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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2018

OR

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

For the transition period from to .

Commission file number 0001-34145

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Primoris Services Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)	20-4743916 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
2100 McKinney Avenue, Suite 1500 Dallas, Texas (Address of Principal Executive Offices)	75201 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (214) 740-5600

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (Section 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes No

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

Large accelerated filer	Accelerated filer
Non-accelerated filer	Smaller reporting company
	Emerging growth company

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

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

At November 5, 2018, 51,204,959 shares of the registrant's common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, were outstanding.

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

PRIMORIS SERVICES CORPORATION

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In Thousands, Except Share Amounts)

(Unaudited)

	September 30, 2018	December 31, 2017
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents (\$15,729 and \$60,256 related to VIEs. See Note 11)	\$ 60,039	\$ 170,385
Accounts receivable, net	473,045	291,589
Contract assets	382,492	265,902
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	22,383	15,338
Total current assets	937,959	743,214
Property and equipment, net	369,123	311,777
Deferred tax assets	13,441	—
Intangible assets, net	85,813	44,800
Goodwill	208,130	153,374
Other long-term assets	6,680	2,575
Total assets	\$ 1,621,146	\$ 1,255,740
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 241,288	\$ 140,943
Contract liabilities	219,232	169,377
Accrued liabilities	130,382	76,027
Dividends payable	3,072	3,087
Current portion of long-term debt	63,947	65,464
Total current liabilities	657,921	454,898
Long-term debt, net of current portion	306,093	193,351
Deferred tax liabilities	—	13,571
Other long-term liabilities	64,652	31,737
Total liabilities	1,028,666	693,557
Commitments and contingencies (See Note 17)		
Stockholders' equity		

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Common stock—\$.0001 par value; 90,000,000 shares authorized; 51,204,959 and 51,448,753 issued and outstanding at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017	5	5
Additional paid-in capital	155,051	160,502
Retained earnings	431,764	395,961
Accumulated other comprehensive income	577	—
Noncontrolling interest	5,083	5,715
Total stockholders' equity	592,480	562,183
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 1,621,146	\$ 1,255,740

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PRIMORIS SERVICES CORPORATION

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Revenue	\$ 908,902	\$ 608,311	\$ 2,061,808	\$ 1,800,978
Cost of revenue	802,397	537,890	1,839,324	1,591,021
Gross profit	106,505	70,421	222,484	209,957
Selling, general and administrative expenses	51,604	42,321	132,049	126,835
Merger and related costs	3,827	238	13,190	1,555
Operating income	51,074	27,862	77,245	81,567
Other income (expense):				
Investment income	—	6,066	—	6,066
Foreign exchange (loss) gain	(69)	167	1,444	299
Other income (expense), net	32	(39)	(751)	(52)
Interest income	932	228	1,544	411
Interest expense	(6,448)	(2,198)	(11,637)	(6,605)
Income before provision for income taxes	45,521	32,086	67,845	81,686
Provision for income taxes	(10,716)	(9,952)	(14,633)	(28,644)
Net income	\$ 34,805	\$ 22,134	\$ 53,212	\$ 53,042
Less net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	(2,114)	(1,537)	\$ (8,118)	\$ (3,209)
Net income attributable to Primoris	\$ 32,691	\$ 20,597	\$ 45,094	\$ 49,833
Dividends per common share	\$ 0.060	\$ 0.055	\$ 0.180	\$ 0.170
Earnings per share:				
Basic	\$ 0.64	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.88	\$ 0.97
Diluted	\$ 0.63	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.87	\$ 0.96
Weighted average common shares outstanding:				
Basic	51,403	51,441	51,471	51,491
Diluted	51,735	51,707	51,760	51,751

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Net income	\$ 34,805	\$ 22,134	\$ 53,212	\$ 53,042
Other comprehensive income, net of tax:				
Foreign currency translation adjustments	200	—	577	—
Comprehensive income	35,005	22,134	53,789	53,042
Less net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	(2,114)	(1,537)	(8,118)	(3,209)
Comprehensive income attributable to Primoris	\$ 32,891	\$ 20,597	\$ 45,671	\$ 49,833

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(In Thousands)

(Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2018	2017
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 53,212	\$ 53,042
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash (used in) provided by operating activities (net of effect of acquisitions):		
Depreciation	47,708	43,064
Amortization of intangible assets	8,287	6,184
Intangible asset impairment	—	477
Stock-based compensation expense	748	911
Gain on short-term investments	—	(5,980)
Gain on sale of property and equipment	(3,212)	(3,880)
Other non-cash items	180	131
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	(78,819)	54,865
Contract assets	(85,817)	(42,011)
Other current assets	11,061	7,186
Other long-term assets	(957)	(2,745)
Accounts payable	24,099	(17,813)
Contract liabilities	(11,061)	46,210
Accrued liabilities	16,400	17,848
Other long-term liabilities	5,298	3,943
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities	(12,873)	161,432
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchase of property and equipment	(80,766)	(57,346)
Issuance of a note receivable	(15,000)	—
Proceeds from a note receivable	15,000	—
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment	9,655	7,027

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Purchase of short-term investments	—	(13,588)
Sale of short-term investments	—	350
Cash paid for acquisitions, net of cash and restricted cash acquired	(111,030)	(66,205)
Net cash used in investing activities	(182,141)	(129,762)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Borrowings under revolving line of credit	170,000	—
Payments on revolving line of credit	(170,000)	—
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	239,467	30,000
Repayment of long-term debt and capital leases	(127,363)	(41,279)
Payment of debt issuance cost	(1,041)	(631)
Proceeds from issuance of common stock purchased under a long-term incentive plan	1,498	1,148
Payment of contingent earnout liability	(1,200)	—
Cash distribution to non-controlling interest holders	(8,750)	—
Repurchase of common stock	(8,479)	(4,999)
Dividends paid	(9,271)	(8,497)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	84,861	(24,258)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(193)	—
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(110,346)	7,412
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	170,385	135,823
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	\$ 60,039	\$ 143,235

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SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018 2017 (Unaudited)	
Cash paid:		
Interest	\$ 11,658	\$ 6,236
Income taxes, net of refunds received	\$ 5,379	\$ 25,618

SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF NONCASH INVESTING AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018 2017 (Unaudited)	
Obligations incurred for the acquisition of property	\$ —	\$ 4,163
Dividends declared and not yet paid	\$ 3,072	\$ 2,829

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Dollars In Thousands, Except Share and Per Share Amounts)

(Unaudited)

Note 1—Nature of Business

Organization and operations — Primoris Services Corporation is a holding company of various construction and product engineering subsidiaries. Our underground and directional drilling operations install, replace and repair natural gas, petroleum, telecommunications and water pipeline systems, including large diameter pipeline systems. Our industrial, civil and engineering operations build and provide maintenance services to industrial facilities including power plants, petrochemical facilities, and other processing plants; construct multi-level parking structures; and engage in the construction of highways, bridges and other environmental construction activities. Our transmission and distribution operations install, replace and repair gas and electric utility systems. We are incorporated in the state of Delaware, and our corporate headquarters are located at 2100 McKinney Avenue, Suite 1500, Dallas, Texas 75201. Unless specifically noted otherwise, as used throughout these condensed consolidated financial statements, “Primoris”, “the Company”, “we”, “our”, “us” or “its” refers to the business, operations and financial results of us and our wholly-owned subsidiaries.

Reportable Segments — We segregate our business into five reportable segments: the Power, Industrial and Engineering (“Power”) segment, the Pipeline and Underground (“Pipeline”) segment, the Utilities and Distribution (“Utilities”) segment, the Transmission and Distribution (“Transmission”) segment, which is a new reportable segment created in connection with the acquisition of Willbros Group, Inc. (“Willbros”), and the Civil segment. See Note 18 – “Reportable Segments” for a brief description of the reportable segments and their operations.

The classification of revenue and gross profit for segment reporting purposes can at times require judgment on the part of management. Our segments may perform services across industries or perform joint services for customers in multiple industries. To determine reportable segment gross profit, certain allocations, including allocations of shared and indirect costs, such as facility costs, equipment costs and indirect operating expenses were made.

Acquisition of Willbros Group, Inc. — On June 1, 2018, we completed our acquisition of Willbros for approximately \$111.0 million, net of cash and restricted cash acquired. Willbros is a specialty energy infrastructure contractor serving the oil and gas and power industries through its utility transmission and distribution, oil and gas, and Canadian operations, which principally executes industrial and power projects. The utility transmission and distribution operations formed the Transmission segment, the oil and gas operations are included in the Pipeline segment, and the Canadian operations are included in the Power segment. See Note 6— “Business Combinations”.

Other Acquisitions — On May 26, 2017, we acquired the net assets of Florida Gas Contractors (“FGC”) for \$37.7 million; on May 30, 2017, we acquired certain engineering assets for approximately \$2.3 million; and on June 16, 2017, we acquired the net assets of Coastal Field Services (“Coastal”) for \$27.5 million. FGC operations are included in the Utilities segment, the engineering assets are included in the operations of the Power segment, and Coastal operations are included in the Pipeline segment. See Note 6— “Business Combinations”.

Joint Ventures —We own a 50% interest in two separate joint ventures, both formed in 2015. The Carlsbad Power Constructors joint venture (“Carlsbad”) is engineering and constructing a gas-fired power generation facility, and the ARB Inc. & B&M Engineering Co. joint venture (“Wilmington”) is also engineering and constructing a gas-fired power generation facility. Both projects are located in Southern California. The joint venture operations are included as part of the Power segment. As a result of determining that we are the primary beneficiary of the two variable interest entities (“VIEs”), the results of the Carlsbad and Wilmington joint ventures are consolidated in our financial statements. The Wilmington project was substantially complete as of December 31, 2017, and the Carlsbad project is expected to be completed in 2018. Financial information for the joint ventures is presented in Note 11 – “Noncontrolling Interests”.

Note 2—Basis of Presentation

Interim condensed consolidated financial statements — The interim condensed consolidated financial statements for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 have been prepared in accordance with Rule 10-01 of Regulation S-X of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”). As such, certain disclosures, which would substantially duplicate the disclosures contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K,

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filed on February 26, 2018, which contains our audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2017, have been omitted.

This Third Quarter 2018 Report on Form 10-Q should be read in concert with our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K. The interim financial information is unaudited. In the opinion of management, the interim information includes all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring adjustments) necessary for the fair presentation of the interim financial information.

Reclassification — Certain previously reported amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current period presentation.

Customer concentration — We operate in multiple industry segments encompassing the construction of commercial, industrial and public works infrastructure assets primarily throughout the United States. Typically, the top ten customers in any one calendar year generate revenue in excess of 50% of total revenue; however, the group that comprises the top ten customers varies from year to year.

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, revenue generated by the top ten customers were approximately \$483.0 million and \$1,045.9 million, respectively, which represented 53.1% and 50.7%, respectively, of total revenue during the applicable period. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, a Midwest utility customer represented 7.9% and 8.4% of total revenue, respectively, and a California utility customer represented 8.2% and 8.6% of total revenue, respectively.

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, revenues generated by the top ten customers were approximately \$317.2 million and \$1,058.5 million, respectively, which represented 52.2% and 58.8%, respectively, of total revenues during the applicable period. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, a California utility project represented 10.6% and 8.8% of total revenues, respectively, and a state department of transportation customer represented 8.4% and 9.8% of total revenues, respectively.

At September 30, 2018, approximately 10.2% of our accounts receivable were due from one customer, and that customer provided 8.4% of our revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2018. In addition, of total accounts receivable, approximately 4.4% are from one customer with whom we are currently engaged in a dispute resolution. See Note 17 – “Commitments and Contingencies”.

At September 30, 2017, approximately 10.8% of our accounts receivable were due from one customer, and that customer provided 7.9% of our revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. In addition, approximately

11.2% of total accounts receivable at September 30, 2017 were from one customer with whom we are currently engaged in a dispute resolution.

Multiemployer plans — Various of our subsidiaries are signatories to collective bargaining agreements. These agreements require that we participate in and contribute to a number of multiemployer benefit plans for our union employees at rates determined by the agreements. The trustees for each multiemployer plan determine the eligibility and allocations of contributions and benefit amounts, determine the types of benefits, and administer the plan. To the extent that any plans are underfunded, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended by the Multi-Employer Pension Plan Amendments Act of 1980, requires that if we were to withdraw from an agreement or if a plan is terminated, we may incur a withdrawal obligation. The potential withdrawal obligation may be significant. In accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (“GAAP”), any withdrawal liability would be recorded when it is probable that a liability exists and can be reasonably estimated. In November 2011, we withdrew from the Central States Southeast and Southwest Areas Pension Fund multiemployer plan, and fully paid off the withdrawal liability in the third quarter of 2018 as discussed in Note 17 — “Commitments and Contingencies”. We have no plans to withdraw from any other agreements.

Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities — We recognize all derivative instruments as either assets or liabilities on the balance sheet at their respective fair values. Our use of derivatives consists of an interest rate swap agreement. The interest rate swap agreement was entered into to improve the predictability of cash flows from interest payments related to variable rate debt for the duration of the term loan. The interest rate swap matures in July 2023 and is not designated as a hedge for accounting purposes. Therefore, the change in the fair value of the derivative asset or

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liability is reflected in net income in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income (mark-to-market accounting). Cash flows from derivatives settled are reported as cash flow from operating activities.

Note 3—Recent Accounting Pronouncements

Recently adopted accounting pronouncements

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09, “Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)”, with several clarifying updates issued during 2016 and 2017. The new standard is effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017 and supersedes all prior revenue recognition standards including the guidance in ASC Topic 605, “Revenue Recognition”. Under Topic 606, revenue recognition occurs when promised goods or services are transferred to customers in amounts that reflect the consideration to which the company expects to be entitled to in exchange for those goods or services. We adopted Topic 606 as of January 1, 2018 using the modified retrospective transition method. See Note 4 — “Revenue” for further details.

