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## UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549
FORM 10-Q
QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT
X 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 o OF 1934
For the transition period from $\qquad$ to
Commission File Number 001-09553
CBS CORPORATION
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)
Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of 04-2949533
incorporation or organization)
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

51 W. 52 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ Street, New York, New York 10019
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)
(212) 975-4321
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)
Not Applicable
(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)
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 x No o 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 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes x No o
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 x Accelerated filer o Non-accelerated filer o Smaller reporting company o $\begin{aligned} & \text { Emerging } \\ & \text { growth company o }\end{aligned}$
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. o
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).
Yeso Nox
Number of shares of common stock outstanding at October 31, 2018:
Class A Common Stock, par value $\$ .001$ per share- $37,507,526$

Class B Common Stock, par value $\$ .001$ per share- $336,787,717$
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## PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements.
CBS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited; in millions, except per share amounts)

Revenues
Costs and expenses:
Operating

| Three MonthsEnded |  | Nine Months |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Ended |  |
| September 30, |  | September 30, |  |
| 2018 | 2017 | 2018 | 2017 |
| \$3,263 | \$3,171 | \$ 10,490 | - 9,771 |
| 1,922 | 1,862 | 6,506 | 5,940 |
| 549 | 525 | 1,605 | 1,520 |
| 56 | 55 | 168 | 166 |
| 46 | - | 90 | - |
| 2,573 | 2,442 | 8,369 | 7,626 |
| 690 | 729 | 2,121 | 2,145 |
| (115 | ) (116 | ) (349 | ) (336) |
| 12 | 17 | 43 | 45 |
|  | (5 | ) - | (5 |
| (17 | ) (19 | ) (52 | ) (56 |
| 570 | 606 | 1,763 | 1,793 |
| (64 | ) (172 | ) (312 | ) (479) |
| (18 | ) (16 | ) (52 | ) $(45$ |
| 488 | 418 | 1,399 | 1,269 |
| - | 174 | - | (871 ) |
| \$488 | \$592 | \$ 1,399 | \$398 |

Basic net earnings (loss) per common share:
Net earnings from continuing operations
Net earnings (loss) from discontinued operations
Net earnings
Diluted net earnings (loss) per common share:
Net earnings from continuing operations
Net earnings (loss) from discontinued operations
Net earnings

Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:
Basic
$375 \quad 401 \quad 378 \quad 405$

Diluted

Dividends per common share

| $\$ 1.29$ | $\$ 1.03$ | $\$ 3.66$ | $\$ 3.10$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\$-$ | $\$ .43$ | $\$-$ | $\$(2.12)$ |
| $\$ 1.29$ | $\$ 1.46$ | $\$ 3.66$ | $\$ .97$ |

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# CBS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS) <br> (Unaudited; in millions) 

|  | Three <br> Months <br> Ended | Nine Months <br> September |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 30, | September 30, |  |  |

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## CBS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Unaudited; in millions, except per share amounts)

|  | At | At |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | September | December |
|  | 30,2018 | 31,2017 |
| ASSETS |  |  |
| Current Assets: |  |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$182 | \$285 |
| Receivables, less allowances of \$48 (2018) and \$49 (2017) | 3,697 | 3,697 |
| Programming and other inventory (Note 4) | 1,828 | 1,828 |
| Prepaid income taxes | - | 78 |
| Prepaid expenses | 137 | 194 |
| Other current assets | 196 | 191 |
| Total current assets | 6,040 | 6,273 |
| Property and equipment | 3,004 | 3,051 |
| Less accumulated depreciation and amortization | 1,782 | 1,771 |
| Net property and equipment | 1,222 | 1,280 |
| Programming and other inventory (Note 4) | 3,868 | 2,881 |
| Goodwill | 4,921 | 4,891 |
| Intangible assets | 2,650 | 2,666 |
| Other assets | 2,367 | 2,852 |
| Total Assets | \$21,068 | \$20,843 |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY |  |  |
| Current Liabilities: |  |  |
| Accounts payable | \$229 | \$231 |
| Accrued compensation | 256 | 343 |
| Participants' share and royalties payable | 1,110 | 986 |
| Program rights | 406 | 373 |
| Income taxes payable | 68 | - |
| Commercial paper (Note 6) | 374 | 679 |
| Current portion of long-term debt (Note 6) | 14 | 19 |
| Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | 1,536 | 1,341 |
| Total current liabilities | 3,993 | 3,972 |
| Long-term debt (Note 6) | 9,465 | 9,464 |
| Pension and postretirement benefit obligations | 1,226 | 1,328 |
| Deferred income tax liabilities, net | 563 | 480 |
| Other liabilities | 3,307 | 3,621 |
| Commitments and contingencies (Note 14) |  |  |
| Stockholders' Equity: |  |  |
| Class A Common Stock, par value $\$ .001$ per share; 375 shares authorized; 38 (2018 and 2017) shares issued | - | - |
| Class B Common Stock, par value $\$ .001$ per share; 5,000 shares authorized; 835 (2018) and 834 (2017) shares issued | 1 | 1 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 43,668 | 43,797 |
| Accumulated deficit | (17,762 ) | (18,900 ) |

$\left.\begin{array}{lll}\text { Accumulated other comprehensive loss (Note 8) } & (634 & ) \\ & (662\end{array}\right)$

See notes to consolidated financial statements.
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## CBS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited; in millions)

|  | Nine Months Ended September 30, |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2018 | 2017 |
| Operating Activities: |  |  |
| Net earnings | \$1,399 | \$398 |
| Less: Net loss from discontinued operations, net of tax |  | (871) |
| Net earnings from continuing operations | 1,399 | 1,269 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net earnings from continuing operations to net cash flow provided by operating activities from continuing operations: |  |  |
| Depreciation and amortization | 168 | 166 |
| Stock-based compensation | 105 | 129 |
| Equity in loss of investee companies, net of tax and distributions | 52 | 45 |
| Change in assets and liabilities, net of investing and financing activities | (545 | ) (674) |
| Net cash flow provided by operating activities from continuing operations | 1,179 | 935 |
| Net cash flow provided by operating activities from discontinued operations | 1 | 52 |
| Net cash flow provided by operating activities | 1,180 | 987 |
| Investing Activities: |  |  |
| Investments in and advances to investee companies | (76 | ) (67 ) |
| Capital expenditures | (99 | ) (112) |
| Acquisitions (including acquired television library) | (29 | ) (258) |
| Proceeds from sale of investments | - | 10 |
| Proceeds from dispositions | - | 11 |
| Other investing activities | 8 | 17 |
| Net cash flow used for investing activities from continuing operations | (196 | ) (399) |
| Net cash flow used for investing activities from discontinued operations | (23 | ) (18 ) |
| Net cash flow used for investing activities | (219 | ) (417) |
| Financing Activities: |  |  |
| (Repayments of) proceeds from short-term debt borrowings, net | (305 | ) 140 |
| Proceeds from issuance of senior notes | - | 889 |
| Repayment of senior notes | - | (701) |
| Proceeds from debt borrowings of CBS Radio | - | 40 |
| Repayment of debt borrowings of CBS Radio | - | (23 ) |
| Payment of capital lease obligations | (12 | ) (13 ) |
| Payment of contingent consideration | (5 | ) (7) |
| Dividends | (208 | ) (224) |
| Purchase of Company common stock | (497 | ) $(1,111)$ |
| Payment of payroll taxes in lieu of issuing shares for stock-based compensation | (59 | ) (89 ) |
| Proceeds from exercise of stock options | 23 | 81 |
| Other financing activities |  | ) - |
| Net cash flow used for financing activities | (1,064) | ) (1,018 |
| Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents | (103 | ) (448) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period (includes $\$ 24$ (2017) of discontinued operations cash) | 285 | 622 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period (includes \$30 (2017) of discontinued operations cash) | \$182 | \$174 |
| Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information |  |  |

Cash paid for interest:
Continuing operations ..... \$406 \$393
Discontinued operations ..... \$- ..... \$52Cash (refunded) paid for income taxes:Continuing operations\$(19 ) \$321
Discontinued operations ..... \$(3 ) \$58See notes to consolidated financial statements.-6-

## CBS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES <br> NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Tabular dollars in millions, except per share amounts)

## 1) BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Description of Business-CBS Corporation (together with its consolidated subsidiaries unless the context otherwise requires, the "Company" or "CBS Corp.") is comprised of the following segments: Entertainment (CBS Television, comprised of the CBS Television Network, CBS Television Studios, CBS Studios International, and CBS Television Distribution; Network 10; CBS Interactive; and CBS Films), Cable Networks (Showtime Networks, CBS Sports Network and Smithsonian Networks), Publishing (Simon \& Schuster) and Local Media (CBS Television Stations and CBS Local Digital Media).

Discontinued Operations-On November 16, 2017, the Company completed the disposition of CBS Radio Inc. ("CBS Radio") through a split-off. CBS Radio has been presented as a discontinued operation in the Company's consolidated financial statements (See Note 13).

Basis of Presentation-The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements of the Company have been prepared pursuant to the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the more detailed financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017.

In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited financial statements reflect all adjustments, consisting only of normal and recurring adjustments, necessary for a fair statement of the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the Company for the periods presented. Certain previously reported amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current presentation.

Use of Estimates-The preparation of the Company's financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP") requires management to make estimates, judgments and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. The Company bases its estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

## Revenues

Advertising Revenues-Advertising revenues are recognized when the advertising spots are aired on television or displayed on digital platforms. If there is a guarantee to deliver a targeted audience rating or number of impressions, the delivery of the advertising spots that achieve the guarantee represents the performance obligation and revenues are recognized based on the proportion of the audience rating or impressions delivered to the total guaranteed in the contract. Audience ratings and impressions are determined based on data provided by independent third-party companies. Advertising contracts, which are generally short-term, are billed monthly, with payments due shortly after the invoice date.

Advertising revenues are primarily generated by the Entertainment and Local Media segments.
Content Licensing and Distribution Revenues-Content licensing and distribution revenues are generated from the licensing of internally-produced television programming, fees from the distribution of third-party programming, and the publishing and distribution of consumer books.

