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	(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or C	Organization)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)	
	500 West Texas Ave. Suite 100			
	Midland, TX (Address of principal executive offices)	79701 (Zip code)	
	((432) 221-7400 Registrant's telephone number, including area cocerted pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Securities Exch	le)	
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Indicate by ch	eck mark whether the registrant is a shell compa	ny (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange A	act). Yes □ No ⊠	
As of July 28,	2023, the registrant had 178,818,422 shares of c	ommon stock outstanding.		

DIAMONDBACK ENERGY, INC.

FORM 10-Q

FOR THE QUARTER ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

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GLOSSARY OF OIL AND NATURAL GAS TERMS

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

Argus WTI Houston	Grade of oil that serves as a benchmark price for oil at Houston, Texas.
Argus WTI Midland	Grade of oil that serves as a benchmark price for oil at Midland, Texas.
Basin	A large depression on the earth's surface in which sediments accumulate.
Bbl or barrel	One stock tank barrel, or 42 U.S. gallons liquid volume, used in this report in reference to crude oil or other liquid hydrocarbons.
ВО	One barrel of crude oil.
BO/d	One BO per day.
BOE	One barrel of oil equivalent, with six thousand cubic feet of natural gas being equivalent to one barrel of oil.
BOE/d	BOE per day.
Brent	A major trading classification of light sweet oil that serves as a benchmark price for oil worldwide.
British Thermal Unit or Btu	The quantity of heat required to raise the temperature of one pound of water by one degree Fahrenheit.
Completion	The process of treating a drilled well followed by the installation of permanent equipment for the production of natural gas or oil, or in the case of a dry hole, the reporting of abandonment to the appropriate agency.
Gross acres or gross wells	The total acres or wells, as the case may be, in which a working interest is owned.
Henry Hub	Natural gas gathering point that serves as a benchmark price for natural gas futures on the NYMEX.
Horizontal wells	Wells drilled directionally horizontal to allow for development of structures not reachable through traditional vertical drilling mechanisms.
MBbl	One thousand barrels of crude oil and other liquid hydrocarbons.
MBOE	One thousand BOE.
MBOE/d	One thousand BOE per day.
Mcf	One thousand cubic feet of natural gas.
Mineral interests	The interests in ownership of the resource and mineral rights, giving an owner the right to profit from the extracted resources.
MMBtu	One million British Thermal Units.
MMcf	Million cubic feet of natural gas.
Net acres	The sum of the fractional working interest owned in gross acres.
Oil and natural gas properties	Tracts of land consisting of properties to be developed for oil and natural gas resource extraction.
Proved reserves	The estimated quantities of oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids which geological and engineering data demonstrate with reasonable certainty to be commercially recoverable in future years from known reservoirs under existing economic and operating conditions.
Reserves	The estimated remaining quantities of oil and natural gas and related substances anticipated to be economically producible, as of a given date, by application of development projects to known accumulations. In addition, there must exist, or there must be a reasonable expectation that there will exist, the legal right to produce or a revenue interest in the production, installed means of delivering oil and natural gas or related substances to the market and all permits and financing required to implement the project. Reserves are not assigned to adjacent reservoirs isolated by major, potentially sealing, faults until those reservoirs are penetrated and evaluated as economically producible. Reserves should not be assigned to areas that are clearly separated from a known accumulation by a non-productive reservoir (i.e., absence of reservoir, structurally low reservoir or negative test results). Such areas may contain prospective resources (i.e., potentially recoverable resources from undiscovered accumulations).
Reservoir	A porous and permeable underground formation containing a natural accumulation of producible natural gas and/or crude oil that is confined by impermeable rock or water barriers and is separate from other reservoirs.
Royalty interest	An interest that gives an owner the right to receive a portion of the resources or revenues without having to carry any costs of development, which may be subject to expiration.
Waha Hub	Natural gas gathering point that serves as a benchmark price for natural gas at western Texas and New Mexico.
Working interest	An operating interest that gives the owner the right to drill, produce and conduct operating activities on the property and receive a share of production and requires the owner to pay a share of the costs of drilling and production operations.
WTI	West Texas Intermediate, a light sweet blend of oil produced from fields in western Texas and is a grade of oil that serves as a benchmark for oil on the NYMEX.

GLOSSARY OF CERTAIN OTHER TERMS

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

ASU	Accounting Standards Update.
Equity Plan	The Company's 2021 Amended and Restated Equity Incentive Plan.
Exchange Act	The Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
FASB	Financial Accounting Standards Board.
GAAP	Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.
LIBOR	The London interbank offered rate.
Nasdaq	The Nasdaq Global Select Market.
NYMEX	New York Mercantile Exchange.
OPEC	Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries.
SEC	United States Securities and Exchange Commission.
Securities Act	The Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
Guaranteed Senior Notes	The outstanding senior notes issued by Diamondback Energy, Inc. under indentures where Diamondback E&P is the sole guarantor, consisting of the 3.250% Senior Notes due 2026, 3.500% Senior Notes due 2029, 3.125% Senior Notes due 2031, 6.250% Senior Notes due 2033, 4.400% Senior Notes due 2051, 4.250% Senior Notes due 2052 and 6.250% Senior Notes due 2053.
SOFR	The secured overnight financing rate.
TSR	Total stockholder return of the Company's common stock.
Wells Fargo	Wells Fargo Bank, National Association.

CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Various statements contained in this report are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Exchange Act, which involve risks, uncertainties and assumptions. All statements, other than statements of historical fact, including statements regarding our: future performance; business strategy; future operations (including drilling plans and capital plans); estimates and projections of revenues, losses, costs, expenses, returns, cash flow and financial position; reserve estimates and our ability to replace or increase reserves; anticipated benefits of strategic transactions (including acquisitions and divestitures); and plans and objectives of management (including plans for future cash flow from operations and for executing environmental strategies) are forward-looking statements. When used in this report, the words "aim," "anticipate," "believe," "continue," "could," "estimate," "expect," "forecast," "future," "guidance," "intend," "may," "model," "outlook," "plan," "positioned," "potential," "predict," "project," "seek," "should," "target," "will," "would," and similar expressions (including the negative of such terms) as they relate to the Company are intended to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain such identifying words. In particular, the factors discussed in this report and detailed under Part II, Item 1A. Risk Factors in this report and our Annual Report on Form 10–K for the year ended December 31, 2022 could affect our actual results and cause our actual results to differ materially from expectations, estimates or assumptions expressed, forecasted or implied in such forward-looking statements. Unless the context requires otherwise, references to "we," "us," "our" or the "Company" are intended to mean the business and operations of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries.

Factors that could cause our outcomes to differ materially include (but are not limited to) the following:

- changes in supply and demand levels for oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids, and the resulting impact on the price for those commodities;
- the impact of public health crises, including epidemic or pandemic diseases and any related company or government policies or actions;
- actions taken by the members of OPEC and Russia affecting the production and pricing of oil, as well as other domestic and global political, economic, or diplomatic developments;
- changes in general economic, business or industry conditions, including changes in foreign currency exchange rates, interest rates and inflation rates, instability in the financial sector and concerns over a potential economic downturn or recession;
- regional supply and demand factors, including delays, curtailment delays or interruptions of production, or governmental orders, rules or regulations that impose production limits;
- federal and state legislative and regulatory initiatives relating to hydraulic fracturing, including the effect of existing and future laws and governmental regulations;
- physical and transition risks relating to climate change;
- restrictions on the use of water, including limits on the use of produced water and a moratorium on new produced water well permits recently imposed by the Texas Railroad Commission in an effort to control induced seismicity in the Permian Basin;
- significant declines in prices for oil, natural gas, or natural gas liquids, which could require recognition of significant impairment charges;
- changes in U.S. energy, environmental, monetary and trade policies;
- conditions in the capital, financial and credit markets, including the availability and pricing of capital for drilling and development operations and our environmental and social responsibility projects;
- challenges with employee retention and an increasingly competitive labor market;
- changes in availability or cost of rigs, equipment, raw materials, supplies, oilfield services;
- changes in safety, health, environmental, tax and other regulations or requirements (including those addressing air emissions, water management, or the impact of global climate change);
- security threats, including cybersecurity threats and disruptions to our business and operations from breaches of our information technology systems, or from breaches of information technology systems of third parties with whom we transact business;
- lack of, or disruption in, access to adequate and reliable transportation, processing, storage and other facilities for our oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids;

- failures or delays in achieving expected reserve or production levels from existing and future oil and natural gas developments, including due to operating hazards, drilling risks, or the inherent uncertainties in predicting reserve and reservoir performance;
- difficulty in obtaining necessary approvals and permits;
- · severe weather conditions;
- acts of war or terrorist acts and the governmental or military response thereto;
- changes in the financial strength of counterparties to our credit agreement and hedging contracts;
- · changes in our credit rating; and
- other risks and factors disclosed in this report.

In light of these factors, the events anticipated by our forward-looking statements may not occur at the time anticipated or at all. Moreover, we operate in a very competitive and rapidly changing environment and new risks emerge from time to time. We cannot predict all risks, nor can we assess the impact of all factors on our business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated by any forward-looking statements we may make. Accordingly, you should not place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements made in this report. All forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this report or, if earlier, as of the date they were made. We do not intend to, and disclaim any obligation to, update or revise any forward-looking statements unless required by applicable law.

PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

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

(Unaudited)	June 30, 2023	20	aber 31, 022
Assets	(In millions, except d	t par values a lata)	nd share
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 18	\$	157
Restricted cash	3		7
Accounts receivable:			
Joint interest and other, net	143		104
Oil and natural gas sales, net	544		618
Inventories	66		67
Derivative instruments	7		132
Income tax receivable	120		284
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	17		23
Total current assets	918		1,392
Property and equipment:		-	
Oil and natural gas properties, full cost method of accounting (\$8,558 million and \$8,355 million excluded from amortization at June 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively)	39,948		37,122
Other property, equipment and land	755		1,481
Accumulated depletion, depreciation, amortization and impairment	(15,558)		(14,844)
Property and equipment, net	25,145		23,759
Funds held in escrow			119
Equity method investments	587		566
Assets held for sale	742		158
Derivative instruments	1		23
Deferred income taxes, net	60		64
Investment in real estate, net	85		86
Other assets	49		42
Total assets	\$ 27,587		26,209
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	27,307	-	20,203
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable - trade	\$ 249	\$	127
Accrued capital expenditures	558		480
Current maturities of long-term debt	_		10
Other accrued liabilities	454		399
Revenues and royalties payable	729		619
Derivative instruments	118		47
Income taxes payable	15		34
	2,123		1,716
Total current liabilities	6,543	_	
Long-term debt			6,238
Derivative instruments And antique of a bilinations	175		148
Asset retirement obligations	286		336
Deferred income taxes	2,233		2,069
Other long-term liabilities	15		12
Total liabilities	11,375		10,519
Commitments and contingencies (Note 14)			
Stockholders' equity: Common stock, \$0.01 par value; 400,000,000 shares authorized; 179,221,318 and 179,840,797 shares issued and outstanding at			2
June 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively	14.107		14.212
Additional paid-in capital	14,187		14,213
Retained earnings (accumulated deficit)	1,372		801
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(7)		(7)
Total Diamondback Energy, Inc. stockholders' equity	15,554		15,009
Non-controlling interest	658		681
Total equity	16,212		15,690
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 27,587	\$	26,209

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

Diamondback Energy, Inc. and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (Unaudited)

	•	Three Months Ended June 30,				Six Months Ended June 30,				
		2023 2022				2023		2022		
		(In mill	ions, ex	cept per share	amou	nts, shares in th	ousand	s)		
Revenues:										
Oil sales	\$	1,708	\$	2,189	\$	3,362	\$	4,135		
Natural gas sales		48		264		117		418		
Natural gas liquid sales		140		299		319		588		
Other operating income		23		16		46		35		
Total revenues		1,919		2,768		3,844		5,176		
Costs and expenses:										
Lease operating expenses		200		159		392		308		
Production and ad valorem taxes		148		178		303		339		
Gathering and transportation		68		61		136		120		
Depreciation, depletion, amortization and accretion		432		330		835		643		
General and administrative expenses		37		39		77		75		
Merger and integration expenses		2		_		10		_		
Other operating expenses		32		23		66		53		
Total costs and expenses		919		790		1,819		1,538		
Income (loss) from operations		1,000		1,978		2,025		3,638		
Other income (expense):										
Interest expense, net		(51)		(39)		(97)		(79		
Other income (expense), net		(21)		1		32		2		
Gain (loss) on derivative instruments, net		(189)		(101)		(282)		(653		
Gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt		(4)		(4)		(4)		(58		
Income (loss) from equity investments		16		28		30		37		
Total other income (expense), net		(249)		(115)		(321)		(751		
Income (loss) before income taxes		751		1,863		1,704		2,887		
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes		165		402		372		623		
Net income (loss)		586		1,461		1,332		2,264		
Net income (loss) attributable to non-controlling interest		30		45		64		69		
Net income (loss) attributable to Diamondback Energy, Inc.	\$	556	\$	1,416	\$	1,268	\$	2,195		
Earnings (loss) per common share:										
Basic	\$	3.05	\$	7.93	\$	6.95	\$	12.28		
Diluted	\$	3.05	\$	7.93	\$	6.95	\$	12.28		
Weighted average common shares outstanding:										
Basic		180,373		176,570		181,176		177,064		
Diluted		180,373		176,572		181,176		177,066		
Dividends declared per share	\$	0.84	\$	3.05	\$	1.67	\$	6.10		

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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

	Commo	_ Add	litional	Retained Earnings (Accumulated	Accumulated Other Comprehensive	Non-Controlling			
	Shares	Amount		n Capital	Deficit)	Income (Loss)	Interest	To	tal
					(\$ in millions, shares	,			
Balance December 31, 2022	179,841	\$ 2	\$	14,213	\$ 801	\$ (7)	\$ 681	\$	15,690
Unit-based compensation	_	_		_	_	_	1		1
Distribution equivalent rights payments	_	_		_	(4)	_	_		(4)
Stock-based compensation	_	_		15	_	_	_		15
Cash paid for tax withholding on vested equity awards	(119)	_		(18)	_	_	_		(18)
Repurchased shares under buyback program	(2,531)	_		(332)	_	_	_		(332)
Repurchased units under buyback programs	_	_		_	_	_	(34)		(34)
Common shares issued for acquisition	4,330	_		633	_	_	_		633
Distributions to non-controlling interest	_	_		_	_	_	(34)		(34)
Dividend paid	_	_		_	(542)	_	_		(542)
Exercise of stock options and issuance of restricted stock units and awards	84	_		_	_	_	_		_
Change in ownership of consolidated subsidiaries, net	_	_		(9)	_	_	11		2
Net income (loss)	<u> </u>				712		34		746
Balance March 31, 2023	181,605	2		14,502	967	(7)	659	·	16,123
Distribution equivalent rights payments	_	_		_	(1)	_	_		(1)
Stock-based compensation	_	_		22	_	_	_		22
Cash paid for tax withholding on vested equity awards	(18)	_		(1)	_	_	_		(1)
Repurchased shares under buyback program	(2,427)	_		(321)	_	_	_		(321)
Repurchased units under buyback programs	_	_		_	_	_	(23)		(23)
Distributions to non-controlling interest	_	_		_	_	_	(25)		(25)
Dividend paid	_	_		_	(150)	_	_		(150)
Exercise of stock options and vesting of restricted stock units and awards	59	_		_	_	_	_		
Change in ownership of consolidated subsidiaries, net	_	_		(15)	_	_	17		2
Net income (loss)	_	_			556	_	30		586
Balance June 30, 2023	179,219	\$ 2	\$	14,187	\$ 1,372	\$ (7)	\$ 658	\$	16,212