In November 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-18, “Statement of Cash Flows (Topic 230)”, which requires a reporting entity to include restricted cash and restricted cash equivalents in its cash and cash-equivalent balances presented in the entity’s statement of cash flows. A reconciliation between the statement of financial position and the statement of cash flows must be disclosed when the balance sheet includes more than one line item for cash, cash equivalents, restricted cash and restricted cash equivalents. Transfers between non-restricted and restricted cash should not be presented as cash flow activities in the statement of cash flows. Furthermore, an entity with a material restricted cash balance must disclose information regarding the nature of the restrictions. ASU 2016-18 is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim periods within those annual reporting periods. We adopted the ASU as of January 1, 2018, and it did not have a material impact on our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-01, "Business Combinations (Topic 805): Clarifying the Definition of a Business", which changes the definition of a business to assist entities with evaluating when a set of acquired assets and activities is a business. ASU 2017-01 requires an entity to evaluate if substantially all of the fair value of the gross assets acquired is concentrated in a single identifiable asset or a group of similar identifiable assets; if so, the set of transferred assets and activities is not a business. ASU 2017-01 is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017. We adopted the ASU as of January 1, 2018, and it did not impact the determination of our business combinations.

In May 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-09, “Compensation — Stock Compensation (Topic 718) — Scope of Modification Accounting”. The ASU amends the scope of modification accounting for share-based payment arrangements. The amendments in the ASU clarify when to account for a change in the terms or conditions of

share-based payment awards as a modification under ASC 718, “Compensation — Stock Compensation”. The ASU is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017. We adopted the ASU as of January 1, 2018, and it did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In March 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-05, “Amendments to SEC Paragraphs Pursuant to SEC Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 118”. The ASU added guidance previously issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) in Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 118 (“SAB 118”) to ASC 740 “Income Taxes”. SAB 118 was issued by the SEC in December 2017 to provide guidance for accounting implications of U.S. tax reform under the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the “Tax Act”). We have evaluated the potential impacts of SAB 118 and have applied this guidance to our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures beginning in the fourth quarter of our fiscal year 2017. See Note 14 — “Income Taxes” for additional information on SAB 118 and the impacts of the Tax Act.

Recently issued accounting pronouncements not yet adopted

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, “Leases (Topic 842)”. In July 2018, the FASB issued two updates to ASU 2016-02, ASU 2018-10, “Codification Improvements to Topic 842, Leases”, and ASU 2018-11, “Leases (Topic 842): Targeted Improvements”. ASU 2016-02 will require recognition of operating leases with lease terms of more than twelve months on the balance sheet as both assets for the rights and liabilities for the obligations created by the leases. The ASU will require disclosures that provide qualitative and quantitative information for the lease assets and liabilities recorded in the financial statements. The standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, and initially required a modified retrospective transition method where a company applies the new

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leases standard at the beginning of the earliest period presented in the financial statements. ASU 2018-11 added an optional transition method where a company applies the new leases standard at the adoption date and recognizes a cumulative effect adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings. We intend to take advantage of the transition practical expedients permitted with the new standard, which among other things, allows us to carryforward the historical lease classification. In addition, we expect to elect the hindsight practical expedient to determine the reasonably certain lease term for existing leases. We also plan to make an accounting policy election that will keep leases with an initial term of 12 months or less off of the balance sheet and will result in recognizing those lease payments in the Consolidated Statements of Income on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

While we are continuing to assess all potential impacts of the ASUs, we expect total liabilities to increase by \$110.0 to \$125.0 million. We expect the right of use assets to approximate the lease liability as of the date of adoption with any difference between these amounts recorded as an adjustment to retained earnings as of January 1, 2019. These estimates, which are based on our current lease portfolio may change as we continue to evaluate the new standard and as we implement a new lease accounting information system. The estimates could also change due to changes in the lease portfolio, which could include lease volume, lease commencement dates, and renewal option and lease termination expectations. We do not believe the ASUs will materially affect our consolidated net income. We will update our estimates each quarter as changes occur.

We do not believe the ASUs will have a notable impact on our liquidity. Additionally, the ASUs will have no impact on our debt covenant compliance as we have already revised our credit agreements to address the impact of the ASUs.

In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-04, "Simplifying the Test for Goodwill Impairment". ASU 2017-04 removes the second step of the goodwill impairment test, which requires a hypothetical purchase price allocation. A goodwill impairment will now be the amount by which a reporting unit's carrying value exceeds its fair value, not to exceed the carrying amount of goodwill. ASU 2017-04 is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2019 and will be applied prospectively. We do not expect the adoption of ASU 2017-04 to have an impact on our financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-13, "Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820): Disclosure Framework—Changes to the Disclosure Requirements for Fair Value Measurement", which eliminates certain disclosure requirements for recurring and nonrecurring fair value measurements. The ASU eliminates such disclosures as the amount of and reasons for transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy, and adds new disclosure requirements for Level 3 measurements. This ASU is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, and interim periods within those fiscal years, with early adoption permitted for any eliminated or modified disclosures. We are currently evaluating the impact this ASU will have on our disclosures.

Note 4—Revenue

On January 1, 2018, we adopted Topic 606 using the modified retrospective method applied to those contracts that were not completed as of January 1, 2018. In adopting Topic 606, we changed our accounting policy for revenue recognition. Results for periods prior to January 1, 2018 are not adjusted and continue to be reported in accordance with our historic accounting under ASC Topic 605. The cumulative impact of adopting Topic 606 was immaterial and did not require an adjustment to retained earnings. However, we reclassified prior year balance sheet and cash flow amounts to conform to current year presentation.

We generate revenue under a range of contracting types, including fixed-price, unit-price, time and material, and cost reimbursable plus fee contracts. A substantial portion of our revenue is derived from contracts that are fixed-price or unit-price and is recognized over time as work is completed because of the continuous transfer of control to the customer (typically using an input measure such as costs incurred to date relative to total estimated costs at completion to measure progress). For time and material and cost reimbursable plus fee contracts, revenue is recognized primarily on an input basis, based on contract costs incurred as defined within the respective contracts. Costs to obtain contracts are generally not significant and are expensed in the period incurred.

We evaluate whether two or more contracts should be combined and accounted for as one single performance obligation and whether a single contract should be accounted for as more than one performance obligation. Topic 606 defines a performance obligation as a contractual promise to transfer a distinct good or service to a customer. A

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contract's transaction price is allocated to each distinct performance obligation and recognized as revenue when, or as, the performance obligation is satisfied. Our evaluation requires significant judgment and the decision to combine a group of contracts or separate a contract into multiple performance obligations could change the amount of revenue and profit recorded in a given period. The majority of our contracts have a single performance obligation, as the promise to transfer the individual goods or services is not separately identifiable from other promises in the contract and, therefore, is not distinct. However, occasionally we have contracts with multiple performance obligations. For contracts with multiple performance obligations, we allocate the contract's transaction price to each performance obligation using the observable standalone selling price, if available, or alternatively our best estimate of the standalone selling price of each distinct performance obligation in the contract. The primary method used to estimate standalone selling price is the expected cost plus a margin approach for each performance obligation.

As of September 30, 2018, we had \$1.73 billion of remaining performance obligations. We expect to recognize approximately 81% of our remaining performance obligations as revenue during the next four quarters and substantially all of the remaining balance by the year-end 2020.

Accounting for long-term contracts involves the use of various techniques to estimate total transaction price and costs. For long-term contracts, transaction price, estimated cost at completion and total costs incurred to date are used to calculate revenue earned. Unforeseen events and circumstances can alter the estimate of the costs and potential profit associated with a particular contract. Total estimated costs, and thus contract revenue and income, can be impacted by changes in productivity, scheduling, the unit cost of labor, subcontracts, materials and equipment. Additionally, external factors such as weather, client needs, client delays in providing permits and approvals, labor availability, governmental regulation and politics may affect the progress of a project's completion, and thus the timing of revenue recognition. To the extent that original cost estimates are modified, estimated costs to complete increase, delivery schedules are delayed, or progress under a contract is otherwise impeded, cash flow, revenue recognition and profitability from a particular contract may be adversely affected.

The nature of our contracts gives rise to several types of variable consideration, including contract modifications (change orders and claims), liquidated damages, volume discounts, performance bonuses, incentive fees, and other terms that can either increase or decrease the transaction price. We estimate variable consideration as the most likely amount to which we expect to be entitled. We include estimated amounts in the transaction price to the extent we believe we have an enforceable right, and it is probable that a significant reversal of cumulative revenue recognized will not occur. Our estimates of variable consideration and the determination of whether to include estimated amounts in the transaction price are based largely on an assessment of our anticipated performance and all information (historical, current and forecasted) that is reasonably available to us at this time.

Contract modifications result from changes in contract specifications or requirements. We consider unapproved change orders to be contract modifications for which customers have not agreed to both scope and price. We consider claims to be contract modifications for which we seek, or will seek, to collect from customers, or others, for customer-caused changes in contract specifications or design, or other customer-related causes of unanticipated additional contract costs on which there is no agreement with customers. Claims can also be caused by non-customer-caused changes, such as rain or other weather delays. Costs associated with contract modifications are

included in the estimated costs to complete the contracts and are treated as project costs when incurred. In most instances, contract modifications are for goods or services that are not distinct, and, therefore, are accounted for as part of the existing contract. The effect of a contract modification on the transaction price, and our measure of progress for the performance obligation to which it relates, is recognized as an adjustment to revenue on a cumulative catch-up basis. In some cases, settlement of contract modifications may not occur until after completion of work under the contract.

As a significant change in one or more of these estimates could affect the profitability of our contracts, we review and update our contract-related estimates regularly. We recognize adjustments in estimated profit on contracts under the cumulative catch-up method. Under this method, the cumulative impact of the profit adjustment is recognized in the period the adjustment is identified. Revenue and profit in future periods of contract performance are recognized using the adjusted estimate. In the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, revenue recognized from performance obligations satisfied in previous periods was \$2.5 million and \$27.5 million, respectively. If at any time the estimate of contract profitability indicates an anticipated loss on a contract, the projected loss is recognized in full, including any previously recognized profit, in the period it is identified and recognized as an “accrued loss provision” which is included in “Contract liabilities” on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. For contract revenue

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recognized over time, the accrued loss provision is adjusted so that the gross profit for the contract remains zero in future periods.

At September 30, 2018, we had approximately \$90.4 million of unapproved contract modifications included in the aggregate transaction prices. These contract modifications were in the process of being negotiated in the normal course of business. Approximately \$82.9 million of the contract modifications had been recognized as revenue on a cumulative catch-up basis through September 30, 2018.

In all forms of contracts, we estimate the collectability of contract amounts at the same time that we estimate project costs. If we anticipate that there may be issues associated with the collectability of the full amount calculated as the transaction price, we may reduce the amount recognized as revenue to reflect the uncertainty associated with realization of the eventual cash collection. For example, when a cost reimbursable project exceeds the client's expected budget amount, the client frequently requests an adjustment to the final amount. Similarly, some utility clients reserve the right to audit costs for significant periods after performance of the work.

The timing of when we bill our customers is generally dependent upon agreed-upon contractual terms, milestone billings based on the completion of certain phases of the work, or when services are provided. Sometimes, billing occurs subsequent to revenue recognition, resulting in unbilled revenue, which is a contract asset. Also, we sometimes receive advances or deposits from our customers before revenue is recognized, resulting in deferred revenue, which is a contract liability.

The caption "Contract assets" in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets represents the following:

- unbilled revenue (formerly costs and estimated earnings in excess of billings), which arise when revenue has been recorded but the amount will not be billed until a later date;
- retainage amounts for the portion of the contract price earned by us for work performed, but held for payment by the customer as a form of security until we reach certain construction milestones; and
- contract materials for certain job specific materials not yet installed, which are valued using the specific identification method relating the cost incurred to a specific project.

Contract assets consist of the following (in thousands):

September 30, December 31,

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	2018	2017
Unbilled revenue	\$ 262,510	\$ 160,092
Retention receivable	91,473	66,586
Contract materials (not yet installed)	28,509	39,224
	\$ 382,492	\$ 265,902

Contract assets increased by \$116.6 million compared to December 31, 2017 due primarily to a \$30.8 million increase from the acquisition of Willbros in the second quarter of 2018 and higher unbilled revenue from our legacy operations.

The caption “Contract liabilities” in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets represents deferred revenue (formerly billings in excess of costs and estimated earnings) on billings in excess of contract revenue recognized to date, and the accrued loss provision.

Contract liabilities consist of the following (in thousands):

	September 30, 2018	December 31, 2017
Deferred revenue	\$ 200,865	\$ 159,310
Accrued loss provision	18,367	10,067
	\$ 219,232	\$ 169,377

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Contract liabilities increased by \$49.9 million compared to December 31, 2017 primarily due to a \$61.0 million increase from the acquisition of Willbros in the second quarter of 2018, partially offset by lower deferred revenue from our legacy operations.

Revenue recognized for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, that was included in the contract liability balance at December 31, 2017 was approximately \$145.4 million.

The following tables present our revenue disaggregated into various categories.

