payments of principal of, or to pay interest on, our debt obligations, and our ability to refinance any such debt obligations, will depend on our future performance, which, to a certain extent, is subject to general economic, financial, competitive, legislative, regulatory and other factors that are beyond our control. In addition, our ability to refinance any indebtedness in the future would depend in part on our maintaining adequate credit ratings from the commercial rating agencies. Such credit ratings are dependent on all the liquidity and performance factors discussed above, as well as general expectations that the rating agencies have regarding the outlook for our business and our industry. We anticipate that we may need to refinance a substantial portion of our indebtedness on or prior to its scheduled maturity. There can be no assurance that we will be able to effect any required refinancings of our indebtedness on commercially reasonable terms or at all.

### *Reporting Requirements Under the Indentures Governing the Company's Debt Securities (the Indentures)*

The following information (as such capitalized terms are defined in the Indentures) is presented solely as a requirement of the Indentures; such information is not intended as an alternative measure of financial position, operating results or cash flow from operations (as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles). Furthermore, our measure of the following information may not be comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies.

**Table of Contents**

Summarized financial information for (1) CCIC and our Restricted Subsidiaries and (2) our Unrestricted Subsidiaries is as follows:

	March 31, 2004			
	Company			
	and Restricted	Unrestricted	Consolidation	Consolidated
	Subsidiaries	Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Total
	(As restated)	(As restated)	(As restated)	(As restated)
	(In thousands of dollars)			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 83,744	\$ 87,741	\$	\$ 171,485
Other current assets	173,907	7,077		180,984
Property and equipment, net	3,872,180	656,702		4,528,882
Investments in Unrestricted Subsidiaries	479,180		(479,180)	
Goodwill	1,183,423	55,377		1,238,800
Deferred site rental receivable	78,099	2,386		80,485
Other assets, net	72,292	39,201		111,493
	<u>\$ 5,942,825</u>	<u>\$ 848,484</u>	<u>\$ (479,180)</u>	<u>\$ 6,312,129</u>
Current liabilities	\$ 377,013	\$ 19,859	\$	\$ 396,872
Long-term debt, less current maturities	2,958,866	180,000		3,138,866
Deferred ground lease payable	81,717	21,455		103,172
Other liabilities	214,937	4,653		219,590
Minority interests	33,916	143,337		177,253
Redeemable preferred stock	507,037			507,037
Stockholders' equity	1,769,339	479,180	(479,180)	1,769,339
	<u>\$ 5,942,825</u>	<u>\$ 848,484</u>	<u>\$ (479,180)</u>	<u>\$ 6,312,129</u>

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2004			
	Company			
	and Restricted	Unrestricted	Consolidated	
	Subsidiaries	Subsidiaries	Total	
	(As restated)	(As restated)	(As restated)	
	(In thousands of dollars)			
Net revenues	\$ 220,098	\$ 29,600	\$ 249,698	
Costs of operations (exclusive of depreciation, amortization and accretion)	100,165	11,728	111,893	
General and administrative	20,521	3,122	23,643	
Corporate development	439		439	
Restructuring charges (credits)	(33)		(33)	
Asset write-down charges	1,768	180	1,948	
Non-cash general and administrative compensation charges	2,522	174	2,696	
Depreciation, amortization and accretion	81,959	12,482	94,441	

Edgar Filing: CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP - Form 10-Q/A

Operating income	12,757	1,914	14,671
Interest and other income (expense)	(23,876)	(1,340)	(25,216)
Interest expense and amortization of deferred financing costs	(56,826)	(2,680)	(59,506)
Provision for income taxes	(6,455)		(6,455)
Minority interests	1,543	(1,674)	(131)
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Net loss	\$ (72,857)	\$ (3,780)	\$ (76,637)
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

Tower Cash Flow and Adjusted Consolidated Cash Flow for CCIC and our Restricted Subsidiaries is as follows under the indentures governing the 4% senior notes, the 10<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>% senior notes, the 9<sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>% senior notes, the 7.5% senior notes and the 7.5% Series B senior notes:

**Table of Contents**

	(As restated) (In thousands  of dollars)
Tower Cash Flow, for the three months ended March 31, 2004	\$ 108,457
Consolidated Cash Flow, for the twelve months ended March 31, 2004	\$ 369,048
Less: Tower Cash Flow, for the twelve months ended March 31, 2004	(397,499)
Plus: four times Tower Cash Flow, for the three months ended March 31, 2004	433,828
Adjusted Consolidated Cash Flow, for the twelve months ended March 31, 2004	\$ 405,377

*Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Standards*

In January 2003, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (the FASB) issued FASB Interpretation No. 46, *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities* (FIN 46). In December 2003, the FASB issued a revised version of FIN 46. FIN 46 clarifies existing accounting literature regarding the consolidation of entities in which a company holds a controlling financial interest. A majority voting interest in an entity has generally been considered indicative of a controlling financial interest. FIN 46 specifies other factors (variable interests) which must be considered when determining whether a company holds a controlling financial interest in, and therefore must consolidate, an entity (variable interest entities). The provisions of FIN 46, as revised, are effective for the first reporting period ending after March 15, 2004. We adopted the provisions of FIN 46 as of March 31, 2004, and such adoption did not have a significant effect on our consolidated financial statements.