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements. \\

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

_	Commo	n Stock		Retained Earnings						
	Shares	Amount	Additional Paid-in Capital	(Accumulated Deficit)	Non-Controlling Interest	Total				
		(\$ in millions, shares in thousands)								
Balance December 31, 2021	177,551	\$ 2	\$ 14,084	\$ (1,998)	\$ 1,157	\$ 13,245				
Unit-based compensation	_	_	_	_	3	3				
Distribution equivalent rights payments	_	_	_	_	(1)	(1)				
Stock-based compensation	_	_	16	_	_	16				
Cash paid for tax withholding on vested equity awards	_	_	(15)	_	_	(15)				
Repurchased shares under buyback program	(58)	_	(7)	_	_	(7)				
Repurchased units under buyback programs	_	_	_	_	(42)	(42)				
Distributions to non-controlling interest	_	_	_	_	(47)	(47)				
Dividend paid	_	_	_	(107)	_	(107)				
Exercise of stock options and issuance of restricted stock units and awards	58	_	1	_	_	1				
Change in ownership of consolidated subsidiaries, net	_	_	(12)	_	15	3				
Net income (loss)	_	_	_	779	24	803				
Balance March 31, 2022	177,551	2	14,067	(1,326)	1,109	13,852				
Unit-based compensation	_	_	_	_	3	3				
Distribution equivalent rights payments	_	_	_	(7)	_	(7)				
Stock-based compensation	_	_	17	_	_	17				
Cash paid for tax withholding on vested equity awards	_	_	_	_	(3)	(3)				
Repurchased shares under buyback program	(2,369)	_	(303)	_	_	(303)				
Repurchased units under buyback programs	_	_	_	_	(29)	(29)				
Distributions to non-controlling interest	_	_	_	_	(63)	(63)				
Dividend paid	_	_	_	(541)	_	(541)				
Exercise of stock options and vesting of restricted stock units and awards	19	_	_	_	_	_				
Change in ownership of consolidated subsidiaries, net	_	_	(9)	_	12	3				
Net income (loss)	_	_	_	1,416	45	1,461				
Balance June 30, 2022	175,201	\$ 2	\$ 13,772	\$ (458)	\$ 1,074	\$ 14,390				

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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

		Six Months Ended June 30,				
		2023		2022		
		(In mi	illions)			
Cash flows from operating activities:	¢.	4 222	ф	2.204		
Net income (loss)	\$	1,332	\$	2,264		
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		155		252		
Provision for (benefit from) deferred income taxes		175		273		
Depreciation, depletion, amortization and accretion		835		643		
(Gain) loss on extinguishment of debt		4		58		
(Gain) loss on derivative instruments, net		282		653		
Cash received (paid) on settlement of derivative instruments		(38)		(720)		
(Income) loss from equity investment		(30)		(37)		
Equity-based compensation expense		27		28		
Other		(26)		36		
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:						
Accounts receivable		38		(380)		
Income tax receivable		164		1		
Prepaid expenses and other		13		15		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		74		(21)		
Income tax payable		(19)		(14)		
Revenues and royalties payable		86		163		
Other		21		(3)		
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		2,938		2,959		
Cash flows from investing activities:						
Drilling, completions and infrastructure additions to oil and natural gas properties		(1,303)		(863)		
Additions to midstream assets		(65)		(42)		
Property acquisitions		(1,025)		(369)		
Proceeds from sale of assets		532		72		
Other		(13)		(30)		
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		(1,874)		(1,232)		
Cash flows from financing activities:		()- /		() -)		
Proceeds from borrowings under credit facilities		3,451		1,579		
Repayments under credit facilities		(3,036)		(1,563)		
Proceeds from senior notes		(5,555)		750		
Repayment of senior notes		(134)		(1,865)		
Proceeds from (repayments to) joint venture		(191)		(1,003)		
Premium on extinguishment of debt		_		(49)		
Repurchased shares under buyback program		(653)		(310)		
Repurchased units under buyback program		(57)		(71)		
Dividends paid to stockholders		(692)				
Distributions to non-controlling interest		(59)		(648) (110)		
Other						
		(27)		(36)		
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		(1,207)		(2,340)		
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(143)		(613)		
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at beginning of period		164		672		
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at end of period	\$	21	\$	59		

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

1. DESCRIPTION OF THE BUSINESS AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION

Organization and Description of the Business

Diamondback Energy, Inc., together with its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as "Diamondback" or the "Company" unless the context otherwise requires), is an independent oil and natural gas company currently focused on the acquisition, development, exploration and exploitation of unconventional, onshore oil and natural gas reserves in the Permian Basin in West Texas.

As of June 30, 2023, the wholly owned subsidiaries of Diamondback include Diamondback E&P LLC ("Diamondback E&P"), a Delaware limited liability company, Viper Energy Partners GP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Viper's General Partner"), Rattler Midstream GP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Rattler's GP"), Rattler Midstream LP, a Delaware limited partnership ("Rattler") and QEP Resources, Inc. ("QEP"), a Delaware corporation.

Rattler Merger

On August 24, 2022 (the "Effective Date"), the Company completed the merger with Rattler pursuant to which the Company acquired all of the approximately 38.51 million publicly held outstanding common units of Rattler in exchange for approximately 4.35 million shares of the Company's common stock (the "Rattler Merger"). Rattler continued as the surviving entity. Following the Rattler Merger, the Company owns all of Rattler's outstanding common units and Class B units, and Rattler GP remains the general partner of Rattler. Following the closing of the Rattler Merger, Rattler's common units were delisted from the NASDAQ Global Select Market and Rattler filed a certification on Form 15 with the SEC requesting the deregistration of its common units and suspension of Rattler's reporting obligations under the Exchange Act.

The Rattler Merger was accounted for as a non-cash equity transaction resulting in increases to common stock of \$44 thousand, additional paid-incapital of \$344 million, merger and integration expense of \$11 million and a decrease in noncontrolling interests in consolidated subsidiaries of \$344 million. For periods prior to the Effective Date, the results of operations attributable to the non-controlling interest in Rattler are presented within equity and net income and are shown separately from the equity and net income attributable to the Company.

Basis of Presentation

The condensed consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries after all significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated upon consolidation. The Company has one reportable segment, the upstream segment.

Diamondback's publicly traded subsidiary Viper Energy Partners LP ("Viper") is consolidated in the Company's financial statements. As of June 30, 2023, the Company owned approximately 57% of Viper's total units outstanding. The Company's wholly owned subsidiary, Viper Energy Partners GP LLC, is the general partner of Viper. The results of operations attributable to the non-controlling interest in Viper are presented within equity and net income and are shown separately from the equity and net income attributable to the Company.

These condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared by the Company without audit, pursuant to the rules and regulations of the SEC. They reflect all adjustments that are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair statement of the results for interim periods, on a basis consistent with the annual audited financial statements. All such adjustments are of a normal recurring nature. Certain information, accounting policies and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP have been omitted pursuant to SEC rules and regulations, although the Company believes the disclosures are adequate to make the information presented not misleading. This Quarterly Report on Form 10–Q should be read in conjunction with the Company's most recent Annual Report on Form 10–K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022, which contains a summary of the Company's significant accounting policies and other disclosures.

Reclassifications

Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current period financial statement presentation. These reclassifications had an immaterial effect on the previously reported total assets, total liabilities, stockholders' equity, results of operations or cash flows.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Use of Estimates

Certain amounts included in or affecting the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements and related disclosures must be estimated by management, requiring certain assumptions to be made with respect to values or conditions that cannot be known with certainty at the time the consolidated financial statements are prepared. These estimates and assumptions affect the amounts the Company reports for assets and liabilities and the Company's disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the consolidated financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Making accurate estimates and assumptions is particularly difficult in the oil and natural gas industry given the challenges resulting from volatility in oil and natural gas prices. For instance, the war in Ukraine, rising interest rates, global supply chain disruptions, concerns about a potential economic downturn or recession, recent measures to combat persistent inflation and instability in the financial sector have contributed to recent economic and pricing volatility. The financial results of companies in the oil and natural gas industry have been impacted materially as a result of these events and changing market conditions. Such circumstances generally increase uncertainty in the Company's accounting estimates, particularly those involving financial forecasts.

The Company evaluates these estimates on an ongoing basis, using historical experience, consultation with experts and other methods the Company considers reasonable in the particular circumstances. Nevertheless, actual results may differ significantly from the Company's estimates. Any effects on the Company's business, financial position or results of operations resulting from revisions to these estimates are recorded in the period in which the facts that give rise to the revision become known. Significant items subject to such estimates and assumptions include estimates of proved oil and natural gas reserves and related present value estimates of future net cash flows therefrom, the carrying value of oil and natural gas properties, fair value estimates of derivative instruments, the fair value determination of acquired assets and liabilities assumed and estimates of income taxes, including deferred tax valuation allowances.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

Recently Adopted Pronouncements

In October 2021, the FASB issued ASU 2021-08, "Business Combinations (Topic 805) – Accounting for Contract Assets and Contract Liabilities from Contracts with Customers." This update required the acquirer in a business combination to record contract asset and liabilities following Topic 606 – "Revenue from Contracts with Customers" at acquisition as if it had originated the contract, rather than at fair value. The Company adopted this update effective January 1, 2023. The adoption of this update did not have a material impact on its financial position, results of operations or liquidity.

Accounting Pronouncements Not Yet Adopted

In March 2023, the FASB issued ASU 2023-01, "Leases (Topic 842) – Common Control Arrangements." This update (i) requires all lessees that are a party to a lease between entities under common control in which there are leasehold improvements to record amortization utilizing the shorter period of the remaining lease term and the useful life of the improvements, and (ii) requires leasehold improvements to be accounted for as a transfer between entities under common control through an adjustment to equity if, and when, the lessee no longer controls the use of the underlying asset. This update is effective for public business entities beginning after December 15, 2023 with early adoption permitted. The Company may adopt this update (i) prospectively to all new leasehold improvements on or after the date of adoption, or (iii) retrospectively to the beginning of the period in which the Company first applied Topic 842. The Company continues to evaluate the provisions of this update, but does not believe the adoption will have a material impact on its financial position, results of operations or liquidity.

The Company considers the applicability and impact of all ASUs. ASUs not discussed above were assessed and determined to be either not applicable, the effects of adoption are not expected to be material or are clarifications of ASUs previously disclosed.

3. REVENUE FROM CONTRACTS WITH CUSTOMERS

Revenue from Contracts with Customers

The following tables present the Company's revenue from contracts with customers disaggregated by product type and basin:

	Three Months Ended June 30, 2023									Three Months Ended June 30, 2022							
	Midland Basin		Delaware Basin		Other		Total		Midland Basin		Delaware Basin		Other			Total	
							(In m	illior	ıs)								
Oil sales	\$ 1,322	\$	384	\$	2	\$	1,708	\$	1,610	\$	577	\$		2	\$	2,189	
Natural gas sales	31		17		_		48		168		95			1		264	
Natural gas liquid sales	93		47		_		140		207		91			1		299	
Total	\$ 1,446	\$	448	\$	2	\$	1,896	\$	1,985	\$	763	\$		4	\$	2,752	

		Six Months Ended June 30, 2023									Six Months Ended June 30, 2022							
	I	Midland Basin					Other Total		Midland Basin		Delaware Basin			Other		Total		
								(In mi	illioı	ns)								
Oil sales	\$	2,617	\$	742	\$	3	\$	3,362	\$	3,008	\$	1,122	\$	5	\$	4,135		
Natural gas sales		79		38		_		117		266		151		1		418		
Natural gas liquid sales		225		94		_		319		398		188		2		588		
Total	\$	2,921	\$	874	\$	3	\$	3,798	\$	3,672	\$	1,461	\$	8	\$	5,141		

4. ACQUISITIONS AND DIVESTITURES

2023 Activity

Lario Acquisition

On January 31, 2023, the Company closed on its acquisition of all leasehold interests and related assets of Lario Permian, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Lario Oil and Gas Company, and certain associated sellers (collectively "Lario"). The acquisition included approximately 25,000 gross (16,000 net) acres in the Midland Basin and certain related oil and gas assets (the "Lario Acquisition"), in exchange for 4.33 million shares of the Company's common stock and \$814 million in cash, including certain customary post-closing adjustments. Approximately \$113 million of the cash consideration was deposited in an indemnity holdback escrow account at closing to be distributed upon satisfactory settlement of any potential title defects on the acquired properties. The cash portion of the consideration for the Lario Acquisition was funded through a combination of cash on hand, a portion of the net proceeds from the Company's December 2022 senior notes offering and borrowings under the Company's revolving credit facility.

The following table presents the acquisition consideration paid in the Lario Acquisition (in millions, except per share data, shares in thousands):

Consideration:	
Shares of Diamondback common stock issued at closing	4,330
Closing price per share of Diamondback common stock on the closing date	\$ 146.12
Fair value of Diamondback common stock issued	\$ 633
Cash consideration	814
Total consideration (including fair value of Diamondback common stock issued)	\$ 1,447

Purchase Price Allocation

The Lario Acquisition has been accounted for as a business combination using the acquisition method. The following table represents the allocation of the total purchase price paid in the Lario Acquisition to the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed based on the fair values at the acquisition date. Although the purchase price allocation is substantially complete as of the date of this filing, there may be further adjustments to the fair value of certain assets acquired and liabilities assumed, including but not limited to the Company's oil and natural gas properties. The Company expects to complete the purchase price allocation during the 12-month period following the acquisition date and may revise the value of the assets and liabilities as appropriate within that time frame.

The following table sets forth the Company's preliminary purchase price allocation (in millions):

Total consideration	\$ 1,447
Fair value of liabilities assumed:	
Other long-term liabilities	37
Fair value of assets acquired:	
Oil and natural gas properties	1,460
Inventories	2
Other property, equipment and land	 22
Amount attributable to assets acquired	1,484
Net assets acquired and liabilities assumed	\$ 1,447

Oil and natural gas properties were valued using an income approach utilizing the discounted cash flow method, which takes into account production forecasts, projected commodity prices and pricing differentials, and estimates of future capital and operating costs which were then discounted utilizing an estimated weighted-average cost of capital for industry market participants. The fair value of acquired midstream assets, vehicles and a field office were based on the cost approach, which utilized asset listings and cost records with consideration for the reported age, condition, utilization and economic support of the assets and were included in the Company's consolidated balance sheets under the caption "Other property, equipment and land." The majority of the measurements of assets acquired and liabilities assumed are based on inputs that are not observable in the market and are therefore considered Level 3 inputs in the fair value hierarchy.

With the completion of the Lario Acquisition, the Company acquired proved properties of \$924 million and unproved properties of \$536 million. The results of operations attributable to the Lario Acquisition since the acquisition date have been included in the condensed consolidated statements of operations and include \$122 millions and \$211 million of total revenue and \$55 millions and \$87 million of net income for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023, respectively.

Divestitures

On April 28, 2023, the Company divested non-core assets to an unrelated third-party buyer consisting of approximately 19,000 net acres in Glasscock County, TX for net cash proceeds at closing of \$275 million, subject to certain customary post-closing adjustments including \$3 million retained as an indemnity holdback in an escrow account for certain title defects. This transaction did not result in a significant alteration of the relationship between the Company's capitalized costs and proved reserves and, accordingly, the Company recorded the proceeds as a reduction of its full cost pool with no gain or loss recognized on the sale. The Company used its net proceeds from this transaction for debt reduction and other general corporate purposes.