Master Service Agreements (“MSA”) and Non-MSA revenue was as follows (in thousands):

Segment	For the three months ended September 30, 2018		
	MSA	Non-MSA	Total
Power	\$ 48,004	\$ 133,818	\$ 181,822
Pipeline	14,986	198,087	213,073
Utilities	227,192	42,460	269,652
Transmission	100,227	21,299	121,526
Civil	—	122,829	122,829
Total	\$ 390,409	\$ 518,493	\$ 908,902

Segment	For the nine months ended September 30, 2018		
	MSA	Non-MSA	Total
Power	\$ 90,074	\$ 425,304	\$ 515,378
Pipeline	34,479	326,782	361,261
Utilities	515,295	149,919	665,214
Transmission	135,744	28,236	163,980
Civil	—	355,975	355,975
Total	\$ 775,592	\$ 1,286,216	\$ 2,061,808

Revenue by contract type was as follows (in thousands):

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For the three months ended September 30, 2018

Segment	Fixed-price	Unit-price	Cost	
			(1)	Total
Power	\$ 85,561	\$ 10,371	\$ 85,890	\$ 181,822
Pipeline	41,772	7,924	163,377	213,073
Utilities	42,763	144,611	82,278	269,652
Transmission	20,259	84,646	16,621	121,526
Civil	21,380	90,418	11,031	122,829
Total	\$ 211,735	\$ 337,970	\$ 359,197	\$ 908,902

(1) Includes time and material and cost reimbursable plus fee contracts.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2018

Segment	Fixed-price	Unit-price	Cost reimbursable (1)	Total
Power	\$ 310,599	\$ 36,015	\$ 168,764	\$ 515,378
Pipeline	82,394	58,247	220,620	361,261
Utilities	148,126	339,225	177,863	665,214
Transmission	28,259	110,103	25,618	163,980
Civil	45,803	269,630	40,542	355,975
Total	\$ 615,181	\$ 813,220	\$ 633,407	\$ 2,061,808

(1) Includes time and material and cost reimbursable plus fee contracts.

Each of these contract types has a different risk profile. Typically, we assume more risk with fixed-price contracts. Unforeseen events and circumstances can alter the estimate of the costs and potential profit associated with a particular contract. However, these types of contracts offer additional profits when we complete the work for less cost

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than originally estimated. Unit-price and cost reimbursable contracts generally subject us to lower risk. Accordingly, the associated fees are usually lower than fees earned on fixed-price contracts. Under these contracts, our profit may vary if actual costs vary significantly from the negotiated rates.

Note 5—Fair Value Measurements

ASC Topic 820, “Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures”, defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in GAAP and requires certain disclosures about fair value measurements. ASC Topic 820 addresses fair value GAAP for financial assets and financial liabilities that are re-measured and reported at fair value at each reporting period and for non-financial assets and liabilities that are re-measured and reported at fair value on a non-recurring basis.

In general, fair values determined by Level 1 inputs use quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. Fair values determined by Level 2 inputs use data points that are observable such as quoted prices, interest rates and yield curves. Fair values determined by Level 3 inputs are “unobservable data points” for the asset or liability and include situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability.

The following table presents, for each of the fair value hierarchy levels identified under ASC Topic 820, our financial assets and liabilities that are required to be measured at fair value at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017 (in thousands):

	Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date		
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Assets as of September 30, 2018:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 60,039	\$ —	\$ —
Interest rate swap	—	18	—
Liabilities as of September 30, 2018:			
None	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Assets as of December 31, 2017:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 170,385	\$ —	\$ —
Liabilities as of December 31, 2017:			

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On a quarterly basis, we assess the estimated fair value of the contractual obligation to pay the contingent consideration and any changes in estimated fair value are recorded as a non-operating charge in our Statement of Income. Fluctuations in the fair value of contingent consideration are impacted by two unobservable inputs, management's estimate of the probability (which has ranged from 33% to 100%) of the acquired company meeting the contractual operating performance target and the estimated discount rate (a rate that approximates our cost of capital). Significant changes in either of those inputs in isolation would result in a different fair value measurement. Generally, a change in the assumption of the probability of meeting the performance target is accompanied by a directionally similar change in the fair value of contingent consideration liability, whereas a change in assumption of the estimated discount rate is accompanied by a directionally opposite change in the fair value of contingent consideration liability. Upon meeting the target, we reflect the full liability on the balance sheet and record a charge to "Other income (expense), net" for the change in the fair value of the liability from the prior period.

The May 2017 acquisition of FGC included an earnout of \$1.5 million, contingent upon meeting certain performance targets. The estimated fair value of the contingent consideration on the acquisition date was \$1.2 million. Under ASC 805, we are required to estimate the fair value of contingent consideration based on facts and circumstances that existed as of the acquisition date and remeasure to fair value at each reporting date until the contingency is resolved. As a result of that remeasurement, we increased the fair value of the contingent consideration in the second quarter of 2018 related to the FGC performance target contemplated in their purchase agreement, and increased the liability by \$0.8 million with a corresponding increase in non-operating expense. We paid the full \$1.5 million liability in the third quarter of 2018.

Note 6 — Business Combinations

2018 Acquisition

Acquisition of Willbros Group, Inc.

On June 1, 2018, we acquired all of the outstanding common stock of Willbros, a specialty energy infrastructure contractor serving the oil and gas and power industries for approximately \$111.0 million, net of cash and restricted cash acquired. The total purchase price was funded through a combination of existing cash balances and borrowings under our revolving credit facility.

The tables below represent the purchase consideration and preliminary estimated fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed. Significant changes since our initial estimates reported in the second quarter of 2018 primarily relate to fair value adjustments to our acquired contracts, which resulted in an increase to contract liabilities of \$16.7 million. In addition, fair value adjustments to our acquired lease obligations reduced our liabilities assumed by approximately \$8.0 million. As a result of these and other adjustments to the initial estimated fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed, goodwill increased by approximately \$11.1 million since the second quarter of 2018. Adjustments recorded to the estimated fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed are recognized in the period in which the adjustments are determined and calculated as if the accounting had been completed as of the acquisition date.

The final determination of fair value for certain assets and liabilities is subject to further change and will be completed as soon as the information necessary to complete the analysis is obtained. These amounts, which may differ materially from these preliminary estimates, will continue to be refined and will be finalized as soon as possible, but no later than one year from the acquisition date. The primary areas of the preliminary estimates that are not yet finalized relate to property, plant and equipment, contract assets and liabilities, deferred income taxes, uncertain tax positions, and the fair value of certain contractual obligations.

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Purchase consideration (in thousands)	
Total purchase consideration	\$ 164,758
Less cash and restricted cash acquired	(53,728)
Net cash paid	111,030
Preliminary identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed (in thousands)	
Cash and restricted cash	\$ 53,728
Accounts receivable	102,719
Contract assets	30,762
Other current assets	17,914
Property, plant and equipment	31,286
Intangible assets:	
Customer relationships	47,500
Non-compete agreements	1,600
Tradenname	200
Deferred income taxes	27,014
Other non-current assets	2,261
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(116,321)
Contract liabilities	(61,004)
Other non-current liabilities	(27,657)
Total identifiable net assets	110,002
Goodwill	54,756
Total purchase consideration	\$ 164,758

We separated the operations of Willbros among two of our segments, and created a new segment for the utility transmission and distribution operations. The utility transmission and distribution operations formed the Transmission segment, the oil and gas operations are included in the Pipeline segment, and the Canadian operations are included in the Power segment. Goodwill associated with the Willbros acquisition principally consists of expected benefits from the expansion of our services into electric utility-focused offerings and the expansion of our geographic presence. Goodwill also includes the value of the assembled workforce. We allocated \$43.5 million of goodwill to the Transmission segment, \$7.6 million to the Power segment, and \$3.6 million to the Pipeline segment. Based on the current tax treatment, goodwill is not expected to be deductible for income tax purposes.

As part of the Willbros acquisition, we acquired approximately \$40.2 million of restricted cash that was pledged by Willbros to secure letters of credit. Subsequent to the acquisition, we issued new letters of credit under our Credit Facility to replace the Willbros letters of credit secured by the restricted cash. As of September 30, 2018, substantially all of the restricted cash had been released.

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For the three months ended September 30, 2018, Willbros contributed revenue of \$175.8 million and gross profit of \$18.6 million. For the period June 1, 2018, the acquisition date, to September 30, 2018, Willbros contributed revenue of \$236.8 million and gross profit of \$25.4 million.

Acquisition related costs were \$3.8 million and \$13.1 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively, related to the acquisition of Willbros and are included in “Merger and related costs” on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income. Such costs primarily consisted of severance and retention bonus costs for certain employees of Willbros, professional fees paid to advisors, and exiting or impairing certain duplicate facilities.

2017 Acquisitions

Acquisition of Florida Gas Contractors

On May 26, 2017, we acquired certain assets of FGC, a utility contractor specializing in underground natural gas infrastructure, for approximately \$33.0 million in cash. In addition, the sellers could receive a contingent earnout

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amount of up to \$1.5 million over a one-year period ending May 26, 2018, based on the achievement of certain operating targets. The estimated fair value of the potential contingent consideration as of the acquisition date was \$1.2 million. FGC operates in the Utilities segment and expands our presence in the Florida and Southeast markets. The purchase was accounted for using the acquisition method of accounting. During the fourth quarter of 2017, we finalized the estimate of fair value of the acquired assets of FGC, which included \$4.8 million of fixed assets; \$3.3 million of working capital; \$9.1 million of intangible assets; and \$17.0 million of goodwill. In connection with the FGC acquisition, we also paid \$3.5 million to acquire certain land and buildings. Intangible assets primarily consist of customer relationships. Goodwill associated with the FGC acquisition principally consists of expected benefits from providing expertise for our construction efforts in the underground utility business as well as the expansion of our geographic presence. Goodwill also includes the value of the assembled workforce that FGC provides to us. Based on the current tax treatment, goodwill will be deductible for income tax purposes over a fifteen-year period.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, FGC contributed revenue of \$8.1 million and \$24.1 million, respectively, and gross profit of \$1.6 million and \$6.6 million, respectively. For the three months ended September 30, 2017, FGC contributed revenue of \$6.1 million and gross profit of \$1.5 million. For the period May 26, 2017, the acquisition date, to September 30, 2017, FGC contributed revenue of \$8.3 million and gross profit of \$2.0 million.

Acquisition of Engineering Assets

On May 30, 2017, we acquired certain engineering assets for approximately \$2.3 million in cash, which further enhances our ability to provide quality service for engineering and design projects. The purchase was accounted for using the acquisition method of accounting. The allocation of the total purchase price consisted of \$0.2 million of fixed assets and \$2.1 million of intangible assets. Intangible assets primarily consist of customer relationships. The operations of this acquisition were fully integrated into our Power segment operations and no separate financial results were maintained. Therefore, it is impracticable for us to report separately the amounts of revenue and gross profit included in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income.

Acquisition of Coastal Field Services

On June 16, 2017, we acquired certain assets and liabilities of Coastal for approximately \$27.5 million. Coastal provides pipeline construction and maintenance, pipe and vessel coating and insulation, and integrity support services for companies in the oil and gas industry. Coastal operates in the Pipeline segment and increases our market share in the Gulf Coast energy market. The purchase was accounted for using the acquisition method of accounting. During the second quarter of 2018, we finalized the estimate of the fair value of the acquired assets, which included \$4.0 million of fixed assets; \$4.6 million of working capital; \$9.9 million of intangible assets; \$9.3 million of goodwill; and \$0.3 million of long-term capital leases. Intangible assets primarily consist of customer relationships and tradename. Goodwill associated with the Coastal acquisition principally consists of expected benefits from providing expertise for our expansion of services in the pipeline construction and maintenance business. Goodwill also includes the value of

the assembled workforce that Coastal provides to us. Based on the current tax treatment, goodwill will be deductible for income tax purposes over a fifteen-year period.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, Coastal contributed revenue of \$2.8 million and \$12.0 million, respectively, and gross profit of \$0.3 million and \$1.3 million, respectively. For the three months ended September 30, 2017, Coastal contributed revenue of \$7.6 million and gross profit of \$1.1 million. For the period June 16, 2017, the acquisition date, to September 30, 2017, Coastal contributed revenue of \$8.6 million and gross profit of \$1.5 million.

Supplemental Unaudited Pro Forma Information for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017

The following pro forma information for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 presents our results of operations as if the acquisitions of Willbros, FGC, and Coastal had occurred at the beginning of 2017. The supplemental pro forma information has been adjusted to include:

- the pro forma impact of amortization of intangible assets and depreciation of property, plant and equipment, based on the purchase price allocations;

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- the pro forma impact of the expense associated with the amortization of the discount for the fair value of the contingent consideration liability associated with the FGC acquisition;
- the pro forma impact of nonrecurring merger and related costs directly attributable to the acquisitions;
- the pro forma impact of interest expense relating to the acquisitions; and
- the pro forma tax effect of both income before income taxes, and the pro forma adjustments, calculated using a tax rate of 28.0% and 40.0% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

The pro forma results are presented for illustrative purposes only and are not necessarily indicative of, or intended to represent, the results that would have been achieved had the various acquisitions been completed on January 1, 2017. For example, the pro forma results do not reflect any operating efficiencies and associated cost savings that we might have achieved with respect to the acquisitions.