In December 2003, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 132 (revised 2003), *Employers' Disclosures about Pensions and Other Postretirement Benefits* (SFAS 132(R)). SFAS 132(R) revises the required disclosures about pension plans and other postretirement benefit plans. SFAS 132(R) replaces Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 132, *Employers' Disclosures about Pensions and Other Postretirement Benefits* (which was originally issued in February 1998), but retains its disclosure requirements. SFAS 132(R) requires additional disclosures about the assets, obligations, cash flows and net periodic benefit cost of defined benefit pension plans, and requires that certain disclosures be included in interim financial statements. SFAS 132(R) applies to our disclosures for CCUK's defined benefit plan. The provisions of SFAS 132(R) are generally effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2003; however, many of the new disclosure requirements for information about foreign plans, as well as information about future benefit payments, do not become effective until fiscal years ending after June 15, 2004. The interim-period disclosure requirements of SFAS 132(R) are effective for interim periods beginning after December 15, 2003. We have adopted the annual reporting requirements of SFAS 132(R) as of December 31, 2003, except for the disclosure about future benefit payments. We will provide such disclosure about future benefit payments as of December 31, 2004. We have adopted the interim-period reporting requirements as of March 31, 2004.

*Factors That Could Affect Future Results*

The following factors could affect our future results or cause actual results to vary materially from those described in our forward-looking statements:

Our substantial level of indebtedness may adversely affect our ability to react to changes in our business and limit our ability to use debt to fund future capital needs.



## Edgar Filing: CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP - Form 10-Q/A

Restrictive covenants on our debt instruments may limit our ability to take actions that may be in our best interests. If we fail to comply with our covenants, our debt may be accelerated.

Our business depends on the demand for wireless communications and towers, and we may be adversely affected by any slowdown in such demand.

The loss, consolidation, network sharing or financial instability of any of our limited number of customers may materially decrease revenues.

An economic or wireless telecommunications industry slowdown may materially and adversely affect our business and the business of our customers.

We operate in a competitive industry and some of our competitors have significantly more resources or less debt than we do.

Technology changes may significantly reduce the demand for site leases and negatively impact our revenues.

**Table of Contents**

2.5G/3G and other technologies, including digital terrestrial television, may not deploy or be adopted by customers as rapidly or in the manner projected.

We generally lease or sublease the land under our sites and towers and may not be able to maintain these leases.

Our international operations expose us to changes in foreign currency exchange rates.

We may need additional financing, which may not be available, for strategic growth opportunities or contractual obligations.

Fluctuations in market interest rates may increase interest expense relating to our floating rate indebtedness.

Laws and regulations, which may change at any time and with which we may fail to comply, regulate our business.

Our network services business has historically experienced significant volatility in demand, which reduces the predictability of our results.

We are heavily dependent on our senior management.

We may suffer from future claims if radio frequency emissions from equipment on our sites and towers are demonstrated to cause negative health effects.

Certain provisions of our certificate of incorporation, bylaws and operative agreements and domestic and international competition laws may make it more difficult for a third party to acquire control of us or for us to acquire control of a third party, even if such a change in control would be beneficial to our stockholders.

Sales or issuances of a substantial number of shares of our common stock may adversely affect the market price of our common stock.

Disputes with customers and suppliers may adversely affect results.

Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may vary materially from those expected. More information about potential factors which could affect our results is included in the Risk Factors sections of our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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

As a result of our international operating, investing and financing activities, we are exposed to market risks, which include changes in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates which may adversely affect our results of operations and financial position. In attempting to minimize the risks and/or costs associated with such activities, we seek to manage exposure to changes in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates where economically prudent to do so.

Certain of the financial instruments we have used to obtain capital are subject to market risks from fluctuations in market interest rates. The majority of our financial instruments, however, are long-term fixed interest rate notes and debentures. A fluctuation in market interest rates of one percentage point in 2004 would impact our interest expense by approximately \$13.9 million. As of March 31, 2004, we have approximately \$1,467.0 million of floating rate indebtedness, of which \$75.6 million has been effectively converted to fixed rate indebtedness through the use of an interest rate swap agreement.

The majority of our foreign currency transactions are denominated in the British pound sterling or the Australian dollar, which are the functional currencies of CCUK and CCAL, respectively. As a result of CCUK's and CCAL's transactions being denominated and settled in such functional currencies, the risks associated with currency fluctuations are primarily associated with foreign currency translation adjustments. However, since we are now able to access cash distributions from CCUK upon its inclusion in our restricted borrowing group, we are subject to currency fluctuations on any such amounts distributed. We do not currently hedge against foreign currency translation risks and do not currently believe that foreign currency exchange risk is significant to our operations.