On March 31, 2023, the Company divested non-core assets consisting of approximately 4,900 net acres in Ward and Winkler counties to unrelated third-party buyers for \$78 million in net cash proceeds, including customary post-closing adjustments.

On January 9, 2023, the Company divested its 10% non-operating equity investment in Gray Oak Pipeline, LLC ("Gray Oak") for \$172 million in net cash proceeds and recorded a gain on the sale of equity method investments of approximately \$53 million in the first quarter of 2023 that is included in the caption "Other income (expense), net" on the condensed consolidated statement of operations for the six months ended June 30, 2023.

2022 Activity

FireBird Energy LLC

On November 30, 2022, the Company closed on its acquisition of all leasehold interests and related assets of FireBird Energy LLC, which included approximately 75,000 gross (68,000 net) acres in the Midland Basin and certain related oil and gas assets, in exchange for 5.92 million shares of the Company's common stock and \$787 million in cash, including certain customary post-closing adjustments. Approximately \$125 million of the cash consideration was deposited in an indemnity holdback escrow account at closing to be distributed upon satisfactory settlement of any potential title defects on the acquired properties. The cash portion of the consideration for the FireBird Acquisition was funded through a combination of cash on hand and borrowings under the Company's revolving credit facility. As a result of the FireBird Acquisition, the Company added approximately 854 gross producing wells

The following table presents the acquisition consideration paid in the FireBird Acquisition (in millions, except per share data, shares in thousands):

Consideration:	
Shares of Diamondback common stock issued at closing	5,921
Closing price per share of Diamondback common stock on the closing date	\$ 148.02
Fair value of Diamondback common stock issued	\$ 876
Cash consideration	 787
Total consideration (including fair value of Diamondback common stock issued)	\$ 1,663

Purchase Price Allocation

The FireBird Acquisition has been accounted for as a business combination using the acquisition method. The following table represents the allocation of the total purchase price paid in the FireBird Acquisition to the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed based on the fair values at the acquisition date. Although the purchase price allocation is substantially complete as of the date of this filing, there may be further adjustments to the fair value of certain assets acquired and liabilities assumed, including but not limited to the Company's oil and natural gas properties and other property, equipment and land. The Company expects to complete the purchase price allocation during the 12-month period following the acquisition date and may revise the value of the assets and liabilities as appropriate within that time frame.

The following table sets forth the Company's preliminary purchase price allocation (in millions):

Total consideration	\$ 1,663
Fair value of liabilities assumed:	
Other long-term liabilities	10
Fair value of assets acquired:	
Oil and natural gas properties	1,558
Inventories	1
Other property, equipment and land	 114
Amount attributable to assets acquired	1,673
Net assets acquired and liabilities assumed	\$ 1,663

Oil and natural gas properties were valued using an income approach utilizing the discounted cash flow method, which takes into account production forecasts, projected commodity prices and pricing differentials, and estimates of future capital and operating costs which were then discounted utilizing an estimated weighted-average cost of capital for industry market participants. The fair value of acquired midstream assets was based on the cost approach, which utilized asset listings and cost records with consideration for the reported age, condition, utilization and economic support of the assets and were included in the Company's consolidated balance sheets under the caption "Other property, equipment and land." The majority of the measurements of assets acquired and liabilities assumed are based on inputs that are not observable in the market and are therefore considered Level 3 inputs.

With the completion of the FireBird Acquisition, the Company acquired proved properties of \$648 million and unproved properties of \$910 million.

Delaware Basin Acquisition

On January 18, 2022, the Company acquired, from an unrelated third-party seller, approximately 6,200 net acres in the Delaware Basin for \$232 million in cash, including customary post-closing adjustments. The acquisition was funded through cash on hand.

Other 2022 Acquisitions

Additionally during the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company acquired, from unrelated third-party sellers, approximately 4,000 net acres and over 200 gross wells in the Permian Basin for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$220 million in cash, including customary post-closing adjustments. The acquisitions were funded through cash on hand.

Divestitures of Certain Non-Core Assets

In October 2022, the Company completed the divestiture of non-core Delaware Basin acreage consisting of approximately 3,272 net acres, with net production of approximately 550 BO/d (800 BOE/d) for \$155 million of net proceeds. The Company used the net proceeds from this transaction towards debt reduction.

Pro Forma Financial Information

The following unaudited summary pro forma financial information for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 has been prepared to give effect to the FireBird Acquisition and the Lario Acquisition as if they had occurred on January 1, 2022. The unaudited pro forma financial information does not purport to be indicative of what the combined company's results of operations would have been if these transactions had occurred on the dates indicated, nor is it indicative of the future financial position or results of operations of the combined company.

The below information reflects pro forma adjustments for the issuance of the Company's common stock as consideration for the FireBird Acquisition and the Lario Acquisition, as well as pro forma adjustments based on available information and certain assumptions that the Company believes are reasonable, including adjustments to depreciation, depletion and amortization based on the full cost method of accounting.

Additionally, pro forma earnings for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023 were adjusted to exclude acquisition-related costs incurred by the Company of \$1 million and \$8 million for the Lario Acquisition and \$2 million and \$3 million for the FireBird Acquisition, respectively, which consist primarily of legal and advisory fees. The pro forma results of operations do not include any cost savings or other synergies that may result from the Firebird Acquisition and the Lario Acquisition or any estimated costs that have been or will be incurred by the Company to integrate the acquired assets. The pro forma financial data does not include the results of operations for any other acquisitions made during the periods presented, as they were primarily acreage acquisitions, and their results were not deemed material.

	Three Months Ended June 30,			Six Months E	Ended June 30,		
	 2023		2022		2023		2022
	 (In millions, except per share amounts)						
Revenues	\$ 1,919	\$	3,023	\$	3,889	\$	5,627
Income (loss) from operations	\$ 1,002	\$	2,154	\$	2,060	\$	3,931
Net income (loss)	\$ 558	\$	1,603	\$	1,298	\$	2,510
Basic earnings (loss) per common share	\$ 3.07	\$	8.48	\$	7.14	\$	12.61
Diluted earnings (loss) per common share	\$ 3.07	\$	8.48	\$	7.14	\$	12.61

5. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment includes the following as of the dates indicated:

		June 30, 2023	Dec	ember 31, 2022		
	·	(In millions)				
Oil and natural gas properties:						
Subject to depletion	\$	31,390	\$	28,767		
Not subject to depletion		8,558		8,355		
Gross oil and natural gas properties	'	39,948		37,122		
Accumulated depletion		(7,462)		(6,671)		
Accumulated impairment		(7,954)		(7,954)		
Oil and natural gas properties, net		24,532		22,497		
Other property, equipment and land		755		1,481		
Accumulated depreciation, amortization, accretion and impairment		(142)		(219)		
Total property and equipment, net	\$	25,145	\$	23,759		

Under the full cost method of accounting, the Company is required to perform a ceiling test each quarter which determines a limit, or ceiling, on the book value of proved oil and natural gas properties. No impairment expense was recorded for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023 or 2022 based on the results of the respective quarterly ceiling tests.

In addition to commodity prices, the Company's production rates, levels of proved reserves, future development costs, transfers of unevaluated properties and other factors will determine its actual ceiling test calculation and impairment analysis in future periods. If the future trailing 12-month commodity prices decline as compared to the commodity prices used in prior quarters, the Company may have material write downs in subsequent quarters. It is possible that circumstances requiring additional impairment testing will occur in future interim periods, which could result in potentially material impairment charges being recorded.

Assets Held For Sale

During the second quarter of 2023, the Company commenced separate plans to sell certain assets consisting of midstream water assets with a carrying value of \$667 million and oil gathering assets with a carrying value of \$75 million. As of June 30, 2023, the Company had ceased depreciating these assets and classified them as held for sale on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheet. At December 31, 2022, the midstream water assets and oil gathering assets were included in the Company's consolidated balance sheet under the caption "Other property, equipment and land." All of these assets are included in the midstream operating segment, which is categorized as "All Other" in the Company's segment disclosures in Note 16—Segment Information.

At the time these assets were transferred to held for sale, their carrying values approximated or were less than their respective fair values less costs to sell based on observable exit prices obtained from third party bids. As such, no impairment loss was recorded on these assets upon their transfer to held for sale. The Company expects to complete the sale of these assets in the third quarter of 2023.

6. ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATIONS

The following table describes the changes to the Company's asset retirement obligations liability for the following periods:

	Six Months Ended June 30,			
	2023	2022		
	(In m	illions)		
Asset retirement obligations, beginning of period	\$ 347	\$ 171		
Additional liabilities incurred	12	26		
Liabilities acquired	3	3		
Liabilities settled and divested	(42)	(8)		
Accretion expense	14	6		
Revisions in estimated liabilities	(43)	75		
Asset retirement obligations, end of period	291	273		
Less current portion ⁽¹⁾	5	13		
Asset retirement obligations - long-term	\$ 286	\$ 260		

⁽¹⁾ The current portion of the asset retirement obligation is included in other accrued liabilities in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets.

7. DEBT

Long-term debt consisted of the following as of the dates indicated:

	June 30, 2023		December 31, 2022
		(In million	us)
5.250% Senior Notes due 2023	\$	— \$	10
3.250% Senior Notes due 2026		750	780
5.625% Senior Notes due 2026		14	14
7.125% Medium-term Notes, Series B, due 2028		73	73
3.500% Senior Notes due 2029		921	1,021
3.125% Senior Notes due 2031		789	789
6.250% Senior Notes due 2033		1,100	1,100
4.400% Senior Notes due 2051		650	650
4.250% Senior Notes due 2052		750	750
6.250% Senior Notes due 2053		650	650
Unamortized debt issuance costs		(42)	(43)
Unamortized discount costs		(23)	(26)
Unamortized premium costs		4	4
Unamortized basis adjustment of dedesignated interest rate swap agreements ⁽¹⁾		(90)	(106)
Revolving credit facility		343	_
Viper revolving credit facility		224	152
Viper 5.375% Senior Notes due 2027		430	430
Total debt, net		6,543	6,248
Less: current maturities of long-term debt			10
Total long-term debt	\$	6,543 \$	6,238

⁽¹⁾ Represents the unamortized basis adjustment related to two receive-fixed, pay variable interest rate swap agreements which were previously designated as fair value hedges of the Company's \$1.2 billion 3.500% fixed rate senior notes due 2029. These swaps were dedesignated in the second quarter of 2022 as discussed further in Note 11—<u>Derivatives</u>.

References in this section to the Company shall mean Diamondback Energy, Inc. and Diamondback E&P, collectively, unless otherwise specified.

Credit Agreement

As of June 30, 2023, Diamondback E&P, as borrower, and Diamondback Energy, Inc., as parent guarantor, have a credit agreement, as amended, which provides for a maximum credit amount of \$1.6 billion. As of June 30, 2023, the Company had \$343 million in outstanding borrowings under the credit agreement and \$1.3 billion available for future borrowings. During the three and six months ended June 30, 2023 the weighted average interest rate on borrowings under the credit agreement was 6.37% and 6.23%, respectively. During both the three and six months ended June 30, 2022 the weighted average interest rate on borrowings under the credit agreement was 2.69%. During the second quarter of 2023, the Company exercised an election to extend the maturity date of the credit agreement by one year to June 2, 2028 in accordance with the terms of the credit agreement.

As of June 30, 2023, the Company was in compliance with all financial maintenance covenants under the credit agreement.

Repurchases of Notes

In the second quarter of 2023, the Company repurchased principal amounts of \$30 million of its 3.250% Senior Notes due 2026 and \$100 million of its 3.500% Senior Notes due 2029 for total cash consideration, including accrued interest paid of \$124 million. These repurchases resulted in an immaterial loss on extinguishment of debt during the second quarter of 2023.

Viper's Credit Agreement

On May 31, 2023, Viper LLC entered into a tenth amendment to its existing credit agreement, which among other things, (i) maintained the maximum credit amount under the Viper LLC credit agreement of \$2.0 billion, (ii) increased the borrowing base from \$580 million to \$1.0 billion and (iii) increased the elected commitment amount from \$500 million to \$750 million. As of June 30, 2023, Viper LLC had \$224 million of outstanding borrowings and \$526 million available for future borrowings. During the three and six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, the weighted average interest rates on borrowings under the Viper credit agreement were 7.53%, 7.24% and 3.20% and 2.88%, respectively. The Viper credit agreement will mature on June 2, 2025. As of June 30, 2023, Viper LLC was in compliance with all financial maintenance covenants under the Viper credit agreement.

8. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY AND EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE

Stock Repurchase Program

In September 2021, the Company's board of directors approved a stock repurchase program to acquire up to \$2.0 billion of the Company's outstanding common stock, excluding excise tax. On July 28, 2022, the Company's board of directors approved an increase in the Company's common stock repurchase program from \$2.0 billion to \$4.0 billion, excluding excise tax. Purchases under the repurchase program may be made from time to time in open market or privately negotiated transactions, and are subject to market conditions, applicable legal requirements, contractual obligations and other factors. The repurchase program does not require the Company to acquire any specific number of shares. This repurchase program may be suspended from time to time, modified, extended or discontinued by the board of directors at any time. During the three and six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, the Company repurchased, excluding excise tax, approximately \$321 million, \$653 million, \$303 million and \$310 million of common stock under this repurchase program, respectively. As of June 30, 2023, approximately \$1.8 billion remained available for use to repurchase shares under the Company's common stock repurchase program, excluding excise tax.

Change in Ownership of Consolidated Subsidiaries

Non-controlling interests in the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements represent minority interest ownership in Viper and Rattler through the Effective Date and are presented as a component of equity. When the Company's relative ownership interests in Viper and Rattler change, adjustments to non-controlling interest and additional paid-in-capital, tax effected, will occur. The following table summarizes changes in the ownership interest in consolidated subsidiaries during the periods presented:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months En		nded June 30,			
		2023		2022		2023		2022
	(In millions)							
Net income (loss) attributable to the Company	\$	556	\$	1,416	\$	1,268	\$	2,195
Change in ownership of consolidated subsidiaries		(15)		(9)		(24)		(21)
Change from net income (loss) attributable to the Company's stockholders and transfers to non-controlling interest	\$	541	\$	1,407	\$	1,244	\$	2,174

Earnings (Loss) Per Share

The Company's earnings (loss) per share amounts have been computed using the two-class method. The two-class method is an earnings allocation proportional to the respective ownership among holders of common stock and participating securities. Basic earnings (loss) per share amounts have been computed based on the weighted-average number of shares of common stock outstanding for the period. Diluted earnings per share include the effect of potentially dilutive non-participating securities outstanding for the period. Additionally, the per share earnings of Viper are included in the consolidated earnings per share computation based on the consolidated group's holdings of the subsidiaries.

