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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Epker Arthur G III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CHAMPIONS ONCOLOGY, INC.
[CSBR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/12/2013

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

C/O CHAMPIONS ONCOLOGY, INC., ONE UNIVERSITY PLAZA, SUITE 307

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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HACKENSACK, NJ 07601

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 1.26	12/12/2013		A	100,000	(1)	12/12/2018	Common Stock	100,000
Stock Options	\$ 1.26	12/12/2013		A	66,666	(2)	12/12/2018	Common Stock	66,666

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Epker Arthur G III C/O CHAMPIONS ONCOLOGY, INC. ONE UNIVERSITY PLAZA, SUITE 307 HACKENSACK, NJ 07601	X	X		

Signatures

/s/ Arthur G. Epker, III 12/26/2013

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The options vest and are exercisable over a seven month period, with vesting to occur on December 12, 2013, January 1, 2014, April 1, 2014 and July 1, 2014, respectively.
- (2) The options will vest immediately on the date of grant.

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(605)
(11,825)
Corporate and other (24,396)

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Total
\$
76,224

\$
51,050

\$
145,288

\$
89,171

Inventory impairment charges:

West Coast	\$4,992	\$2,579	\$8,136	\$7,153
Southwest	2,102	—	3,445	—
Central	—	—	—	787
Southeast	—	—	3,032	5,915
Total	\$7,094	\$2,579	\$14,613	\$13,855

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	Three Months Ended August 31, 2017		Nine Months Ended August 31, 2016	
Land option contract abandonments:				
West Coast	\$903	\$270	\$2,738	\$691
Southwest	—	142	—	253
Central	—	—	518	460
Southeast	116	61	253	1,499
Total	\$1,019	\$473	\$3,509	\$2,903
		August 31,	November 30,	
		2017	2016	
Inventories:				
Homes under construction				
West Coast		\$852,965	\$695,742	
Southwest		170,805	130,886	
Central		368,112	297,290	
Southeast		109,595	122,020	
Subtotal		1,501,477	1,245,938	
Land under development				
West Coast		698,736	820,088	
Southwest		280,754	268,507	
Central		432,448	456,508	
Southeast		172,540	182,554	
Subtotal		1,584,478	1,727,657	
Land held for future development or sale				
West Coast		222,327	210,910	
Southwest		111,220	122,927	
Central		14,496	15,439	
Southeast		79,796	80,357	
Subtotal		427,839	429,633	
Total		\$3,513,794	\$3,403,228	
Assets:				
West Coast	\$1,920,337	\$1,847,279		
Southwest	598,085	564,636		
Central	934,610	909,497		
Southeast	369,484	414,730		
Corporate and other	1,264,356	1,384,983		
Total	\$5,086,872	\$5,121,125		

3. Financial Services

The following tables present financial information relating to our financial services reporting segment (in thousands):

	Three Months		Nine Months	
	Ended August		Ended August	
	31,	31,	31,	2016
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Revenues				
Insurance commissions	\$1,897	\$1,897	\$4,515	\$4,844
Title services	1,317	1,275	3,766	3,545
Interest income	—	—	5	—
Total	3,214	3,172	8,286	8,389
Expenses				
General and administrative	(890)	(891)	(2,525)	(2,621)
Operating income	2,324	2,281	5,761	5,768
Equity in income (loss) of unconsolidated joint ventures	660	132	1,600	(652)
Pretax income	\$2,984	\$2,413	\$7,361	\$5,116
	August 31, November 30,			
	2017	2016		
Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 754	\$ 914		
Receivables	2,224	1,764		
Investments in unconsolidated joint ventures (a)	9,631	7,771		
Other assets	78	50		
Total assets	\$ 12,687	\$ 10,499		
Liabilities				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 1,535	\$ 2,003		
Total liabilities	\$ 1,535	\$ 2,003		

Our investments in unconsolidated joint ventures as of August 31, 2017 included a \$5.3 million capital contribution (a) we made to KBHS in the 2017 first quarter, and a \$5.0 million distribution we received from HCM in the 2017 second quarter.

4. Earnings Per Share

Basic and diluted earnings per share were calculated as follows (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Three Months		Nine Months	
	Ended August 31,		Ended August 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Numerator:				
Net income	\$50,208	\$39,363	\$96,249	\$68,087
Less: Distributed earnings allocated to nonvested restricted stock	(14)	(10)	(43)	(31)
Less: Undistributed earnings allocated to nonvested restricted stock	(307)	(180)	(602)	(296)
Numerator for basic earnings per share	49,887	39,173	95,604	67,760

	Three Months Ended August 31,		Nine Months Ended August 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Effect of dilutive securities:				
Interest expense and amortization of debt issuance costs associated with convertible senior notes, net of taxes	664	667	1,990	2,000
Add: Undistributed earnings allocated to nonvested restricted stock	307	180	602	296
Less: Undistributed earnings reallocated to nonvested restricted stock	(267)	(161)	(528)	(264)
Numerator for diluted earnings per share	\$50,591	\$39,859	\$97,668	\$69,792
Denominator:				
Weighted average shares outstanding — basic	85,974	84,457	85,517	85,952
Effect of dilutive securities:				
Share-based payments	4,536	2,344	3,705	2,083
Convertible senior notes	8,402	8,402	8,402	8,402
Weighted average shares outstanding — diluted	98,912	95,203	97,624	96,437
Basic earnings per share	\$.58	\$.46	\$1.12	\$.79
Diluted earnings per share	\$.51	\$.42	\$1.00	\$.72

We compute earnings per share using the two-class method, which is an allocation of earnings between the holders of common stock and a company's participating security holders. Our outstanding nonvested shares of restricted stock contain non-forfeitable rights to dividends and, therefore, are considered participating securities for purposes of computing earnings per share pursuant to the two-class method. We had no other participating securities at August 31, 2017 or August 31, 2016.

Outstanding options to purchase 2.5 million shares of our common stock were excluded from the diluted earnings per share calculations for the three-month and nine-month periods ended August 31, 2017, and outstanding options to purchase 6.6 million shares of our common stock were excluded from the diluted earnings per share calculations for the three-month and nine-month periods ended August 31, 2016 because the effect of their inclusion in each case would be antidilutive. Contingently issuable shares associated with outstanding performance-based restricted stock units (each, a "PSU") were not included in the basic earnings per share calculations for the periods presented, as the applicable vesting conditions had not been satisfied.

5. Receivables

Receivables consisted of the following (in thousands):

	August 31,	November 30,
	2017	2016
Due from utility companies, improvement districts and municipalities	\$ 111,267	\$ 102,780
Recoveries related to self-insurance claims	75,018	84,476
Refundable deposits and bonds	14,211	13,665
Recoveries related to warranty and other claims	5,202	14,609
Other	36,102	28,745
Subtotal	241,800	244,275
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(12,767)	(12,610)
Total	\$ 229,033	\$ 231,665

6. Inventories

Inventories consisted of the following (in thousands):

	August 31, 2017	November 30, 2016
Homes under construction	\$1,501,477	\$ 1,245,938
Land under development	1,584,478	1,727,657
Land held for future development or sale (a)	427,839	429,633
Total	\$3,513,794	\$ 3,403,228

(a) Land held for sale totaled \$56.1 million at August 31, 2017 and \$63.4 million at November 30, 2016.

Interest is capitalized to inventories while the related communities or land are being actively developed and until homes are completed or the land is available for immediate sale. Capitalized interest is amortized to construction and land costs as the related inventories are delivered to homebuyers or land buyers (as applicable). Interest and real estate taxes are not capitalized on land held for future development or sale.

Our interest costs were as follows (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended August 31,		Nine Months Ended August 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Capitalized interest at beginning of period	\$303,984	\$309,045	\$306,723	\$288,442
Interest incurred (a)	43,434	46,485	136,857	138,994
Interest expensed (a)	—	—	(6,307)	(5,667)
Interest amortized to construction and land costs (b)	(55,204)	(40,424)	(145,059)	(106,663)
Capitalized interest at end of period (c)	\$292,214	\$315,106	\$292,214	\$315,106

(a) Interest incurred and interest expensed for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 included a charge of \$5.7 million for the early extinguishment of debt.

Interest amortized to construction and land costs for the three months ended August 31, 2017 included \$.2 million related to land sales during the period. We had no land sale activity for the three months ended August 31, 2016.

(b) Interest amortized to construction and land costs for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016 included \$1.8 million and \$.5 million, respectively, related to land sales during those periods.

(c) Capitalized interest amounts presented in the table reflect the gross amount of capitalized interest, as inventory impairment charges recognized, if any, are not generally allocated to specific components of inventory.

7. Inventory Impairments and Land Option Contract Abandonments

Each community or land parcel in our owned inventory is assessed on a quarterly basis to determine if indicators of potential impairment exist. We record an inventory impairment charge on a community or land parcel that is active or held for future development when indicators of potential impairment exist and the carrying value of the real estate asset is greater than the undiscounted future net cash flows the asset is expected to generate. These real estate assets are written down to fair value, which is primarily determined based on the estimated future net cash flows discounted for inherent risk associated with each such asset, or other valuation techniques. We record an inventory impairment charge on land held for sale when the carrying value of a land parcel is greater than its fair value. These real estate assets are written down to fair value, less associated costs to sell. The estimated fair values of such assets are generally based on bona fide letters of intent from outside parties, executed sales contracts, broker quotes or similar information. We evaluated 49 and 43 communities or land parcels for recoverability during the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The carrying value of the communities or land parcels evaluated during the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016 was \$436.7 million and \$350.0 million, respectively. Some of the communities or land parcels evaluated during the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016 were evaluated in more than one quarterly period. Communities or land parcels evaluated for recoverability in more than one quarterly period were counted only once for each nine-month period.

The communities or land parcels evaluated during the nine months ended August 31, 2017 included certain communities or land parcels previously held for future development that were reactivated during 2016 or 2017 as part of our efforts to improve our asset efficiency under our returns-focused growth plan.

Based on the results of our evaluations, we recognized inventory impairment charges of \$7.1 million for the three months ended August 31, 2017 and \$14.6 million for the nine months ended August 31, 2017. For the three months and nine months ended August 31, 2016, we recognized inventory impairment charges of \$2.6 million and \$13.9 million, respectively. The inventory impairment charges for the three months and nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016 reflected our decisions to make changes in our operational strategies aimed at more quickly monetizing our investment in those communities or land parcels. The inventory impairment charges for the three months and nine months ended August 31, 2017 included one community in California where we decided to accelerate the overall pace for selling and delivering homes, primarily through lowering selling prices. In addition, the inventory impairment charges for these three-month and nine-month periods included two communities and six communities, respectively, where we decided to accelerate the overall pace for selling, building and delivering homes on land previously held for future development. The inventory impairment charges for the three months and nine months ended August 31, 2016 included two communities in California where we decided to accelerate the overall pace for selling, building and delivering homes, primarily through lowering selling prices. The inventory impairment charges for the nine months ended August 31, 2016 also included \$5.4 million associated with the sales of two land parcels in the Metro Washington, D.C. market as part of the wind down of our operations in that market, and \$5.2 million associated with one community in California and one in Florida where we decided to accelerate the overall timing for selling, building and delivering homes on land that was previously held for future development. The charges for the nine months ended August 31, 2016 also reflected the sales of our last remaining land parcels in the Rio Grande Valley area of Texas, which closed in the 2016 second quarter.

The following table summarizes ranges for significant quantitative unobservable inputs we utilized in our fair value measurements with respect to the impaired communities written down to fair value during the periods presented:

Unobservable Input (a)	Three Months Ended August 31,		Nine Months Ended August 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Average selling price	\$207,100 - \$1,576,500	\$351,600 - \$486,000	\$207,100 - \$1,576,500	\$280,100 - \$486,000
Deliveries per month	2 - 4	2 - 3	2 - 4	1 - 4
Discount rate	17% - 18%	17%	17% - 18%	17% - 20%

(a) The ranges of inputs used in each period primarily reflect differences between the housing markets where each impacted community is located, rather than fluctuations in prevailing market conditions.

As of August 31, 2017, the aggregate carrying value of our inventory that had been impacted by inventory impairment charges was \$209.1 million, representing 26 communities and various other land parcels. As of November 30, 2016, the aggregate carrying value of our inventory that had been impacted by inventory impairment charges was \$215.3 million, representing 28 communities and various other land parcels.

Our inventory controlled under land option contracts and other similar contracts is assessed on a quarterly basis to determine whether it continues to meet our investment return standards. When a decision is made not to exercise certain land option contracts and other similar contracts due to market conditions and/or changes in our marketing strategy, we write off the related inventory costs, including non-refundable deposits and unrecoverable pre-acquisition costs. Based on the results of our assessments, we recognized land option contract abandonment charges of \$1.0 million corresponding to 119 lots for the three months ended August 31, 2017, and \$3.5 million of such charges corresponding to 639 lots for the nine months ended August 31, 2017. We recognized land option contract abandonment charges of \$.5 million corresponding to 50 lots for the three months ended August 31, 2016, and \$2.9 million of such charges corresponding to 542 lots for the nine months ended August 31, 2016. Of the land option contract abandonment charges recognized for the three months and nine months ended August 31, 2016, \$1.4 million related to the wind down of our Metro Washington, D.C. operations.

Due to the judgment and assumptions applied in our inventory impairment and land option contract abandonment assessment processes, particularly as to land held for future development or sale, it is possible that actual results could differ substantially from those estimated.

8. Variable Interest Entities

Unconsolidated Joint Ventures. We participate in joint ventures from time to time that conduct land acquisition, land development and/or other homebuilding activities in various markets where our homebuilding operations are located. Our investments in these joint ventures may create a variable interest in a variable interest entity (“VIE”), depending on the contractual terms of the arrangement. We analyze our joint ventures under the variable interest model to determine whether they are VIEs and, if so, whether we are the primary beneficiary. Based on our analyses, we determined that one of our joint ventures at August 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016 was a VIE, but we were not the primary beneficiary of the VIE. All of our joint ventures at August 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016 were unconsolidated and accounted for under the equity method because we did not have a controlling financial interest.

Land Option Contracts and Other Similar Contracts. In the ordinary course of our business, we enter into land option contracts and other similar contracts with third parties and unconsolidated entities to acquire rights to land for the construction of homes. Under these contracts, we typically make a specified option payment or earnest money deposit in consideration for the right to purchase land in the future, usually at a predetermined price. We analyze each of our land option contracts and other similar contracts under the variable interest model to determine whether the land seller is a VIE and, if so, whether we are the primary beneficiary. Although we do not have legal title to the underlying land, we are required to consolidate a VIE if we are the primary beneficiary. As a result of our analyses, we determined that as of August 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016 we were not the primary beneficiary of any VIEs from which we have acquired rights to land under land option contracts and other similar contracts. We perform ongoing reassessments of whether we are the primary beneficiary of a VIE.

The following table presents a summary of our interests in land option contracts and other similar contracts (in thousands):

	August 31, 2017		November 30, 2016	
	Cash Deposits	Aggregate Purchase Price	Cash Deposits	Aggregate Purchase Price
Unconsolidated VIEs	\$18,318	\$607,813	\$24,910	\$641,642
Other land option contracts and other similar contracts	20,815	372,371	17,919	431,954
Total	\$39,133	\$980,184	\$42,829	\$1,073,596

In addition to the cash deposits presented in the table above, our exposure to loss related to our land option contracts and other similar contracts with third parties and unconsolidated entities consisted of pre-acquisition costs of \$28.0 million at August 31, 2017 and \$56.0 million at November 30, 2016. These pre-acquisition costs and cash deposits were included in inventories in our consolidated balance sheets.

For land option contracts and other similar contracts where the land seller entity is not required to be consolidated under the variable interest model, we consider whether such contracts should be accounted for as financing arrangements. Land option contracts and other similar contracts that may be considered financing arrangements include those we enter into with third-party land financiers or developers in conjunction with such third parties acquiring a specific land parcel(s) on our behalf, at our direction, and those with other landowners where we or our designee make improvements to the optioned land parcel(s) during the applicable option period. For these land option contracts and other similar contracts, we record the remaining purchase price of the associated land parcel(s) in inventories in our consolidated balance sheets with a corresponding financing obligation if we determine that we are effectively compelled to exercise the option to purchase the land parcel(s). In making this determination with respect to a land option contract or other similar contract, we consider the non-refundable deposit(s) we have made and any non-reimbursable expenditures we have incurred for land improvement activities or other items up to the assessment date; additional costs associated with abandoning the contract; and our commitments, if any, to incur non-reimbursable costs associated with the contract. As a result of our evaluations of land option contracts and other similar contracts for financing arrangements, we recorded inventories in our consolidated balance sheets, with a corresponding increase to accrued expenses and other liabilities, of \$28.5 million at August 31, 2017 and \$50.5 million at November 30, 2016.

9. Investments in Unconsolidated Joint Ventures

We have investments in unconsolidated joint ventures that conduct land acquisition, land development and/or other homebuilding activities in various markets where our homebuilding operations are located. We and our unconsolidated joint venture partners make initial and/or ongoing capital contributions to these unconsolidated joint ventures, typically on a pro rata basis, according to our respective equity interests. The obligations to make capital contributions are governed by each such unconsolidated joint venture's respective operating agreement and related governing documents.

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We typically have obtained rights to acquire portions of the land held by the unconsolidated joint ventures in which we currently participate. When an unconsolidated joint venture sells land to our homebuilding operations, we defer recognition of our share of such unconsolidated joint venture's earnings (losses) until a home sale is closed and title passes to a homebuyer, at which time we account for those earnings (losses) as a reduction (increase) to the cost of purchasing the land from the unconsolidated joint venture. We defer recognition of our share of such unconsolidated joint venture losses only to the extent profits are to be generated from the sale of the home to a homebuyer.

We share in the earnings (losses) of these unconsolidated joint ventures generally in accordance with our respective equity interests. In some instances, we recognize earnings (losses) related to our investment in an unconsolidated joint venture that differ from our equity interest in the unconsolidated joint venture. This typically arises from our deferral of the unconsolidated joint venture's earnings (losses) from land sales to us, or other items.

The following table presents combined condensed information from the statements of operations of our unconsolidated joint ventures (in thousands):

	Three Months		Nine Months	
	Ended August 31,		Ended August 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Revenues	\$12,802	\$19,338	\$39,604	\$41,190
Construction and land costs	(12,832)	(19,383)	(37,625)	(45,379)
Other expense, net	(1,294)	(1,008)	(3,547)	(3,599)
Loss	\$(1,324)	\$(1,053)	\$(1,568)	\$(7,788)

The year-over-year decreases in combined revenues and construction and land costs for three months and nine months ended August 31, 2017 primarily reflected decreased land sale activity from unconsolidated joint ventures in California.