The foreign currency exchange rates used to translate the 2003 and 2004 financial statements for CCUK and CCAL were as follows:

	CCUK	CCAL
	<u>(British pound sterling)</u>	<u>(Australian dollar)</u>
Average exchange rate for:		
January 2003	\$1.6175	\$0.5829
February 2003	1.6079	0.5956
March 2003	1.5825	0.6015
January 2004	1.8255	0.7717
February 2004	1.8673	0.7770
March 2004	1.8400	0.7496
Ending exchange rate for:		
December 2003	1.7842	0.7520
March 2004	1.8261	0.7620

**Table of Contents****ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

The Company conducted an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on this evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective in alerting them in a timely manner to material information relating to the Company required to be included in the Company's periodic reports under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Subsequent to the period covered by this report, management concluded that the Company's previously established lease accounting practices were not appropriate under U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and determined that the Company's annual site rental revenue, ground rent, and depreciation expense over the last several years had been understated. Accordingly, on February 15, 2005, the Company determined to restate certain of its previously issued financial statements to reflect the correction in the Company's lease accounting practices. The restatement is further described in note 1 to the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements included in this quarterly report on Form 10-Q/A. These corrections were attributed to a material weakness in the Company's internal control relative to the selection, monitoring, and review of assumptions and factors affecting lease and depreciation accounting practices as of December 31, 2004, resulting in an error in the Company's application of U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Based on that evaluation, the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were not effective as of March 31, 2004 to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms.

There have been no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting during the fiscal quarter covered by this report that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting. However, since December 31, 2004, the Company remediated the material weakness in the Company's disclosure controls by implementing additional review procedures over the selection and monitoring of the appropriate assumptions and factors affecting lease accounting.

**PART II OTHER INFORMATION****ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS****Purchases of Equity Securities**

The following table summarizes information with respect to purchases of our equity securities during the first quarter of 2004:

<u>Period</u>	<u>Total Number of Shares Purchased</u>	<u>Average Price Paid per Share</u>	<u>Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs</u>	<u>Maximum Number (or Approximate Dollar Value) of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs</u>
January 1 - January 31, 2004		\$		

Edgar Filing: CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP - Form 10-Q/A

February 1 - February 29, 2004

March 1 - March 31, 2004 (1)	325,000	12.64		
<b>Total</b>	<b>325,000</b>			

- (1) In March 2004, we paid our quarterly dividends on the 8¼% convertible preferred stock by issuing a total of 325,000 shares of our common stock. As allowed by the Deposit Agreement relating to dividend payments on such preferred stock, on March 12, 2004, we purchased the 325,000 shares of common stock from the dividend paying agent in a private transaction. We may choose to continue issuances and purchases of stock in the future in order to offset dilution caused by the issuance of common stock as dividends on our preferred stock. See Note 5 to the consolidated financial statements in Item 1. Financial Statements .

**Table of Contents**

**ITEM 6. EXHIBITS AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K**

**(a) Exhibits:**

- 11.1 Computation of Net Loss Per Common Share
- 12.1 Computation of Ratios of Earnings to Fixed Charges and Earnings to Combined Fixed Charges and Preferred Stock Dividends
- 31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 32.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

**(b) Reports on Form 8-K:**

The Registrant filed a Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 24, 2003 with the SEC on January 6, 2004 reporting under Item 5 that following receipt of the requisite consents from holders of each of its 10<sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>% Senior Discount Notes due 2011 and its 11¼% Senior Discount Notes due 2011, obtained in connection with the Registrant's tender offer and consent solicitation in respect of such notes, the Registrant entered into a supplemental indenture relating to each of such notes.

The Registrant filed a Current Report on Form 8-K dated January 7, 2004 with the SEC on January 12, 2004 reporting under Item 5 that following receipt of the requisite consents from holders of each of its 9½% Senior Notes due 2011 and its 9% Senior Notes due 2011, obtained in connection with the Registrant's tender offer and consent solicitation in respect of such notes, the Registrant entered into a supplemental indenture relating to each of such notes.

The Registrant filed a Current Report on Form 8-K dated February 18, 2004 with the SEC on February 19, 2004 furnishing under Item 12 a press release dated February 18, 2004 disclosing the Company's financial results for the fourth quarter and year-ended 2003.

The Registrant filed a Current Report on Form 8-K dated March 1, 2004 with the SEC on March 2, 2004 furnishing under Item 12 a press release dated March 1, 2004 regarding moving the recognition of a loss related to the extinguishment of the tendered 9% and 9.5% Senior Notes from the fourth quarter of 2003 to the first quarter of 2004.

The Registrant filed a Current Report on Form 8-K dated April 14, 2004 with the SEC on April 15, 2004 furnishing under Item 12 a press release dated April 14, 2004 announcing that the Registrant had increased certain elements of its outlook for full year 2004.

**Table of Contents**

**SIGNATURES**

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

CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP.

Date: May 6, 2005

By: /s/ W. BENJAMIN MORELAND  
**W. Benjamin Moreland**  
  
**Executive Vice President and**  
  
**Chief Financial Officer**  
  
**(Principal Financial Officer)**

Date: May 6, 2005

By: /s/ ROB A. FISHER  
**Rob A. Fisher**  
  
**Vice President**  
  
**and Controller**  
  
**(Principal Accounting Officer)**