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Current Report

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 30, 2009



**Charter Communications, Inc.**

*(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)*

**Delaware**

*(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)*

**000-27927**

*(Commission File Number)*

**43-1857213**

*(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)*

**12405 Powerscourt Drive**

**St. Louis, Missouri 63131**

*(Address of principal executive offices including zip code)*

**(314) 965-0555**

*(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)*

**Not Applicable**

*(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)*

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

## ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On November 30, 2009, Charter Communications, Inc. (the "Company"), its subsidiaries and certain of its affiliates consummated their Joint Plan of Reorganization. In connection with its emergence from chapter 11 bankruptcy, the Company issued its financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2008 to contain an audit report of the Company's registered independent public accounting firm that does not contain going concern qualifications. The Company also revised its Management Discussion and Analysis for the year ended December 31, 2008 to read as provided in Exhibit 99.2 hereto.

In May 2008, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued FASB Staff Position ("FSP") Accounting Principles Board ("APB") 14-1, *Accounting for Convertible Debt Instruments That May Be Settled in Cash upon Conversion (Including Partial Cash Settlement)* which specifies that issuers of convertible debt instruments that may be settled in cash upon conversion should separately account for the liability and equity components in a manner reflecting their nonconvertible debt borrowing rate when interest costs are recognized in subsequent periods. The Company adopted FSP APB 14-1 effective January 1, 2009 and applied the effects retrospectively to the Company's consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006. The financial information contained in Item 6, 7 and 8 has been derived from our revised consolidated financial statements and reflects the retrospective application of FSP APB 14-1.

In December 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 160, *Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements – An Amendment of ARB No. 51*, which requires noncontrolling interests (previously referred to as minority interests) to be reported as a component of equity. The Company adopted SFAS No. 160 effective January 1, 2009. The Company's adoption of the new standard resulted in the presentation of Mr. Paul G. Allen's 5.6% preferred membership interest in CC VIII, LLC as temporary equity in the Company's consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2008 and 2007 as presented, which was previously classified as minority interest.

The disclosure in this Item 2.02, as well as Exhibits 99.1, 99.2 and 99.3 included herewith, which revise Items 6, 7 and 8, respectively, of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008, are to be considered "filed" with the Securities and Exchange Commission for all purposes under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

## ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibits are filed pursuant to Item 2.02:

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
23.1	Consent of KPMG LLP*
99.1	Item 6 of the Company's 2008 Annual Report on Form 10-K, "Selected Financial Data"**
99.2	Item 7 of the Company's 2008 Annual Report on Form 10-K "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations"*
99.3	Item 8 of the Company's 2008 Annual Report on Form 10-K "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data"*

\* filed herewith

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Charter Communications, Inc. has duly caused this Current Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, INC.**  
**Registrant**

Dated: December 4, 2009

By:/s/ Eloise E. Schmitz  
Name: Eloise E. Schmitz  
Title: *Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer*

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**Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

The Board of Directors  
Charter Communications, Inc.:

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the registration statement (No. 333-163357) on Form S-8 of Charter Communications, Inc. and subsidiaries (the Company) of our report dated March 13, 2009, except as to Note 25 and Note 28, as to which the date is November 30, 2009, with respect to the consolidated balance sheets of the Company as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in shareholders' deficit, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2008, which report appears in the Current Report of Form 8-K of the Company dated December 4, 2009.

Our report dated March 13, 2009 except for Note 25 and Note 28, as to which the date is November 30, 2009, on the consolidated financial statements contains an explanatory paragraph that refers to the adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 160, *Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements – An Amendment of ARB No. 51* and Financial Accounting Standards Board Staff Position APB 14-1, *Accounting for Convertible Debt Instruments That May Be Settled in Cash upon Conversion (Including Partial Cash Settlement)*.

/s/ KPMG LLP

St. Louis, Missouri  
December 4, 2009

## Explanatory Note

The financial information contained in Item 6 has been derived from our revised consolidated financial statements and reflects the retrospective application of Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) Staff Position (“FSP”) Accounting Principles Board (“APB”) 14-1, *Accounting for Convertible Debt Instruments That May Be Settled in Cash upon Conversion (Including Partial Cash Settlement)*, which specifies that issuers of convertible debt instruments that may be settled in cash upon conversion should separately account for the liability and equity components in a manner reflecting their nonconvertible debt borrowing rate when interest costs are recognized in subsequent periods. We adopted FSP APB 14-1 effective January 1, 2009 and applied the effects retrospectively to our consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006. These reclassifications are discussed further in Note 25 to the revised consolidated financial statements contained in Item 8.

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### Item 6. Selected Financial Data.

The following table presents selected consolidated financial data for the periods indicated (dollars in millions, except share data):

<b>Charter Communications, Inc.</b>					
<b>Year Ended December 31, (a)</b>					
	<b>2008 (c)</b>	<b>2007 (c)</b>	<b>2006 (c)</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>
<b>Statement of Operations Data:</b>					
Revenues	\$ 6,479	\$ 6,002	\$ 5,504	\$ 5,033	\$ 4,760
Operating income (loss) from continuing operations	\$ (614)	\$ 548	\$ 367	\$ 304	\$ (1,942)
Interest expense, net	\$ (1,905)	\$ (1,861)	\$ (1,901)	\$ (1,818)	\$ (1,669)
Loss from continuing operations before income taxes and cumulative effect of accounting change	\$ (2,554)	\$ (1,325)	\$ (1,483)	\$ (891)	\$ (3,575)
Net loss	\$ (2,451)	\$ (1,534)	\$ (1,454)	\$ (970)	\$ (4,345)
Basic and diluted loss from continuing operations before cumulative effect of accounting change per common share	\$ (6.56)	\$ (4.17)	\$ (5.03)	\$ (3.24)	\$ (11.47)
Basic and diluted loss per common share	\$ (6.56)	\$ (4.17)	\$ (4.38)	\$ (3.13)	\$ (14.47)
Weighted-average shares outstanding, basic and diluted	373,464,920	368,240,608	331,941,788	310,209,047	300,341,877
<b>Balance Sheet Data (end of period):</b>					
Investment in cable properties	\$ 12,371	\$ 14,045	\$ 14,440	\$ 15,666	\$ 16,167
Total assets	\$ 13,882	\$ 14,666	\$ 15,100	\$ 16,431	\$ 17,673
Total debt	\$ 21,511	\$ 19,903	\$ 18,962	\$ 19,388	\$ 19,464
Note payable – related party	\$ 75	\$ 65	\$ 57	\$ 49	\$ --
Temporary equity (b)	\$ 241	\$ 215	\$ 198	\$ 188	\$ 648
Preferred stock — redeemable	\$ --	\$ 5	\$ 4	\$ 4	\$ 55
Shareholders’ deficit	\$ (10,506)	\$ (7,887)	\$ (6,119)	\$ (4,920)	\$ (4,406)

- (a) In 2006, we sold certain cable television systems in West Virginia and Virginia to Cebridge Connections, Inc. We determined that the West Virginia and Virginia cable systems comprise operations and cash flows that for financial reporting purposes meet the criteria for discontinued operations. Accordingly, the results of operations for the West Virginia and Virginia cable systems have been presented as discontinued operations, net of tax, for the year ended December 31, 2006 and all prior periods presented herein have been reclassified to conform to the current presentation.

- (b) Temporary equity represents Paul G. Allen's (Charter's chairman and majority shareholder) 5.6% preferred membership interests in our indirect subsidiary, CC VIII, and nonvested shares of restricted stock and performance shares issued to employees. The preferred membership interest arises from approximately \$630 million of preferred membership units issued by CC VIII in connection with an acquisition in February 2000. Our 70% interest in the 24,273,943 Class A preferred membership units (collectively, the "CC VIII interest") is held by CCH I, LLC ("CCH I"). See Note 3 to our accompanying consolidated financial statements contained in "Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data." Reported losses allocated to minority interest on the statement of operations were limited to the extent of any remaining minority interest on the balance sheet related to Charter Holdco. Because minority interest in Charter Holdco was substantially eliminated at December 31, 2003, beginning in 2004, Charter began to absorb substantially all losses before income taxes that otherwise would have been allocated to minority interest. On January 1, 2009, Charter adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") 160 which requires losses to be allocated to non-controlling interests even when such amounts are deficits.
- (c) Years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 have been restated to reflect the retrospective application of FSP APB 14-1. Earlier periods have not been restated and therefore are not comparable.

Comparability of the above information from year to year is affected by acquisitions and dispositions completed by us. See Note 4 to our accompanying consolidated financial statements contained in "Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" and "Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations — Liquidity and Capital Resources."

## Item 7. Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

Reference is made to “Part I. Item 1. Business – Recent Developments” which describes the Plan and “Part I. Item 1A. Risk Factors” especially “Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements,” incorporated by reference from the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Charter Communications, Inc. (“Charter”) filed March 16, 2009 and any subsequent updates in risk factors and “Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements” contained in Charter’s periodic reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) after the date of the Annual Report on Form 10-K, which describe important factors that could cause actual results to differ from expectations and non-historical information contained herein. In addition, the following discussion should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements of Charter and subsidiaries as of and for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006. “We,” “us” and “our” refer to Charter, Charter Communications Holding Company, LLC (“Charter Holdco”) and their subsidiaries.

### Explanatory Note and Recent Developments

The financial information contained in Item 7 has been derived from our revised consolidated financial statements and reflects the retrospective application of Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) Staff Position (“FSP”) Accounting Principles Board (“APB”) 14-1, *Accounting for Convertible Debt Instruments That May Be Settled in Cash upon Conversion (Including Partial Cash Settlement)* (“FSP APB 14-1”), which specifies that issuers of convertible debt instruments that may be settled in cash upon conversion should separately account for the liability and equity components in a manner reflecting their nonconvertible debt borrowing rate when interest costs are recognized in subsequent periods. We adopted FSP APB 14-1 effective January 1, 2009 and applied the effects retrospectively to our consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006. These reclassifications are discussed further in Note 25 to the revised consolidated financial statements filed on this Form 8-K as exhibit 99.1.

On March 27, 2009, we and our subsidiaries filed voluntary petitions in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the “Bankruptcy Court”) seeking relief under the provisions of Chapter 11 of Title 11 of the United States Code (the “Bankruptcy Code”). The Chapter 11 cases were jointly administered under the caption *In re Charter Communications, Inc., et al.*, Case No. 09-11435 (the “Chapter 11 Cases”). We continued to operate our businesses and managed our properties as debtors in possession under the jurisdiction of the Bankruptcy Court and in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code from March 27, 2009 until emergence from Chapter 11 on November 30, 2009 (the “Effective Date”).

On November 17, 2009, the Bankruptcy Court entered an order (the “Confirmation Order”) confirming our pre-arranged joint plan of reorganization (“the Plan”) and, on the Effective Date, the Plan was consummated and we emerged from bankruptcy. As provided in the Plan and the Confirmation Order, (i) the notes and bank debt of Charter Communications Operating, LLC (“Charter Operating”) and CCO Holdings, LLC (“CCO Holdings”) remained outstanding; (ii) holders of approximately \$1.5 billion of notes issued by CCH II, LLC (“CCH II”) received new CCH II notes (the “Notes Exchange”); (iii) holders of notes issued by CCH I, LLC (“CCH I”) received shares of Charter new Class A common stock; (iv) holders of notes issued by CCH I Holdings, LLC (“CIH”) received warrants to purchase shares of Charter new Class A common stock; (v) holders of notes issued by Charter Communications Holdings, LLC (“Charter Holdings”) received warrants to purchase shares of Charter new Class A common stock; (vi) holders of convertible notes issued by Charter received cash and preferred stock issued by Charter; and (vii) all previously outstanding shares of Charter Class A common stock were cancelled. In addition, as part of the Plan, the holders of CCH I notes received and transferred to Mr. Allen \$85 million of new CCH II notes.

The consummation of the Plan was funded with cash on hand, the Notes Exchange, and proceeds of approximately \$1.6 billion of an equity rights offering (the “Rights Offering”) in which holders of CCH I notes purchased approximately \$1.6 billion of Charter’s new Class A common stock.

Under the Notes Exchange, holders of CCH II Notes were entitled to exchange their CCH II Notes for new CCH II Notes (“New CCH II Notes”). CCH II Notes that were not exchanged in the Notes Exchange were paid in cash in an amount equal to the outstanding principal amount of such CCH II Notes plus accrued but unpaid interest to the bankruptcy petition date plus post-petition interest, but excluding any call premiums or prepayment penalties and for the avoidance of doubt, any unmaturing interest. The aggregate principal amount of New CCH II Notes issued pursuant to the Plan was approximately \$1.7 billion including accrued but unpaid interest to the bankruptcy petition date plus post-petition interest, but excluding any call premiums or prepayment penalties plus an additional \$85



million. Participants in the Notes Exchange received a commitment fee equal to 1.5% of the principal amount plus interest on the CCH II Notes exchanged by such participant in the Notes Exchange.

Charter's new Class A Common Stock is not expected to be listed on any public or over-the-counter exchange or quotation system and will be subject to transfer restrictions. It is expected, however, that we will apply for listing of Charter's new Class A Common Stock on the NASDAQ Stock Market no sooner than 45 days after the Effective Date of the Plan. The Rights Offering generated proceeds of approximately \$1.6 billion and was used to pay holders of CCH II Notes that did not participate in the Notes Exchange, repay certain amounts relating to the satisfaction of certain swap agreement claims against Charter Operating and for general corporate purposes. Parties that participated in the Rights Offering received a commitment fee equal to 3% of the purchase price of the Class A Common Stock purchased pursuant to the Rights Offering.

Pursuant to a separate restructuring agreement among Charter, Mr. Paul G. Allen ("Mr. Allen"), and an entity controlled by Mr. Allen (as amended, the "Allen Agreement"), in settlement and compromise of their legal, contractual and equitable rights, claims and remedies against Charter and its subsidiaries, and in addition to any amounts received by virtue of their holding any claims of the type set forth above, upon the Effective Date of the Plan, Mr. Allen or his affiliates were issued shares of the new Class B common stock of Charter equal to 2% of the equity value of Charter, after giving effect to the Rights Offering, but prior to issuance of warrants and equity-based awards provided for by the Plan and 35% (determined on a fully diluted basis) of the total voting power of all new capital stock of Charter. Each share of new Class B common stock is convertible, at the option of the holder subject to various restrictions, into one share of new Class A common stock, and is subject to significant restrictions on transfer. Certain holders of new Class A common stock and new Class B common stock will receive certain customary registration rights with respect to their shares. At the Effective Date of the Plan, Mr. Allen or his affiliates also received (i) warrants to purchase shares of new Class A common stock of Charter in an aggregate amount equal to 4% of the equity value of reorganized Charter, after giving effect to the Rights Offering, but prior to the issuance of warrants and equity-based awards provided for by the Plan, (ii) \$85 million principal amount of new CCH II notes, (iii) \$25 million in cash for amounts owing to CII under a management agreement, (iv) up to \$20 million in cash for reimbursement of fees and expenses in connection with the Plan, and (v) an additional \$150 million in cash. In addition, on the Effective Date of the Plan, CII retained a 1% equity interest in reorganized Charter Holdco and a right to exchange such interest into new Class A common stock of Charter. Further, Mr. Allen transferred his preferred equity interest in CC VIII, LLC ("CC VIII") to Charter.

The consummation of the Plan resulted in the reduction of our debt by approximately \$8 billion.

This discussion should be also read in conjunction with the periodic reports Charter has filed with the SEC since the filing of the Form 10-K. In particular, the "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" contained in Charter's quarterly reports on Forms 10-Q filed with the SEC contain certain important information regarding Charter's financial condition and results of operations since December 31, 2008.

## Overview

Charter is a broadband communications company operating in the United States with approximately 5.5 million customers at December 31, 2008. We offer our customers traditional cable video programming (basic and digital, which we refer to as "video" service), high-speed Internet access, and telephone services, as well as advanced broadband services (such as OnDemand, high definition television service and DVR). See "Part I. Item 1. Business — Products and Services" incorporated by reference from the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Charter Communications, Inc. filed March 16, 2009 for further description of these services, including "customers."

Approximately 86% of our revenues for each of the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007 are attributable to monthly subscription fees charged to customers for our video, high-speed Internet, telephone, and commercial services provided by our cable systems. Generally, these customer subscriptions may be discontinued by the customer at any time. The remaining 14% of revenue for fiscal years 2008 and 2007 is derived primarily from advertising revenues, franchise fee revenues (which are collected by us but then paid to local franchising authorities), pay-per-view and OnDemand programming (where users are charged a fee for individual programs viewed), installation or reconnection fees charged to customers to commence or reinstate service, and commissions related to the sale of merchandise by home shopping services.

The cable industry's and our most significant competitive challenges stem from DBS providers and DSL service providers. Telephone companies either offer, or are making upgrades of their networks that will allow them to offer, services that provide features and functions similar to our video, high-speed Internet, and telephone services, and

they also offer them in bundles similar to ours. See "Part I. Item 1. Business — Competition" incorporated by reference from the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Charter Communications, Inc. filed March 16, 2009. We believe that competition from DBS and telephone companies has resulted in net video customer losses. In addition, we face increasingly limited opportunities to upgrade our video customer base now that approximately 62% of our video customers subscribe to our digital video service. These factors have contributed to decreased growth rates for digital video customers. Similarly, competition from high-speed Internet providers along with increasing penetration of high-speed Internet service in homes with computers has resulted in decreased growth rates for high-speed Internet customers. In the recent past, we have grown revenues by offsetting video customer losses with price increases and sales of incremental services such as high-speed Internet, OnDemand, DVR, high definition television, and telephone. We expect to continue to grow revenues through price increases and high-speed Internet upgrades, increases in the number of our customers who purchase bundled services including high-speed Internet and telephone, and through sales of incremental services including wireless networking, high definition television, OnDemand, and DVR services. In addition, we expect to increase revenues by expanding the sales of our services to our commercial customers. However, we cannot assure you that we will be able to grow revenues at historical rates, if at all. Dramatic declines in the housing market over the past year, including falling home prices and increasing foreclosures, together with significant increases in unemployment, have severely affected consumer confidence and may cause increased delinquencies or cancellations by our customers or lead to unfavorable changes in the mix of products purchased. The general economic downturn also may affect advertising sales, as companies seek to reduce expenditures and conserve cash. Any of these events may adversely affect our cash flow, results of operations and financial condition.

Our expenses primarily consist of operating costs, selling, general and administrative expenses, depreciation and amortization expense, impairment of franchise intangibles and interest expense. Operating costs primarily include programming costs, the cost of our workforce, cable service related expenses, advertising sales costs and franchise fees. Selling, general and administrative expenses primarily include salaries and benefits, rent expense, billing costs, call center costs, internal network costs, bad debt expense, and property taxes. We control our costs of operations by maintaining strict controls on expenses. More specifically, we are focused on managing our cost structure by improving workforce productivity, and leveraging our scale, and increasing the effectiveness of our purchasing activities.

For the year ended December 31, 2008, our operating loss from continuing operations was \$614 million and for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, income from continuing operations was \$548 million and \$367 million, respectively. We had a negative operating margin (defined as operating loss from continuing operations divided by revenues) of 9% for the year ended December 31, 2008 and positive operating margins (defined as operating income from continuing operations divided by revenues) of 9% and 7% for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively. For the year ended December 31, 2008, the operating loss from continuing operations and negative operating margin is principally due to impairment of franchises incurred during the fourth quarter. The improvement in operating income from continuing operations in 2007 as compared to 2006 and positive operating margin for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006 is principally due to increased sales of our bundled services and improved cost efficiencies.

We have a history of net losses. Our net losses are principally attributable to insufficient revenue to cover the combination of operating expenses and interest expenses we incur because of our high amounts of debt, depreciation expenses resulting from the capital investments we have made and continue to make in our cable properties, and the impairment of our franchise intangibles.

Beginning in 2004 and continuing through 2008, we sold several cable systems to divest geographically non-strategic assets and allow for more efficient operations, while also reducing debt and increasing our liquidity. In 2006, 2007, and 2008, we closed the sale of certain cable systems representing a total of approximately 390,300, 85,100, and 14,100 video customers, respectively. As a result of these sales we have improved our geographic footprint by reducing our number of headends, increasing the number of customers per headend, and reducing the number of states in which the majority of our customers reside. We also made certain geographically strategic acquisitions in 2006 and 2007, adding 17,600 and 25,500 video customers, respectively.

In 2006, we determined that the West Virginia and Virginia cable systems, which were part of the system sales disclosed above, comprised operations and cash flows that for financial reporting purposes met the criteria for discontinued operations. Accordingly, the results of operations for the West Virginia and Virginia cable systems (including a gain on sale of approximately \$200 million recorded in the third quarter of 2006), have been presented as discontinued operations, net of tax, for the year ended December 31, 2006. Tax expense of \$18 million associated with this gain on sale was recorded in the fourth quarter of 2006.

## Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Certain of our accounting policies require our management to make difficult, subjective or complex judgments. Management has discussed these policies with the Audit Committee of Charter's board of directors, and the Audit Committee has reviewed the following disclosure. We consider the following policies to be the most critical in understanding the estimates, assumptions and judgments that are involved in preparing our financial statements, and the uncertainties that could affect our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows:

- capitalization of labor and overhead costs;
- useful lives of property, plant and equipment;
- impairment of property, plant, and equipment, franchises, and goodwill;
- income taxes; and
- litigation.

In addition, there are other items within our financial statements that require estimates or judgment that are not deemed critical, such as the allowance for doubtful accounts and valuations of our derivative instruments, but changes in estimates or judgment in these other items could also have a material impact on our financial statements.

**Capitalization of labor and overhead costs.** The cable industry is capital intensive, and a large portion of our resources are spent on capital activities associated with extending, rebuilding, and upgrading our cable network. As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, the net carrying amount of our property, plant and equipment (consisting primarily of cable network assets) was approximately \$5.0 billion (representing 36% of total assets) and \$5.1 billion (representing 35% of total assets), respectively. Total capital expenditures for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006 were approximately \$1.2 billion, \$1.2 billion, and \$1.1 billion, respectively. Effective December 1, 2009, we will apply fresh start accounting in accordance with Statement of Position 90-7, *Financial Reporting by Entities in Reorganization Under the Bankruptcy Code* ("SOP 90-7"), which requires assets and liabilities to be reflected at fair value. Upon application of fresh start accounting, we will adjust our property, plant and equipment to reflect fair value. We expect these fresh start adjustments will result in material increases to total property, plant and equipment.

Costs associated with network construction, initial customer installations (including initial installations of new or advanced services), installation refurbishments, and the addition of network equipment necessary to provide new or advanced services, are capitalized. While our capitalization is based on specific activities, once capitalized, we track these costs by fixed asset category at the cable system level, and not on a specific asset basis. For assets that are sold or retired, we remove the estimated applicable cost and accumulated depreciation. Costs capitalized as part of initial customer installations include materials, direct labor, and certain indirect costs. These indirect costs are associated with the activities of personnel who assist in connecting and activating the new service, and consist of compensation and overhead costs associated with these support functions. The costs of disconnecting service at a customer's dwelling or reconnecting service to a previously installed dwelling are charged to operating expense in the period incurred. As our service offerings mature and our reconnect activity increases, our capitalizable installations will continue to decrease and therefore our service expenses will increase. Costs for repairs and maintenance are charged to operating expense as incurred, while equipment replacement, including replacement of certain components, and betterments, including replacement of cable drops from the pole to the dwelling, are capitalized.

We make judgments regarding the installation and construction activities to be capitalized. We capitalize direct labor and overhead using standards developed from actual costs and applicable operational data. We calculate standards annually (or more frequently if circumstances dictate) for items such as the labor rates, overhead rates, and the actual amount of time required to perform a capitalizable activity. For example, the standard amounts of time required to perform capitalizable activities are based on studies of the time required to perform such activities. Overhead rates are established based on an analysis of the nature of costs incurred in support of capitalizable activities, and a determination of the portion of costs that is directly attributable to capitalizable activities. The impact of changes that resulted from these studies were not material in the periods presented.

Labor costs directly associated with capital projects are capitalized. Capitalizable activities performed in connection with customer installations include such activities as:

- Dispatching a "truck roll" to the customer's dwelling for service connection;

- Verification of serviceability to the customer's dwelling (i.e., determining whether the customer's dwelling is capable of receiving service by our cable network and/or receiving advanced or Internet services);
- Customer premise activities performed by in-house field technicians and third-party contractors in connection with customer installations, installation of network equipment in connection with the installation of expanded services, and equipment replacement and betterment; and
- Verifying the integrity of the customer's network connection by initiating test signals downstream from the headend to the customer's digital set-top box.

Judgment is required to determine the extent to which overhead costs incurred result from specific capital activities, and therefore should be capitalized. The primary costs that are included in the determination of the overhead rate are (i) employee benefits and payroll taxes associated with capitalized direct labor, (ii) direct variable costs associated with capitalizable activities, consisting primarily of installation and construction vehicle costs, (iii) the cost of support personnel, such as dispatchers, who directly assist with capitalizable installation activities, and (iv) indirect costs directly attributable to capitalizable activities.

While we believe our existing capitalization policies are appropriate, a significant change in the nature or extent of our system activities could affect management's judgment about the extent to which we should capitalize direct labor or overhead in the future. We monitor the appropriateness of our capitalization policies, and perform updates to our internal studies on an ongoing basis to determine whether facts or circumstances warrant a change to our capitalization policies. We capitalized internal direct labor and overhead of \$199 million, \$194 million, and \$204 million, respectively, for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006.

**Useful lives of property, plant and equipment.** We evaluate the appropriateness of estimated useful lives assigned to our property, plant and equipment, based on annual analyses of such useful lives, and revise such lives to the extent warranted by changing facts and circumstances. Any changes in estimated useful lives as a result of these analyses are reflected prospectively beginning in the period in which the study is completed. Our analysis completed in the fourth quarter of 2007 indicated changes in the useful lives of certain of our property, plant, and equipment based on technological changes in our plant. As a result, depreciation expense decreased in 2008 by approximately \$81 million. The impact of such changes to our results in 2007 was not material. Our analysis of useful lives in 2008 did not indicate a change in useful lives. The effect of a one-year decrease in the weighted average remaining useful life of our property, plant and equipment would be an increase in depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2008 of approximately \$356 million. The effect of a one-year increase in the weighted average remaining useful life of our property, plant and equipment would be a decrease in depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2008 of approximately \$244 million.

Depreciation expense related to property, plant and equipment totaled \$1.3 billion for each of the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, representing approximately 18%, 24%, and 26% of costs and expenses for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively. Depreciation is recorded using the straight-line composite method over management's estimate of the estimated useful lives of the related assets as listed below:

Cable systems.....	distribution	7-20	years
Customer installations.....	equipment	and	3-5 years
Vehicles and equipment.....			1-5 years
Buildings and leasehold improvements.....			5-15 years
Furniture, fixtures and equipment....			5 years

**Impairment of property, plant and equipment, franchises and goodwill.** As discussed above, the net carrying value of our property, plant and equipment is significant. We also have recorded a significant amount of cost related to franchises, pursuant to which we are granted the right to operate our cable distribution network throughout our service areas. The net carrying value of franchises as of December 31, 2008 and 2007 was approximately \$7.4 billion (representing 53% of total assets) and \$8.9 billion (representing 61% of total assets), respectively. Furthermore, our noncurrent assets included approximately \$68 million and \$67 million of goodwill as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

SFAS No. 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets*, requires that franchise intangible assets that meet specified indefinite-life criteria no longer be amortized against earnings, but instead must be tested for impairment annually based on valuations, or more frequently as warranted by events or changes in circumstances. In determining whether our franchises have an indefinite-life, we considered the likelihood of franchise renewals, the expected costs

of franchise renewals, and the technological state of the associated cable systems, with a view to whether or not we are in compliance with any technology upgrading requirements specified in a franchise agreement. We have concluded that as of December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006 substantially all of our franchises qualify for indefinite-life treatment under SFAS No. 142. Costs associated with franchise renewals are amortized on a straight-line basis over 10 years, which represents management's best estimate of the average term of the franchises. Franchise amortization expense was \$2 million, \$3 million, and \$2 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively. We expect that amortization expense on franchise assets will be approximately \$2 million annually for each of the next five years. Actual amortization expense in future periods could differ from these estimates as a result of new intangible asset acquisitions or divestitures, changes in useful lives, and other relevant factors.

SFAS No. 144, *Accounting for Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets*, requires that we evaluate the recoverability of our property, plant and equipment and amortizing franchise assets upon the occurrence of events or changes in circumstances indicating that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Such events or changes in circumstances could include such factors as the impairment of our indefinite-life franchises under SFAS No. 142, changes in technological advances, fluctuations in the fair value of such assets, adverse changes in relationships with local franchise authorities, adverse changes in market conditions, or a deterioration of current or expected future operating results. Under SFAS No. 144, a long-lived asset is deemed impaired when the carrying amount of the asset exceeds the projected undiscounted future cash flows associated with the asset. No impairments of long-lived assets to be held and used were recorded in the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006. However, approximately \$56 million and \$159 million of impairment on assets held for sale were recorded for the years ended December 31, 2007, and 2006, respectively.