A reconciliation of the components of basic and diluted earnings per common share is presented in the table below:

		Three Months Ended June 30,			Three Months Ended June 30, Six Months			Six Months E	Ionths Ended June 30,		
		2023		2022		2023		2022			
		(\$ in mill	ions	, except per share	am	ounts, shares in t	hous	ands)			
Net income (loss) attributable to common stock	\$	556	\$	1,416	\$	1,268	\$	2,195			
Less: distributed and undistributed earnings allocated to participating securities $^{(1)}$		5		16		9		21			
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders	\$	551	\$	1,400	\$	1,259	\$	2,174			
Weighted average common shares outstanding:											
Basic weighted average common shares outstanding		180,373		176,570		181,176		177,064			
Effect of dilutive securities:											
Weighted-average potential common shares issuable		_		2		_		2			
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding		180,373		176,572		181,176		177,066			
Basic net income (loss) attributable to common stock	\$	3.05	\$	7.93	\$	6.95	\$	12.28			
Diluted net income (loss) attributable to common stock	\$	3.05	\$	7.93	\$	6.95	\$	12.28			

⁽¹⁾ Unvested restricted stock awards and performance stock awards that contain non-forfeitable distribution equivalent rights are considered participating securities and therefore are included in the earnings per share calculation pursuant to the two-class method.

9. EQUITY-BASED COMPENSATION

Under the Equity Plan approved by the Board of Directors, the Company is authorized to issue up to 11.8 million shares of incentive and non-statutory stock options, restricted stock awards and restricted stock units, performance awards and stock appreciation rights to eligible employees. The Company has outstanding restricted stock units and performance-based restricted stock units under the Equity Plan. The Company also has immaterial amounts of restricted share awards and stock appreciation rights outstanding which were issued under plans assumed in connection with previously completed mergers. At June 30, 2023, approximately 5.1 million shares of common stock remain available for future grants under the Equity Plan. The Company classifies its restricted stock units and performance-based restricted stock units as equity-based awards and estimates the fair values of restricted stock awards and units as the closing price of the Company's common stock on the grant date of the award, which is expensed over the applicable vesting period.

In addition to the Equity Plan, Viper maintains its own long-term incentive plan, which is not significant to the Company.

The following table presents the financial statement impacts of equity compensation plans and related costs on the Company's financial statements:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 3			June 30,			
		2023		2022		2023		2022	
				(In m	illions)				
General and administrative expenses	\$		16	\$ 13	\$	27	\$		28
Equity-based compensation capitalized pursuant to full cost method of accounting for oil and natural gas properties	\$		6	\$ 6	\$	11	\$		10

Restricted Stock Units

The following table presents the Company's restricted stock unit activity during the six months ended June 30, 2023 under the Equity Plan:

	Restricted Stock Units	Weighted Average Grant- Date Fair Value
Unvested at December 31, 2022	918,902	\$ 95.74
Granted	390,530	\$ 143.74
Vested	(154,606)	\$ 122.88
Forfeited	(52,986)	\$ 98.87
Unvested at June 30, 2023	1,101,840	\$ 108.62

The aggregate grant date fair value of restricted stock units that vested during the six months ended June 30, 2023 was \$19 million. As of June 30, 2023, the Company's unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested restricted stock units was \$94 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.8 years.

Performance Based Restricted Stock Units

The following table presents the Company's performance restricted stock units activity under the Equity Plan for the six months ended June 30, 2023:

	Performance Restricted Stock Units	nted Average Date Fair Value
Unvested at December 31, 2022	347,881	\$ 168.48
Granted	126,347	\$ 259.52
Forfeited	(27,168)	\$ 131.06
Unvested at June 30, 2023 ⁽¹⁾	447,060	\$ 196.48

(1) A maximum of 1,068,213 units could be awarded based upon the Company's final TSR ranking.

As of June 30, 2023, the Company's unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested performance based restricted stock awards and units was \$50 million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.7 years.

In March 2023, eligible employees received performance restricted stock unit awards totaling 126,347 units from which a minimum of 0% and a maximum of 200% of the units could be awarded based upon the measurement of total stockholder return of the Company's common stock as compared to a designated peer group during the 3-year performance period of January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2025 and cliff vest at December 31, 2025 subject to continued employment. The initial payout of the March 2023 awards will be further adjusted by a TSR modifier that may reduce the payout or increase the payout up to a maximum of 250%.

The fair value of each performance restricted stock unit issuance is estimated at the date of grant using a Monte Carlo simulation, which results in an expected percentage of units to be earned during the performance period.

The following table presents a summary of the grant-date fair values of performance restricted stock units granted and the related assumptions for the awards granted during the period presented:

	2023
Grant-date fair value	\$ 259.52
Risk-free rate	4.64 %
Company volatility	46.90 %

10. INCOME TAXES

The following table provides the Company's provision for (benefit from) income taxes and the effective income tax rate for the periods indicated:

	Three Months	Ende	ed June 30,	Six Months E	Six Months Ended Jui			
	 2023		2022		2023		2022	
			(In millions, ex	cept fo	r tax rate)			
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes	\$ 165	\$	402	\$	372	\$	623	
Effective income tax rate	22.0 %		21.6 %		21.8 %		21.6 %	

Total income tax expense from continuing operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 differed from amounts computed by applying the United States federal statutory tax rate to pre-tax income primarily due to (i) state income taxes, net of federal benefit, and (ii) the impact of permanent differences between book and taxable income, partially offset by (iii) tax benefit resulting from a reduction in the valuation allowance on Viper's deferred tax assets for the three and six months ended June 30, 2022 due to Viper's pre-tax income for the period.

As of June 30, 2023, Viper maintained a partial valuation allowance against its deferred tax assets, based on its assessment of all available evidence, both positive and negative, supporting realizability of Viper's deferred tax assets.

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, the Company's items of discrete income tax expense or benefit were not material.

The Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 ("IRA") was enacted on August 16, 2022, which created a 15% corporate alternative minimum tax ("CAMT") on the "adjusted financial statement income" of certain large corporations (generally, corporations reporting at least \$1 billion of average adjusted pre-tax net income on their consolidated financial statements) as well as an excise tax of 1% on the fair market value of certain public company stock/unit repurchases for tax years beginning after December 31, 2022. Based on application of currently available guidance, the Company's income tax expense for the three and six months ended June 30, 2023 were not impacted by the CAMT. The Company's excise tax during the three and six months ended June 30, 2023 was immaterial and was recognized as part of the cost basis of the units repurchased.

11. DERIVATIVES

At June 30, 2023, the Company has commodity derivative contracts and interest rate swaps outstanding. All derivative financial instruments are recorded at fair value.

Commodity Contracts

The Company has entered into multiple crude oil and natural gas derivatives, indexed to the respective indices as noted in the table below, to reduce price volatility associated with certain of its oil and natural gas sales. The Company has not designated its commodity derivative instruments as hedges for accounting purposes and, as a result, marks its commodity derivative instruments to fair value and recognizes the cash and non-cash changes in fair value in the condensed consolidated statements of operations under the caption "Gain (loss) on derivative instruments, net."

By using derivative instruments to economically hedge exposure to changes in commodity prices, the Company exposes itself to credit risk and market risk. Credit risk is the failure of the counterparty to perform under the terms of the derivative contract. When the fair value of a derivative contract is positive, the counterparty owes the Company, which creates credit risk. The Company has entered into commodity derivative instruments only with counterparties that are also lenders under its credit facility and have been deemed an acceptable credit risk. As such, collateral is not required from either the counterparties or the Company on its outstanding commodity derivative contracts.

As of June 30, 2023, the Company had the following outstanding commodity derivative contracts. When aggregating multiple contracts, the weighted average contract price is disclosed.

					Swaps	Col	lars
Settlement Month	Settlement Year	Type of Contract	Bbls/MMBtu Per Day	Index	Weighted Average Differential	Weighted Average Floor Price	Weighted Average Ceiling Price
OIL							
July - Dec.	2023	Basis Swap ⁽¹⁾	24,000	Argus WTI Midland	\$0.90	\$	\$ —
Jan Dec.	2024	Basis Swap ⁽¹⁾	4,000	Argus WTI Midland	\$1.27	\$—	\$—
NATURAL GAS							
July - Dec.	2023	Costless Collar	310,000	Henry Hub	\$ —	\$3.18	\$9.22
Jan Dec.	2024	Costless Collar	200,000	Henry Hub	\$ —	\$3.00	\$8.42
July - Dec.	2023	Basis Swap ⁽¹⁾	330,000	Waha Hub	\$(1.24)	\$	\$ —
Jan Dec.	2024	Basis Swap ⁽¹⁾	380,000	Waha Hub	\$(1.18)	\$ —	\$
Jan Dec.	2025	Basis Swap ⁽¹⁾	110,000	Waha Hub	\$(0.76)	\$—	\$—

(1) The Company has fixed price basis swaps for the spread between the Cushing crude oil price and the Midland WTI crude oil price as well as the spread between the Henry Hub natural gas price and the Waha Hub natural gas price. The weighted average differential represents the amount of reduction to the Cushing, Oklahoma oil price and the Waha Hub natural gas price for the notional volumes covered by the basis swap contracts.

Settlement Month	Settlement Year	Type of Contract	Bbls Per Day	Index	Strike Price	Weighted Average Differential	Deferred Premium
OIL							
July - Sep.	2023	Put	113,000	Brent	\$54.69	\$—	\$1.65
				Argus WTI			
July - Sep.	2023	Put	32,000	Houston	\$55.00	\$—	\$1.68
July - Sep.	2023	Put	12,000	WTI	\$55.00	\$ —	\$1.80
Oct Dec.	2023	Put	96,000	Brent	\$55.00	\$ —	\$1.60
				Argus WTI			
Oct Dec.	2023	Put	26,000	Houston	\$55.00	\$ —	\$1.68
Oct Dec.	2023	Put	12,000	WTI	\$55.00	\$ —	\$1.85
Jan Mar.	2024	Put	44,000	Brent	\$55.00	\$—	\$1.70
				Argus WTI			
Jan Mar.	2024	Put	6,000	Houston	\$55.00	\$ —	\$1.87
Apr Jun.	2024	Put	12,000	Brent	\$55.00	\$ —	\$1.81

Interest Rate Swaps

In the second quarter of 2021, the Company entered into two interest rate swap agreements for notional amounts of \$600 million, which were designated as fair value hedges of the Company's \$1.2 billion 3.50% fixed rate senior notes due 2029 (the "2029 Notes") at inception. The Company receives a fixed 3.50% rate of interest on these swaps. Effective on May 28, 2023, the variable rate of interest the Company pays on these swaps was reset from three month LIBOR to three month SOFR plus 2.1865%. The Company previously adopted the optional expedient in ASU 2020-04, "Reference Rate Reform (Topic 848) - Facilitation of the Effects of Reference Rate Reform on Financial Reporting," as later extended for these contract term modifications, and as a result, did not recognize any impact of the change in reference rate on its financial position, results of operations or liquidity for the three or six months ended June 30, 2023.

In the second quarter of 2022, the Company elected to fully dedesignate these interest rate swaps and hedge accounting was discontinued. The cumulative fair value basis adjustment recorded on the 2029 Notes at the time of dedesignation totaled \$135 million. This basis adjustment is being amortized to interest expense over the remaining term of the 2029 Notes utilizing the effective interest method. The dedesignated interest rate swaps are considered economic hedges of the Company's fixed-rate debt. As such, changes in the fair value of the interest rate swaps after the date of dedesignation have been recorded in earnings under the caption "Gain (loss) on derivative instruments, net" in the condensed consolidated statements of operations.

Balance Sheet Offsetting of Derivative Assets and Liabilities

The fair value of derivative instruments is generally determined using established index prices and other sources which are based upon, among other things, futures prices and time to maturity. These fair values are recorded by netting asset and liability positions, including any deferred premiums that are with the same counterparty and are subject to contractual terms which provide for net settlement. See Note 12—<u>Fair Value Measurements</u> for further details.

Gains and Losses on Derivative Instruments

The following table summarizes the gains and losses on derivative instruments not designated as hedging instruments included in the condensed consolidated statements of operations:

	Thr	ee Months	Ende	ed June 30,		Six Months E	nded June 30,		
	2	023		2022	2023			2022	
				(In mi	llions)			
Gain (loss) on derivative instruments, net:									
Commodity contracts	\$	(152)	\$	(102)	\$	(261)	\$	(654)	
Interest rate swaps		(37)		1		(21)		1	
Total	\$	(189)	\$	(101)	\$	(282)	\$	(653)	
Net cash received (paid) on settlements:									
Commodity contracts ⁽¹⁾	\$	(17)	\$	(306)	\$	(16)	\$	(726)	
Interest rate swaps		(22)		6		(22)		6	
Total	\$	(39)	\$	(300)	\$	(38)	\$	(720)	

⁽¹⁾ The six months ended June 30, 2022 includes cash paid on commodity contracts terminated prior to their contractual maturity of \$135 million.

12. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Assets and Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

As discussed in Note 13—Fair Value Measurements in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022, certain financial instruments of the Company are reported at fair value on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets. The net amounts of derivative instruments are classified as current or noncurrent based on their anticipated settlement dates. The Company has an immaterial investment that is reported at fair value using observable, quoted stock prices and is included in "Other assets" on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheet at June 30, 2023.

The following table provides the fair value of financial instruments that are recorded at fair value in the condensed consolidated balance sheets as of June 30, 2023 and December 31, 2022:

			1	As of June 30, 202 3	3	
	 Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total Gross Fair Value	Gross Amounts Offset in Balance Sheet	Net Fair Value Presented in Balance Sheet
				(In millions)		
Assets:						
Current assets- Derivative instruments:						
Commodity derivative instruments	\$ — \$	60 \$	_	\$ 60 5	\$ (53)	\$ 7
Non-current assets- Derivative instruments:						
Commodity derivative instruments	\$ — \$	14 \$	_	\$ 14.5	\$ (13)	\$ 1
Non-current assets- Other assets:						
Investment	\$ 13 \$	— \$	_	\$ 13.5	· —	\$ 13
Liabilities:						
Current liabilities- Derivative instruments:						
Commodity derivative instruments	\$ — \$	119 \$	_	\$ 119 5	\$ (53)	\$ 66
Interest rate swaps	\$ — \$	52 \$	_	\$ 52.5	\$ <u> </u>	\$ 52
Non-current liabilities- Derivative instruments:						
Commodity derivative instruments	\$ — \$	48 \$	_	\$ 48.5	(13)	\$ 35
Interest rate swaps	\$ — \$	140 \$	_	\$ 140 5	-	\$ 140

				As	s of Dece	mber 31, 20	22	
	Le	evel 1	Level 2	Level 3		Gross Fair Talue	Gross Amounts Offset in Balance Sheet	Net Fair Value Presented in Balance Sheet
					(In r	nillions)		
Assets:								
Current assets- Derivative instruments:								
Commodity derivative instruments	\$	— \$	197 \$	_	- \$	197 \$	(65)	\$ 132
Non-current assets- Derivative instruments:								
Commodity derivative instruments	\$	— \$	62 \$	_	- \$	62 \$	(39)	\$ 23
Liabilities:								
Current liabilities- Derivative instruments:								
Commodity derivative instruments	\$	— \$	67 \$	_	- \$	67 \$	(65)	\$ 2
Interest rate swaps	\$	— \$	45 \$	_	- \$	45 \$		
Non-current liabilities- Derivative instruments:								
Commodity derivative instruments	\$	— \$	39 \$	_	- \$	39 \$	(39)	\$
Interest rate swaps	\$	— \$	148 \$	_	- \$	148 \$	`	\$ 148

Assets and Liabilities Not Recorded at Fair Value

The following table provides the fair value of financial instruments that are not recorded at fair value in the condensed consolidated balance sheets:

June	30, 20	023	Decembe			2022
Carrying			Ca	rrying		_
Value		Fair Value	7	/alue		Fair Value
		(In m	illions)			
\$ 6,543	3 \$	6,167	\$	6,248	\$	5,754

The fair values of the Company's credit agreement and the Viper credit agreement approximate their carrying values based on borrowing rates available to the Company for bank loans with similar terms and maturities and is classified as Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy. The fair values of the outstanding notes were determined using the quoted market price at each period end, a Level 1 classification in the fair value hierarchy.