The following table presents combined condensed balance sheet information for our unconsolidated joint ventures (in thousands):

	August 31, November 30,	
	2017	2016
Assets		
Cash	\$ 21,372	\$ 31,928
Receivables	797	882
Inventories	145,299	165,385
Other assets	2,270	629
Total assets	\$ 169,738	\$ 198,824
Liabilities and equity		
Accounts payable and other liabilities	\$ 19,174	\$ 19,880
Notes payable (a)	25,618	44,381
Equity	124,946	134,563
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 169,738	\$ 198,824

Two of our unconsolidated joint ventures have separate construction loan agreements with different third-party lenders to finance their respective land development activities. The outstanding debt under these agreements is secured by the corresponding underlying property and related project assets and is non-recourse to us. Of this (a) outstanding secured debt at August 31, 2017, \$24.8 million is scheduled to mature in August 2018 and the remainder is scheduled to mature in February 2020. At November 30, 2016, only one of these unconsolidated joint ventures had outstanding secured debt. None of our other unconsolidated joint ventures had any outstanding debt at August 31, 2017 or November 30, 2016.

The following table presents additional information relating to our investments in unconsolidated joint ventures (dollars in thousands):

	August 31, 2017	November 30, 2016
Number of investments in unconsolidated joint ventures	7	7
Investments in unconsolidated joint ventures	\$ 64,513	\$ 64,016
Number of unconsolidated joint venture lots controlled under land option contracts and other similar contracts	388	471

We and our partners in the unconsolidated joint ventures that have the above-noted construction loan agreements provide certain guarantees and indemnities to the applicable lender, including a guaranty to complete the construction of improvements for the applicable project; a guaranty against losses the lender suffers due to certain bad acts or failures to act by the unconsolidated joint venture or its partners; an indemnity of the lender from environmental issues; and in one case, a guaranty of interest payments on the outstanding balance of the secured debt under the construction loan agreement. In each instance, our actual responsibility under the foregoing guaranty and indemnity obligations is limited to our pro rata interest in the unconsolidated joint venture. We do not have a guaranty or any other obligation to repay or to support the value of the collateral underlying the outstanding secured debt of these unconsolidated joint ventures. However, various financial and non-financial covenants apply with respect to the outstanding secured debt and the related guaranty and indemnity obligations, and a failure to comply with such covenants could result in a default and cause an applicable lender to seek to enforce such guaranty and indemnity obligations, if and as may be applicable. As of August 31, 2017, we were in compliance with the applicable terms of our relevant covenants with respect to the construction loan agreements. We do not believe that our existing exposure under our guaranty and indemnity obligations related to the outstanding secured debt of these unconsolidated joint ventures is material to our consolidated financial statements.

Of the unconsolidated joint venture lots controlled under land option and other similar contracts at August 31, 2017, we are committed to purchase 90 lots from one of our unconsolidated joint ventures in quarterly takedowns over the next three years for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$39.9 million under agreements that we entered into with the unconsolidated joint venture in 2016.

10. Other Assets

Other assets consisted of the following (in thousands):

	August 31, 2017	November 30, 2016
Cash surrender value of corporate-owned life insurance contracts	\$ 73,983	\$ 70,829
Property and equipment, net	18,718	14,240
Prepaid expenses	7,150	4,894
Debt issuance costs associated with unsecured revolving credit facility	2,543	1,182
Total	\$ 102,394	\$ 91,145

11. Accrued Expenses and Other Liabilities

Accrued expenses and other liabilities consisted of the following (in thousands):

	August 31, November 30,	
	2017	2016
Self-insurance and other litigation liabilities	\$ 202,690	\$ 170,988
Employee compensation and related benefits	128,838	130,352
Accrued interest payable	79,459	67,411
Warranty liability	63,811	56,682
Inventory-related obligations (a)	54,681	82,682
Customer deposits	19,511	18,175
Real estate and business taxes	14,622	14,370
Other	1,556	10,336
Total	\$ 565,168	\$ 550,996

Represents liabilities for financing arrangements discussed in Note 8 – Variable Interest Entities, as well as liabilities for fixed or determinable amounts associated with tax increment financing entity (“TIFE”) assessments. As (a) homes are delivered, our obligation to pay the remaining TIFE assessments associated with each underlying lot is transferred to the homebuyer. As such, these assessment obligations will be paid by us only to the extent we do not deliver homes on applicable lots before the related TIFE obligations mature.

12. Income Taxes

Income Tax Expense. Our income tax expense and effective income tax rates were as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended		
	August 31,		August 31,		
	2017	2016	2017	2016	
Income tax expense (a)	\$ 29,000	\$ 14,100	\$ 56,400	\$ 26,200	
Effective income tax rate (a)	36.6	% 26.4	% 36.9	% 27.8	%

Amounts reflect the favorable net impact of federal energy tax credits we earned from building energy-efficient homes through December 31, 2016. The net impact of these tax credits was \$2.6 million and \$6.7 million for the (a) three months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, and \$3.8 million and \$10.4 million for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. There has not been any new legislation enacted extending the business tax credit for building energy-efficient homes beyond December 31, 2016.

Deferred Tax Asset Valuation Allowance. We evaluate our deferred tax assets quarterly to determine if adjustments to our valuation allowance are required based on the consideration of all available positive and negative evidence using a “more likely than not” standard with respect to whether deferred tax assets will be realized. Our evaluation considers, among other factors, our historical operating results, our expectation of future profitability, the duration of the applicable statutory carryforward periods, and conditions in the housing market and the broader economy. The ultimate realization of our deferred tax assets depends primarily on our ability to generate future taxable income during the periods in which the related temporary differences in the financial basis and the tax basis of the assets become deductible. The value of our deferred tax assets depends on applicable income tax rates. Our deferred tax assets of \$707.7 million as of August 31, 2017 and \$763.8 million as of November 30, 2016 were partly offset by valuation allowances of \$24.6 million and \$24.8 million, respectively. The deferred tax asset valuation allowances as of August 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016 were primarily related to certain state net operating losses (“NOLs”) that had not met the “more likely than not” realization standard at those dates. In the three months ended August 31, 2017, we reversed \$.2 million of our deferred tax asset valuation allowance due to the utilization of additional state NOLs recognized with the filing of our 2016 state tax returns. Based on our evaluation of our deferred tax assets as of August 31, 2017, we determined that most of our deferred tax assets would be realized. Therefore, no other adjustments to our deferred tax valuation allowance were needed for the nine months ended August 31, 2017.

We will continue to evaluate both the positive and negative evidence on a quarterly basis in determining the need for a valuation allowance with respect to our deferred tax assets. The accounting for deferred tax assets is based upon estimates of future results. Changes in positive and negative evidence, including differences between estimated and actual results, could result in changes in the valuation of our deferred tax assets that could have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements. Changes in existing federal and state tax laws and corporate income tax rates could also affect our actual tax expense, the realization of our deferred tax assets over time and/or the value of our deferred tax assets on our consolidated balance sheets.

Unrecognized Tax Benefits. At both August 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016, our gross unrecognized tax benefits (including interest and penalties) totaled \$.1 million, all of which, if recognized, would affect our effective income tax rate. We anticipate that these gross unrecognized tax benefits will decrease by an amount ranging from zero to \$.1 million during the 12 months from this reporting date. Our fiscal years ending 2014 and later remain open to federal examinations, while fiscal years 2012 and later remain open to state examinations.

13. Notes Payable

Notes payable consisted of the following (in thousands):

	August 31, 2017	November 30, 2016
Mortgages and land contracts due to land sellers and other loans	\$24,142	\$ 66,927
9.10% Senior notes due September 15, 2017	164,963	263,932
7 1/4% Senior notes due June 15, 2018	299,811	299,647
4.75% Senior notes due May 15, 2019	398,134	397,364
8.00% Senior notes due March 15, 2020	345,869	344,811
7.00% Senior notes due December 15, 2021	446,429	445,911
7.50% Senior notes due September 15, 2022	347,116	346,774
7.625% Senior notes due May 15, 2023	247,643	247,404
1.375% Convertible senior notes due February 1, 2019	228,272	227,379
Total	\$2,502,379	\$ 2,640,149

The carrying amounts of our senior notes listed above are net of debt issuance costs and discounts, which totaled \$16.8 million at August 31, 2017 and \$21.8 million at November 30, 2016.

Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility. On July 27, 2017, we entered into a second amended and restated revolving loan agreement with a syndicate of financial institutions that increased the commitment under our unsecured revolving credit facility from \$275.0 million to \$500.0 million and extended its maturity from August 7, 2019 to July 27, 2021 (“Amended Credit Facility”). The Amended Credit Facility contains an uncommitted accordion feature under which the aggregate principal amount of available loans may be increased to a maximum of \$600.0 million under certain conditions, including obtaining additional bank commitments. The Amended Credit Facility also contains a sublimit of \$250.0 million for the issuance of letters of credit, which may be utilized in combination with, or to replace, our cash-collateralized letter of credit facility with a financial institution (“LOC Facility”). Interest on amounts borrowed under the Amended Credit Facility is payable quarterly in arrears at a rate based on either a Eurodollar or a base rate, plus a spread that depends on our consolidated leverage ratio (“Leverage Ratio”), as defined under the Amended Credit Facility. The Amended Credit Facility also requires the payment of a commitment fee at a per annum rate ranging from .30% to .45% of the unused commitment, based on our Leverage Ratio. Under the terms of the Amended Credit Facility, we are required, among other things, to maintain compliance with various covenants, including financial covenants relating to our consolidated tangible net worth, Leverage Ratio, and either a consolidated interest coverage ratio (“Interest Coverage Ratio”) or minimum level of liquidity, each as defined therein. The amount of the Amended Credit Facility available for cash borrowings or the issuance of letters of credit depends on the total cash borrowings and letters of credit outstanding under the Amended Credit Facility and the maximum available amount under the terms of the Amended Credit Facility. As of August 31, 2017, we had no cash borrowings and \$33.0 million of letters of credit outstanding under the Amended Credit Facility. Therefore, as of August 31, 2017, we had \$467.0 million available for cash borrowings under the Amended Credit Facility, with up to \$217.0 million of that amount available for the issuance of letters of credit.

LOC Facility. We maintain the LOC Facility to obtain letters of credit from time to time in the ordinary course of operating our business. As of August 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016, we had no letters of credit outstanding under the LOC Facility.

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Mortgages and Land Contracts Due to Land Sellers and Other Loans. As of August 31, 2017, inventories having a carrying value of \$73.5 million were pledged to collateralize mortgages and land contracts due to land sellers and other loans.

Shelf Registration. On July 14, 2017, we filed an automatically effective universal shelf registration statement (“2017 Shelf Registration”) with the SEC. The 2017 Shelf Registration registers the offering of securities that we may issue from time to time in amounts to be determined. Issuances of securities under our 2017 Shelf Registration require the filing of a prospectus supplement identifying the amount and terms of the securities to be issued. Our ability to issue securities is subject to market conditions and other factors impacting our borrowing capacity. The 2017 Shelf Registration replaced our previously effective universal shelf registration statement filed with the SEC on July 18, 2014. We have not made any offerings of securities under the 2017 Shelf Registration.

Senior Notes. All of the senior notes outstanding at August 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016 represent senior unsecured obligations and rank equally in right of payment with all of our existing and future indebtedness. Interest on each of these senior notes is payable semi-annually. At any time prior to the close of business on the business day immediately preceding the maturity date, holders may convert all or any portion of the 1.375% convertible senior notes due 2019 (“1.375% Convertible Senior Notes due 2019”). These notes are initially convertible into shares of our common stock at a conversion rate of 36.5297 shares for each \$1,000 principal amount of the notes, which represents an initial conversion price of approximately \$27.37 per share. This initial conversion rate equates to 8,401,831 shares of our common stock and is subject to adjustment upon the occurrence of certain events, as described in the instruments governing these notes.

On December 14, 2016, we elected to exercise our optional redemption rights under the terms of the 9.100% senior notes due 2017 (“9.10% Senior Notes due 2017”). On January 13, 2017, we redeemed \$100.0 million in aggregate principal amount of the notes outstanding at the redemption price calculated in accordance with the “make-whole” provisions of the notes. We used internally generated cash to fund this redemption. We paid a total of \$105.3 million to redeem the notes and recorded a charge of \$5.7 million for the early extinguishment of debt. Upon this redemption, \$165.0 million in aggregate principal amount of the notes remained outstanding.

The indenture governing the senior notes does not contain any financial covenants. Subject to specified exceptions, the indenture contains certain restrictive covenants that, among other things, limit our ability to incur secured indebtedness, or engage in sale-leaseback transactions involving property or assets above a certain specified value. In addition, the senior notes (with the exception of the 7 1/4% senior notes due 2018) contain certain limitations related to mergers, consolidations, and sales of assets.

As of August 31, 2017, we were in compliance with the applicable terms of all our covenants and other requirements under the Amended Credit Facility, the senior notes, the indenture, and the mortgages and land contracts due to land sellers and other loans. Our ability to access the Amended Credit Facility for cash borrowings and letters of credit and our ability to secure future debt financing depend, in part, on our ability to remain in such compliance.

Principal payments on senior notes, mortgages and land contracts due to land sellers and other loans are due as follows: 2017 – \$179.0 million; 2018 – \$310.1 million; 2019 – \$630.0 million; 2020 – \$350.0 million; 2021 – \$0; and thereafter – \$1.05 billion.

14. Fair Value Disclosures

Fair value measurements of assets and liabilities are categorized based on the following hierarchy:

- Level 1 Fair value determined based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
 - Fair value determined using significant observable inputs, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities or quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, inputs other than
- Level 2 quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, or inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data, by correlation or other means.
- Level 3 Fair value determined using significant unobservable inputs, such as pricing models, discounted cash flows, or similar techniques.

Fair value measurements are used for inventories on a nonrecurring basis when events and circumstances indicate that their carrying value is not recoverable. The following table presents the fair value hierarchy and our assets measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and the year ended November 30, 2016 (in thousands):

Explanation of Responses:

Description	Fair Value Hierarchy	August 31, November 30,	
		2017	2016
Inventories (a) Level 2		\$	—\$ 3,657
Inventories (a) Level 3		32,262	37,329

Amounts represent the aggregate fair value for real estate assets impacted by inventory impairment charges during the applicable period as of the date the fair value measurements were made. The carrying value for these real estate assets may have subsequently increased or decreased from the fair value reflected due to activity that has occurred since the measurement date.

Inventories with a carrying value of \$46.9 million were written down to their fair value of \$32.3 million during the nine months ended August 31, 2017, resulting in inventory impairment charges of \$14.6 million. Inventories with a carrying value of \$89.1 million were written down to their fair value, less associated costs to sell (where applicable), of \$39.5 million during the year ended November 30, 2016, resulting in inventory impairment charges of \$49.6 million.

The fair values for inventories that were determined using Level 2 inputs were based on bona fide letters of intent from outside parties or executed sales contracts. The fair values for inventories that were determined using Level 3 inputs were based on the estimated future net cash flows discounted for inherent risk associated with each underlying asset, or, with respect to planned future land sales, were based on broker quotes.

The following table presents the fair value hierarchy, carrying values and estimated fair values of our financial instruments, except those for which the carrying values approximate fair values (in thousands):

	Fair Value Hierarchy	August 31, 2017		November 30, 2016	
		Carrying Value (a)	Estimated Fair Value	Carrying Value (a)	Estimated Fair Value
		Financial Liabilities:			
Senior notes	Level 2	\$2,249,965	\$2,460,581	\$2,345,843	\$2,494,844
Convertible senior notes	Level 2	228,272	237,475	227,379	223,675

The carrying values for the senior notes and convertible senior notes, as presented, include unamortized debt issuance costs. Debt issuance costs are not factored into the estimated fair values of these notes.

The fair values of our senior notes and convertible senior notes are generally estimated based on quoted market prices for these instruments. The carrying values reported for cash and cash equivalents, and mortgages and land contracts due to land sellers and other loans approximate fair values. The carrying value of corporate-owned life insurance is based on the cash surrender value of the policies and, accordingly, approximates fair value.

15. Commitments and Contingencies

Commitments and contingencies include typical obligations of homebuilders for the completion of contracts and those incurred in the ordinary course of business.

Warranty. We provide a limited warranty on all of our homes. The specific terms and conditions of our limited warranty program vary depending upon the markets in which we do business. We generally provide a structural warranty of 10 years, a warranty on electrical, heating, cooling, plumbing and certain other building systems each varying from two to five years based on geographic market and state law, and a warranty of one year for other components of the home. Our limited warranty program is ordinarily how we respond to and account for homeowners' requests to local division offices seeking repairs of certain conditions or defects, including claims where we could have liability under applicable state statutes or tort law for a defective condition in or damages to a home. Our warranty liability covers our costs of repairs associated with homeowner claims made under our limited warranty program. These claims are generally made directly by a homeowner and involve their individual home.

We estimate the costs that may be incurred under each limited warranty and record a liability in the amount of such costs at the time the revenue associated with the sale of each home is recognized. Our primary assumption in estimating the amounts we accrue for warranty costs is that historical claims experience is a strong indicator of future claims experience. Factors that affect our warranty liability include the number of homes delivered, historical and anticipated rates of warranty claims,

and cost per claim. We periodically assess the adequacy of our accrued warranty liability, which is included in accrued expenses and other liabilities in our consolidated balance sheets, and adjust the amount as necessary based on our assessment. Our assessment includes the review of our actual warranty costs incurred to identify trends and changes in our warranty claims experience, and considers our home construction quality and customer service initiatives and outside events. While we believe the warranty liability currently reflected in our consolidated balance sheets to be adequate, unanticipated changes or developments in the legal environment, local weather, land or environmental conditions, quality of materials or methods used in the construction of homes or customer service practices and/or our warranty claims experience could have a significant impact on our actual warranty costs in future periods and such amounts could differ significantly from our current estimates.