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2018 (unaudited)	2017 (unaudited)	2018 (unaudited)	2017 (unaudited)
Revenue	\$ 908,902	\$ 849,084	\$ 2,388,020	\$ 2,218,392
Income before provision for income taxes	\$ 45,521	\$ 3,487	\$ 61,709	\$ 68,254
Net income attributable to Primoris	\$ 32,691	\$ 3,438	\$ 40,676	\$ 41,774
Weighted average common shares outstanding:				
Basic	51,403	51,441	51,471	51,491
Diluted	51,735	51,707	51,760	51,751
Earnings per share:				
Basic	\$ 0.64	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.79	\$ 0.81
Diluted	\$ 0.63	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.79	\$ 0.81

Note 7—Goodwill and Intangible Assets

The change in goodwill by segment for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 was as follows (in thousands):

	Power	Pipeline	Utilities	Transmission	Civil	Total
Balance at January 1, 2018	\$ 24,391	\$ 51,521	\$ 37,312	\$ —	\$ 40,150	\$ 153,374
Goodwill acquired during the year	7,645	3,570	—	43,541	—	54,756
Balance at September 30, 2018	\$ 32,036	\$ 55,091	\$ 37,312	\$ 43,541	\$ 40,150	\$ 208,130

At September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, intangible assets other than goodwill totaled \$85.8 million and \$44.8 million, respectively, net of amortization. The table below summarizes the intangible asset categories, amounts and the average amortization periods, which are on a straight-line basis (in thousands):

	Weighted Average Life	September 30, 2018		December 31, 2017	
		Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization
Tradename	9 years	\$ 31,390	\$ (24,272)	\$ 32,175	\$ (22,238)
Customer relationships	16 years	97,400	(21,146)	49,900	(16,338)
Non-compete agreements	5 years	3,500	(1,212)	1,900	(820)
Other	3 years	275	(122)	275	(54)
Total	15 years	\$ 132,565	\$ (46,752)	\$ 84,250	\$ (39,450)

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Amortization expense of intangible assets was \$3.1 million and \$2.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively and amortization expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 was \$8.3 million and \$6.2 million, respectively. Estimated future amortization expense for intangible assets is as follows (in thousands):

For the Years Ending December 31,	Estimated Intangible Amortization Expense
2018 (remaining three months)	\$ 3,015
2019	11,879
2020	9,134
2021	7,897
2022	6,736
Thereafter	47,152
	\$ 85,813

Note 8—Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities

At September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, accounts payable were \$241.3 million and \$140.9 million, respectively. These balances included retention amounts for the same periods of approximately \$14.7 million and \$13.5 million, respectively. The retention amounts are due to subcontractors and have been retained pending contract completion and customer acceptance of jobs.

The following is a summary of accrued expenses and other current liabilities (in thousands):

	September 30, 2018	December 31, 2017
Payroll and related employee benefits	\$ 71,661	\$ 45,708
Insurance, including self-insurance reserves	31,400	21,391
Corporate income taxes and other taxes	8,151	2,843
Other	19,170	6,085
	\$ 130,382	\$ 76,027

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Note 9—Credit Arrangements

Long-term debt and credit facilities consist of the following (in thousands):

	September 30, 2018	December 31, 2017
Term loan	\$ 217,250	\$ —
Revolving credit facility	—	—
Commercial equipment notes	142,964	165,532
Mortgage notes	10,879	11,242
Senior secured notes	—	82,143
Total debt	371,093	258,917
Unamortized debt issuance costs	(1,053)	(102)
Total debt, net	\$ 370,040	\$ 258,815
Less: current portion	(63,947)	(65,464)
Long-term debt, net of current portion	\$ 306,093	\$ 193,351

The weighted average interest rate on total debt outstanding at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017 was 4.1% and 3.0%, respectively.

Commercial Notes Payable and Mortgage Notes Payable

From time to time, we enter into commercial equipment notes payable with various equipment finance companies and banks. At September 30, 2018, interest rates ranged from 1.83% to 4.40% per annum and maturity dates ranged from April 28, 2019 to April 30, 2023. The notes are secured by certain construction equipment.

We also entered into two secured mortgage notes payable to a bank in December 2015 totaling \$8.0 million, with interest rates of 4.3% per annum and maturity dates of January 1, 2031. The mortgage notes are secured by two buildings.

During 2017, we acquired three properties from a related party and assumed three mortgage notes secured by the properties totaling \$4.2 million, with interest rates of 5.0% per annum and maturity dates of October 1, 2038.

Credit Agreement

On September 29, 2017, we entered into an amended and restated credit agreement (the “Credit Agreement”) with CIBC Bank USA, as administrative agent (the “Administrative Agent”) and co-lead arranger, The Bank of the West, as co-lead arranger, and Branch Banking and Trust Company, IBERIABANK, Bank of America, and Simmons Bank (collectively, the “Lenders”), which increased our borrowing capacity from \$125.0 million to \$200.0 million. The Credit Agreement consists of a \$200.0 million revolving credit facility (“Revolving Credit Facility”), whereby the Lenders agreed to make loans on a revolving basis from time to time and to issue letters of credit for up to the \$200.0 million committed amount, and contains an accordion feature that will allow us to increase the borrowing capacity thereunder from \$200.0 million up to \$250.0 million, subject to obtaining additional or increased lender commitments.

On July 9, 2018, we entered into the First Amendment and Joinder to the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the “July Amendment”) with the Administrative Agent and the Lenders. On August 3, 2018, we entered into the Second Amendment to the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the “August Amendment”, and together with the July Amendment, the “Amendments”) with the Administrative Agent and the Lenders. The Amendments amend the Credit Agreement, dated as of September 29, 2017, among such parties.

The Amendments, among other things, modify the Credit Agreement to add Capital One, N.A. and Regions Bank as Lenders, include a \$220.0 million term loan (the “Term Loan”), increase the accordion feature that will allow us to increase the Term Loan or borrowing capacity under the Revolving Credit Facility by \$75.0 million, and extend the maturity date of the Credit Agreement from September 29, 2022 to July 9, 2023.

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The Term Loan requires quarterly principal payments equal to \$2.75 million, or \$11.0 million per annum, for the first three years and \$4.125 million, or \$16.5 million per annum, for years four and five, with the balance due on July 9, 2023. The first principal payment was paid on September 28, 2018.

The proceeds from the Term Loan were used to refinance and extinguish all of the Senior Notes (as discussed below), to pay down a significant portion of the borrowings under our Revolving Credit Facility that was used to finance the acquisition of Willbros, and for general corporate purposes.

We capitalized \$0.6 million of debt issuance costs during the third quarter of 2017 and \$1.0 million during the third quarter of 2018 that is being amortized as interest expense over the life of the Credit Agreement.

The principal amount of any loans under the Credit Agreement will bear variable interest at either: (i) LIBOR plus an applicable margin as specified in the Credit Agreement (based on our senior debt to EBITDA ratio as defined in the Credit Agreement), or (ii) the Base Rate (which is the greater of (a) the Federal Funds Rate plus 0.50% or (b) the prime rate as announced by the Administrative Agent). Non-use fees, letter of credit fees and administrative agent fees are payable at rates specified in the Credit Agreement.

The principal amount of any loan drawn under the Credit Agreement may be prepaid in whole or in part at any time, with a minimum prepayment of \$5.0 million.

At September 30, 2018, commercial letters of credit outstanding were \$50.7 million. Other than commercial letters of credit, there were no outstanding borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility, and available borrowing capacity was \$149.3 million at September 30, 2018.

Loans made under the Credit Agreement are secured by our assets, including, among others, our cash, inventory, equipment (excluding equipment subject to permitted liens), and accounts receivable. All of our domestic subsidiaries have issued joint and several guaranties in favor of the Lenders for all amounts under the Credit Agreement.

The Credit Agreement contains various restrictive and financial covenants including, among others, senior debt/EBITDA ratio and debt service coverage requirements. In addition, the Credit Agreement includes restrictions on investments, change of control provisions and provisions in the event we dispose of more than 20% of our total assets.

We were in compliance with the covenants for the Credit Agreement at September 30, 2018.

On September 13, 2018, we entered into an interest rate swap agreement to manage our exposure to the fluctuations in variable interest rates. The swap effectively exchanged the interest rate on 75% of the debt outstanding under our Term Loan from variable LIBOR to a fixed rate of 2.886% per annum, in each case plus an applicable margin, which was 2.25% at September 30, 2018. See Note 10 – “Derivative Instruments”.

Senior Secured Notes and Shelf Agreement

On December 28, 2012, we entered into a \$50.0 million Senior Secured Notes purchase agreement (“Senior Secured Notes”) and a \$25.0 million private shelf agreement (the “Notes Agreement”) by and among us, The Prudential Investment Management, Inc. and certain Prudential affiliates (the “Noteholders”). On June 3, 2015, the Notes Agreement was amended to provide for the issuance of additional notes of up to \$75.0 million over the three year period ending June 3, 2018 (“Additional Senior Notes” and together with the Senior Secured Notes, the “Senior Notes”).

The Senior Notes were funded in three tranches of \$50.0 million on December 28, 2012, \$25.0 million on July 25, 2013, and \$25.0 million on November 9, 2015, and bore interest at annual rates of 3.65%, 3.85%, and 4.60%, respectively, paid quarterly in arrears.

On July 9, 2018, we used a portion of the proceeds from the Term Loan to pay off and extinguish all of the Senior Notes, which resulted in a prepayment penalty recognized in the third quarter of 2018 of \$2.3 million.

Canadian Credit Facility

We have a demand credit facility for \$8.0 million in Canadian dollars with a Canadian bank for purposes of issuing commercial letters of credit in Canada. The credit facility has an annual renewal and provides for the issuance of

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commercial letters of credit for a term of up to five years. The facility provides for an annual fee of 1.0% for any issued and outstanding commercial letters of credit. Letters of credit can be denominated in either Canadian or U.S. dollars. At September 30, 2018, there were no letters of credit outstanding, and the available borrowing capacity was \$8.0 million in Canadian dollars. The credit facility contains a working capital restrictive covenant for OnQuest Canada, ULC. At September 30, 2018, OnQuest Canada, ULC was in compliance with the covenant.

Note 10 — Derivative Instruments

We are exposed to certain market risks related to changes in interest rates. To monitor and manage these market risks, we have established risk management policies and procedures. We do not enter into derivative instruments for any purpose other than hedging interest rate risk. None of our derivative instruments are used for trading purposes.

Interest Rate Risk. We are exposed to variable interest rate risk as a result of variable-rate borrowings under our Credit Agreement. To manage fluctuations in cash flows resulting from changes in interest rates on a portion of our variable-rate debt, we entered into an interest rate swap agreement on September 13, 2018 with an initial notional amount of \$165.0 million, or 75% of the debt outstanding under our Term Loan, which was not designated as a hedge for accounting purposes. The notional amount of the swap will be adjusted down each quarter by 75% of the required principal payments made on the Term Loan. See Note 9 – “Credit Arrangements”. The swap effectively changes the variable-rate cash flow exposure on the debt obligations to fixed rates. The fair value of outstanding interest rate swap derivatives can vary significantly from period to period depending on the total notional amount of swap derivatives outstanding and fluctuations in market interest rates compared to the interest rates fixed by the swaps. As of September 30, 2018, our outstanding interest rate swap agreement contained a notional amount of \$162.9 million with a maturity date of July 10, 2023. There were no outstanding interest rate swap agreements at December 31, 2017.

Credit Risk. By using derivative instruments to economically hedge exposures to changes in interest rates, we are exposed to counterparty credit risk. Credit risk is the failure of a counterparty to perform under the terms of a derivative contract. When the fair value of a derivative contract is positive, the counterparty owes us, which creates credit risk for us. When the fair value of a derivative contract is negative, we owe the counterparty and, therefore, we do not possess credit risk. We minimized the credit risk in derivative instruments by entering into transactions with high quality counterparties. We have entered into netting agreements, including International Swap Dealers Association (“ISDA”) Agreements, which allow for netting of contract receivables and payables in the event of default by either party.

The following table summarizes the fair value of our derivative contracts included in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (in thousands):

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		Asset Derivatives	
		September 30,	December 31,
Balance Sheet Location		2018	2017
Interest rate swap	Other long-term assets	\$ 18	\$ —
Total derivatives		\$ 18	\$ —

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The following table summarizes the amounts recognized with respect to our derivative instruments within the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income (in thousands):

	Location of Loss Recognized in Income on Derivatives	Amount of Loss Recognized in Income on Derivatives			
		Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
		2018	2017	2018	2017
Interest rate swap	Interest expense	\$ 33	\$ —	\$ 33	\$ —

Note 11 — Noncontrolling Interests

We are currently participating in two joint ventures, each of which operates in the Power segment. Both joint ventures have been determined to be a VIE and we were determined to be the primary beneficiary as a result of our significant influence over the joint venture operations.

Each joint venture is a partnership, and consequently, the tax effect of only our share of the income was recognized by us. The net assets of the joint ventures are restricted for use by the specific project and are not available for our general operations.

Carlsbad Joint Venture

The Carlsbad joint venture's operating activities began in 2015 and are included in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income as follows (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Revenue	\$ 18,415	\$ 28,722	\$ 89,672	\$ 65,725
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	\$ 2,101	\$ 550	\$ 7,545	\$ 930

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The Carlsbad joint venture made distributions of \$5.0 million to the noncontrolling interest and \$5.0 million to us during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018. No distributions were made during the nine months ended September 30, 2017. In addition, we did not make any capital contributions to the Carlsbad joint venture during the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017. The project is expected to be completed in 2018.

The carrying value of the assets and liabilities associated with the operations of the Carlsbad joint venture are included in our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as follows (in thousands):

	September 30, 2018	December 31, 2017
Cash	\$ 14,992	\$ 44,308
Accounts receivable	\$ 109	\$ 15,343
Contract assets	\$ 12,620	\$ —
Contract liabilities	\$ 9,624	\$ 42,743
Accounts payable	\$ 2,673	\$ 12,352
Due to Primoris	\$ 5,778	\$ —

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Wilmington Joint Venture

The Wilmington joint venture's operating activities began in October 2015 and are included in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income as follows (in thousands):

	Three Months		Nine Months Ended	
	Ended		September 30,	
	September 30,	September 30,	September 30,	September 30,
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Revenue	\$ —	\$ 5,143	\$ 1,921	\$ 29,742
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	\$ 13	\$ 987	\$ 573	\$ 2,279

The Wilmington joint venture made distributions of \$3.8 million to the noncontrolling interest and \$3.8 million to us during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018. No distributions were made during the nine months ended September 30, 2017. In addition, we did not make any capital contributions to the Wilmington joint venture during the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017. The project is complete, the warranty period expired in October 2018, and dissolution of the joint venture is expected in November 2018.