## CBS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES <br> NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

(Tabular dollars in millions, except per share amounts)
Program Licensing and Distribution
For licenses of internally-produced television programming, each individual episode delivered represents a separate performance obligation and revenues are recognized when the episode is made available to the licensee for exhibition and the license period has begun. For license agreements containing multiple deliverables, revenues are allocated based on the relative standalone selling price of each episode of a television series, which is based on licenses for comparable series within the marketplace. Agreements to license programming are often long term, with collection terms ranging from one to five years.

The Company also distributes programs on behalf of third parties. In such arrangements, the Company generally obtains control of the program before selling it to the customer. Therefore, revenues from such distribution arrangements, which include both content licensing and advertising revenues, are recognized based on the gross amount of consideration received from the customer, with a participation expense recognized for the fees paid to the third-party producer.

Substantially all of the Company's program licensing and distribution revenues are generated by the Entertainment segment, with the remainder generated by the Cable Networks segment.

Publishing
Publishing revenues are recognized when merchandise is shipped or electronically delivered to the consumer. Consumer print books are generally sold with a right of return. The Company records a returns reserve and corresponding decrease in revenue at the time of sale based upon historical trends. For publishing revenues, payments are due shortly after shipment or electronic delivery.

Affiliate and Subscription Fees-A majority of the Company's affiliate and subscription fees are generated by the Cable Networks segment and consist of fees received from multichannel video programming distributors ("MVPDs") for carriage of the Company's cable networks and subscription fees for the Showtime digital streaming subscription offering. The Entertainment segment generates affiliate and subscription fees primarily from television stations affiliated with the CBS Television Network and subscribers to CBS All Access, its owned streaming subscription service. In addition, the Local Media segment generates retransmission fees from MVPDs for carriage of the Company's television stations.

The performance obligation for the Company's affiliate agreements is a license to the Company's programming provided through the continuous delivery of live linear feeds and, for agreements with MVPDs, also includes a license to programming for video on demand viewing. Affiliate and subscription fees are recognized over the term of the agreement as the Company continuously provides its customer with the right to use its programming. For agreements that provide for a variable fee, revenues are determined each month based on an agreed upon contractual rate applied to the number of subscribers to the customer's service. For agreements that provide for a fixed fee, which primarily include agreements with television stations affiliated with the CBS Television Network ("network affiliates"), revenues are recognized based on the relative fair value of the content provided over the term of the agreement, which is determined based on the fair value of the network affiliate's service and the value of the Company's programming. For affiliate and subscription fee revenues, payments are generally due monthly.

Noncurrent Receivables-Noncurrent receivables of $\$ 1.60$ billion and $\$ 1.59$ billion at September 30, 2018 and January 1, 2018, respectively, are included in "Other assets" on the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheets and primarily relate to revenues recognized under long-term television licensing arrangements.

## CBS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES <br> NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

(Tabular dollars in millions, except per share amounts)
Deferred Revenues-Deferred revenues primarily consist of cash received related to advertising arrangements and the licensing of television programming for which the revenues have not yet been earned. Advertising revenues that have been deferred are recognized when the required audience rating or impressions are delivered and revenues deferred under licensing arrangements are recognized when the content is made available to the customer.

Deferred revenues are primarily short term and included within "Accrued expenses and other current liabilities" on the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheets. Total deferred revenues were $\$ 259$ million and $\$ 284$ million at September 30, 2018 and January 1, 2018, respectively. The change in deferred revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 primarily reflects $\$ 178$ million of revenues recognized that were included in deferred revenues at January 1, 2018, offset by cash payments received during the period for which the performance obligation was not satisfied prior to the end of the period.

Unrecognized Revenues Under Contract-As of September 30, 2018, unrecognized revenue attributable to unsatisfied performance obligations under the Company's long-term contracts was $\$ 3.41$ billion, of which $\$ 522$ million is expected to be recognized for the remainder of $2018, \$ 1.58$ billion for $2019, \$ 771$ million for 2020 , and $\$ 534$ million thereafter. These amounts only include contracts subject to a guaranteed fixed amount or the guaranteed minimum under variable contracts. Such amounts change on a regular basis as the Company renews existing agreements or enters into new agreements. Unrecognized revenues under contract disclosed above do not include (i) contracts with an original expected term of one year or less, mainly consisting of the Company's advertising contracts (ii) contracts for which variable consideration is determined based on the customer's subsequent sale or usage, mainly consisting of affiliate and subscription fee agreements and (iii) long-term licensing agreements for multiple programs for which the Company's right to invoice corresponds with the value of the programs provided to the customer.

Net Earnings (Loss) per Common Share-Basic net earnings (loss) per share ("EPS") is based upon net earnings (loss) divided by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted EPS reflects the effect of the assumed exercise of stock options and vesting of restricted stock units ("RSUs") only in the periods in which such effect would have been dilutive. Excluded from the calculation of diluted EPS because their inclusion would have been anti-dilutive, were 7 million stock options for each of the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 4 million stock options for each of the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017.

The table below presents a reconciliation of weighted average shares used in the calculation of basic and diluted EPS.

|  | Three <br> Months <br> Ended <br> September $30,$ | Nine <br> Months |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Ended |  |
|  |  | Septe | mber |
|  |  | 30, |  |
| (in millions) | 20182017 | 2018 | 2017 |
| Weighted average shares for basic EPS | 375401 | 378 | 405 |
| Dilutive effect of shares issuable under stock-based compensation plans | 45 | 4 | 5 |
| Weighted average shares for diluted EPS | 379406 | 382 | 410 |

Other Liabilities-Other liabilities consist primarily of the noncurrent portion of residual liabilities of previously disposed businesses, participants' share and royalties payable, program rights obligations, deferred compensation and other employee benefit accruals.

## CBS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES <br> NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

(Tabular dollars in millions, except per share amounts)
Additional Paid-In Capital-For the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, the Company recorded dividends of $\$ 206$ million and $\$ 221$ million, respectively, as a reduction to additional paid-in capital as the Company had an accumulated deficit balance.

## Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

## Revenue from Contracts with Customers

During the first quarter of 2018, the Company adopted Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") guidance on the recognition of revenues which provides a single, comprehensive revenue recognition model for all contracts with customers and supersedes most existing revenue recognition guidance. The main principle under this guidance is that an entity should recognize revenue at the amount it expects to be entitled to in exchange for the transfer of goods or services to customers. The Company applied the modified retrospective method of adoption with the cumulative effect of the initial adoption of $\$ 261$ million reflected as an adjustment to the opening balance of accumulated deficit as of January 1, 2018. Prior periods continue to be presented under previous accounting guidance (See Note 12).

Improving the Presentation of Net Periodic Pension Cost and Net Periodic Postretirement Benefit Cost During the first quarter of 2018, the Company adopted FASB amended guidance on the presentation of net periodic pension and postretirement benefit cost ("net benefit cost"). This guidance requires the Company to present the service cost component of net benefit cost in the same line items on the statement of operations as other compensation costs of the related employees. All of the other components of net benefit cost are presented in the statement of operations separately from the service cost component and below the subtotal of operating income. As a result of the adoption of this guidance, the Company presented $\$ 16$ million and $\$ 47$ million of net benefit costs in "Other items, net" on the Consolidated Statement of Operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively, representing the components of net benefit cost other than service cost. This guidance is required to be applied retrospectively and therefore, $\$ 22$ million and $\$ 65$ million of expenses, previously presented within operating income, have been reclassified to "Other items, net" for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, respectively.

Stock Compensation: Scope of Modification Accounting
During the first quarter of 2018, the Company adopted FASB amended guidance on the accounting for stock-based compensation which clarifies when to account for a change to the terms or conditions of a share-based payment award as a modification. Under this guidance, modification accounting is required only if the fair value, the vesting conditions, or the classification of the award as equity or liability changes as a result of the change in the terms or conditions of a share-based payment award. The adoption of this guidance did not have an impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

## Clarifying the Definition of a Business

During the first quarter of 2018, the Company adopted FASB amended guidance on the accounting for business combinations which clarifies the definition of a business and assists entities with evaluating whether transactions should be accounted for as acquisitions (or disposals) of assets or businesses. Under this guidance, when substantially all of the fair value of gross assets acquired is concentrated in a single asset (or group of similar assets), the assets acquired would not represent a business. In addition, in order to be considered a business, an acquisition would have to include at a minimum an input and a substantive process that together significantly contribute to the ability to create an output. The amended guidance also narrows the definition of outputs by more

## CBS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES <br> NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

(Tabular dollars in millions, except per share amounts)
closely aligning it with how outputs are described in FASB guidance for revenue recognition. The adoption of this guidance did not have an impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

Intra-Entity Transfers of Assets Other than Inventory
During the first quarter of 2018, the Company adopted FASB amended guidance on the accounting for income taxes, which eliminates the exception in existing guidance that defers the recognition of the tax effects of intra-entity asset transfers other than inventory until the transferred asset is sold to a third party. Under this guidance, an entity recognizes the income tax consequences of an intra-entity transfer of an asset other than inventory when the transfer occurs. The adoption of this guidance did not have an impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

## Accounting Pronouncements Not Yet Adopted

Customer's Accounting for Implementation Costs Incurred in a Cloud Computing Arrangement that is a Service Contract
In August 2018, the FASB issued guidance on the accounting for implementation costs of a cloud computing arrangement that is considered to be a service contract. This guidance requires companies to follow the guidance for capitalizing costs associated with internal-use software to determine which costs to capitalize in a cloud computing arrangement that is a service contract. The guidance also specifies the financial statement presentation for capitalized implementation costs and the related amortization, as well as required financial statement disclosures. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of this guidance, which is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2019, with early adoption permitted.

Changes to the Disclosure Requirements for Defined Benefit Plans
In August 2018, the FASB issued amended guidance that eliminates, adds and clarifies certain disclosure requirements for defined benefit pension or other postretirement plans. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of this guidance, which is required to be applied retrospectively and is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2020, with early adoption permitted.

## Changes to the Disclosure Requirements for Fair Value Measurements

In August 2018, the FASB issued amended guidance that eliminates, adds and modifies certain disclosure requirements for fair value measurements. This guidance, which is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2019, with early adoption permitted, is not expected to have an impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

Reclassification of Certain Tax Effects from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income
In February 2018, the FASB issued amended guidance that permits an entity to reclassify the income tax effects of federal tax legislation enacted in December 2017 (the "Tax Reform Act") on items within accumulated other comprehensive income to retained earnings. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of this guidance, which is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2018, with early adoption permitted.