The changes in our warranty liability were as follows (in thousands):

	Three Months		Nine Months	
	Ended August 31,		Ended August 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Balance at beginning of period	\$60,037	\$48,837	\$56,682	\$49,085
Warranties issued	10,041	8,006	25,965	19,573
Payments	(6,267)	(4,719)	(18,836)	(17,186)
Adjustments	—	—	—	652
Balance at end of period	\$63,811	\$52,124	\$63,811	\$52,124

Guarantees. In the normal course of our business, we issue certain representations, warranties and guarantees related to our home sales and land sales. Based on historical experience, we do not believe any potential liability with respect to these representations, warranties or guarantees would be material to our consolidated financial statements.

Self-Insurance. We maintain, and require the majority of our independent subcontractors to maintain, general liability insurance (including construction defect and bodily injury coverage) and workers' compensation insurance. These insurance policies protect us against a portion of our risk of loss from claims related to our homebuilding activities, subject to certain self-insured retentions, deductibles and other coverage limits. We also maintain certain other insurance policies. In Arizona, California, Colorado and Nevada, our subcontractors' general liability insurance primarily takes the form of a wrap-up policy under a program where eligible independent subcontractors are enrolled as insureds on each community. Enrolled subcontractors contribute toward the cost of the insurance and agree to pay a contractual amount in the future if there is a claim related to their work. To the extent provided under the wrap-up program, we absorb the enrolled subcontractors' general liability associated with the work performed on our homes within the applicable community as part of our overall general liability insurance and our self-insurance.

We self-insure a portion of our overall risk through the use of a captive insurance subsidiary, which provides coverage for our exposure to construction defect, bodily injury and property damage claims and related litigation or regulatory actions, up to certain limits. Our self-insurance liability generally covers our costs of settlements and/or repairs, if any, as well as our costs to defend and resolve the following types of claims:

Construction defect: Construction defect claims, which represent the largest component of our self-insurance liability, typically originate through a legal or regulatory process rather than directly by a homeowner and involve the alleged occurrence of a condition affecting two or more homes within the same community, or they involve a common area or homeowners' association property within a community. These claims typically involve higher costs to resolve than individual homeowner warranty claims, and the rate of claims is highly variable.

- Bodily injury: Bodily injury claims typically involve individuals (other than our employees) who claim they were injured while on our property or as a result of our operations.

Property damage: Property damage claims generally involve claims by third parties for alleged damage to real or personal property as a result of our operations. Such claims may occasionally include those made against us by owners of property located near our communities.

Our self-insurance liability at each reporting date represents the estimated costs of reported claims, claims incurred but not yet reported, and claim adjustment expenses. The amount of our self-insurance liability is based on an analysis performed by a third-party actuary that uses our historical claim and expense data, as well as industry data to estimate these overall costs. Key assumptions used in developing these estimates include claim frequencies, severities and resolution patterns, which can occur over an extended period of time. These estimates are subject to variability due to

the length of time between the delivery of a home to a homebuyer and when a construction defect claim is made, and the ultimate resolution of such claim; uncertainties regarding such claims relative to our markets and the types of product we build; and legal or regulatory actions and/or

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interpretations, among other factors. Due to the degree of judgment involved and the potential for variability in these underlying assumptions, our actual future costs could differ from those estimated. In addition, changes in the frequency and severity of reported claims and the estimates to resolve claims can impact the trends and assumptions used in the actuarial analysis, which could be material to our consolidated financial statements. Though state regulations vary, construction defect claims are reported and resolved over a long period of time, which can extend for 10 years or more. As a result, the majority of the estimated self-insurance liability based on the actuarial analysis relates to claims incurred but not yet reported. Therefore, adjustments related to individual existing claims generally do not significantly impact the overall estimated liability. Adjustments to our liabilities related to homes delivered in prior years are recorded in the period in which a change in our estimate occurs.

Our self-insurance liability is presented on a gross basis without consideration of insurance recoveries and amounts we have paid on behalf of and expect to recover from other parties, if any. Estimated probable self-insurance recoveries of \$75.0 million and \$84.5 million are included in receivables in our consolidated balance sheets at August 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016, respectively. These self-insurance recoveries are principally based on actuarially determined amounts and depend on various factors, including, among other things, the above-described claim cost estimates, our insurance policy coverage limits for the applicable policy year(s), historical third-party recovery rates, insurance industry practices, the regulatory environment, and legal precedent, and are subject to a high degree of variability from period to period. Because of the inherent uncertainty and variability in these assumptions, our actual insurance recoveries could differ significantly from amounts currently estimated.

The changes in our self-insurance liability were as follows (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	August 31,		August 31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Balance at beginning of period	\$156,505	\$156,733	\$158,584	\$173,011
Self-insurance expense (a)	5,573	7,110	13,811	15,532
Payments	(2,291)	(4,517)	(7,051)	(19,952)
Adjustments (b)	21,673	—	21,673	—
Reclassification of estimated probable recoveries (c)	(3,901)	5,518	(9,458)	(3,747)
Balance at end of period	\$177,559	\$164,844	\$177,559	\$164,844

(a) These expenses are included in selling, general and administrative expenses and are largely offset by contributions from subcontractors participating in the wrap-up policy.

Amounts for the three months and nine months ended August 31, 2017 reflect a change in estimate to increase our self-insurance liability based on a review of actual claim resolution experience, which indicated a higher frequency of claims and, to a lesser extent, a higher claim severity than previously anticipated. Based on these higher historical claim frequency and severity trends, we determined in the 2017 third quarter that future payments for (b) claims relating to homes delivered in certain prior years were likely to exceed the then-estimated liabilities remaining for those claims. Therefore, we recorded an adjustment to increase our self-insurance liability based on an actuarially determined estimate that we believe has a higher probability of being adequate to cover future payments associated with unresolved claims, including claims incurred but not yet reported. This adjustment is included in selling, general and administrative expenses.

(c) Amount for each period represents the changes in the estimated probable insurance and other recoveries that were reclassified to receivables to present our self-insurance liability on a gross basis.

For most of our claims, there is no interaction between our warranty liability and self-insurance liability. Typically, if a matter is identified at its outset as either a warranty or self-insurance claim, it remains as such through its resolution. However, there can be instances of interaction between the liabilities, such as where individual homeowners in a community separately request warranty repairs to their homes to address a similar condition or issue and subsequently join together to initiate, or potentially initiate, a legal process with respect to that condition or issue and/or the repair work we have undertaken. In these instances, the claims and related repair work generally are initially covered by our warranty liability, and the costs associated with resolving the legal matter (including any additional repair work) are covered by our self-insurance liability.

The payments we make in connection with claims and related repair work, whether covered within our warranty liability and/or our self-insurance liability, may be recovered from our insurers to the extent such payments exceed the self-insured retentions or deductibles under our general liability insurance policies. Also, in certain instances, in the course of resolving a claim, we pay amounts in advance of and/or on behalf of a subcontractor(s) or their insurer(s) and believe we will be reimbursed for

such payments. Estimates of all such amounts, if any, are recorded as receivables in our consolidated balance sheets when any such recovery is considered probable. Such receivables associated with our warranty and other claims totaled \$5.2 million at August 31, 2017 and \$14.6 million at November 30, 2016. We believe collection of these receivables is probable based on our history of collections for similar claims. In the 2017 third quarter, we received insurance recoveries of \$23.5 million, which exceeded the \$11.6 million of estimated probable receivables we had previously recorded. The excess recoveries were included in selling, general and administrative expenses.

Northern California Claims. In the 2017 third quarter, we received claims from a homeowners association alleging approximately \$100.0 million of damages from purported construction defects at a completed townhome community in Northern California. We are investigating these allegations, and we currently expect it may take up to several quarters to fully evaluate them. At August 31, 2017, we had an accrual for our estimated probable loss in this matter. While it is reasonably possible that our loss could exceed the amount accrued, at this preliminary stage of our investigation into these allegations, we are unable to estimate the total amount of the loss in excess of the accrued amount that is reasonably possible. Our investigation will also involve identifying potentially responsible parties, including insurers, to pay for or perform any necessary repairs.

Performance Bonds and Letters of Credit. We are often required to provide to various municipalities and other government agencies performance bonds and/or letters of credit to secure the completion of our projects and/or in support of obligations to build community improvements such as roads, sewers, water systems and other utilities, and to support similar development activities by certain of our unconsolidated joint ventures. At August 31, 2017, we had \$557.5 million of performance bonds and \$33.0 million of letters of credit outstanding. At November 30, 2016, we had \$535.7 million of performance bonds and \$31.0 million of letters of credit outstanding. If any such performance bonds or letters of credit are called, we would be obligated to reimburse the issuer of the performance bond or letter of credit. We do not believe that a material amount of any currently outstanding performance bonds or letters of credit will be called. Performance bonds do not have stated expiration dates. Rather, we are released from the performance bonds as the underlying performance obligations are completed. The expiration dates of some letters of credit issued in connection with community improvements coincide with the expected completion dates of the related projects or obligations. Most letters of credit, however, are issued with an initial term of one year and are typically extended on a year-to-year basis until the related performance obligations are completed.

Land Option Contracts and Other Similar Contracts. In the ordinary course of our business, we enter into land option contracts and other similar contracts to acquire rights to land for the construction of homes. At August 31, 2017, we had total cash deposits of \$39.1 million to purchase land having an aggregate purchase price of \$980.2 million. Our land option contracts and other similar contracts generally do not contain provisions requiring our specific performance.

16. Legal Matters

Nevada Development Contract Litigation. In 2007, Las Vegas Development Associates, LLC (“LVDA”) agreed to purchase approximately 83 acres of land located near Las Vegas, Nevada from KB HOME Nevada Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of ours (“KB Nevada”). LVDA subsequently assigned its rights to Essex Real Estate Partners, LLC (“Essex”). KB Nevada and Essex entered into a development agreement relating to certain major infrastructure improvements. In 2008, LVDA and Essex filed a complaint in the Eighth Judicial District Court in Clark County, Nevada alleging that KB Nevada breached the development agreement, and that KB Nevada fraudulently induced them to enter into the purchase and development agreements. LVDA’s and Essex’s lenders subsequently filed related actions that were consolidated into the LVDA/Essex matter. The consolidated plaintiffs sought rescission of the agreements or, in the alternative, damages and interest. KB Nevada denied the allegations, and believed it had meritorious defenses to the consolidated plaintiffs’ claims. Following various Nevada state court decisions from 2013 to 2016 that significantly narrowed the consolidated plaintiffs’ claims and the scope of potential damages, effective March 3, 2017, KB Nevada, LVDA, Essex, the administrative agent for the LVDA/Essex lenders and a guarantor for the underlying LVDA/Essex loan reached a settlement. Under the settlement, the above-described litigation was dismissed with prejudice, with mutual releases by the parties of all claims related to the matter. As part of the settlement, KB Nevada agreed to purchase the land, if certain conditions are satisfied, on or before February 15, 2020 (subject to a potential extension of up to six months). If the conditions are not satisfied and KB Nevada does not purchase the land, it will make a specified cash payment pursuant to the settlement agreement that is not material to

our consolidated financial statements. This settlement did not have an impact on our consolidated financial statements for the three-month or nine-month periods ended August 31, 2017.

San Diego Water Board Notice of Violation. In August 2015, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (“RWQCB”) issued to us and another homebuilder a Notice of Violation (“NOV”) alleging violations of the California Water Code and waste discharge prohibitions of the water quality control plan for the San Diego Region (Basin Plan). According to the NOV, the alleged violations involved the unpermitted discharge of fill material into the waters of the United States and California during the grading of a required secondary access road for a community located in San Diego County, California.

The work was performed pursuant to a County-issued grading permit and in reliance on third-party experts. In its NOV, the RWQCB requested to meet with us to discuss the alleged violations as part of its process to determine whether to bring any enforcement action, and we have met with the RWQCB staff in an effort to resolve the matters alleged in the NOV. An administrative hearing before the RWQCB was originally scheduled for August 10, 2016, but was continued pending ongoing discussions with the RWQCB staff. On May 26, 2017, we and the RWQCB staff reached a settlement regarding the matters alleged in the NOV, and agreed to a stipulated administrative order in lieu of formal administrative proceedings. On August 30, 2017, the RWQCB, through its authorized delegate, approved the stipulated administrative order. Under the stipulated administrative order, we agreed to pay a total of \$.3 million and to enhance certain of our land development procedures. We are also seeking recovery of the costs associated with this matter from responsible parties. The stipulated administrative order did not have an impact on our consolidated financial statements for the three-month or nine-month periods ended August 31, 2017.

Other Matters. In addition to the specific proceedings described above, we are involved in other litigation and regulatory proceedings incidental to our business that are in various procedural stages. We believe that the accruals we have recorded for probable and reasonably estimable losses with respect to these proceedings are adequate and that, as of August 31, 2017, it was not reasonably possible that an additional material loss had been incurred in an amount in excess of the estimated amounts already recognized in our consolidated financial statements. We evaluate our accruals for litigation and regulatory proceedings at least quarterly and, as appropriate, adjust them to reflect (a) the facts and circumstances known to us at the time, including information regarding negotiations, settlements, rulings and other relevant events and developments; (b) the advice and analyses of counsel; and (c) the assumptions and judgment of management. Similar factors and considerations are used in establishing new accruals for proceedings as to which losses have become probable and reasonably estimable at the time an evaluation is made. Based on our experience, we believe that the amounts that may be claimed or alleged against us in these proceedings are not a meaningful indicator of our potential liability. The outcome of any of these proceedings, including the defense and other litigation-related costs and expenses we may incur, however, is inherently uncertain and could differ significantly from the estimate reflected in a related accrual, if made. Therefore, it is possible that the ultimate outcome of any proceeding, if in excess of a related accrual or if an accrual had not been made, could be material to our consolidated financial statements.

17. Stockholders' Equity

A summary of changes in stockholders' equity is presented below (in thousands):

	Nine Months Ended August 31, 2017									
	Number of Shares			Grantor			Accumulated Grantor			Total Stockholder Equity
	Common Stock	Treasury Stock	Common Stock	Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Other Comprehensive Loss	Stock Ownership Trust	Treasury Stock		
Balance at November 30, 2016	116,224	(9,432)	(21,720)	\$116,224	\$696,938	\$1,563,742	\$(16,057)	\$(102,300)	\$(535,402)	\$1,723,145
Net income	—	—	—	—	96,249	—	—	—	—	96,249
Dividends on common stock	—	—	—	—	(6,479)	—	—	—	—	(6,479)
Employee stock options/other	1,205	—	—	1,205	19,472	—	—	—	—	20,677
Stock awards	69	279	27	69	(3,767)	—	—	3,021	677	—
Stock-based compensation	—	—	—	—	9,893	—	—	—	—	9,893
Stock repurchases	—	—	(152)	—	—	—	—	—	(2,543)	(2,543)
	117,498	(9,153)	(21,845)	\$117,498	\$722,536	\$1,653,512	\$(16,057)	\$(99,279)	\$(537,268)	\$1,840,942

Balance at
August 31,
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We maintain an account with our transfer agent to reserve the maximum number of shares of our common stock potentially deliverable upon conversion to holders of the 1.375% Convertible Senior Notes due 2019 based on the terms of their governing instruments. Accordingly, the common stock reserve account had a balance of 12,602,735 shares at August 31, 2017. The maximum number of shares would potentially be deliverable to holders only in certain limited circumstances as set forth in the governing instruments.

On February 15, 2017, the management development and compensation committee of our board of directors approved the payout of PSUs that were granted to certain employees on October 10, 2013. The 278,460 shares of our common stock that were granted under the terms of PSUs that vested in 2017 included an aggregate of 125,460 additional shares above the target amount awarded to the eligible recipients based on our achieving certain levels of average return on equity performance and

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revenue growth performance relative to a peer group of high-production public homebuilding companies over the three-year period from December 1, 2013 through November 30, 2016.

As of August 31, 2017, we were authorized to repurchase 1,627,000 shares of our common stock under a board approved share repurchase program. We did not repurchase any of our common stock under this program in the nine months ended August 31, 2017.

During the nine months ended August 31, 2017, we repurchased 152,569, or \$2.5 million, of previously issued shares delivered to us by employees to satisfy withholding taxes on the vesting of restricted stock and PSU awards as well as shares forfeited by individuals upon their termination of employment. These transactions were not considered repurchases under the above-described board of directors authorization.

During each of the three-month periods ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, our board of directors declared, and we paid, a quarterly cash dividend of \$.025 per share of common stock. Quarterly cash dividends declared and paid during the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016 totaled \$.075 per share of common stock.

18. Stock-Based Compensation

Stock Options. We estimate the grant-date fair value of stock options using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model.

The following table summarizes stock option transactions for the nine months ended August 31, 2017:

	Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price
Options outstanding at beginning of period	12,731,545	\$ 18.95
Granted	—	—
Exercised	(1,204,676)	17.17
Cancelled	(945,742)	28.51
Options outstanding at end of period	10,581,127	\$ 18.30
Options exercisable at end of period	8,556,885	\$ 18.98

As of August 31, 2017, the weighted average remaining contractual life of stock options outstanding and stock options exercisable was 4.1 years and 3.1 years, respectively. There was \$1.4 million of total unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested stock option awards as of August 31, 2017 that is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.3 years. For the three months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, stock-based compensation expense associated with stock options totaled \$.6 million and \$.9 million, respectively. For the nine-month periods ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, stock-based compensation expense associated with stock options totaled \$1.7 million and \$2.9 million, respectively. The aggregate intrinsic values of stock options outstanding and stock options exercisable were \$63.5 million and \$51.4 million, respectively, at August 31, 2017. (The intrinsic value of a stock option is the amount by which the market value of a share of the underlying common stock exceeds the exercise price of the stock option.)

Other Stock-Based Awards. From time to time, we grant restricted stock and PSUs to various employees as a compensation benefit. We recognized total compensation expense of \$2.3 million and \$1.8 million for the three months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, related to restricted stock and PSUs. We recognized total compensation expense of \$8.1 million and \$7.3 million for the nine-month periods ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, related to restricted stock and PSUs.

Director Awards. On April 13, 2017, we granted equity awards to our non-employee directors under our Non-Employee Directors Compensation Plan and pursuant to the respective elections each director made thereunder. The equity awards consisted of 22,994 shares of our common stock that were issued on an unrestricted basis to the respective directors on the grant date, and 43,499 shares that will be paid out on the earlier of a change in control or the date the respective directors leave our board.