Under both SFAS No. 144 and SFAS No. 142, if an asset is determined to be impaired, it is required to be written down to its estimated fair value as determined in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP"). We determine fair value based on estimated discounted future cash flows, using reasonable and appropriate assumptions that are consistent with internal forecasts. Our assumptions include these and other factors: penetration rates for basic and digital video, high-speed Internet, and telephone; revenue growth rates; and expected operating margins and capital expenditures. Considerable management judgment is necessary to estimate future cash flows, and such estimates include inherent uncertainties, including those relating to the timing and amount of future cash flows, and the discount rate used in the calculation. We are also required to evaluate the recoverability of our indefinite-life franchises, as well as goodwill, on an annual basis or more frequently as deemed necessary.

Franchises were aggregated into essentially inseparable asset groups to conduct the valuations. We have historically assessed that our divisional operations were the appropriate level at which our franchises should be evaluated. Based on certain organizational changes in 2008, we determined that the appropriate units of accounting for franchises are now the individual market area, which is a level below our geographic divisional groupings previously used. The organizational change in 2008 consolidated our three divisions to two operating groups and put more management focus on the individual market areas. These asset groups generally represent geographic clustering of our cable systems into groups by which such systems are managed. Management believes that as a result of the organizational changes, such groupings represent the highest and best use of those assets.

Franchises, for SFAS No. 142 valuation purposes, are defined as the future economic benefits of the right to solicit and service potential customers (customer marketing rights), and the right to deploy and market new services (service marketing rights). Fair value is determined based on estimated discounted future cash flows using assumptions consistent with internal forecasts. The franchise after-tax cash flow is calculated as the after-tax cash flow generated by the potential customers obtained (less the anticipated customer churn) and the new services added to those customers in future periods. The sum of the present value of the franchises' after-tax cash flow in years 1 through 10 and the continuing value of the after-tax cash flow beyond year 10 yields the fair value of the franchise.

Customer relationships, for SFAS No. 142 valuation purposes, represent the value of the business relationship with our existing customers (less the anticipated customer churn), and are calculated by projecting future after-tax cash flows from these customers, including the right to deploy and market additional services to these customers. The present value of these after-tax cash flows yields the fair value of the customer relationships. Substantially all our acquisitions occurred prior to January 1, 2002. We did not record any value associated with the customer relationship intangibles related to those acquisitions. For acquisitions subsequent to January 1, 2002, we did assign a value to the customer relationship intangible, which is amortized over its estimated useful life.

Our SFAS No. 142 valuations, which are based on the present value of projected after tax cash flows, result in a value of property, plant and equipment, franchises, customer relationships, and our total entity value. The value of goodwill is the difference between the total entity value and amounts assigned to the other assets. The use of different valuation assumptions or definitions of franchises or customer relationships, such as our inclusion of the value of selling additional services to our current customers within customer relationships versus franchises, could significantly impact our valuations and any resulting impairment.

We completed our impairment assessment as of December 31, 2008 upon completion of our 2009 budgeting process. Largely driven by the impact of the current economic downturn along with increased competition, we lowered our projected revenue and expense growth rates, and accordingly revised our estimates of future cash flows as compared to those used in prior valuations. See “Part 1. Item 1. Business — Competition” incorporated by reference from the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Charter Communications, Inc. filed March 16, 2009. As a result, we recorded \$1.5 billion of impairment for the year ended December 31, 2008.

We recorded \$178 million of impairment for the year ended December 31, 2007. The valuation completed for 2006 showed franchise values in excess of book value, and thus resulted in no impairment.

The valuations used in our impairment assessments involve numerous assumptions as noted above. While economic conditions, applicable at the time of the valuation, indicate the combination of assumptions utilized in the valuations are reasonable, as market conditions change so will the assumptions, with a resulting impact on the valuation and consequently the potential impairment charge. In addition, future franchise valuations could be impacted by the risks discussed in “Part 1. Item 1A. Risk Factors – Risks Relating to Bankruptcy” incorporated by reference from the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Charter Communications, Inc. filed March 16, 2009. At December 31, 2008, a 10% and 5% decline in the estimated fair value of our franchise assets in each of our units of accounting would have increased our impairment charge by approximately \$733 million and \$363 million, respectively. A 10% and 5% increase in the estimated fair value of our franchise assets in each of our units of accounting would have reduced our impairment charge by approximately \$586 million and \$317 million, respectively.

During the quarter ended September 30, 2009, we performed an interim franchise impairment analysis and recorded a preliminary non-cash franchise impairment charge of \$2.9 billion which represented our best estimate of the impairment of our franchise assets as of the date of filing the third quarter Form 10-Q. We currently expect to finalize our franchise impairment analysis during the quarter ended December 31, 2009, which could potentially result in an impairment charge that materially differs from the estimate. In addition, upon the effectiveness of the our Plan, we will apply fresh start accounting in accordance with SOP 90-7 and as such will adjust our franchise assets to reflect fair value. In addition, we will adjust our goodwill and other intangible assets to reflect fair value and will also establish any previously unrecorded intangible assets at their fair values. We expect these fresh start adjustments will result in increases to total intangible assets, primarily as a result of adjustments to goodwill and customer relationships.

**Income Taxes.** All operations are held through Charter Holdco and its direct and indirect subsidiaries. Charter Holdco and the majority of its subsidiaries are generally limited liability companies that are not subject to income tax. However, certain of these limited liability companies are subject to state income tax. In addition, the subsidiaries that are corporations are subject to federal and state income tax. All of the remaining taxable income, gains, losses, deductions and credits of Charter Holdco are passed through to its members: Charter, Charter Investment, Inc. (“CII”), and Vulcan Cable III Inc. (“Vulcan Cable”). Charter is responsible for its share of taxable income or loss of Charter Holdco allocated to it in accordance with the Charter Holdco limited liability company agreement (“LLC Agreement”) and partnership tax rules and regulations.

The LLC Agreement provides for certain special allocations of net tax profits and net tax losses (such net tax profits and net tax losses being determined under the applicable federal income tax rules for determining capital accounts). Under the LLC Agreement, through the end of 2003, net tax losses of Charter Holdco that would otherwise have been allocated to Charter based generally on its percentage ownership of outstanding common units were allocated instead to membership units held by Vulcan Cable and CII (the “Special Loss Allocations”) to the extent of their respective capital account balances. After 2003, under the LLC Agreement, net tax losses of Charter Holdco were allocated to Charter, Vulcan Cable, and CII based generally on their respective percentage ownership of outstanding common units to the extent of their respective capital account balances. Allocations of net tax losses in excess of the members’ aggregate capital account balances are allocated under the rules governing Regulatory Allocations, as described below. Subject to the Curative Allocation Provisions described below, the LLC Agreement further provides that, beginning at the time Charter Holdco generates net tax profits, the net tax profits that would otherwise have been allocated to Charter based generally on its percentage ownership of outstanding common membership

units, will instead generally be allocated to Vulcan Cable and CII (the “Special Profit Allocations”). The Special Profit Allocations to Vulcan Cable and CII will generally continue until the cumulative amount of the Special Profit Allocations offsets the cumulative amount of the Special Loss Allocations. The amount and timing of the Special Profit Allocations are subject to the potential application of, and interaction with, the Curative Allocation Provisions described in the following paragraph. The LLC Agreement generally provides that any additional net tax profits are to be allocated among the members of Charter Holdco based generally on their respective percentage ownership of Charter Holdco common membership units.

Because the respective capital account balances of each of Vulcan Cable and CII were reduced to zero by December 31, 2002, certain net tax losses of Charter Holdco that were to be allocated for 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005, to Vulcan Cable and CII, instead have been allocated to Charter (the “Regulatory Allocations”). As a result of the allocation of net tax losses to Charter in 2005, Charter’s capital account balance was reduced to zero during 2005. The LLC Agreement provides that once the capital account balances of all members have been reduced to zero, net tax losses are to be allocated to Charter, Vulcan Cable, and CII based generally on their respective percentage ownership of outstanding common units. Such allocations are also considered to be Regulatory Allocations. The LLC Agreement further provides that, to the extent possible, the effect of the Regulatory Allocations is to be offset over time pursuant to certain curative allocation provisions (the “Curative Allocation Provisions”) so that, after certain offsetting adjustments are made, each member’s capital account balance is equal to the capital account balance such member would have had if the Regulatory Allocations had not been part of the LLC Agreement. The cumulative amount of the actual tax losses allocated to Charter as a result of the Regulatory Allocations in excess of the amount of tax losses that would have been allocated to Charter had the Regulatory Allocations not been part of the LLC Agreement through the year ended December 31, 2008 is approximately \$4.1 billion.

As a result of the Special Loss Allocations and the Regulatory Allocations referred to above (and their interaction with the allocations related to assets contributed to Charter Holdco with differences between book and tax basis), the cumulative amount of losses of Charter Holdco allocated to Vulcan Cable and CII is in excess of the amount that would have been allocated to such entities if the losses of Charter Holdco had been allocated among its members in proportion to their respective percentage ownership of Charter Holdco common membership units. The cumulative amount of such excess losses was approximately \$1.0 billion through December 31, 2008.

In certain situations, the Special Loss Allocations, Special Profit Allocations, Regulatory Allocations, and Curative Allocation Provisions described above could result in Charter paying taxes in an amount that is more or less than if Charter Holdco had allocated net tax profits and net tax losses among its members based generally on the number of common membership units owned by such members. This could occur due to differences in (i) the character of the allocated income (e.g., ordinary versus capital), (ii) the allocated amount and timing of tax depreciation and tax amortization expense due to the application of section 704(c) under the Internal Revenue Code, (iii) the potential interaction between the Special Profit Allocations and the Curative Allocation Provisions, (iv) the amount and timing of alternative minimum taxes paid by Charter, if any, (v) the apportionment of the allocated income or loss among the states in which Charter Holdco does business, and (vi) future federal and state tax laws. Further, in the event of new capital contributions to Charter Holdco, it is possible that the tax effects of the Special Profit Allocations, Special Loss Allocations, Regulatory Allocations and Curative Allocation Provisions will change significantly pursuant to the provisions of the income tax regulations or the terms of a contribution agreement with respect to such contributions. Such change could defer the actual tax benefits to be derived by Charter with respect to the net tax losses allocated to it or accelerate the actual taxable income to Charter with respect to the net tax profits allocated to it. As a result, it is possible under certain circumstances that Charter could receive future allocations of taxable income in excess of its currently allocated tax deductions and available tax loss carryforwards. The ability to utilize net operating loss carryforwards is potentially subject to certain limitations as discussed below.

In addition, under their exchange agreement with Charter, Vulcan Cable and CII have the right at any time to exchange some or all of their membership units in Charter Holdco for Charter’s Class B common stock, be merged with Charter in exchange for Charter’s Class B common stock, or be acquired by Charter in a non-taxable reorganization in exchange for Charter’s Class B common stock. If such an exchange were to take place prior to the date that the Special Profit Allocation provisions had fully offset the Special Loss Allocations, Vulcan Cable and CII could elect to cause Charter Holdco to make the remaining Special Profit Allocations to Vulcan Cable and CII immediately prior to the consummation of the exchange. In the event Vulcan Cable and CII choose not to make such election or to the extent such allocations are not possible, Charter would then be allocated tax profits attributable to the membership units received in such exchange pursuant to the Special Profit Allocation provisions. Mr. Allen has generally agreed to reimburse Charter for any incremental income taxes that Charter would owe as a result of such an exchange and any resulting future Special Profit Allocations to Charter. The ability of Charter to

utilize net operating loss carryforwards is potentially subject to certain limitations (see “Part 1. Item 1A. Risk Factors — For tax purposes, there is a risk that we will experience a deemed ownership change resulting in a material limitation on our future ability to use a substantial amount of our existing net operating loss carryforwards, our future transactions, and the timing of such transactions could cause a deemed ownership change for U.S. federal income tax purposes” incorporated by reference from the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Charter Communications, Inc. filed March 16, 2009). If Charter were to become subject to such limitations (whether as a result of an exchange described above or otherwise), and as a result were to owe taxes resulting from the Special Profit Allocations, then Mr. Allen may not be obligated to reimburse Charter for such income taxes. Further, Mr. Allen’s obligation to reimburse Charter for taxes attributable to the Special Profit Allocation to Charter ceases upon a subsequent change of control of Charter.

As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, we have recorded net deferred income tax liabilities of \$558 million and \$665 million, respectively. As part of our net liability, on December 31, 2008 and 2007, we had deferred tax assets of \$6.0 billion and \$5.1 billion, respectively, which primarily relate to financial and tax losses allocated to Charter from Charter Holdco. We are required to record a valuation allowance when it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred income tax assets will not be realized. Given the uncertainty surrounding our ability to utilize our deferred tax assets, these items have been offset with a corresponding valuation allowance of \$5.8 billion and \$4.8 billion at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

No tax years for Charter or Charter Holdco are currently under examination by the Internal Revenue Service. Tax years ending 2006 and 2007 remain subject to examination.

**Litigation.** Legal contingencies have a high degree of uncertainty. When a loss from a contingency becomes estimable and probable, a reserve is established. The reserve reflects management’s best estimate of the probable cost of ultimate resolution of the matter and is revised as facts and circumstances change. A reserve is released when a matter is ultimately brought to closure or the statute of limitations lapses. We have established reserves for certain matters. If any of these matters are resolved unfavorably, resulting in payment obligations in excess of management’s best estimate of the outcome, such resolution could have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial condition, results of operations, or our liquidity.



## Results of Operations

The following table sets forth the percentages of revenues that items in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations constituted for the periods presented (dollars in millions, except per share data):

	Year Ended December 31,					
	2008		2007		2006	
Revenues	\$ 6,479	100%	\$ 6,002	100%	\$ 5,504	100%
<b>Costs and Expenses:</b>						
Operating (excluding depreciation and amortization)	2,792	43%	2,620	44%	2,438	44%
Selling, general and administrative	1,401	22%	1,289	21%	1,165	21%
Depreciation and amortization	1,310	20%	1,328	22%	1,354	25%
Impairment of franchises	1,521	23%	178	3%	--	--
Asset impairment charges	--	--	56	1%	159	3%
Other operating (income) expenses, net	69	1%	(17)	--	21	--
	<u>7,093</u>	<u>109%</u>	<u>5,454</u>	<u>91%</u>	<u>5,137</u>	<u>93%</u>
Operating income (loss) from continuing operations	(614)	(9%)	548	9%	367	7%
Interest expense, net	(1,905)		(1,861)		(1,901)	
Change in value of derivatives	(29)		52		(4)	
Gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt	4		(56)		41	
Other income (expense), net	(10)		(8)		14	
Loss from continuing operations, before income tax expense	(2,554)		(1,325)		(1,483)	
Income tax benefit (expense)	103		(209)		(187)	
Loss from continuing operations	(2,451)		(1,534)		(1,670)	
Income from discontinued operations, net of tax	--		--		216	
Net loss	<u>\$ (2,451)</u>		<u>\$ (1,534)</u>		<u>\$ (1,454)</u>	
<b>Loss per common share, basic and diluted:</b>						
Loss from continuing operations	<u>\$ (6.56)</u>		<u>\$ (4.17)</u>		<u>\$ (5.03)</u>	
Net loss	<u>\$ (6.56)</u>		<u>\$ (4.17)</u>		<u>\$ (4.38)</u>	
Weighted average common shares outstanding	<u>373,464,920</u>		<u>368,240,608</u>		<u>331,941,788</u>	

**Revenues.** Average monthly revenue per basic video customer, measured on an annual basis, has increased from \$82 in 2006 to \$93 in 2007 and \$105 in 2008. Average monthly revenue per video customer represents total annual revenue, divided by twelve, divided by the average number of basic video customers during the respective period. Revenue growth primarily reflects increases in the number of telephone, high-speed Internet, and digital video customers, price increases, and incremental video revenues from OnDemand, DVR, and high-definition television services, offset by a decrease in basic video customers. Cable system sales, net of acquisitions, in 2006, 2007, and 2008 reduced the increase in revenues in 2008 as compared to 2007 by approximately \$31 million and in 2007 as compared to 2006 by approximately \$90 million.

Revenues by service offering were as follows (dollars in millions):

	Year Ended December 31,									
	2008		2007		2006		2008 over 2007		2007 over 2006	
	Revenues	% of Revenues	Revenues	% of Revenues	Revenues	% of Revenues	Change	% Change	Change	% Change
Video	\$ 3,463	53%	\$ 3,392	56%	\$ 3,349	61%	\$ 71	2%	\$ 43	1%
High-speed Internet	1,356	21%	1,243	21%	1,047	19%	113	9%	196	19%
Telephone	555	9%	345	6%	137	2%	210	61%	208	152%
Commercial	392	6%	341	6%	305	6%	51	15%	36	12%
Advertising sales	308	5%	298	5%	319	6%	10	3%	(21)	(7%)
Other	405	6%	383	6%	347	6%	22	6%	36	10%
	<u>\$ 6,479</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>\$ 6,002</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>\$ 5,504</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>\$ 477</u>	<u>8%</u>	<u>\$ 498</u>	<u>9%</u>

Video revenues consist primarily of revenues from basic and digital video services provided to our non-commercial customers. Basic video customers decreased by 174,200 and 213,400 customers in 2008 and 2007, respectively, of which 16,700 in 2008 and 97,100 in 2007 were related to asset sales, net of acquisitions. Digital video customers increased by 213,000 and 112,000 customers in 2008 and 2007, respectively. The increase in 2008 and 2007 was reduced by the sale, net of acquisitions, of 7,600 and 38,100 digital customers, respectively. The increases in video revenues are attributable to the following (dollars in millions):

	2008 compared to 2007	2007 compared to 2006
Incremental video services and rate adjustments	\$ 87	\$ 88
Increase in digital video customers	77	59
Decrease in basic video customers	(72)	(41)
Asset sales, net of acquisitions	(21)	(63)
	<u>\$ 71</u>	<u>\$ 43</u>

High-speed Internet customers grew by 192,700 and 280,300 customers in 2008 and 2007, respectively. The increase in 2008 and 2007 was reduced by asset sales, net of acquisitions, of 5,600 and 8,800 high-speed Internet customers, respectively. The increases in high-speed Internet revenues from our residential customers are attributable to the following (dollars in millions):

	2008 compared to 2007	2007 compared to 2006
Increase in high-speed Internet customers	\$ 113	\$ 149
Rate adjustments and service upgrades	3	58
Asset sales, net of acquisitions	(3)	(11)
	<u>\$ 113</u>	<u>\$ 196</u>

Revenues from telephone services increased by \$220 million and \$209 million in 2008 and 2007, respectively, as a result of an increase of 389,500 and 513,500 telephone customers in 2008 and 2007, respectively, offset by a decrease of \$10 million and \$1 million in 2008 and 2007, respectively, related to lower average rates.

Commercial revenues consist primarily of revenues from services provided to our commercial customers. Commercial revenues increased primarily as a result of increased sales of the Charter Business Bundle® primarily to small and medium-sized businesses. The increases were reduced by approximately \$2 million in 2008 and \$6 million in 2007 as a result of asset sales.

Advertising sales revenues consist primarily of revenues from commercial advertising customers, programmers and other vendors. In 2008, advertising sales revenues increased primarily as a result of increases in political advertising sales and advertising sales to vendors offset by significant decreases in revenues from the automotive and furniture sectors, and a decrease of \$2 million related to asset sales. In 2007, advertising sales revenues decreased primarily

as a result of a decrease in national advertising sales, including political advertising, and as a result of decreases in advertising sales revenues from vendors and a decrease of \$3 million as a result of system sales. For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, we received \$39 million, \$15 million, and \$17 million, respectively, in advertising sales revenues from vendors.

Other revenues consist of franchise fees, regulatory fees, customer installations, home shopping, late payment fees, wire maintenance fees and other miscellaneous revenues. For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, franchise fees represented approximately 46%, 46%, and 51%, respectively, of total other revenues. The increase in other revenues in 2008 was primarily the result of increases in franchise and other regulatory fees and wire maintenance fees. The increase in other revenues in 2007 was primarily the result of increases in regulatory fee revenues, wire maintenance fees, and late payment fees. The increases were reduced by approximately \$3 million in 2008 and \$7 million in 2007 as a result of asset sales.

**Operating expenses.** The increases in our operating expenses are attributable to the following (dollars in millions):

	<b>2008 compared to 2007</b>	<b>2007 compared to 2006</b>
Programming costs	\$ 90	\$ 106
Labor costs	44	49
Franchise and regulatory fees	23	16
Maintenance costs	19	20
Costs of providing high-speed Internet and telephone services	5	33
Other, net	13	7
Asset sales, net of acquisitions	(22)	(49)
	<u>\$ 172</u>	<u>\$ 182</u>

Programming costs were approximately \$1.6 billion, \$1.6 billion, and \$1.5 billion, representing 59%, 60%, and 61% of total operating expenses for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively. Programming costs consist primarily of costs paid to programmers for basic, premium, digital, OnDemand, and pay-per-view programming. The increases in programming costs are primarily a result of annual contractual rate adjustments, offset in part by asset sales and customer losses. Programming costs were also offset by the amortization of payments received from programmers of \$33 million, \$25 million, and \$32 million in 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively. We expect programming expenses to continue to increase, and at a higher rate than in 2008, due to a variety of factors, including amounts paid for retransmission consent, annual increases imposed by programmers, and additional programming, including high-definition, OnDemand, and pay-per-view programming, being provided to our customers.

Labor costs increased primarily due to an increase in employee base salary and benefits.

**Selling, general and administrative expenses.** The increases in selling, general and administrative expenses are attributable to the following (dollars in millions):

	<b>2008 compared to 2007</b>	<b>2007 compared to 2006</b>
Marketing costs	\$ 32	\$ 60
Customer care costs	23	37
Bad debt and collection costs	17	36
Stock compensation costs	14	5
Employee costs	7	17
Other, net	24	(16)
Asset sales, net of acquisitions	(5)	(15)
	<u>\$ 112</u>	<u>\$ 124</u>

**Depreciation and amortization.** Depreciation and amortization expense decreased by \$18 million and \$26 million in 2008 and 2007, respectively. During 2008 and 2007, the decrease in depreciation was primarily the result of asset

sales, certain assets becoming fully depreciated, and an \$81 million and \$8 million decrease in 2008 and 2007, respectively, due to the impact of changes in the useful lives of certain assets during 2007, offset by depreciation on capital expenditures.

**Impairment of franchises.** We recorded impairment of \$1.5 billion and \$178 million for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. The impairment recorded in 2008 was largely driven by lower expected revenue growth resulting from the current economic downturn and increased competition. The impairment recorded in 2007 was largely driven by increased competition. The valuation completed in 2006 showed franchise values in excess of book value, and thus resulted in no impairment.

**Asset impairment charges.** Asset impairment charges for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006 represent the write-down of assets related to cable asset sales to fair value less costs to sell. See Note 4 to the accompanying consolidated financial statements contained in “Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data.”

**Other operating (income) expenses, net.** The change in other operating (income) expenses, net are attributable to the following (dollars in millions):

	<u>2008 compared to 2007</u>	<u>2007 compared to 2006</u>
Increases (decreases) in losses on sales of assets	\$ 16	\$ (11)
Increases (decreases) in special charges, net	70	(27)
	<u>\$ 86</u>	<u>\$ (38)</u>

For more information, see Note 17 to the accompanying consolidated financial statements contained in “Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data.”

**Interest expense, net.** Net interest expense increased by \$44 million in 2008 from 2007 and decreased by \$40 million in 2007 from 2006. The increase in net interest expense from 2007 to 2008 was a result of average debt outstanding increasing from \$19.6 billion in 2007 to \$20.3 billion in 2008, offset by a decrease in our average borrowing rate from 9.2% in 2007 to 8.8% in 2008. The decrease in net interest expense from 2006 to 2007 was a result of a decrease in our average borrowing rate from 9.5% in 2006 to 9.2% in 2007. This was offset by an increase in average debt outstanding from \$19.4 billion in 2006 to \$19.6 billion in 2007. We restated current year and prior year amounts as a result of the adoption of FSP ABP 14-1. See “—Recently Issued Accounting Standards.”

**Change in value of derivatives.** Interest rate swaps are held to manage our interest costs and reduce our exposure to increases in floating interest rates. We expense the change in fair value of derivatives that do not qualify for hedge accounting and cash flow hedge ineffectiveness on interest rate swap agreements. Additionally, certain provisions of our 5.875% and 6.50% convertible senior notes issued in November 2004 and October 2007, respectively, were considered embedded derivatives for accounting purposes and were required to be accounted for separately from the convertible senior notes and marked to fair value at the end of each reporting period. Change in value of derivatives consists of the following for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006.

	<u>Year Ended December 31,</u>		
	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Interest rate swaps	\$ (62)	\$ (46)	\$ 6
Embedded derivatives from convertible senior notes	33	98	(10)
	<u>\$ (29)</u>	<u>\$ 52</u>	<u>\$ (4)</u>

**Gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt.** Gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt consists of the following for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006.

	<b>Year Ended December 31,</b>		
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
Charter Holdings debt notes repurchases / exchanges	\$ 3	\$ (3)	\$ 108
CCO Holdings notes redemption	--	(19)	--
Charter Operating credit facilities refinancing	--	(13)	(27)
Charter convertible note repurchases / exchanges	5	(21)	(40)
CCH II tender offer	(4)	--	--
	<u>\$ 4</u>	<u>\$ (56)</u>	<u>\$ 41</u>

We restated current year and prior year amounts as a result of the adoption of FSP ABP 14-1. For more information, see Notes 9 and 18 to the accompanying consolidated financial statements contained in "Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data." See "—Recently Issued Accounting Standards."

**Other income (expense), net.** The change in other income (expense), net are attributable to the following (dollars in millions):

	<b>2008 compared to 2007</b>	<b>2007 compared to 2006</b>
Change in CC VIII preferred interest (See Note 3)	\$ 3	\$ (3)
Decreases in investment income	(1)	(16)
Other, net	(4)	(3)
	<u>\$ (2)</u>	<u>\$ (22)</u>

For more information, see Note 19 to the accompanying consolidated financial statements contained in "Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data."

**Income tax benefit (expense).** Income tax benefit for the year ended December 31, 2008 was realized as a result of the decreases in certain deferred tax liabilities related to our investment in Charter Holdco and certain of our subsidiaries, attributable to the write-down of franchise assets for financial statement purposes and not for tax purposes. However, the actual tax provision calculations in future periods will be the result of current and future temporary differences, as well as future operating results. Income tax benefit for the year ended December 31, 2008 included \$325 million of deferred tax benefit related to the impairment of franchises. Income tax expense in 2007 and 2006 was recognized through increases in deferred tax liabilities related to our investment in Charter Holdco and certain of our subsidiaries, in addition to current federal and state income tax expense. Income tax benefit (expense) included \$2 million, \$15 million, and \$23 million of deferred tax benefit related to asset acquisitions and sales occurring in 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively.

**Income from discontinued operations, net of tax.** In 2006, income from discontinued operations, net of tax, was recognized due to a gain of \$182 million (net of \$18 million of tax recorded in the fourth quarter of 2006) recognized on the sale of the West Virginia and Virginia systems.

**Net loss.** The impact to net loss in 2008, 2007, and 2006 as a result of asset impairment charges, impairment of franchises, extinguishment of debt, and gain on discontinued operations, net of tax, was to increase net loss by approximately \$1.2 billion and \$255 million and decrease net loss by approximately \$64 million, respectively.

**Loss per common share.** During 2008 and 2007, net loss per common share increased by \$2.39, or 57%, and decreased by \$0.21, or 5%, respectively, as a result of the factors described above.

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

### Introduction

This section contains a discussion of our liquidity and capital resources, including a discussion of our cash position, sources and uses of cash, access to credit facilities and other financing sources, historical financing activities, cash needs, capital expenditures and outstanding debt.