## CBS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES <br> NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

(Tabular dollars in millions, except per share amounts)

Targeted Improvements to Accounting for Hedging Activities
In August 2017, the FASB issued amended guidance for hedge accounting, which expands the eligibility of hedging strategies that qualify for hedge accounting, modifies the recognition and presentation of hedges in the financial statements, and changes how companies assess hedge effectiveness. In addition, this guidance amends and expands disclosure requirements. This guidance, which is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15,2018 , with early adoption permitted, is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

Leases
In February 2016, the FASB issued new guidance on the accounting for leases, which supersedes previous lease guidance. Under this guidance, for all leases with terms in excess of one year, including operating leases, the Company will be required to recognize on its balance sheet a lease liability and a right-of-use asset representing its right to use the underlying asset for the lease term. The new guidance retains a distinction between finance leases and operating leases and the classification criteria is substantially similar to previous guidance. Additionally, the recognition, measurement, and presentation of expenses and cash flows arising from a lease by a lessee have not significantly changed. This guidance is effective for the Company in the first quarter of 2019. The Company is currently reviewing its lease portfolio, evaluating the impact of this guidance on its consolidated balance sheet and is in the process of implementing new lease accounting software for administering its leases under the new guidance. The Company will apply the modified retrospective method of adoption as of January 1, 2019 and comparative periods will continue to be presented under existing lease guidance.
2) STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

The following table summarizes the Company's stock-based compensation expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017.

RSUs and PSUs
$\left.\begin{array}{lll}\text { Three } & \text { Nine } \\ \text { Months } & \text { Months } \\ \text { Ended } & \text { Ended } \\ \text { September } & \text { September } \\ 30 & & 30, \\ 2018 & 2017 & 2018 \\ \hline \$ 7 & \$ 38 & \$ 86\end{array}\right) \$ 109$

| Stock options | 7 | 6 | 19 | 20 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Stock-based compensation expense, before income taxes $14 \quad 44 \quad 105 \quad 129$
Related tax benefit (3 ) (17) (26) (50 )
Stock-based compensation expense, net of tax benefit $\quad \$ 11 \quad \$ 27 \quad \$ 79 \quad \$ 79$
Stock-based compensation expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 includes forfeitures of $\$ 28$ million and accelerations of $\$ 6$ million relating to changes in senior management, which are included in "Restructuring and other corporate matters" on the Consolidated Statements of Operations. During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the Company granted 3 million RSUs for CBS Corp. Class B Common Stock with a weighted average per unit grant-date fair value of $\$ 53.96$. RSUs granted during the first nine months of 2018 generally vest over a one- to four-year service period. Compensation expense for RSUs is determined based upon the market price of the shares underlying the awards on the date of grant. For certain RSU awards the number of shares an employee earns ranges from $0 \%$ to $120 \%$ of the target award, based on the outcome of established performance conditions. Compensation expense is recorded based on the probable outcome of the performance conditions. During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the Company also granted 2 million stock options with a weighted average exercise price of $\$ 54.32$. Stock options granted during the first nine months of 2018 vest over a

## CBS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES <br> NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

(Tabular dollars in millions, except per share amounts)
four-year service period and expire eight years from the date of grant. Compensation expense for stock options is determined based on the grant date fair value of the award calculated using the Black-Scholes options-pricing model.

Total unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested RSUs at September 30, 2018 was $\$ 201$ million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 2.5 years. Total unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested stock option awards at September 30, 2018 was $\$ 40$ million, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 2.6 years.

## 3) RESTRUCTURING AND OTHER CORPORATE MATTERS

During the second quarter of 2018, in a continued effort to reduce its cost structure, the Company initiated restructuring plans across several of its businesses, primarily for the reorganization of certain business operations. As a result, the Company recorded restructuring charges of $\$ 25$ million, reflecting $\$ 17$ million of severance costs and $\$ 8$ million of costs associated with exiting contractual obligations and other related costs.
During the year ended December 31, 2017, the Company recorded restructuring charges of $\$ 63$ million, reflecting $\$ 54$ million of severance costs and $\$ 9$ million of costs associated with exiting contractual obligations and other related costs. During the year ended December 31, 2016, the Company recorded restructuring charges of $\$ 30$ million, reflecting $\$ 19$ million of severance costs and $\$ 11$ million of costs associated with exiting contractual obligations and other related costs.
As of September 30, 2018, the cumulative settlements for the 2018, 2017 and 2016 restructuring charges were $\$ 67$ million, of which $\$ 56$ million was for severance costs and $\$ 11$ million was for costs associated with contractual obligations and other related costs. The Company expects to substantially utilize its restructuring reserves by the end of 2019 .

|  | Balance at <br> December 31, <br>  <br> 2017 | 2018 | 2018 | Balance at <br> September 30, |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Charges |  |  |  |  |

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, the Company recorded expenses of $\$ 46$ million and $\$ 65$ million, respectively, primarily for professional fees related to legal proceedings and the ongoing investigations at the Company. (See Note 14). The nine-month period also included professional fees related to the evaluation of a potential combination with Viacom Inc.

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4) PROGRAMMING AND OTHER INVENTORY

|  | At | At |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
|  | September | December |
|  | 30,2018 | 31,2017 |
| Acquired program rights | $\$ 2,373$ | $\$ 2,234$ |
| Acquired television library | 99 | 99 |
| Internally produced programming: |  |  |
| Released | 2,481 | 1,780 |
| In process and other | 680 | 543 |
| Publishing, primarily finished goods | 63 | 53 |
| Total programming and other inventory | 5,696 | 4,709 |
| Less current portion | 1,828 | 1,828 |
| Total noncurrent programming and other inventory | $\$ 3,868$ | $\$ 2,881$ |

## 5) RELATED PARTIES

National Amusements, Inc. National Amusements, Inc. ("NAI") is the controlling stockholder of CBS Corp. and Viacom Inc. Mr. Sumner M. Redstone, the controlling stockholder, chairman of the board of directors and chief executive officer of NAI, is the Chairman Emeritus of CBS Corp. and the Chairman Emeritus of Viacom Inc. In addition, Ms. Shari Redstone, Mr. Sumner M. Redstone's daughter, is the president and a director of NAI and the vice chair of the Board of Directors of each of CBS Corp. and Viacom Inc. Mr. David R. Andelman was a director of CBS Corp. until his resignation on September 9, 2018. Mr. Andelman serves as a director of NAI. At September 30, 2018, NAI directly or indirectly owned approximately $79.7 \%$ of CBS Corp.'s voting Class A Common Stock, and owned approximately $10.4 \%$ of CBS Corp.'s Class A Common Stock and non-voting Class B Common Stock on a combined basis. NAI is controlled by Mr. Redstone through the Sumner M. Redstone National Amusements Trust (the "SMR Trust"), which owns $80 \%$ of the voting interest of NAI, and such voting interest of NAI held by the SMR Trust is voted solely by Mr. Redstone until his incapacity or death. The SMR Trust provides that in the event of Mr. Redstone's death or incapacity, voting control of the NAI voting interest held by the SMR Trust will pass to seven trustees, who will include CBS Corp. director Ms. Shari Redstone. Mr. Andelman also currently serves as a trustee. No member of the Company's management is a trustee of the SMR Trust. See "Legal Matters" in Note 14 for information regarding recently settled litigation involving the foregoing parties.

Viacom Inc. As part of its normal course of business, the Company licenses its television content, leases production facilities and sells advertising spots to various subsidiaries of Viacom Inc. Viacom Inc. also distributes certain of the Company's television programs in the home entertainment market. The Company's total revenues from these transactions were $\$ 76$ million and $\$ 38$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and $\$ 105$ million and $\$ 111$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

The Company leases production facilities, licenses feature films and purchases advertising spots from various subsidiaries of Viacom Inc. The total amounts for these transactions were $\$ 9$ million and $\$ 4$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and $\$ 21$ million and $\$ 13$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

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The following table presents the amounts due from Viacom Inc. in the normal course of business as reflected on the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheets. Amounts due to Viacom Inc. were minimal at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017.

|  | At <br> September 30, | At |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 2018 | 2017 |
| Receivables | $\$ 40$ | $\$ 93$ |
| Other assets (Receivables, noncurrent) | 25 | 11 |
| Total amounts due from Viacom | $\$ 65$ | $\$ 104$ |

Other Related Parties. The Company has equity interests in two domestic television networks and several international joint ventures for television channels from which the Company earns revenues primarily by selling its television programming. Total revenues earned from sales to these joint ventures were $\$ 14$ million and $\$ 5$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively and $\$ 67$ million and $\$ 54$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. At September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, total amounts due from these joint ventures were $\$ 23$ million and $\$ 27$ million, respectively.

The Company, through the normal course of business, is involved in transactions with other related parties that have not been material in any of the periods presented.
6) BANK FINANCING AND DEBT

The following table sets forth the Company's debt.

|  | At | At |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | September 30, December 31, |  |
|  | 2018 | 2017 |
| Commercial paper | $\$ 374$ | $\$ 679$ |
| Senior debt $(2.30 \%-7.875 \%$ due 2019-2045) | (a) | 9,433 |

(a) At September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the senior debt balances included (i) a net unamortized discount of $\$ 60$ million and $\$ 65$ million, respectively, (ii) unamortized deferred financing costs of $\$ 44$ million and $\$ 47$ million, respectively, and (iii) a decrease in the carrying value of the debt relating to previously settled fair value hedges of $\$ 4$ million and $\$ 3$ million, respectively. The face value of the Company's senior debt was $\$ 9.54$ billion at both September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017.

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At September 30, 2018, the Company classified $\$ 600$ million of debt maturing in August 2019 as long-term debt on the Consolidated Balance Sheet, reflecting its intent and ability to refinance this debt on a long-term basis.

## Commercial Paper

The Company had outstanding commercial paper borrowings under its $\$ 2.5$ billion commercial paper program of $\$ 374$ million and $\$ 679$ million at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively, each with maturities of less than 90 days. The weighted average interest rate for these borrowings was $2.41 \%$ at September 30, 2018 and $1.88 \%$ at December 31, 2017.

## Credit Facility

At September 30, 2018, the Company had a $\$ 2.5$ billion revolving credit facility (the "Credit Facility") which expires in June 2021. The Credit Facility requires the Company to maintain a maximum Consolidated Leverage Ratio of 4.5 x at the end of each quarter as further described in the Credit Facility. At September 30, 2018, the Company's Consolidated Leverage Ratio was approximately 3.0x.