Assets and Liabilities Measured at Fair Value on a Nonrecurring Basis

Certain assets and liabilities are measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis in certain circumstances. These assets and liabilities can include those acquired in a business combination, inventory, proved and unproved oil and gas properties and other long-lived assets that are written down to fair value when they are impaired or held for sale. Refer to Note 4—<u>Acquisitions and Divestitures</u> and Note 5—<u>Property and Equipment</u> for additional discussion of nonrecurring fair value adjustments.

Fair Value of Financial Assets

The carrying amount of cash and cash equivalents, receivables, funds held in escrow, prepaid expenses and other current assets, payables and other accrued liabilities approximate their fair value because of the short-term nature of the instruments.

13. SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION TO STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

		Six Months Ended June 30,				
	·	2023	2022			
		(In millions)				
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:						
Cash paid (received) for income taxes	\$	54 \$	362			
Supplemental disclosure of non-cash transactions:						
Accrued capital expenditures included in accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	686 \$	340			
Common stock issued for acquisitions	\$	633 \$	_			

14. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Company is a party to various routine legal proceedings, disputes and claims arising in the ordinary course of its business, including those that arise from interpretation of federal and state laws and regulations affecting the crude oil and natural gas industry, personal injury claims, title disputes, royalty disputes, contract claims, contamination claims relating to oil and natural gas exploration and development and environmental claims, including claims involving assets previously sold to third parties and no longer part of the Company's current operations. While the ultimate outcome of the pending proceedings, disputes or claims and any resulting impact on the Company, cannot be predicted with certainty, the Company's management believes that none of these matters, if ultimately decided adversely, will have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial condition, results of operations or cash flows. The Company's assessment is based on information known about the pending matters and its experience in contesting, litigating and settling similar matters. Actual outcomes could differ materially from the Company's assessment. The Company records reserves for contingencies related to outstanding legal proceedings,

disputes or claims when information available indicates that a loss is probable and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated.

Environmental Matters

The United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, ordered several oil and gas operators, including a corporate predecessor of Energen Corporation, to perform decommissioning and reclamation activities related to a Louisiana offshore oil and gas production platform and related facilities. In response to the insolvency of the operator of record, the government ordered the former operators and/or alleged former lease record title owners to decommission the platform and related facilities. The Company has agreed to an arrangement with other operators to contribute to a trust to fund the decommissioning costs, however, the Company's portion of such costs are not expected to be material.

Beginning in 2013 and continuing through the second quarter of 2023, several coastal Louisiana parishes and the State of Louisiana have filed 43 lawsuits under Louisiana's State and Local Coastal Resources Management Act ("SLCRMA") against numerous oil and gas producers seeking damages for coastal erosion in or near oil fields located within Louisiana's coastal zone. The Company is a defendant in three of these cases, and Plaintiffs' claims against the Company relate to the prior operations of entities previously acquired by Energen Corporation. The Company has exercised contractual indemnification rights where applicable. Plaintiffs' SLCRMA theories are unprecedented, and there remains significant uncertainty about the claims (both as to scope and damages). Although we cannot predict the ultimate outcome of these matters, the Company believes the claims lack merit and intends to continue vigorously defending these lawsuits.

15. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Second Quarter 2023 Dividend Declaration

On July 26, 2023, the board of directors of the Company approved an increase to the Company's annual base dividend to \$3.36 per share and declared a cash dividend for the second quarter of 2023 of \$0.84 per share of common stock, payable on August 17, 2023 to its stockholders of record at the close of business on August 10, 2023. Future base and variable dividends are at the discretion of the board of directors of the Company.

Divestiture

On July 28, 2023, the Company divested its 43% non-operating equity investment in OMOG for \$225 million in gross cash proceeds received at closing and a potential earn-out payment of \$15 million, resulting in an initial gain on the sale of equity method investments of approximately \$27 million in the third quarter of 2023. The earn-out payment is contingent on production volumes attributable to a certain area specified in the purchase and sales agreement reaching an average level of 165,000 Bbls/day during 2024. If met, the earn-out payment would be received in 2025 and will be recorded by the Company if and when it becomes realizable.

16. SEGMENT INFORMATION

As of June 30, 2023, the Company has one reportable segment, the upstream segment, which is engaged in the acquisition, development, exploration and exploitation of unconventional, onshore oil and natural gas reserves primarily in the Permian Basin in West Texas. Other operations are included in the "All Other" category in the table below.

The following tables summarize the results of the Company's operating segments during the periods presented:

	Upstream		All Other	Eliminations		Total	
			(In n	illio	ns)		
Three Months Ended June 30, 2023:							
Third-party revenues	\$ 1,895	\$	24	\$	_	\$	1,919
Intersegment revenues	_		103		(103)		
Total revenues	\$ 1,895	\$	127	\$	(103)	\$	1,919
Depreciation, depletion, amortization and accretion	\$ 421	\$	11	\$	_	\$	432
Income (loss) from operations	\$ 979	\$	54	\$	(33)	\$	1,000
Interest expense, net	\$ (51)	\$	_	\$	_	\$	(51)
Other income (expense)	\$ (206)	\$	16	\$	(8)	\$	(198)
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes	\$ 162	\$	3	\$	_	\$	165
Net income (loss) attributable to non-controlling interest	\$ 30	\$	_	\$		\$	30
Net income (loss) attributable to Diamondback Energy, Inc.	\$ 530	\$	67	\$	(41)	\$	556
As of June 30, 2023:							
Total assets	\$ 25,919	\$	2,161	\$	(493)	\$	27,587

	 Upstream	P	All Other	E	liminations	Total
			(In m	illions	s)	
Three Months Ended June 30, 2022:						
Third-party revenues	\$ 2,753	\$	15	\$	_	\$ 2,768
Intersegment revenues	_		90		(90)	
Total revenues	\$ 2,753	\$	105	\$	(90)	\$ 2,768
Depreciation, depletion, amortization and accretion	\$ 314	\$	16	\$	_	\$ 330
Income (loss) from operations	\$ 1,962	\$	39	\$	(23)	\$ 1,978
Interest expense, net	\$ (30)	\$	(9)	\$		\$ (39)
Other income (expense)	\$ (100)	\$	28	\$	(4)	\$ (76)
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes	\$ 398	\$	4	\$		\$ 402
Net income (loss) attributable to non-controlling interest	\$ 33	\$	12	\$	_	\$ 45
Net income (loss) attributable to Diamondback Energy, Inc.	\$ 1,401	\$	42	\$	(27)	\$ 1,416
As of December 31, 2022:						
Total assets	\$ 24,452	\$	2,213	\$	(456)	\$ 26,209

	 Upstream	All Other		Eliminations	Total
		(In n	illio	ns)	
Six Months Ended June 30, 2023:					
Third-party revenues	\$ 3,799	\$ 45	\$	_	\$ 3,844
Intersegment revenues	_	202		(202)	_
Total revenues	\$ 3,799	\$ 247	\$	(202)	\$ 3,844
Depreciation, depletion, amortization and accretion	\$ 809	\$ 26	\$	_	\$ 835
Income (loss) from operations	\$ 1,981	\$ 99	\$	(55)	\$ 2,025
Interest expense, net	\$ (97)	\$ _	\$	_	\$ (97)
Other income (expense)	\$ (299)	\$ 83	\$	(8)	\$ (224)
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes	\$ 365	\$ 7	\$	_	\$ 372
Net income (loss) attributable to non-controlling interest	\$ 64	\$ _	\$	_	\$ 64
Net income (loss) attributable to Diamondback Energy, Inc.	\$ 1,156	\$ 175	\$	(63)	\$ 1,268
As of June 30, 2023:					
Total assets	\$ 25,919	\$ 2,161	\$	(493)	\$ 27,587

	Upstream		All Other	Eliminations		Total
			(In n	illio	ns)	
Six Months Ended June 30, 2022:						
Third-party revenues	\$ 5,144	\$	32	\$	_	\$ 5,176
Intersegment revenues			177		(177)	_
Total revenues	\$ 5,144	\$	209	\$	(177)	\$ 5,176
Depreciation, depletion, amortization and accretion	\$ 606	\$	37	\$	_	\$ 643
Income (loss) from operations	\$ 3,599	\$	78	\$	(39)	\$ 3,638
Interest expense, net	\$ (61)	\$	(18)	\$	_	\$ (79)
Other income (expense)	\$ (700)	\$	37	\$	(9)	\$ (672)
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes	\$ 617	\$	6	\$	_	\$ 623
Net income (loss) attributable to non-controlling interest	\$ 49	\$	20	\$	_	\$ 69
Net income (loss) attributable to Diamondback Energy, Inc.	\$ 2,172	\$	71	\$	(48)	\$ 2,195
As of December 31, 2022:						
Total assets	\$ 24,452	\$	2,213	\$	(456)	\$ 26,209

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

Overview

We are an independent oil and natural gas company currently focused on the acquisition, development, exploration and exploitation of unconventional, onshore oil and natural gas reserves in the Permian Basin in West Texas. As discussed in Note 1—Description of the Business and Basis of Presentation and Note 16—Segment Information of the condensed notes to the consolidated financial statements, as of June 30, 2023, we have one reportable segment, the upstream segment.

Second Quarter 2023 Highlights

- Recorded net income of \$556 million for the second quarter of 2023.
- Increased our annual base dividend to \$3.36 per share, paid dividends to stockholders of \$150 million during the second quarter of 2023 and declared a base dividend payable in the third quarter of 2023 of \$0.84 per share of common stock.
- Repurchased \$321 million of our common stock, leaving approximately \$1.8 billion available for future purchases under our common stock repurchase program at June 30, 2023.
- Repurchased \$130 million in aggregate principal amount of our outstanding senior notes due 2026 and 2029.
- Our cash operating costs for the second quarter of 2023 were \$10.66 per BOE, including lease operating expenses of \$4.88 per BOE, cash general and administrative expenses of \$0.51 per BOE and production and advalorem taxes and gathering and transportation expenses of \$5.27 per BOE.
- Our average production was 449.9 MBOE/d during the second quarter of 2023.
- Drilled 86 gross horizontal wells in the Midland Basin and 12 gross horizontal wells in the Delaware Basin, and turned 89 gross operated horizontal wells (71 in the Midland Basin and 18 in the Delaware Basin) to production.
- Incurred capital expenditures, excluding acquisitions, of \$711 million during the second quarter of 2023.
- Closed on the divestiture of non-core assets consisting of approximately 19,000 net acres in Glasscock County, TX for net cash proceeds at closing of \$275 million.
- To date, we have executed or announced non-core asset sale transactions, including those discussed in these highlights and "—<u>Recent Developments</u>" below, involving gross proceeds of approximately \$1.1 billion, in excess of our previously announced non-core asset divestiture target of at least \$1.0 billion by year end 2023.

Recent Developments

Subsequent Divestiture Transaction

On July 28, 2023, we divested our 43% non-operating equity investment in OMOG for \$225 million in gross cash proceeds and recorded an initial gain on the sale of equity method investments of approximately \$27 million in the third quarter of 2023.

Commodity Prices and Inflation

Prices for oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids are determined primarily by prevailing market conditions. Regional and worldwide economic activity, including any economic downturn or recession that has occurred or may occur in the future, extreme weather conditions and other substantially variable factors, influence market conditions for these products. These factors are beyond our control and are difficult to predict. During the first half of 2023 and 2022, NYMEX WTI price averaged \$74.77 and \$101.77 per Bbl, respectively, and NYMEX Henry Hub price averaged \$2.54 and \$6.04 per MMBtu, respectively. The war in Ukraine, rising interest rates, global supply chain disruptions, concerns about a potential economic downturn or recession, recent measures to combat persistent inflation and instability in the financial sector have contributed to recent economic and pricing volatility and may continue to impact pricing throughout 2023. Although the impact of inflation on our business has been insignificant in prior periods, inflation in the U.S. has been rising at its fastest rate in over 40 years, creating inflationary pressure on the cost of services, equipment and other goods in the energy industry and other sectors, which is contributing to labor and materials shortages across the supply-chain. Additionally, OPEC and its non-OPEC allies, known collectively as OPEC+, continues to meet regularly to evaluate the state of global oil supply, demand and inventory levels.

Upstream Operations

Our activities are primarily directed at the horizontal development of the Wolfcamp and Spraberry formations in the Midland Basin and the Wolfcamp and Bone Spring formations in the Delaware Basin within the Permian Basin. Additionally, our publicly-traded subsidiary, Viper, is focused on owning and acquiring mineral interests and royalty interests in oil and natural gas properties primarily in the Permian Basin and derives royalty income and lease bonus income from such interests.

As of June 30, 2023, we had approximately 507,989 net acres, which primarily consisted of approximately 356,343 net acres in the Midland Basin and 151,325 net acres in the Delaware Basin.

We intend to continue to develop our reserves and increase production through development drilling and exploitation and exploration activities on our multi-year inventory of identified potential drilling locations and through acquisitions that meet our strategic and financial objectives, targeting oil-weighted reserves. Production is expected to grow slightly in the second half of 2023, with third quarter oil production projected to be between 262 and 265 MBO/d (440 to 445 MBOE/d). We anticipate we will continue to grow production organically at a low single digit annual pace in 2024, with a similar level of activity to 2023, primarily due to the quality of the acreage we are developing on a large scale in the Midland Basin, combined with a high mineral interest across our development plan. We anticipate that capital expenditures will decrease by approximately 5% in the third quarter of 2023 due to both lower well costs and lower drilling activity and, to a lesser degree, a slower completion cadence. We expect this will further decrease in the fourth quarter of 2023, setting a baseline for our 2024 capital development plan. We also expect lower completion costs in the coming quarters and into 2024 due to continuous decline in raw materials and service costs. The majority of our wells are now being completed with either a simulfrac or simulfrac e-fleet, reducing our exposure to spot frac prices.

The following table sets forth the total number of operated horizontal wells drilled and completed during the second quarter of 2023:

	Th	ree Months End	ded June 30, 20	23	9	3		
	Dril	led	Comp	leted ⁽¹⁾	Drilled Comple			leted ⁽²⁾
Area:	Gross	Gross Net		Net	Gross Net		Gross	Net
Midland Basin	86	81	71	66	156	146	140	131
Delaware Basin	12	10	18	16	24	21	37	34
Total	98	91	89	82	180	167	177	165

- (1) The average lateral length for the wells completed during the second quarter of 2023 was 10,967 feet. Operated completions during the second quarter of 2023 consisted of 24 Lower Spraberry wells, 21 Wolfcamp A wells, 18 Wolfcamp B wells, 10 Jo Mill wells, seven Third Bone Spring wells, six Middle Spraberry wells, two Second Bone Spring wells and one Upper Spraberry well.
- (2) The average lateral length for the wells completed during the first six months of 2023 was 10,889 feet. Operated completions during the first six months of 2023 consisted of 44 Wolfcamp A wells, 44 Lower Spraberry wells, 33 Wolfcamp B wells, 21 Jo Mill wells, 14 Third Bone Spring wells, 11 Middle Spraberry wells, eight Second Bone Spring wells, one Upper Spraberry well and one Barnett well.