The carrying value of the assets and liabilities associated with the operations of the Wilmington joint venture are included in our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as follows (in thousands):

	September 30,	December 31,
	2018	2017
Cash	\$ 737	\$ 15,948
Accounts receivable	\$ —	\$ 598
Contract liabilities	\$ 212	\$ 1,480
Accounts payable	\$ —	\$ 759
Due to Primoris	\$ —	\$ 7,428

Summary – Joint Venture Balance Sheets

The following table summarizes the total balance sheet amounts for the Carlsbad and Wilmington joint ventures, which are included in our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, and the total consolidated balance sheet amounts (in thousands):

	Joint Venture	Consolidated
At September 30, 2018	Amounts	Amounts
Cash	\$ 15,729	\$ 60,039
Accounts receivable	\$ 109	\$ 473,045
Contract assets	\$ 12,620	\$ 382,492
Accounts payable	\$ 2,673	\$ 241,288
Contract liabilities	\$ 9,836	\$ 219,232
At December 31, 2017		
Cash	\$ 60,256	\$ 170,385
Accounts receivable	\$ 15,941	\$ 291,589
Accounts payable	\$ 13,111	\$ 140,943
Contract liabilities	\$ 44,223	\$ 169,377

Note 12—Related Party Transactions

Prior to March 2017, we leased three properties in California from Stockdale Investment Group, Inc. (“SIGI”). Our Chairman of the Board of Directors, who is also our largest stockholder, and his family hold a majority interest in SIGI. In March 2017, we exercised a right of first refusal and purchased the SIGI properties. The purchase was approved by our Board of Directors for \$12.8 million. We assumed three mortgage notes totaling \$4.2 million with the remainder paid in cash. During the first quarter of 2017, we paid \$0.2 million in lease payments to SIGI for the use of these properties, and have not made any payments since.

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We lease properties from other individuals that are current employees. The amounts leased are not material and each arrangement was approved by the Board of Directors.

Note 13—Stock-Based Compensation

In May 2013, the shareholders approved and we adopted the Primoris Services Corporation 2013 Long-term Incentive Equity Plan (“Equity Plan”). Our Board of Directors has granted 379,912 Restricted Stock Units (“Units”) to employees under the Equity Plan. The grants were documented in RSU Award Agreements, which provide for a vesting schedule and require continuing employment of the employee. The Units are subject to earlier acceleration, termination, cancellation or forfeiture as provided in the underlying RSU Award Agreement.

At September 30, 2018, a total of 202,121 Units were vested. The vesting schedule for the remaining Units are as follows:

For the Years Ending December 31,	Number of Units to Vest
2019	52,834
2020	6,674
2021	118,283
	177,791

Under guidance of ASC Topic 718 “Compensation — Stock Compensation”, stock-based compensation cost is measured at the date of grant, based on the calculated fair value of the stock-based award, and is recognized as expense over the employee’s requisite service period (generally the vesting period of the award).

The fair value of the Units was based on the closing market price of our common stock on the day prior to the date of the grant. Stock compensation expense for the Units is being amortized using the straight-line method over the service period. We recognized \$0.3 million and \$0.2 million in compensation expense for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and \$0.7 million and \$0.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. At September 30, 2018, approximately \$3.5 million of unrecognized compensation expense remained for the Units, which will be recognized over a weighted average period of 2.5 years.

Vested Units accrue “Dividend Equivalent Units” (as defined in the Equity Plan), which will be accrued as additional Units. At September 30, 2018, a total of 4,472 Dividend Equivalent Units were accrued.

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Note 14—Income Taxes

We are subject to tax liabilities imposed by multiple jurisdictions. We determine our best estimate of the annual effective tax rate at each interim period using expected annual pre-tax earnings, statutory tax rates, and available tax planning opportunities. Certain significant or unusual items are separately recognized in the quarter in which they occur which can cause variability in the effective tax rate from quarter to quarter. We recognize interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions, if any, as an income tax expense.

The Tax Act was signed into law on December 22, 2017. This legislation makes significant changes to the U.S. Internal Revenue Code including a reduction of the U.S. federal corporate income tax rate from 35% to 21% beginning on January 1, 2018. Other changes require complex computations not previously provided in U.S. tax law. Given the significance of the legislation, the SEC staff issued SAB 118, which provides guidance on accounting for the effects of the Tax Act. Specifically, SAB 118 allowed companies to record provisional estimates of the impact of the Tax Act in the period ended December 31, 2017. These provisional estimates must be finalized during a one-year “measurement period” similar to that used when accounting for business combinations. We remain provisional under SAB 118 as of September 30, 2018 while we finalize our assessment of foreign tax credit availability and the recently issued guidance concerning depreciation and executive compensation. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, we recorded expense of \$0.8 million for changes to provisional estimates for foreign tax credits net of associated valuation allowances.

We do not include the income tax expense or benefit related to the net earnings or loss attributable to noncontrolling interest in our income tax expense as the entities are considered pass-through entities and, as such, the income tax expense or benefit is attributable to its owners. The effective tax rate on income including noncontrolling interests for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 was 21.6% and 35.1%, respectively. Excluding noncontrolling interest, the effective tax rate on income attributable to Primoris for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 was 24.5% and 36.5%, respectively. For the first nine months of 2018, our tax rate differs from the U.S. federal statutory rate of 21% primarily due to the impact of state income taxes, investment tax credits, and nondeductible components of per diem expenses. For the first nine months of 2017, our tax rate differs from the U.S. federal statutory rate of 35% primarily due to the impact of state income taxes and nondeductible components of per diem expenses, partially offset by benefits recorded to the third quarter rate for prior year provision-to-return adjustments, including the 2017 impact of research and development tax credits to be claimed in all open years.

Our U.S. federal income tax returns are generally no longer subject to examination for tax years before 2015. The statutes of limitation of state and foreign jurisdictions generally vary between 3 to 5 years. Accordingly, our state and foreign income tax returns are generally no longer subject to examination for tax years before 2013.

Income taxes are accounted for under the asset and liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences of temporary differences between the financial reporting basis and tax basis of our assets and liabilities. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply in the

years in which those temporary differences are expected to reverse. The effects of remeasurement of deferred tax assets and liabilities resulting from changes in tax rates are recognized in income in the period of enactment.

Note 15—Dividends and Earnings Per Share

We have paid or declared cash dividends during 2018 and 2017 as follows:

Declaration Date	Record Date	Payable Date	Amount Per Share
February 21, 2017	March 31, 2017	April 15, 2017	\$ 0.055
May 5, 2017	June 30, 2017	July 14, 2017	\$ 0.055
August 2, 2017	September 29, 2017	October 14, 2017	\$ 0.055
November 2, 2017	December 29, 2017	January 15, 2018	\$ 0.060
February 21, 2018	March 30, 2018	April 13, 2018	\$ 0.060
May 4, 2018	June 29, 2018	July 13, 2018	\$ 0.060
August 2, 2018	September 28, 2018	October 15, 2018	\$ 0.060

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The payment of future dividends is contingent upon our revenue and earnings, capital requirements and our general financial condition, as well as contractual restrictions and other considerations deemed relevant by the Board of Directors.

The table below presents the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 (in thousands, except per share amounts).

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Numerator:				
Net income attributable to Primoris	\$ 32,691	\$ 20,597	\$ 45,094	\$ 49,833
Denominator:				
Weighted average shares for computation of basic earnings per share	51,403	51,441	51,471	51,491
Dilutive effect of shares issued to independent directors	4	4	3	4
Dilutive effect of restricted stock units (1)	328	262	286	256
Weighted average shares for computation of diluted earnings per share	51,735	51,707	51,760	51,751
Earnings per share attributable to Primoris:				
Basic	\$ 0.64	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.88	\$ 0.97
Diluted	\$ 0.63	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.87	\$ 0.96

(1) Represents the dilutive effect of the grant of Units and vested Dividend Equivalent Units for the respective periods presented.

Note 16—Stockholders' Equity

Common stock

We issued 71,757 shares of common stock in February 2018 and 65,429 shares of common stock in February 2017 under our long-term retention plan ("LTR Plan"). The shares were purchased by the participants in the LTR Plan with payment made to us of \$1.5 million in February 2018 and \$1.1 million in February 2017. Our LTR Plan for managers and executives allows participants to use a portion of their annual bonus amount to purchase our common stock at a discount from the market price. The shares purchased in February 2018 were for bonus amounts earned in 2017, and the number of shares was calculated at 75% of the average closing market price of December 2017. The shares purchased in February 2017 were for bonus amounts earned in 2016, and the number of shares was calculated at 75% of the average closing market price of January 2017.

In February 2018 and 2017, we issued 10,062 shares and 11,784 shares of common stock, respectively, as part of the quarterly compensation of the non-employee members of the Board of Directors. In August 2018 and 2017, we issued 10,092 shares and 11,448 shares of common stock, respectively, as part of the quarterly compensation of the non-employee members of the Board of Directors.

As discussed in Note 13 — “Stock-Based Compensation”, as of September 30, 2018, the Board of Directors has granted a total of 379,912 shares of Units under the Equity Plan and these Units have accrued 4,472 Dividend Equivalent Units.

Share repurchase plan

In May 2018, our Board of Directors authorized a \$5.0 million share repurchase program. In August 2018, our Board of Directors approved an increase to the share repurchase program to \$20.0 million. Under the share repurchase program, we can, depending on market conditions, share price and other factors, acquire shares of our common stock on the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. During the three and the nine months ended September 30, 2018,

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we purchased and cancelled 335,705 shares of common stock, which in the aggregate, equaled \$8.5 million, at an average price of \$25.26 per share. The share repurchase program expires on December 31, 2018.

In February 2017, our Board of Directors authorized a \$5.0 million share repurchase program under which we could, depending on market conditions, share price and other factors, acquire shares of our common stock on the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. During the month of March 2017, we purchased and cancelled 216,350 shares of common stock, which in the aggregate, equaled \$5.0 million, at an average price of \$23.10 per share.

Note 17—Commitments and Contingencies

Leases — We lease certain property and equipment under non-cancellable operating leases, which expire at various dates through 2023. The leases require us to pay all taxes, insurance, maintenance and utilities and are classified as operating leases in accordance with ASC Topic 840 “Leases”.

Total lease expense during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 was \$15.7 million and \$32.4 million, respectively, compared to \$6.8 million and \$18.8 million, respectively, for the same periods in 2017. Total lease expense associated with operating leases acquired in the Willbros acquisition for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and from the acquisition date of June 1, 2018 to September 30, 2018 was approximately \$7.7 million and \$10.5 million, respectively.

Withdrawal liability for multiemployer pension plan — In November 2011, members of the Pipe Line Contractors Association (“PLCA”), including ARB, Rockford and Q3C (prior to our acquisition in 2012), withdrew from the Central States, Southeast and Southwest Areas Pension Fund multiemployer pension plan (“Plan”) in order to mitigate additional liability in connection with the significantly underfunded Plan. During the first quarter of 2016, we received a final payment schedule for our withdrawal liability. We paid the remaining \$4.3 million liability in the third quarter of 2018, and have no plans to withdraw from any other labor agreements.

NTTA settlement — On February 7, 2012, we were sued in an action entitled North Texas Tollway Authority (“NTTA”), Plaintiff v. James Construction Group, LLC, and KBR, Inc., Defendants, v. Reinforced Earth Company, Third-Party Defendant (the “Lawsuit”). On February 25, 2015, the Lawsuit was settled, and we recorded a liability for \$17.0 million. A second defendant agreed to provide up to \$5.4 million to pay for the total expected remediation cost of approximately \$22.4 million. We will use our settlement obligation to pay for a third-party contractor approved by the NTTA. In the event that the total remediation costs exceed the \$22.4 million, the second defendant would pay 20% of the excess amount and we would pay for 80% of the excess amount. During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, we increased our forecasted remediation costs based on bids received by the NTTA from third-party contractors, and increased our liability by \$3.8 million. We also spent \$0.5 million for remediation during the nine months ended September 30, 2018. While we continue to monitor the progress toward remediation and the total remediation costs, at

this time we cannot determine the eventual remediation cost. At September 30, 2018, the remaining accrual balance was \$18.5 million.

Legal proceedings — We have been engaged in a dispute resolution to collect money we believe we are owed for a construction project completed in 2014. Because of uncertainties associated with the project, including uncertainty of the amounts that would be collected, we used a zero profit margin approach to recording revenue during the construction period for the project. For the project, a cost reimbursable contract, we had a receivable of \$32.9 million with a reserve of approximately \$17.9 million included in “Contract liabilities” at December 31, 2017. During the second quarter of 2018, we reached a partial settlement and received a payment on the receivable balance of \$12.0 million. As of September 30, 2018, our receivable was \$20.9 million and our reserve was \$11.6 million. In addition, we reflected another partial settlement of \$9.0 million during the third quarter of 2018, which resulted in gross profit of \$6.2 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018. The \$9.0 million payment was received subsequent to September 30, 2018, which reduced our receivable balance to \$11.9 million, and is fully reserved in “Contract liabilities”. At this time, we cannot predict the amount that we will collect nor the timing of any collection. The dispute resolution for the receivable initially required international arbitration; however, in the first half of 2016, the owner sought bankruptcy protection in U.S. bankruptcy court. We have initiated litigation against the remaining surety who has provided lien and stop payment release bonds for the total amount owed. A trial date has been tentatively set for November 26, 2018.

We are subject to other claims and legal proceedings arising out of our business. We provide for costs related to contingencies when a loss from such claims is probable and the amount is reasonably estimable. In determining whether

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it is possible to provide an estimate of loss, or range of possible loss, we review and evaluate our litigation and regulatory matters on a quarterly basis in light of potentially relevant factual and legal developments. If we determine an unfavorable outcome is not probable or reasonably estimable, we do not accrue for a potential litigation loss.

Management is unable to ascertain the ultimate outcome of other claims and legal proceedings; however, after review and consultation with counsel and taking into consideration relevant insurance coverage and related deductibles/self-insurance retention, management believes that it has meritorious defense to the claims and believes that the reasonably possible outcome of such claims will not, individually or in the aggregate, have a materially adverse effect on our consolidated results of operations, financial condition or cash flow.