The Consolidated Leverage Ratio is the ratio of the Company's indebtedness from continuing operations, adjusted to exclude certain capital lease obligations, at the end of a quarter, to the Company's Consolidated EBITDA for the trailing four consecutive quarters. Consolidated EBITDA is defined in the Credit Facility as operating income plus interest income and before depreciation, amortization and certain other noncash items.

The Credit Facility is used for general corporate purposes. At September 30, 2018, the Company had no borrowings outstanding under the Credit Facility and the remaining availability under the Credit Facility, net of outstanding letters of credit, was $\$ 2.49$ billion.
7) PENSION AND OTHER POSTRETIREMENT BENEFITS

The components of net periodic cost for the Company's pension and postretirement benefit plans were as follows:

| Pension | Postretirement |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Benefits | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Benefits } \\ 2018\end{array}$ |  | 2017 |
|  | 2018 | 2017 |  |
| $\$ 7$ | $\$ 7$ | $\$-$ | $\$-$ |
| 38 | 48 | 3 | 4 |
| $(45$ | $(50$ | - | - |
| 24 | 26 | $(4$ | $(5$ |$)$

(a) Reflects amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss to net earnings.
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The service cost component of net periodic cost is presented on the Consolidated Statements of Operations within operating income and all other components of net periodic cost are presented within "Other items, net."
8) STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

During the third quarter of 2018, the Company repurchased 1.8 million shares of its Class B Common Stock under its share repurchase program for $\$ 100$ million, at an average cost of $\$ 55.13$ per share. During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the Company repurchased 9.4 million shares of its Class B Common Stock for $\$ 500$ million, at an average cost of \$52.94 per share, leaving \$2.56 billion of authorization at September 30, 2018.

During the third quarter of 2018, the Company declared a quarterly cash dividend of $\$ .18$ per share on its Class A and Class B Common Stock, resulting in total dividends of $\$ 68$ million, which were paid on October 1, 2018. During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the Company declared total per share cash dividends of $\$ .54$ on its Class A and Class B Common Stock, resulting in total dividends of $\$ 206$ million.
On May 17,2018 , the Company's Board of Directors voted 11 to 3 in favor of a pro rata dividend of 0.5687 of a share of the Company's voting Class A Common Stock for each share of the Company's Class A Common Stock and non-voting Class B Common Stock to stockholders of record as of the close of business on the record date and conditioned the issuance of such dividend on Delaware court approval (the "May 2018 Stock Dividend"). In connection with the settlement agreement involving legal proceedings in the Delaware Court of Chancery, on September 9, 2018, the Board rescinded the May 2018 Stock Dividend. See "Legal Matters" in Note 14 for related information.
Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)
The following tables summarize the changes in the components of accumulated other comprehensive loss.

(a)Reflects amortization of net actuarial losses. See Note 7.

The net actuarial losses related to pension and other postretirement benefit plans included in other comprehensive income are net of tax provisions of $\$ 14$ million and $\$ 24$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and

2017, respectively.
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## 9) INCOME TAXES

The provision for income taxes represents federal, state and local, and foreign income taxes on earnings from continuing operations before income taxes and equity in loss of investee companies.

| Three Months |  | Nine Months |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ended |  | Ended |  |
| Septem | ber 30, | Septem | ber 30, |
| 2018 | 2017 | 2018 | 2017 |
| \$ 120 | \$187 | \$370 | \$548 |
| (54 ) |  | (54 ) |  |
| - | (10) |  | (41 |
| (2) | (5 ) | (4) | (28) |
| \$64 | \$ 172 | \$312 | \$479 |
| 11.2 \% | 28.4 \% | 17.7 \% | 26.7 \% |

Provision for income taxes, including interest and before other discrete items ${ }^{\text {(a) }}$
Impact of tax law changes (b)
Excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation ${ }^{(c)}$
Other discrete items (d)
Provision for income taxes
Effective income tax rate
11.2 \% $28.4 \% 17.7 \% 26.7 \%$
(a) The lower tax provision for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 primarily reflects a reduction in the federal corporate income tax rate from $35 \%$ to $21 \%$ as a result of the enactment of new federal tax legislation in December 2017 (the "Tax Reform Act").
(b) During the third quarter of 2018 , in connection with the preparation of its 2017 federal tax return, the Company elected to utilize a federal tax law provision that was retroactively renewed in 2018. This tax law provision allowed the Company to immediately expense certain qualified production costs on its 2017 tax return. As a result, during the third quarter of 2018, the Company established a deferred tax liability associated with this deduction at the 2017 federal tax rate of $35 \%$, and concurrently recorded a net tax benefit of $\$ 69$ million, primarily reflecting the re-measurement of this deferred tax liability at the reduced federal corporate tax rate of $21 \%$ under the Tax Reform Act. This benefit was partially offset by a charge of $\$ 15$ million to adjust the provisional amount of transition tax on cumulative foreign earnings and profits that resulted from the enactment of the Tax Reform Act in 2017. See discussion below.
(c) Reflects the difference between the tax benefit from stock-based compensation expense and the deduction on the tax return associated with the exercise of stock options and vesting of RSUs. This difference occurs because stock-based compensation expense is recorded based on the grant-date fair value of the award, whereas the tax deduction is based on the fair value on the date the stock option is exercised or the RSU vests.
(d) For the nine months ended September 30, 2017, primarily reflects tax benefits from the resolution of certain state income tax matters.
In December 2017, the U.S. government enacted the Tax Reform Act containing significant changes to U.S. federal tax law, including a reduction in the federal corporate tax rate from $35 \%$ to $21 \%$ and a one-time transition tax on cumulative foreign earnings and profits. For the year ended December 31, 2017, the Company recorded a net provisional charge of $\$ 129$ million, reflecting the estimated transition tax of $\$ 407$ million on cumulative foreign earnings and profits, offset by an estimated benefit of $\$ 278$ million to adjust the Company's deferred income tax balances as a result of the reduced corporate income tax rate. The Tax Reform Act also includes a deduction for foreign derived intangible income and a tax on global intangible low-taxed income ("GILTI"), which imposes a U.S. tax on certain income earned by the Company's foreign subsidiaries. The Company included the tax on GILTI in its tax provision for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018. During the third quarter of 2018, the Company recorded a charge of $\$ 15$ million to adjust the provisional amount of transition tax on cumulative foreign earnings and profits. The Company will complete its analysis of the Tax Reform Act within one year from its enactment. Such analysis will include finalizing and recording any additional adjustments to provisional estimates, as well as determining whether to treat the tax on GILTI as a period cost when incurred or as a component of deferred taxes.

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## 10) FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The Company's carrying value of financial instruments approximates fair value, except for notes and debentures, which are not recorded at fair value. At September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the carrying value of the Company's senior debt was $\$ 9.43$ billion and the fair value, which is estimated based on quoted market prices for similar liabilities (Level 2) and includes accrued interest, was $\$ 9.57$ billion and $\$ 10.16$ billion, respectively.

The Company uses derivative financial instruments primarily to modify its exposure to market risks from fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates. The Company does not use derivative instruments unless there is an underlying exposure and, therefore, the Company does not hold or enter into derivative financial instruments for speculative trading purposes.

## Foreign Exchange Contracts

Foreign exchange forward contracts have principally been used to hedge projected cash flows, in currencies such as the British Pound, the Euro, the Canadian Dollar and the Australian Dollar, generally for periods up to 24 months. The Company designates forward contracts used to hedge committed and forecasted foreign currency transactions as cash flow hedges. Gains or losses on the effective portion of designated cash flow hedges are initially recorded in other comprehensive income and reclassified to the statement of operations when the hedged item is recognized. Additionally, the Company enters into non-designated forward contracts to hedge non-U.S. dollar denominated cash flows.

At September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the notional amount of all foreign exchange contracts was $\$ 391$ million and $\$ 410$ million, respectively.
Gains (losses) recognized on derivative financial instruments were as follows:

| Three | Nine |
| :--- | :--- |
| Months | Months |
| Ended | Ended |
| September | September |
| 30, | 30, |
| 2018017 | 20182017 Financial Statement Account |

Non-designated foreign exchange contracts \$ \$ (9) \$13 \$(29)Other items, net
The fair value of the Company's derivative instruments was not material to the Consolidated Balance Sheets for any of the periods presented.

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The following tables set forth the Company's assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017. These assets and liabilities have been categorized according to the three-level fair value hierarchy established by the FASB, which prioritizes the inputs used in measuring fair value. Level 1 is based on publicly quoted prices for the asset or liability in active markets. Level 2 is based on inputs that are observable other than quoted market prices in active markets, such as quoted prices for the asset or liability in inactive markets or quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities. Level 3 is based on unobservable inputs reflecting the Company's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. At September 30, 2018 Level 1 Level 2 Level 3 Total
Assets:
Foreign currency hedges $\$ \quad \$ 9$ \$ $\$ 9$
Total Assets \$ $\quad \$ 9 \quad \$ \quad \$ 9$
Liabilities:
Deferred compensation \$ $\quad \$ 375 \quad \$ \quad \$ 375$
Foreign currency hedges - 1
Total Liabilities $\quad \$ \quad \$ 376 \quad \$ \quad \$ 376$
At December 31, 2017 Level 1 Level 2 Level 3 Total
Assets:
Foreign currency hedges \$ \$ $\$ \quad \$ \quad \$ 5$
Total Assets \$ $\$ 5$ \$ $\$ 5$
Liabilities:
Deferred compensation \$ $\quad \$ 363 \quad \$ \quad \$ 363$
Foreign currency hedges - 10 - 10
Total Liabilities $\quad \$ \quad \$ 373 \quad \$ \quad \$ 373$
The fair value of foreign currency hedges is determined based on the present value of future cash flows using observable inputs including foreign currency exchange rates. The fair value of deferred compensation liabilities is determined based on the fair value of the investments elected by employees.