### Overview of Our Debt and Liquidity

We have significant amounts of debt. As of December 31, 2008, the accreted value of our total debt was approximately \$21.7 billion, as summarized below (dollars in millions):

	<u>December 31, 2008</u>		<u>Pro Forma Principal Amount (b)</u>	<u>Semi-Annual Interest Payment Dates</u>	<u>Maturity Date (c)</u>
	<u>Principal Amount</u>	<u>Accreted Value (a)</u>			
<b>Charter Communications, Inc.:</b>					
5.875% convertible senior notes due 2009 (d)	\$ 3	\$ 3	\$ --	5/16 & 11/16	11/16/09
6.50% convertible senior notes due 2027 (d)	479	373	--	4/1 & 10/1	10/1/27
<b>Charter Communications Holdings, LLC:</b>					
10.000% senior notes due 2009	53	53	--	4/1 & 10/1	4/1/09
10.750% senior notes due 2009	4	4	--	4/1 & 10/1	10/1/09
9.625% senior notes due 2009	25	25	--	5/15 & 11/15	11/15/09
10.250% senior notes due 2010	1	1	--	1/15 & 7/15	1/15/10
11.750% senior discount notes due 2010	1	1	--	1/15 & 7/15	1/15/10
11.125% senior notes due 2011	47	47	--	1/15 & 7/15	1/15/11
13.500% senior discount notes due 2011	60	60	--	1/15 & 7/15	1/15/11
9.920% senior discount notes due 2011	51	51	--	4/1 & 10/1	4/1/11
10.000% senior notes due 2011	69	69	--	5/15 & 11/15	5/15/11
11.750% senior discount notes due 2011	54	54	--	5/15 & 11/15	5/15/11
12.125% senior discount notes due 2012	75	75	--	1/15 & 7/15	1/15/12
<b>CCH I Holdings, LLC:</b>					
11.125% senior notes due 2014	151	151	--	1/15 & 7/15	1/15/14
13.500% senior discount notes due 2014	581	581	--	1/15 & 7/15	1/15/14
9.920% senior discount notes due 2014	471	471	--	4/1 & 10/1	4/1/14
10.000% senior notes due 2014	299	299	--	5/15 & 11/15	5/15/14
11.750% senior discount notes due 2014	815	815	--	5/15 & 11/15	5/15/14
12.125% senior discount notes due 2015	217	217	--	1/15 & 7/15	1/15/15
<b>CCH I, LLC:</b>					
11.00% senior notes due 2015	3,987	4,072	--	4/1 & 10/1	10/1/15
<b>CCH II, LLC:</b>					
10.250% senior notes due 2010	1,860	1,857	--	3/15 & 9/15	9/15/10
10.250% senior notes due 2013	614	598	--	4/1 & 10/1	10/1/13
13.5% senior notes due 2016	--	--	1,766	2/15 & 8/15	11/30/16
<b>CCO Holdings, LLC:</b>					
8 3/4% senior notes due 2013	800	796	800	5/15 & 11/15	11/15/13
Credit facility	350	350	350		9/6/14
<b>Charter Communications Operating, LLC:</b>					
8.000% senior second-lien notes due 2012	1,100	1,100	1,100	4/30 & 10/30	4/30/12
8 3/8% senior second-lien notes due 2014	770	770	770	4/30 & 10/30	4/30/14
10.875% senior second-lien notes due 2014	546	527	546	3/15 & 9/15	9/15/14
Credit facilities	8,246	8,246	8,246		varies
	<u>\$ 21,729</u>	<u>\$ 21,666</u> (e)	<u>\$ 13,578</u>		

(a) The accreted values presented above generally represent the principal amount of the notes less the original issue discount at the time of sale, plus the accretion to the balance sheet date. However, the current accreted value for

legal purposes and notes indenture purposes (the amount that is currently payable if the debt becomes immediately due) is equal to the principal amount of notes.

- (b) The Pro forma Principal Amount reflects the amount outstanding pro forma for the consummation of the Plan through which the notes issued by Charter, Charter Holdings, CIH and CCH I were eliminated. The debt of CCH II was refinanced in accordance with the Plan, by paying a portion of the principal and interest with the proceeds from the Rights Offering and by exchanging the CCH II Notes for New CCH II Notes in the Exchange Offer. Upon application of fresh start accounting in accordance with SOP 90-7, the Company will adjust its long-term debt to reflect fair value. This adjustment may be material.
- (c) In general, the obligors have the right to redeem all of the notes set forth in the above table (except with respect to the 5.875% convertible senior notes due 2009, the 6.50% convertible senior notes due 2027, the 10.000% Charter Holdings notes due 2009, the 10.75% Charter Holdings notes due 2009, and the 9.625% Charter Holdings notes due 2009) in whole or in part at their option, beginning at various times prior to their stated maturity dates, subject to certain conditions, upon the payment of the outstanding principal amount (plus a specified redemption premium) and all accrued and unpaid interest. The 5.875% and 6.50% convertible senior notes are redeemable if the closing price of Charter's Class A common stock exceeds the conversion price by certain percentages as described below. For additional information see Note 9 to the accompanying consolidated financial statements contained in "Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data."
- (d) The 5.875% and 6.50% convertible senior notes are convertible at the option of the holders into shares of Class A common stock at a conversion rate, subject to certain adjustments, of 413.2231 and 293.3868 shares per \$1,000 principal amount of notes, which is equivalent to a price of \$2.42 and \$3.41 per share, respectively. Certain anti-dilutive provisions cause adjustments to occur automatically upon the occurrence of specified events. Additionally, the conversion ratio may be adjusted by us under certain circumstances. Each holder of 6.50% convertible notes will have the right to require us to purchase some or all of that holder's 6.50% convertible notes for cash on October 1, 2012, October 1, 2017 and October 1, 2022 at a purchase price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the 6.50% convertible notes plus any accrued interest, if any, on the 6.50% convertible notes to but excluding the purchase date.
- (e) Not included within total long-term debt is the \$75 million CCHC, LLC ("CCHC") accreting note, which is included in "note payable-related party" on our accompanying consolidated balance sheets. See Note 10 to the accompanying consolidated financial statements contained in "Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data."

The following table summarizes our payment obligations as of December 31, 2008 under our long-term debt and certain other contractual obligations and commitments (dollars in millions.) The table does not reflect consummation of the Plan and the resulting elimination of approximately \$8 billion of debt or the expected reduction of interest expense by approximately \$830 million annually. Following consummation of the Plan, \$70 million of our debt matures in each of 2010 and 2011. In 2012 and beyond, significant additional amounts will become due under our remaining long-term debt obligations.

	<b>Payments by Period</b>				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Less than 1 year</b>	<b>1-3 years</b>	<b>3-5 years</b>	<b>More than 5 years</b>
<b>Contractual Obligations</b>					
Long-Term Debt Principal Payments (1)	\$ 21,729	\$ 155	\$ 2,283	\$ 4,523	\$ 14,768
Long-Term Debt Interest Payments (2)	8,834	1,714	3,147	2,817	1,156
Payments on Interest Rate Instruments (3)	443	127	257	59	--
Capital and Operating Lease Obligations (4)	103	24	40	21	18
Programming Minimum Commitments (5)	687	315	206	166	--
Other (6)	475	368	88	19	--
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 32,271</b>	<b>\$ 2,703</b>	<b>\$ 6,021</b>	<b>\$ 7,605</b>	<b>\$ 15,942</b>

- (1) The table presents maturities of long-term debt outstanding as of December 31, 2008. Refer to Notes 9 and 23 to our accompanying consolidated financial statements contained in "Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" for a description of our long-term debt and other contractual obligations and commitments. The table above does not include the \$75 million CCHC accreting note which is included in note payable – related party. See Note 10 to the accompanying consolidated financial statements contained in "Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data. If not redeemed prior to maturity in 2020, \$380

million would be due under this note.

- (2) Interest payments on variable debt are estimated using amounts outstanding at December 31, 2008 and the average implied forward London Interbank Offering Rate (LIBOR) rates applicable for the quarter during the interest rate reset based on the yield curve in effect at December 31, 2008. Actual interest payments will differ based on actual LIBOR rates and actual amounts outstanding for applicable periods.
- (3) Represents amounts we will be required to pay under our interest rate swap agreements estimated using the average implied forward LIBOR applicable rates for the quarter during the interest rate reset based on the yield curve in effect at December 31, 2008. Upon filing of a Chapter 11 bankruptcy, the counterparties to the interest rate swap agreements terminated the underlying contract and, upon emergence of Charter from bankruptcy, received payment for the market value of the interest rate swap agreement as measured on the date a counterparty so terminates.
- (4) We lease certain facilities and equipment under noncancelable operating leases. Leases and rental costs charged to expense for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, were \$24 million, \$23 million, and \$23 million, respectively.
- (5) We pay programming fees under multi-year contracts ranging from three to ten years, typically based on a flat fee per customer, which may be fixed for the term, or may in some cases escalate over the term. Programming costs included in the accompanying statement of operations were approximately \$1.6 billion, \$1.6 billion, and \$1.5 billion, for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively. Certain of our programming agreements are based on a flat fee per month or have guaranteed minimum payments. The table sets forth the aggregate guaranteed minimum commitments under our programming contracts.
- (6) "Other" represents other guaranteed minimum commitments, which consist primarily of commitments to our billing services vendors.

The following items are not included in the contractual obligations table because the obligations are not fixed and/or determinable due to various factors discussed below. However, we incur these costs as part of our operations:

- We rent utility poles used in our operations. Generally, pole rentals are cancelable on short notice, but we anticipate that such rentals will recur. Rent expense incurred for pole rental attachments for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, was \$47 million, \$47 million, and \$44 million, respectively.
- We pay franchise fees under multi-year franchise agreements based on a percentage of revenues generated from video service per year. We also pay other franchise related costs, such as public education grants, under multi-year agreements. Franchise fees and other franchise-related costs included in the accompanying statement of operations were \$179 million, \$172 million, and \$175 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively.
- We also have \$158 million in letters of credit, primarily to our various worker's compensation, property and casualty, and general liability carriers, as collateral for reimbursement of claims. These letters of credit reduce the amount we may borrow under our credit facilities.

Our business requires significant cash to fund debt service costs, capital expenditures and ongoing operations. We have historically funded these requirements through cash flows from operating activities, borrowings under our credit facilities, proceeds from sales of assets, issuances of debt and equity securities, and cash on hand. However, the mix of funding sources changes from period to period. For the year ended December 31, 2008, we generated \$399 million of net cash flows from operating activities, after paying cash interest of \$1.8 billion. In addition, we used \$1.2 billion for purchases of property, plant and equipment. Finally, we generated net cash flows from financing activities of \$1.7 billion, as a result of financing transactions and credit facility borrowings completed during the year ended December 31, 2008. As of December 31, 2008, we had cash on hand of \$960 million. We expect that our mix of sources of funds will continue to change in the future based on overall needs relative to our cash flow and on the availability of funds under the credit facilities of our subsidiaries, our access to the debt and equity markets, the timing of possible asset sales, and based on our ability to generate cash flows from operating activities.

During the fourth quarter of 2008, Charter Operating drew down all except \$27 million of amounts available under the revolving credit facility. During the first quarter of 2009, Charter Operating presented a qualifying draw notice to the banks under the revolving credit facility but was refused those funds. See "Part I. Item 1. Business – Recent Developments – Charter Operating Credit Facility" incorporated by reference from the Annual Report on Form



10-K of Charter Communications, Inc. filed March 16, 2009. Additionally, upon filing bankruptcy, Charter Operating no longer has access to the revolving credit facility and will rely on cash on hand and cash flows from operating activities to fund our projected cash needs.

Following consummation of the Plan, we expect that cash on hand and cash flows from operating activities will be adequate to meet our projected cash needs through at least the next 24 months. Our projected cash needs and projected sources of liquidity depend upon, among other things, our actual results, and the timing and amount of our expenditures. We continue to monitor the capital markets and we expect to undertake refinancing transactions and utilize cash flows from operating activities to further extend or reduce the maturities of our principal obligations.

### ***Limitations on Distributions***

Following the Consummation of the Plan, distributions by Charter's subsidiaries to a parent company for payment of principal on parent company notes are restricted under any indentures and credit facilities governing the indebtedness of the subsidiaries, unless there is no default under the applicable indenture and credit facilities, and unless each applicable subsidiary's leverage ratio test is met at the time of such distribution. For the quarter ended December 31, 2008, there was no default under any of these indentures or credit facilities. However, certain of our subsidiaries did not meet their applicable leverage ratio tests based on December 31, 2008 financial results. As a result, distributions from certain of our subsidiaries to their parent companies would have been restricted at such time and will continue to be restricted unless those tests are met. Distributions by Charter Operating for payment of principal on parent company notes are further restricted by the covenants in its credit facilities.

Following the Consummation of the Plan, distributions by CCH II, CCO Holdings, and Charter Operating to a parent company for payment of parent company interest are permitted if there is no default under the aforementioned indentures and CCO Holdings and Charter Operating credit facilities.

In addition to the limitation on distributions under the various indentures discussed above, distributions by our subsidiaries may be limited by applicable law, including the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act, under which our subsidiaries may only make distributions if they have "surplus" as defined in the act. It is uncertain whether we will have sufficient surplus at the relevant subsidiaries to make distributions, including for payment of interest and principal on the debts of the parents of such entities. See "Part I. Item 1A. Risk Factors — Because of our holding company structure, our outstanding notes are structurally subordinated in right of payment to all liabilities of our subsidiaries. Restrictions in our subsidiaries' debt instruments and under applicable law limit their ability to provide funds to us or our various debt issuers" incorporated by reference from the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Charter Communications, Inc. filed March 16, 2009.

### ***Historical Operating, Investing, and Financing Activities***

***Cash and Cash Equivalents.*** We held \$960 million in cash and cash equivalents as of December 31, 2008 compared to \$75 million as of December 31, 2007. The increase in cash was the result of a draw-down on our revolving credit facility.

***Operating Activities.*** Net cash provided by operating activities increased \$72 million from \$327 million for the year ended December 31, 2007 to \$399 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, primarily as a result of revenue growth from high-speed Internet and telephone driven by bundled services, as well as improved cost efficiencies, offset by an increase of \$33 million in interest on cash pay obligations and changes in operating assets and liabilities that provided \$71 million less cash during the same period.

Net cash provided by operating activities increased \$4 million from \$323 million for the year ended December 31, 2006 to \$327 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, primarily as a result of revenues increasing at a faster rate than cash operating expenses, offset by an increase of \$62 million in interest on cash pay obligations and changes in operating assets and liabilities that provided \$67 million less cash during the same period.

***Investing Activities.*** Net cash used in investing activities for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, was \$1.2 billion, \$1.1 billion, and \$65 million, respectively. The increase in 2008 compared to 2007 is primarily due to a decrease in proceeds received from the sale of assets, including cable systems. Investing activities used \$1.1 billion more cash during the year ended December 31, 2007 than the corresponding period in 2006 primarily due to \$1.0 billion of proceeds received in 2006 from the sale of assets, including cable systems.

**Financing Activities.** Net cash provided by financing activities was \$1.7 billion and \$826 million for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively, and net cash used in financing activities was \$219 million for the year ended December 31, 2006. The increase in cash provided during the year ended December 31, 2008 compared to the corresponding period in 2007 and in 2007 as compared to the corresponding period in 2006, was primarily the result of an increase in the amount by which borrowings exceeded repayments of long-term debt.

### Capital Expenditures

We have significant ongoing capital expenditure requirements. Capital expenditures were \$1.2 billion, \$1.2 billion, and \$1.1 billion for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively. See the table below for more details.

Our capital expenditures are funded primarily from cash flows from operating activities and the issuance of debt. In addition, our liabilities related to capital expenditures decreased by \$39 million and \$2 million for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively, and increased by \$24 million for the year ended December 31, 2006.

During 2009, we expect capital expenditures to be approximately \$1.2 billion. We expect the nature of these expenditures will continue to be composed primarily of purchases of customer premise equipment related to telephone and other advanced services, support capital, and scalable infrastructure. The actual amount of our capital expenditures depends on the deployment of advanced broadband services and offerings. We may need additional capital if there is accelerated growth in high-speed Internet, telephone or digital customers or there is an increased need to respond to competitive pressures by expanding the delivery of other advanced services.

We have adopted capital expenditure disclosure guidance, which was developed by eleven then publicly traded cable system operators, including Charter, with the support of the National Cable & Telecommunications Association ("NCTA"). The disclosure is intended to provide more consistency in the reporting of capital expenditures among peer companies in the cable industry. These disclosure guidelines are not required disclosures under GAAP, nor do they impact our accounting for capital expenditures under GAAP.

The following table presents our major capital expenditures categories in accordance with NCTA disclosure guidelines for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006 (dollars in millions):

	<b>For the years ended December 31,</b>		
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
Customer premise equipment (a)	\$ 595	\$ 578	\$ 507
Scalable infrastructure (b)	251	232	214
Line extensions (c)	80	105	107
Upgrade/rebuild (d)	40	52	45
Support capital (e)	236	277	230
<b>Total capital expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 1,202</b>	<b>\$ 1,244</b>	<b>\$ 1,103</b>

- (a) Customer premise equipment includes costs incurred at the customer residence to secure new customers, revenue units and additional bandwidth revenues. It also includes customer installation costs in accordance with SFAS No. 51, *Financial Reporting by Cable Television Companies*, and customer premise equipment (e.g., set-top boxes and cable modems, etc.).
- (b) Scalable infrastructure includes costs not related to customer premise equipment or our network, to secure growth of new customers, revenue units, and additional bandwidth revenues, or provide service enhancements (e.g., headend equipment).
- (c) Line extensions include network costs associated with entering new service areas (e.g., fiber/coaxial cable, amplifiers, electronic equipment, make-ready and design engineering).
- (d) Upgrade/rebuild includes costs to modify or replace existing fiber/coaxial cable networks, including betterments.
- (e) Support capital includes costs associated with the replacement or enhancement of non-network assets due to technological and physical obsolescence (e.g., non-network equipment, land, buildings and vehicles).

## Description of Our Outstanding Debt

### Overview

As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, the blended weighted average interest rate on our debt was 8.4% and 9.0%, respectively. The interest rate on approximately 80% and 85% of the total principal amount of our debt was effectively fixed, including the effects of our interest rate hedge agreements, as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. The fair value of our high-yield notes was \$4.4 billion and \$10.3 billion at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. The fair value of our convertible senior notes was \$12 million and \$332 million at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. The fair value of our credit facilities was \$6.2 billion and \$6.7 billion at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. The fair value of high-yield and convertible notes was based on quoted market prices, and the fair value of the credit facilities was based on dealer quotations.

The following description is a summary of certain provisions of our credit facilities and our notes that remain outstanding upon the consummation of the Plan (the “Debt Agreements”). The summary does not restate the terms of the Debt Agreements in their entirety, nor does it describe all terms of the Debt Agreements. The agreements and instruments governing each of the Debt Agreements are complicated and you should consult such agreements and instruments for more detailed information regarding the Debt Agreements.

### Credit Facilities – General

#### Charter Operating Credit Facilities

Following consummation of the Plan, the Charter Operating credit facilities remain outstanding although the revolving line of credit will no longer be available for new borrowings and remains substantially drawn with the same maturity and interest terms. The Charter Operating credit facilities provide borrowing availability of up to \$8.0 billion as follows:

- a term loan with an initial total principal amount of \$6.5 billion, which is repayable in equal quarterly installments, commencing March 31, 2008, and aggregating in each loan year to 1% of the original amount of the term loan, with the remaining balance due at final maturity on March 6, 2014; and
- a revolving line of credit of \$1.5 billion, with a maturity date on March 6, 2013.

The Charter Operating credit facilities also allow us to enter into incremental term loans in the future with an aggregate amount of up to \$1.0 billion, with amortization as set forth in the notices establishing such term loans, but with no amortization greater than 1% prior to the final maturity of the existing term loan. In March 2008, Charter Operating borrowed \$500 million principal amount of incremental term loans (the “Incremental Term Loans”) under the Charter Operating credit facilities. The Incremental Term Loans have a final maturity of March 6, 2014 and prior to that date will amortize in quarterly principal installments totaling 1% annually beginning on June 30, 2008. The Incremental Term Loans bear interest at LIBOR plus 5.0%, with a LIBOR floor of 3.5%, and are otherwise governed by and subject to the existing terms of the Charter Operating credit facilities. Net proceeds from the Incremental Term Loans were used for general corporate purposes. Although the Charter Operating credit facilities allow for the incurrence of up to an additional \$500 million in incremental term loans, no assurance can be given that we could obtain additional incremental term loans in the future if Charter Operating sought to do so.

Amounts outstanding under the Charter Operating credit facilities bear interest, at Charter Operating’s election, at a base rate or the Eurodollar rate, as defined, plus a margin for Eurodollar loans of up to 2.00% for the revolving credit facility and 2.00% for the term loan, and quarterly commitment fees of 0.5% per annum is payable on the average daily unborrowed balance of the revolving credit facility. If an event of default were to occur, such as a bankruptcy filing, Charter Operating would not be able to elect the Eurodollar rate and would have to pay interest at the base rate plus the applicable margin.

The obligations of Charter Operating under the Charter Operating credit facilities (the “Obligations”) are guaranteed by Charter Operating’s immediate parent company, CCO Holdings, and subsidiaries of Charter Operating, except for certain subsidiaries, including immaterial subsidiaries and subsidiaries precluded from guaranteeing by reason of the provisions of other indebtedness to which they are subject (the “non-guarantor subsidiaries”). The Obligations are also secured by (i) a lien on substantially all of the assets of Charter Operating and its subsidiaries (other than assets of the non-guarantor subsidiaries), to the extent such lien can be perfected under the Uniform Commercial Code by the filing of a financing statement, and (ii) a pledge by CCO Holdings of the equity interests owned by it in

Charter Operating or any of Charter Operating's subsidiaries, as well as intercompany obligations owing to it by any of such entities.

### ***CCO Holdings Credit Facility***

In March 2007, CCO Holdings entered into a credit agreement (the "CCO Holdings credit facility") which consists of a \$350 million term loan facility. Following consummation of the Plan, the CCO Holdings credit facility remains outstanding. The facility matures in September 2014. The CCO Holdings credit facility also allows us to enter into incremental term loans in the future, maturing on the dates set forth in the notices establishing such term loans, but no earlier than the maturity date of the existing term loans. However, no assurance can be given that we could obtain such incremental term loans if CCO Holdings sought to do so. Borrowings under the CCO Holdings credit facility bear interest at a variable interest rate based on either LIBOR or a base rate plus, in either case, an applicable margin. The applicable margin for LIBOR term loans, other than incremental loans, is 2.50% above LIBOR. If an event of default were to occur, such as a bankruptcy filing, CCO Holdings would not be able to elect the Eurodollar rate and would have to pay interest at the base rate plus the applicable margin. The applicable margin with respect to incremental loans is to be agreed upon by CCO Holdings and the lenders when the incremental loans are established. The CCO Holdings credit facility is secured by the equity interests of Charter Operating, and all proceeds thereof.

### **Credit Facilities — Restrictive Covenants**

#### ***Charter Operating Credit Facilities***

The Charter Operating credit facilities contain representations and warranties, and affirmative and negative covenants customary for financings of this type. The financial covenants measure performance against standards set for leverage to be tested as of the end of each quarter. Additionally, the Charter Operating credit facilities contain provisions requiring mandatory loan prepayments under specific circumstances, including in connection with certain sales of assets, so long as the proceeds have not been reinvested in the business.

The Charter Operating credit facilities permit Charter Operating and its subsidiaries to make distributions to pay interest on the indebtedness of its parents and the Charter Operating second-lien notes, provided that, among other things, no default has occurred and is continuing under the credit facilities. Conditions to future borrowings include absence of a default or an event of default under the credit facilities, and the continued accuracy in all material respects of the representations and warranties, including the absence since December 31, 2005 of any event, development, or circumstance that has had or could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on our business.

The events of default under the Charter Operating credit facilities include among other things:

- the failure to make payments when due or within the applicable grace period;
- the failure to comply with specified covenants, including, but not limited to, a covenant to deliver audited financial statements for Charter Operating with an unqualified opinion from our independent accountants and without a "going concern" or like qualification or exception;
- the failure to pay or the occurrence of events that cause or permit the acceleration of other indebtedness owing by CCO Holdings, Charter Operating, or Charter Operating's subsidiaries in amounts in excess of \$100 million in aggregate principal amount;
- the failure to pay or the occurrence of events that result in the acceleration of other indebtedness owing by certain of CCO Holdings' direct and indirect parent companies in amounts in excess of \$200 million in aggregate principal amount;
- Paul Allen and/or certain of his family members and/or their exclusively owned entities (collectively, the "Paul Allen Group") ceasing to have the power, directly or indirectly, to vote at least 35% of the ordinary voting power of Charter Operating;
- the consummation of any transaction resulting in any person or group (other than the Paul Allen Group) having power, directly or indirectly, to vote more than 35% of the ordinary voting power of Charter Operating, unless the Paul Allen Group holds a greater share of ordinary voting power of Charter Operating; and
- Charter Operating ceasing to be a wholly-owned direct subsidiary of CCO Holdings, except in certain very limited circumstances.

## ***CCO Holdings Credit Facility***

The CCO Holdings credit facility contains covenants that are substantially similar to the restrictive covenants for the CCO Holdings notes except that the leverage ratio is 5.50 to 1.0. See “—Summary of Restricted Covenants of Our High Yield Notes.” The CCO Holdings credit facility contains provisions requiring mandatory loan prepayments under specific circumstances, including in connection with certain sales of assets, so long as the proceeds have not been reinvested in the business. The CCO Holdings credit facility permits CCO Holdings and its subsidiaries to make distributions to pay interest on the Charter convertible senior notes, the CCHC notes, the Charter Holdings notes, the CIH notes, the CCH I notes, the CCH II notes, the CCO Holdings notes, and the Charter Operating second-lien notes, provided that, among other things, no default has occurred and is continuing under the CCO Holdings credit facility.

## **Notes**

Provided below is a brief description of the notes in place after giving effect to the consummation of the Plan.

### ***CCH II Notes***

On November 30, 2009, CCH II and CCH II Capital Corp. issued approximately \$1.8 billion in total principal amount of new 13.5% senior notes. The New CCH II Notes pay interest in cash semi-annually in arrears at the rate of 13.5% per annum and are unsecured. The New CCH II Notes will mature on November 30, 2016.

### ***CCO Holdings, LLC Notes***

In November 2003 and August 2005, CCO Holdings and CCO Holdings Capital Corp. jointly issued \$500 million and \$300 million, respectively, total principal amount of 8¾% senior notes due 2013 (the “CCOH 2013 Notes”). The CCOH 2013 Notes are senior debt obligations of CCO Holdings and CCO Holdings Capital Corp. They rank equally with all other current and future unsecured, unsubordinated obligations of CCO Holdings and CCO Holdings Capital Corp., including the CCO Holdings credit facility. The CCOH 2013 Notes are structurally subordinated to all obligations of subsidiaries of CCO Holdings, including the Charter Operating notes and the Charter Operating credit facilities. Following consummation of the Plan, the CCO Holdings notes remain outstanding.

### ***Charter Communications Operating, LLC Notes***

In April 2004, Charter Operating and Charter Communications Operating Capital Corp. jointly issued \$1.1 billion of 8% senior second-lien notes due 2012 and \$400 million of 8 3/8% senior second-lien notes due 2014. In March and June 2005, Charter Operating consummated exchange transactions with a small number of institutional holders of Charter Holdings 8.25% senior notes due 2007 pursuant to which Charter Operating issued, in private placement transactions, approximately \$333 million principal amount of its 8 3/8% senior second-lien notes due 2014 in exchange for approximately \$346 million of the Charter Holdings 8.25% senior notes due 2007. In March 2006, Charter Operating exchanged \$37 million of Renaissance Media Group LLC 10% senior discount notes due 2008 for \$37 million principal amount of Charter Operating 8 3/8% senior second-lien notes due 2014. In March 2008, Charter Operating issued \$546 million principal amount of 10.875% senior second-lien notes due 2014, guaranteed by CCO Holdings and certain other subsidiaries of Charter Operating, in a private transaction. Net proceeds from the senior second-lien notes were used to reduce borrowings, but not commitments, under the revolving portion of the Charter Operating credit facilities.

Subject to specified limitations, CCO Holdings and those subsidiaries of Charter Operating that are guarantors of, or otherwise obligors with respect to, indebtedness under the Charter Operating credit facilities and related obligations are required to guarantee the Charter Operating notes. The note guarantee of each such guarantor is:

- a senior obligation of such guarantor;
- structurally senior to the outstanding CCO Holdings notes (except in the case of CCO Holdings’ note guarantee, which is structurally *pari passu* with such senior notes), the outstanding CCH II notes, the outstanding CCH I notes, the outstanding CIH notes, the outstanding Charter Holdings notes and the outstanding Charter convertible senior notes;
- senior in right of payment to any future subordinated indebtedness of such guarantor; and

- effectively senior to the relevant subsidiary's unsecured indebtedness, to the extent of the value of the collateral but subject to the prior lien of the credit facilities.

The Charter Operating notes and related note guarantees are secured by a second-priority lien on all of Charter Operating's and its subsidiaries' assets that secure the obligations of Charter Operating or any subsidiary of Charter Operating with respect to the Charter Operating credit facilities and the related obligations. The collateral currently consists of the capital stock of Charter Operating held by CCO Holdings, all of the intercompany obligations owing to CCO Holdings by Charter Operating or any subsidiary of Charter Operating, and substantially all of Charter Operating's and the guarantors' assets (other than the assets of CCO Holdings) in which security interests may be perfected under the Uniform Commercial Code by filing a financing statement (including capital stock and intercompany obligations), including, but not limited to:

- with certain exceptions, all capital stock (limited in the case of capital stock of foreign subsidiaries, if any, to 66% of the capital stock of first tier foreign Subsidiaries) held by Charter Operating or any guarantor; and
- with certain exceptions, all intercompany obligations owing to Charter Operating or any guarantor.

In the event that additional liens are granted by Charter Operating or its subsidiaries to secure obligations under the Charter Operating credit facilities or the related obligations, second priority liens on the same assets will be granted to secure the Charter Operating notes, which liens will be subject to the provisions of an intercreditor agreement (to which none of Charter Operating or its affiliates are parties). Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, no such second priority liens need be provided if the time such lien would otherwise be granted is not during a guarantee and pledge availability period (when the Leverage Condition is satisfied), but such second priority liens will be required to be provided in accordance with the foregoing sentence on or prior to the fifth business day of the commencement of the next succeeding guarantee and pledge availability period.