SEC Inquiry — During the fourth quarter of 2014, the staff of the SEC began inquiring about certain percentage-of-completion contract revenue recognition practices of the Company during 2013 and 2014. Since that time, we cooperated and responded to the staff's inquiries in connection with this matter. We settled this matter and the inquiry was closed during the third quarter of 2018.

Litigation matters from the acquisition of Willbros — In the fourth quarter of 2014, Willbros announced a restatement of its Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for the March 2014 and June 2014 quarters. Two shareholder derivative lawsuits were filed purportedly on behalf of Willbros in connection with the restatement. One of the lawsuits was voluntarily dismissed by the plaintiff on April 23, 2015. On October 24, 2016, the Court dismissed the second lawsuit with prejudice. Plaintiffs' motion for reconsideration was denied on December 21, 2016. Plaintiffs filed a Notice of Appeal on January 20, 2017. The appeal is assigned to the 14th Court of Appeals, Houston, Texas. The court heard oral argument in the appeal on January 30, 2018, but it has not yet issued an opinion. We believe that any judgement would be fully funded by Willbros' insurance carriers.

Bonding — At September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the Company had bid and completion bonds issued and outstanding totaling approximately \$508.5 million and \$705.7 million, respectively.

Note 18—Reportable Segments

We segregate our business into five reportable segments: the Power segment, the Pipeline segment, the Utilities segment, the Transmission segment, which is a new reportable segment created in connection with the acquisition of Willbros, and the Civil segment. Each of our reportable segments is comprised of similar business units that specialize in services unique to the segment. Driving the end-user focused segments are differences in the economic characteristics of each segment, the nature of the services provided by each segment; the production processes of each segment; the type or class of customer using the segment's services; the methods used by the segment to provide the services; and the regulatory environment of each segment's customers.

The classification of revenue and gross profit for segment reporting purposes can at times require judgment on the part of management. Our segments may perform services across industries or perform joint services for customers in multiple industries. To determine reportable segment gross profit, certain allocations, including allocations of shared and indirect costs, such as facility costs, equipment costs and indirect operating expenses, were made.

The following is a brief description of the reportable segments:

The Power segment operates throughout the United States and in Canada and specializes in a range of services that include full EPC project delivery, turnkey construction, retrofits, upgrades, repairs, outages, and maintenance for entities in the petroleum, petrochemical, water, and other industries.

The Pipeline segment operates throughout the United States and specializes in a range of services, including pipeline construction, pipeline maintenance, pipeline facility work, compressor stations, pump stations, metering facilities, and other pipeline related services for entities in the petroleum and petrochemical industries.

The Utilities segment operates primarily in California, the Midwest, and the Southeast regions of the United States and specializes in a range of services, including utility line installation and maintenance, gas and electric distribution, streetlight construction, substation work, and fiber optic cable installation.

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The Transmission segment operates primarily in the Southeastern and Gulf Coast regions of the United States and specializes in a range of services in electric and gas transmission and distribution, including comprehensive engineering, procurement, maintenance and construction, repair, and restoration of utility infrastructure.

The Civil segment operates primarily in the Southeastern and Gulf Coast regions of the United States and specializes in highway and bridge construction, airport runway and taxiway construction, demolition, heavy earthwork, soil stabilization, mass excavation, and drainage projects.

All intersegment revenue and gross profit, which were immaterial, have been eliminated in the following tables.

Segment Revenue

Revenue by segment for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 were as follows (in thousands):

Segment	For the three months ended September 30, 2018		2017	
	Revenue	% of Total Revenue	Revenue	% of Total Revenue
Power	\$ 181,822	20.0%	\$ 154,178	25.3%
Pipeline	213,073	23.4%	84,357	13.9%
Utilities	269,652	29.7%	246,524	40.5%
Transmission	121,526	13.4%	—	0.0%
Civil	122,829	13.5%	123,252	20.3%
Total	\$ 908,902	100.0%	\$ 608,311	100.0%

Segment	For the nine months ended September 30, 2018		2017	
	Revenue	% of Total Revenue	Revenue	% of Total Revenue
Power	\$ 515,378	25.0%	\$ 443,191	24.6%
Pipeline	361,261	17.5%	402,425	22.4%

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Utilities	665,214	32.3%	576,446	32.0%
Transmission (1)	163,980	7.9%	—	0.0%
Civil	355,975	17.3%	378,916	21.0%
Total	\$ 2,061,808	100.0%	\$ 1,800,978	100.0%

(1) Represents results from the June 1, 2018 acquisition date of Willbros to September 30, 2018.

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Segment Gross Profit

Gross profit by segment for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 were as follows (in thousands):

Segment	For the three months ended September 30, 2018		2017	
	Gross Profit	% of Segment Revenue	Gross Profit	% of Segment Revenue
Power	\$ 32,077	17.6%	\$ 18,842	12.2%
Pipeline	24,999	11.7%	12,084	14.3%
Utilities	35,348	13.1%	36,081	14.6%
Transmission	13,958	11.5%	—	0.0%
Civil	123	0.1%	3,414	2.8%
Total	\$ 106,505	11.7%	\$ 70,421	11.6%

Segment	For the nine months ended September 30, 2018		2017	
	Gross Profit	% of Segment Revenue	Gross Profit	% of Segment Revenue
Power	\$ 76,674	14.9%	\$ 52,498	11.8%
Pipeline	43,568	12.1%	79,575	19.8%
Utilities	78,963	11.9%	76,701	13.3%
Transmission (1)	19,679	12.0%	—	0.0%
Civil	3,600	1.0%	1,183	0.3%
Total	\$ 222,484	10.8%	\$ 209,957	11.7%

(1) Represents results from the June 1, 2018 acquisition date of Willbros to September 30, 2018.

Segment Goodwill

The amount of goodwill recorded by each segment at September 30, 2018 and at December 31, 2017 is presented in Note 7 – “Goodwill and Intangible Assets”.

Geographic Region — Revenue and Total Assets

The majority of our revenue is derived from customers in the United States with approximately 2.5% generated from sources outside of the United States, principally in Canada. At September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, approximately 3.0% of total assets were located outside of the United States.

Note 19—Subsequent Events

Cash Dividend

On November 2, 2018, the Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of \$0.06 per share of common stock for stockholders of record as of December 31, 2018, payable on or about January 15, 2019.

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PRIMORIS SERVICES CORPORATION

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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

Forward Looking Statements

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2018 ("Third Quarter 2018 Report") contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), which are subject to the "safe harbor" created by those sections. Forward-looking statements include information concerning our possible or assumed future results of operations, business strategies, financing plans, competitive position, industry environment, potential growth opportunities, the effects of regulation and the economy, generally. Forward-looking statements include all statements that are not historical facts and can be identified by terms such as "anticipates", "believes", "could", "estimates", "expects", "intends", "may", "plans", "potential", "predicts", "projects", "should" and similar expressions.

Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause our actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. We discuss many of these risks in detail in Part I, Item 1A "Risk Factors" of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 and our other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). You should read this Third Quarter 2018 Report, our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 and our other filings with the SEC completely and with the understanding that our actual future results may be materially different from what we expect.

Given these uncertainties, you should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. Also, forward-looking statements represent our management's beliefs and assumptions only as of the date of this Third Quarter 2018 Report. We assume no obligation to update these forward-looking statements publicly, or to update the reasons actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in any forward-looking statements, even if new information becomes available.

The following discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the unaudited financial statements and the accompanying notes included in Part 1, Item 1 of this Third Quarter 2018 Report and our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017.

Introduction

Primoris is a holding company of various subsidiaries, which form one of the larger publicly traded specialty contractors and infrastructure companies in the United States. Serving diverse end-markets, we provide a wide range of construction, fabrication, maintenance, replacement, water and wastewater, and engineering services to major public utilities, petrochemical companies, energy companies, municipalities, state departments of transportation and other customers. We install, replace, repair and rehabilitate natural gas, refined product, water and wastewater pipeline systems; large diameter gas and liquid pipeline facilities; electric utility systems; and heavy civil projects, earthwork and site development. We also construct mechanical facilities and other structures, including power plants, petrochemical facilities, refineries, water and wastewater treatment facilities and parking structures. Finally, we provide specialized process and product engineering services.

We have longstanding customer relationships with major utility, refining, petrochemical, power and engineering companies. We have completed major underground and industrial projects for a number of large natural gas transmission and petrochemical companies in the United States, major electrical and gas projects for a number of large utility companies in the United States, as well as significant projects for our engineering customers. We enter into a large number of contracts each year, and the projects can vary in length from several weeks to as long as 48 months for completion on larger projects. Although we have not been dependent upon any one customer in any year, a small number of customers tend to constitute a substantial portion of our total revenue.

We generate revenue under a range of contracting options, including fixed-price, unit-price, time and material, and cost reimbursable plus fee contracts. A substantial portion of our revenue is derived from contracts that are fixed-

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price or unit-price and is recognized over time as work is completed because of the continuous transfer of control to the customer. For time and material and cost reimbursable plus fee contracts, revenue is recognized primarily on an input basis, based on contract costs incurred as defined within the respective contracts.

Our reportable segments include the Power, Industrial, and Engineering (“Power”) segment, the Pipeline and Underground (“Pipeline”) segment, the Utilities and Distribution (“Utilities”) segment, the Transmission and Distribution (“Transmission”) segment, which is a new reportable segment created in connection with the acquisition of Willbros Group, Inc. (“Willbros”), and the Civil segment. See Note 18 – “Reportable Segments” for a brief description of the reportable segments and their operations.

The classification of revenue and gross profit for segment reporting purposes can at times require judgment on the part of management. Our segments may perform services across industries or perform joint services for customers in multiple industries. To determine reportable segment gross profit, certain allocations, including allocations of shared and indirect costs, such as facility costs, equipment costs and indirect operating expenses were made.

On June 1, 2018, we acquired Willbros for approximately \$111.0 million, net of cash and restricted cash acquired. Willbros is a specialty energy infrastructure contractor serving the oil and gas and power industries through its utility transmission and distribution, oil and gas, and Canadian operations, which principally executes industrial and power projects. The utility transmission and distribution operations formed the Transmission segment, the oil and gas operations are included in the Pipeline segment, and the Canadian operations are included in the Power segment. Willbros expands our services into electric utility-focused offerings and increases our geographic presence in the United States and Canada.

On May 26, 2017, we acquired the net assets of Florida Gas Contractors (“FGC”) for \$37.7 million; on May 30, 2017, we acquired certain engineering assets for approximately \$2.3 million; and on June 16, 2017, we acquired the net assets of Coastal Field Services (“Coastal”) for \$27.5 million. FGC operations are included in the Utilities segment, the engineering assets are included in the operations of the Power segment, and Coastal operations are included in the Pipeline segment.

In August 2017, we announced that we are investing approximately \$22.0 million to build, own, and operate a portfolio of solar projects in a California School District acquired from the developers, Spear Point Energy, LLC, and PFMG Solar, LLC. This investment amount includes the estimated cost of Engineering, Procurement, and Construction (“EPC”) work on the projects, which is projected to be completed in 2018. The solar projects are expected to generate a 25-year recurring revenue stream from the District's signed power purchase agreement. As an investment in a renewable energy project, the solar assets should provide us with investment tax credits valued at over \$5.0 million. As of September 30, 2018, our investment for the solar projects was approximately \$23.1 million. The \$23.1 million investment is our construction in progress on the solar projects and is included in Property and equipment, net on the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

We own a 50% interest in two separate joint ventures, both formed in 2015. The Carlsbad Power Constructors joint venture (“Carlsbad”) is engineering and constructing a gas-fired power generation facility, and the ARB Inc. & B&M Engineering Co. joint venture (“Wilmington”) is also engineering and constructing a gas-fired power generation facility. Both projects are located in Southern California. The joint venture operations are included as part of the Power segment. As a result of determining that we are the primary beneficiary of the two variable interest entities (“VIEs”), the results of the Carlsbad and Wilmington joint ventures are consolidated in our financial statements. The Wilmington project was substantially complete as of December 31, 2017, and the Carlsbad project is expected to be completed in 2018.

Material trends and uncertainties

We generate our revenue from both large and small construction and engineering projects. The award of these contracts is dependent on many factors, most of which are not within our control. We depend in part on spending by companies in the energy and oil and gas industries, the gas utility industry, as well as municipal water and wastewater customers. Over the past several years, each segment has benefited from demand for more efficient and more environmentally friendly energy and power facilities, local highway and bridge needs and from the activity level in the oil and gas industry. However, periodically, each of these industries and government agencies is adversely affected by macroeconomic conditions. Economic factors outside of our control may affect the amount and size of contracts we are awarded in any particular period.

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We closely monitor our customers to assess the effect that changes in economic, market and regulatory conditions may have on them. We have experienced reduced spending by some of our customers over the last several years, which we attribute to negative economic and market conditions, and we anticipate that these negative conditions may continue to affect demand for our services in the near-term. Fluctuations in market prices of oil, gas and other fuel sources have affected demand for our services. While we have seen signs of a recovery in the price of oil in late 2017 and 2018, the significant volatility in the price of oil, gas and liquid natural gas that occurred in the past few years may create uncertainty with respect to demand for our oil and gas pipeline services both in the near-term and for future projects. We have started to see increased activity in our upstream operations, such as the construction of gathering lines within the oil shale formations and believe that over time, the need for pipeline infrastructure for mid-stream and gas utility companies will result in a continuing need for our services. However, a reduction in oil prices from current levels could delay midstream pipeline opportunities. We are also monitoring the impact of recently imposed domestic and foreign trade tariffs, which could raise the price of raw materials, such as steel, utilized on construction projects or delay the start of certain projects. The continuing changes in the regulatory environment also affect the demand for our services, either by increasing our work or delaying projects. For example, environmental laws and regulation could provide challenges to major pipeline projects, resulting in delays that impact the timing of revenue recognition. In addition, the regulatory environment in California may result in delays for the construction of gas-fired power plants while regulators continue to search for significant renewable resources, but renewable resources may also create a demand for our construction services such as the need for storage of renewable generated electricity. Finally, we believe that regulated utility customers will continue to invest in our maintenance and replacement services.