19. Supplemental Disclosure to Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

The following are supplemental disclosures to the consolidated statements of cash flows (in thousands):

	Nine Months Ended August 31,	
	2017	2016
Summary of cash and cash equivalents at end of period:		
Homebuilding	\$494,053	\$334,669
Financial services	754	3,053
Total	\$494,807	\$337,722
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:		
Interest paid, net of amounts capitalized	\$(17,111)	\$(13,512)
Income taxes paid	3,464	3,208
Supplemental disclosures of noncash activities:		
Reclassification of warranty recoveries to receivables	\$—	\$2,151
Decrease in consolidated inventories not owned	(22,018)	(59,144)
Increase in inventories due to distributions of land and land development from an unconsolidated joint venture	5,198	4,331
Inventories acquired through seller financing	49,658	89,968

20. Supplemental Guarantor Information

Our obligations to pay principal, premium, if any, and interest on the senior notes and borrowings, if any, under the Amended Credit Facility are guaranteed on a joint and several basis by certain of our subsidiaries (“Guarantor Subsidiaries”). The guarantees are full and unconditional and the Guarantor Subsidiaries are 100% owned by us. Pursuant to the terms of the indenture governing the senior notes and the terms of the Amended Credit Facility, if any of the Guarantor Subsidiaries ceases to be a “significant subsidiary” as defined by Rule 1-02 of Regulation S-X (as in effect on June 1, 1996) using a 5% rather than a 10% threshold (provided that the assets of our non-guarantor subsidiaries do not in the aggregate exceed 10% of an adjusted measure of our consolidated total assets), it will be automatically and unconditionally released and discharged from its guaranty of the senior notes and the Amended Credit Facility so long as all guarantees by such Guarantor Subsidiary of any other of our or our subsidiaries’ indebtedness are terminated at or prior to the time of such release. We have determined that separate, full financial statements of the Guarantor Subsidiaries would not be material to investors and, accordingly, supplemental financial information for the Guarantor Subsidiaries is presented.

The supplemental financial information for all periods presented below reflects the relevant subsidiaries that were Guarantor Subsidiaries as of August 31, 2017.

Condensed Consolidating Statements of Operations (in thousands)

	Three Months Ended August 31, 2017				
	KB Home Corporate	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Consolidating Adjustments	Total
Total revenues	\$—	\$ 1,048,045	\$ 95,956	\$ —	\$ 1,144,001
Homebuilding:					
Revenues	\$—	\$ 1,048,045	\$ 92,742	\$ —	\$ 1,140,787
Construction and land costs	—	(871,350)	(83,651)	—	(955,001)
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(23,220)	(72,686)	(13,189)	—	(109,095)
Operating income (loss)	(23,220)	104,009	(4,098)	—	76,691
Interest income	345	2	—	—	347
Interest expense	(41,746)	(434)	(1,254)	43,434	—
Intercompany interest	77,367	(31,059)	(2,874)	(43,434)	—
Equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures	—	(814)	—	—	(814)
Homebuilding pretax income (loss)	12,746	71,704	(8,226)	—	76,224
Financial services pretax income	—	—	2,984	—	2,984
Total pretax income (loss)	12,746	71,704	(5,242)	—	79,208
Income tax benefit (expense)	(3,700)	(26,200)	900	—	(29,000)
Equity in net income of subsidiaries	41,162	—	—	(41,162)	—
Net income (loss)	\$50,208	\$45,504	\$ (4,342)	\$ (41,162)	\$50,208

	Three Months Ended August 31, 2016				
	KB Home Corporate	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Consolidating Adjustments	Total
Total revenues	\$—	\$ 801,832	\$ 111,451	\$ —	\$913,283
Homebuilding:					
Revenues	\$—	\$ 801,832	\$ 108,279	\$ —	\$910,111
Construction and land costs	—	(664,224)	(96,266)	—	(760,490)
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(23,436)	(64,541)	(10,167)	—	(98,144)
Operating income (loss)	(23,436)	73,067	1,846	—	51,477
Interest income	96	11	2	—	109
Interest expense	(46,485)	—	—	46,485	—
Intercompany interest	78,834	(27,997)	(4,352)	(46,485)	—
Equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures	—	(536)	—	—	(536)
Homebuilding pretax income (loss)	9,009	44,545	(2,504)	—	51,050
Financial services pretax income	—	—	2,413	—	2,413
Total pretax income (loss)	9,009	44,545	(91)	—	53,463
Income tax expense	(1,600)	(12,300)	(200)	—	(14,100)
Equity in net income of subsidiaries	31,954	—	—	(31,954)	—
Net income (loss)	\$39,363	\$ 32,245	\$ (291)	\$ (31,954)	\$39,363

	Nine Months Ended August 31, 2017				
	KB Home Corporate	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Consolidating Adjustments	Total
Total revenues	\$—	\$2,671,533	\$ 293,858	\$ —	\$2,965,391
Homebuilding:					
Revenues	\$—	\$2,671,533	\$ 285,572	\$ —	\$2,957,105
Construction and land costs	—	(2,240,974)	(258,703)	—	(2,499,677)
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(68,809)	(206,513)	(30,579)	—	(305,901)
Operating income (loss)	(68,809)	224,046	(3,710)	—	151,527
Interest income	740	5	2	—	747
Interest expense	(131,788)	(1,428)	(3,641)	130,550	(6,307)
Intercompany interest	226,470	(87,524)	(8,396)	(130,550)	—
Equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures	—	(678)	(1)	—	(679)
Homebuilding pretax income (loss)	26,613	134,421	(15,746)	—	145,288
Financial services pretax income	—	—	7,361	—	7,361
Total pretax income (loss)	26,613	134,421	(8,385)	—	152,649
Income tax benefit (expense)	(4,900)	(52,300)	800	—	(56,400)
Equity in net income of subsidiaries	74,536	—	—	(74,536)	—
Net income (loss)	\$96,249	\$82,121	\$ (7,585)	\$ (74,536)	\$96,249
	Nine Months Ended August 31, 2016				
	KB Home Corporate	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Consolidating Adjustments	Total
Total revenues	\$—	\$2,103,943	\$ 298,761	\$ —	\$2,402,704
Homebuilding:					
Revenues	\$—	\$2,103,943	\$ 290,372	\$ —	\$2,394,315
Construction and land costs	—	(1,751,995)	(266,027)	—	(2,018,022)
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(66,752)	(182,015)	(31,119)	—	(279,886)
Operating income (loss)	(66,752)	169,933	(6,774)	—	96,407
Interest income	336	53	6	—	395
Interest expense	(135,192)	(1,641)	(2,161)	133,327	(5,667)
Intercompany interest	228,596	(82,984)	(12,285)	(133,327)	—
Equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures	—	(1,961)	(3)	—	(1,964)
Homebuilding pretax income (loss)	26,988	83,400	(21,217)	—	89,171
Financial services pretax income	—	—	5,116	—	5,116
Total pretax income (loss)	26,988	83,400	(16,101)	—	94,287
Income tax benefit (expense)	(3,700)	(24,600)	2,100	—	(26,200)
Equity in net income of subsidiaries	44,799	—	—	(44,799)	—
Net income (loss)	\$68,087	\$58,800	\$ (14,001)	\$ (44,799)	\$68,087

Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheets (in thousands)

	August 31, 2017				
	KB Home Corporate	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Consolidating Adjustments	Total
Assets					
Homebuilding:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$400,956	\$82,622	\$ 10,475	\$—	\$494,053
Receivables	4,939	144,447	79,647	—	229,033
Inventories	—	3,167,657	346,137	—	3,513,794
Investments in unconsolidated joint ventures	—	62,011	2,502	—	64,513
Deferred tax assets, net	271,967	265,640	145,478	—	683,085
Other assets	91,420	8,384	2,590	—	102,394
	769,282	3,730,761	586,829	—	5,086,872
Financial services	—	—	12,687	—	12,687
Intercompany receivables	3,606,529	—	102,335	(3,708,864)	—
Investments in subsidiaries	108,984	—	—	(108,984)	—
Total assets	\$4,484,795	\$3,730,761	\$ 701,851	\$(3,817,848)	\$5,099,559
Liabilities and stockholders' equity					
Homebuilding:					
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities	\$169,661	\$365,102	\$ 219,940	\$—	\$754,703
Notes payable	2,453,127	23,222	26,030	—	2,502,379
	2,622,788	388,324	245,970	—	3,257,082
Financial services	—	—	1,535	—	1,535
Intercompany payables	21,065	3,270,731	417,068	(3,708,864)	—
Stockholders' equity	1,840,942	71,706	37,278	(108,984)	1,840,942
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$4,484,795	\$3,730,761	\$ 701,851	\$(3,817,848)	\$5,099,559

	November 30, 2016				
	KB Home Corporate	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Consolidating Adjustments	Total
Assets					
Homebuilding:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$463,100	\$100,439	\$28,547	\$—	\$592,086
Receivables	4,807	135,915	90,943	—	231,665
Inventories	—	3,048,132	355,096	—	3,403,228
Investments in unconsolidated joint ventures	—	61,517	2,499	—	64,016
Deferred tax assets, net	276,737	318,077	144,171	—	738,985
Other assets	79,526	9,177	2,442	—	91,145
	824,170	3,673,257	623,698	—	5,121,125
Financial services	—	—	10,499	—	10,499
Intercompany receivables	3,559,012	—	97,062	(3,656,074)	—
Investments in subsidiaries	35,965	—	—	(35,965)	—
Total assets	\$4,419,147	\$3,673,257	\$731,259	\$(3,692,039)	\$5,131,624
Liabilities and stockholders' equity					
Homebuilding:					
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities	\$131,530	\$397,605	\$237,192	\$—	\$766,327
Notes payable	2,548,112	66,927	25,110	—	2,640,149
	2,679,642	464,532	262,302	—	3,406,476
Financial services	—	—	2,003	—	2,003
Intercompany payables	16,360	3,208,725	430,989	(3,656,074)	—
Stockholders' equity	1,723,145	—	35,965	(35,965)	1,723,145
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$4,419,147	\$3,673,257	\$731,259	\$(3,692,039)	\$5,131,624

Condensed Consolidating Statements of Cash Flows (in thousands)

	Nine Months Ended August 31, 2017				Consolidating Total
	KB Home Corporate	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Adjustments	
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$82,480	\$ 30,480	\$ (9,690)	\$ —	\$ 103,270
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Contributions to unconsolidated joint ventures	—	(9,899)	(5,255)	—	(15,154)
Return of investments in unconsolidated joint ventures	—	3,169	4,990	—	8,159
Purchases of property and equipment, net	(5,875)	(719)	(49)	—	(6,643)
Intercompany	(43,367)	—	—	43,367	—
Net cash used in investing activities	(49,242)	(7,449)	(314)	43,367	(13,638)
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Repayment of senior notes	(105,326)	—	—	—	(105,326)
Issuance costs for unsecured revolving credit facility	(1,711)	—	—	—	(1,711)
Payments on mortgages and land contracts due to land sellers and other loans	—	(92,443)	—	—	(92,443)
Issuance of common stock under employee stock plans	20,677	—	—	—	20,677
Payments of cash dividends	(6,479)	—	—	—	(6,479)
Stock repurchases	(2,543)	—	—	—	(2,543)
Intercompany	—	51,595	(8,228)	(43,367)	—
Net cash used in financing activities	(95,382)	(40,848)	(8,228)	(43,367)	(187,825)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(62,144)	(17,817)	(18,232)	—	(98,193)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	463,100	100,439	29,461	—	593,000
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$400,956	\$ 82,622	\$ 11,229	\$ —	\$ 494,807

	Nine Months Ended August 31, 2016				
	KB Home Corporate	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Consolidating Adjustments	Total
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$49,705	\$(205,084)	\$52,767	\$—	\$(102,612)
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Contributions to unconsolidated joint ventures	—	(1,000)	—	—	(1,000)
Return of investments in unconsolidated joint ventures	—	3,495	—	—	3,495
Purchases of property and equipment, net	(2,066)	(452)	(162)	—	(2,680)
Intercompany	(141,886)	—	—	141,886	—
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(143,952)	2,043	(162)	141,886	(185)
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Change in restricted cash	8,742	—	—	—	8,742
Payments on mortgages and land contracts due to land sellers and other loans	—	(41,913)	—	—	(41,913)
Issuance of common stock under employee stock plans	7,351	—	—	—	7,351
Payments of cash dividends	(6,471)	—	—	—	(6,471)
Stock repurchases	(87,531)	—	—	—	(87,531)
Intercompany	—	206,168	(64,282)	(141,886)	—
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(77,909)	164,255	(64,282)	(141,886)	(119,822)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(172,156)	(38,786)	(11,677)	—	(222,619)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	444,850	96,741	18,750	—	560,341
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$272,694	\$57,955	\$7,073	\$—	\$337,722
21. Subsequent Event					

On September 15, 2017, we repaid the remaining \$165.0 million in aggregate principal amount of the 9.10% Senior Notes due 2017 at their maturity. We used internally generated cash to retire the notes.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

Results of Operations

OVERVIEW

Revenues are generated from our homebuilding and financial services operations. The following table presents a summary of our consolidated results of operations (dollars in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Three Months Ended August 31,			Nine Months Ended August 31,		
	2017	2016	Variance	2017	2016	Variance
Revenues:						
Homebuilding	\$1,140,787	\$910,111	25 %	\$2,957,105	\$2,394,315	24 %
Financial services	3,214	3,172	1	8,286	8,389	(1)
Total revenues	\$1,144,001	\$913,283	25 %	\$2,965,391	\$2,402,704	23 %
Pretax income:						
Homebuilding	\$76,224	\$51,050	49 %	\$145,288	\$89,171	63 %
Financial services	2,984	2,413	24	7,361	5,116	44
Total pretax income	79,208	53,463	48	152,649	94,287	62
Income tax expense	(29,000)	(14,100)	(106)	(56,400)	(26,200)	(115)
Net income	\$50,208	\$39,363	28 %	\$96,249	\$68,087	41 %
Basic earnings per share	\$.58	\$.46	26 %	\$1.12	\$.79	42 %
Diluted earnings per share	\$.51	\$.42	21 %	\$1.00	\$.72	39 %

The housing market maintained positive momentum during the first three quarters of 2017, supported by healthy industry fundamentals, steady demand and tight supply. This environment in most of our served markets and our continued execution on our returns-focused growth plan enabled us to generate higher deliveries, revenues and pretax income in the 2017 third quarter compared to the prior-year quarter, and achieve a record-low third quarter selling, general and administrative expense ratio. Within our homebuilding operations, housing revenues for the quarter grew 25% year over year to \$1.14 billion, as the number of homes we delivered increased 11% to 2,765 and the overall average selling price of those homes rose 12% to \$411,400. Our housing gross profits for the quarter increased 23% from the year-earlier quarter due to the higher volume of homes delivered, partly offset by a 20 basis point decrease in our housing gross profit margin to 16.2%. Inventory-related charges totaled \$8.1 million for the three months ended August 31, 2017, compared to \$3.1 million in the year-earlier period. Our selling, general and administrative expense ratio improved 120 basis points to 9.6% of housing revenues, primarily reflecting enhanced operating leverage from delivering more homes and generating corresponding higher housing revenues in the current period, and our ongoing efforts to contain our overhead costs to the extent possible. Homebuilding operating income for the 2017 third quarter increased 49% to \$76.7 million, and as a percentage of homebuilding revenues, increased 100 basis points to 6.7%. For the three months ended August 31, 2017, we generated net income of \$50.2 million, up 28% from the corresponding period of 2016, and diluted earnings per share of \$.51, up 21% year over year. During the nine months ended August 31, 2017, we invested \$1.12 billion in land and land development to drive community openings in 2017 and beyond as we continue to work on increasing the scale of our business within our existing geographic footprint under our core business strategy. In the corresponding period of 2016, such investments totaled \$1.06 billion. Approximately 49% of our total investments in the nine-month period ended August 31, 2017 related to land acquisition, compared to approximately 50% in the year-earlier period.

The following table presents information concerning our net orders, cancellation rates, ending backlog and community count for the three-month and nine-month periods ended August 31, 2017 and 2016 (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended August	
	August 31,		31,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Net orders	2,608	2,508	8,604	8,029
Net order value (a)	\$1,071,932	\$929,589	\$3,540,866	\$2,957,265
Cancellation rates (b)	25	% 29	% 23	% 25
Ending backlog — homes	5,455	5,226	5,455	5,226
Ending backlog — value	\$2,115,942	\$1,848,580	\$2,115,942	\$1,848,580
Ending community count	231	227	231	227
Average community count	234	235	236	239

Net order value represents the potential future housing revenues associated with net orders generated during a (a) period, as well as homebuyer selections of lot and product premiums and design studio options and upgrades for homes in backlog during the same period.

(b) Cancellation rates represent the total number of contracts for new homes canceled during a period divided by the total (gross) orders for new homes generated during the same period.

Net Orders. For the three months ended August 31, 2017, net orders from our homebuilding operations grew 4% from the year-earlier period, resulting in an increase in absorptions to 3.7 homes per community, per month. The combination of higher net orders and a higher overall average selling price resulted in the value of our 2017 third quarter net orders increasing 15% from the year-earlier quarter. We had particularly strong growth in our West Coast and Southwest homebuilding reporting segments. In our West Coast homebuilding reporting segment, net order value increased 26% from the year-earlier quarter, reflecting 10% growth in net orders and a 14% increase in the average selling price of those orders. In our Southwest homebuilding reporting segment, net order value rose 37% year over year as a result of 26% growth in net orders and a 9% rise in the average selling price of those orders. Our cancellation rate as a percentage of gross orders for the three months ended August 31, 2017 improved from the year-earlier quarter. For the nine months ended August 31, 2017, net orders increased 7% and net order value grew 20% from the corresponding period of 2016, while the cancellation rate as a percentage of gross orders also improved.

Backlog. The number of homes in our backlog at August 31, 2017 rose 4% from August 31, 2016. The potential future housing revenues in our backlog at August 31, 2017 grew 14% from August 31, 2016, reflecting the larger number of homes in our backlog and the higher average selling price of those homes. The average selling price of our homes in backlog increased 10%. The growth in our backlog value reflected year-over-year increases in three of our four homebuilding reporting segments, ranging from 1% in our Central homebuilding reporting segment to 43% in our Southwest homebuilding reporting segment.

Community Count. We use the term “community count” to refer to the number of communities with at least five homes/lots left to sell at the end of a reporting period. Our average community count for the 2017 third quarter was essentially flat on a year-over-year basis, as increases in our West Coast, Southwest and Central homebuilding reporting segments were offset by a 21% decline in our Southeast homebuilding reporting segment stemming from fewer community openings over the past year, and the wind down of our Metro Washington, D.C. operations in 2016. For the nine months ended August 31, 2017, our ending community count increased 2%, while our average community count decreased 1%, both as compared to the year-earlier period.