The Charter Operating notes are senior debt obligations of Charter Operating and Charter Communications Operating Capital Corp. To the extent of the value of the collateral (but subject to the prior lien of the credit facilities), they rank effectively senior to all of Charter Operating's future unsecured senior indebtedness. Following consummation of the Plan, the Charter Operating notes remain outstanding.

### Redemption Provisions of Our High Yield Notes

The various notes issued by our subsidiaries that remain outstanding pursuant to the Plan included in the table may be redeemed in accordance with the following table or are not redeemable until maturity as indicated:

Note Series	Redemption Dates	Percentage of Principal
<b>CCH II:</b>		
13.5% senior notes due 2016	December 1, 2012 – November 30, 2013	106.75%
	December 1, 2103 – November 30, 2014	103.375%
	December 1, 2014 – November 30, 2015	101.6875%
	Thereafter	100.000%
<b>CCO Holdings:</b>		
8 3/4% senior notes due 2013	November 15, 2008 – November 14, 2009	104.375%
	November 15, 2009 – November 14, 2010	102.917%
	November 15, 2010 – November 14, 2011	101.458%
	Thereafter	100.000%
<b>Charter Operating:</b>		
8% senior second-lien notes due 2012	At any time	*
8 3/8% senior second-lien notes due 2014	April 30, 2009 – April 29, 2010	104.188%
	April 30, 2010 – April 29, 2011	102.792%
	April 30, 2011 – April 29, 2012	101.396%
	Thereafter	100.000%
10.875% senior second-lien notes due 2014	At any time	**

\* Charter Operating may, at any time and from time to time, at their option, redeem the outstanding 8%

second lien notes due 2012, in whole or in part, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date, plus the Make-Whole Premium. The Make-Whole Premium is an amount equal to the excess of (a) the present value of the remaining interest and principal payments due on an 8% senior second-lien notes due 2012 to its final maturity date, computed using a discount rate equal to the Treasury Rate on such date plus 0.50%, over (b) the outstanding principal amount of such Note.

\*\* Charter Operating may redeem the outstanding 10.875% second lien notes due 2014, at their option, on or after varying dates, in each case at a premium, plus the Make-Whole Premium. The Make-Whole Premium is an amount equal to the excess of (a) the present value of the remaining interest and principal payments due on a 10.875% senior second-lien note due 2014 to its final maturity date, computed using a discount rate equal to the Treasury Rate on such date plus 0.50%, over (b) the outstanding principal amount of such note. The Charter Operating 10.875% senior second-lien notes may be redeemed at any time on or after March 15, 2012 at specified prices.

In the event that a specified change of control event occurs, each of the respective issuers of the notes must offer to repurchase any then outstanding notes at 101% of their principal amount or accrued value, as applicable, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any.

### **Summary of Restrictive Covenants of Our High Yield Notes**

The following description is a summary of certain restrictions of our Debt Agreements that remain outstanding following consummation of the Plan. The summary does not restate the terms of the Debt Agreements in their entirety, nor does it describe all restrictions of the Debt Agreements. The agreements and instruments governing each of the Debt Agreements are complicated and you should consult such agreements and instruments for more detailed information regarding the Debt Agreements.

The notes issued certain of our subsidiaries (together, the “note issuers”) were issued pursuant to indentures that contain covenants that restrict the ability of the note issuers and their subsidiaries to, among other things:

- incur indebtedness;
- pay dividends or make distributions in respect of capital stock and other restricted payments;
- issue equity;
- make investments;
- create liens;
- sell assets;
- consolidate, merge, or sell all or substantially all assets;
- enter into sale leaseback transactions;
- create restrictions on the ability of restricted subsidiaries to make certain payments; or
- enter into transactions with affiliates.

However, such covenants are subject to a number of important qualifications and exceptions. Below we set forth a brief summary of certain of the restrictive covenants.

### **Restrictions on Additional Debt**

The limitations on incurrence of debt and issuance of preferred stock contained in various indentures permit each of the respective notes issuers and its restricted subsidiaries to incur additional debt or issue preferred stock, so long as, after giving pro forma effect to the incurrence, the leverage ratio would be below a specified level for each of the note issuers. The leverage ratios for CCH II, CCO Holdings and Charter Operating are as follows:

<u>Issuer</u>	<u>Leverage Ratio</u>
CCH II	5.75 to 1
CCOH	4.5 to 1
CCO	4.25 to 1

In addition, regardless of whether the leverage ratio could be met, so long as no default exists or would result from the incurrence or issuance, each issuer and their restricted subsidiaries are permitted to issue among other permitted indebtedness:

- up to an amount of debt under credit facilities not otherwise allocated as indicated below:
  - CCH II: \$1 billion
  - CCO Holdings: \$9.75 billion
  - Charter Operating: \$6.8 billion
- up to \$75 million of debt incurred to finance the purchase or capital lease of new assets;
- up to \$300 million of additional debt for any purpose; and
- other items of indebtedness for specific purposes such as intercompany debt, refinancing of existing debt, and interest rate swaps to provide protection against fluctuation in interest rates.

Indebtedness under a single facility or agreement may be incurred in part under one of the categories listed above and in part under another, and generally may also later be reclassified into another category including as debt incurred under the leverage ratio. Accordingly, indebtedness under our credit facilities is incurred under a combination of the categories of permitted indebtedness listed above. The restricted subsidiaries of note issuers are generally not permitted to issue subordinated debt securities.

### **Restrictions on Distributions**

Generally, under the various indentures each of the note issuers and their respective restricted subsidiaries are permitted to pay dividends on or repurchase equity interests, or make other specified restricted payments, only if the applicable issuer can incur \$1.00 of new debt under the applicable leverage ratio test after giving effect to the transaction and if no default exists or would exist as a consequence of such incurrence. If those conditions are met, restricted payments may be made in a total amount of up to the following amounts for the applicable issuer as indicated below:

- CCH II: the sum of 100% of CCH II's Consolidated EBITDA, as defined, minus 1.3 times its Consolidated Interest Expense, as defined, cumulatively from October 1, 2009 plus 100% of new cash and appraised non-cash equity proceeds received by CCH II and not allocated to certain investments, cumulatively from November 30, 2009 ;
- CCO Holdings: the sum of 100% of CCO Holdings' Consolidated EBITDA, as defined, minus 1.3 times its Consolidated Interest Expense, as defined, plus 100% of new cash and appraised non-cash equity proceeds received by CCO Holdings and not allocated to certain investments, cumulatively from October 1, 2003, plus \$100 million; and
- Charter Operating: the sum of 100% of Charter Operating's Consolidated EBITDA, as defined, minus 1.3 times its Consolidated Interest Expense, as defined, plus 100% of new cash and appraised non-cash equity proceeds received by Charter Operating and not allocated to certain investments, cumulatively from April 1, 2004, plus \$100 million.

In addition, each of the note issuers may make distributions or restricted payments, so long as no default exists or would be caused by transactions among other distributions or restricted payments:

- to repurchase management equity interests in amounts not to exceed \$10 million per fiscal year;



- regardless of the existence of any default, to pay pass-through tax liabilities in respect of ownership of equity interests in the applicable issuer or its restricted subsidiaries; or
- to make other specified restricted payments including merger fees up to 1.25% of the transaction value, repurchases using concurrent new issuances, and certain dividends on existing subsidiary preferred equity interests.

Each of CCO Holdings and Charter Operating and their respective restricted subsidiaries may make distributions or restricted payments: (i) so long as certain defaults do not exist and even if the applicable leverage test referred to above is not met, to enable certain of its parents to pay interest on certain of their indebtedness or (ii) so long as the applicable issuer could incur \$1.00 of indebtedness under the applicable leverage ratio test referred to above, to enable certain of its parents to purchase, redeem or refinance certain indebtedness.

### ***Restrictions on Investments***

Each of the note issuers and their respective restricted subsidiaries may not make investments except (i) permitted investments or (ii) if, after giving effect to the transaction, their leverage would be above the applicable leverage ratio.

Permitted investments include, among others:

- investments in and generally among restricted subsidiaries or by restricted subsidiaries in the applicable issuer;
- For CCH II:
  - investments aggregating up to \$650 million at any time outstanding;
  - investments aggregating up to 100% of new cash equity proceeds received by CCH II since November 30, 2009 to the extent the proceeds have not been allocated to the restricted payments covenant;
- For CCO Holdings:
  - investments aggregating up to \$750 million at any time outstanding;
  - investments aggregating up to 100% of new cash equity proceeds received by CCO Holdings since November 10, 2003 to the extent the proceeds have not been allocated to the restricted payments covenant;
- For Charter Operating:
  - investments aggregating up to \$750 million at any time outstanding;
  - investments aggregating up to 100% of new cash equity proceeds received by CCO Holdings since April 27, 2004 to the extent the proceeds have not been allocated to the restricted payments covenant.

### ***Restrictions on Liens***

Charter Operating and its restricted subsidiaries are not permitted to grant liens senior to the liens securing the Charter Operating notes, other than permitted liens, on their assets to secure indebtedness or other obligations, if, after giving effect to such incurrence, the senior secured leverage ratio (generally, the ratio of obligations secured by first priority liens to four times EBITDA, as defined, for the most recent fiscal quarter for which internal financial reports are available) would exceed 3.75 to 1.0. The restrictions on liens for each of the other note issuers only applies to liens on assets of the issuers themselves and does not restrict liens on assets of subsidiaries. With respect to all of the note issuers, permitted liens include liens securing indebtedness and other obligations under credit facilities (subject to specified limitations in the case of Charter Operating), liens securing the purchase price of financed new assets, liens securing indebtedness of up to \$50 million and other specified liens.

### ***Restrictions on the Sale of Assets; Mergers***

The note issuers are generally not permitted to sell all or substantially all of their assets or merge with or into other companies unless their leverage ratio after any such transaction would be no greater than their leverage ratio immediately prior to the transaction, or unless after giving effect to the transaction, leverage would be below the applicable leverage ratio for the applicable issuer, no default exists, and the surviving entity is a U.S. entity that assumes the applicable notes.

The note issuers and their restricted subsidiaries may generally not otherwise sell assets or, in the case of restricted subsidiaries, issue equity interests, in excess of \$100 million unless they receive consideration at least equal to the fair market value of the assets or equity interests, consisting of at least 75% in cash, assumption of liabilities,

securities converted into cash within 60 days, or productive assets. The note issuers and their restricted subsidiaries are then required within 365 days after any asset sale either to use or commit to use the net cash proceeds over a specified threshold to acquire assets used or useful in their businesses or use the net cash proceeds to repay specified debt, or to offer to repurchase the issuer's notes with any remaining proceeds.

#### ***Restrictions on Sale and Leaseback Transactions***

The note issuers and their restricted subsidiaries may generally not engage in sale and leaseback transactions unless, at the time of the transaction, the applicable issuer could have incurred secured indebtedness under its leverage ratio test in an amount equal to the present value of the net rental payments to be made under the lease, and the sale of the assets and application of proceeds is permitted by the covenant restricting asset sales.

#### ***Prohibitions on Restricting Dividends***

The note issuers' restricted subsidiaries may generally not enter into arrangements involving restrictions on their ability to make dividends or distributions or transfer assets to the applicable note issuer unless those restrictions with respect to financing arrangements are on terms that are no more restrictive than those governing the credit facilities existing when they entered into the applicable indentures or are not materially more restrictive than customary terms in comparable financings and will not materially impair the applicable note issuers' ability to make payments on the notes.

#### ***Affiliate Transactions***

The indentures also restrict the ability of the note issuers and their restricted subsidiaries to enter into certain transactions with affiliates involving consideration in excess of \$15 million without a determination by the board of directors of the applicable note issuer that the transaction complies with this covenant, or transactions with affiliates involving over \$50 million without receiving an opinion as to the fairness to the holders of such transaction from a financial point of view issued by an accounting, appraisal or investment banking firm of national standing.

#### ***Cross Acceleration***

Our indentures and those of certain of our subsidiaries include various events of default, including cross acceleration provisions. Under these provisions, a failure by any of the issuers or any of their restricted subsidiaries to pay at the final maturity thereof the principal amount of other indebtedness having a principal amount of \$100 million or more (or any other default under any such indebtedness resulting in its acceleration) would result in an event of default under the indenture governing the applicable notes. As a result, an event of default related to the failure to repay principal at maturity or the acceleration of the indebtedness under the New CCH II notes, CCO Holdings notes, Charter Operating notes or the Charter Operating credit facilities could cause cross-defaults under our subsidiaries' indentures.

#### ***Recently Issued Accounting Standards***

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 141R, *Business Combinations: Applying the Acquisition Method*, which provides guidance on the accounting and reporting for business combinations. SFAS No. 141R is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. We adopted SFAS No. 141R effective January 1, 2009. The adoption of SFAS No. 141R has not had a material impact on our financial statements.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 160, *Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements - An Amendment of ARB No. 51*, which provides guidance on the accounting and reporting for minority interests in consolidated financial statements. SFAS No. 160 requires losses to be allocated to non-controlling (minority) interests even when such amounts are deficits. As such, future losses will be allocated between Charter and the Charter Holdco non-controlling interest. SFAS No. 160 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. We adopted SFAS No. 160 effective January 1, 2009 and applied the effects retrospectively to all periods presented to the extent prescribed by the standard. Had SFAS No. 160 been effective for our financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2008, our net loss to Charter shareholders would have been reduced by \$1.2 billion. The adoption resulted in the presentation of Mr. Allen's 5.6% preferred membership interest in CC VIII as temporary equity in our consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2008 and 2007 as presented, which was previously classified as minority interest. See Note 3 to the accompanying consolidated financial statements contained in "Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data."

In February 2008, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position (FSP) 157-2, *Effective Date of FASB Statement No. 157*, which deferred the effective date of SFAS No. 157 to fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2008 for nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities. We applied SFAS No. 157 to nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities beginning January 1, 2009. The adoption of SFAS No. 157 has not had a material impact on our financial statements.

In March 2008, the FASB issued SFAS No. 161, *Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, an amendment of FASB Statement No. 133*, which requires companies to disclose their objectives and strategies for using derivative instruments, whether or not designated as hedging instruments under SFAS No. 133. SFAS No. 161 is effective for interim periods and fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2008. We adopted SFAS No. 161 effective January 1, 2009. The adoption of SFAS No. 161 has not had a material impact on our financial statements.

In April 2008, the FASB issued FSP FAS 142-3, *Determination of the Useful Life of Intangible Assets*, which amends the factors to be considered in renewal or extension assumptions used to determine the useful life of a recognized intangible asset. FSP FAS 142-3 is effective for interim periods and fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. We adopted FSP FAS 142-3 effective January 1, 2009. The adoption of FSP FAS 142-3 has not had a material impact on our financial statements.

In May 2008, the FASB issued FSP Accounting Principles Board (“APB”) 14-1, *Accounting for Convertible Debt Instruments That May Be Settled in Cash upon Conversion (Including Partial Cash Settlement)*, which specifies that issuers of convertible debt instruments that may be settled in cash upon conversion should separately account for the liability and equity components in a manner reflecting their nonconvertible debt borrowing rate when interest costs are recognized in subsequent periods. FSP APB 14-1 is effective for interim periods and fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. We adopted FSP APB 14-1 effective January 1, 2009 and applied the effects retrospectively to all prior periods presented. The adoption of FSP APB 14-1 resulted in us recording a cumulative adjustment as of December 31, 2005 of an increase in additional paid-in capital of \$302 million and an increase in accumulated deficit of \$48 million. The adoption of FSP APB 14-1 did not have an impact on net loss or net loss per common share for the year ended December 31, 2008. The adoption of FSP APB 14-1 resulted in a decrease in net loss and net loss per common share of \$82 million and \$0.22 for the year ended December 31, 2007 and an increase in net loss and net loss per common share of \$84 million and \$0.25 for the year ended December 31, 2006. Our consolidated financial statements and relevant financial information in the footnotes herein have been updated to reflect the changes required by FSP APB 14-1.

We do not believe that any other recently issued, but not yet effective accounting pronouncements, if adopted, would have a material effect on our accompanying financial statements.



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## Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Shareholders  
Charter Communications, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Charter Communications, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in shareholders' deficit, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2008. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Charter Communications, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2008, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

As discussed in Note 25 to the consolidated financial statements, effective January 1, 2009, the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 160, *Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements – An Amendment of ARB No. 51*, and FASB Staff Position APB 14-1, *Accounting for Convertible Debt Instruments That May Be Settled in Cash upon Conversion (Including Partial Cash Settlement)*.

/s/ KPMG LLP

St. Louis, Missouri

March 13, 2009, except as to Note 25 and Note 28, which are as of November 30, 2009

**CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**  
(dollars in millions, except share data)

	<b>December 31,</b>	
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT ASSETS:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 960	\$ 75
Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$18 and \$18, respectively	222	225
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	36	36
Total current assets	1,218	336
<b>INVESTMENT IN CABLE PROPERTIES:</b>		
Property, plant and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$7,225 and \$6,462, respectively	4,987	5,103
Franchises, net	7,384	8,942
Total investment in cable properties, net	12,371	14,045
<b>OTHER NONCURRENT ASSETS</b>		
	293	285
Total assets	\$ 13,882	\$ 14,666
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' DEFICIT</b>		
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES:</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 1,310	\$ 1,332
Current portion of long-term debt	155	--
Total current liabilities	1,465	1,332
<b>LONG-TERM DEBT</b>		
	21,511	19,903
<b>NOTE PAYABLE – RELATED PARTY</b>	75	65
<b>DEFERRED MANAGEMENT FEES – RELATED PARTY</b>	14	14
<b>OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES</b>	1,082	1,019
<b>TEMPORARY EQUITY</b>		
	241	215
<b>PREFERRED STOCK – REDEEMABLE; \$.001 par value; 1 million shares authorized; 0 and 36,713 shares issued and outstanding, respectively</b>	--	5
<b>SHAREHOLDERS' DEFICIT:</b>		
Class A common stock; \$.001 par value; 10.5 billion shares authorized; 411,737,894 and 398,226,468 shares issued and outstanding, respectively	--	--
Class B common stock; \$.001 par value; 4.5 billion shares authorized; 50,000 shares issued and outstanding	--	--
Preferred stock; \$.001 par value; 250 million shares authorized; no non-redeemable shares issued and outstanding	--	--
Additional paid-in capital	5,394	5,382
Accumulated deficit	(15,597)	(13,146)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(303)	(123)
Total shareholders' deficit	(10,506)	(7,887)
Total liabilities and shareholders' deficit	\$ 13,882	\$ 14,666

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

**CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**  
(dollars in millions, except per share and share data)

	<b>Year Ended December 31,</b>		
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 6,479</b>	<b>\$ 6,002</b>	<b>\$ 5,504</b>
<b>COSTS AND EXPENSES:</b>			
Operating (excluding depreciation and amortization)	2,792	2,620	2,438
Selling, general and administrative	1,401	1,289	1,165
Depreciation and amortization	1,310	1,328	1,354
Impairment of franchises	1,521	178	--
Asset impairment charges	--	56	159
Other operating (income) expenses, net	69	(17)	21
	<u>7,093</u>	<u>5,454</u>	<u>5,137</u>
Operating income (loss) from continuing operations	<u>(614)</u>	<u>548</u>	<u>367</u>
<b>OTHER INCOME (EXPENSES):</b>			
Interest expense, net	(1,905)	(1,861)	(1,901)
Change in value of derivatives	(29)	52	(4)
Gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt	4	(56)	41
Other income (expense), net	(10)	(8)	14
	<u>(1,940)</u>	<u>(1,873)</u>	<u>(1,850)</u>
Loss from continuing operations, before income tax expense	(2,554)	(1,325)	(1,483)
<b>INCOME TAX BENEFIT (EXPENSE)</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>(209)</b>	<b>(187)</b>
Loss from continuing operations	(2,451)	(1,534)	(1,670)
<b>INCOME FROM DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS, NET OF TAX</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>216</b>
Net loss	<u>\$ (2,451)</u>	<u>\$ (1,534)</u>	<u>\$ (1,454)</u>
<b>LOSS PER COMMON SHARE, basic and diluted:</b>			
Loss from continuing operations	<u>\$ (6.56)</u>	<u>\$ (4.17)</u>	<u>\$ (5.03)</u>
Net loss	<u>\$ (6.56)</u>	<u>\$ (4.17)</u>	<u>\$ (4.38)</u>
Weighted average common shares outstanding, basic and diluted	<u>373,464,920</u>	<u>368,240,608</u>	<u>331,941,788</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.



**CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' DEFICIT**  
(dollars in millions)

	<u>Class A Common Stock</u>	<u>Class B Common Stock</u>	<u>Additional Paid-In Capital</u>	<u>Accumulated Deficit</u>	<u>Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)</u>	<u>Total Shareholders' Deficit</u>
BALANCE, December 31, 2005, as previously recorded	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 5,241	\$ (10,166)	\$ 5	\$ (4,920)
Cumulative adjustment for the adoption of FSP APB 14-1	--	--	302	(48)	--	254
BALANCE, December 31, 2005, as adjusted	--	--	5,543	(10,214)	5	(4,666)
Changes in fair value of interest rate agreements	--	--	--	--	(1)	(1)
Option compensation expense, net	--	--	6	--	--	6
Issuance of common stock in exchange for convertible notes	--	--	66	--	--	66
Reacquisition of equity component of convertible notes	--	--	(70)	--	--	(70)
Net loss	--	--	--	(1,454)	--	(1,454)
BALANCE, December 31, 2006	--	--	5,545	(11,668)	4	(6,119)
Changes in fair value of interest rate agreements	--	--	--	--	(123)	(123)
Option compensation expense, net	--	--	12	--	--	12
Cumulative adjustment to Accumulated Deficit for the adoption of FIN48	--	--	--	56	--	56
Reacquisition of equity component of convertible notes	--	--	(177)	--	--	(177)
Other	--	--	2	--	(4)	(2)
Net loss	--	--	--	(1,534)	--	(1,534)
BALANCE, December 31, 2007	--	--	5,382	(13,146)	(123)	(7,887)
Changes in fair value of interest rate agreements	--	--	--	--	(180)	(180)
Option compensation expense, net	--	--	12	--	--	12
Preferred stock redemption	--	--	5	--	--	5
Reacquisition of equity component of convertible notes	--	--	(5)	--	--	(5)
Net loss	--	--	--	(2,451)	--	(2,451)
BALANCE, December 31, 2008	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ 5,394</u>	<u>\$ (15,597)</u>	<u>\$ (303)</u>	<u>\$ (10,506)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

**CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
(dollars in millions)

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>			
Net loss	\$ (2,451)	\$ (1,534)	\$ (1,454)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash flows from operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	1,310	1,328	1,362
Impairment of franchises	1,521	178	--
Asset impairment charges	--	56	159
Noncash interest expense	61	50	152
Change in value of derivatives	29	(52)	4
Deferred income taxes	(107)	198	202
(Gain) loss on sale of assets, net	13	(3)	(192)
(Gain) loss on extinguishment of debt	(5)	44	(41)
Other, net	39	2	4
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of effects from acquisitions and dispositions:			
Accounts receivable	3	(36)	24
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(1)	45	55
Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other	(13)	51	48
Net cash flows from operating activities	<u>399</u>	<u>327</u>	<u>323</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>			
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(1,202)	(1,244)	(1,103)
Change in accrued expenses related to capital expenditures	(39)	(2)	24
Proceeds from sale of assets, including cable systems	43	104	1,020
Other, net	(12)	4	(6)
Net cash flows from investing activities	<u>(1,210)</u>	<u>(1,138)</u>	<u>(65)</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>			
Borrowings of long-term debt	3,105	7,877	6,322
Repayments of long-term debt	(1,354)	(7,017)	(6,938)
Proceeds from issuance of debt	--	--	440
Payments for debt issuance costs	(42)	(42)	(44)
Other, net	(13)	8	1
Net cash flows from financing activities	<u>1,696</u>	<u>826</u>	<u>(219)</u>
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	885	15	39
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, beginning of period	<u>75</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>21</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, end of period	<u>\$ 960</u>	<u>\$ 75</u>	<u>\$ 60</u>
CASH PAID FOR INTEREST	<u>\$ 1,847</u>	<u>\$ 1,792</u>	<u>\$ 1,671</u>
<b>NONCASH TRANSACTIONS:</b>			
Cumulative adjustment to Accumulated Deficit for the adoption of FIN 48	\$ --	\$ 56	\$ --
Issuance of Charter 6.50% convertible notes	\$ --	\$ 479	\$ --
Issuances of Charter Class A common stock	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 68
Issuance of debt by CCH I, LLC	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 419
Issuance of debt by CCH II, LLC	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 410
Issuance of debt by Charter Communications Operating, LLC	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 37
Retirement of Charter 5.875% convertible notes	\$ --	\$ (364)	\$ (255)
Retirement of Charter Communications Holdings, LLC debt	\$ --	\$ --	\$ (796)
Retirement of Renaissance Media Group LLC debt	\$ --	\$ --	\$ (37)

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**1. Organization and Basis of Presentation**

Charter Communications, Inc. ("Charter") is a holding company whose principal assets at December 31, 2008 are the 55% controlling common equity interest (53% for accounting purposes) in Charter Communications Holding Company, LLC ("Charter Holdco") and "mirror" notes which are payable by Charter Holdco to Charter and have the same principal amount and terms as those of Charter's convertible senior notes. Charter Holdco is the sole owner of CCHC, LLC ("CCHC"), which is the sole owner of Charter Communications Holdings, LLC ("Charter Holdings"). The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Charter, Charter Holdco, CCHC, Charter Holdings and all of their subsidiaries where the underlying operations reside, which are collectively referred to herein as the "Company." All significant intercompany accounts and transactions among consolidated entities have been eliminated.

The Company is a broadband communications company operating in the United States. The Company offers to residential and commercial customers traditional cable video programming (basic and digital video), high-speed Internet services, and telephone services, as well as advanced broadband services such as high definition television, Charter OnDemand™, and digital video recorder ("DVR") service. The Company sells its cable video programming, high-speed Internet, telephone, and advanced broadband services primarily on a subscription basis. The Company also sells local advertising on cable networks.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP") requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Areas involving significant judgments and estimates include capitalization of labor and overhead costs; depreciation and amortization costs; impairments of property, plant and equipment, franchises and goodwill; income taxes; and contingencies. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

*Reclassifications.* Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform with the 2008 presentation.

**2. Liquidity and Capital Resources**

The Company's consolidated financial statements have been prepared assuming that it will continue as a going concern. The conditions noted below raise substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. The consolidated financial statements do not include any adjustments to reflect the possible future effects on the recoverability and classification of assets or the amounts and classification of liabilities that may result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

On February 12, 2009, Charter announced that it had reached an agreement in principle with certain holders of certain of its subsidiaries' notes (the "Noteholders") holding approximately \$4.1 billion in aggregate principal amount of notes issued by Charter's subsidiaries, CCH I, LLC ("CCH I") and CCH II, LLC ("CCH II"). Pursuant to separate restructuring agreements, dated February 11, 2009, entered into with each Noteholder (as amended, the "Restructuring Agreements"), on or prior to April 1, 2009, Charter and its subsidiaries expect to file voluntary petitions for relief under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code to implement a restructuring pursuant to a joint plan of reorganization (the "Plan") aimed at improving its capital structure (the "Proposed Restructuring"). Refer to discussion of subsequent events regarding the Proposed Restructuring in Note 28.

During the fourth quarter of 2008, Charter Operating drew down all except \$27 million of amounts available under the revolving credit facility. During the first quarter of 2009, Charter Operating presented a qualifying draw notice to the banks under the revolving credit facility but was refused those funds. Additionally, upon filing bankruptcy, Charter Operating will no longer have access to the revolving credit facility and will rely on cash on hand and cash flows from operating activities to fund our projected cash needs. The Company's projected cash needs and projected sources of liquidity depend upon, among other things, its actual results, the timing and amount of its expenditures, and the outcome of various matters in its expected Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings and financial restructuring. The outcome of the Proposed Restructuring is subject to substantial risks. See Note 28.

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The Company incurred net losses of \$2.5 billion, \$1.5 billion, and \$1.5 billion in 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively. The Company's net cash flows from operating activities were \$399 million, \$327 million, and \$323 million for the years ending December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively.

The Company has a significant amount of debt. The Company's total debt as of December 31, 2008 totaled \$21.7 billion, consisting of \$8.6 billion of credit facility debt, \$12.7 billion accreted value of high-yield notes, and \$376 million accreted value of convertible senior notes. In 2009, \$155 million of the Company's debt matures and in 2010, an additional \$1.9 billion matures. In 2011 and beyond, significant additional amounts will become due under the Company's remaining long-term debt obligations.

The Company requires significant cash to fund debt service costs, capital expenditures and ongoing operations. The Company has historically funded these requirements through cash flows from operating activities, borrowings under its credit facilities, proceeds from sales of assets, issuances of debt and equity securities, and cash on hand. However, the mix of funding sources changes from period to period. For the year ended December 31, 2008, the Company generated \$399 million of net cash flows from operating activities, after paying cash interest of \$1.8 billion. In addition, the Company used \$1.2 billion for purchases of property, plant and equipment. Finally, the Company generated net cash flows from financing activities of \$1.7 billion, as a result of financing transactions and credit facility borrowings completed during the year ended December 31, 2008. As of December 31, 2008, the Company had cash on hand of \$960 million.