## 11) SEGMENT AND REVENUE INFORMATION

The following tables set forth the Company's financial information by reportable segment. The Company's operating segments, which are the same as its reportable segments, have been determined in accordance with the Company's internal management structure, which is organized based upon products and services.

|  | Three Months <br> Ended <br> September 30, |  | Nine Months |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | September 30, |  |
|  | 2018 | 2017 | 2018 | 2017 |
| Revenues: |  |  |  |  |
| Entertainment | \$2,151 | \$ 1,815 | \$7,232 | \$6,346 |
| Cable Networks | 569 | 840 | 1,769 | 1,954 |
| Publishing | 240 | 228 | 607 | 595 |
| Local Media | 434 | 397 | 1,269 | 1,218 |
| Corporate/Eliminations( | (131 | ) (109 | (387 | ) (342 |
| Total Revenues | \$3,263 | \$3,171 | \$ 10,490 | \$9,771 |

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Revenues generated between segments primarily reflect advertising sales, content licensing and station affiliation fees. These transactions are recorded at market value as if the sales were to third parties and are eliminated in consolidation.

| Three | Nine |
| :--- | :--- |
| Months | Months |
| Ended | Ended |
| September | September |
| 30, | 30, |
| 2018 | 2017 |

Intercompany Revenues:
Entertainment
\$135 \$111 \$394 \$348
Cable Networks
Local Media
2 - 2 -

Total Intercompany Revenues $\$ 140$ \$115 \$409 \$358
The Company presents operating income (loss) excluding costs for restructuring and other corporate matters, where applicable, ("Segment Operating Income") as the primary measure of profit and loss for its operating segments in accordance with FASB guidance for segment reporting. The Company believes the presentation of Segment Operating Income is relevant and useful for investors because it allows investors to view segment performance in a manner similar to the primary method used by the Company's management and enhances their ability to understand the Company's operating performance.

|  | Three <br> Months <br> Ended <br> September <br> 30 , <br> 20182017 |  | Nine Months Ended |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Segment Operating Income (Loss): |  |  |  |  |
| Entertainment | \$377 | \$350 | \$ 1,225 | \$ 1,104 |
| Cable Networks | 248 | 296 | 734 | 801 |
| Publishing | 51 | 47 | 98 | 91 |
| Local Media | 124 | 106 | 370 | 358 |
| Corporate | (64 | ) (70 | ) (216 | ) (209 |
| Restructuring and other corporate matters |  | ) - | (90 | ) - |
| Operating income | 690 | 729 | 2,121 | 2,145 |
| Interest expense | (115) | ) (116) | ) (349 | ) (336 |
| Interest income | 12 | 17 | 43 | 45 |
| Loss on early extinguishment of debt | - | (5 | ) - | (5 |
| Other items, net | (17 | ) (19 | ) (52 | ) (56 |
| Earnings from continuing operations before income taxes and equity in loss of investee companies | 570 | 606 | 1,763 | 1,793 |
| Provision for income taxes | (64 | ) (172) | ) (312 | ) (479 |
| Equity in loss of investee companies, net of tax | (18 | ) (16 | ) (52 | ) (45 |
| Net earnings from continuing operations | 488 | 418 | 1,399 | 1,269 |
| Net earnings (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax | - | 174 | - | (871 ) |
| Net earnings | \$488 | \$592 | \$1,399 | \$398 |

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| Three | Nine |
| :--- | :--- |
| Months | Months |
| Ended | Ended |
| September | September |
| 30, | 30, |
| 2018 | 2017 |
| 2018 | 2017 |

Depreciation and Amortization:
Entertainment
$\begin{array}{llll}\$ 31 & \$ 29 & \$ 85\end{array}$
Cable Networks
$\begin{array}{llll}5 & 5 & 16 & 17\end{array}$
Publishing
Local Media
Corporate

| 1 | 2 | 4 | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

$\begin{array}{llll}11 & 11 & 33 & 34\end{array}$
Total Depreciation and Amortization \$56 \$55 \$168 \$ 166
Three Nine

Months Months
Ended Ended
September September
30, 30,
2018201720182017
Stock-based Compensation:

| Entertainment | $\$ 17$ | $\$ 16$ | $\$ 48$ | $\$ 48$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Cable Networks | 4 | 3 | 10 | 9 |
| Publishing | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 |
| Local Media | 3 | 3 | 9 | 9 |
| Corporate $^{\text {(a) }}$ | $(11)$ | 21 | 35 | 60 |

Total Stock-based Compensation \$14 \$44 \$105 \$129
(a) Included in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 are forfeitures of $\$ 28$ million and accelerations of $\$ 6$ million relating to changes in senior management.

Three Nine
Months Months
Ended Ended
September September
30, 30,
2018201720182017
Capital Expenditures:
Entertainment $\quad \$ 19$ \$ 25 \$56 \$63
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Cable Networks } & 5 & 5 & 12 & 12\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Publishing } & 2 & 1 & 4 & 2\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Local Media } & 6 & 8 & 15 & 20\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Corporate } & 5 & 5 & 12 & 15\end{array}$
Total Capital Expenditures \$ 37 \$ 44 \$99 112
At At
September 30, December 31, 20182017
Assets:

| Entertainment | $\$ 12,763$ | $\$ 12,626$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Cable Networks | 3,008 | 2,878 |
| Publishing | 1,047 | 906 |
| Local Media | 3,996 | 4,042 |
| Corporate/Eliminations | 242 | 378 |
| Discontinued operations | 12 | 13 |
| Total Assets | $\$ 21,068$ | $\$ 20,843$ |

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The following table presents the Company's revenues disaggregated into categories based on the nature of such revenues.

Revenues by Type

| Three Months | Nine Months |
| :--- | :--- |
| Ended | Ended |

September 30, September 30,
Advertising $\quad \$ 1,263 \$ 1,106$ \$4,323 \$4,008
Content licensing and distribution:
Programming $693 \quad 632 \quad 2,417 \quad 2,166$

Publishing $240 \quad 228 \quad 607 \quad 595$
Affiliate and subscription fees $\quad 1,008 \quad 1,145 \quad 2,976 \quad 2,835$
Other
$\begin{array}{llll}59 & 60 & 167 & 167\end{array}$
Total Revenues $\$ 3,263$ \$3,171 \$10,490 \$9,771
12) ADOPTION OF "REVENUE FROM CONTRACTS WITH CUSTOMERS"

On January 1, 2018, the Company adopted FASB Accounting Standards Codification 606 ("ASC 606") on the recognition of revenues using the modified retrospective method applied to all contracts. Results for reporting periods beginning after January 1, 2018 are presented under ASC 606 while prior periods have not been adjusted. The Company recorded an increase to accumulated deficit of $\$ 261$ million as of January 1, 2018 reflecting the cumulative impact of the adoption of ASC 606.

The adoption of ASC 606 primarily resulted in two changes to the Company's revenue recognition policies.

Revenues from Distribution Arrangements
Revenues from the Company's distribution of third-party content are now recognized based on the gross amount of consideration received from the customer, with an offsetting participation expense recognized for the fees paid to the third party. Under previous accounting guidance, such revenues, which include content licensing and distribution revenues and advertising revenues, were recognized at the net amount retained by the Company after the payment of fees to the third party. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively, revenues and operating expenses relating to such distribution arrangements were each $\$ 93$ million and $\$ 217$ million higher under ASC 606 than the amounts that would have been reported under previous accounting guidance, with no impact to operating income.

## Revenues from the Renewal of Licensing Agreements

Revenues associated with the renewal of an existing license agreement are now recognized at the beginning of the renewal period. Under previous accounting guidance, these revenues were recognized upon the execution of such renewal. Content licensing and distribution revenue comparisons will continue to be impacted by fluctuations resulting from the timing of when Company-owned television series are made available for multiyear licensing agreements. Therefore, this change is not expected to have a material impact on the trend of the Company's financial results. Additionally, historically, on an annual basis, revenues from renewals executed each year have approximated revenues associated with renewal periods that began in the same year.

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(Tabular dollars in millions, except per share amounts)
The following table presents the amount by which each applicable financial statement line item on the Consolidated Statement of Operations would have decreased for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 if license renewals were recognized under previous accounting guidance.

| Three Months <br> Ended | Nine Months <br> Ended |
| :--- | :--- |
| September 30, | September 30, |
| 2018 | 2018 |
| $\$ 41$ | $\$ 182$ |
| 19 | 82 |
| 22 | 100 |
| 5 | 21 |
| $\$ 17$ | $\$ 79$ |
| $\$ .04$ | $\$ .21$ |

Revenues \$ 41 \$ 182
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Operating expenses } & 19 & 82\end{array}$
Operating income 22100
Less: Provision for income taxes 51
Net earnings from continuing operations $\quad \$ 17 \quad \$ 79$
Diluted EPS from continuing operations $\$ .04 \quad \$ .21$
In addition, the adoption of ASC 606 resulted in certain classification changes on the Consolidated Balance Sheet. The primary change is the reclassification of the sales returns reserve relating to the publishing business to "Other current liabilities." Such amount, which was $\$ 116$ million at September 30, 2018, was previously presented as a reduction to receivables.

The following table presents the amount by which each applicable financial statement line item on the Consolidated Balance Sheet at September 30, 2018 would increase (decrease) if all of the above changes resulting from the adoption of ASC 606 were presented under previous accounting guidance.
Assets
Receivables, net $\quad \$(89$ )
Programming and other inventory (noncurrent) \$(45)
Other assets (noncurrent receivables) \$386
Liabilities
Other current liabilities \$(141)
Deferred income tax liabilities, net \$46
Participants' share and royalties payable $\$ 165$

## Accumulated deficit \$182

ASC 606 also requires enhanced disclosures relating to the Company's revenues from contracts with customers (See Note 1), including the disaggregation of revenues into categories (See Note 11).

## 13) DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

On November 16, 2017, the Company completed the split-off of CBS Radio through an exchange offer, in which the Company accepted 17.9 million shares of CBS Corp. Class B Common Stock from its stockholders in exchange for the 101.4 million shares of CBS Radio common stock that it owned. Immediately following the exchange offer, each share of CBS Radio common stock was converted into one share of Entercom Communications Corp. ("Entercom") Class A common stock upon completion of the merger.