HOMEBUILDING

The following table presents a summary of certain financial and operational data for our homebuilding operations (dollars in thousands, except average selling price):

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended August		
	August 31, 2017	2016	31, 2017	2016	
Revenues:					
Housing	\$1,137,406	\$910,111	\$2,944,013	\$2,390,165	
Land	3,381	—	13,092	4,150	
Total	1,140,787	910,111	2,957,105	2,394,315	
Costs and expenses:					
Construction and land costs					
Housing	(953,413)	(760,490)	(2,488,577)	(2,007,621)	
Land	(1,588)	—	(11,100)	(10,401)	
Total	(955,001)	(760,490)	(2,499,677)	(2,018,022)	
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(109,095)	(98,144)	(305,901)	(279,886)	
Total	(1,064,096)	(858,634)	(2,805,578)	(2,297,908)	
Operating income	\$76,691	\$51,477	\$151,527	\$96,407	
Homes delivered	2,765	2,487	7,569	6,769	
Average selling price	\$411,400	\$365,900	\$389,000	\$353,100	
Housing gross profit margin as a percentage of housing revenues	16.2	% 16.4	% 15.5	% 16.0	%
Housing gross profit margin excluding inventory-related charges as a percentage of housing revenues	16.9	% 16.8	% 16.1	% 16.4	%
Adjusted housing gross profit margin as a percentage of housing revenues	21.7	% 21.2	% 21.0	% 20.9	%
Selling, general and administrative expenses as a percentage of housing revenues	9.6	% 10.8	% 10.4	% 11.7	%
Operating income as a percentage of homebuilding revenues	6.7	% 5.7	% 5.1	% 4.0	%

For reporting purposes, we organize our homebuilding operations into four segments — West Coast, Southwest, Central and Southeast. As of August 31, 2017, our homebuilding reporting segments consisted of ongoing operations located in the following states: West Coast — California; Southwest — Arizona and Nevada; Central — Colorado and Texas; and Southeast — Florida and North Carolina. The following tables present homes delivered, net orders, cancellation rates as a percentage of gross orders, net order value, average community count and ending backlog (number of homes and value) by homebuilding reporting segment (dollars in thousands):

Segment	Three Months Ended August 31,		Cancellation	
	Homes Delivered	Net Orders	Rates	
	2017	2017	2017	2016
West Coast	890	853	16	19 %
Southwest	456	549	24	22
Central	190	859	33	35
Southeast	382	347	24	36
Total	2,765	2,608	25	29 %

Three Months Ended August 31,						
Segment	Net Order Value			Average Community Count		
	2017	2016	Variance	2017	2016	Variance
West Coast	\$547,049	\$435,598	26 %	63	60	5 %
Southwest	168,300	122,876	37	40	36	11
Central	256,502	263,707	(3)	93	91	2
Southeast	100,081	107,408	(7)	38	48	(21)
Total	\$1,071,932	\$929,589	15 %	234	235	— %

Nine Months Ended August 31,						
Segment	Homes Delivered		Net Orders		Cancellation Rates	
	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016
West Coast	2,226	1,799	2,744	2,325	14 %	19 %
Southwest	1,297	1,111	1,634	1,337	21	20
Central	2,898	2,647	3,094	3,042	30	30
Southeast	1,148	1,212	1,132	1,325	25	29
Total	7,569	6,769	8,604	8,029	23 %	25 %

Segment	Net Order Value			Average Community Count		
	2017	2016	Variance	2017	2016	Variance
West Coast	\$1,835,910	\$1,346,091	36 %	64	58	10 %
Southwest	484,833	385,501	26	40	37	8
Central	899,392	845,164	6	92	90	2
Southeast	320,731	380,509	(16)	40	54	(26)
Total	\$3,540,866	\$2,957,265	20 %	236	239	(1)%

August 31,						
Segment	Backlog – Homes			Backlog – Value		
	2017	2016	Variance	2017	2016	Variance
West Coast	1,431	1,264	13 %	\$938,902	\$724,795	30 %
Southwest	1,141	831	37	336,523	234,736	43
Central	2,175	2,237	(3)	641,101	636,234	1
Southeast	708	894	(21)	199,416	252,815	(21)
Total	5,455	5,226	4 %	\$2,115,942	\$1,848,580	14 %

Revenues. Homebuilding revenues for the three months ended August 31, 2017 rose 25% from the year-earlier period to \$1.14 billion, primarily due to an increase in housing revenues.

Housing revenues for the quarter ended August 31, 2017 increased 25% to \$1.14 billion due to increases in both the number of homes we delivered and the overall average selling price of those homes. We delivered 2,765 homes in the 2017 third quarter, up 11%, largely due to the 8% higher backlog level we had at the beginning of the quarter. The overall average selling price of homes delivered for the three months ended August 31, 2017 rose 12% to \$411,400, reflecting a shift in product and geographic mix and generally rising home prices.

Land sale revenues totaled \$3.4 million for the three months ended August 31, 2017. We had no land sales in the three months ended August 31, 2016. The land sale revenues in the 2017 third quarter reflected the execution of our plans to monetize certain non-strategic land parcels through land sales as part of our returns-focused growth plan. These land sales are expected to generate

cash that we can redeploy for investments in land that are expected to generate a higher return and grow our business, or reduce our debt. Generally, land sale revenues fluctuate with our decisions to maintain or decrease our land ownership position in certain markets based upon the volume of our holdings, our marketing strategy, the strength and number of developers and other land buyers in particular markets at given points in time, the availability of opportunities to sell land at acceptable prices and prevailing market conditions.

For the nine months ended August 31, 2017, our homebuilding revenues increased 24% from the year-earlier period to \$2.96 billion. Housing revenues for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 rose \$553.8 million, or 23%, from the corresponding period of 2016, reflecting growth in the number of homes delivered and an increase in the overall average selling price of those homes. For the first nine months of 2017, we delivered 7,569 homes, an increase of 12%, and the overall average selling price of homes delivered rose 10% to \$389,000.

Land sale revenues increased to \$13.1 million for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 from \$4.2 million for the nine months ended August 31, 2016, reflecting the factors discussed above with respect to our 2017 third quarter land sale revenues.

Operating Income. Our homebuilding operating income increased 49% to \$76.7 million for the three months ended August 31, 2017. Homebuilding operating income for the 2017 third quarter included \$8.1 million of inventory impairment and land option contract abandonment charges, compared to \$3.1 million of such charges in the corresponding 2016 quarter. As a percentage of homebuilding revenues, our homebuilding operating income for the three months ended August 31, 2017 increased 100 basis points year over year to 6.7%.

For the nine months ended August 31, 2017, our homebuilding operating income of \$151.5 million rose 57% from the corresponding period of 2016. The nine-month period ended August 31, 2017 included total inventory impairment and land option contract abandonment charges of \$18.1 million, compared to \$16.8 million in the nine-month period ended August 31, 2016. The charges in the nine-month period ended August 31, 2016 were in part the result of our decision to wind down our Metro Washington, D.C. operations. As a percentage of homebuilding revenues, our homebuilding operating income for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 improved 110 basis points year over year to 5.1%.

The year-over-year improvements in our homebuilding operating income for the three-month and nine-month periods ended August 31, 2017 primarily reflected increases in housing gross profits that were partly offset by increases in selling, general and administrative expenses. In addition, the year-over-year comparisons for the three months and nine months ended August 31, 2017 reflected profits from land sales in the current period, compared to no land sales in the three-month period ended August 31, 2016, and land sale losses in the nine-month period ended August 31, 2016, as further discussed below.

Housing gross profits increased to \$184.0 million for the three months ended August 31, 2017 from \$149.6 million for the year-earlier period. Our housing gross profits for the 2017 and 2016 third quarters included the above-noted inventory-related charges.

Our housing gross profit margin for the 2017 third quarter decreased 20 basis points year over year to 16.2%, primarily due to an increase in the amortization of previously capitalized interest (approximately 40 basis points) and higher inventory-related charges (approximately 30 basis points), partly offset by improved operating leverage on fixed costs as a result of the increased volume of homes delivered and corresponding higher housing revenues (approximately 30 basis points), lower construction and land costs (approximately 10 basis points) and a decrease in sales incentives (approximately 10 basis points). The increase in the amortization of previously capitalized interest as a percentage of housing revenues was mainly due to longer-term development and/or extended construction time frames for certain communities in our West Coast homebuilding reporting segment.

Excluding the amortization of previously capitalized interest associated with housing operations of \$55.0 million and \$40.4 million in the three-month periods ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, and the above-mentioned inventory-related charges in the applicable periods, our adjusted housing gross profit margin improved 50 basis points from the year-earlier quarter to 21.7%. The calculation of adjusted housing gross profit margin, which we believe provides a clearer measure of the performance of our business, is described below under “Non-GAAP Financial Measures.”

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the 2017 third quarter rose to \$109.1 million from \$98.1 million for the year-earlier quarter, mainly due to higher variable expenses associated with the year-over-year increases in homes

delivered and corresponding revenues. As a percentage of housing revenues, selling, general and administrative expenses improved 120 basis points from the prior-year period to 9.6% for the three months ended August 31, 2017, largely due to improved operating leverage on fixed costs from the increased volume of homes delivered and corresponding higher housing revenues, and our ongoing efforts to contain our overhead costs to the extent possible. The ratio was also favorably impacted by a settlement we received in a lengthy lawsuit related to a property in Nevada, which was largely offset by a net charge related to self-insurance.

Land sale profits totaled \$1.8 million for the three months ended August 31, 2017. We had no land sales in the prior-year quarter.

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Our housing gross profits of \$455.4 million for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 increased \$72.9 million, or 19%, from \$382.5 million for the year-earlier period. Housing gross profits for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 included \$18.1 million of inventory impairment and land option contract abandonment charges. For the nine months ended August 31, 2016, housing gross profits included \$10.6 million of such charges. Our housing gross profit margin of 15.5% for the first nine months of 2017 decreased 50 basis points year over year, primarily reflecting the impact of higher construction and land costs, an increase in the amortization of previously capitalized interest and higher inventory impairment and land option contract abandonment charges, partly offset by improved operating leverage on fixed costs as a result of the increased volume of homes delivered and corresponding higher housing revenues. Sales incentives as a percentage of housing revenues for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 were approximately the same as the year-earlier period. In the nine months ended August 31, 2017, our adjusted housing gross profit margin improved 10 basis points year over year to 21.0%.

Selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$26.0 million, or 9%, year over year to \$305.9 million for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 from \$279.9 million for the corresponding period of 2016 for the reasons described above with respect to the three months ended August 31, 2017. As a percentage of housing revenues, selling, general and administrative expenses improved 130 basis points year over year to 10.4% for the nine months ended August 31, 2017.

For the nine months ended August 31, 2017, land sales generated profits of \$2.0 million. For the nine months ended August 31, 2016, land sale losses of \$6.3 million reflected the inventory impairment charges associated with the wind down of our operations in the Metro Washington, D.C. market, and inventory impairment charges recorded in the 2016 first quarter related to the sales of our last remaining land parcels in the Rio Grande Valley area of Texas, which closed in the 2016 second quarter.

The estimated remaining life of each community or land parcel in our inventory depends on various factors, such as the total number of lots remaining; the expected timeline to acquire and entitle land and develop lots to build homes; the anticipated future net order and cancellation rates; and the expected timeline to build and deliver homes sold. While it is difficult to determine a precise timeframe for any particular inventory asset, based on current market conditions and expected delivery timelines, we estimate our inventory assets' remaining operating lives to range generally from one year to in excess of 10 years and expect to realize, on an overall basis, the majority of our inventories as of August 31, 2017 within five years. The following table presents our inventories as of August 31, 2017 based on our current estimated timeframe for delivery of the last home within an applicable community or land parcel (in millions):

	0-2 years	3-5 years	6-10 years	Greater than 10 years	Total
Inventories	\$ 1,965.2	\$ 1,224.7	\$ 227.0	\$ 96.9	\$ 3,513.8

The inventories in the 0-2 years and 3-5 years categories were located in all of our homebuilding reporting segments, though mostly in our West Coast and Central segments, and collectively represented 91% of our total inventories at August 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016. Inventories in the 6-10 years category were also located in all of our homebuilding reporting segments but largely in our West Coast and Central segments, while inventories in the greater than 10 years category were primarily located in our West Coast and Southwest homebuilding reporting segments. The inventories in the 6-10 years and greater than 10 years categories were generally comprised of land held for future development.

Due to the judgment and assumptions applied in our inventory impairment and land option contract abandonment assessment processes, and in our estimations of the remaining operating lives of our inventory assets and the realization of our inventories, particularly as to land held for future development, it is possible that actual results could differ substantially from those estimated.

Deterioration in the supply and demand factors in the overall housing market or in an individual market or submarket, or changes to our operational or selling strategy at certain communities, may lead to additional inventory impairment charges, future charges associated with land sales or the abandonment of land option contracts or other similar contracts related to certain assets. Due to the nature or location of the projects, land held for future development that we activate as part of our strategic growth initiatives or to accelerate sales and/or our return on investment, or that we otherwise monetize to help increase our asset efficiency, may have a somewhat greater likelihood of being impaired

than other of our active inventory.

We believe that the carrying value of our inventories as of August 31, 2017 is recoverable. Our considerations in making this determination include the factors and trends incorporated into our inventory impairment analyses, and as applicable, the prevailing regulatory environment, competition from other homebuilders, inventory levels and sales activity of resale homes, and the local economic conditions where an asset is located. In addition, we consider the financial and operational status and expectations of our inventories as well as specific attributes or circumstances of each community or land parcel in our inventory that could be indicators of potential impairments. However, if conditions in the overall housing market or in a specific market or submarket worsen in the future beyond our current expectations, if future changes in our marketing strategy significantly affect any key

assumptions used in our projections of future cash flows, or if there are material changes in any of the other items we consider in assessing recoverability, we may recognize charges in future periods for inventory impairments or land option contract abandonments, or both, related to our current inventory assets. Any such charges could be material to our consolidated financial statements.

Interest Income. Interest income, which is generated from short-term investments, totaled \$.3 million for the three months ended August 31, 2017 and \$.1 million for the three months ended August 31, 2016. For the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, our interest income totaled \$.7 million and \$.4 million, respectively. Generally, increases and decreases in interest income are attributable to changes in the interest-bearing average balances of short-term investments and fluctuations in interest rates.

Interest Expense. Interest expense results principally from our borrowings to finance land acquisitions, land development, home construction and other operating and capital needs. All interest incurred during the three-month periods ended August 31, 2017 and 2016 was capitalized as the average amount of our inventory qualifying for interest capitalization was higher than our average debt level for those periods. As a result, we had no interest expense for the three-month periods ended August 31, 2017 and 2016. For the nine months ended August 31, 2017, our interest expense, net of amounts capitalized, totaled \$6.3 million, compared to \$5.7 million for the year-earlier period. Our interest expense for the nine-month period ended August 31, 2017 included a charge of \$5.7 million for the early extinguishment of debt associated with our optional redemption of \$100.0 million in aggregate principal amount of the 9.10% Senior Notes due 2017. The redemption, which was completed on January 13, 2017 using internally generated cash, represented a step toward reducing our debt in line with our returns-focused growth plan.

During the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, the average amount of our inventory qualifying for interest capitalization was lower than our average debt level and, therefore, a portion of the interest we incurred was reflected as interest expense.

Interest incurred decreased to \$43.4 million for the three months ended August 31, 2017 from \$46.5 million for the year-earlier period, due to the lower average debt level in the current period as a result of the above-mentioned optional redemption of the 9.10% Senior Notes due 2017. We capitalized all of the interest incurred in the three months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016. For the nine months ended August 31, 2017, interest incurred decreased to \$136.9 million from \$139.0 million for the year-earlier period due to a lower average debt level in the current period, partly offset by the above-mentioned charge for the early extinguishment of debt. We capitalized \$130.6 million and \$133.3 million of the interest incurred in the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The percentage of interest capitalized, excluding the charge for the early extinguishment of debt in the current period, was 99.5% and 95.9% for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The percentage of interest capitalized generally fluctuates based on the amount of our inventory qualifying for interest capitalization and the amount of debt outstanding.

Interest amortized to construction and land costs associated with housing operations increased to \$55.0 million for the three months ended August 31, 2017 from \$40.4 million for the year-earlier period. For the nine months ended August 31, 2017, interest amortized to construction and land costs associated with housing operations rose to \$143.3 million from \$106.2 million for the year-earlier period. The year-over-year increases in interest amortized for the three-month and nine-month periods ended August 31, 2017 reflected increases in both the number of homes delivered and the overall construction and land costs attributable to those homes. As a percentage of housing revenues, the amortization of previously capitalized interest associated with housing operations was 4.8% and 4.4% for the three months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, and 4.9% and 4.4% for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The year-over-year increase in the amortization of previously capitalized interest as a percentage of housing revenues for both the three-month and nine-month periods ended August 31, 2017 was mainly due to longer-term development and/or extended construction time frames for certain communities in our West Coast homebuilding reporting segment. Additionally, interest amortized to construction and land costs in the 2017 third quarter included \$.2 million related to land sales that occurred during the period. For the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, interest amortized to construction and land costs included \$1.8 million and \$.5 million, respectively, of amortization of previously capitalized interest related to land sales that occurred during those periods.

Equity in Loss of Unconsolidated Joint Ventures. Our equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures totaled \$.8 million for the three months ended August 31, 2017 and \$.5 million for the three months ended August 31, 2016. For the nine months ended August 31, 2017, our equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures was \$.7 million, compared to \$2.0 million for the same period of 2016. Further information regarding our investments in unconsolidated joint ventures is provided in Note 9 – Investments in Unconsolidated Joint Ventures in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this report.

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NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

This report contains information about our adjusted housing gross profit margin and our ratio of net debt to capital, neither of which are calculated in accordance with GAAP. We believe these non-GAAP financial measures are relevant and useful to investors in understanding our operations and the leverage employed in our operations, and may be helpful in comparing us with other companies in the homebuilding industry to the extent they provide similar information. However, because the adjusted housing gross profit margin and the ratio of net debt to capital are not calculated in accordance with GAAP, these financial measures may not be completely comparable to other companies in the homebuilding industry and, thus, should not be considered in isolation or as an alternative to operating performance and/or financial measures prescribed by GAAP. Rather, these non-GAAP financial measures should be used to supplement their respective most directly comparable GAAP financial measures in order to provide a greater understanding of the factors and trends affecting our operations.