Seasonality, cyclical and variability

Our results of operations are subject to quarterly variations. Some of the variation is the result of weather, particularly rain, ice and snow, which can impact our ability to perform construction services. While the majority of our work is in the southern half of the United States, these seasonal impacts can affect revenue and profitability in all of our businesses since utilities defer routine replacement and repair during their period of peak demand. Any quarter can be affected either negatively or positively by atypical weather patterns in any part of the country. In addition, demand for new projects tends to be lower during the early part of the year due to clients' internal budget cycles. As a result, we usually experience higher revenue and earnings in the third and fourth quarters of the year as compared to the first two quarters.

We are also dependent on large construction projects which tend not to be seasonal, but can fluctuate from year to year based on general economic conditions. Our business may be affected by declines or delays in new projects or by client project schedules. Because of the cyclical nature of our business, the financial results for any period may fluctuate from prior periods, and our financial condition and operating results may vary from quarter to quarter. Results from one quarter may not be indicative of financial condition or operating results for any other quarter or for an entire year.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements and that affect the amounts of revenue and expenses reported for each period. These estimates and assumptions must be made because certain information that is used in the preparation of our financial statements cannot be calculated with a high degree of precision from data available, is dependent on future events, or is not capable of being readily calculated based on generally accepted methodologies. Often, these estimates are particularly difficult to determine, and we must exercise significant judgment. Actual results could differ significantly from our estimates, and our estimates could change if they were made under different assumptions or conditions.

Our critical accounting policies are described in our Item 7 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017. Significant changes to our critical accounting policies as a result of adopting ASC Topic 606 are discussed below. There have been no material changes to our other critical accounting policies since December 31, 2017.

Revenue recognition—We generate revenue under a range of contracting types, including fixed-price, unit-price, time and material, and cost reimbursable plus fee contracts. A substantial portion of our revenue is derived from contracts that are fixed-price or unit-price and is recognized over time as work is completed because of the continuous

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transfer of control to the customer (typically using an input measure such as costs incurred to date relative to total estimated costs at completion to measure progress). For time and material and cost reimbursable plus fee contracts, revenue is recognized primarily on an input basis, based on contract costs incurred as defined within the respective contracts. Costs to obtain contracts are generally not significant and are expensed in the period incurred.

We evaluate whether two or more contracts should be combined and accounted for as one single performance obligation and whether a single contract should be accounted for as more than one performance obligation. ASC Topic 606 defines a performance obligation as a contractual promise to transfer a distinct good or service to a customer. A contract's transaction price is allocated to each distinct performance obligation and recognized as revenue when, or as, the performance obligation is satisfied. Our evaluation requires significant judgment and the decision to combine a group of contracts or separate a contract into multiple performance obligations could change the amount of revenue and profit recorded in a given period. The majority of our contracts have a single performance obligation, as the promise to transfer the individual goods or services is not separately identifiable from other promises in the contract and, therefore, is not distinct. However, occasionally we have contracts with multiple performance obligations. For contracts with multiple performance obligations, we allocate the contract's transaction price to each performance obligation using the observable standalone selling price, if available, or alternatively our best estimate of the standalone selling price of each distinct performance obligation in the contract. The primary method used to estimate standalone selling price is the expected cost plus a margin approach for each performance obligation.

Accounting for long-term contracts involves the use of various techniques to estimate total transaction price and costs. For long-term contracts, transaction price, estimated cost at completion and total costs incurred to date are used to calculate revenue earned. Unforeseen events and circumstances can alter the estimate of the costs and potential profit associated with a particular contract. Total estimated costs, and thus contract revenue and income, can be impacted by changes in productivity, scheduling, the unit cost of labor, subcontracts, materials and equipment. Additionally, external factors such as weather, client needs, client delays in providing permits and approvals, labor availability, governmental regulation and politics may affect the progress of a project's completion, and thus the timing of revenue recognition. To the extent that original cost estimates are modified, estimated costs to complete increase, delivery schedules are delayed, or progress under a contract is otherwise impeded, cash flow, revenue recognition and profitability from a particular contract may be adversely affected.

The nature of our contracts give rise to several types of variable consideration, including contract modifications (change orders and claims), liquidated damages, volume discounts, performance bonuses, incentive fees, and other terms that can either increase or decrease the transaction price. We estimate variable consideration as the most likely amount to which we expect to be entitled. We include estimated amounts in the transaction price to the extent we believe we have an enforceable right and it is probable that a significant reversal of cumulative revenue recognized will not occur. Our estimates of variable consideration and the determination of whether to include estimated amounts in the transaction price are based largely on an assessment of our anticipated performance and all information (historical, current and forecasted) that is reasonably available to us at this time.

Contract modifications result from changes in contract specifications or requirements. We consider unapproved change orders to be contract modifications for which customers have not agreed to both scope and price. We consider

claims to be contract modifications for which we seek, or will seek, to collect from customers, or others, for customer-caused changes in contract specifications or design, or other customer-related causes of unanticipated additional contract costs on which there is no agreement with customers. Claims can also be caused by non-customer-caused changes, such as rain or other weather delays. Costs associated with contract modifications are included in the estimated costs to complete the contracts and are treated as project costs when incurred. In most instances, contract modifications are for goods or services that are not distinct, and, therefore, are accounted for as part of the existing contract. The effect of a contract modification on the transaction price, and our measure of progress for the performance obligation to which it relates, is recognized as an adjustment to revenue on a cumulative catch-up basis. In some cases, settlement of contract modifications may not occur until after completion of work under the contract.

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As a significant change in one or more of these estimates could affect the profitability of our contracts, we review and update our contract-related estimates regularly. We recognize adjustments in estimated profit on contracts under the cumulative catch-up method. Under this method, the cumulative impact of the profit adjustment is recognized in the period the adjustment is identified. Revenue and profit in future periods of contract performance are recognized using the adjusted estimate. If at any time the estimate of contract profitability indicates an anticipated loss on a contract, the projected loss is recognized in full, including any previously recognized profit, in the period it is identified and recognized as an “accrued loss provision” which is included in “Contract liabilities” on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. For contract revenue recognized over time, the accrued loss provision is adjusted so that the gross profit for the contract remains zero in future periods.

At September 30, 2018, we had approximately \$90.4 million of unapproved contract modifications included in the aggregate transaction prices. These contract modifications were in the process of being negotiated in the normal course of business. Approximately \$82.9 million of the contract modifications had been recognized as revenue on a cumulative catch-up basis through September 30, 2018.

In all forms of contracts, we estimate the collectability of contract amounts at the same time that we estimate project costs. If we anticipate that there may be issues associated with the collectability of the full amount calculated as the transaction price, we may reduce the amount recognized as revenue to reflect the uncertainty associated with realization of the eventual cash collection. For example, when a cost reimbursable project exceeds the client’s expected budget amount, the client frequently requests an adjustment to the final amount. Similarly, some utility clients reserve the right to audit costs for significant periods after performance of the work.

The timing of when we bill our customers is generally dependent upon agreed-upon contractual terms, milestone billings based on the completion of certain phases of the work, or when services are provided. Sometimes, billing occurs subsequent to revenue recognition, resulting in unbilled revenue, which is a contract asset. However, we sometimes receive advances or deposits from our customers before revenue is recognized, resulting in deferred revenue, which is a contract liability.

The caption “Contract assets” in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets represents the following:

- unbilled revenue (formerly costs and estimated earnings in excess of billings), which arise when revenue has been recorded but the amount will not be billed until a later date;
- retainage amounts for the portion of the contract price earned by us for work performed, but held for payment by the customer as a form of security until we reach certain construction milestones; and
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contract materials for certain job specific materials not yet installed, which are valued using the specific identification method relating the cost incurred to a specific project.

The caption "Contract liabilities" in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets represents deferred revenue (formerly billings in excess of costs and estimated earnings) on billings in excess of contract revenue recognized to date, and the accrued loss provision.

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Results of Operations

Consolidated Results

The following discussion compares the results of the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 to the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017.

Revenue

Revenue was \$908.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018, an increase of \$300.6 million, or 49.4%, compared to the same period in 2017. The increase was primarily due to incremental revenue from acquisitions (\$175.8 million combined), progress on major pipeline projects on the Atlantic coast and in West Texas, and a refinery project in Southern California. The overall increase was partially offset by the substantial completion of a petrochemical plant project in 2017.

Revenue was \$2.06 billion for nine months ended September 30, 2018, an increase of \$260.8 million, or 14.5%, compared to the same period in 2017. The increase was primarily due to incremental revenue from acquisitions (\$277.0 million combined), progress on major pipeline projects on the Atlantic coast and in West Texas, and a refinery project in Southern California. The overall increase was partially offset by the substantial completion of two large Florida pipeline projects and a petrochemical plant project in 2017.

Gross Profit

Gross profit was \$106.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018, an increase of \$36.1 million, or 51.2%, compared to the same period in 2017. The increase was primarily due to revenue growth. Incremental gross profit in the three months ended September 30, 2018 from acquisitions totaled \$19.5 million. Gross profit as a percentage of revenue increased slightly to 11.7% in the three months ended September 30, 2018 from 11.6% in the same period in 2017.

Gross profit was \$222.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, an increase of \$12.5 million, or 6.0%, compared to the same period in 2017. The increase was primarily due to incremental gross profit for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 from acquisitions (\$34.8 million) and overall revenue growth, partially offset by the substantial completion of two large Florida pipeline projects and a petrochemical plant project in 2017. Gross profit as

a percentage of revenue decreased to 10.8% in the nine months ended September 30, 2018 from 11.7% in the same period in 2017 due primarily to favorable performance on the two Florida pipeline projects in 2017.

Selling, general and administrative expenses

Selling, general and administrative (“SG&A”) expenses were \$51.6 million during the three months ended September 30, 2018, an increase of \$9.3 million, or 21.9%, compared to the third quarter of 2017 primarily due to \$9.7 million of incremental expense from the businesses we acquired during the period. SG&A expense as a percentage of revenue decreased to 5.7% compared to 7.0% for the corresponding period in 2017 due to increased revenue.

SG&A expenses were \$132.0 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2018, an increase of \$5.2 million, or 4.1%, compared to 2017. The primary reason for the increase was \$14.9 million of incremental expense from the businesses we acquired during the period. The overall increase was partially offset by a \$5.8 million reduction in compensation related expenses, including incentive compensation accruals and a \$2.2 million decrease in legal fees. SG&A expense as a percentage of revenue decreased to 6.4% compared to 7.0% for the corresponding period in 2017 due to increased revenue.

Merger and related costs

Merger and related costs were \$3.8 million and \$13.2 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively, compared to \$0.2 million and \$1.6 million in the same periods in 2017. The increase is primarily related to higher costs associated with the acquisition of Willbros. Such costs primarily consisted of severance and retention bonus costs for certain employees of Willbros, professional fees paid to advisors, and exiting or impairing certain duplicate facilities.

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Other income and expense

Non-operating income and expense items for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 were as follows (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Investment income	\$ —	\$ 6,066	\$ —	\$ 6,066
Foreign exchange (loss) gain	(69)	167	\$ 1,444	\$ 299
Other income (expense), net	32	(39)	(751)	(52)
Interest income	932	228	1,544	411
Interest expense	(6,448)	(2,198)	(11,637)	(6,605)
Total other income (expense)	\$ (5,553)	\$ 4,224	\$ (9,400)	\$ 119

Investment income in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 is related to a \$6.0 million unrealized gain from a short-term investment in marketable equity securities.

Foreign exchange gains reflect currency exchange fluctuations associated with our Canadian engineering operation, which operates principally in United States dollars.

Other expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 was \$0.8 million primarily due to remeasurement of the contingent consideration in the second quarter of 2018 related to the FGC performance target contemplated in the purchase agreement. Under ASC 805, we are required to estimate the fair value of contingent consideration based on facts and circumstances that existed as of the acquisition date and remeasure to fair value at each reporting date until the contingency is resolved. As a result of that remeasurement in the second quarter of 2018, we increased the contingent consideration liability by \$0.8 million.

Interest income is derived from interest earned on excess cash invested primarily in short term U.S. Treasury bills, backed by the federal government.

Interest expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 increased compared to the same periods in 2017 due to higher average debt balances and weighted average interest rates in 2018. In addition, we recognized an additional \$2.3 million of interest in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 related to the early extinguishment of the notes issued under the Senior Secured Notes and Shelf Agreement.

Provision for income taxes

We are subject to tax liabilities imposed by multiple jurisdictions. We determine our best estimate of the annual effective tax rate at each interim period using expected annual pre-tax earnings, statutory tax rates, and available tax planning opportunities. Certain significant or unusual items are separately recognized in the quarter in which they occur and can cause variability in the effective tax rate from quarter to quarter. We recognize interest and penalties related to uncertain tax positions, if any, as an income tax expense.

The effective tax rate on income attributable to Primoris (excluding noncontrolling interests) was 24.5% for the nine months ended September 30, 2018. The rate differs from the U.S. federal statutory rate of 21% primarily due to state income taxes, investment tax credits, and nondeductible components of per diem expenses.

We recorded income tax expense for the three months ended September 30, 2018 of \$10.7 million compared to \$10.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2017. The \$0.7 million increase in income tax expense was primarily driven by a \$12.8 million increase in pre-tax income (excluding noncontrolling interests), partially offset by the impact of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act's reduction of the U.S. federal corporate income tax rate from 35% to 21% effective January 1, 2018.