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The following table sets forth details of net earnings (loss) from discontinued operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017.

|  | Three Months Nine Months Ended Ended September 30, September 30, 20172017 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| Revenues | \$ 300 | \$ 856 |
| Costs and expenses: |  |  |
| Operating | 113 | 307 |
| Selling, general and administrative | 120 | 370 |
| Market value adjustment ${ }^{(a)}$ | (100 ) | 980 |
| Restructuring charges ${ }^{(b)}$ | - | 7 |
| Total costs and expenses | 133 | 1,664 |
| Operating income (loss) | 167 | (808 ) |
| Interest expense | (21 ) | (60 |
| Other items, net | - | (1 ) |
| Earnings (loss) from discontinued operations | 146 | (869 |
| Income tax (provision) benefit (c) | 28 | (2 |
| Net earnings (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax | \$ 174 | \$ (871) |

(a) During 2017, prior to its split-off, CBS Radio was measured each reporting period at the lower of its carrying amount or fair value less cost to sell. The value of the transaction with Entercom was determined based on Entercom's stock price at the closing of the transaction and therefore, the Company recorded a market value adjustment to adjust the carrying value of CBS Radio to the value indicated by the stock valuation of Entercom.
(b) Reflects restructuring charges associated with the reorganization of certain business operations, including severance costs and costs associated with exiting contractual obligations.
(c) Included in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 is a tax benefit of $\$ 45$ million from the resolution of a tax matter in a foreign jurisdiction relating to a previously disposed business.

## 14) COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

## Guarantees

The Company has indemnification obligations with respect to letters of credit and surety bonds primarily used as security against non-performance in the normal course of business. At September 30, 2018, the outstanding letters of credit and surety bonds approximated $\$ 107$ million and were not recorded on the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

In the course of its business, the Company both provides and receives indemnities which are intended to allocate certain risks associated with business transactions. Similarly, the Company may remain contingently liable for various obligations of a business that has been divested in the event that a third party does not live up to its obligations under an indemnification obligation. The Company records a liability for its indemnification obligations and other contingent liabilities when probable and reasonably estimable.

## Legal Matters

General. On an ongoing basis, the Company vigorously defends itself in numerous lawsuits and proceedings and responds to various investigations and inquiries from federal, state, local and international authorities (collectively, "litigation'"). Litigation may be brought against the Company without merit, is inherently uncertain and always difficult to predict. However, based on its understanding and evaluation of the relevant facts and circumstances, the Company believes that the below-described legal matters and other litigation to which it is a party are not likely, in the
aggregate, to have a material adverse effect on its results of operations, financial position or cash flows. Under
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the separation agreement between the Company and Viacom Inc., the Company and Viacom Inc. have agreed to defend and indemnify the other in certain litigation in which the Company and/or Viacom Inc. is named. Litigation Settled in September 2018 Involving the Company and Its Controlling Stockholder, National Amusements, Inc., Among Others, in the Delaware Court of Chancery. On May 14, 2018, the Company and certain of the independent directors of the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board") filed a lawsuit in the Delaware Court of Chancery against NAI, Ms. Shari Redstone, Mr. Sumner M. Redstone, NAI Entertainment Holdings LLC ("NAIEH") and the Sumner M. Redstone National Amusements Trust (the "SMR Trust") (collectively, the "NAI Parties"). The verified complaint, as amended on May 23, 2018, alleged, among other things, that NAI, Mr. Sumner M. Redstone and Ms. Shari Redstone had breached their fiduciary duties to the Company's stockholders by abusing their control to threaten the independent corporate governance of the Company. The amended verified complaint sought a declaration that the May 2018 Stock Dividend (as defined below) was valid and permissible, a declaration that the Bylaw Amendments (as defined below) were invalid or were ineffective as of May 17, 2018 and an injunction against any action by any of the NAI Parties to interfere with the composition of the Board or to modify the Company's governance documents before the issuance of any shares pursuant to the May 2018 Stock Dividend.

On May 16, 2018, each of NAI and NAIEH delivered to the Company a written consent to amend (the "Bylaw Amendments") the Company's amended and restated bylaws (the "Bylaws"). On May 17, 2018, the Board voted 11 to 3 in favor of a pro rata dividend of 0.5687 of a share of the Company's voting Class A Common Stock for each share of the Company's Class A Common Stock and non-voting Class B Common Stock to stockholders of record as of the close of business on the record date and conditioned the issuance of such dividend on Delaware court approval (the "May 2018 Stock Dividend").

On May 29, 2018, NAI, NAIEH and Ms. Shari Redstone filed a lawsuit in the Delaware Court of Chancery against the Company and certain of the Company's directors. NAI's verified complaint, as amended on June 25, 2018 and July 27, 2018, alleged, among other things, that the May 2018 Stock Dividend violated the Company's bylaws and certificate of incorporation, and that the directors named as defendants had breached their fiduciary duties in approving the May 2018 Stock Dividend. The amended verified complaint sought a declaration that the Bylaw Amendments were valid, a declaration that the May 2018 Stock Dividend was invalid, an injunction against issuance and payment of the May 2018 Stock Dividend and any action by the defendants to carry out the May 2018 Stock Dividend, and other relief. On June 7, 2018, the Court consolidated the aforementioned lawsuits under the consolidated action captioned In re CBS Corporation Litigation, Consol. C.A. No. 2018-0342-AGB (Del. Ch.) (the "consolidated action").
On May 31, 2018, Westmoreland County Employees' Retirement System ("Westmoreland"), a purported beneficial owner of the Company's Class B Common Stock, filed a class action complaint in the Delaware Court of Chancery against NAI, NAIEH, Mr. David R. Andelman, Mr. Robert N. Klieger and Ms. Shari Redstone (the "Westmoreland lawsuit"), which alleged breaches of contractual obligations, implied obligations and fiduciary duties to the Company's Class B Common Stock holders in connection with the Bylaw Amendments and interference with the issuance by the Board of the May 2018 Stock Dividend. Westmoreland's complaint sought a declaratory judgment that the Company's certificate of incorporation authorized the May 2018 Stock Dividend, that Westmoreland and the class were entitled to the May 2018 Stock Dividend, and that the Bylaw Amendments were invalid, as well as other relief. On September 14, 2018, the Delaware Court of Chancery entered a stipulation agreed to by the parties whereby the Westmoreland lawsuit was dismissed without prejudice as moot and the Court retained jurisdiction to consider any application for attorneys' fees and expenses submitted by Westmoreland or its counsel.
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On September 9, 2018, the Company entered into a settlement and release agreement (the "Settlement Agreement") with NAI, NAIEH, the SMR Trust, Mr. Sumner M. Redstone, Ms. Shari Redstone and the other then members of the Board, among other parties. Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, among other matters, the parties dismissed with prejudice all claims in the consolidated action. The Settlement Agreement includes mutual releases and covenants not to sue among the parties with respect to NAI's and NAIEH's investment in the Company, including the claims asserted in such action, subject to certain exceptions, and the Company has agreed to indemnify, and reimburse expenses of, certain parties, on the terms set forth in the Settlement Agreement, including with respect to the consolidated action and the defendants in the Westmoreland lawsuit. In connection with the Settlement Agreement, the Board rescinded the May 2018 Stock Dividend. In addition, NAI and NAIEH took action by written consent to amend the Company's amended and restated bylaws.

Investigations and Related Matters. As announced on August 1, 2018, the Board has retained two law firms to conduct a full investigation of the allegations in recent press reports about the Company's former Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Leslie Moonves, CBS News and cultural issues at all levels of the Company. This investigation is ongoing. The Company has received subpoenas from the New York County District Attorney's Office and the New York City Commission on Human Rights regarding the subject matter of this investigation and related matters. The New York State Attorney General's Office has also requested information about these matters. The Company may receive additional related regulatory and investigative inquiries from these and other entities in the future. The Company is cooperating with the ongoing investigation and related inquiries.

On August 27, 2018, Gene Samit, individually and on behalf of others similarly situated, filed a putative class action suit in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York against the Company, its former Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer and its then Chief Operating Officer, who has been appointed as the Company's President and Acting Chief Executive Officer. This action is stated to be on behalf of a class of persons who acquired the Company's securities between February 14, 2014 and July 27, 2018. This action seeks to recover damages arising during this time period allegedly caused by the defendants' purported violations of the federal securities laws by allegedly making materially false and misleading statements or failing to disclose material information, as well as costs and expenses, and seeks remedies under Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder. On October 1, 2018, John Lantz, individually and on behalf of others similarly situated, filed a putative class action suit in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York against the Company, certain current and former senior executives and the members of the Board immediately prior to September 9, 2018. This action is stated to be on behalf of purchasers of the Company's Class A Common Stock and Class B Common Stock between November 3, 2017 and July 27, 2018. This action seeks to recover damages arising during this time period allegedly caused by the defendants' purported violations of the federal securities laws by allegedly making materially false and misleading statements or failing to disclose material information, as well as costs and expenses, and seeks remedies under Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Exchange Act and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