As of June 30, 2023, we operated the following wells:

	As of June 30, 2023										
	Vertical	Wells	Horizont	Horizontal Wells To							
Area:	Gross	Net	Gross	Net	Gross	Net					
Midland Basin	2,708	2,563	2,147	1,979	4,855	4,542					
Delaware Basin	39	36	698	646	737	682					
Total	2,747	2,599	2,845	2,625	5,592	5,224					

As of June 30, 2023, we held interests in 11,843 gross (5,314 net) wells, including 1,031 gross (90 net) wells in which we have non-operated working interest.

Results of Operations

Comparison of the Three Months Ended June 30, 2023 and March 31, 2023

As noted in "—<u>Recent Developments</u>," the markets for oil and natural gas are highly volatile and are influenced by a number of factors which can lead to significant changes in our results of operations and management's operational strategy on a quarterly basis. Accordingly, our results of operations discussion focuses on a comparison of the current quarter's results of operations with those of the immediately preceding quarter. We believe our discussion provides investors with a more meaningful analysis of material operational and financial changes which occurred during the quarter based on current market and operational trends.

The following table sets forth selected operating data for the three months ended June 30, 2023 and March 31, 2023:

		Three Months Ended						
	Jui	ne 30, 2023		March 31, 2023				
Revenues (In millions):								
Oil sales	\$	1,708	\$	1,654				
Natural gas sales		48		69				
Natural gas liquid sales		140		179				
Total oil, natural gas and natural gas liquid revenues	\$	1,896	\$	1,902				
Production Data:								
Oil (MBbls)		23,946		22,624				
Natural gas (MMcf)		50,809		47,388				
Natural gas liquids (MBbls)		8,528		7,730				
Combined volumes (MBOE) ⁽¹⁾		40,942		38,252				
Daily oil volumes (BO/d)		263,143		251,378				
Daily combined volumes (BOE/d)		449,912		425,022				
Average Prices:								
Oil (\$ per Bbl)	\$	71.33	\$	73.11				
Natural gas (\$ per Mcf)	\$	0.94	\$	1.46				
Natural gas liquids (\$ per Bbl)	\$	16.42	\$	23.16				
Combined (\$ per BOE)	\$	46.31	\$	49.72				
Oil, hedged (\$ per Bbl) ⁽²⁾	\$	70.41	\$	72.05				
Natural gas, hedged (\$ per Mcf) ⁽²⁾	\$	1.08	\$	1.96				
Natural gas liquids, hedged (\$ per Bbl) ⁽²⁾	\$	16.42	\$	23.16				
Average price, hedged (\$ per BOE) ⁽²⁾	\$	45.94	\$	49.72				

- (1) Bbl equivalents are calculated using a conversion rate of six Mcf per Bbl.
- (2) Hedged prices reflect the effect of our commodity derivative transactions on our average sales prices and include gains and losses on cash settlements for matured commodity derivatives, which we do not designate for hedge accounting. Hedged prices exclude gains or losses resulting from the early settlement of commodity derivative contracts.

Production Data. Substantially all of our revenues are generated through the sale of oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids production. The following tables provide information on the mix of our production for the three months ended June 30, 2023 and March 31, 2023:

	Three Mon	ths Ended
	June 30, 2023	March 31, 2023
Oil (MBbls)	58 %	59 %
Natural gas (MMcf)	21 %	21 %
Natural gas liquids (MBbls)	21 %	20 %
	100 %	100 %

	Thre	ee Months Endec	l June 30, 2023	3	Three Months Ended March 31, 2023					
	Midland Basin	Delaware Basin	Other ⁽¹⁾	Total	Midland Basin	Delaware Basin	Other ⁽¹⁾	Total		
Production Data:										
Oil (MBbls)	18,528	5,410	8	23,946	17,720	4,892	12	22,624		
Natural gas (MMcf)	35,515	15,232	62	50,809	33,548	13,786	54	47,388		
Natural gas liquids (MBbls)	6,326	2,197	5	8,528	5,858	1,874	(2)	7,730		
Total (MBOE)	30,773	10,146	23	40,942	29,169	9,064	19	38,252		

(1) Includes the Rockies.

Oil, Natural Gas and Natural Gas Liquids Revenues. Our revenues are a function of oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids production volumes sold and average sales prices received for those volumes.

Our oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids revenues for the second quarter of 2023 decreased by \$6 million to \$1.9 billion compared to the first quarter of 2023. The decrease was primarily due to a reduction of \$126 million attributable to lower average prices received for our oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids production. The decrease in average prices was largely offset by an increase of \$120 million attributable to the 7% growth in our combined volumes sold, 5% of which was due to new well completions during the second quarter and 2% of which was due to additional production from the Lario Acquisition.

Other Revenues. The following table presents other insignificant revenue for the three months ended June 30, 2023 and March 31, 2023:

	Three Months Ended							
(In millions)		June 30, 2023		March 31, 2023				
Other operating income	\$	23	\$	23				

Lease Operating Expenses. The following table shows lease operating expenses for the three months ended June 30, 2023 and March 31, 2023:

	Three Months Ended							
	 June 3	0, 20	23	March 31, 2023			3	
(In millions, except per BOE amounts)	Amount		Per BOE		Amount	Per BOE		
Lease operating expenses	\$ 200	\$	4.88	\$	192	\$	5.02	

Lease operating expenses increased by \$8 million in total and decreased by \$0.14 on a per BOE basis for the second quarter of 2023 compared to the first quarter of 2023, primarily due to the growth in production volumes discussed above.

Production and Ad Valorem Tax Expense. The following table shows production and ad valorem tax expense for the three months ended June 30, 2023 and March 31, 2023:

	Three Months Ended								
		March 31, 2023							
(In millions, except per BOE amounts)	A	mount	Pe	r BOE	A	Mount	Pe	r BOE	
Production taxes	\$	87	\$	2.12	\$	92	\$	2.40	
Ad valorem taxes		61		1.49		63		1.65	
Total production and ad valorem expense	\$	148	\$	3.61	\$	155	\$	4.05	
Production taxes as a % of oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids revenue		4.6 %)			4.8 %	,		

In general, production taxes are directly related to production revenues and are based upon current year commodity prices. Production taxes as a percentage of production revenues for the second quarter of 2023 decreased slightly compared to the first quarter of 2023, primarily due to a decrease in our natural gas and natural gas liquids revenues, which have a higher production tax rate.

Ad valorem taxes are based, among other factors, on property values driven by prior year commodity prices, and remained relatively consistent during the second quarter of 2023 as compared to the first quarter of 2023.

Gathering and Transportation Expense. The following table shows gathering and transportation expense for the three months ended June 30, 2023 and March 31, 2023:

	Three Months Ended							
	June 30, 2023					March 31, 2023		
(In millions, except per BOE amounts)	An	Amount		Per BOE		Amount	Per BOE	
Gathering and transportation	\$	68	\$	1.66	\$	68	\$	1.78

Gathering and transportation expenses remained relatively consistent during the second quarter of 2023 compared to the first quarter of 2023. The rate per BOE decreased primarily due to changes in our marketing agreements.

Depreciation, Depletion, Amortization and Accretion. The following table provides the components of our depreciation, depletion, amortization and accretion expense for the three months ended June 30, 2023 and March 31, 2023:

	Three Months Ended							
(In millions, except BOE amounts)		June 30, 2023		March 31, 2023				
Depletion of proved oil and natural gas properties	\$	410	\$	381				
Depreciation and amortization of other property and equipment		16		17				
Other amortization		1		1				
Asset retirement obligation accretion		5		4				
Depreciation, depletion, amortization and accretion	\$	432	\$	403				
Oil and natural gas properties depletion rate per BOE	\$	10.01	\$	9.96				
Depreciation, depletion, amortization and accretion per BOE	\$	10.55	\$	10.54				

Depletion of proved oil and natural gas properties increased by \$29.0 million for the second quarter of 2023 as compared to the first quarter of 2023 due primarily to the growth in production volumes discussed above and a slight increase in the depletion rate.

General and Administrative Expenses. The following table shows general and administrative expenses for the three months ended June 30, 2023 and March 31, 2023:

	Three Months Ended									
	June 30, 2023				March 31, 2023					
(In millions, except per BOE amounts)	Amount Per BOE			Amount		Per BOE				
General and administrative expenses	\$	21	\$	0.51	\$	29	\$	0.76		
Non-cash stock-based compensation		16		0.39		11		0.29		
Total general and administrative expenses	\$	37	\$	0.90	\$	40	\$	1.05		

The decrease in general and administrative expenses for the second quarter of 2023 compared to the first quarter of 2023 is due primarily to a \$5 million reduction in compensation costs due to the first quarter of 2023 including revisions for 2022 annual bonuses. The remainder of the decrease is due largely to lower legal and professional services costs in the second quarter of 2023. The increase in non-cash stock-based compensation is due to recording a full quarter of expense on restricted stock units and performance restricted stock units granted in March 2023.

Other Operating Costs and Expenses. The following table shows other insignificant operating costs and expenses for the three months ended June 30, 2023 and March 31, 2023:

		Three Months Ended							
(In millions)		June 30, 2023	March 31, 2023						
Merger and integration expenses	\$	2	\$ 8						
Other operating expenses	\$	32	\$ 34						

Derivative Instruments. The following table shows the net gain (loss) on derivative instruments and the net cash receipts (payments) on settlements of derivative instruments for the three months ended June 30, 2023 and March 31, 2023:

		Three Months Ended								
(In millions)		June 30, 2023	March 31, 2023							
Gain (loss) on derivative instruments, net	\$	(189)	\$ (93)							
Net cash received (paid) on settlements	\$	(39)	\$ 1							

See Note 11—Derivatives of the condensed notes to the consolidated financial statements for further details regarding our derivative instruments.

Other Income (Expense). The following table shows other income and expenses for the three months ended June 30, 2023 and March 31, 2023:

	Three Months Ended							
(In millions)	 June 30, 2023	March 31, 2023						
Interest expense, net	\$ (51)	\$ (46)						
Other income (expense), net	\$ (21)	\$ 53						
Gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt	\$ (4)	\$ —						
Income (loss) from equity investments	\$ 16	\$ 14						

The increase in net interest expense for the second quarter of 2023 compared to the first quarter of 2023 primarily reflects a \$4 million increase in interest expense on our and Viper's revolving credit facilities due primarily to higher weighted average interest rates and a \$2 million decrease in capitalized interest costs, which reduce interest expense.

The change in other income (expense), net is primarily due to the first quarter of 2023 including the \$53 million gain on the sale of Gray Oak as discussed further in Note 4—Acquisitions and Divestitures to the condensed notes to the consolidated financial statements.

See Note 7—<u>Debt</u> of the condensed notes to the consolidated financial statements for further details regarding outstanding borrowings and gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt.

Provision for (Benefit from) Income Taxes. The following table shows the provision for (benefit from) income taxes for the three months ended June 30, 2023 and March 31, 2023:

	Three Months Ended					
(In millions)		June 30, 2023		March 31, 2023		
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes	\$	165	\$	207		

The change in our income tax provision for the second quarter of 2023 compared to the first quarter of 2023 was primarily due to the decrease in pre-tax income between the periods which resulted largely from the decline in revenues and an increase in losses on our derivative instruments. See Note 10—<u>Income Taxes</u> of the condensed notes to the consolidated financial statements for further discussion of our income tax expense.

Comparison of the Six Months Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

The following table sets forth selected operating data for the six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022:

	Six Months Ended June 30,					
		2023		2022		
Revenues (In millions):						
Oil sales	\$	3,362	\$	4,135		
Natural gas sales		117		418		
Natural gas liquid sales		319		588		
Total oil, natural gas and natural gas liquid revenues	\$	3,798	\$	5,141		
Production Data:						
Oil (MBbls)		46,570		40,175		
Natural gas (MMcf)		98,197		85,557		
Natural gas liquids (MBbls)		16,258		14,510		
Combined volumes (MBOE) ⁽¹⁾		79,194		68,945		
Daily oil volumes (BO/d)		257,293		221,961		
Daily combined volumes (BOE/d)		437,536		380,912		
Avoyage Puises						
Average Prices: Oil (\$ per Bbl)	\$	72.19	¢	102.92		
Natural gas (\$ per Mcf)	\$	1.19	\$	4.89		
Natural gas (4 per 1411) Natural gas liquids (\$ per Bbl)	\$	19.62	-	40.52		
Combined (\$ per BOE)	\$	47.96		74.57		
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Oil, hedged (\$ per Bbl) ⁽²⁾	\$	71.20	\$	90.40		
Natural gas, hedged (\$ per Mcf) ⁽²⁾	\$	1.51	\$	3.86		
Natural gas liquids, hedged (\$ per Bbl) ⁽²⁾	\$	19.62	\$	40.52		
Average price, hedged (\$ per BOE) ⁽²⁾	\$	47.77	\$	65.99		

(1) Bbl equivalents are calculated using a conversion rate of six Mcf per Bbl.

Production Data. Substantially all of our revenues are generated through the sale of oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids production. The following tables set forth the mix of our production data by product and basin for the six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022:

	Six Months Ended June 30,				
	2023	2022			
Oil (MBbls)	59 %	58 %			
Natural gas (MMcf)	21 %	21 %			
Natural gas liquids (MBbls)	20 %	21 %			
	100 %	100 %			

⁽²⁾ Hedged prices reflect the effect of our commodity derivative transactions on our average sales prices and include gains and losses on cash settlements for matured commodity derivatives, which we do not designate for hedge accounting. Hedged prices exclude gains or losses resulting from the early settlement of commodity derivative contracts.

	Six	Months Ended	June 30, 2023		Six	30, 2022		
	Midland Basin	Delaware Basin	Other ⁽¹⁾	Total	Midland Basin	Delaware Basin	Other ⁽²⁾	Total
Production Data:								
Oil (MBbls)	36,248	10,302	20	46,570	28,634	11,479	62	40,175
Natural gas (MMcf)	69,063	29,018	116	98,197	55,412	29,938	207	85,557
Natural gas liquids (MBbls)	12,184	4,071	3	16,258	9,873	4,603	34	14,510
Total (MBOE)	59,943	19,209	42	79,194	47,742	21,072	131	68,945

- (1) Includes the Rockies.
- (2) Includes the Eagle Ford Shale and Rockies.

Oil, Natural Gas and Natural Gas Liquids Revenues. Our revenues are a function of oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids production volumes sold and average sales prices received for those volumes.

Our oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids revenues for the six months ended June 30, 2023 decreased by \$1.3 billion, or 26%, to \$3.8 billion from the same period in 2022 primarily due to a reduction of \$2.1 billion attributable to lower average prices received for our oil production and to a lesser extent, our natural gas and natural gas liquids production. The decrease due to lower average prices was partially offset by an increase of \$791 million attributable to the 15% growth in our combined volumes, which was primarily due to additional production from the FireBird Acquisition and the Lario Acquisition.

Other Revenues. The following table shows the other insignificant revenues for the six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022:

	 Six Months E	nded J	une 30,
(In millions)	2023		2022
Other operating income	\$ 46	\$	35

Lease Operating Expenses. The following table shows lease operating expenses for the six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022:

	Six Months Ended June 30,							
	2023			2022				
(In millions, except per BOE amounts)	Amount		Per BOE			Amount	Per BOE	
Lease operating expenses	\$	392	\$	4.95	\$	308	\$	4.47

Lease operating expenses increased by \$84 million, or \$0.48 per BOE for the six months ended June 30, 2023 compared to the same period in 2022. The increase primarily consists of \$55 million in production and operating expenses incurred on wells acquired in the FireBird Acquisition and the Lario Acquisition in 2023 and a \$29 million overall increase in utility and service costs driven primarily by inflation. Currently, we expect our total lease operating expenses in 2023 to range from approximately \$778 million to \$877 million.