Adjusted Housing Gross Profit Margin. The following table reconciles our housing gross profit margin calculated in accordance with GAAP to the non-GAAP financial measure of our adjusted housing gross profit margin (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended August		
	August 31, 2017	2016	2017	2016	
Housing revenues	\$1,137,406	\$910,111	\$2,944,013	\$2,390,165	
Housing construction and land costs	(953,413)	(760,490)	(2,488,577)	(2,007,621)	
Housing gross profits	183,993	149,621	455,436	382,544	
Add: Inventory-related charges (a)	8,113	3,052	18,122	10,615	
Housing gross profits excluding inventory-related charges	192,106	152,673	473,558	393,159	
Add: Amortization of previously capitalized interest (b)	55,036	40,424	143,254	106,181	
Adjusted housing gross profits	\$247,142	\$193,097	\$616,812	\$499,340	
Housing gross profit margin as a percentage of housing revenues	16.2	% 16.4	% 15.5	% 16.0	%
Housing gross profit margin excluding inventory-related charges as a percentage of housing revenues	16.9	% 16.8	% 16.1	% 16.4	%
Adjusted housing gross profit margin as a percentage of housing revenues	21.7	% 21.2	% 21.0	% 20.9	%

(a) Represents inventory impairment and land option contract abandonment charges associated with housing operations.

(b) Represents the amortization of previously capitalized interest associated with housing operations.

Adjusted housing gross profit margin is a non-GAAP financial measure, which we calculate by dividing housing revenues less housing construction and land costs excluding (1) housing inventory impairment and land option contract abandonment charges (as applicable) recorded during a given period and (2) amortization of previously capitalized interest associated with housing operations, by housing revenues. The most directly comparable GAAP financial measure is housing gross profit margin. We believe adjusted housing gross profit margin is a relevant and useful financial measure to investors in evaluating our performance as it measures the gross profits we generated specifically on the homes delivered during a given period. This non-GAAP financial measure isolates the impact that the housing inventory impairment and land option contract abandonment charges, and the amortization of previously capitalized interest associated with housing operations, have on housing gross profit margins, and allows investors to make comparisons with our competitors that adjust housing gross profit margins in a similar manner. We also believe investors will find adjusted housing gross profit margin relevant and useful because it represents a profitability measure that may be compared to a prior period without regard to variability of housing inventory impairment and land option contract abandonment charges, and amortization of previously capitalized interest associated with housing operations. This financial measure assists us in making strategic decisions regarding community location and product mix, product pricing and construction pace.

Ratio of Net Debt to Capital. The following table reconciles our ratio of debt to capital calculated in accordance with GAAP to the non-GAAP financial measure of our ratio of net debt to capital (dollars in thousands):

	August 31, 2017	November 30, 2016		
Notes payable	\$2,502,379	\$2,640,149		
Stockholders' equity	1,840,942	1,723,145		
Total capital	\$4,343,321	\$4,363,294		
Ratio of debt to capital	57.6	% 60.5	%	

Notes payable	\$2,502,379	\$2,640,149		
Less: Cash and cash equivalents	(494,053)	(592,086)		
Net debt	2,008,326	2,048,063		
Stockholders' equity	1,840,942	1,723,145		
Total capital	\$3,849,268	\$3,771,208		
Ratio of net debt to capital	52.2	% 54.3	%	

The ratio of net debt to capital is a non-GAAP financial measure, which we calculate by dividing notes payable, net of homebuilding cash and cash equivalents, by capital (notes payable, net of homebuilding cash and cash equivalents, plus stockholders' equity). The most directly comparable GAAP financial measure is the ratio of debt to capital. We believe the ratio of net debt to capital is a relevant and useful financial measure to investors in understanding the degree of leverage employed in our operations.

HOMEBUILDING REPORTING SEGMENTS

Below is a discussion of the financial results of each of our homebuilding reporting segments. Further information regarding these segments, including their pretax income (loss), is included in Note 2 – Segment Information in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this report. The difference between each homebuilding reporting segment's operating income (loss) and pretax income (loss) is generally due to the equity in income (loss) of unconsolidated joint ventures and/or interest income and expense.

West Coast. The following table presents financial information related to our West Coast homebuilding reporting segment for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands, except average selling price):

	Three Months Ended August 31,			Nine Months Ended August 31,		
	2017	2016	Variance	2017	2016	Variance
Revenues	\$609,598	\$414,150	47 %	\$1,426,030	\$1,029,269	39 %
Construction and land costs	(512,921)	(350,636)	(46)	(1,215,056)	(877,363)	(38)
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(37,402)	(26,188)	(43)	(90,991)	(70,321)	(29)
Operating income	\$59,275	\$37,326	59 %	\$119,983	\$81,585	47 %
Homes delivered	890	710	25 %	2,226	1,799	24 %
Average selling price	\$682,500	\$583,300	17 %	\$639,600	\$572,100	12 %
Housing gross profit margin	15.6 %	15.3 %	30 bps	14.7 %	14.8 %	(10)bps

This segment's revenues for the three months and nine months ended August 31, 2017 were generated from both housing operations and land sales, while its revenues for the three months and nine months ended August 31, 2016 were generated solely from housing operations. Housing revenues for the 2017 third quarter grew 47% to \$607.4 million. For the nine months ended August 31, 2017, housing revenues rose 38% from the corresponding year-earlier period to \$1.42 billion. The housing revenue growth in each period of 2017 reflected increases in both the number of homes delivered and the average selling price of those homes. The increases in the number of homes delivered in the three-month and nine-month periods ended August 31, 2017 primarily reflected the substantially higher backlog level at the beginning of each period as compared to the corresponding year-earlier period, and were largely attributable to our Northern California operations. The average selling price of homes delivered during the three

months and nine months ended August 31, 2017 rose from the corresponding periods of 2016 due to a shift in product and geographic mix, and generally rising home prices. Land sale revenues consisted of contingent consideration (profit participation revenues) that we realized in the current period and totaled \$2.2 million for both the three-month and nine-month periods ended August 31, 2017.

Operating income for the three months ended August 31, 2017 increased significantly from the year-earlier period, primarily reflecting higher housing gross profits, partly offset by higher selling, general and administrative expenses. Housing gross profits increased as a result of the higher volume of homes delivered and an increase in the housing gross profit margin. The year-over-year growth in the housing gross profit margin was mainly due to improved operating leverage from the increased volume of homes delivered and corresponding higher housing revenues and a shift in product and geographic mix, partly offset by higher construction and land costs, and an increase in the amortization of previously capitalized interest that was mainly due to longer-term development and/or extended construction time frames for certain communities. Inventory-related charges impacting the 2017 third quarter housing gross profit margin totaled \$5.9 million, compared to \$2.8 million in the year-earlier quarter. Land sales generated profits of \$2.2 million for the three months ended August 31, 2017, reflecting the above-mentioned contingent consideration realized during the period. Selling, general and administrative expenses for the three months ended August 31, 2017 increased from the year-earlier period, primarily due to higher variable expenses associated with the increased volume of homes delivered and corresponding higher housing revenues.

For the nine months ended August 31, 2017, operating income rose 47% from the year-earlier period, mainly reflecting growth in housing gross profits that was partly offset by an increase in selling, general and administrative expenses. The increase in housing gross profits reflected the higher volume of homes delivered, partly offset by a slight decrease in the housing gross profit margin. The year-over-year decline in the housing gross profit margin was mainly due to higher construction and land costs, an increase in inventory-related charges, a shift in product and geographic mix of homes delivered, and an increase in the amortization of previously capitalized interest as discussed above with respect to the three months ended August 31, 2017. These impacts were partly offset by improved operating leverage from the increased volume of homes delivered and corresponding higher housing revenues. Inventory-related charges impacting the housing gross profit margin totaled \$10.9 million for the nine-month period ended August 31, 2017 and \$7.8 million for the corresponding period of 2016. Land sales generated profits of \$2.2 million for the nine months ended August 31, 2017. Selling, general and administrative expenses for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 increased from the year-earlier period, primarily for the reasons described above with respect to the three months ended August 31, 2017.

Southwest. The following table presents financial information related to our Southwest homebuilding reporting segment for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands, except average selling price):

	Three Months Ended August 31,			Nine Months Ended August 31,		
	2017	2016	Variance	2017	2016	Variance
Revenues	\$132,307	\$106,187	25 %	\$376,132	\$318,190	18 %
Construction and land costs	(111,959)	(87,790)	(28)	(317,238)	(260,541)	(22)
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(8,239)	(9,695)	15	(29,259)	(24,986)	(17)
Operating income	\$12,109	\$8,702	39 %	\$29,635	\$32,663	(9) %
Homes delivered	454	369	23 %	1,297	1,111	17 %
Average selling price	\$291,400	\$287,800	1 %	\$290,000	\$286,400	1 %
Housing gross profit margin	15.4 %	17.3 %	(190)bps	15.7 %	18.1 %	(240)bps

This segment's revenues for the three months and nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016 were generated solely from housing operations. Housing revenues for the three months and nine months ended August 31, 2017 increased 25% and 18%, respectively, from the corresponding year-earlier periods, reflecting increases in both the number of homes delivered and the average selling price of those homes. The year-over-year growth in the number of homes delivered primarily reflected the higher number of homes in backlog at the beginning of each of the 2017 periods as compared to the corresponding 2016 periods. The year-over-year increase in the number of homes delivered for the three months ended August 31, 2017 was attributable to both our Arizona and Nevada operations, while the increase for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 primarily occurred in our Nevada operations.

Operating income for the three months ended August 31, 2017 increased substantially from the corresponding period of 2016 due to higher housing gross profits and lower selling, general and administrative expenses. The year-over-year increase in the housing

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gross profits reflected an increase in the number of homes delivered, partly offset by a decline in the housing gross profit margin. The decrease in the housing gross profit margin reflected higher construction and land costs and a shift in product mix of homes delivered. Inventory-related charges impacting the 2017 third quarter housing gross profit margin totaled \$2.1 million, compared to \$.1 million in the year-earlier quarter. Selling, general and administrative expenses for the 2017 third quarter decreased from the corresponding 2016 quarter, mainly due to a settlement received in a lawsuit in the current quarter, partly offset by higher variable expenses associated with the increased volume of homes delivered and corresponding higher housing revenues, and an increase to legal accruals. Sales incentives as a percentage of housing revenues in the three months ended August 31, 2017 decreased slightly from the year-earlier period.

For the nine months ended August 31, 2017, operating income decreased from the year-earlier period, reflecting lower housing gross profits and higher selling, general and administrative expenses. The decrease in housing gross profits reflected a year-over-year decline in the housing gross profit margin, partly offset by an increase in the number of homes delivered. The housing gross profit margin declined for the reasons described above with respect to the three-month period ended August 31, 2017, and higher inventory-related charges. Inventory-related charges impacting the housing gross profit margin totaled \$3.4 million for the nine months ended August 31, 2017, compared to \$.3 million for the year-earlier period. Selling, general and administrative expenses for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 rose from the year-earlier period, mainly due to higher variable expenses associated with the increased volume of homes delivered and corresponding higher housing revenues.

Central. The following table presents financial information related to our Central homebuilding reporting segment for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands, except average selling price):

	Three Months Ended August 31,			Nine Months Ended August 31,		
	2017	2016	Variance	2017	2016	Variance
Revenues	\$291,006	\$265,524	10 %	\$826,008	\$707,917	17 %
Construction and land costs	(235,086)	(212,629)	(11)	(671,509)	(572,262)	(17)
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(26,999)	(25,294)	(7)	(78,761)	(74,253)	(6)
Operating income	\$28,921	\$27,601	5 %	\$75,738	\$61,402	23 %
Homes delivered	1,032	976	6 %	2,898	2,647	9 %
Average selling price	\$280,800	\$272,100	3 %	\$282,100	\$265,900	6 %
Housing gross profit margin	19.4 %	19.9 %	(50)bps	18.9 %	19.4 %	(50)bps

This segment's revenues for the three months and nine months ended August 31, 2017 and the nine months ended August 31, 2016 were generated from both housing operations and land sales. For the three months ended August 31, 2016, this segment's revenues were generated solely from housing operations. Housing revenues for the 2017 third quarter increased 9% to \$289.8 million from \$265.5 million for the year-earlier quarter. For nine months ended August 31, 2017, housing revenues rose 16% to \$817.5 million from \$703.8 million. The housing revenue growth in each period of 2017 reflected increases in both the number of homes delivered and the average selling price of those homes. The year-over-year growth in the number of homes delivered in the three-month and nine-month periods ended August 31, 2017 reflected increases from both our Colorado and Texas operations, despite having missed approximately 50 deliveries due to Hurricane Harvey in Texas. The average selling price for the three months and nine months ended August 31, 2017 rose from the corresponding periods of 2016, primarily due to a greater proportion of homes delivered from higher-priced communities, a shift in product mix, and generally rising home prices. Land sale revenues for the three months ended August 31, 2017 totaled \$1.2 million, while such revenues for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016 totaled \$8.5 million and \$4.2 million, respectively.

Operating income for the three months ended August 31, 2017 increased \$1.3 million from the year-earlier period, mainly due to growth in housing gross profits, partly offset by an increase in selling, general and administrative expenses. Housing gross profits expanded due to the increased volume of homes delivered, partially offset by a decrease in the housing gross profit margin. The housing gross profit margin declined from the year-earlier quarter, largely due to higher construction and land costs and a shift in product mix of homes delivered. Land sales generated losses of \$.2 million in the three months ended August 31, 2017. Selling, general and administrative expenses for the 2017 third quarter increased from the year-earlier quarter due to higher variable expenses associated with the

increased volume of homes delivered and corresponding higher housing revenues, partly offset by lower overhead costs as a result of our cost containment efforts.

For the nine months ended August 31, 2017, operating income increased \$14.3 million from the year-earlier period, mainly due to growth in housing gross profits. The increase in housing gross profits reflected an increase in the number of homes delivered,

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partly offset by a lower housing gross profit margin. The housing gross profit margin decreased from the year-earlier period due to the reasons described above with respect to the three months ended August 31, 2017, partly offset by unfavorable warranty adjustments in the year-earlier period. Inventory-related charges impacting the housing gross profit margin totaled \$.5 million for the nine-months ended August 31, 2017 and \$1.2 million for corresponding period of 2016. Land sales generated losses of \$.2 million and \$.9 million for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The land sale loss for the nine months ended August 31, 2016 included an inventory impairment charge of approximately \$.8 million related to the sales of our last remaining land parcels in the Rio Grande Valley area of Texas. Selling, general and administrative expenses for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 increased compared to the corresponding period of 2016, mainly due to the reasons described above with respect to the three months ended August 31, 2017. In addition, the nine-month period ended August 31, 2016 included an increase to a legal accrual.

Southeast. The following table presents financial information related to our Southeast homebuilding reporting segment for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands, except average selling price):

	Three Months Ended August 31,			Nine Months Ended August 31,		
	2017	2016	Variance	2017	2016	Variance
Revenues	\$107,876	\$124,250	(13) %	\$328,935	\$338,939	(3) %
Construction and land costs	(93,517)	(108,002)	13	(291,456)	(303,308)	4
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(13,230)	(13,919)	5	(38,017)	(44,140)	14
Operating income (loss)	\$1,129	\$2,329	(52) %	\$(538)	\$(8,509)	94 %
Homes delivered	389	432	(10) %	1,148	1,212	(5) %
Average selling price	\$277,300	\$287,600	(4) %	\$284,500	\$279,700	2 %
Housing gross profit margin	13.5 %	13.1 %	40 bps	11.5 %	12.1 %	(60) bps

This segment's revenues for the three months ended August 31, 2017 and the three months and nine months ended August 31, 2016 were generated solely from housing operations. Revenues for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 were generated from both housing operations and land sales. Housing revenues for the three months ended August 31, 2017 declined 13% from the year-earlier period, reflecting decreases in both the number of homes delivered and the average selling price of those homes. For the nine months ended August 31, 2017, housing revenues decreased 4% to \$326.6 million due to a decrease in the number of homes delivered, partly offset by an increase in the average selling price. The year-over-year decreases in the number of homes delivered for the three months and nine months ended August 31, 2017 mainly reflected the wind down of our Metro Washington, D.C. operations. The year-over-year decrease in the average selling price for the three months ended August 31, 2017 was mainly due to a shift in mix, including the absence of deliveries from Metro Washington D.C. in the current period. The average selling price for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 rose from the corresponding 2016 period, primarily due to a greater proportion of homes delivered from higher-priced communities, a shift in product mix and generally rising home prices. Land sale revenues for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 totaled \$2.4 million.

For the three months ended August 31, 2017, operating income declined from the prior year period due to a decrease in housing gross profits, partly offset by a decrease in selling, general and administrative expenses. The year-over-year decline in housing gross profits reflected a decrease in the number of homes delivered, partly offset by an improved housing gross profit margin. This segment's housing gross profit margin increased on a year-over-year basis, primarily due to lower overall construction and land costs. Inventory-related charges impacting the housing gross profit margin for both of the three-month periods ended August 31, 2017 and 2016 totaled \$.1 million. Sales incentives as a percentage of housing revenues in the 2017 third quarter increased slightly from the year-earlier quarter. Land sales generated nominal losses of \$.2 million for the quarter ended August 31, 2017. Selling, general and administrative expenses decreased in the 2017 third quarter from the year-earlier period, primarily due to lower overhead costs and a lower volume of homes delivered.

For the nine months ended August 31, 2017, this segment's operating loss improved significantly from the year-earlier period mainly due to a decrease in selling, general and administrative expenses and improved land sale results, partly offset by a decline in housing gross profits. Housing gross profits decreased compared to the year-earlier period, for the reasons described above with respect to the three months ended August 31, 2017. The housing gross profit margin

decreased on a year-over-year basis, primarily due to higher overall construction and land costs and an increase in inventory-related charges, partly offset by unfavorable warranty adjustments in the year-earlier period. In the nine months ended August 31, 2017, inventory-related charges impacting the housing gross profit margin totaled \$3.3 million, compared to \$2.1 million for the prior-year period. Land sales generated break-even results for the nine months ended August 31, 2017. Land sale losses of \$5.4 million for the nine months ended August

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31, 2016 reflected inventory impairment charges associated with the wind down of our operations in the Metro Washington, D.C. area. Selling, general and administrative expenses for the nine-month period ended August 31, 2017 decreased from the year-earlier period, primarily due to lower overhead costs as a result of our cost containment efforts, the wind down of our Metro Washington, D.C. operations in 2016, and the lower volume of homes delivered. In addition, the 2016 period included a legal settlement of \$2.5 million.