We recorded income tax expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 of \$14.6 million compared to \$28.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. The \$14.0 million decrease was primarily driven by an \$18.8 million decrease in pre-tax income (excluding noncontrolling interests) and the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act's reduction of the U.S. federal corporate income tax rates from 35% to 21% effective January 1, 2018.

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Segment results

Power, Industrial and Engineering Segment

Revenue and gross profit for the Power segment for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,			
	2018	% of Segment Revenue	2017	% of Segment Revenue
	(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Power Segment Revenue	\$ 181,822		\$ 154,178	
Gross profit	\$ 32,077	17.6%	\$ 18,842	12.2%

	Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2018	% of Segment Revenue	2017	% of Segment Revenue
	(Thousands)		(Thousands)	
Power Segment Revenue	\$ 515,378		\$ 443,191	
Gross profit	\$ 76,674	14.9%	\$ 52,498	11.8%

Revenue increased by \$27.6 million, or 17.9%, for the three months ended September 30, 2018, compared to the same period in 2017. The growth is primarily due to a refinery project in Southern California (\$23.9 million) and the acquisition of Willbros (\$27.8 million), partially offset by the substantial completion of a large petrochemical plant in Louisiana in 2017 (\$23.9 million).

Revenue increased by \$72.2 million, or 16.3%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, compared to the same period in 2017. The growth is primarily due to a refinery project in Southern California (\$48.2 million), a West Texas solar electric facility project that started in 2018 (\$39.5 million), and a monoethylene glycol plant project in Texas that started in the third quarter of 2017 (\$33.5 million). In addition, the acquisition of Willbros (\$34.7 million) increased revenue for the first nine months of 2018. The overall increase was partially offset by the substantial completion of a

large petrochemical plant in Louisiana in 2017 (\$92.3 million).

Gross profit for the three months ended September 30, 2018, increased by \$13.2 million, or 70.2% compared to the same period in 2017. The increase is primarily due to revenue growth and higher margins. In addition, gross profit increased by \$6.2 million from a partial settlement in the third quarter of 2018 of a disputed receivable related to a project completed in 2014.

Gross profit for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, increased by \$24.2 million, or 46.1%, compared to the same period in 2017. The increase is primarily due to the revenue growth and higher margins, as well as the partial settlement in 2018 of a disputed receivable related to a project completed in 2014.

Gross profit as a percentage of revenue increased to 17.6% and 14.9% during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively, compared to 12.2% and 11.8% in the same periods in 2017 primarily due to a strong performance and favorable margins realized by our Carlsbad joint venture project and the partial settlement of the disputed receivable discussed above.

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Pipeline and Underground Segment

Revenue and gross profit for the Pipeline segment for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2018		2017	
	(Thousands)	% of Segment Revenue	(Thousands)	% of Segment Revenue
Pipeline Segment				
Revenue	\$ 213,073		\$ 84,357	
Gross profit	\$ 24,999	11.7%	\$ 12,084	14.3%

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018		2017	
	(Thousands)	% of Segment Revenue	(Thousands)	% of Segment Revenue
Pipeline Segment				
Revenue	\$ 361,261		\$ 402,425	
Gross profit	\$ 43,568	12.1%	\$ 79,575	19.8%

Revenue increased by \$128.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018, compared to the same period in 2017. The increase is primarily due to major pipeline projects on the Atlantic Coast and West Texas that began in 2018 (\$111.3 million combined) and incremental revenue from the Willbros acquisition (\$26.5 million), partially offset by the completion of a pipeline job in West Texas in 2017 (\$18.3 million).

Revenue decreased by \$41.2 million, or 10.2%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, compared to the same period in 2017. The decrease is primarily due to the completion of two large pipeline jobs in Florida and a pipeline job in West Texas in 2017 (\$254.8 million combined). The overall decrease was partially offset by major pipeline projects on the Atlantic Coast and West Texas that began in 2018 (\$150.3 million combined), and incremental revenue from the Willbros and Coastal acquisitions (\$56.4 million combined).

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Gross profit for the three months ended September 30, 2018 increased by \$12.9 million compared to the same period in 2017 primarily due to revenue growth, partially offset by lower margins.

Gross profit for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 decreased by \$36.0 million, or 45.2%, compared to the same period in 2017. The decrease is primarily attributable to the higher revenue and gross profit from the two pipeline jobs in Florida in 2017, partially offset by incremental gross profit from the Willbros and Coastal acquisitions.

Gross profit as a percent of revenue decreased to 11.7% during the three months ended September 30, 2018, compared to 14.3% in the same period in 2017 primarily due to favorable performance on the West Texas job in 2017.

Gross profit as a percent of revenue decreased to 12.1% during the nine months ended September 30, 2018, compared to 19.8% in the same period in 2017. The decrease is primarily due to our strong performance on the two Florida jobs in 2017, which benefited from good weather conditions resulting in no weather delays and high productivity. The higher gross margin experienced in 2017 is not common and not expected to occur again in the future.

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Utilities and Distribution Segment

Revenue and gross profit for the Utilities segment for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2018		2017	
	(Thousands)	% of Segment Revenue	(Thousands)	% of Segment Revenue
Utilities Segment				
Revenue	\$ 269,652		\$ 246,524	
Gross profit	\$ 35,348	13.1%	\$ 36,081	14.6%

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018		2017	
	(Thousands)	% of Segment Revenue	(Thousands)	% of Segment Revenue
Utilities Segment				
Revenue	\$ 665,214		\$ 576,446	
Gross profit	\$ 78,963	11.9%	\$ 76,701	13.3%

Revenue increased by \$23.1 million, or 9.4%, for the three months ended September 30, 2018, compared to the same period in 2017 primarily due to higher revenue with a major utility customer in the Midwest (\$16.3 million).

Revenue increased by \$88.8 million, or 15.4%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, compared to the same period in 2017. The increase is primarily attributable to higher revenue from a major utility customer in the Midwest (\$32.4 million), and increased activity with a major utility customer in California (\$17.9 million). In addition, the impact of the acquired FGC operations in the second quarter of 2017 also benefited 2018 (\$15.8 million).

Gross profit for the three months ended September 30, 2018 decreased by \$0.7 million, or 2.0%, compared to the same period in 2017. The decrease is primarily due to the mix of work associated with new Master Service Agreement (“MSA”) projects in the Midwest.

Gross profit for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 increased by \$2.3 million, or 2.9%, compared to the same period in 2017. The increase is primarily due to the impact of higher volume.

Gross profit as a percent of revenue decreased to 13.1% during the three months ended September 30, 2018, compared to 14.6% in the same period in 2017 primarily due to the reasons discussed above.

Gross profit as a percentage of revenue decreased to 11.9% during the nine months ended September 30, 2018 compared to 13.3% in the same period in 2017 primarily due to the impact of a client delay and unfavorable weather conditions experienced by a major utility customer in the Midwest in the nine months ended September 30, 2018.

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Transmission and Distribution Segment

Revenue and gross profit for the Transmission segment for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2018		2017	
	(Thousands)	% of Segment Revenue	(Thousands)	% of Segment Revenue
Transmission Segment				
Revenue	\$ 121,526		\$ —	
Gross profit	\$ 13,958	11.5%	\$ —	0.0%

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018		2017	
	(Thousands)	% of Segment Revenue	(Thousands)	% of Segment Revenue
Transmission Segment				
Revenue	\$ 163,980		\$ —	
Gross profit	\$ 19,679	12.0%	\$ —	0.0%

The Transmission segment was created in connection with the acquisition of Willbros. Revenue and gross profit represent results from June 1, 2018, the acquisition date, to September 30, 2018.

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Civil Segment

Revenue and gross profit for the Civil segment for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 were as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2018		2017	
	(Thousands)	% of Segment Revenue	(Thousands)	% of Segment Revenue
Civil Segment Revenue	\$ 122,829		\$ 123,252	
Gross profit	\$ 123	0.1%	\$ 3,414	2.8%

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018		2017	
	(Thousands)	% of Segment Revenue	(Thousands)	% of Segment Revenue
Civil Segment Revenue	\$ 355,975		\$ 378,916	
Gross profit	\$ 3,600	1.0%	\$ 1,183	0.3%

Revenue for the three months ended September 30, 2018 was comparable to the same period in 2017. Significant activity included the substantial completion of a methanol plant project and a large petrochemical plant project in 2017 (\$18.1 million combined) as well as lower Arkansas DOT volumes. The overall decrease was offset by higher Louisiana DOT volumes (\$14.1 million), an ethylene plant project that began in 2018, and increased Florida mine work.

Revenue decreased by \$22.9 million, or 6.1%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, compared to the same period in 2017. The decrease is primarily due to the substantial completion of a methanol plant project (\$31.4 million) and a large petrochemical plant project (\$31.0 million), partially offset by higher Louisiana DOT volumes (\$41.2 million).

Gross profit decreased by \$3.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2018, compared to the same period in 2017 primarily due to favorable performance on the methanol plant and petrochemical plant projects in 2017.

Gross profit increased by \$2.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, compared to the same period in 2017 primarily due to higher profit on Arkansas DOT and Louisiana DOT projects, partially offset by favorable performance on the methanol plant and petrochemical plant projects in 2017.

Gross profit as a percent of revenue decreased to 0.1% during the three months ended September 30, 2018 and increased to 1.0% during the nine months ended September 30, 2018, compared to 2.8% and 0.3%, respectively, in the same periods in 2017 due primarily to the reasons noted above.

Revenue at the five Belton area projects was \$30.0 million and \$102.4 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively, representing 24.4% and 28.8% of total Civil revenue. Revenue for which no margin was recognized was \$12.6 million and \$52.3 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, the four Belton area jobs in a loss position contributed (\$0.9) million and \$7.7 million gross profit. Two of the Belton area jobs in a loss position were completed during 2017, and the remaining two loss jobs are scheduled to be completed in 2018. At September 30, 2018, the accrued loss provision for the two open loss jobs was \$1.7 million and estimated remaining revenue for the jobs was \$20.3 million. The remaining Belton area job is not in a loss position and contributed \$0.1 million and \$0.7 million gross profit during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018. At September 30, 2018, estimated remaining revenue for the remaining Belton area job was \$39.5 million, with completion scheduled for early 2019.

At September 30, 2018, we had approximately \$57.6 million of unapproved contract modifications included in the aggregate transaction prices associated with the Belton area projects. Approximately \$53.4 million of the contract modifications had been recognized as revenue on a cumulative catch-up basis through September 30, 2018.

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Geographic area financial information

The majority of our revenue is derived from customers in the United States with approximately 2.5% generated from sources outside of the United States, principally Canada.

Backlog

For companies in the construction industry, backlog can be an indicator of future revenue streams. We define backlog as a combination of: (1) anticipated revenue from the uncompleted portions of existing contracts for which we have known revenue amounts for fixed and unit price contracts (“Fixed Backlog”), and (2) the estimated revenue on MSA work for the next four quarters (“MSA Backlog”). We normally do not include time and material and cost reimbursable plus fee contracts in the calculation of backlog, since their final revenue amount is difficult to estimate in advance. However, we will include these types of contracts in backlog if the customer specifies an anticipated revenue amount.

The two components of backlog, Fixed Backlog and MSA Backlog, are detailed below.

Fixed Backlog

Fixed Backlog by reportable segment as of December 31, 2017 and September 30, 2018 and the changes in Fixed Backlog for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 are as follows (in millions):

Reportable Segment	Beginning Fixed	Contract	Revenue	Ending Fixed	Revenue	Total Revenue
	Backlog at			Backlog at	Recognized from	for Nine Months
	December 31,	Additions to	Recognized from	September 30,	Non-Fixed	ended
	2017	Fixed Backlog	Fixed Backlog	2018	Backlog	September 30,
					Projects	2018
Power	\$ 382.2	\$ 310.1	\$ 425.3	\$ 267.0	\$ 90.0	\$ 515.3
Pipeline	777.7	381.9	326.8	832.8	34.5	361.3
Utilities	58.7	138.6	149.9	47.4	515.3	665.2
Transmission	—	52.0	28.3	23.7	135.7	164.0

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Civil	606.0	181.8	347.6	440.2	8.4	356.0
Total	\$ 1,824.6	\$ 1,064.4	\$ 1,277.9	\$ 1,611.1	\$ 783.9	\$ 2,061.8

Revenue recognized from non-Fixed Backlog projects shown above are generated by MSA projects and projects completed under time and material and cost reimbursable plus fee contracts or are generated from the sale of construction materials, such as rock or asphalt to outside third parties or sales of water services.

At September 30, 2018, our total Fixed Backlog was \$1.61 billion, representing a decrease of \$213.5 million, or 12.8%, compared to \$1.82 billion at December 31, 2017.

MSA Backlog

The following table outlines historical MSA revenue for the past seven quarters (in millions):

	Quarterly MSA Revenue	
	2017	2018
First Quarter	\$ 105.5	\$ 146.4
Second Quarter	\$ 181.0	\$ 238.7
Third Quarter	\$ 197.9	\$ 390.4
Fourth Quarter	\$ 180.9	

MSA Backlog includes anticipated MSA revenue for the next twelve months. We estimate MSA revenue based on historical trends, anticipated seasonal impacts and estimates of customer demand based on information from our customers.

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The following table shows our estimated MSA Backlog at September 30, 2018 by reportable segment (in millions):

Reportable Segment:	MSA Backlog at September 30, 2018
Power	\$ 91.7
Pipeline	35.8
Utilities	650.6
Transmission	317.4
Civil	—
Total	\$ 1,095.5

Total Backlog

The following table shows total backlog (Fixed Backlog plus MSA Backlog), by reportable segment as of the quarter-end dates shown below (in millions):

Reportable Segment:	September 30, 2017	December 31, 2017	March 31, 2018	June 30, 2018	September 30, 2018
Power	\$ 459.1	\$ 423.0	\$ 379.3	\$ 387.2	\$ 358.7
Pipeline	850.5	813.0	788.6	910.3	868.6
Utilities	623.0	739.2			