Production and Ad Valorem Tax Expense. The following table shows production and ad valorem tax expense for the six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022:

	Six Months Ended June 30,									
		20	23			20	22			
(In millions, except per BOE amounts)	A	mount	Pe	r BOE		Amount	Pe	er BOE		
Production taxes	\$	179	\$	2.26	\$	259	\$	3.76		
Ad valorem taxes		124		1.57		80		1.16		
Total production and ad valorem expense	\$	303	\$	3.83	\$	339	\$	4.92		
Production taxes as a % of oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids revenue		4.7 %				5.0 %				

In general, production taxes are directly related to production revenues and are based upon current year commodity prices. Production taxes as a percentage of production revenues for the 2023 period decreased slightly compared to the same period in 2022, primarily due to a large decrease in our natural gas and natural gas liquids revenues which have a higher production tax rate.

Ad valorem taxes are based, among other factors, on property values driven by prior year commodity prices. Ad valorem taxes for the six months ended June 30, 2023 as compared to the same period in 2022 increased by \$44 million, partially due to recording (i) \$23 million in additional ad valorem taxes related to higher valuations on existing wells in 2023 (ii) \$15 million in ad valorem taxes for new well additions between the periods, and (iii) \$6 million in ad valorem taxes for properties acquired in the FireBird Acquisition and the Lario Acquisition.

Gathering and Transportation Expense. The following table shows gathering and transportation expense for the six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022:

		Six Months Ended June 30,					
	_	2023			2022		
(In millions, except per BOE amounts)	_	Amount	Per BOE		Amount	Per BOE	
Gathering and transportation	9	3 136	\$ 1	.72	\$ 120	\$	1.74

The increase in gathering and transportation expenses for the six months ended June 30, 2023 compared to the same period in 2022 is primarily attributable to the growth in production volumes discussed above. The rate per BOE remained consistent between periods.

Depreciation, Depletion, Amortization and Accretion. The following table provides the components of our depreciation, depletion, amortization and accretion expense for the six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022:

		une 30,		
(In millions, except BOE amounts)		2023		2022
Depletion of proved oil and natural gas properties	\$	791	\$	592
Depreciation and amortization of other property and equipment		33		42
Other amortization		2		3
Asset retirement obligation accretion		9		6
Depreciation, depletion, amortization and accretion	\$	835	\$	643
Oil and natural gas properties depletion rate per BOE	\$	9.99	\$	8.59
Depreciation, depletion, amortization and accretion per BOE	\$	10.54	\$	9.33

The increase in depletion of proved oil and natural gas properties of \$199 million for the six months ended June 30, 2023 as compared to the same period in 2022 resulted largely from an increase in the depletion rate and production volumes resulting from the addition of leasehold costs, reserves and production from the FireBird Acquisition and the Lario Acquisition.

General and Administrative Expenses. The following table shows general and administrative expenses for the six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022:

	Six Months Ended June 30,							
	2023 2022				_			
(In millions, except per BOE amounts)	- 1	Amount Per BOE		Amount		Per BOE		
General and administrative expenses	\$	50	\$	0.63	\$	47	\$	0.68
Non-cash stock-based compensation		27		0.34		28		0.41
Total general and administrative expenses	\$	77	\$	0.97	\$	75	\$	1.09

The increase in general and administrative expenses for the six months ended June 30, 2023 compared to the same period in 2023 was primarily due to higher professional services costs in the current year.

Currently, we expect cash general and administrative expenses to range from approximately \$95 million to \$122 million in 2023, and non-cash stock-based compensation to range from approximately \$56 million to \$73 million in 2023.

Other Operating Costs and Expenses. The following table shows the other insignificant operating costs and expenses for the six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022:

		Six Months Ended June 30,		
(In millions)	2	023	2022	
Other operating expenses	\$	66 \$	53	

Derivative Instruments. The following table shows the net gain (loss) on derivative instruments and the net cash receipts (payments) on settlements of derivative instruments for the six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022:

	Six Months Ended June 30,				
(In millions)	2023 2022				
Gain (loss) on derivative instruments, net	\$ (282)	\$ (653)			
Net cash received (paid) on settlements ⁽¹⁾	\$ (38)	\$ (720)			

(1) The six months ended June 30, 2022 includes cash paid on commodity contracts terminated prior to their contractual maturity of \$135 million.

See Note 11—Derivatives of the condensed notes to the consolidated financial statements for further details regarding our derivative instruments.

Other Income (Expense). The following table shows other income and expenses for the six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022:

	 Six Months Ended June 30,					
(In millions)	 2023 20					
Interest expense, net	\$ (97)	\$	(79)			
Other income (expense), net	\$ 32	\$	2			
Gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt	\$ (4)	\$	(58)			
Income (loss) from equity investments	\$ 30	\$	37			

The increase in net interest expense for the six months ended June 30, 2023 compared to the same period in 2022, reflects (i) a net increase of \$27 million in interest expense on our senior notes due primarily to \$55 million in additional interest costs on senior notes issued in the fourth quarter of 2022, partially offset by the impact of retirements of various senior notes in 2023 and 2022, and (ii) a \$14 million increase in interest expense on our revolving credit facility due primarily to higher weighted average interest rates and borrowings to fund the cash portion of the Lario Acquisition and other corporate expenses. These increases were partially offset by a \$17 million increase in capitalized interest costs, which reduce interest expense and other insignificant reductions from interest income and the amortization of debt issuances costs and discounts. Currently, we expect interest expense to range from approximately \$191 million to \$211 million in 2023.

Other income (expense), net for the six months ended June 30, 2023 includes a \$53 million gain on the sale of Gray Oak as discussed further in Note 4—<u>Acquisitions and Divestitures</u> to the condensed notes to the consolidated financial statements, partially offset by various other insignificant expenses.

Gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt reflects the difference between the carrying value and reacquisition price for the repurchase and redemption of various senior notes during 2023 and 2022.

See Note 7—<u>Debt</u> of the condensed notes to the consolidated financial statements for further details regarding outstanding borrowings.

Provision for (Benefit from) Income Taxes. The following table shows the provision for (benefit from) income taxes for the six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022:

	Six Months Ended June 30,			
(In millions)		2023	2022	
Provision for (benefit from) income taxes	\$	372	\$	623

The change in our income tax provision for the six months ended June 30, 2023 compared to the same period in 2022 was primarily due to the decrease in pre-tax income resulting largely from the decline in revenues from oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids and slightly offset by a decrease in the loss on derivative instruments discussed above. See Note 10—<u>Income Taxes</u> of the condensed notes to the consolidated financial statements for further discussion of our income tax expense.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Overview of Sources and Uses of Cash

Historically, our primary sources of liquidity have included cash flows from operations, proceeds from our public equity offerings, borrowings under our revolving credit facility, proceeds from the issuance of senior notes and sales of non-core assets. Our primary uses of capital have been for the acquisition, development and exploration of oil and natural gas properties. At June 30, 2023, we had approximately \$1.3 billion of liquidity consisting of \$5 million in standalone cash and cash equivalents and \$1.3 billion available under our credit facility. As discussed below, our capital budget for 2023 is \$2.60 billion to \$2.68 billion. As of June 30, 2023, we have no debt maturities until 2026.

Future cash flows are subject to a number of variables, including the level of oil and natural gas production and volatility of commodity prices. Further, significant additional capital expenditures will be required to more fully develop our properties. Prices for our commodities are determined primarily by prevailing market conditions, regional and worldwide economic activity, weather and other substantially variable factors. These factors are beyond our control and are difficult to predict as discussed further in Part I, Item 1A. Risk Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2022. In order to mitigate this volatility, we enter into derivative contracts with a number of financial institutions, all of which are participants in our credit facility, to economically hedge a portion of our estimated future crude oil and natural gas production as discussed further in Note 11—Derivatives of the condensed notes to the consolidated financial statements and Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk—Commodity Price Risk. The level of our hedging activity and duration of the financial instruments employed depend on our desired cash flow protection, available hedge prices, the magnitude of our capital program and our operating strategy.

Cash Flow

Our cash flows for the six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 are presented below:

	Six Months Ended June 30,			
	2023 2022			
		_		
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	2,938 \$	2,959	
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		(1,874)	(1,232)	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		(1,207)	(2,340)	
Net increase (decrease) in cash	\$	(143) \$	(613)	

Operating Activities

Our operating cash flow is sensitive to many variables, the most significant of which is the volatility of prices for the oil and natural gas we produce. Prices for these commodities are determined primarily by prevailing market conditions, which are influenced by regional and worldwide economic activity, weather and other substantially variable factors. These factors are beyond our control and are difficult to predict.

The decrease in operating cash flows for the six months ended June 30, 2023 compared to the same period in 2022 primarily resulted from (i) a decrease of \$1.3 billion in total revenue and (ii) an increase in our cash operating expenses of approximately \$90 million. These were partially offset by (i) a reduction of \$682 million in net cash paid on settlements of derivative contracts, (ii) a reduction of \$308 million in cash paid for taxes and (iii) fluctuations in other working capital balances due primarily to the timing of when collections were made on accounts receivable, and a reduction in overall accounts receivable and royalties payable resulting from the decline in commodity prices between periods. See "—<u>Results of Operations</u>" for discussion of significant changes in our revenues and expenses.

Investing Activities

The majority of our net cash used for investing activities during the six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 was for drilling and completion costs in conjunction with our development program as well as the purchase of oil and gas properties including the Lario Acquisition, which are discussed further in Note 4—Acquisitions and Divestitures of the condensed notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Capital Expenditure Activities

Our capital expenditures excluding acquisitions and equity method investments (on a cash basis) were as follows for the specified period:

Six Months Ended June 30,			
2023 2022			2022
	(In mi	llions)	
\$	1,215	\$	781
	88		82
	65		42
\$	1,368	\$	905
	\$	2023 (In mi \$ 1,215 88 65	2023 2 (In millions) \$ 1,215 \$ 88 65

(1) See "—Recent Developments - Upstream Operations" above for additional detail on wells drilled and turned to production during the three and six months ended June 30, 2023 and 2022.

Financing Activities

During the six months ended June 30, 2023, net cash used in financing activities was primarily attributable to (i) \$710 million of repurchases as part of the share and unit repurchase programs, (ii) \$692 million of dividends paid to stockholders, (iii) \$134 million paid for the retirement of principal outstanding on certain senior notes and (iv) \$59 million in distributions to non-controlling interest. These cash outflows were partially offset by an additional \$415 million in borrowings under credit facilities, net of repayments.

During the six months ended June 30, 2022, net cash used in financing activities was primarily attributable to (i) \$1.9 billion paid for the retirement of principal outstanding on certain senior notes, as well as \$49 million of additional premiums paid in connection with the redemptions, (ii) \$648 million of dividends paid to stockholders, (iii) \$110 million in distributions to non-controlling interests, (iv) \$381 million of repurchases as part of the share and unit repurchase programs, and (v) \$16 million of repayments under credit facilities, net of borrowings. These cash outflows were partially offset by \$750 million in proceeds from the 4.250% Senior Notes due March 15, 2052.

Capital Resources

Our working capital requirements are supported by our cash and cash equivalents and available borrowings under our revolving credit facility. We may draw on our revolving credit facility to meet short-term cash requirements, or issue debt or equity securities as part of our longer-term liquidity and capital management program. Because of the alternatives available to us, we believe that our short-term and long-term liquidity are adequate to fund not only our current operations, but also our near-term and long-term capital requirements.

As we pursue our business and financial strategy, we regularly consider which capital resources, including cash flow and equity and debt financings, are available to meet our future financial obligations, planned capital expenditure activities and liquidity requirements. Our future ability to grow proved reserves and production will be highly dependent on the capital resources available to us. Continued prolonged volatility in the capital, financial and/or credit markets due to the war in Ukraine and/or adverse macroeconomic conditions may limit our access to, or increase our cost of, capital or make capital unavailable on terms acceptable to us or at all.

Revolving Credit Facilities and Other Debt Instruments

As of June 30, 2023, our debt, including the debt of Viper, consisted of approximately \$6.1 billion in aggregate outstanding principal amount of senior notes, and \$567 million in aggregate outstanding borrowings under revolving credit facilities.

As of June 30, 2023, the maximum credit amount available under our credit agreement was \$1.6 billion, with \$343 million in outstanding borrowings and approximately \$1.3 billion available for future borrowings. During the second quarter of 2023, we extended the maturity date of our revolving credit facility from June 2, 2027 to June 2, 2028, which further improves our long-term liquidity position.

Repurchases of Notes

In the second quarter of 2023, we opportunistically repurchased principal amounts of \$30 million of our 3.250% Senior Notes due 2026 and \$100 million of our 3.500% Senior Notes due 2029 in open market transactions for total cash consideration of \$124 million, at an average of 95.5% of par value.

We may continue to repurchase some of our outstanding senior notes in open market purchases or in privately negotiated transactions in future periods.

Viper's Credit Agreement

On May 31, 2023, Viper LLC entered into a tenth amendment to its existing credit agreement, which among other things, improved Viper's short and long-term liquidity position by increasing the borrowing base from \$580 million to \$1.0 billion and increasing the elected commitment amount from \$500 million to \$750 million. The Viper credit agreement, which matures on June 2, 2025, had \$224 million of outstanding borrowings and \$526 million available for future borrowings as of June 30, 2023.

For additional discussion of our outstanding debt as of June 30, 2023, see Note 7—<u>Debt</u> of the condensed notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Capital Requirements

In addition to future operating expenses and working capital commitments discussed in —<u>Results of Operations</u>, our primary short and long-term liquidity requirements consist primarily of (i) capital expenditures, (ii) payments of principal and interest on our revolving credit agreements and senior notes, (iii) payments of other contractual obligations and (iv) cash used to pay for dividends and repurchases of securities as discussed below.

2023 Capital Spending Plan

Our board of directors approved a 2023 capital budget for drilling, midstream, infrastructure and environmental of approximately \$2.60 billion to \$2.68 billion. We estimate that, of these expenditures, approximately:

- \$2.33 billion to \$2.37 billion will be spent primarily on drilling 335 to 350 gross (302 to 315 net) horizontal wells and completing 330 to 345 gross (305 to 320 net) horizontal wells across our operated and non-operated leasehold acreage in the Northern Midland and Southern Delaware Basins, with an average lateral length of approximately 10,800+ feet;
- Approximately \$100 million to \$120 million will be spent on midstream infrastructure, excluding joint venture investments; and
- Approximately \$170 million to \$190 million will be spent on infrastructure and environmental expenditures, excluding the cost of any leasehold and mineral interest acquisitions.

We do not have a specific acquisition budget since the timing and size of acquisitions cannot be accurately forecasted.

The amount and timing of our capital expenditures are largely discretionary and within our control. We could choose to defer a portion of these planned capital expenditures depending on a variety of factors, including but not limited to the success of our drilling activities, prevailing and anticipated prices for oil and natural gas, the availability of necessary equipment, infrastructure and capital, the receipt and timing of required regulatory permits and approvals, seasonal conditions, drilling and acquisition costs and the level of participation by other interest owners. We are currently operating 14 drilling rigs and 4 completion crews. We will continue monitoring commodity prices and overall market conditions and can adjust our rig cadence and our capital expenditure budget in response to changes in commodity prices and overall market conditions.