FINANCIAL SERVICES REPORTING SEGMENT

The following table presents a summary of selected financial and operational data for our financial services reporting segment (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months		Nine Months	
	Ended August		Ended August	
	31,	31,	31,	2016
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Revenues	\$3,214	\$3,172	\$8,286	\$8,389
Expenses	(890)	(891)	(2,525)	(2,621)
Equity in income (loss) of unconsolidated joint ventures	660	132	1,600	(652)
Pretax income	\$2,984	\$2,413	\$7,361	\$5,116

Revenues. Financial services revenues for the three months ended August 31, 2017 totaled \$3.2 million, essentially even with the year-earlier period. For the nine months ended August 31, 2017, financial services revenues decreased slightly to \$8.3 million from \$8.4 million for the corresponding period of 2016.

Expenses. General and administrative expenses totaled \$.9 million for each of the three-month periods ended August 31, 2017 and August 31, 2016. For the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, general and administrative expenses totaled \$2.5 million and \$2.6 million, respectively.

Equity in Income (Loss) of Unconsolidated Joint Ventures. The equity in income of unconsolidated joint ventures was \$.7 million for the three months ended August 31, 2017, compared to \$.1 million for the three months ended August 31, 2016. For the nine months ended August 31, 2017, the equity in income of unconsolidated joint ventures was \$1.6 million, compared to the equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures of \$.7 million for corresponding period of 2016. The year-over-year changes for the three-month and nine-month periods ended August 31, 2017 primarily reflected the commencement of KBHS' operations in 2017, as described below, and the wind down of HCM in the latter part of 2016. The equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures for the nine months ended August 31, 2016 was solely related to HCM's operations. As part of the wind down of HCM's operations, which is discussed in Note 2 – Segment Information in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this report, HCM stopped originating loans in October 2016 and had no significant impact on our consolidated statements of operations for the three months or nine months ended August 31, 2017.

In connection with the wind-down process, our equity in loss of unconsolidated joint ventures in the 2016 fourth quarter reflected an increase in HCM's reserves for potential future losses on certain loans it originated. While we believe we will not need to record any additional charges in connection with the wind down of HCM, it is reasonably possible that we may incur further losses with respect to our equity interest in future periods as the wind down of HCM is completed. Although we are currently unable to estimate the amount or range of such losses, if any, we believe they would not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In the 2016 fourth quarter, a subsidiary of ours and a subsidiary of Stearns Lending entered into an agreement to form KBHS, an unconsolidated mortgage banking joint venture to offer mortgage banking services, including mortgage loan originations, to our homebuyers. We and Stearns Lending each have a 50.0% ownership interest in KBHS, with Stearns Lending providing management oversight of KBHS' operations. KBHS was operational in all of our served markets as of June 2017. Our financial services reporting segment is separately reported in our consolidated financial statements.

INCOME TAXES

Our income tax expense totaled \$29.0 million and \$14.1 million for the three months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. For the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, our income tax expense totaled \$56.4 million and \$26.2 million, respectively. Our income tax expense for the three months ended August 31, 2017 reflected the favorable impact of \$2.6 million of federal energy tax credits we earned from building energy-efficient homes

through December 31, 2016, resulting in an effective income tax rate of 36.6%. For the three months ended August 31, 2016, our effective income tax rate of 26.4% reflected the favorable impact of \$6.7 million of federal energy tax credits. Income tax expense for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016

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reflected the favorable impact of federal energy tax credits of \$3.8 million and \$10.4 million, respectively. Our effective income tax rate was 36.9% for the nine months ended August 31, 2017, and 27.8% for the nine months ended August 31, 2016. There has not been any new legislation enacted extending the business tax credit for building energy-efficient homes beyond December 31, 2016.

At August 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016, we had deferred tax assets of \$707.7 million and \$763.8 million, respectively, that were partly offset by valuation allowances of \$24.6 million and \$24.8 million, respectively. The deferred tax asset valuation allowances as of August 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016 were primarily related to certain state NOLs that had not met the “more likely than not” realization standard at those dates. In the three months ended August 31, 2017, we reversed \$.2 million of our deferred tax asset valuation allowance due to the utilization of additional state NOLs recognized with the filing of our 2016 state tax returns.

Further information regarding our income taxes is provided in Note 12 – Income Taxes in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this report.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Overview. We have funded our homebuilding and financial services activities over the last several years with:

- internally generated cash flows;
- public issuances of our common stock;
- public issuances of debt securities;
- land option contracts and other similar contracts and seller notes; and
- letters of credit and performance bonds.

We also have the ability to borrow funds under the Amended Credit Facility. We manage our use of cash in the operation of our business to support the execution of our primary strategic goals. Over the past several years, we have primarily used cash for:

- land acquisition and land development;
- home construction;
- operating expenses;
- principal and interest payments on notes payable; and
- cash collateral.

Our investments in land and land development totaled \$1.12 billion for the nine months ended August 31, 2017, compared to \$1.06 billion for the corresponding period of 2016. Approximately 49% of our total investments in the nine months ended August 31, 2017 related to land acquisition, compared to approximately 50% in the year-earlier period. While we made strategic investments in land and land development in each of our homebuilding reporting segments during the first nine months of 2017 and 2016, approximately 61% and 65%, respectively, of these investments were made in our West Coast homebuilding reporting segment. Our investments in land and land development in the future will depend significantly on market conditions and available opportunities that meet our investment return standards to support home delivery and revenue growth in 2018 and beyond.

The following table presents the number of lots and the carrying value of inventory we owned or controlled under land option contracts and other similar contracts by homebuilding reporting segment (dollars in thousands):

Segment	August 31, 2017		November 30, 2016		Variance	
	Lots	\$	Lots	\$	Lots	\$
West Coast	11,157	\$1,774,028	10,904	\$1,726,740	253	\$47,288
Southwest	9,253	562,779	8,338	522,320	915	40,459
Central	18,211	815,056	18,272	769,237	(61)	45,819
Southeast	7,003	361,931	7,311	384,931	(308)	(23,000)
Total	45,624	\$3,513,794	44,825	\$3,403,228	799	\$110,566

The carrying value of the lots owned or controlled under land option contracts and other similar contracts at August 31, 2017 increased from November 30, 2016 primarily due to the investments in land and land development we made during the nine months ended August 31, 2017, and an increase in the number of homes under construction, reflecting our higher backlog level. Overall, the number of lots we controlled under land option contracts and other

similar contracts as a percentage of total lots was 22% at

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August 31, 2017, compared to 21% at November 30, 2016. Generally, this percentage fluctuates with our decisions to control (or abandon) lots under land option contracts and other similar contracts or to purchase (or sell owned) lots based on available opportunities and our investment return standards.

We ended our 2017 third quarter with \$494.1 million of cash and cash equivalents, compared to \$592.1 million at November 30, 2016. The majority of our cash and cash equivalents at August 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016 was invested in interest-bearing bank deposit accounts.

Capital Resources. Our notes payable consisted of the following (in thousands):

	August 31, 2017	November 30, 2016	Variance
Mortgages and land contracts due to land sellers and other loans	\$24,142	\$ 66,927	\$(42,785)
Senior notes	2,249,965	2,345,843	(95,878)
Convertible senior notes	228,272	227,379	893
Total	\$2,502,379	\$ 2,640,149	\$(137,770)

On December 14, 2016, as a step toward reducing our debt in line with our returns-focused growth plan, we elected to exercise our optional redemption rights under the terms of the 9.10% Senior Notes due 2017. On January 13, 2017, we redeemed \$100.0 million in aggregate principal amount of the notes outstanding at the redemption price calculated in accordance with the “make-whole” provisions of the notes. We used internally generated cash to fund this redemption. We paid a total of \$105.3 million to redeem the notes and recorded a charge of \$5.7 million for the early extinguishment of debt. Upon this redemption, \$165.0 million in aggregate principal amount of the notes remained outstanding. As disclosed in Note 21 – Subsequent Event in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this report, on September 15, 2017, we repaid the remaining \$165.0 million in aggregate principal amount of the 9.10% Senior Notes due 2017 at their maturity. We used internally generated cash to retire the notes.

Our financial leverage, as measured by the ratio of debt to capital, was 57.6% at August 31, 2017, compared to 60.5% at November 30, 2016. Our ratio of net debt to capital (a calculation that is described above under “Non-GAAP Financial Measures”) at August 31, 2017 was 52.2%, compared to 54.3% at November 30, 2016.

LOC Facility. We had no letters of credit outstanding under the LOC Facility at August 31, 2017 or November 30, 2016.

Unsecured Revolving Credit Facility. On July 27, 2017, we entered into the Amended Credit Facility, which, among other things, increased the commitment under our unsecured revolving credit facility from \$275.0 million to \$500.0 million and extended its maturity from August 7, 2019 to July 27, 2021. The Amended Credit Facility also contains a sublimit of \$250.0 million for the issuance of letters of credit, which may be utilized in combination with, or to replace, our LOC Facility. The amount of the Amended Credit Facility available for cash borrowings and the issuance of letters of credit depends on the total cash borrowings and letters of credit outstanding under the Amended Credit Facility and the maximum available amount under the terms of the Amended Credit Facility. As of August 31, 2017, we had no cash borrowings and \$33.0 million of letters of credit outstanding under the Amended Credit Facility. Therefore, as of August 31, 2017, we had \$467.0 million available for cash borrowings under the Amended Credit Facility, with up to \$217.0 million of that amount available for the issuance of additional letters of credit. The Amended Credit Facility is further described in Note 13 – Notes Payable in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this report.

Under the terms of the Amended Credit Facility, we are required, among other things, to maintain compliance with various covenants, including financial covenants relating to our consolidated tangible net worth, Leverage Ratio, and either an Interest Coverage Ratio or minimum level of liquidity, each as defined therein. Our compliance with these financial covenants is measured by calculations and metrics that are specifically defined or described by the terms of the Amended Credit Facility and can differ in certain respects from comparable GAAP or other commonly used terms. The financial covenant requirements are set forth below:

Consolidated Tangible Net Worth. We must maintain a consolidated tangible net worth at the end of any fiscal quarter greater than or equal to the sum of (a) \$1.24 billion, plus (b) an amount equal to 50% of the aggregate of the cumulative consolidated net income for each fiscal quarter commencing after May 31, 2017 and ending as of the last day of such fiscal quarter (though there is no reduction if there is a consolidated net loss in any fiscal quarter), plus (c) an amount equal to 50% of the cumulative net proceeds we receive from the issuance of our capital stock after May

31, 2017.

Leverage Ratio. We must also maintain a Leverage Ratio of less than or equal to .65 at the end of each fiscal quarter.

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Interest Coverage Ratio or Liquidity. We are also required to maintain either (a) an Interest Coverage Ratio of greater than or equal to 1.50 at the end of each fiscal quarter; or (b) a minimum level of liquidity, but not both. Our minimum liquidity is required to be greater than or equal to consolidated interest incurred, as defined under the Amended Credit Facility, for the four most recently ended fiscal quarters in the aggregate.

In addition, under the Amended Credit Facility, our investments in joint ventures and non-guarantor subsidiaries (which are shown, respectively, in Note 9 – Investments in Unconsolidated Joint Ventures and in Note 20 – Supplemental Guarantor Information in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this report) as of the end of each fiscal quarter cannot exceed the sum of (a) \$104.8 million and (b) 20% of consolidated tangible net worth. Further, the Amended Credit Facility does not permit our borrowing base indebtedness, which is the aggregate principal amount of the outstanding indebtedness for borrowed money and non-collateralized financial letters of credit of us and certain of our subsidiaries, to be greater than the borrowing base (a measure of our inventory and unrestricted cash assets).

The covenants and other requirements under the Amended Credit Facility represent the most restrictive covenants that we are subject to with respect to our notes payable. The following table summarizes the financial covenants and other requirements under the Amended Credit Facility, and our actual levels or ratios (as applicable) with respect to those covenants and other requirements, in each case as of August 31, 2017:

Financial Covenants and Other Requirements	Covenant Requirement	Actual
Consolidated tangible net worth	>\$1.27 billion	\$1.84 billion
Leverage Ratio	<.650	.576
Interest Coverage Ratio (a)	>1.500	2.703
Minimum liquidity (a)	>\$175.1 million	\$494.1 million
Investments in joint ventures and non-guarantor subsidiaries	<\$473.0 million	\$101.8 million
Borrowing base in excess of borrowing base indebtedness (as defined)	n/a	\$482.1 million

Under the terms of the Amended Credit Facility, we are required to maintain either a minimum Interest Coverage (a) Ratio or a minimum level of liquidity, but not both. As of August 31, 2017, we met both the Interest Coverage Ratio and the minimum liquidity requirements.

The indenture governing the senior notes does not contain any financial covenants. Subject to specified exceptions, the indenture contains certain restrictive covenants that, among other things, limit our ability to incur secured indebtedness, or engage in sale-leaseback transactions involving property or assets above a certain specified value. In addition, the senior notes (with the exception of the 7 1/4% senior notes due 2018) contain certain limitations related to mergers, consolidations, and sales of assets.

Our obligations to pay principal, premium, if any, and interest under the senior notes and borrowings, if any, under the Amended Credit Facility are guaranteed on a joint and several basis by the Guarantor Subsidiaries. The guarantees are full and unconditional and the Guarantor Subsidiaries are 100% owned by us. We may also cause other subsidiaries of ours to become Guarantor Subsidiaries if we believe it to be in our or the relevant subsidiary's best interests.

Condensed consolidating financial information for our subsidiaries considered to be Guarantor Subsidiaries is provided in Note 20 – Supplemental Guarantor Information in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this report.

As of August 31, 2017, we were in compliance with the applicable terms of all our covenants under the Amended Credit Facility, the senior notes, the indenture, and the mortgages and land contracts due to land sellers and other loans. Our ability to access the Amended Credit Facility for cash borrowings and letters of credit and our ability to secure future debt financing depend, in part, on our ability to remain in such compliance. There are no agreements that restrict our payment of dividends other than to maintain compliance with the financial covenant requirements under the Amended Credit Facility, which would restrict our payment of dividends if a default under the Amended Credit Facility exists at the time of any such payment, or if any such payment would result in such a default.

Depending on available terms, we finance certain land acquisitions with purchase-money financing from land sellers or with other forms of financing from third parties. At August 31, 2017, we had outstanding mortgages and land contracts due to land sellers and other loans payable in connection with such financing of \$24.1 million, secured primarily by the underlying property, which had an aggregate carrying value of \$73.5 million.

Credit Ratings. Our credit ratings are periodically reviewed by rating agencies. In April 2017, Moody's Investor Services upgraded our corporate credit rating to B1, with a stable outlook, from B2, with a positive outlook. In August 2017, Standard and Poor's Financial Services upgraded our rating to B+ from B, with a positive outlook. As of August 31, 2017, our credit rating by Fitch

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Ratings was B+, with a stable outlook. On September 14, 2017, Fitch Ratings affirmed our credit rating at B+ and revised the rating outlook to positive from stable.

Consolidated Cash Flows. The following table presents a summary of net cash provided by (used in) our operating, investing and financing activities (in thousands):

	Nine Months Ended	
	August 31,	
	2017	2016
Net cash provided by (used in):		
Operating activities	\$ 103,270	\$(102,612)
Investing activities	(13,638)	(185)
Financing activities	(187,825)	(119,822)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	\$(98,193)	\$(222,619)

Operating Activities. Operating activities provided net cash of \$103.3 million in the nine months ended August 31, 2017, and used \$102.6 million in the nine months ended August 31, 2016. Generally, our net operating cash flows fluctuate primarily based on changes in our inventories and our profitability.

Our net cash provided by operating activities for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 largely reflected net income of \$96.2 million, a net increase in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities of \$9.9 million, and a net decrease in receivables of \$2.2 million, partly offset by net cash of \$95.9 million used for investments in inventories. In the nine months ended August 31, 2016, our net cash used in operating activities mainly reflected investments in inventories of \$265.5 million, partly offset by net income of \$68.1 million, a net increase in accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities of \$24.8 million, and a net decrease in receivables of \$10.4 million.

Investing Activities. Investing activities used net cash of \$13.6 million in the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and \$.2 million in the year-earlier period. In the nine months ended August 31, 2017, our uses of cash included \$15.2 million for contributions to unconsolidated joint ventures and \$6.6 million for net purchases of property and equipment. These uses of cash were partially offset by an \$8.2 million return of investments in unconsolidated joint ventures. In the nine months ended August 31, 2016, cash of \$2.7 million was used for net purchases of property and equipment and \$1.0 million was used for contributions to unconsolidated joint ventures. These uses were largely offset by a \$3.5 million return of investments in unconsolidated joint ventures.

Financing Activities. Financing activities used net cash of \$187.8 million in the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and \$119.8 million in the nine months ended August 31, 2016. In the nine months ended August 31, 2017, cash was used for our optional early redemption of \$100.0 million in aggregate principal amount of the 9.10% Senior Notes due 2017, payments on mortgages and land contracts due to land sellers and other loans of \$92.4 million, dividend payments on our common stock of \$6.5 million, repurchases of previously issued shares of our common stock delivered to us by employees to satisfy withholding taxes on the vesting of restricted stock and PSU awards, as well as shares forfeited by individuals upon their termination of employment at a total cost of \$2.5 million, and \$1.7 million of issuance costs for the Amended Credit Facility. The cash used in financing activities for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 was partly offset by \$20.7 million of issuances of common stock under employee stock plans. In the nine months ended August 31, 2016, cash was used for repurchases of shares of our common stock at a total cost of \$87.5 million, payments on mortgages and land contracts due to land sellers and other loans of \$41.9 million, and dividend payments on our common stock of \$6.5 million. The cash used was partly offset by a decrease of \$8.7 million in our restricted cash balance and \$7.4 million of issuances of common stock under employee stock plans. During the three months ended August 31, 2017 and August 31, 2016, our board of directors declared, and we paid, a quarterly cash dividend of \$.025 per share of common stock. Quarterly cash dividends declared and paid during the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016 totaled \$.075 per share of common stock. The declaration and payment of future cash dividends on our common stock are at the discretion of our board of directors and depend upon, among other things, our expected future earnings, cash flows, capital requirements, debt structure and any adjustments thereto, operational and financial investment strategy and general financial condition, as well as general business conditions.