Although the Company has been able to refinance or otherwise fund the repayment of debt in the past, it may not be able to access additional sources of refinancing on similar terms or pricing as those that are currently in place, or at all, or otherwise obtain other sources of funding, especially given the recent volatility and disruption of the capital and credit markets and the deterioration of general economic conditions in recent months.

#### ***Limitations on Distributions***

As long as Charter's convertible senior notes remain outstanding and are not otherwise converted into shares of common stock, Charter must pay interest on the convertible senior notes and repay the principal amount. Charter's ability to make interest payments on its convertible senior notes, and to repay the outstanding principal of its convertible senior notes will depend on its ability to raise additional capital and/or on receipt of payments or distributions from Charter Holdco and its subsidiaries. As of December 31, 2008, Charter Holdco was owed \$13 million in intercompany loans from Charter Communications Operating, LLC ("Charter Operating") and had \$1 million in cash, which amounts were available to pay interest and principal on Charter's convertible senior notes to the extent not otherwise used, for example, to satisfy maturities at Charter Holdings. In addition, as long as Charter Holdco continues to hold the \$137 million of Charter Holdings' notes due 2009 and 2010 (as discussed further below), Charter Holdco will receive interest and principal payments from Charter Holdings to the extent Charter Holdings is able to make such payments. Such amounts may be available to pay interest and principal on Charter's convertible senior notes, although Charter Holdco may use those amounts for other purposes.

Distributions by Charter's subsidiaries to a parent company (including Charter, Charter Holdco and CCHC) for payment of principal on parent company notes, are restricted under the indentures governing the CCH I Holdings, LLC ("CIH") notes, CCH I notes, CCH II notes, CCO Holdings, LLC ("CCO Holdings") notes, Charter Operating notes, and under the CCO Holdings credit facility, unless there is no default under the applicable indenture and credit facilities, and unless each applicable subsidiary's leverage ratio test is met at the time of such distribution. For the quarter ended December 31, 2008, there was no default under any of these indentures or credit facilities. However, certain of the Company's subsidiaries did not meet their applicable leverage ratio tests based on December 31, 2008 financial results. As a result, distributions from certain of the Company's subsidiaries to their parent companies would have been restricted at such time and will continue to be restricted unless those tests are met. Distributions by Charter Operating for payment of principal on parent company notes are further restricted by the covenants in its credit facilities.

Distributions by CIH, CCH I, CCH II, CCO Holdings, and Charter Operating to a parent company for payment of parent company interest are permitted if there is no default under the aforementioned indentures and CCO Holdings and Charter Operating credit facilities.

The indentures governing the Charter Holdings notes permit Charter Holdings to make distributions to Charter Holdco for payment of interest or principal on Charter's convertible senior notes, only if, after giving effect to the distribution, Charter Holdings can incur additional debt under the leverage ratio of 8.75 to 1.0, there is no default under Charter Holdings' indentures, and other specified tests are met. For the quarter ended December 31, 2008, there was no default under Charter Holdings' indentures, the other specified tests were met, and Charter Holdings met its leverage ratio test based on December 31, 2008 financial results. Such distributions would be restricted, however, if Charter Holdings fails to meet these tests at the time of the contemplated distribution. In the past, Charter Holdings has from time to time failed to meet this leverage ratio test. There can be no assurance that Charter Holdings will satisfy these tests at the time of the contemplated distribution. During periods in which distributions are restricted, the indentures governing the Charter Holdings notes permit Charter Holdings and its subsidiaries to make specified investments (that are not restricted payments) in Charter Holdco or Charter, up to an amount determined by a formula, as long as there is no default under the indentures.

In addition to the limitation on distributions under the various indentures discussed above, distributions by the Company's subsidiaries may be limited by applicable law. Under the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act, the Company's subsidiaries may only make distributions if they have "surplus" as defined in the act. Under fraudulent transfer laws, the Company's subsidiaries may not pay dividends if they are insolvent or are rendered insolvent thereby. The measures of insolvency for purposes of these fraudulent transfer laws vary depending upon the law applied in any proceeding to determine whether a fraudulent transfer has occurred. Generally, however, an entity would be considered insolvent if:

- the sum of its debts, including contingent liabilities, was greater than the fair saleable value of all its assets;
- the present fair saleable value of its assets was less than the amount that would be required to pay its probable liability on its existing debts, including contingent liabilities, as they become absolute and mature; or
- it could not pay its debts as they became due.

It is uncertain whether the Company will have, at the relevant times, sufficient surplus at the relevant subsidiaries to make distributions, including for payments of interest and principal on the debts of the parents of such entities, and there can otherwise be no assurance that the Company's subsidiaries will not become insolvent or will be permitted to make distributions in the future in compliance with these restrictions in amounts needed to service the Company's indebtedness.

### **3. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

#### ***Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities***

The Company consolidates variable interest entities according to the principles and guidance contained in FIN 46(R), based upon evaluation of the Company's ability to make decisions about another entity's activities, its obligation to absorb the expected losses of the entity, and its right to receive the expected residual returns of the entity.

The Company has a 55% controlling common equity interest (53% for accounting purposes) in Charter Holdco. The Company is the sole manager of Charter Holdco and has 100% of its voting membership units. The Company determined that Charter Holdco is a variable interest entity based upon Charter Holdco's owners holding voting rights disproportionate to their economic interest and the Company's obligation to absorb all of the expected losses of Charter Holdco. At December 31, 2008, membership units of Charter Holdco were also owned by Vulcan Cable III Inc. ("Vulcan Cable") and Charter Investment, Inc. ("CII"), which were both owned by Mr. Paul G. Allen, the Company's chairman and majority shareholder, and were considered related parties of the Company.

There are no restrictions over the Company's control of Charter Holdco's operations or assets. As a result of being the most closely associated with Charter Holdco, the Company has determined that it is the primary beneficiary within the related party group and that the financial results of Charter Holdco should be consolidated with the Company. For the year ended December 31, 2008, the Company has not experienced any reconsideration events that would indicate any other variable interest entities that would require consolidation under FIN 46(R).

Charter Holdco holds broadband communication businesses that are managed by the Company. All income and expenses generated by Charter Holdco are consolidated into the Company. Charter Holdco also holds all of the cash flows reported by the Company. All liabilities held by Charter Holdco are consolidated into the Company. The Company has not provided financial or other support to Charter Holdco that it was not previously contractually required to provide.

#### **Cash Equivalents**

The Company considers all highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents. These investments are carried at cost, which approximates market value. Cash and cash equivalents consist primarily of money market funds and commercial paper.

#### **Property, Plant and Equipment**

Property, plant and equipment are recorded at cost, including all material, labor and certain indirect costs associated with the construction of cable transmission and distribution facilities. While the Company's capitalization is based on specific activities, once capitalized, costs are tracked by fixed asset category at the cable system level and not on a specific asset basis. For assets that are sold or retired, the estimated historical cost and related accumulated depreciation is removed. Costs associated with initial customer installations and the additions of network equipment necessary to enable advanced services are capitalized. Costs capitalized as part of initial customer installations include materials, labor, and certain indirect costs. Indirect costs are associated with the activities of the Company's personnel who assist in connecting and activating the new service and consist of compensation and indirect costs associated with these support functions. Indirect costs primarily include employee benefits and payroll taxes, direct variable costs associated with capitalizable activities, consisting primarily of installation and construction vehicle costs, the cost of dispatch personnel and indirect costs directly attributable to capitalizable activities. The costs of disconnecting service at a customer's dwelling or reconnecting service to a previously installed dwelling are charged to operating expense in the period incurred. Costs for repairs and maintenance are charged to operating expense as incurred, while plant and equipment replacement and betterments, including replacement of cable drops from the pole to the dwelling, are capitalized.

Depreciation is recorded using the straight-line composite method over management's estimate of the useful lives of the related assets as follows:

Cable distribution systems	7-20 years
Customer equipment and installations	3-5 years
Vehicles and equipment	1-5 years
Buildings and leasehold improvements	5-15 years
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	5 years

#### **Asset Retirement Obligations**

Certain of the Company's franchise agreements and leases contain provisions requiring the Company to restore facilities or remove equipment in the event that the franchise or lease agreement is not renewed. The Company expects to continually renew its franchise agreements and have concluded that substantially all of the related franchise rights are indefinite lived intangible assets. Accordingly, the possibility is remote that the Company would be required to incur significant restoration or removal costs related to these franchise agreements in the foreseeable future. Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 143, *Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations*, as interpreted by Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Interpretation ("FIN") No. 47, *Accounting for Conditional Asset Retirement Obligations – an Interpretation of FASB Statement No. 143*, requires

that a liability be recognized for an asset retirement obligation in the period in which it is incurred if a reasonable estimate of fair value can be made. The Company has not recorded an estimate for potential franchise related obligations but would record an estimated liability in the unlikely event a franchise agreement containing such a provision were no longer expected to be renewed. The Company also expects to renew many of its lease agreements related to the continued operation of its cable business in the franchise areas. For the Company's lease agreements, the estimated liabilities related to the removal provisions, where applicable, have been recorded and are not significant to the financial statements.

### **Franchises**

Franchise rights represent the value attributed to agreements with local authorities that allow access to homes in cable service areas acquired through the purchase of cable systems. Management estimates the fair value of franchise rights at the date of acquisition and determines if the franchise has a finite life or an indefinite-life as defined by SFAS No. 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets*. All franchises that qualify for indefinite-life treatment under SFAS No. 142 are no longer amortized against earnings but instead are tested for impairment annually or more frequently as warranted by events or changes in circumstances (see Note 7). The Company concluded that substantially all of its franchises qualify for indefinite-life treatment. Costs incurred in renewing cable franchises are deferred and amortized over 10 years.

### **Other Noncurrent Assets**

Other noncurrent assets primarily include deferred financing costs, investments in equity securities and goodwill. Costs related to borrowings are deferred and amortized to interest expense over the terms of the related borrowings.

Investments in equity securities are accounted for at cost, under the equity method of accounting or in accordance with SFAS No. 115, *Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities*. Charter recognizes losses for any decline in value considered to be other than temporary.

### **Valuation of Property, Plant and Equipment**

The Company evaluates the recoverability of long-lived assets to be held and used for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Such events or changes in circumstances could include such factors as impairment of the Company's indefinite life franchise under SFAS No. 142, changes in technological advances, fluctuations in the fair value of such assets, adverse changes in relationships with local franchise authorities, adverse changes in market conditions or a deterioration of operating results. If a review indicates that the carrying value of such asset is not recoverable from estimated undiscounted cash flows, the carrying value of such asset is reduced to its estimated fair value. While the Company believes that its estimates of future cash flows are reasonable, different assumptions regarding such cash flows could materially affect its evaluations of asset recoverability. No impairments of long-lived assets to be held and used were recorded in 2008, 2007, and 2006; however, approximately \$56 million and \$159 million of impairment on assets held for sale was recorded for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively (see Note 4).

### **Derivative Financial Instruments**

The Company accounts for derivative financial instruments in accordance with SFAS No. 133, *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*, as amended. For those instruments which qualify as hedging activities, related gains or losses are recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss). For all other derivative instruments, the related gains or losses are recorded in the statements of operations. The Company uses interest rate swap agreements to manage its interest costs and reduce the Company's exposure to increases in floating interest rates. The Company's policy is to manage its exposure to fluctuations in interest rates by maintaining a mix of fixed and variable rate debt within a targeted range. Using interest rate swap agreements, the Company agrees to exchange, at specified intervals through 2013, the difference between fixed and variable interest amounts calculated by reference to agreed-upon notional principal amounts. At the banks' option, certain interest rate swap agreements may be extended through 2014. The Company does not hold or issue any derivative financial instruments for trading purposes.

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Certain provisions of the Company's 5.875% and 6.50% convertible senior notes issued in November 2004 and October 2007, respectively, were considered embedded derivatives for accounting purposes and were required to be accounted for separately from the convertible senior notes. In accordance with SFAS No. 133, these derivatives are marked to market with gains or losses recorded as the change in value of derivatives on the Company's consolidated statements of operations. For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, the Company recognized \$33 million and \$98 million in gains, and \$10 million in losses, respectively, related to these derivatives. At December 31, 2008 and 2007, \$0 and \$33 million is recorded on the Company's balance sheets related to these derivatives.

**Revenue Recognition**

Revenues from residential and commercial video, high-speed Internet and telephone services are recognized when the related services are provided. Advertising sales are recognized at estimated realizable values in the period that the advertisements are broadcast. Franchise fees imposed by local governmental authorities are collected on a monthly basis from the Company's customers and are periodically remitted to local franchise authorities. Franchise fees of \$187 million, \$177 million, and \$179 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively, are reported in other revenues, on a gross basis with a corresponding operating expense. Sales taxes collected and remitted to state and local authorities are recorded on a net basis.

The Company's revenues by product line are as follows:

	<b>Year Ended December 31,</b>		
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
Video	\$ 3,463	\$ 3,392	\$ 3,349
High-speed Internet	1,356	1,243	1,047
Telephone	555	345	137
Commercial	392	341	305
Advertising sales	308	298	319
Other	405	383	347
	<u>\$ 6,479</u>	<u>\$ 6,002</u>	<u>\$ 5,504</u>

**Programming Costs**

The Company has various contracts to obtain basic, digital and premium video programming from program suppliers whose compensation is typically based on a flat fee per customer. The cost of the right to exhibit network programming under such arrangements is recorded in operating expenses in the month the programming is available for exhibition. Programming costs are paid each month based on calculations performed by the Company and are subject to periodic audits performed by the programmers. Certain programming contracts contain incentives to be paid by the programmers. The Company receives these payments related to the activation of the programmer's cable television channel and recognizes the incentives on a straight-line basis over the life of the programming agreement as a reduction of programming expense. This offset to programming expense was \$33 million, \$25 million, and \$32 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively. As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, the deferred amounts of such economic consideration, included in other long-term liabilities, were \$61 million and \$90 million, respectively. Programming costs included in the accompanying statement of operations were \$1.6 billion, \$1.6 billion, and \$1.5 billion for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively.

**Advertising Costs**

Advertising costs associated with marketing the Company's products and services are generally expensed as costs are incurred. Such advertising expense was \$229 million, \$187 million, and \$131 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively.



### ***Multiple-Element Transactions***

In the normal course of business, the Company enters into multiple-element transactions where it is simultaneously both a customer and a vendor with the same counterparty or in which it purchases multiple products and/or services, or settles outstanding items contemporaneous with the purchase of a product or service from a single counterparty. Transactions, although negotiated contemporaneously, may be documented in one or more contracts. The Company's policy for accounting for each transaction negotiated contemporaneously is to record each element of the transaction based on the respective estimated fair values of the products or services purchased and the products or services sold. In determining the fair value of the respective elements, the Company refers to quoted market prices (where available), historical transactions or comparable cash transactions.

### ***Stock-Based Compensation***

The Company accounts for stock-based compensation in accordance with SFAS No. 123(R), *Share – Based Payment*, which addresses the accounting for share-based payment transactions in which a company receives employee services in exchange for (a) equity instruments of that company or (b) liabilities that are based on the fair value of the company's equity instruments or that may be settled by the issuance of such equity instruments. The Company recorded \$33 million, \$18 million, and \$13 million of option compensation expense which is included in general and administrative expenses for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively.

The fair value of each option granted is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. The following weighted average assumptions were used for grants during the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively; risk-free interest rates of 3.5%, 4.6%, and 4.6%; expected volatility of 88.1%, 70.3%, and 87.3% based on historical volatility; and expected lives of 6.3 years, 6.3 years, and 6.3 years, respectively. The valuations assume no dividends are paid.

### ***Income Taxes***

The Company recognizes deferred tax assets and liabilities for temporary differences between the financial reporting basis and the tax basis of the Company's assets and liabilities and expected benefits of utilizing net operating loss carryforwards. The impact on deferred taxes of changes in tax rates and tax law, if any, applied to the years during which temporary differences are expected to be settled, are reflected in the consolidated financial statements in the period of enactment (see Note 21).

### ***Temporary Equity***

Temporary equity on the consolidated balance sheets represents Mr. Allen's 5.6% preferred membership interest in CC VIII, LLC ("CC VIII"), an indirect subsidiary of Charter Holdco of \$203 million and \$199 million as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively, and \$38 million and \$16 million, respectively, of nonvested shares of restricted stock and performance shares issued to employees. Mr. Allen's CC VIII interest is classified as temporary equity as a result of Mr. Allen's ability to put his interest to the Company upon a change in control. Mr. Allen's 5.6% preferred membership interest was previously classified in minority interest in the Company's consolidated balance sheets. The nonvested shares of restricted stock and performance shares issued to employees were previously classified in other long-term liabilities in the Company's consolidated balance sheets. Current year and prior year amounts have been reclassified.

### ***Loss per Common Share***

Basic loss per common share is computed by dividing the net loss by 373,464,920 shares, 368,240,608 shares, and 331,941,788 shares for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, representing the weighted-average common shares outstanding during the respective periods. Diluted loss per common share equals basic loss per common share for the periods presented, as the effect of stock options and other convertible securities are antidilutive because the Company incurred net losses. All membership units of Charter Holdco are exchangeable on a one-for-one basis into common stock of Charter at the option of the holders. As of December 31, 2008, Charter

Holdco had 750,919,925 membership units outstanding. Should the holders exchange units for shares, the effect would not be dilutive to earnings per share because the Company incurred net losses.

The 21.8 million and 24.8 million shares outstanding as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively, pursuant to the share lending agreement described in Note 12 are required to be returned, in accordance with the contractual arrangement, and are treated in basic and diluted earnings per share as if they were already returned and retired. Consequently, there is no impact of the shares of common stock lent under the share lending agreement in the earnings per share calculation.

### **Segments**

SFAS No. 131, *Disclosure about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information*, established standards for reporting information about operating segments in annual financial statements and in interim financial reports issued to shareholders. Operating segments are defined as components of an enterprise about which separate financial information is available that is evaluated on a regular basis by the chief operating decision maker, or decision making group, in deciding how to allocate resources to an individual segment and in assessing performance of the segment.

The Company's operations are managed on the basis of geographic operating segments. The Company has evaluated the criteria for aggregation of the geographic operating segments under paragraph 17 of SFAS No. 131 and believes it meets each of the respective criteria set forth. The Company delivers similar products and services within each of its geographic operations. Each geographic service area utilizes similar means for delivering the programming of the Company's services; have similarity in the type or class of customer receiving the products and services; distributes the Company's services over a unified network; and operates within a consistent regulatory environment. In addition, each of the geographic operating segments has similar economic characteristics. In light of the Company's similar services, means for delivery, similarity in type of customers, the use of a unified network and other considerations across its geographic operating structure, management has determined that the Company has one reportable segment, broadband services.

### **4. Sale of Assets**

In 2006, the Company sold certain cable television systems serving approximately 356,000 video customers in 1) West Virginia and Virginia to Cebridge Connections, Inc. (the "Cebridge Transaction"); 2) Illinois and Kentucky to Telecommunications Management, LLC, doing business as New Wave Communications (the "New Wave Transaction") and 3) Nevada, Colorado, New Mexico and Utah to Orange Broadband Holding Company, LLC (the "Orange Transaction") for a total sales price of approximately \$971 million. The Company used the net proceeds from the asset sales to reduce borrowings, but not commitments, under the revolving portion of the Company's credit facilities. These cable systems met the criteria for assets held for sale. As such, the assets were written down to fair value less estimated costs to sell, resulting in asset impairment charges during the year ended December 31, 2006 of approximately \$99 million related to the New Wave Transaction and the Orange Transaction. The Company determined that the West Virginia and Virginia cable systems comprise operations and cash flows that for financial reporting purposes meet the criteria for discontinued operations. Accordingly, the results of operations for the West Virginia and Virginia cable systems have been presented as discontinued operations, net of tax, for the year ended December 31, 2006, including a gain of \$200 million on the sale of cable systems.

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Summarized consolidated financial information for the years ended December 31, 2006 for the West Virginia and Virginia cable systems is as follows:

	<b>Year Ended December 31, 2006</b>
Revenues	\$ 109
Income before income taxes	\$ 238
Income tax expense	\$ (22)
Net income	\$ 216
Earnings per common share, basic and diluted	\$ 0.65

In 2007 and 2006, the Company recorded asset impairment charges of \$56 million and \$60 million, respectively, related to other cable systems meeting the criteria of assets held for sale.

**5. Allowance for Doubtful Accounts**

Activity in the allowance for doubtful accounts is summarized as follows for the years presented:

	<b>Year Ended December 31,</b>		
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 18	\$ 16	\$ 17
Charged to expense	122	107	89
Uncollected balances written off, net of recoveries	(122)	(105)	(90)
Balance, end of year	\$ 18	\$ 18	\$ 16

**6. Property, Plant and Equipment**

Property, plant and equipment consists of the following as of December 31, 2008 and 2007:

	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>
Cable distribution systems	\$ 7,008	\$ 6,697
Customer equipment and installations	4,057	3,740
Vehicles and equipment	256	257
Buildings and leasehold improvements	497	483
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	394	388
	12,212	11,565
Less: accumulated depreciation	(7,225)	(6,462)
	\$ 4,987	\$ 5,103

The Company periodically evaluates the estimated useful lives used to depreciate its assets and the estimated amount of assets that will be abandoned or have minimal use in the future. A significant change in assumptions about the extent or timing of future asset retirements, or in the Company's use of new technology and upgrade programs, could materially affect future depreciation expense. In 2007, the Company changed the useful lives of certain property, plant, and equipment based on technological changes. The change in useful lives reduced depreciation expense by approximately \$81 million and \$8 million during 2008 and 2007, respectively.

Depreciation expense for each of the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006 was \$1.3 billion.

## 7. Franchises, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

Franchise rights represent the value attributed to agreements or authorizations with local and state authorities that allow access to homes in cable service areas. Management estimates the fair value of franchise rights at the date of acquisition and determines if the franchise has a finite life or an indefinite-life as defined by SFAS No. 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets*. Franchises that qualify for indefinite-life treatment under SFAS No. 142 are tested for impairment annually, or more frequently as warranted by events or changes in circumstances. Franchises are aggregated into essentially inseparable units of accounting to conduct the valuations. The units of accounting generally represent geographical clustering of the Company's cable systems into groups by which such systems are managed. Management believes such grouping represents the highest and best use of those assets. The Company has historically assessed that its divisional operations were the appropriate level at which the Company's franchises should be evaluated. Based on certain organizational changes in 2008, the Company determined that the appropriate units of accounting for franchises are now the individual market area, which is a level below the Company's geographic divisional groupings previously used. The organizational change in 2008 consolidated the Company's three divisions to two operating groups and put more management focus on the individual market areas. The Company completed its impairment assessment as of December 31, 2008 upon completion of its 2009 budgeting process. Largely driven by the impact of the current economic downturn along with increased competition, the Company lowered its projected revenue and expense growth rates, and accordingly revised its estimates of future cash flows as compared to those used in prior valuations. As a result, the Company recorded \$1.5 billion of impairment for the year ended December 31, 2008. The Company recorded \$178 million of impairment for the year ended December 31, 2007. The valuation completed for 2006 showed franchise fair values in excess of book value, and thus resulted in no impairment.

The Company's valuations, which are based on the present value of projected after tax cash flows, result in a value of property, plant and equipment, franchises, customer relationships, and its total entity value. The value of goodwill is the difference between the total entity value and amounts assigned to the other assets.

Franchises, for valuation purposes, are defined as the future economic benefits of the right to solicit and service potential customers (customer marketing rights), and the right to deploy and market new services, such as interactivity and telephone, to the potential customers (service marketing rights). Fair value is determined based on estimated discounted future cash flows using assumptions consistent with internal forecasts. The franchise after-tax cash flow is calculated as the after-tax cash flow generated by the potential customers obtained (less the anticipated customer churn), and the new services added to those customers in future periods. The sum of the present value of the franchises' after-tax cash flow in years 1 through 10 and the continuing value of the after-tax cash flow beyond year 10 yields the fair value of the franchise.

Customer relationships, for valuation purposes, represent the value of the business relationship with existing customers (less the anticipated customer churn), and are calculated by projecting future after-tax cash flows from these customers, including the right to deploy and market additional services to these customers. The present value of these after-tax cash flows yields the fair value of the customer relationships. Substantially all acquisitions occurred prior to January 1, 2002. The Company did not record any value associated with the customer relationship intangibles related to those acquisitions. For acquisitions subsequent to January 1, 2002, the Company did assign a value to the customer relationship intangible, which is amortized over its estimated useful life.

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As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, indefinite-lived and finite-lived intangible assets are presented in the following table:

	December 31,					
	2008			2007		
	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Net Carrying Amount	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Net Carrying Amount
Indefinite-lived intangible assets:						
Franchises with indefinite lives	\$ 7,377	\$ --	\$ 7,377	\$ 8,929	\$ --	\$ 8,929
Goodwill	68	--	68	67	--	67
	<u>\$ 7,445</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ 7,445</u>	<u>\$ 8,996</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ 8,996</u>
Finite-lived intangible assets:						
Franchises with finite lives	\$ 16	\$ 9	\$ 7	\$ 23	\$ 10	\$ 13
Other intangible assets	71	41	30	97	73	24
	<u>\$ 87</u>	<u>\$ 50</u>	<u>\$ 37</u>	<u>\$ 120</u>	<u>\$ 83</u>	<u>\$ 37</u>

Franchise amortization expense represents the amortization relating to franchises that did not qualify for indefinite-life treatment under SFAS No. 142, including costs associated with franchise renewals. During the year ended December 31, 2008, the net carrying amount of indefinite-lived franchises was reduced by \$1.5 billion as a result of the impairment of franchises discussed above, \$32 million related to cable asset sales completed in 2008, and \$4 million as a result of the finalization of purchase accounting related to cable asset acquisitions. Additionally, during the year ended December 31, 2008, approximately \$5 million of franchises that were previously classified as finite-lived were reclassified to indefinite-lived, based on management's assessment when these franchises migrated to state-wide franchising. For the year ended December 31, 2007, the net carrying amount of indefinite-lived franchises was reduced by \$178 million as a result of the impairment of franchises discussed above, \$77 million related to cable asset sales completed in 2007, and \$56 million as a result of the asset impairment charges recorded related to these cable asset sales. These decreases were offset by \$33 million of franchises added as a result of acquisitions of cable assets.

Franchise amortization expense for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006 was \$2 million, \$3 million, and \$2 million, respectively. During the year ended December 31, 2008, the net carrying amount of finite-lived franchises increased \$1 million as a result of costs incurred associated with franchise renewals. Other intangible assets amortization expense for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 was \$5 million, \$4 million, and \$4 million, respectively. The Company expects that amortization expense on franchise assets and other intangible assets will be approximately \$7 million annually for each of the next five years. Actual amortization expense in future periods could differ from these estimates as a result of new intangible asset acquisitions or divestitures, changes in useful lives and other relevant factors.

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**8. Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses**

Accounts payable and accrued expenses consist of the following as of December 31, 2008 and 2007:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Accounts payable – trade	\$ 99	\$ 127
Accrued capital expenditures	56	95
Accrued expenses:		
Interest	408	418
Programming costs	305	273
Franchise related fees	60	66
Compensation	124	116
Other	258	237
	<u>\$ 1,310</u>	<u>\$ 1,332</u>

**9. Long-Term Debt**

Long-term debt consists of the following as of December 31, 2008 and 2007:

	<u>2008</u>		<u>2007</u>	
	<u>Principal Amount</u>	<u>Accreted Value</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>	<u>Accreted Value</u>
Charter Communications, Inc.:				
5.875% convertible senior notes due November 16, 2009	\$ 3	\$ 3	\$ 49	\$ 44
6.50% convertible senior notes due October 1, 2027	479	373	479	353
Charter Communications Holdings, LLC:				
10.000% senior notes due April 1, 2009	53	53	88	88
10.750% senior notes due October 1, 2009	4	4	63	63
9.625% senior notes due November 15, 2009	25	25	37	37
10.250% senior notes due January 15, 2010	1	1	18	18
11.750% senior discount notes due January 15, 2010	1	1	16	16
11.125% senior notes due January 15, 2011	47	47	47	47
13.500% senior discount notes due January 15, 2011	60	60	60	60
9.920% senior discount notes due April 1, 2011	51	51	51	51
10.000% senior notes due May 15, 2011	69	69	69	69
11.750% senior discount notes due May 15, 2011	54	54	54	54
12.125% senior discount notes due January 15, 2012	75	75	75	75
CCH I Holdings, LLC:				
11.125% senior notes due January 15, 2014	151	151	151	151
13.500% senior discount notes due January 15, 2014	581	581	581	581
9.920% senior discount notes due April 1, 2014	471	471	471	471
10.000% senior notes due May 15, 2014	299	299	299	299
11.750% senior discount notes due May 15, 2014	815	815	815	815
12.125% senior discount notes due January 15, 2015	217	217	217	217
CCH I, LLC:				
11.000% senior notes due October 1, 2015	3,987	4,072	3,987	4,083
CCH II, LLC:				
10.250% senior notes due September 15, 2010	1,860	1,857	2,198	2,192
10.250% senior notes due October 1, 2013	614	598	250	260
CCO Holdings, LLC:				
8 3/4% senior notes due November 15, 2013	800	796	800	795
Credit facility	350	350	350	350

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Charter Communications Operating, LLC:

8.000% senior second-lien notes due April 30, 2012	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100
8 3/8% senior second-lien notes due April 30, 2014	770	770	770	770
10.875% senior second-lien notes due September 15, 2014	546	527	--	--
Credit facilities	8,246	8,246	6,844	6,844
<b>Total Debt</b>	<b>\$ 21,729</b>	<b>\$ 21,666</b>	<b>\$ 19,939</b>	<b>\$ 19,903</b>
Less: Current Portion	155	155	--	--
<b>Long-Term Debt</b>	<b>\$ 21,574</b>	<b>\$ 21,511</b>	<b>\$ 19,939</b>	<b>\$ 19,903</b>

The accreted values presented above generally represent the principal amount of the notes less the original issue discount at the time of sale, plus the accretion to the balance sheet date. However, the current accreted value for legal purposes and notes indenture purposes (the amount that is currently payable if the debt becomes immediately due) is equal to the principal amount of notes. See Note 28 related to the proposed restructuring.