Separation Agreement. On September 9, 2018, the Company entered into a separation and settlement agreement and releases (the "Separation Agreement") with Mr. Leslie Moonves, pursuant to which Mr. Moonves resigned as a director and as Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company. Pursuant to the Separation Agreement, the Company will contribute the aggregate amount of $\$ 20$ million to one or more charitable organizations that support the \#MeToo movement and equality for women in the workplace, which organizations are mutually agreed by the Company and Mr. Moonves. The Company has recorded the contribution of $\$ 20$ million in "Restructuring and other corporate matters" on the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the three and nine months
ended September 30, 2018. In October 2018, the Company also contributed $\$ 120$ million to a grantor trust. In the event the Board determines that the Company is entitled to terminate Mr. Moonves's employment for cause
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under his employment agreement and Mr. Moonves does not demand arbitration with respect to such determination, the assets of the grantor trust will be distributed to the Company and the Company will have no further obligations to Mr. Moonves. Any dispute related to the Board's determination is subject to binding arbitration as set forth in the Separation Agreement. In the event of arbitration, the assets of the grantor trust will also be distributed to the Company upon a final determination in the arbitration that the Company was entitled to terminate Mr. Moonves's employment for cause. The Board will make a determination whether the Company has grounds to terminate the employment of Mr. Moonves for cause under his employment agreement within thirty days following completion of the final report of the independent investigators in the ongoing internal investigation described above, but in no event later than January 31, 2019. In the event that the Board determines that the Company is not entitled to terminate Mr. Moonves's employment for cause, or in the event of a final determination in arbitration that the Company is not entitled to terminate Mr. Moonves's employment for cause, the assets of the grantor trust will be distributed to Mr. Moonves. The Company is currently unable to determine the amount of any such contingent distribution to Mr. Moonves and, accordingly, no accrual has been made in the Company's consolidated financial statements. Claims Related to Former Businesses: Asbestos. The Company is a defendant in lawsuits claiming various personal injuries related to asbestos and other materials, which allegedly occurred as a result of exposure caused by various products manufactured by Westinghouse, a predecessor, generally prior to the early 1970s. Westinghouse was neither a producer nor a manufacturer of asbestos. The Company is typically named as one of a large number of defendants in both state and federal cases. In the majority of asbestos lawsuits, the plaintiffs have not identified which of the Company's products is the basis of a claim. Claims against the Company in which a product has been identified principally relate to exposures allegedly caused by asbestos-containing insulating material in turbines sold for power-generation, industrial and marine use.
Claims are frequently filed and/or settled in groups, which may make the amount and timing of settlements, and the number of pending claims, subject to significant fluctuation from period to period. The Company does not report as pending those claims on inactive, stayed, deferred or similar dockets which some jurisdictions have established for claimants who allege minimal or no impairment. As of September 30, 2018, the Company had pending approximately 31,500 asbestos claims, as compared with approximately 31,660 as of December 31, 2017 and 32,760 as of September 30, 2017. During the third quarter of 2018, the Company received approximately 770 new claims and closed or moved to an inactive docket approximately 1,020 claims. The Company reports claims as closed when it becomes aware that a dismissal order has been entered by a court or when the Company has reached agreement with the claimants on the material terms of a settlement. Settlement costs depend on the seriousness of the injuries that form the basis of the claims, the quality of evidence supporting the claims and other factors. The Company's total costs for the years 2017 and 2016 for settlement and defense of asbestos claims after insurance recoveries and net of tax were approximately $\$ 57$ million and $\$ 48$ million, respectively. The Company's costs for settlement and defense of asbestos claims may vary year to year and insurance proceeds are not always recovered in the same period as the insured portion of the expenses.
The Company believes that its reserves and insurance are adequate to cover its asbestos liabilities. This belief is based upon many factors and assumptions, including the number of outstanding claims, estimated average cost per claim, the breakdown of claims by disease type, historic claim filings, costs per claim of resolution and the filing of new claims. While the number of asbestos claims filed against the Company has remained generally flat in recent years, it is difficult to predict future asbestos liabilities, as events and circumstances may occur including, among others, the number and types of claims and average cost to resolve such claims, which could affect the Company's estimate of its asbestos liabilities.
Other. The Company from time to time receives claims from federal and state environmental regulatory agencies and other entities asserting that it is or may be liable for environmental cleanup costs and related damages principally relating to historical and predecessor operations of the Company. In addition, the Company from time

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to time receives personal injury claims including toxic tort and product liability claims (other than asbestos) arising from historical operations of the Company and its predecessors.
15) CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CBS Operations Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company. CBS Operations Inc. has fully and unconditionally guaranteed CBS Corp.'s senior debt securities. The following condensed consolidating financial statements present the results of operations, financial position and cash flows of CBS Corp., CBS Operations Inc., the direct and indirect Non-Guarantor Affiliates of CBS Corp. and CBS Operations Inc., and the eliminations necessary to arrive at the information for the Company on a consolidated basis.


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## Revenues

Costs and expenses:
$\left.\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Operating } & 73 & 3 & 6,430 & - & 6,506 \\ \text { Selling, general and administrative } & 36 & 190 & 1,379 & - & 1,605 \\ \text { Depreciation and amortization } & 3 & 16 & 149 & - & 168 \\ \text { Restructuring and other corporate matters } & - & 71 & 19 & - & 90 \\ \text { Total costs and expenses } & 112 & 280 & 7,977 & - & 8,369 \\ \text { Operating income (loss) } & 22 & (273 & ) & 2,372 & - \\ \hline \text { Interest (expense) income, net } & (396 & )(378 & ) & 468 & - \\ \hline \text { Other items, net } & (23 & ) & 8 & (37 & ) \\ \text { Earnings (loss) before income taxes and equity in earnings } & (397 & )(643 & ) & 2,803 & - \\ \text { (loss) of investee companies } & 82 & 133 & (527 & ) & (52\end{array}\right)$
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(Tabular dollars in millions, except per share amounts)

|  | Statement of Operations <br> For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2017 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | CBS Corp. | CBS |  | Non- |  | CBS Corp. |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | or Eliminati |  |  |  |
| Revenues | \$40 | \$ 3 |  | \$ 3,128 | \$- |  | \$ 3,17 |  |
| Costs and expenses: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Operating | 23 | 1 |  | 1,838 | - |  | 1,862 |  |
| Selling, general and administrative | 13 | 59 |  | 453 | - |  | 525 |  |
| Depreciation and amortization | 1 | 6 |  | 48 | - |  | 55 |  |
| Total costs and expenses | 37 | 66 |  | 2,339 | - |  | 2,442 |  |
| Operating income (loss) | 3 | (63 | ) | 789 | - |  | 729 |  |
| Interest (expense) income, net | (129) | (123 | ) | 153 | - |  | (99 | ) |
| Loss on early extinguishment of debt | (5 | - |  | - | - |  | (5 | ) |
| Other items, net | (9) | (11 | ) | 1 | - |  | (19 | ) |
| Earnings (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes and equity in earnings (loss) of investee companies | (140) | (197 | ) | 943 | - |  | 606 |  |
| Benefit (provision) for income taxes | 43 | 62 |  | (277 | ) - |  | (172 | ) |
| Equity in earnings (loss) of investee companies, net of tax | 689 | 369 |  | (16 | ) (1,058 |  |  | ) |
| Net earnings from continuing operations | 592 | 234 |  | 650 | (1,058 |  | 418 |  |
| Net earnings from discontinued operations, net of tax | - | - |  | 174 | - |  | 174 |  |
| Net earnings | \$592 | \$ 234 |  | \$ 824 | \$ (1,058 | ) | \$ 592 |  |
| Total comprehensive income | \$607 | \$ 229 |  | \$830 | \$ (1,059 | ) | \$ 607 |  |

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Revenues
Costs and expenses:
Operating
Selling, general and administrative
Depreciation and amortization
Total costs and expenses
Operating income (loss)
Interest (expense) income, net
Loss on early extinguishment of debt
Other items, net
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|  | Balance Sheet <br> At September 30, 2018 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Non- |  |  |
|  | CBS |  |  |  | CBS Corp. |
|  | Corp. | Operations Inc. | Guarantor Affiliates | Eliminations | Consolidated |
| Assets |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$62 | \$- | \$ 120 | \$- | \$ 182 |
| Receivables, net | 21 | 1 | 3,675 | - | 3,697 |
| Programming and other inventory | 2 | 2 | 1,824 | - | 1,828 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 16 | 31 | 323 | (37 | ) 333 |
| Total current assets | 101 | 34 | 5,942 | (37 | ) 6,040 |
| Property and equipment | 34 | 220 | 2,750 | - | 3,004 |
| Less accumulated depreciation and amortization | 17 | 179 | 1,586 | - | 1,782 |
| Net property and equipment | 17 | 41 | 1,164 | - | 1,222 |
| Programming and other inventory | 6 | 5 | 3,857 | - | 3,868 |
| Goodwill | 98 | 62 | 4,761 | - | 4,921 |
| Intangible assets | - | - | 2,650 | - | 2,650 |
| Investments in consolidated subsidiaries | 47,000 | 16,332 | - | (63,332 | ) - |
| Other assets | 160 | 5 | 2,202 | - | 2,367 |
| Intercompany | - | 758 | 31,330 | (32,088 | - |
| Total Assets | \$47,382 | \$ 17,237 | \$51,906 | \$ (95,457 | \$ 21,068 |
| Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity |  |  |  |  |  |
| Accounts payable | \$5 | \$ 2 | \$222 | \$- | \$ 229 |
| Participants' share and royalties payable | - | - | 1,110 | - | 1,110 |
| Program rights | 3 | 2 | 401 | - | 406 |
| Commercial paper | 374 | - | - | - | 374 |
| Current portion of long-term debt | 2 | - | 12 | - | 14 |
| Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | 356 | 282 | 1,259 | (37 | ) 1,860 |
| Total current liabilities | 740 | 286 | 3,004 | (37 | ) 3,993 |
| Long-term debt | 9,385 | - | 80 | - | 9,465 |
| Other liabilities | 2,655 | 225 | 2,216 | - | 5,096 |
| Intercompany | 32,088 | - | - | (32,088 | ) - |
| Stockholders' Equity: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Preferred stock | - | - | 126 | (126 | ) - |
| Common stock | 1 | 123 | 590 | (713 | ) 1 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 43,668 | - | 60,894 | (60,894 | ) 43,668 |
| Retained earnings (accumulated deficit) | (17,762 ) | ) 16,914 | (10,262 | ( 6,652 | ) $(17,762$ |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) | (634 | ) 20 | 58 | (78 | ) (634 |
|  | 25,273 | 17,057 | 51,406 | (68,463 | ) 25,273 |
| Less treasury stock, at cost | 22,759 | 331 | 4,800 | (5,131 | ) 22,759 |
| Total Stockholders' Equity | 2,514 | 16,726 | 46,606 | (63,332 | ) 2,514 |
| Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity | \$47,382 | \$ 17,237 | \$51,906 | \$ (95,457 | \$ 21,068 |