Shelf Registration. On July 14, 2017, we filed the 2017 Shelf Registration with the SEC. The 2017 Shelf Registration registers the offering of securities that we may issue from time to time in amounts to be determined. Issuances of

securities under our 2017 Shelf Registration require the filing of a prospectus supplement identifying the amount and terms of the securities to be issued. Our ability to issue securities is subject to market conditions and other factors impacting our borrowing capacity. The 2017 Shelf Registration replaced our previously effective universal shelf registration statement filed with the SEC on July 18, 2014. We have not made any offerings of securities under the 2017 Shelf Registration.

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We believe we have adequate capital resources and sufficient access to the credit and capital markets and external financing sources to satisfy our current and reasonably anticipated long-term requirements for funds to acquire assets and land, to use and/or develop acquired assets and land, to construct homes, to finance our financial services operations and to meet other needs in the ordinary course of our business. In addition to acquiring and/or developing land that meets our investment return standards, in the remainder of 2017, we may use or redeploy our cash resources or cash borrowings under the Amended Credit Facility to support other business purposes that are aligned with our primary strategic growth goals. We may also arrange or engage in capital markets, bank loan, project debt or other financial transactions. These transactions may include repurchases from time to time of our outstanding common stock. They may also include repurchases from time to time of our outstanding senior notes or other debt through redemptions, tender offers, exchange offers, private exchanges, open market or private purchases or other means, as well as potential new issuances of equity or senior or convertible senior notes or other debt through public offerings, private placements or other arrangements to raise or access additional capital to support our current land and land development investment targets, to complete strategic transactions and for other business purposes and/or to effect repurchases or additional redemptions of our outstanding senior notes or other debt. The amounts involved in these transactions, if any, may be material. As necessary or desirable, we may adjust or amend the terms of and/or expand the capacity of the Amended Credit Facility or the LOC Facility, or enter into additional letter of credit facilities, or other similar facility arrangements, in each case with the same or other financial institutions, or allow any such facilities to mature or expire. Our ability to engage in such transactions, however, may be constrained by economic, capital, credit and/or financial market conditions, investor interest and/or our current leverage ratios, and we can provide no assurance of the success or costs of any such transactions.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements, Contractual Obligations and Commercial Commitments

Unconsolidated Joint Ventures. As discussed in Note 9 – Investments in Unconsolidated Joint Ventures in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this report, we have investments in unconsolidated joint ventures in various markets where our homebuilding operations are located. Our unconsolidated joint ventures had total combined assets of \$169.7 million at August 31, 2017 and \$198.8 million at November 30, 2016. Our investments in unconsolidated joint ventures totaled \$64.5 million at August 31, 2017 and \$64.0 million at November 30, 2016. As of August 31, 2017, two of our unconsolidated joint ventures had outstanding secured debt totaling \$25.6 million under separate construction loan agreements with different third-party lenders to finance their respective land development activities. The outstanding secured debt under these agreements is non-recourse to us, with \$24.8 million scheduled to mature in August 2018 and the remainder scheduled to mature in February 2020. At November 30, 2016, only one of these unconsolidated joint ventures had outstanding secured debt of \$44.4 million. None of our other unconsolidated joint ventures had any outstanding debt at August 31, 2017 or November 30, 2016. While we and our partners in the unconsolidated joint ventures that have the construction loan agreements provide certain guarantees and indemnities to the applicable lender, we do not have a guaranty or any other obligation to repay or to support the value of the collateral underlying the outstanding secured debt of these unconsolidated joint ventures. We do not believe that our existing exposure under our guaranty and indemnity obligations related to the outstanding secured debt of these unconsolidated joint ventures is material to our consolidated financial statements. None of our other unconsolidated joint ventures had outstanding debt at August 31, 2017 or November 30, 2016. As discussed in Note 8 – Variable Interest Entities in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this report, we determined that one of our joint ventures at August 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016 was a VIE, but we were not the primary beneficiary of this VIE. All of our joint ventures were unconsolidated and accounted for under the equity method because we did not have a controlling financial interest.

Of the 388 unconsolidated joint venture lots controlled under land option and other similar contracts at August 31, 2017, we are committed to purchase 90 lots from one of our unconsolidated joint ventures in quarterly takedowns over the next three years for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$39.9 million under agreements that we entered into with the joint venture in 2016.

Land Option Contracts and Other Similar Contracts. As discussed in Note 8 – Variable Interest Entities in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this report, in the ordinary course of our business, we enter into land option contracts and other similar contracts with third parties and unconsolidated entities to acquire rights to land for the construction of homes. At August 31, 2017, we had total cash deposits of \$39.1 million to purchase land having an

aggregate purchase price of \$980.2 million. At November 30, 2016, we had total deposits of \$42.8 million to purchase land having an aggregate purchase price of \$1.07 billion. Our land option contracts and other similar contracts generally do not contain provisions requiring our specific performance. Our decision to exercise a particular land option contract or other similar contract depends on the results of our due diligence reviews and ongoing market and project feasibility analysis that we conduct after entering into such a contract. In some cases, our decision to exercise a land option contract or other similar contract may be conditioned on the land seller obtaining necessary entitlements, such as zoning rights and environmental and development approvals, and/or physically developing the underlying land by a pre-determined date. We typically have the ability not to exercise our rights to the underlying land for any reason and forfeit our deposits without further penalty or obligation to the sellers. If we were to acquire all of the land we controlled under our land option contracts and other similar contracts at August 31, 2017, we estimate the remaining purchase price to be paid would be as follows: 2017 –

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\$347.7 million; 2018 – \$312.8 million; 2019 – \$113.0 million; 2020 – \$50.2 million; 2021 – \$35.8 million; and thereafter – \$81.6 million.

In addition to the cash deposits, our exposure to loss related to our land option contracts and other similar contracts consisted of pre-acquisition costs of \$28.0 million at August 31, 2017 and \$56.0 million at November 30, 2016. These pre-acquisition costs and cash deposits were included in inventories in our consolidated balance sheets.

We determined that as of August 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016 we were not the primary beneficiary of any VIEs from which we have acquired rights to land under land option contracts and other similar contracts. We also evaluated our land option contracts and other similar contracts for financing arrangements and, as a result of our evaluations, increased inventories, with a corresponding increase to accrued expenses and other liabilities, in our consolidated balance sheets by \$28.5 million at August 31, 2017 and \$50.5 million at November 30, 2016, as further discussed in Note 8 – Variable Interest Entities in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this report.

Contractual Obligations. Due to our optional early redemption of \$100.0 million in aggregate principal amount of the 9.10% Senior Notes due 2017, which is further described in Note 13 – Notes Payable in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this report, our contractual obligations as of August 31, 2017 have changed materially from those reported in the “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” section in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended November 30, 2016. The following table sets forth our future cash requirements related to the contractual obligations of our long-term debt and interest as of August 31, 2017 (in millions):

	Total	2017	2018-2019	2020-2021	Thereafter
Contractual obligations:					
Long-term debt	\$2,519.1	\$179.0	\$940.1	\$350.0	\$1,050.0
Interest	554.2	54.2	258.4	171.0	70.6
Total	\$3,073.3	\$233.2	\$1,198.5	\$521.0	\$1,120.6

There have been no other significant changes in our contractual obligations from those reported in the “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” section in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended November 30, 2016.

Critical Accounting Policies

The preparation of our consolidated financial statements requires the use of judgment in the application of accounting policies and estimates of uncertain matters. There have been no significant changes to our critical accounting policies and estimates during the nine months ended August 31, 2017 from those disclosed in the “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” section in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended November 30, 2016.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

Recent accounting pronouncements are discussed in Note 1 – Basis of Presentation and Significant Accounting Policies in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this report.

Outlook

We believe the housing market will remain on a positive trajectory for the remainder of 2017 based on favorable industry fundamentals, including rising household formations, healthy economic conditions, high consumer confidence, and steady job and income growth, that are fueling demand with relatively low inventories of homes available for sale in many markets.

Given these dynamics in most of our served markets, and based on the year-over-year increase in our backlog value at August 31, 2017, we believe we are well positioned to achieve our primary objectives for 2017 as we continue to execute on our returns-focused growth plan. Our present outlook is as follows:

2017 Fourth Quarter:

We expect to generate housing revenues in the range of \$1.3 billion to \$1.4 billion, compared to \$1.2 billion in the year-earlier quarter, reflecting both the conversion of our higher backlog at August 31, 2017 into homes delivered and an anticipated overall average selling price of those homes in the range of \$425,000 to \$430,000.

• We expect our housing gross profit margin to be in the range of 18.0% to 18.3%, assuming no inventory-related charges.

• We believe our selling, general and administrative expenses as a percentage of housing revenues will be in the range of 9.2% to 9.4%.

• We expect our operating income margin, excluding inventory-related charges, to be approximately 8.9%.

• We are projecting an effective income tax rate of approximately 39%.

• We expect our average community count for the fourth quarter will be approximately flat as compared to the 2016 fourth quarter.

2017 Full-Year:

• We expect our full-year housing revenues to be approximately \$4.3 billion, an increase from \$3.6 billion in 2016.

• We expect our homebuilding operating income margin to be approximately 6.7%, assuming no inventory-related charges, as compared to 5.7% in 2016.

• We expect our average community count to be approximately flat relative to 2016.

2018 Full-Year:

• We expect our housing revenues to be in the range of \$4.5 billion to \$4.9 billion.

• We expect our average community count to be flat to slightly down relative to 2017.

We have operations in Houston, Texas and in the state of Florida, areas that were severely impacted by recent hurricanes that caused heavy flooding in some locations and widespread damage to existing homes, commercial buildings and infrastructure. These operations constituted 15% of our housing revenues over the last twelve months. While these events did not significantly affect our results for the three-month or nine-month periods ended August 31, 2017, and our communities in the affected areas had minimal damage, we believe our Houston and Florida operations, and our consolidated financial statements, could be affected in the fourth quarter and future quarters by, among other things, a decline in 2017 fourth quarter net orders in the mid-single digit range; land development and home construction delays and/or elevated costs stemming from general hurricane-related recovery efforts that heighten the demand for, and constrain the supply of, building materials and available trade labor; warranty repair claims from our affected homeowners; and tempered homebuyer traffic and home sales activity.

Our future performance and the strategies we implement (and adjust or refine as necessary or appropriate) in the 2017 fourth quarter and beyond will also depend significantly on prevailing economic and capital, credit and financial market conditions and on a fairly stable and constructive political and regulatory environment (particularly in regards to housing and mortgage loan financing policies), among other factors.

Forward-Looking Statements

Investors are cautioned that certain statements contained in this report, as well as some statements by us in periodic press releases and other public disclosures and some oral statements by us to securities analysts, stockholders and others during presentations, are “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the “Act”). Statements that are predictive in nature, that depend upon or refer to future events or conditions, or that include words such as “expect,” “anticipate,” “intend,” “plan,” “believe,” “estimate,” “hope,” and similar expressions constitute forward-looking statements. In addition, any statements that we may make or provide concerning future financial or operating performance (including without limitation future revenues, community count, homes delivered, net orders, selling prices, sales pace per new community, expenses, expense ratios, housing gross profits, housing gross profit margins, earnings or earnings per share, or growth or growth rates), future market conditions, future interest rates, and other economic conditions, ongoing business strategies or prospects, future dividends and changes in dividend levels, the value of our backlog (including amounts that we expect to realize upon delivery of homes included in our backlog and the timing of those deliveries), the value of our net orders, potential future asset acquisitions and the impact of completed acquisitions, future share issuances or repurchases, future debt issuances, repurchases or redemptions and other possible future actions are also forward-looking statements as defined by the Act. Forward-looking statements are based on our current expectations and projections about future events and are subject to risks, uncertainties, and assumptions about our operations, economic and market factors, and the homebuilding industry, among other things. These statements are not guarantees of future performance, and we have no specific policy or intention to update these statements. In addition, forward-looking and other statements in this

report and in other public or oral disclosures that express or contain opinions, views or assumptions about market or economic conditions; the success, performance, effectiveness and/or relative positioning

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of our strategies, initiatives or operational activities; and other matters, may be based in whole or in part on general observations of our management, limited or anecdotal evidence and/or business or industry experience without in-depth or any particular empirical investigation, inquiry or analysis.

Actual events and results may differ materially from those expressed or forecasted in forward-looking statements due to a number of factors. The most important risk factors that could cause our actual performance and future events and actions to differ materially from such forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, the following:

- general economic, employment and business conditions;
- population growth, household formations and demographic trends;
- conditions in the capital, credit and financial markets;
- our ability to access external financing sources and raise capital through the issuance of common stock, debt or other securities, and/or project financing, on favorable terms;
- material and trade costs and availability;
- changes in interest rates;
- our debt level, including our ratio of debt to capital, and our ability to adjust our debt level and maturity schedule;
- our compliance with the terms of the Amended Credit Facility;
- volatility in the market price of our common stock;
- weak or declining consumer confidence, either generally or specifically with respect to purchasing homes;
- competition from other sellers of new and resale homes;
- weather events, significant natural disasters and other climate and environmental factors;
- government actions, policies, programs and regulations directed at or affecting the housing market (including the Dodd-Frank Act, tax benefits associated with purchasing and owning a home, and the standards, fees and size limits applicable to the purchase or insuring of mortgage loans by government-sponsored enterprises and government agencies), the homebuilding industry, or construction activities;
- changes in existing tax laws or enacted corporate income tax rates;
- the availability and cost of land in desirable areas;
- our warranty claims experience with respect to homes previously delivered and actual warranty costs incurred; costs and/or charges arising from regulatory compliance requirements or from legal, arbitral or regulatory proceedings, investigations, claims or settlements, including unfavorable outcomes in any such matters resulting in actual or potential monetary damage awards, penalties, fines or other direct or indirect payments, or injunctions, consent decrees or other voluntary or involuntary restrictions or adjustments to our business operations or practices that are beyond our current expectations and/or accruals;
- our ability to use/realize the net deferred tax assets we have generated;
- our ability to successfully implement our current and planned strategies and initiatives related to our product, geographic and market positioning, gaining share and scale in our served markets;
- our operational and investment concentration in markets in California;
- consumer interest in our new home communities and products, particularly from first-time homebuyers and higher-income consumers;
- our ability to generate orders and convert our backlog of orders to home deliveries and revenues, particularly in key markets in California;

our ability to successfully implement our returns-focused growth plan and achieve the associated revenue, margin, profitability, cash flow, community reactivation, land sales, business growth, asset efficiency, return on invested capital, return on equity, net debt-to-capital ratio and other financial and operational targets and objectives;

the ability of our homebuyers to obtain residential mortgage loans and mortgage banking services;

the performance of mortgage lenders to our homebuyers;

completing the wind down of HCM as planned;

the performance of KBHS;

information technology failures and data security breaches; and

other events outside of our control.

Please see our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2016 and other filings with the SEC for a further discussion of these and other risks and uncertainties applicable to our business.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

We enter into debt obligations primarily to support general corporate purposes, including the operations of our subsidiaries. We are subject to interest rate risk on our senior notes. For fixed rate debt, changes in interest rates generally affect the fair value of the debt instrument, but not our earnings or cash flows. We generally have no obligation to prepay our debt before maturity, and, as a result, interest rate risk and changes in fair market value should not have a significant impact on our fixed rate debt until we are required or elect to refinance or repurchase such debt. Under our current policies, we do not use interest rate derivative instruments to manage our exposure to changes in interest rates.

The following table presents principal cash flows by scheduled maturity, weighted average effective interest rates and the estimated fair value of our long-term fixed rate debt obligations as of August 31, 2017 (dollars in thousands):

Fiscal Year of Expected Maturity	Fixed Rate Debt	Weighted Average	
		Effective Interest	Rate
2017	\$ 165,000	9.6	%
2018	300,000	7.3	
2019	630,000	3.9	
2020	350,000	8.5	
2021	—	—	
Thereafter	1,050,000	7.5	
Total	\$ 2,495,000	6.9	%
Fair value at August 31, 2017	\$ 2,698,056		

For additional information regarding our market risk, refer to the “Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk” section of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended November 30, 2016.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

We have established disclosure controls and procedures to ensure that information we are required to disclose in the reports we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (“Exchange Act”) is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC’s rules and forms, and accumulated and communicated to management, including our Chief Executive Officer (“Principal Executive Officer”) and Chief Financial Officer (“Principal Financial Officer”), as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Under the supervision and with the participation of senior management, including our Principal Executive Officer and our Principal Financial Officer, we evaluated our disclosure controls and procedures, as such term is defined under Rule 13a-15(e) promulgated under the Exchange Act. Based on this evaluation, our Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of August 31, 2017.

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended August 31, 2017 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

For a discussion of our legal proceedings, see Note 16 – Legal Matters in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this report.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

There have been no material changes to the risk factors we previously disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended November 30, 2016.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

In January 2016, our board of directors authorized us to repurchase a total of up to 10,000,000 shares of our outstanding common stock. As of August 31, 2017, we had repurchased 8,373,000 shares of our common stock pursuant to this authorization, at a total cost of \$85.9 million. During the three months ended August 31, 2017, no shares were repurchased pursuant to this authorization.

Item 6. Exhibits

Exhibits

- 10.53 Second Amended and Restated Revolving Loan Agreement, dated as of July 27, 2017, among us, the banks party thereto, and Citibank, N.A., as Administrative Agent.
 - 31.1 Certification of Jeffrey T. Mezger, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of KB Home Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
 - 31.2 Certification of Jeff J. Kaminski, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of KB Home Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
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- The following materials from KB Home’s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended August 31, 2017, formatted in eXtensible Business Reporting Language (XBRL): (a) Consolidated Statements of Operations for the three months and nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, (b) Consolidated Balance Sheets as of August 31, 2017 and November 30, 2016, (c) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the nine months ended August 31, 2017 and 2016, and (d) Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

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.

KB HOME
Registrant

Dated October 5, 2017 By: /s/ JEFF J. KAMINSKI
Jeff J. Kaminski
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial Officer)

Dated October 5, 2017 By: /s/ WILLIAM R. HOLLINGER
William R. Hollinger
Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer
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