**Charter Convertible Notes**

The Charter convertible notes rank equally with any of Charter's future unsubordinated and unsecured indebtedness, but are structurally subordinated to all existing and future indebtedness and other liabilities of Charter's subsidiaries.

The 5.875% convertible senior notes are convertible at any time at the option of the holder into shares of Class A common stock at an initial conversion rate of 413.2231 shares per \$1,000 principal amount of notes, which is equivalent to a conversion price of approximately \$2.42 per share, subject to certain adjustments. Specifically, the adjustments include anti-dilutive provisions, which cause adjustments to occur automatically based on the occurrence of specified events to provide protection rights to holders of the notes. The conversion rate may also be increased (but not to exceed 462 shares per \$1,000 principal amount of notes) upon a specified change of control transaction. Additionally, Charter may elect to increase the conversion rate under certain circumstances when deemed appropriate, and subject to applicable limitations of the NASDAQ Global Select Market. Upon conversion, the Company shall have the right to deliver, in lieu of shares of Class A common stock, cash, or a combination of cash and common stock.

Charter may redeem the 5.875% convertible senior notes in whole or in part for cash at any time at a redemption price equal to 100% of the aggregate principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, but only if for any 20 trading days in any 30 consecutive trading day period the closing price has exceeded 150% of the conversion price. Holders who convert 5.875% convertible senior notes that Charter has called for redemption shall receive the present value of the interest on the notes converted that would have been payable for the period from the redemption date through the scheduled maturity date for the notes, plus any accrued interest.

In the second quarter of 2008, Charter Holdco repurchased, in private transactions, from a small number of institutional holders, a total of approximately \$46 million principal amount of Charter's 5.875% convertible senior notes due 2009, for approximately \$42 million of cash. The purchased 5.875% convertible senior notes were cancelled resulting in approximately \$3 million principal amount of such notes remaining outstanding. The transactions resulted in a gain on extinguishment of debt of approximately \$5 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, included in gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt on the Company's consolidated statements of operations.

The 6.50% convertible senior notes are convertible into Class A common stock at the conversion rate of 293.3868 shares per \$1,000 principal amount of notes which is equivalent to a conversion price of approximately \$3.41 per share, subject to certain adjustments. The adjustments include anti-dilution provisions, which cause adjustments to occur automatically based on the occurrence of specified events. If certain transactions that constitute a change of control occur on or prior to October 1, 2012, under certain circumstances, Charter will increase the conversion rate by a number of additional shares for any conversion of 6.50% convertible senior notes in connection with such transactions. The conversion rate may also be increased (but not to exceed 381 shares per \$1,000 principal amount of notes) upon a specified change of control transaction. Additionally, Charter may elect to increase the conversion rate under certain circumstances when deemed appropriate, and subject to applicable limitations of the NASDAQ Global Select Market. The 6.50% convertible senior notes provide the holders with the right to require Charter to

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repurchase some or all of the 6.50% convertible senior notes for cash on October 1, 2012, 2017, and 2022 at a repurchase price equal to the principal amount plus accrued interest.

Charter may redeem the 6.50% convertible senior notes in whole or in part for cash at any time at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, but only if for any 20 trading days in any 30 consecutive trading day period the closing price has exceeded 180% of the conversion price provided such 30 trading day period begins prior to October 1, 2010, or 150% of the conversion price provided such 30 trading period begins thereafter and before October 1, 2012, or at the redemption price regardless of the closing price of Charter's Class A common stock thereafter. Holders who convert any 6.50% convertible senior notes prior to October 1, 2012 that Charter has called for redemption shall receive the present value of the interest on the notes converted that would have been payable for the period from the redemption date to, but excluding, October 1, 2012.

Certain provisions of the Company's 6.50% convertible senior notes issued in October 2007 were considered embedded derivatives for accounting purposes and were required to be separately accounted for from the convertible senior notes. At the time of issuance, the embedded derivative was valued at approximately \$131 million which was bifurcated from the principal amount of the convertible senior notes and recorded in other long-term liabilities. The convertible senior notes will accrete to face value over five years (the date holders can first require Charter to repurchase the notes) and the embedded derivative will be marked to market with gains or losses recorded as the change in value of derivatives on the Company's consolidated statement of operations.

Upon a change of control and certain other fundamental changes, subject to certain conditions and restrictions, Charter may be required to repurchase the notes, in whole or in part, at 100% of their principal amount plus accrued interest at the repurchase date.

#### ***Charter Holdings Notes***

The Charter Holdings notes are senior debt obligations of Charter Holdings and Charter Communications Capital Corporation ("Charter Capital"). They rank equally with all other current and future unsecured, unsubordinated obligations of Charter Holdings and Charter Capital. They are structurally subordinated to the obligations of Charter Holdings' subsidiaries, including the CIH notes, the CCH I notes, CCH II notes, the CCO Holdings notes, the Charter Operating notes, and the Charter Operating credit facilities.

Except for the 10.00% notes due April 1, 2009, the 10.75% notes due October 1, 2009 and the 9.625% notes due November 15, 2009, which notes may not be redeemed prior to their respective maturity dates, the Charter Holdings notes may be redeemed at the option of Charter Holdings on or after varying dates, in each case at a premium. The optional redemption price declines to 100% of the respective series' principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest, on or after varying dates in 2008 through 2010.

In the event that a specified change of control event occurs, Charter Holdings and Charter Capital must offer to repurchase any then outstanding notes at 101% of their principal amount or accreted value, as applicable, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any.

In the second quarter of 2008, Charter Holdco repurchased, in private transactions from a small number of institutional holders, a total of approximately \$35 million principal amount of various Charter Holdings notes due 2009 and 2010 for approximately \$35 million of cash. Charter Holdco continues to hold the Charter Holdings notes. The transactions resulted in a gain on extinguishment of debt of approximately \$1 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, included in gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt on the Company's consolidated statements of operations.

In October 2008, Charter Holdco completed a tender offer, in which a total of approximately \$102 million principal amount of various Charter Holdings notes due 2009 and 2010 were exchanged for approximately \$99 million of cash. Charter Holdco continues to hold the Charter Holdings notes. The transactions resulted in a gain on extinguishment of debt of approximately \$2 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, included in gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt on the Company's consolidated statements of operations.



***CCH I Holdings, LLC Notes***

The CIH notes are senior debt obligations of CIH and CCH I Holdings Capital Corp. They rank equally with all other current and future unsecured, unsubordinated obligations of CIH and CCH I Holdings Capital Corp. The CIH notes are structurally subordinated to all obligations of subsidiaries of CIH, including the CCH I notes, the CCH II notes, the CCO Holdings notes, the Charter Operating notes and the Charter Operating credit facilities. The CIH notes are guaranteed on a senior unsecured basis by Charter Holdings.

The CIH notes may be redeemed at any time at a premium. The optional redemption price declines to 100% of the respective series' principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest, on or after varying dates generally in 2009 and 2010.

In the event that a specified change of control event happens, CIH and CCH I Holdings Capital Corp. must offer to repurchase any outstanding notes at a price equal to the sum of the accreted value of the notes plus accrued and unpaid interest plus a premium that varies over time.

***CCH I, LLC Notes***

The CCH I notes are guaranteed on a senior unsecured basis by Charter Holdings and are secured by a pledge of 100% of the equity interest of CCH I's wholly owned direct subsidiary, CCH II, and by a pledge of CCH I's 70% interest in the 24,273,943 Class A preferred membership units of CC VIII (collectively, the "CC VIII interest"), and the proceeds thereof. Such pledges are subject to significant limitations as described in the related pledge agreement.

The CCH I notes are senior debt obligations of CCH I and CCH I Capital Corp. To the extent of the value of the collateral, they rank senior to all of CCH I's future unsecured senior indebtedness. The CCH I notes are structurally subordinated to all obligations of subsidiaries of CCH I, including the CCH II notes, CCO Holdings notes, the Charter Operating notes and the Charter Operating credit facilities.

CCH I and CCH I Capital Corp. may not redeem at their option any of the notes prior to October 1, 2010. On or after October 1, 2010, CCH I and CCH I Capital Corp. may redeem, in whole or in part, CCH I notes at anytime, in each case at a premium. The optional redemption price declines to 100% of the principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest, on or after October 1, 2013.

If a change of control occurs, each holder of the CCH I notes will have the right to require the repurchase of all or any part of that holder's CCH I notes at 101% of the principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest.

***CCH II, LLC Notes***

The CCH II Notes are senior debt obligations of CCH II and CCH II Capital Corp. The CCH II Notes rank equally with all other current and future unsecured, unsubordinated obligations of CCH II and CCH II Capital Corp. The CCH II 2013 Notes are guaranteed on a senior unsecured basis by Charter Holdings. The CCH II notes are structurally subordinated to all obligations of subsidiaries of CCH II, including the CCO Holdings notes, the Charter Operating notes and the Charter Operating credit facilities.

On or after September 15, 2008, the issuers of the CCH II 2010 Notes may redeem all or a part of the notes at a redemption price that declines ratably from the initial redemption price of 105.125% to a redemption price on or after September 15, 2009 of 100.0% of the principal amount of the CCH II 2010 Notes redeemed, plus, in each case, any accrued and unpaid interest. On or after October 1, 2010, the issuers of the CCH II 2013 Notes may redeem all or a part of the notes at a redemption price that declines ratably from the initial redemption price of 105.125% to a redemption price on or after October 1, 2012 of 100.0% of the principal amount of the CCH II 2013 Notes redeemed, plus, in each case, any accrued and unpaid interest.

In the event of specified change of control events, CCH II must offer to purchase the outstanding CCH II notes from the holders at a purchase price equal to 101% of the total principal amount of the notes, plus any accrued and unpaid interest.

In July 2008, CCH II completed a tender offer, in which \$338 million of CCH II's 10.25% senior notes due 2010 were accepted for \$364 million of CCH II's 10.25% senior notes due 2013, which were issued as part of the same series of notes as CCH II's \$250 million aggregate principal amount of 10.25% senior notes due 2013, which were issued in September 2006. The transactions resulted in a loss on extinguishment of debt of approximately \$4 million for the year ended December 31, 2008, included in gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt on the Company's consolidated statements of operations.

#### ***CCO Holdings Notes***

The CCO Holdings notes are senior debt obligations of CCO Holdings and CCO Holdings Capital Corp. They rank equally with all other current and future unsecured, unsubordinated obligations of CCO Holdings and CCO Holdings Capital Corp. The CCO Holdings notes are structurally subordinated to all obligations of subsidiaries of CCO Holdings, including the Charter Operating notes and the Charter Operating credit facilities.

On or after November 15, 2008, the issuers of the CCO Holdings 8  $\frac{3}{4}$ % senior notes may redeem all or a part of the notes at a redemption price that declines ratably from the initial redemption price of 104.375% to a redemption price on or after November 15, 2011 of 100.0% of the principal amount of the CCO Holdings 8  $\frac{3}{4}$ % senior notes redeemed, plus, in each case, any accrued and unpaid interest.

In the event of specified change of control events, CCO Holdings must offer to purchase the outstanding CCO Holdings senior notes from the holders at a purchase price equal to 101% of the total principal amount of the notes, plus any accrued and unpaid interest.

#### ***Charter Operating Notes***

The Charter Operating notes are senior debt obligations of Charter Operating and Charter Communications Operating Capital Corp. To the extent of the value of the collateral (but subject to the prior lien of the credit facilities), they rank effectively senior to all of Charter Operating's future unsecured senior indebtedness. The collateral currently consists of the capital stock of Charter Operating held by CCO Holdings, all of the intercompany obligations owing to CCO Holdings by Charter Operating or any subsidiary of Charter Operating, and substantially all of Charter Operating's and the guarantors' assets (other than the assets of CCO Holdings). CCO Holdings and those subsidiaries of Charter Operating that are guarantors of, or otherwise obligors with respect to, indebtedness under the Charter Operating credit facilities and related obligations, guarantee the Charter Operating notes.

Charter Operating may, at any time and from time to time, at their option, redeem the outstanding 8% second lien notes due 2012, in whole or in part, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the redemption date, plus the Make-Whole Premium. The Make-Whole Premium is an amount equal to the excess of (a) the present value of the remaining interest and principal payments due on an 8% senior second-lien note due 2012 to its final maturity date, computed using a discount rate equal to the Treasury Rate on such date plus 0.50%, over (b) the outstanding principal amount of such Note.

On or after April 30, 2009, Charter Operating may redeem all or a part of the 8  $\frac{3}{8}$ % senior second lien notes at a redemption price that declines ratably from the initial redemption price of 104.188% to a redemption price on or after April 30, 2012 of 100% of the principal amount of the 8  $\frac{3}{8}$ % senior second lien notes redeemed plus in each case accrued and unpaid interest.

In March 2008, Charter Operating issued \$546 million principal amount of 10.875% senior second-lien notes due 2014, guaranteed by CCO Holdings and certain other subsidiaries of Charter Operating, in a private transaction. Net proceeds from the senior second-lien notes were used to reduce borrowings, but not commitments, under the revolving portion of the Charter Operating credit facilities.

The Charter Operating 10.875% senior second-lien notes may be redeemed at the option of Charter Operating on or after varying dates, in each case at a premium, plus the Make-Whole Premium. The Make-Whole Premium is an amount equal to the excess of (a) the present value of the remaining interest and principal payments due on a 10.875% senior second-lien note due 2014 to its final maturity date, computed using a discount rate equal to the Treasury Rate on such date plus 0.50%, over (b) the outstanding principal amount of such note. The Charter Operating 10.875% senior second-lien notes may be redeemed at any time on or after March 15, 2012 at specified prices. In the event of specified change of control events, Charter Operating must offer to purchase the Charter Operating 10.875% senior second-lien notes at a purchase price equal to 101% of the total principal amount of the Charter Operating notes repurchased plus any accrued and unpaid interest thereon.

***High-Yield Restrictive Covenants; Limitation on Indebtedness.***

The indentures governing the Charter Holdings, CIH, CCH II, CCO Holdings and Charter Operating notes contain certain covenants that restrict the ability of Charter Holdings, Charter Capital, CIH, CIH Capital Corp., CCH I, CCH I Capital Corp., CCH II, CCH II Capital Corp., CCO Holdings, CCO Holdings Capital Corp., Charter Operating, Charter Communications Operating Capital Corp., and all of their restricted subsidiaries to:

- incur additional debt;
- pay dividends on equity or repurchase equity;
- make investments;
- sell all or substantially all of their assets or merge with or into other companies;
- sell assets;
- enter into sale-leasebacks;
- in the case of restricted subsidiaries, create or permit to exist dividend or payment restrictions with respect to the bond issuers, guarantee their parent companies debt, or issue specified equity interests;
- engage in certain transactions with affiliates; and
- grant liens.

***CCO Holdings Credit Facility***

The CCO Holdings credit facility consists of a \$350 million term loan. The term loan matures on September 6, 2014. The CCO Holdings credit facility also allows the Company to enter into incremental term loans in the future, maturing on the dates set forth in the notices establishing such term loans, but no earlier than the maturity date of the existing term loans. However, no assurance can be given that the Company could obtain such incremental term loans if CCO Holdings sought to do so. Borrowings under the CCO Holdings credit facility bear interest at a variable interest rate based on either LIBOR or a base rate plus, in either case, an applicable margin. The applicable margin for LIBOR term loans, other than incremental loans, is 2.50% above LIBOR. The applicable margin with respect to the incremental loans is to be agreed upon by CCO Holdings and the lenders when the incremental loans are established. The CCO Holdings credit facility is secured by the equity interests of Charter Operating, and all proceeds thereof.

***Charter Operating Credit Facilities***

The Charter Operating credit facilities provide borrowing availability of up to \$8.0 billion as follows:

- a term loan with an initial total principal amount of \$6.5 billion, which is repayable in equal quarterly installments, commencing March 31, 2008, and aggregating in each loan year to 1% of the original amount of the term loan, with the remaining balance due at final maturity on March 6, 2014; and
- a revolving line of credit of \$1.5 billion, with a maturity date on March 6, 2013.

The Charter Operating credit facilities also allow the Company to enter into incremental term loans in the future with an aggregate amount of up to \$1.0 billion, with amortization as set forth in the notices establishing such term loans, but with no amortization greater than 1% prior to the final maturity of the existing term loan. In March 2008, Charter Operating borrowed \$500 million principal amount of incremental term loans (the "Incremental Term

Loans”) under the Charter Operating credit facilities. The Incremental Term Loans have a final maturity of March 6, 2014 and prior to this date will amortize in quarterly principal installments totaling 1% annually beginning on June 30, 2008. The Incremental Term Loans bear interest at LIBOR plus 5.0%, with a LIBOR floor of 3.5%, and are otherwise governed by and subject to the existing terms of the Charter Operating credit facilities. Net proceeds from the Incremental Term Loans were used for general corporate purposes. Although the Charter Operating credit facilities allow for the incurrence of up to an additional \$500 million in incremental term loans, no assurance can be given that additional incremental term loans could be obtained in the future if Charter Operating sought to do so especially after the announcement of Charter’s plan to file a Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceeding on or before April 1, 2009. See Note 28.

Amounts outstanding under the Charter Operating credit facilities bear interest, at Charter Operating’s election, at a base rate or the Eurodollar rate (1.46% to 3.50% as of December 31, 2008 and 4.87% to 5.24% as of December 31, 2007), as defined, plus a margin for Eurodollar loans of up to 2.00% for the revolving credit facility and 2.00% for the term loan, and quarterly commitment fee of 0.5% per annum is payable on the average daily unborrowed balance of the revolving credit facility.

The obligations of Charter Operating under the Charter Operating credit facilities (the “Obligations”) are guaranteed by Charter Operating’s immediate parent company, CCO Holdings, and the subsidiaries of Charter Operating, except for certain subsidiaries, including immaterial subsidiaries and subsidiaries precluded from guaranteeing by reason of provisions of other indebtedness to which they are subject (the “non-guarantor subsidiaries”). The Obligations are also secured by (i) a lien on substantially all of the assets of Charter Operating and its subsidiaries (other than assets of the non-guarantor subsidiaries), and (ii) a pledge by CCO Holdings of the equity interests owned by it in Charter Operating or any of Charter Operating’s subsidiaries, as well as intercompany obligations owing to it by any of such entities.

As of December 31, 2008, outstanding borrowings under the Charter Operating credit facilities were approximately \$8.2 billion and the unused total potential availability was approximately \$27 million.

#### ***Credit Facilities — Restrictive Covenants***

##### ***Charter Operating Credit Facilities***

The Charter Operating credit facilities contain representations and warranties, and affirmative and negative covenants customary for financings of this type. The financial covenants measure performance against standards set for leverage to be tested as of the end of each quarter. Additionally, the Charter Operating credit facilities contain provisions requiring mandatory loan prepayments under specific circumstances, including in connection with certain sales of assets, so long as the proceeds have not been reinvested in the business.

The Charter Operating credit facilities permit Charter Operating and its subsidiaries to make distributions to pay interest on the Charter convertible notes, the Charter Holdings notes, the CIH notes, the CCH I notes, the CCH II notes, the CCO Holdings notes, the CCO Holdings credit facility, and the Charter Operating senior second-lien notes, provided that, among other things, no default has occurred and is continuing under the Charter Operating credit facilities. Conditions to future borrowings include absence of a default or an event of default under the Charter Operating credit facilities, and the continued accuracy in all material respects of the representations and warranties, including the absence since December 31, 2005 of any event, development, or circumstance that has had or could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company’s business.

The events of default under the Charter Operating credit facilities include, among other things:

- the failure to make payments when due or within the applicable grace period,
- the failure to comply with specified covenants, including but not limited to a covenant to deliver audited financial statements for Charter Operating with an unqualified opinion from the Company’s independent accountants and without a “going concern” or like qualification or exception.

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- the failure to pay or the occurrence of events that cause or permit the acceleration of other indebtedness owing by CCO Holdings, Charter Operating, or Charter Operating's subsidiaries in amounts in excess of \$100 million in aggregate principal amount,
- the failure to pay or the occurrence of events that result in the acceleration of other indebtedness owing by certain of CCO Holdings' direct and indirect parent companies in amounts in excess of \$200 million in aggregate principal amount,
- Paul Allen and/or certain of his family members and/or their exclusively owned entities (collectively, the "Paul Allen Group") ceasing to have the power, directly or indirectly, to vote at least 35% of the ordinary voting power of Charter Operating,
- the consummation of any transaction resulting in any person or group (other than the Paul Allen Group) having power, directly or indirectly, to vote more than 35% of the ordinary voting power of Charter Operating, unless the Paul Allen Group holds a greater share of ordinary voting power of Charter Operating, and
- Charter Operating ceasing to be a wholly-owned direct subsidiary of CCO Holdings, except in certain very limited circumstances.

***CCO Holdings Credit Facility***

The CCO Holdings credit facility contains covenants that are substantially similar to the restrictive covenants for the CCO Holdings notes. The CCO Holdings credit facility contains provisions requiring mandatory loan prepayments under specific circumstances, including in connection with certain sales of assets, so long as the proceeds have not been reinvested in the business. The CCO Holdings credit facility permits CCO Holdings and its subsidiaries to make distributions to pay interest on the Charter convertible senior notes, the Charter Holdings notes, the CIH notes, the CCH I notes, the CCH II notes, the CCO Holdings notes, and the Charter Operating second-lien notes, provided that, among other things, no default has occurred and is continuing under the CCO Holdings credit facility.

Based upon outstanding indebtedness as of December 31, 2008, the amortization of term loans, scheduled reductions in available borrowings of the revolving credit facilities, and the maturity dates for all senior and subordinated notes and debentures, total future principal payments on the total borrowings under all debt agreements as of December 31, 2008, are as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2009	\$ 155
2010	1,932
2011	351
2012	1,724
2013	2,799
Thereafter	14,768
	<u>\$ 21,729</u>

**10. Note Payable – Related Party**

In October 2005, CCHC issued a subordinated exchangeable note (the "CCHC Note") to CII. The CCHC Note has a 15-year maturity. The CCHC Note has an initial accreted value of \$48 million accreting at 14% compounded quarterly, except that from and after February 28, 2009, CCHC may pay any increase in the accreted value of the CCHC Note in cash and the accreted value of the CCHC Note will not increase to the extent such amount is paid in cash. The CCHC Note is exchangeable at CII's option, at any time, for Charter Holdco Class A Common units at a rate equal to the then accreted value, divided by \$2.00 (the "Exchange Rate"). Customary anti-dilution protections have been provided that could cause future changes to the Exchange Rate. Additionally, the Charter Holdco Class A Common units received will be exchangeable by the holder into Charter Class B common stock in accordance with existing agreements between CII, Charter and certain other parties signatory thereto. Beginning March 1, 2009, if the closing price of Charter common stock is at or above the Exchange Rate for 20 trading days within any 30

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consecutive trading day period, Charter Holdco may require the exchange of the CCHC Note for Charter Holdco Class A Common units at the Exchange Rate. Additionally, CCHC has the right to redeem the CCHC note from and after February 28, 2009 for cash in an amount equal to the then accreted value. CCHC has the right to redeem the CCHC Note upon certain change of control events for cash in an amount equal to the then accreted value, such amount, if redeemed prior to February 28, 2009, would also include a make whole up to the accreted value through February 28, 2009. CCHC must redeem the CCHC Note at its maturity for cash in an amount equal to the initial stated value plus the accreted return through maturity. The accreted value of the CCHC Note as of December 31, 2008 and 2007 is \$75 million and \$65 million, respectively. If not redeemed prior to maturity in 2020, \$380 million would be due under this note. See Note 28.

**11. Preferred Stock – Redeemable**

In August 2008, Charter entered into exchange agreements with each of the four holders (the "Holders") of Charter's Series A Convertible Redeemable Preferred Stock ("Preferred Stock"). Pursuant to the exchange agreements, the Holders exchanged 36,713 shares of Preferred Stock having a liquidation preference of approximately \$5 million for approximately 4.7 million shares of Charter's Class A common stock based on the closing price of Charter's Class A common stock on August 25, 2008. The shares of Preferred Stock were cancelled by Charter and no shares of Preferred Stock remain outstanding as of December 31, 2008.

**12. Common Stock**

The Company's Class A common stock and Class B common stock are identical except with respect to certain voting, transfer and conversion rights. Holders of Class A common stock are entitled to one vote per share and holder of Class B common stock is entitled to ten votes for each share of Class B common stock held and for each Charter Holdco membership unit held. The Class B common stock is subject to significant transfer restrictions and is convertible on a share for share basis into Class A common stock at the option of the holder. Charter Holdco membership units are exchangeable on a one-for-one basis for shares of Class B common stock.

The following table summarizes our share activity for the three years ended December 31, 2008:

	<b>Class A Common Stock</b>	<b>Class B Common Stock</b>
BALANCE, January 1, 2006	416,204,671	50,000
Option exercises	1,046,540	--
Restricted stock issuances, net of cancellations	809,474	--
Issuances pursuant to share lending agreement	22,038,000	--
Returns pursuant to share lending agreement	(77,104,100)	--
Issuances in exchange for convertible notes	45,000,000	--
<b>BALANCE, December 31, 2006</b>	<b>407,994,585</b>	<b>50,000</b>
Option exercises	2,724,271	--
Restricted stock issuances, net of cancellations	2,507,612	--
Returns pursuant to share lending agreement	(15,000,000)	--
<b>BALANCE, December 31, 2007</b>	<b>398,226,468</b>	<b>50,000</b>
Option exercises and performance share vesting	1,616,906	--
Restricted stock issuances, net of cancellations	10,194,534	--
Issuances in exchange for preferred shares	4,699,986	--
Returns pursuant to share lending agreement	(3,000,000)	--
<b>BALANCE, December 31, 2008</b>	<b>411,737,894</b>	<b>50,000</b>

Charter issued 45 million shares of Class A common stock in September 2006 in connection with the Charter, CCHC and CCH II exchange.

Charter issued 22.0 million and 94.9 million shares of Class A common stock during 2006 and 2005, respectively, in public offerings. The shares were issued pursuant to the share lending agreement, pursuant to which Charter had previously agreed to loan up to 150 million shares to Citigroup Global Markets Limited ("CGML"). As of December 31, 2008, 95.1 million shares had been returned under the share lending agreement.

These offerings of Charter's Class A common stock were conducted to facilitate transactions by which investors in Charter's 5.875% convertible senior notes due 2009, issued on November 22, 2004, hedged their investments in the convertible senior notes. Charter did not receive any of the proceeds from the sale of this Class A common stock. However, under the share lending agreement, Charter received a loan fee of \$.001 for each share that it lends to CGML. In connection with the tender offer completed in October 2007 in which Charter exchanged certain of the 5.875% convertible senior notes due 2009 for 6.5% convertible senior notes due 2027, Charter amended the share lending agreement to allow for the borrowed shares to remain outstanding through the maturity of the new convertible notes.

The issuance of 116.9 million shares pursuant to this share lending agreement is essentially analogous to a sale of shares coupled with a forward contract for the reacquisition of the shares at a future date. An instrument that requires physical settlement by repurchase of a fixed number of shares in exchange for cash is considered a forward purchase instrument. While the share lending agreement does not require a cash payment upon return of the shares, physical settlement is required (i.e., the shares borrowed must be returned at the end of the arrangement). The fair value of the 21.8 million loaned shares outstanding is approximately \$2 million as of December 31, 2008. However, the net effect on shareholders' deficit of the shares lent pursuant to the share lending agreement, which includes Charter's requirement to lend the shares and the counterparties' requirement to return the shares, is de minimis and represents the cash received upon lending of the shares and is equal to the par value of the common stock issued.