Dividends and Repurchases of Securities

In addition to our base dividend program, in the first quarter of 2022 we initiated a variable dividend strategy whereby we may pay a quarterly variable dividend based on the prior quarter's free cash flow remaining after the payment of the base dividend and any stock repurchases. Beginning in the third quarter of 2022, our board of directors approved an increase to this return of capital commitment to at least 75% of free cash flow. On July 26, 2023, our board of directors approved an increase to the Company's annual base dividend to \$3.36 per share and declared a base dividend for the second quarter of 2023 of \$0.84 per share of common stock.

Free cash flow is a non-GAAP financial measure. As used by the Company, free cash flow is defined as cash flow from operating activities before changes in working capital in excess of cash capital expenditures. The Company believes that free cash flow is useful to investors as it provides a measure to compare both cash flow from operating activities and additions to oil and natural gas properties across periods on a consistent basis.

As of July 28, 2023, we have repurchased 18.2 million shares of our common stock for a total cost of \$2.2 billion since the inception of the stock repurchase program, excluding excise tax. We intend to continue to purchase shares under this repurchase program opportunistically with available funds primarily from cash flow from operations and liquidity events such as the sale of assets while maintaining sufficient liquidity to fund our capital expenditure programs, however, the stock repurchase program is at the discretion of our board of directors and can be amended, terminated or suspended at any time. See Note 8—Stockholders' Equity and Earnings (Loss) Per Share of the condensed notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Income Taxes

We expect our cash tax rate to be 10% to 15% of pre-tax income for the year ended December 31, 2023. See Note 10—<u>Income Taxes</u> of the condensed notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Guarantor Financial Information

Diamondback E&P is the sole guarantor under the indentures governing the outstanding Guaranteed Senior Notes.

Guarantees are "full and unconditional," as that term is used in Regulation S-X, Rule 3-10(b)(3), except that such guarantees will be released or terminated in certain circumstances set forth in the indentures governing the Guaranteed Senior Notes, such as, with certain exceptions, (i) in the event Diamondback E&P (or all or substantially all of its assets) is sold or disposed of, (ii) in the event Diamondback E&P ceases to be a guarantor of or otherwise be an obligor under certain other indebtedness, and (iii) in connection with any covenant defeasance, legal defeasance or satisfaction and discharge of the relevant indenture.

Diamondback E&P's guarantees of the Guaranteed Senior Notes are senior unsecured obligations and rank senior in right of payment to any of its future subordinated indebtedness, equal in right of payment with all of its existing and future senior indebtedness, including its obligations under its revolving credit facility, and effectively subordinated to any of its existing and future secured indebtedness, to the extent of the value of the collateral securing such indebtedness.

The rights of holders of the Guaranteed Senior Notes against Diamondback E&P may be limited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or state fraudulent transfer or conveyance law. Each guarantee contains a provision intended to limit Diamondback E&P's liability to the maximum amount that it could incur without causing the incurrence of obligations under its guarantee to be a fraudulent conveyance. However, there can be no assurance as to what standard a court will apply in making a determination of the maximum liability of Diamondback E&P. Moreover, this provision may not be effective to protect the guarantee from being voided under fraudulent conveyance laws. There is a possibility that the entire guarantee may be set aside, in which case the entire liability may be extinguished.

The following tables present summarized financial information for Diamondback Energy, Inc., as the parent, and Diamondback E&P, as the guarantor subsidiary, on a combined basis after elimination of (i) intercompany transactions and balances between the parent and the guarantor subsidiary and (ii) equity in earnings from and investments in any subsidiary that is a non-guarantor. The information is presented in accordance with the requirements of Rule 13-01 under the SEC's Regulation S-X. The financial information may not necessarily be indicative of results of operations or financial position had the guarantor subsidiary operated as an independent entity.

	June 30, 2023	De	ecember 31, 2022
Summarized Balance Sheets:	 (In mi	llions)	
Assets:			
Current assets	\$ 671	\$	1,191
Property and equipment, net	\$ 20,180	\$	18,252
Other noncurrent assets	\$ 21	\$	164
Liabilities:			
Current liabilities	\$ 1,920	\$	1,547
Intercompany accounts payable, non-guarantor subsidiary	\$ 2,253	\$	2,253
Long-term debt	\$ 5,879	\$	5,647
Other noncurrent liabilities	\$ 2,664	\$	2,509

	Six Mon	Six Months Ended June 30, 2023			
Summarized Statement of Operations:		In millions)			
Revenues	\$	3,233			
Income (loss) from operations	\$	1,607			
Net income (loss)	\$	921			

Critical Accounting Estimates

There have been no changes in our critical accounting estimates from those disclosed in our <u>Annual Report on Form 10-K</u> for the year ended December 31, 2022.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

See Note 2—<u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u> of the condensed notes to the consolidated financial statements for recent accounting pronouncements not yet adopted, if any.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Commodity Price Risk

Our major market risk exposure in our exploration and production business is in the pricing applicable to our oil and natural gas production. Realized pricing is primarily driven by the prevailing worldwide price for crude oil and spot market prices applicable to our natural gas production. Pricing for oil and natural gas production has been volatile and unpredictable for several years. Although demand and market prices for oil and natural gas have recently increased, we cannot predict events, including the outcome of the war in Ukraine, rising interest rates, global supply chain disruptions, a potential economic downturn or recession that may lead to future price volatility and the near term energy outlook remains subject to heightened levels of uncertainty. Further, the prices we receive for production depend on many other factors outside of our control.

We use derivatives, including swaps, basis swaps, roll swaps, costless collars, puts and basis puts, to reduce price volatility associated with certain of our oil and natural gas sales.

At June 30, 2023, we had a net liability derivative position of \$93 million, related to our commodity price risk derivatives. Utilizing actual derivative contractual volumes under our commodity price derivatives as of June 30, 2023, a 10% increase in forward curves associated with the underlying commodity would have decreased the net liability position by \$9 million to \$84 million, while a 10% decrease in forward curves associated with the underlying commodity would have increased the net liability position by \$9 million to \$102 million. However, any cash derivative gain or loss would be substantially offset by a decrease or increase, respectively, in the actual sales value of production covered by the derivative

instrument. For additional information on our open commodity derivative instruments at June 30, 2023, see Note 11—<u>Derivatives</u> of the condensed notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Counterparty and Customer Credit Risk

Our principal exposures to credit risk are due to the concentration of receivables from the sale of our oil and natural gas production (approximately \$544 million at June 30, 2023), and to a lesser extent, receivables resulting from joint interest and other receivables (approximately \$128 million at June 30, 2023).

We do not require our customers to post collateral, and the failure or inability of our significant customers to meet their obligations to us due to their liquidity issues, bankruptcy, insolvency or liquidation may adversely affect our financial results.

Joint operations receivables arise from billings to entities that own partial interests in the wells we operate. These entities participate in our wells primarily based on their ownership in leases on which we intend to drill. We have little ability to control whether these entities will participate in our wells.

Interest Rate Risk

We are subject to market risk exposure related to changes in interest rates on our indebtedness under our revolving credit facilities and changes in the fair value of our fixed rate debt. Outstanding borrowings under the credit agreement bear interest at a per annum rate elected by Diamondback E&P. At June 30, 2023, the applicable margin ranges from 0.125% to 1.000% per annum in the case of the alternate base rate, and from 1.125% to 2.000% per annum in the case of Adjusted Term SOFR, in each case based on the pricing level. The pricing level depends on certain rating agencies' ratings of our long-term senior unsecure debt. We believe significant interest rate changes would not have a material near-term impact on our future earnings or cash flows. For additional information on our variable interest rate debt at June 30, 2023, see Note 7—Debt of the condensed notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Historically, we have at times used interest rates swaps to manage our exposure to (i) interest rate changes on our floating-rate date and (ii) fair value changes on our fixed rate debt. At June 30, 2023, we have interest rate swap agreements for a notional amount of \$1.2 billion to manage the impact of changes to the fair value of our fixed rate senior notes due to changes in market interest rates through December 2029. We pay an average variable rate of interest for these swaps based on three month SOFR plus 2.1865% and receive a fixed interest rate of 3.50% from our counterparties. At June 30, 2023, our receive-fixed, pay-variable interest rate swaps were in a net liability position of \$192 million, and the weighted average variable rate was 6.13%. For additional information on our interest rate swaps, see Note 11—Derivatives of the condensed notes to the consolidated financial statements.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures. Under the direction of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, we have established disclosure controls and procedures, as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act, as amended, or the Exchange Act, that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms. The disclosure controls and procedures are also intended to ensure that such information is accumulated and communicated to management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures. In designing and evaluating the disclosure controls and procedures, management recognizes that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives. In addition, the design of disclosure controls and procedures must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and that management is required to apply judgment in evaluating the benefits of possible controls and procedures relative to their costs.

As of June 30, 2023, an evaluation was performed under the supervision and with the participation of management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to Rule 13a-15(b) under the Exchange Act. Based upon our evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that as of June 30, 2023, our disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting. There have not been any changes in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the quarter ended June 30, 2023, that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, internal controls over financial reporting.

PART II

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

We are a party to various routine legal proceedings, disputes and claims arising in the ordinary course of our business, including those that arise from interpretation of federal and state laws and regulations affecting the natural gas and crude oil industry, personal injury claims, title disputes, royalty disputes, contract claims, contamination claims relating to oil and natural gas exploration and development and environmental claims, including claims involving assets previously sold to third parties and no longer part of our current operations. While the ultimate outcome of the pending proceedings, disputes or claims and any resulting impact on us, cannot be predicted with certainty, we believe that none of these matters, if ultimately decided adversely, will have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows. See Note 14—Commitments and Contingencies of the condensed notes to the consolidated financial statements.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

Our business faces many risks. Any of the risks discussed in this report and our other SEC filings could have a material impact on our business, financial position or results of operations. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently believe to be immaterial may also materially impair our business operations, financial condition or future results.

As of the date of this filing, in addition to the factors discussed elsewhere in this report, we continue to be subject to the risk factors previously disclosed in <u>Part I, Item 1A. Risk Factors in our Annual Report on Form 10-K</u> for the year ended December 31, 2022, filed with the SEC on February 23, 2023 and in subsequent filings we make with the SEC. There have been no material changes in our risk factors from those described in our <u>Annual Report on Form 10-K</u> for the year ended December 31, 2022.

ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities

None.

Issuer Repurchases of Equity Securities

Our common stock repurchase activity for the three months ended June 30, 2023 was as follows:

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased ⁽¹⁾		erage Price Paid Per Share ⁽²⁾	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plan	Shares th	te Dollar Value of nat May Yet Be Under the Plan ⁽³⁾
		(\$ I	In millions, ex	xcept per share amounts, shares in t	housands)	
April 1, 2023 - April 30, 2023	511	\$	141.77	511	\$	2,067
May 1, 2023 - May 31, 2023	1,395	\$	129.96	1,377	\$	1,888
June 1, 2023 - June 30, 2023	539	\$	129.34	539	\$	1,819
Total	2,445	\$	132.29	2,427		

- (1) Includes 17,409 shares of common stock repurchased from executives in order to satisfy tax withholding requirements. Such shares are cancelled and retired immediately upon repurchase.
- (2) The average price paid per share includes any commissions paid to repurchase stock.
- (3) In September 2021, the Company's board of directors authorized a \$2.0 billion common stock repurchase program, excluding excise tax. On July 28, 2022, our board of directors approved an increase in our common stock repurchase program from \$2.0 billion to \$4.0 billion, excluding excise tax. The stock repurchase program has no time limit and may be suspended, modified, or discontinued by the board of directors at any time.

ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

None of the Company's directors or officers adopted or terminated a Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement or a non-Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement during the Company's fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2023.

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Description
2.1	Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of May 15, 2022, by and among Diamondback Energy, Inc., Rattler Midstream GP LLC, Bacchus Merger Sub Company and Rattler Midstream LP (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 of the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K (File 001-38919) filed on May 16, 2022
3.1	Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Form 8-K, File No. 001-35700, filed by the Company with the SEC on June 14, 2023).
3.2	Fourth Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Company, adopted as of June 8, 2023 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Form 8-K, File No. 001-35700, filed by the Company with the SEC on June 14, 2023).
4.1	<u>Specimen certificate for shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of the Company (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Amendment No. 4 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1, File No. 333-179502, filed by the Company with the SEC on August 20, 2012).</u>
4.2	Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of February 26, 2021, by and among the Company, Guidon Operating LLC and Guidon Energy Holdings LP (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.3 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-3, File No. 333-255731, filed by the Company with the SEC on May 3, 2021.
4.3	Letter Agreement, dated as of April 27, 2021, by and among the Company, Guidon Operating LLC and Guidon Energy Holdings LP relating to the Registration Rights Agreement referenced as Exhibit 4.2 hereto (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.4 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-3, File No. 333-255731, filed by the Company with the SEC on May 3, 2021).
10.1	Tenth Amendment to Amended and Restated Senior Secured Revolving Credit Agreement and Second Amendment to Guaranty and Collateral Agreement, dated as of May 31, 2023, by and among Viper Energy Partners LLC, as borrower, Viper Energy Partners LP, as parent guarantor, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as administrative agent, and the lenders party thereto (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Viper Energy Partners LP's Current Report on Form 8-K (File No. 001-36505) filed on June 6, 2023).
22.1	List of Issuers and Guarantor Subsidiaries (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 22.1 to the Form 10-Q, File No. 001-35700, filed by the Company with the SEC on August 5, 2021).
31.1*	Certification of Chief Executive Officer of the Registrant pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
31.2*	Certification of Chief Financial Officer of the Registrant pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
32.1**	Certification of Chief Executive Officer of the Registrant pursuant to Rule 13a-14(b) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of the United States Code.
32.2**	Certification of Chief Financial Officer of the Registrant pursuant to Rule 13a-14(b) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of the United States Code.
101	The following financial information from the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2023, formatted in Inline XBRL: (i) Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, (ii) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations, (iii) Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity, (iv) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows and (v) Condensed Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as Inline XBRL and contained in Exhibit 101).

^{*} Filed herewith.

^{**} The certifications attached as Exhibit 32.1 and Exhibit 32.2 accompany this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, and shall not be deemed "filed" by the Registrant for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

SIGNATURES

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

DIAMONDBACK ENERGY, INC.

Date: August 3, 2023 /s/ Travis D. Stice

Travis D. Stice

Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

Date: August 3, 2023 /s/ Kaes Van't Hof

Kaes Van't Hof

Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

CERTIFICATION

I, Travis D. Stice, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Diamondback Energy, Inc.
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: August 3, 2023 /s/ Travis D. Stice
Travis D. Stice

Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION

I, Kaes Van't Hof, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Diamondback Energy, Inc.
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: August 3, 2023 /s/ Kaes Van't Hof
Kaes Van't Hof

Chief Financial Officer

CERTIFICATION OF PERIOD REPORT

In connection with the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Diamondback Energy, Inc. (the "Company"), as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, the undersigned, Travis D. Stice, Chief Executive Officer of Diamondback Energy, Inc., certify, pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, that, to the best of my knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m(a) or 78o(d)); and
 - (2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: August 3, 2023 /s/ Travis D. Stice

Travis D. Stice

Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION OF PERIOD REPORT

In connection with the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Diamondback Energy, Inc. (the "Company"), as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, the undersigned, Kaes Van't Hof, Chief Financial Officer of Diamondback Energy, Inc., certify, pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, that, to the best of my knowledge:

- (1) the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m(a) or 78o(d)); and
 - (2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: August 3, 2023 /s/ Kaes Van't Hof

Kaes Van't Hof Chief Financial Officer