### 13. Rights Agreement

In August 2007, Charter's board of directors adopted a rights plan and declared a dividend of one preferred share purchase right for each issued and outstanding share of Charter's Class A common stock and Class B common stock (a "Right"). The dividend was payable to stockholders of record as of August 31, 2007 and 403,219,728 Rights were issued. In connection with the adoption of the rights plan, the Company increased the authorized Class A common stock and Class B common stock to 10.5 billion and 4.5 billion shares, respectively. The terms of the Rights and rights plan were set forth in a Rights Agreement, by and between Charter and Mellon Investor Services LLC, dated as of August 14, 2007 (the "Rights Plan" or "Rights Agreement").

The Rights Plan was adopted in an attempt to protect against a possible limitation on Charter's ability to use its net operating loss carryforwards, which could significantly impair the value of that asset. See Note 21. The Rights Plan is intended to act as a deterrent to any person or group from acquiring 5.0% or more of Charter's Class A common stock or any person or group holding 5.0% or more of Charter's Class A common stock ("Acquiring Person") from acquiring more shares without the approval of Charter's board of directors. The Rights will not be exercisable until 10 days after a public announcement by Charter that a person or group has become an Acquiring Person. Upon such a triggering event, except as may be determined by Charter's board of directors, with the consent of the holders of the majority of the Class B common stock, all outstanding, valid, and exercisable Rights, except for those Rights held by any Acquiring Person, will be exchanged for 2.5 shares of Class A common stock and/or Class B common stock, as applicable, or an equivalent security. If Charter's board of directors and holders of the Class B common stock determine that such an exchange does not occur upon such a triggering event, all holders of Rights, except any Acquiring Person, may exercise their Rights upon payment of the purchase price to purchase five shares of Charter's Class A common stock and/or Class B common stock, as applicable (or other securities or assets as determined by Charter's board of directors) at a 50% discount to the then current market price. The Rights and Rights Agreement will expire on December 31, 2009, if not terminated earlier.

#### 14. Comprehensive Loss

The Company reports changes in the fair value of interest rate agreements designated as hedging the variability of cash flows associated with floating-rate debt obligations, that meet the effectiveness criteria of SFAS No. 133, *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*, in accumulated other comprehensive loss. Comprehensive loss for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006 was \$2.6 billion, \$1.7 billion, and \$1.5 billion, respectively.

#### 15. Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities

The Company uses interest rate swap agreements to manage its interest costs and reduce the Company's exposure to increases in floating interest rates. The Company's policy is to manage its exposure to fluctuations in interest rates by maintaining a mix of fixed and variable rate debt within a targeted range. Using interest rate swap agreements, the Company agrees to exchange, at specified intervals through 2013, the difference between fixed and variable interest amounts calculated by reference to agreed-upon notional principal amounts. At the banks' option, certain interest rate swap agreements may be extended through 2014.

The Company's hedging policy does not permit it to hold or issue derivative instruments for speculative trading purposes. The Company does, however, have certain interest rate derivative instruments that have been designated as cash flow hedging instruments. Such instruments effectively convert variable interest payments on certain debt instruments into fixed payments. For qualifying hedges, SFAS No. 133 allows derivative gains and losses to offset related results on hedged items in the consolidated statement of operations. The Company has formally documented, designated and assessed the effectiveness of transactions that receive hedge accounting. For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, change in value of derivatives includes gains of \$0, \$0, and \$2 million, respectively, which represent cash flow hedge ineffectiveness on interest rate hedge agreements. This ineffectiveness arises from differences between critical terms of the agreements and the related hedged obligations.

Changes in the fair value of interest rate agreements that are designated as hedging instruments of the variability of cash flows associated with floating-rate debt obligations, and that meet the effectiveness criteria specified by SFAS No. 133 are reported in accumulated other comprehensive loss. For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, losses of \$180 million, \$123 million and \$1 million, respectively, related to derivative instruments designated as cash flow hedges, were recorded in accumulated other comprehensive loss. The amounts are subsequently reclassified as an increase or decrease to interest expense in the same periods in which the related interest on the floating-rate debt obligations affects earnings (losses).

Certain interest rate derivative instruments are not designated as hedges as they do not meet the effectiveness criteria specified by SFAS No. 133. However, management believes such instruments are closely correlated with the respective debt, thus managing associated risk. Interest rate derivative instruments not designated as hedges are marked to fair value, with the impact recorded as a change in value of derivatives in the Company's consolidated statements of operations. For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, change in value of derivatives includes losses of \$62 million and \$46 million and gains of \$4 million, respectively, resulting from interest rate derivative instruments not designated as hedges.

As of December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, the Company had outstanding \$4.3 billion, \$4.3 billion, and \$1.7 billion, in notional amounts of interest rate swaps outstanding. The notional amounts of interest rate instruments do not represent amounts exchanged by the parties and, thus, are not a measure of exposure to credit loss. The amounts exchanged are determined by reference to the notional amount and the other terms of the contracts.

#### 16. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Company has estimated the fair value of its financial instruments as of December 31, 2008 and 2007 using available market information or other appropriate valuation methodologies. Considerable judgment, however, is required in interpreting market data to develop the estimates of fair value. Accordingly, the estimates presented in the accompanying consolidated financial statements are not necessarily indicative of the amounts the Company would realize in a current market exchange.



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The carrying amounts of cash, receivables, payables and other current assets and liabilities approximate fair value because of the short maturity of those instruments.

The fair value of interest rate agreements represents the estimated amount the Company would receive or pay upon termination of the agreements adjusted for Charter Operating's credit risk. Management believes that the sellers of the interest rate agreements will be able to meet their obligations under the agreements. In addition, some of the interest rate agreements are with certain of the participating banks under the Company's credit facilities, thereby reducing the exposure to credit loss. The Company has policies regarding the financial stability and credit standing of major counterparties. Nonperformance by the counterparties is not anticipated nor would it have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial condition or results of operations.

The estimated fair value of the Company's notes at December 31, 2008 and 2007 are based on quoted market prices and the fair value of the credit facilities is based on dealer quotations.

A summary of the carrying value and fair value of the Company's debt at December 31, 2008 and 2007 is as follows:

	2008		2007	
	Carrying Value	Fair Value	Carrying Value	Fair Value
<b>Debt</b>				
Charter convertible notes	\$ 376	\$ 12	\$ 397	\$ 332
Charter Holdings debt	440	159	578	471
CIH debt	2,534	127	2,534	1,627
CCH I debt	4,072	658	4,083	3,225
CCH II debt	2,455	1,051	2,452	2,390
CCO Holdings debt	796	505	795	761
Charter Operating debt	2,397	1,923	1,870	1,807
Credit facilities	8,596	6,187	7,194	6,723

The Company adopted SFAS No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements*, on its financial assets and liabilities effective January 1, 2008, and has an established process for determining fair value. The Company has deferred adoption of SFAS No. 157 on its nonfinancial assets and liabilities including fair value measurements under SFAS No. 142 and SFAS No. 144 of franchises, goodwill, property, plant, and equipment, and other long-term assets until January 1, 2009 as permitted by FASB Staff Position ("FSP") 157-2. Fair value is based upon quoted market prices, where available. If such valuation methods are not available, fair value is based on internally or externally developed models using market-based or independently-sourced market parameters, where available. Fair value may be subsequently adjusted to ensure that those assets and liabilities are recorded at fair value. The Company's methodology may produce a fair value that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values, but the Company believes its methods are appropriate and consistent with other market peers. The use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value estimate as of the Company's reporting date.

SFAS No. 157 establishes a three-level hierarchy for disclosure of fair value measurements, based upon the transparency of inputs to the valuation of an asset or liability as of the measurement date, as follows:

- Level 1 – inputs to the valuation methodology are quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.
- Level 2 – inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, and inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the financial instrument.
- Level 3 – inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

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Interest rate derivatives are valued using a present value calculation based on an implied forward LIBOR curve (adjusted for Charter Operating's credit risk) and are classified within level 2 of the valuation hierarchy. The fair values of the embedded derivatives within Charter's 5.875% and 6.50% convertible senior notes issued in November 2004 and October 2007, respectively, are derived from valuations using a simulation technique with market based inputs, including Charter's Class A common stock price, implied volatility of Charter's Class A common stock, Charter's credit risk and costs to borrow Charter's Class A common stock. These valuations are classified within level 3 of the valuation hierarchy.

The Company's financial liabilities that are accounted for at fair value on a recurring basis are presented in the table below:

	Fair Value As of December 31, 2008				Fair Value As of December 31, 2007			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Other long-term liabilities:								
Interest rate derivatives	\$ --	\$ 411	\$ --	\$ 411	\$ --	\$ 169	\$ --	\$ 169
Embedded derivatives	--	--	--	--	--	--	33	33
	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ 411</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ 411</u>	<u>\$ --</u>	<u>\$ 169</u>	<u>\$ 33</u>	<u>\$ 202</u>

The weighted average interest pay rate for the Company's interest rate swap agreements was 4.93% and 4.93% at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

### 17. Other Operating (Income) Expenses, Net

Other operating (income) expenses, net consist of the following for the years presented:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
(Gain) loss on sale of assets, net	\$ 13	\$ (3)	\$ 8
Special charges, net	56	(14)	13
	<u>\$ 69</u>	<u>\$ (17)</u>	<u>\$ 21</u>

#### *(Gain) loss on sale of assets, net*

(Gain) loss on sale of assets represents the (gain) loss recognized on the sale of fixed assets and cable systems.

#### *Special charges, net*

Special charges, net for the year ended December 31, 2008 includes severance charges and litigation related items, including settlement costs associated with the *Sjoblom* litigation (see Note 23), offset by favorable insurance settlements related to hurricane Katrina claims. Special charges, net for the year ended December 31, 2007, primarily represents favorable legal settlements of approximately \$20 million offset by severance associated with the closing of call centers and divisional restructuring. Special charges, net for the year ended December 31, 2006 primarily represent severance associated with the closing of call centers and divisional restructuring.

**18. Gain (Loss) on Extinguishment of Debt**

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Charter Holdings debt notes repurchases / exchanges	\$ 3	\$ (3)	\$ 108
CCO Holdings notes redemption	--	(19)	--
Charter Operating credit facilities refinancing	--	(13)	(27)
Charter convertible note repurchases / exchanges	5	(21)	(40)
CCH II tender offer	(4)	--	--
	<u>\$ 4</u>	<u>\$ (56)</u>	<u>\$ 41</u>

See Note 9 for discussion of 2008 debt transactions.

In October 2007, Charter Holdco completed a tender offer in which \$364 million of Charter's 5.875% convertible senior notes due 2009 were accepted for \$479 million of Charter's 6.50% convertible senior notes due 2027. The tender offer resulted in a loss on extinguishment of debt of approximately \$21 million for the year ended December 31, 2007, included in gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt on the Company's consolidated statements of operations.

In April 2007, Charter Holdings completed a tender offer in which \$97 million of Charter Holdings' notes were accepted in exchange for \$100 million of total consideration, including premiums and accrued interest. In addition, Charter Holdings redeemed \$187 million of its 8.625% senior notes due April 1, 2009 and CCO Holdings redeemed \$550 million of its senior floating rate notes due December 15, 2010. These redemptions closed in April 2007. The redemptions and tender resulted in a loss on extinguishment of debt for the CCH transactions and the CCOH transaction of approximately \$3 million and \$19 million, respectively, for the year ended December 31, 2007, included in gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt on the Company's consolidated statements of operations.

In March 2007, Charter Operating refinanced its facilities resulting in a loss on extinguishment of debt for the year ended December 31, 2007 of approximately \$13 million included in gain (loss) on extinguishment of debt on the Company's consolidated statements of operations.

In September 2006, Charter Holdings, CCH I and CCH II, completed the exchange of approximately \$797 million in total principal amount of outstanding debt securities of Charter Holdings for \$250 million principal amount of new 10.25% CCH II notes due 2013 and \$462 million principal amount of 11% CCH I notes due 2015. The Charter Holdings notes received in the exchange were thereafter distributed to Charter Holdings and cancelled. The exchange resulted in a gain on extinguishment of debt of approximately \$108 million for the year ended December 31, 2006.

In September 2006, CCHC and CCH II completed the exchange of \$450 million principal amount of Charter's outstanding 5.875% senior convertible notes due 2009 for \$188 million in cash, 45 million shares of Charter's Class A common stock valued at \$68 million and \$146 million principal amount of 10.25% CCH II notes due 2010. The convertible notes received in the exchange held by CCHC, were transferred to Charter Holdco in August 2007, and subsequently cancelled in November 2007. The exchange resulted in a loss on extinguishment of debt of approximately \$40 million for the year ended December 31, 2006.

In April 2006, Charter Operating completed a \$6.85 billion refinancing of its credit facilities including a new \$350 million revolving/term facility (which converts to a term loan no later than April 2007), a \$5.0 billion term loan due in 2013 and certain amendments to the existing \$1.5 billion revolving credit facility. In addition, the refinancing reduced margins on Eurodollar rate term loans to 2.625% from a weighted average of 3.15% previously and margins on base rate term loans to 1.625% from a weighted average of 2.15% previously. Concurrent with this refinancing, the CCO Holdings bridge loan was terminated. The refinancing resulted in a loss on extinguishment of debt for the year ended December 31, 2006 of approximately \$27 million.

**19. Other Income (Expense), Net**

Other income (expense), net consists of the following for years presented:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
CC VIII preferred interest (Note 3)	\$ (4)	\$ (7)	\$ (4)
Gain (loss) on investment	(1)	--	16
Other, net	(5)	(1)	2
	\$ (10)	\$ (8)	\$ 14

**20. Stock Compensation Plans**

The Company has stock compensation plans (the "Plans") which provide for the grant of non-qualified stock options, stock appreciation rights, dividend equivalent rights, performance units and performance shares, share awards, phantom stock and/or shares of restricted stock (shares of restricted stock not to exceed 20.0 million shares of Charter Class A common stock), as each term is defined in the Plans. Employees, officers, consultants and directors of the Company and its subsidiaries and affiliates are eligible to receive grants under the Plans. The 2001 Stock Incentive Plan allows for the issuance of up to a total of 90.0 million shares of Charter Class A common stock (or units convertible into Charter Class A common stock).

Under Charter's Long-Term Incentive Program ("LTIP"), a program administered under the 2001 Stock Incentive Plan, employees of Charter and its subsidiaries whose pay classifications exceeded a certain level were eligible in 2006 and 2007 to receive stock options, and more senior level employees were eligible to receive stock options and performance units. The stock options vest 25% on each of the first four anniversaries of the date of grant. Generally, options expire 10 years from the grant date. The performance units became performance shares on or about the first anniversary of the grant date, conditional upon Charter's performance against financial performance measures established by Charter's management and approved by its board of directors as of the time of the award. The performance shares become shares of Class A common stock on the third anniversary of the grant date of the performance units. In March 2008, the Company adopted the 2008 incentive program to allow for the issuance of performance units and restricted stock under the 2001 Stock Incentive Plan and for the issuance of performance cash. Under the 2008 incentive program, subject to meeting performance criteria, performance units and performance cash are deposited into a performance bank of which one-third of the balance is paid out each year. Restricted stock granted under this program vests annually over a three-year period beginning from the date of grant. During the year ended December 31, 2008, Charter granted \$8 million of performance cash under Charter's 2008 incentive program and recognized \$2 million of expense for the year ended December 31, 2008.

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A summary of the activity for the Company's stock options for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, is as follows (amounts in thousands, except per share data):

	2008		2007		2006	
	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price
Outstanding, beginning of period	25,682	\$ 4.02	26,403	\$ 3.88	29,127	\$ 4.47
Granted	45	1.19	4,549	2.77	6,065	1.28
Exercised	(53)	1.18	(2,759)	1.57	(1,049)	1.41
Cancelled	(3,630)	5.27	(2,511)	2.98	(7,740)	4.39
Outstanding, end of period	<u>22,044</u>	<u>\$ 3.82</u>	<u>25,682</u>	<u>\$ 4.02</u>	<u>26,403</u>	<u>\$ 3.88</u>
Weighted average remaining contractual life	<u>6 years</u>		<u>7 years</u>		<u>8 years</u>	
Options exercisable, end of period	<u>15,787</u>	<u>\$ 4.53</u>	<u>13,119</u>	<u>\$ 5.88</u>	<u>10,984</u>	<u>\$ 6.62</u>
Weighted average fair value of options granted	<u>\$ 0.90</u>		<u>\$ 1.86</u>		<u>\$ 0.96</u>	

The following table summarizes information about stock options outstanding and exercisable as of December 31, 2008 (amounts in thousands, except per share data):

Range of Exercise Prices	Options Outstanding			Options Exercisable		
	Number Outstanding	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life	Weighted-Average Exercise Price	Number Exercisable	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life	Weighted-Average Exercise Price
\$ 1.00 — \$ 1.36	8,278	7 years	1.17	5,528	7 years	1.17
\$ 1.53 — \$ 1.96	2,821	6 years	1.55	2,178	6 years	1.55
\$ 2.66 — \$ 3.35	4,981	7 years	2.89	2,229	6 years	2.92
\$ 4.30 — \$ 5.17	3,566	5 years	5.00	3,454	5 years	5.02
\$ 9.13 — \$ 12.27	1,008	3 years	11.19	1,008	3 years	11.19
\$ 13.96 — \$ 20.73	1,168	1 year	18.41	1,168	1 year	18.41
\$ 21.20 — \$ 23.09	222	2 years	22.86	222	2 years	22.86

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A summary of the activity for the Company's restricted Class A common stock for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, is as follows (amounts in thousands, except per share data):

	2008		2007		2006	
	Shares	Weighted Average Grant Price	Shares	Weighted Average Grant Price	Shares	Weighted Average Grant Price
Outstanding, beginning of period	4,112	\$ 2.87	3,033	\$ 1.96	4,713	\$ 2.08
Granted	10,761	0.85	2,753	3.64	906	1.28
Vested	(2,298)	2.36	(1,208)	1.83	(2,278)	1.62
Cancelled	(566)	1.57	(466)	4.37	(308)	4.37
Outstanding, end of period	<u>12,009</u>	<u>\$ 1.21</u>	<u>4,112</u>	<u>\$ 2.87</u>	<u>3,033</u>	<u>\$ 1.96</u>

A summary of the activity for the Company's performance units and shares for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, is as follows (amounts in thousands, except per share data):

	2008		2007		2006	
	Shares	Weighted Average Grant Price	Shares	Weighted Average Grant Price	Shares	Weighted Average Grant Price
Outstanding, beginning of period	28,013	\$ 2.16	15,206	\$ 1.27	5,670	\$ 3.09
Granted	10,137	0.84	14,797	2.95	13,745	1.22
Vested	(1,562)	1.49	(41)	1.23	--	--
Cancelled	(3,551)	2.08	(1,949)	1.51	(4,209)	3.58
Outstanding, end of period	<u>33,037</u>	<u>\$ 1.80</u>	<u>28,013</u>	<u>\$ 2.16</u>	<u>15,206</u>	<u>\$ 1.27</u>

As of December 31, 2008, deferred compensation remaining to be recognized in future periods totaled \$41 million.

In the first quarter of 2009, the majority of restricted stock and performance units and shares were forfeited, and the remaining will be cancelled in connection with the Proposed Restructuring. See Note 28.

## 21. Income Taxes

All operations are held through Charter Holdco and its direct and indirect subsidiaries. Charter Holdco and the majority of its subsidiaries are generally limited liability companies that are not subject to income tax. However, certain of these limited liability companies are subject to state income tax. In addition, the subsidiaries that are corporations are subject to federal and state income tax. All of the remaining taxable income, gains, losses, deductions and credits of Charter Holdco are passed through to its members: Charter, CII, and Vulcan Cable. Charter is responsible for its share of taxable income or loss of Charter Holdco allocated to Charter in accordance with the Charter Holdco limited liability company agreement (the "LLC Agreement") and partnership tax rules and regulations. Charter also records financial statement deferred tax assets and liabilities related to its investment in Charter Holdco.

The LLC Agreement provides for certain special allocations of net tax profits and net tax losses (such net tax profits and net tax losses being determined under the applicable federal income tax rules for determining capital accounts). Under the LLC Agreement, through the end of 2003, net tax losses of Charter Holdco that would otherwise have been allocated to Charter based generally on its percentage ownership of outstanding common units were allocated instead to membership units held by Vulcan Cable and CII (the "Special Loss Allocations") to the extent of their

respective capital account balances. After 2003, under the LLC Agreement, net tax losses of Charter Holdco are allocated to Charter, Vulcan Cable, and CII based generally on their respective percentage ownership of outstanding common units to the extent of their respective capital account balances. Allocations of net tax losses in excess of the members' aggregate capital account balances are allocated under the rules governing Regulatory Allocations, as described below. Subject to the Curative Allocation Provisions described below, the LLC Agreement further provides that, beginning at the time Charter Holdco generates net tax profits, the net tax profits that would otherwise have been allocated to Charter based generally on its percentage ownership of outstanding common membership units will instead generally be allocated to Vulcan Cable and CII (the "Special Profit Allocations"). The Special Profit Allocations to Vulcan Cable and CII will generally continue until the cumulative amount of the Special Profit Allocations offsets the cumulative amount of the Special Loss Allocations. The amount and timing of the Special Profit Allocations are subject to the potential application of, and interaction with, the Curative Allocation Provisions described in the following paragraph. The LLC Agreement generally provides that any additional net tax profits are to be allocated among the members of Charter Holdco based generally on their respective percentage ownership of Charter Holdco common membership units.

Because the respective capital account balance of each of Vulcan Cable and CII was reduced to zero by December 31, 2002, certain net tax losses of Charter Holdco that were to be allocated for 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005, to Vulcan Cable and CII instead have been allocated to Charter (the "Regulatory Allocations"). As a result of the allocation of net tax losses to Charter in 2005, Charter's capital account balance was reduced to zero during 2005. The LLC Agreement provides that once the capital account balances of all members have been reduced to zero, net tax losses are to be allocated to Charter, Vulcan Cable, and CII based generally on their respective percentage ownership of outstanding common units. Such allocations are also considered to be Regulatory Allocations. The LLC Agreement further provides that, to the extent possible, the effect of the Regulatory Allocations is to be offset over time pursuant to certain curative allocation provisions (the "Curative Allocation Provisions") so that, after certain offsetting adjustments are made, each member's capital account balance is equal to the capital account balance such member would have had if the Regulatory Allocations had not been part of the LLC Agreement. The cumulative amount of the actual tax losses allocated to Charter as a result of the Regulatory Allocations in excess of the amount of tax losses that would have been allocated to Charter had the Regulatory Allocations not been part of the LLC Agreement through the year ended December 31, 2008 is approximately \$4.1 billion.

As a result of the Special Loss Allocations and the Regulatory Allocations referred to above (and their interaction with the allocations related to assets contributed to Charter Holdco with differences between book and tax basis), the cumulative amount of losses of Charter Holdco allocated to Vulcan Cable and CII is in excess of the amount that would have been allocated to such entities if the losses of Charter Holdco had been allocated among its members in proportion to their respective percentage ownership of Charter Holdco common membership units. The cumulative amount of such excess losses was approximately \$1.0 billion through December 31, 2008.

In certain situations, the Special Loss Allocations, Special Profit Allocations, Regulatory Allocations and Curative Allocation Provisions described above could result in Charter paying taxes in an amount that is more or less than if Charter Holdco had allocated net tax profits and net tax losses among its members based generally on the number of common membership units owned by such members. This could occur due to differences in (i) the character of the allocated income (e.g., ordinary versus capital), (ii) the allocated amount and timing of tax depreciation and tax amortization expense due to the application of section 704(c) under the Internal Revenue Code, (iii) the potential interaction between the Special Profit Allocations and the Curative Allocation Provisions, (iv) the amount and timing of alternative minimum taxes paid by Charter, if any, (v) the apportionment of the allocated income or loss among the states in which Charter Holdco does business, and (vi) future federal and state tax laws. Further, in the event of new capital contributions to Charter Holdco, it is possible that the tax effects of the Special Profit Allocations, Special Loss Allocations, Regulatory Allocations and Curative Allocation Provisions will change significantly pursuant to the provisions of the income tax regulations or the terms of a contribution agreement with respect to such contribution. Such change could defer the actual tax benefits to be derived by Charter with respect to the net tax losses allocated to it or accelerate the actual taxable income to Charter with respect to the net tax profits allocated to it. As a result, it is possible under certain circumstances, that Charter could receive future allocations of taxable income in excess of its currently allocated tax deductions and available tax loss carryforwards. The ability to utilize net operating loss carryforwards is potentially subject to certain limitations as discussed below.

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In addition, under their exchange agreement with Charter, Vulcan Cable and CII have the right at any time to exchange some or all of their membership units in Charter Holdco for Charter's Class B common stock, be merged with Charter in exchange for Charter's Class B common stock, or be acquired by Charter in a non-taxable reorganization in exchange for Charter's Class B common stock. If such an exchange were to take place prior to the date that the Special Profit Allocation provisions had fully offset the Special Loss Allocations, Vulcan Cable and CII could elect to cause Charter Holdco to make the remaining Special Profit Allocations to Vulcan Cable and CII immediately prior to the consummation of the exchange. In the event Vulcan Cable and CII choose not to make such election or to the extent such allocations are not possible, Charter would then be allocated tax profits attributable to the membership units received in such exchange pursuant to the Special Profit Allocation provisions. Mr. Allen has generally agreed to reimburse Charter for any incremental income taxes that Charter would owe as a result of such an exchange and any resulting future Special Profit Allocations to Charter. The ability of Charter to utilize net operating loss carryforwards is potentially subject to certain limitations as discussed below. If Charter were to become subject to certain limitations (whether as a result of an exchange described above or otherwise), and as a result were to owe taxes resulting from the Special Profit Allocations, then Mr. Allen may not be obligated to reimburse Charter for such income taxes.

For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, the Company recorded deferred income tax expense and benefits as shown below. The income tax expense is recognized through increases in deferred tax liabilities related to our investment in Charter Holdco, as well as through current federal and state income tax expense and increases in the deferred tax liabilities of certain of our indirect corporate subsidiaries. The income tax benefits were realized through reductions in the deferred tax liabilities related to Charter's investment in Charter Holdco, as well as the deferred tax liabilities of certain of Charter's indirect corporate subsidiaries. The tax provision in future periods will vary based on current and future temporary differences, as well as future operating results.

Current and deferred income tax benefit (expense) is as follows:

	<b>December 31,</b>		
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
Current expense:			
Federal income taxes	\$ (2)	\$ (3)	\$ (2)
State income taxes	(2)	(8)	(5)
Current income tax expense	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(11)</u>	<u>(7)</u>
Deferred benefit (expense):			
Federal income taxes	95	(188)	(177)
State income taxes	12	(10)	(25)
Deferred income tax benefit (expense)	<u>107</u>	<u>(198)</u>	<u>(202)</u>
Total income benefit (expense)	<u>\$ 103</u>	<u>\$ (209)</u>	<u>\$ (209)</u>

Income tax benefit for the year ended December 31, 2008 included \$325 million of deferred tax benefit related to the impairment of franchises. A portion of income tax expense was recorded as a reduction of income (loss) from discontinued operations in the year ended December 31, 2006. See Note 4.



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The Company's effective tax rate differs from that derived by applying the applicable federal income tax rate of 35%, and average state income tax rate of 5.9%, 5.3%, and 5% for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively, as follows:

	<b>December 31,</b>		
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
Statutory federal income taxes	\$ 894	\$ 493	\$ 407
Statutory state income taxes, net	151	74	58
Franchises	107	(198)	(202)
Valuation allowance provided and other	(1,049)	(578)	(472)
	<u>103</u>	<u>(209)</u>	<u>(209)</u>
Less: discontinued operations	--	--	22
Income tax benefit (expense)	<u>\$ 103</u>	<u>\$ (209)</u>	<u>\$ (187)</u>

The tax effects of these temporary differences that give rise to significant portions of the deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities at December 31, 2008 and 2007 which are included in long-term liabilities are presented below.

	<b>December 31,</b>	
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>
Deferred tax assets:		
Net operating loss carryforward	\$ 3,379	\$ 3,155
Investment in Charter Holdco	2,594	1,888
Other	43	19
Total gross deferred tax assets	6,016	5,062
Less: valuation allowance	(5,803)	(4,786)
Deferred tax assets	<u>\$ 213</u>	<u>\$ 276</u>
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Investment in Charter Holdco	\$ (579)	\$ (707)
Indirect Corporate Subsidiaries:		
Property, plant & equipment	(23)	(29)
Franchises	(169)	(205)
Deferred tax liabilities	<u>(771)</u>	<u>(941)</u>
Net deferred tax liabilities	<u>\$ (558)</u>	<u>\$ (665)</u>

As of December 31, 2008, the Company had deferred tax assets of \$6.0 billion, which included \$2.6 billion of financial losses in excess of tax losses allocated to Charter from Charter Holdco. The deferred tax assets also included \$3.4 billion of tax net operating loss carryforwards (generally expiring in years 2009 through 2028) of Charter and its indirect subsidiaries. Valuation allowances of \$5.8 billion exist with respect to these deferred tax assets. In assessing the realizability of deferred tax assets, management considers whether it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will be realized. Because of the uncertainties in projecting future taxable income of Charter Holdco, valuation allowances have been established except for deferred benefits available to offset certain deferred tax liabilities that will reverse over time.

The amount of any benefit from the Company's tax net operating losses is dependent on: (1) Charter and its subsidiaries' ability to generate future taxable income and (2) the unexpired amount of net operating loss carryforwards available to offset amounts payable on such taxable income. Any future "ownership changes" of Charter's common stock, such as that which will occur upon emergence from Chapter 11 bankruptcy, would place limitations, on an annual basis, on the use of such net operating losses to offset any future taxable income the Company may generate and will be reduced by the amount of any cancellation of debt income resulting from the Proposed Restructuring that is allocable to Charter. See Note 28. Such limitations, in conjunction with the net operating loss expiration provisions, could reduce the Company's ability to use a substantial portion of its net operating losses to offset future taxable income.

The deferred tax liability for Charter's investment in Charter Holdco is largely attributable to the characterization of franchises for financial reporting purposes as indefinite lived.

No tax years for Charter or Charter Holdco are currently under examination by the Internal Revenue Service. Tax years ending 2006 and 2007 remain subject to examination.

In January 2007, the Company adopted FIN 48, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes—an Interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109*, which provides criteria for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of uncertain tax positions. A tax benefit from an uncertain position may be recognized only if it is "more likely than not" that the position is sustainable based on its technical merits. The Company does not believe it has taken any significant positions that would not meet the "more likely than not" criteria and require disclosure.

## 22. Related Party Transactions

The following sets forth certain transactions in which the Company and the directors, executive officers, and affiliates of the Company are involved. Unless otherwise disclosed, management believes each of the transactions described below was on terms no less favorable to the Company than could have been obtained from independent third parties.

Charter is a holding company and its principal assets are its equity interest in Charter Holdco and certain mirror notes payable by Charter Holdco to Charter and mirror preferred units held by Charter, which have the same principal amount and terms as those of Charter's convertible senior notes and Charter's outstanding preferred stock. In 2008, 2007, and 2006, Charter Holdco paid to Charter \$32 million, \$51 million, and \$51 million, respectively, related to interest on the mirror notes.

Charter is a party to management arrangements with Charter Holdco and certain of its subsidiaries. Under these agreements, Charter and Charter Holdco provide management services for the cable systems owned or operated by their subsidiaries. The management services include such services as centralized customer billing services, data processing and related support, benefits administration and coordination of insurance coverage and self-insurance programs for medical, dental and workers' compensation claims. Costs associated with providing these services are charged directly to the Company's operating subsidiaries and are included within operating costs in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations. Such costs totaled \$213 million, \$213 million, and \$231 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively. All other costs incurred on behalf of Charter's operating subsidiaries are considered a part of the management fee and are recorded as a component of selling, general and administrative expense, in the accompanying consolidated financial statements. For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, the management fee charged to the Company's operating subsidiaries approximated the expenses incurred by Charter Holdco and Charter on behalf of the Company's operating subsidiaries. The Company's previous credit facilities prohibited payments of management fees in excess of 3.5% of revenues until repayment of the outstanding indebtedness. In the event any portion of the management fee due and payable was not paid, it would be deferred by Charter and accrued as a liability of such subsidiaries. Any deferred amount of the management fee would bear interest at the rate of 10% per year, compounded annually, from the date it was due and payable until the date paid.

Mr. Allen, the controlling shareholder of Charter, and a number of his affiliates have interests in various entities that provide services or programming to Charter's subsidiaries. Given the diverse nature of Mr. Allen's investment

activities and interests, and to avoid the possibility of future disputes as to potential business, Charter and Charter Holdco, under the terms of their respective organizational documents, may not, and may not allow their subsidiaries to engage in any business transaction outside the cable transmission business except for certain existing approved investments. Charter or Charter Holdco or any of their subsidiaries may not pursue, or allow their subsidiaries to pursue, a business transaction outside of this scope, unless Mr. Allen consents to Charter or its subsidiaries engaging in the business transaction. The cable transmission business means the business of transmitting video, audio, including telephone, and data over cable systems owned, operated or managed by Charter, Charter Holdco or any of their subsidiaries from time to time.

Mr. Allen or his affiliates own or have owned equity interests or warrants to purchase equity interests in various entities with which the Company does business or which provides it with products, services or programming. Among these entities are Oxygen Media Corporation ("Oxygen Media"), Digeo, Inc. ("Digeo"), and Microsoft Corporation. Mr. Allen owns 100% of the equity of Vulcan Ventures Incorporated ("Vulcan Ventures") and Vulcan Inc. and is the president of Vulcan Ventures. Ms. Jo Allen Patton is a director of the Company and the President and Chief Executive Officer of Vulcan Inc. and is a director and Vice President of Vulcan Ventures. Mr. Lance Conn is a director of the Company and is Executive Vice President of Vulcan Inc. and Vulcan Ventures. The various cable, media, Internet and telephone companies in which Mr. Allen has invested may mutually benefit one another. The Company can give no assurance, nor should you expect, that any of these business relationships will be successful, that the Company will realize any benefits from these relationships or that the Company will enter into any business relationships in the future with Mr. Allen's affiliated companies.

Mr. Allen and his affiliates have made, and in the future likely will make, numerous investments outside of the Company and its business. The Company cannot provide any assurance that, in the event that the Company or any of its subsidiaries enter into transactions in the future with any affiliate of Mr. Allen, such transactions will be on terms as favorable to the Company as terms it might have obtained from an unrelated third party. Also, conflicts could arise with respect to the allocation of corporate opportunities between the Company and Mr. Allen and his affiliates. The Company has not instituted any formal plan or arrangement to address potential conflicts of interest.

In 2009, pursuant to indemnification provisions in the October 2005 settlement with Mr. Allen regarding the CC VIII interest, the Company reimbursed Vulcan Inc. approximately \$3 million in legal expenses.

*Oxygen.* Oxygen Media LLC ("Oxygen") provides programming content to the Company pursuant to a carriage agreement. Under the carriage agreement, the Company paid Oxygen approximately \$6 million, \$8 million, and \$8 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively.

In 2005, pursuant to an amended equity issuance agreement, Oxygen Media delivered 1 million shares of Oxygen Preferred Stock with a liquidation preference of \$33.10 per share plus accrued dividends to Charter Holdco. In November 2007, Oxygen was sold to an unrelated third party and the Company received approximately \$35 million representing its liquidation preference on its preferred stock. Mr. Allen and his affiliates also no longer have an interest in Oxygen.

*Digeo, Inc.* In March 2001, Charter Ventures and Vulcan Ventures Incorporated formed DBroadband Holdings, LLC for the sole purpose of purchasing equity interests in Digeo. In connection with the execution of the broadband carriage agreement, DBroadband Holdings, LLC purchased an equity interest in Digeo funded by contributions from Vulcan Ventures Incorporated. At that time, the equity interest was subject to a priority return of capital to Vulcan Ventures up to the amount contributed by Vulcan Ventures on Charter Ventures' behalf. After Vulcan Ventures recovered its amount contributed (the "Priority Return"), Charter Ventures should have had a 100% profit interest in DBroadband Holdings, LLC. Charter Ventures was not required to make any capital contributions, including capital calls to DBroadband Holdings, LLC. DBroadband Holdings, LLC therefore was not included in the Company's consolidated financial statements. Pursuant to an amended version of this arrangement, in 2003, Vulcan Ventures contributed a total of \$29 million to Digeo, \$7 million of which was contributed on Charter Ventures' behalf, subject to Vulcan Ventures' aforementioned priority return. Since the formation of DBroadband Holdings, LLC, Vulcan Ventures has contributed approximately \$56 million on Charter Ventures' behalf. On October 3, 2006, Vulcan Ventures and Digeo recapitalized Digeo. In connection with such recapitalization, DBroadband Holdings, LLC consented to the conversion of its preferred stock holdings in Digeo to common stock, and Vulcan Ventures

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surrendered its Priority Return to Charter Ventures. As a result, DBroadband Holdings, LLC is now included in the Company's consolidated financial statements. Such amounts are immaterial. After the recapitalization, DBroadband Holdings, LLC owns 1.8% of Digeo, Inc's common stock. Digeo, Inc. is therefore not included in the Company's consolidated financial statements. In December 2007, the Digeo, Inc. common stock was transferred to Charter Operating, and DBroadband Holdings, LLC was dissolved.

The Company paid Digeo Interactive approximately \$0, \$0, and \$2 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively, for customized development of the i-channels and the local content tool kit.

On June 30, 2003, Charter Holdco entered into an agreement with Motorola, Inc. for the purchase of 100,000 DVR units. The software for these DVR units is being supplied by Digeo Interactive, LLC under a license agreement entered into in April 2004. Pursuant to a software license agreement with Digeo Interactive for the right to use Digeo's proprietary software for DVR units, Charter paid approximately \$1 million, \$2 million, and \$3 million in license and maintenance fees in 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively.

Charter paid approximately \$1 million, \$10 million, and \$11 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively, in capital purchases under an agreement with Digeo Interactive for the development, testing and purchase of 70,000 Digeo PowerKey DVR units. Total purchase price and license and maintenance fees during the term of the definitive agreements are expected to be approximately \$41 million. The definitive agreements are terminable at no penalty to Charter in certain circumstances.

In May 2008, Charter Operating entered into an agreement with Digeo Interactive, LLC, a subsidiary of Digeo, Inc., for the minimum purchase of high-definition DVR units for approximately \$21 million. This minimum purchase commitment is subject to reduction as a result of certain specified events such as the failure to deliver units timely and catastrophic failure. The software for these units is being supplied under a software license agreement with Digeo Interactive, LLC; the cost of which is expected to be approximately \$2 million for the initial licenses and on-going maintenance fees of approximately \$0.3 million annually, subject to reduction to coincide with any reduction in the minimum purchase commitment. For the year ended December 31, 2008, Charter has purchased approximately \$1 million of DVR units from Digeo Interactive, LLC under these agreements.

Certain related parties, including members of the board of directors, hold interests in the Company's senior notes and discount notes of the Company's subsidiaries of approximately \$199 million of face value at December 31, 2008.

**23. Commitments and Contingencies**

**Commitments**

The following table summarizes the Company's payment obligations as of December 31, 2008 for its contractual obligations.

	<u>Total</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>Thereafter</u>
<b>Contractual Obligations</b>							
Capital and Operating Lease Obligations (1)	\$ 103	\$ 24	\$ 25	\$ 15	\$ 12	\$ 9	\$ 18
Programming Minimum Commitments (2)	687	315	101	105	110	56	--
Other (3)	475	368	66	22	19	--	--
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$ 1,265</u>	<u>\$ 707</u>	<u>\$ 192</u>	<u>\$ 142</u>	<u>\$ 141</u>	<u>\$ 65</u>	<u>\$ 18</u>

(1) The Company leases certain facilities and equipment under noncancelable operating leases. Leases and rental costs charged to expense for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, were \$24 million, \$23 million, and \$23 million, respectively.

(2) The Company pays programming fees under multi-year contracts ranging from three to ten years, typically based on a flat fee per customer, which may be fixed for the term, or may in some cases escalate over the term. Programming costs included in the accompanying statement of operations were \$1.6 billion, \$1.6 billion, and \$1.5 billion, for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively. Certain of the Company's programming agreements are based on a flat fee per month or have guaranteed minimum payments. The table sets forth the aggregate guaranteed minimum commitments under the Company's programming contracts.

(3) "Other" represents other guaranteed minimum commitments, which consist primarily of commitments to the Company's billing services vendors.

The following items are not included in the contractual obligation table due to various factors discussed below. However, the Company incurs these costs as part of its operations:

- The Company also rents utility poles used in its operations. Generally, pole rentals are cancelable on short notice, but the Company anticipates that such rentals will recur. Rent expense incurred for pole rental attachments for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, was \$47 million, \$47 million, and \$44 million, respectively.
- The Company pays franchise fees under multi-year franchise agreements based on a percentage of revenues generated from video service per year. The Company also pays other franchise related costs, such as public education grants, under multi-year agreements. Franchise fees and other franchise-related costs included in the accompanying statement of operations were \$179 million, \$172 million, and \$175 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively.
- The Company also has \$158 million in letters of credit, primarily to its various worker's compensation, property and casualty, and general liability carriers, as collateral for reimbursement of claims. These letters of credit reduce the amount the Company may borrow under its credit facilities.

### **Litigation**

The Company is a defendant or co-defendant in several unrelated lawsuits claiming infringement of various patents relating to various aspects of its businesses. Other industry participants are also defendants in certain of these cases, and, in many cases, the Company expects that any potential liability would be the responsibility of its equipment vendors pursuant to applicable contractual indemnification provisions. In the event that a court ultimately determines that the Company infringes on any intellectual property rights, it may be subject to substantial damages and/or an injunction that could require the Company or its vendors to modify certain products and services the Company offers to its subscribers. While the Company believes the lawsuits are without merit and intends to defend the actions vigorously, the lawsuits could be material to the Company's consolidated results of operations of any one period, and no assurance can be given that any adverse outcome would not be material to the Company's consolidated financial condition, results of operations or liquidity.

In the ordinary course of business, the Company may face employment law claims, including claims under the Fair Labor Standards Act and wage and hour laws of the states in which we operate. On August 15, 2007, a complaint was filed, on behalf of both nationwide and state of Wisconsin classes of certain categories of current and former Charter technicians, against Charter in the United States District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin (*Sjoblom v. Charter Communications, LLC and Charter Communications, Inc.*), alleging that Charter violated the Fair Labor Standards Act and Wisconsin wage and hour laws by failing to pay technicians for certain hours claimed to have been worked. While the Company believes it has substantial factual and legal defenses to the claims at issue, in order to avoid the cost and distraction of continuing to litigate the case, the Company reached a settlement with the plaintiffs, which received final approval from the court on January 26, 2009. The Company has accrued settlement costs associated with the *Sjoblom* case. The Company has been subjected, in the normal course of business, to the assertion of other similar claims and could be subjected to additional such claims. The Company can not predict the ultimate outcome of any such claims.

Charter is a party to lawsuits and claims that arise in the ordinary course of conducting its business. The ultimate outcome of these other legal matters pending against the Company or its subsidiaries cannot be predicted, and although such lawsuits and claims are not expected individually to have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial condition, results of operations or liquidity, such lawsuits could have, in the aggregate, a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial condition, results of operations or liquidity.

#### **Regulation in the Cable Industry**

The operation of a cable system is extensively regulated by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"), some state governments and most local governments. The FCC has the authority to enforce its regulations through the imposition of substantial fines, the issuance of cease and desist orders and/or the imposition of other administrative sanctions, such as the revocation of FCC licenses needed to operate certain transmission facilities used in connection with cable operations. The 1996 Telecom Act altered the regulatory structure governing the nation's communications providers. It removed barriers to competition in both the cable television market and the telephone market. Among other things, it reduced the scope of cable rate regulation and encouraged additional competition in the video programming industry by allowing telephone companies to provide video programming in their own telephone service areas.

Future legislative and regulatory changes could adversely affect the Company's operations, including, without limitation, additional regulatory requirements the Company may be required to comply with as it offers new services such as telephone.

#### **24. Employee Benefit Plan**

The Company's employees may participate in the Charter Communications, Inc. 401(k) Plan. Employees that qualify for participation can contribute up to 50% of their salary, on a pre-tax basis, subject to a maximum contribution limit as determined by the Internal Revenue Service. For each payroll period, the Company will contribute to the 401(k) Plan (a) the total amount of the salary reduction the employee elects to defer between 1% and 50% and (b) a matching contribution equal to 50% of the amount of the salary reduction the participant elects to defer (up to 5% of the participant's payroll compensation), excluding any catch-up contributions. The Company made contributions to the 401(k) plan totaling \$8 million, \$7 million, and \$8 million for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively.

#### **25. Recently Issued Accounting Standards**

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 141R, *Business Combinations: Applying the Acquisition Method*, which provides guidance on the accounting and reporting for business combinations. SFAS No. 141R is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. The Company adopted SFAS No. 141R effective January 1, 2009. The adoption of SFAS No. 141R has not had a material impact on the Company's financial statements.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 160, *Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements - An Amendment of ARB No. 51*, which provides guidance on the accounting and reporting for minority interests in consolidated financial statements. SFAS No. 160 requires losses to be allocated to non-controlling (minority) interests even when such amounts are deficits. As such, future losses will be allocated between Charter and the Charter Holdco non-controlling interest. SFAS No. 160 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. The Company adopted SFAS No. 160 effective January 1, 2009 and applied the effects respectively to all periods presented to the extent prescribed by the standard. Had SFAS No. 160 been effective for the Company's financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2008, our net loss to Charter shareholders would have been reduced by \$1.2 billion. The adoption resulted in the presentation of Mr. Allen's 5.6% preferred membership interest in CC VIII as temporary equity in the Company's consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2008 and 2007 as presented, which was previously classified as minority interest. See Note 3.

In February 2008, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position (FSP) 157-2, *Effective Date of FASB Statement No. 157*, which deferred the effective date of SFAS No. 157 to fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2008 for

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nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities. The Company applied SFAS No. 157 to nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities beginning January 1, 2009. The adoption of SFAS No. 157 has not had a material impact on the Company's financial statements.

In March 2008, the FASB issued SFAS No. 161, *Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, an amendment of FASB Statement No. 133*, which requires companies to disclose their objectives and strategies for using derivative instruments, whether or not designated as hedging instruments under SFAS No. 133. SFAS No. 161 is effective for interim periods and fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2008. The Company adopted SFAS No. 161 effective January 1, 2009. The adoption of SFAS No. 161 has not had a material impact on the Company's financial statements.

In April 2008, the FASB issued FSP FAS 142-3, *Determination of the Useful Life of Intangible Assets*, which amends the factors to be considered in renewal or extension assumptions used to determine the useful life of a recognized intangible asset. FSP FAS 142-3 is effective for interim periods and fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. The Company adopted FSP FAS 142-3 effective January 1, 2009. The adoption of FSP FAS 142-3 has not had a material impact on the Company's financial statements.

In May 2008, the FASB issued FSP APB 14-1, *Accounting for Convertible Debt Instruments That May Be Settled in Cash upon Conversion (Including Partial Cash Settlement)*, which specifies that issuers of convertible debt instruments that may be settled in cash upon conversion should separately account for the liability and equity components in a manner reflecting their nonconvertible debt borrowing rate when interest costs are recognized in subsequent periods. FSP APB 14-1 is effective for interim periods and fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. The Company adopted FSP APB 14-1 effective January 1, 2009 and applied the effects retrospectively to all prior periods presented. The adoption of FSP APB 14-1 resulted in the Company recording a cumulative adjustment as of December 31, 2005 of an increase in additional paid-in capital of \$302 million and an increase in accumulated deficit of \$48 million. The adoption of FSP APB 14-1 did not have an impact on net loss or net loss per common share for the year ended December 31, 2008. The adoption of FSP APB 14-1 resulted in a decrease in net loss and net loss per common share of \$82 million and \$0.22 for the year ended December 31, 2007 and an increase in net loss and net loss per common share of \$84 million and \$0.25 for the year ended December 31, 2006. The Company's consolidated financial statements and relevant financial information in the footnotes herein have been updated to reflect the changes required by FSP APB 14-1.

The Company does not believe that any other recently issued, but not yet effective accounting pronouncements, if adopted, would have a material effect on its accompanying financial statements.

## **26. Parent Company Only Financial Statements**

As the result of limitations on, and prohibitions of, distributions, substantially all of the net assets of the consolidated subsidiaries are restricted from distribution to Charter, the parent company. The following condensed parent-only financial statements of Charter account for the investment in Charter Holdco under the equity method of accounting. The financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements of the Company and notes thereto.

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**Charter Communications, Inc. (Parent Company Only)**  
**Condensed Balance Sheet**

	December 31,	
	2008	2007
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Receivable from related party	\$ 18	\$ 27
Notes receivable from Charter Holdco	376	397
Other assets	--	33
	<u>\$ 394</u>	<u>\$ 457</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' DEFICIT</b>		
Current liabilities	\$ 16	\$ 22
Convertible notes	376	397
Deferred income taxes	364	425
Other long term liabilities	--	27
Preferred stock — redeemable	--	5
Losses in excess of investment	10,144	7,468
Shareholders' deficit	<u>(10,506)</u>	<u>(7,887)</u>
	<u>\$ 394</u>	<u>\$ 457</u>
Total liabilities and shareholders' deficit	<u>\$ 394</u>	<u>\$ 457</u>



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**Condensed Statement of Operations**

	<b>Year Ended December 31,</b>		
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
<b>INCOME</b>			
Interest income	\$ 54	\$ 74	\$ 83
Management fees	21	15	30
Gain on extinguishment of notes receivable from Charter Holdco	6	155	--
Change in value of derivative	33	98	--
<b>Total income</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>113</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Equity in losses of Charter Holdco	(2,514)	(1,361)	(1,252)
General and administrative expenses	(21)	(15)	(30)
Interest expense	(54)	(74)	(83)
Loss on extinguishment of convertible notes	(6)	(155)	--
Change in value of derivative	(33)	(98)	--
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>(2,628)</b>	<b>(1,703)</b>	<b>(1,365)</b>
Net loss before income taxes	(2,514)	(1,361)	(1,252)
Income tax benefit (expense)	63	(173)	(202)
<b>Net loss</b>	<b>\$ (2,451)</b>	<b>\$ (1,534)</b>	<b>\$ (1,454)</b>

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**Condensed Statements of Cash Flows**

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>			
Net loss	\$ (2,451)	\$ (1,534)	\$ (1,454)
Equity in losses of Charter Holdco	2,514	1,361	1,252
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	--	--	1
Deferred income taxes	(63)	172	202
<b>Net cash flows from operating activities</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>			
Payments from Charter Holdco	--	--	20
Investment in Charter Holdco	--	(4)	(1)
<b>Net cash flows from investing activities</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Paydown of convertible notes	--	--	(20)
Net proceeds from issuance of common stock	--	4	1
<b>Net cash flows from financing activities</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>(19)</b>
<b>NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>1</b>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, beginning of year	--	1	--
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, end of year</b>	<b>\$ --</b>	<b>\$ --</b>	<b>\$ 1</b>

**27. Unaudited Quarterly Financial Data**

The following table presents quarterly data for the periods presented on the consolidated statement of operations:

	Year Ended December 31, 2008			
	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter
Revenues	\$ 1,564	\$ 1,623	\$ 1,636	\$ 1,656
Operating income (loss) from continuing operations	\$ 205	\$ 230	\$ 208	\$ (1,257)
Net loss	\$ (360)	\$ (274)	\$ (322)	\$ (1,495)
Basic and diluted net loss per common share	\$ (0.97)	\$ (0.74)	\$ (0.86)	\$ (3.96)
Weighted-average shares outstanding, basic and diluted	370,085,187	371,652,070	374,145,243	377,920,301
	Year Ended December 31, 2007			
	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter
Revenues	\$ 1,425	\$ 1,499	\$ 1,525	\$ 1,553
Operating income from continuing operations	\$ 156	\$ 200	\$ 107	\$ 85
Net loss	\$ (384)	\$ (363)	\$ (409)	\$ (378)
Basic and diluted net loss per common share	\$ (1.05)	\$ (0.99)	\$ (1.11)	\$ (1.02)
Weighted-average shares outstanding, basic and diluted	366,120,096	367,582,677	369,239,742	369,916,556

The Company restated certain current year and prior year amounts as a result of the adoption of FSP ABP 14-1. See Note 25.

## 28. Subsequent Events

### *Impairment of Franchises*

During the quarter ended September 30, 2009, the Company performed an interim franchise impairment analysis and recorded a preliminary non-cash franchise impairment charge of \$2.9 billion (unaudited) which represented the Company's best estimate of the impairment of its franchise assets as of the date of filing the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Form 10-Q. The Company currently expects to finalize its franchise impairment analysis during the quarter ended December 31, 2009, which could potentially result in an impairment charge that materially differs from the estimate. In addition, upon the effectiveness of the Company's Plan, the Company will apply fresh start accounting in accordance with Statement of Position 90-7, *Financial Reporting by Entities in Reorganization Under the Bankruptcy Code* ("SOP 90-7") and as such will adjust its franchise assets to reflect fair value.

### *Emergence from Reorganization Proceedings and Related Events*

On March 27, 2009, the Company and certain affiliates (collectively, the "Debtors") filed voluntary petitions in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Bankruptcy Court") seeking relief under the provisions of Chapter 11 of Title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"). The Chapter 11 cases were jointly administered under the caption *In re Charter Communications, Inc., et al.*, Case No. 09-11435 (the "Chapter 11 Cases"). The Debtors continued to operate their businesses and managed their properties as debtors in possession under the jurisdiction of the Bankruptcy Court and in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code from March 27, 2009 until emergence from Chapter 11 on November 30, 2009 (the "Effective Date").

On November 17, 2009, the Bankruptcy Court entered an order (the "Confirmation Order") confirming the Plan and, on the Effective Date, the Plan was consummated and the Company emerged from bankruptcy. As provided in the Plan and the Confirmation Order, (i) the notes and bank debt of Charter Operating and CCO Holdings remained outstanding; (ii) holders of approximately \$1.5 billion of notes issued by CCH II received new CCH II notes (the "Notes Exchange"); (iii) holders of notes issued by CCH I received shares of Charter new Class A common stock; (iv) holders of notes issued by CIH received warrants to purchase shares of Charter new Class A common stock; (v) holders of notes issued by Charter Holdings received warrants to purchase shares of Charter new Class A common stock; (vi) holders of convertible notes issued by Charter received cash and preferred stock issued by Charter; and (vii) all previously outstanding shares of Charter Class A common stock were cancelled. In addition, as part of the Plan, the holders of CCH I notes received and transferred to Mr. Allen \$85 million of new CCH II notes.

The consummation of the Plan was funded with cash on hand, the Notes Exchange, and proceeds of approximately \$1.6 billion of an equity rights offering (the "Rights Offering") in which holders of CCH I notes purchased approximately \$1.6 billion of Charter's new Class A common stock.

Pursuant to a separate restructuring agreement among Charter, Mr. Allen, and an entity controlled by Mr. Allen (as amended, the "Allen Agreement"), in settlement and compromise of their legal, contractual and equitable rights, claims and remedies against Charter and its subsidiaries, and in addition to any amounts received by virtue of their holding any claims of the type set forth above, upon the Effective Date of the Plan, Mr. Allen or his affiliates were issued shares of the new Class B common stock of Charter equal to 2% of the equity value of Charter, after giving effect to the Rights Offering, but prior to issuance of warrants and equity-based awards provided for by the Plan and 35% (determined on a fully diluted basis) of the total voting power of all new capital stock of Charter. Each share of new Class B common stock is convertible, at the option of the holder subject to various restrictions, into one share of new Class A common stock, and is subject to significant restrictions on transfer. Certain holders of new Class A common stock and new Class B common stock will receive certain customary registration rights with respect to their shares. At the Effective Date of the Plan, Mr. Allen or his affiliates also received (i) warrants to purchase shares of new Class A common stock of Charter in an aggregate amount equal to 4% of the equity value of reorganized

Charter, after giving effect to the Rights Offering, but prior to the issuance of warrants and equity-based awards provided for by the Plan, (ii) \$85 million principal amount of new CCH II notes, (iii) \$25 million in cash for amounts owing to CII under a management agreement, (iv) up to \$20 million in cash for reimbursement of fees and expenses in connection with the Plan, and (v) an additional \$150 million in cash. In addition, on the Effective Date of the Plan, CII retained a 1% equity interest in reorganized Charter Holdco and a right to exchange such interest into new Class A common stock of Charter. Further, Mr. Allen transferred his preferred equity interest in CC VIII to Charter.

#### ***Charter Operating Revolving Credit Facility***

The Company has utilized \$1.4 billion of the \$1.5 billion revolving credit facility under its Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of March 18, 1999, as amended and restated as of March 6, 2007 (the "Credit Agreement"). Upon filing bankruptcy, Charter Operating no longer had access to the revolving feature of its revolving credit facility. Reinstatement of the Credit Agreement resulted in the revolving credit facility remaining in place with its original terms except its revolving feature.

#### ***Plan Effects and Fresh Start Accounting***

In the disclosure statement related to the Plan, the reorganization value of the Company was set forth as approximately \$14.1 billion to \$16.6 billion, with a midpoint estimate of \$15.4 billion. The reorganization value was determined using numerous projections and assumptions that are inherently subject to significant uncertainties and the resolution of contingencies beyond the control of the Company. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the estimates, assumptions and amounts reflected in the valuation will be realized. On a pro forma basis, as of December 31, 2008, the consummation of the Plan resulted in a net reduction of the Company's debt by approximately \$8 billion and a net reduction to cash of approximately \$273 million.

Effective December 1, 2009, the Company will apply fresh start accounting in accordance with SOP 90-7 which requires assets and liabilities to be reflected at fair value. Upon application of fresh start accounting, the Company will adjust its property, plant and equipment, franchise, goodwill, and other intangible assets to reflect fair value and will also establish any previously unrecorded intangible assets at their fair values. The Company expects these fresh start adjustments will result in material increases to total tangible and intangible assets, primarily as a result of adjustments to property, plant and equipment, goodwill and customer relationships.