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)
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|  | Balance Sheet <br> At December 31, 2017 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | CBS Corp. | CBS <br> Operations Inc. | Non- <br> Guarantor Affiliates | Elimination | S <br> CBS Corp. Consolidated |
| Assets |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 173 | \$- | \$ 112 | \$- | \$ 285 |
| Receivables, net | 29 | 2 | 3,666 | - | 3,697 |
| Programming and other inventory | 3 | 3 | 1,822 | - | 1,828 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 130 | 28 | 341 | (36 | ) 463 |
| Total current assets | 335 | 33 | 5,941 | (36 | 6,273 |
| Property and equipment | 49 | 217 | 2,785 | - | 3,051 |
| Less accumulated depreciation and amortization | 27 | 163 | 1,581 | - | 1,771 |
| Net property and equipment | 22 | 54 | 1,204 | - | 1,280 |
| Programming and other inventory | 3 | 4 | 2,874 | - | 2,881 |
| Goodwill | 98 | 62 | 4,731 | - | 4,891 |
| Intangible assets | - | - | 2,666 | - | 2,666 |
| Investments in consolidated subsidiaries | 45,504 | 15,225 | - | (60,729 | ) - |
| Other assets | 162 | 5 | 2,685 | - | 2,852 |
| Intercompany | - | 1,221 | 29,562 | (30,783 | - |
| Total Assets | \$46,124 | \$ 16,604 | \$49,663 | \$ (91,548 | ) \$ 20,843 |
| Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity |  |  |  |  |  |
| Accounts payable | \$1 | \$ 30 | \$200 | \$- | \$ 231 |
| Participants' share and royalties payable | - | - | 986 | - | 986 |
| Program rights | 4 | 4 | 365 | - | 373 |
| Commercial paper | 679 | - | - | - | 679 |
| Current portion of long-term debt | 2 | - | 17 | - | 19 |
| Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | 352 | 269 | 1,099 | (36 | ) 1,684 |
| Total current liabilities | 1,038 | 303 | 2,667 | (36 | ) 3,972 |
| Long-term debt | 9,378 | - | 86 | - | 9,464 |
| Other liabilities | 2,947 | 234 | 2,248 | - | 5,429 |
| Intercompany | 30,783 | - | - | (30,783 | ) - |
| Stockholders' Equity: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Preferred stock | - | - | 126 | (126 | ) - |
| Common stock | 1 | 123 | 590 | (713 | ) 1 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 43,797 | - | 60,894 | (60,894 | ) 43,797 |
| Retained earnings (accumulated deficit) | (18,900) | 16,257 | (12,224 | (4,033 | ) $(18,900)$ |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) | (662 ) | 18 | 76 | (94 | ) (662 ) |
|  | 24,236 | 16,398 | 49,462 | (65,860 | ) 24,236 |
| Less treasury stock, at cost | 22,258 | 331 | 4,800 | (5,131 | ) 22,258 |
| Total Stockholders' Equity | 1,978 | 16,067 | 44,662 | (60,729 | ) 1,978 |
| Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity | \$46,124 | \$ 16,604 | \$49,663 | \$ (91,548 | ) \$ 20,843 |

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Net cash flow (used for) provided by operating activities Investing Activities:
Investments in and advances to investee companies
Capital expenditures
Acquisitions
Other investing activities
Net cash flow provided by (used for) investing activities from
continuing operations continuing operations
Net cash flow used for investing activities from discontinued operations
Net cash flow used for investing activities
Financing Activities:
Repayments of short-term debt borrowings, net
Payment of capital lease obligations
Payment of contingent consideration
Dividends
Purchase of Company common stock
Payment of payroll taxes in lieu of issuing
shares for stock-based compensation
Proceeds from exercise of stock options
Other financing activities
Increase (decrease) in intercompany payables
Net cash flow provided by (used for) financing activities
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period

Statement of Cash Flows
For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018


| - | - | $(76$ | $)-$ | $(76$ | $)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| - | $(12$ | $)(87$ | $)-$ | $(99$ | $)$ |
| - | - | $(29$ | $)-$ | $(29$ | $)$ |
| 8 | $(12$ | $)(192$ | $)-$ | $(196$ | $)$ |
| $(23$ | $)-$ | - | - | $(23$ | $)$ |
| $(15$ | $)(12$ | $)(192$ | $)-$ | $(219$ | $)$ |
| $(305$ | $)-$ | - | - | $(305$ | $)$ |
| - | - | $(12$ | $)-$ | $(12$ | $)$ |
| - | - | $(5$ | $)-$ | $(5$ | $)$ |
| $(208$ | $)-$ | - | - | $(208$ | $)$ |
| $(497$ | $)-$ | - | - | $(497$ | $)$ |
| $(59$ | $)-$ | - | - | $(59$ | $)$ |
| 23 | - | - | - | 23 |  |
| $(1$ | $)-$ | - | - | $(1$ | $)$ |
| 1,308 | 195 | $(1,503$ | $)-$ | - | $(1,064$ |
| 261 | 195 | $(1,520$ | $)-$ | $(103$ | $)$ |
| $(111$ | $)-$ | 8 | - | - |  |
| 173 | - | 112 | - | 285 |  |
| $\$ 62$ | $\$-$ | $\$ 120$ | $\$$ | $\$ 182$ |  |

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## CBS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

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Net cash flow (used for) provided by operating activities Investing Activities:
Investments in and advances to investee companies
Capital expenditures
Acquisitions (including acquired television library)
Proceeds from sale of investments
Proceeds from dispositions
Other investing activities
Net cash flow provided by (used for) investing activities from continuing operations
Net cash flow provided by (used for) investing activities from discontinued operations
Net cash flow provided by (used for) investing activities
Financing Activities:
Proceeds from short-term debt borrowings, net
Proceeds from issuance of senior notes
Repayment of senior notes
Proceeds from debt borrowings of CBS Radio
Repayment of debt borrowings of CBS Radio
Payment of capital lease obligations
Payment of contingent consideration
Dividends
Purchase of Company common stock
Payment of payroll taxes in lieu of issuing
shares for stock-based compensation
Proceeds from exercise of stock options
Increase (decrease) in intercompany payables
Net cash flow (used for) provided by financing activities
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period (includes $\$ 24$ million of discontinued operations cash)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period
(includes $\$ 30$ million of discontinued operations cash)

Statement of Cash Flows
For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017

| CBS Corp. | CBS | Non- |  | CBS |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | OperationSGuarantorEliminati6nsp. |  |  |  |  |
|  | Inc. | Affiliates |  | Consol | idated |
| \$(851) | \$ (180 | ) $\$ 2,018$ | \$ | \$ 987 |  |
| - | - | (67 | ) - | (67 | ) |
| - | (15 | (97 | ) - | (112 | ) |
| - | - | (258 | ) - | (258 | ) |
| - | - | 10 | - | 10 |  |
| - | - | 11 | - | 11 |  |
| 17 | - | - | - | 17 |  |
| 17 | (15 | ) (401 | ) - | (399 | ) |

$\left.\begin{array}{lllll}1 & (4 & )(15 & )- & (18 \\ 18 & (19 & )(416 & )- & (417\end{array}\right)$

| 140 | - | - | - | 140 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 889 | - | - | - | 889 |  |
| $(701$ | $)$ | - | - | $(701$ | $)$ |
| - | - | 40 | - | 40 |  |
| - | - | $(23$ | $)-$ | $(23$ | $)$ |
| - | - | $(13$ | $)-$ | $(13$ | $)$ |
| - | - | $(7$ | $)-$ | $(7$ | $)$ |
| $(224$ | $)-$ | - | - | $(224$ | $)$ |
| $(1,111)-$ | - | - | $(1,111$ | $)$ |  |
| $(89$ | $)-$ | - | - | $(89$ | $)$ |


| 81 | - | - | - | 81 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1,545 | 199 | $(1,744$ | $)$ | - |  |
| 530 | 199 | $(1,747$ | $)$ | $(1,018$ | $)$ |
| $(303$ | $)$ | $(145$ | $)-$ | $(448$ | $)$ |
| 321 | - | 301 | - | 622 |  |
| $\$ 18$ | $\$-$ | $\$ 156$ | $\$$ | $\$ 174$ |  |

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Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Results of Operations and Financial Condition. (Tabular dollars in millions, except per share amounts)
Management's discussion and analysis of the results of operations and financial condition of CBS Corporation (the "Company" or "CBS Corp.") should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes in the Company's Annual Report filed on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017.

## Overview

## Business overview and strategy

The Company operates businesses which span the media and entertainment industries, including the CBS Television Network, cable networks, content production and distribution, television stations, internet-based businesses, and consumer publishing. The Company's principal strategy is to create and acquire premium content that is widely accepted by audiences and generate both advertising and non-advertising revenues from the distribution of this content on multiple media platforms and to various geographic locations. The Company continues to increase its investment in premium content to enhance its opportunities for revenue growth, which include exhibiting the Company's content on multiple digital platforms, including the Company's owned digital streaming services as well as third-party live television streaming offerings ("virtual MVPDs"); expanding the distribution of its content internationally; and securing compensation from multichannel video programming distributors ("MVPDs") and television stations affiliated with the CBS Television Network. The Company also seeks to grow its advertising revenues by monetizing all content viewership as industry measurements evolve to reflect viewers' changing habits. The Company's continued ability to capitalize on these and other emerging opportunities will provide it with incremental advertising and non-advertising revenues.

Operational Highlights - Three Months Ended September 30, 2018 versus Three Months Ended September 30, 2017 Consolidated results of operations
Three Months Ended September 30,
GAAP:
Revenues
Operating income
Net earnings from continuing operations
Net earnings
Diluted EPS from continuing operations
Diluted EPS
Non-GAAP: (a)
$\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Adjusted operating income } & \$ 736 & \$ 729 & \$ 7 & 1 & \% \\ \text { Adjusted net earnings from continuing operations } & \$ 469 & \$ 421 & \$ 48 & 11 & \% \\ \text { Adjusted net earnings } & \$ 469 & \$ 450 & \$ 19 & 4 & \% \\ \text { Adjusted diluted EPS from continuing operations } & \$ 1.24 & \$ 1.04 & \$ .20 & 19 & \% \\ \text { Adjusted diluted EPS } & \$ 1.24 & \$ 1.11 & \$ .13 & 12 & \%\end{array}$
(a) See page 42 for reconciliations of adjusted results to the most directly comparable financial measures in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP").
Revenues increased $3 \%$ for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and were impacted by several noncomparable items including Showtime Networks' distribution of the Floyd Mayweather/Conor McGregor pay-per-view boxing event in the third quarter of 2017 and the Company's acquisition of Network 10 in the fourth quarter of 2017. Together these noncomparable items reduced the revenue growth by five percentage points. Underlying revenue growth was led by $79 \%$ growth from digital initiatives, which include the Company's owned streaming subscription services and virtual MVPDs, $15 \%$ higher station affiliation fees and retransmission revenues, and higher political advertising sales as a result of the 2018 midterm elections. Also contributing to the revenue growth were content licensing and
distribution revenues, which grew $8 \%$.
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Operating income for the three months ended September 30, 2018 decreased 5\% and included costs relating to corporate matters that affected the comparability of results. Adjusted operating income increased $1 \%$ from the three months ended September 30, 2017 reflecting the revenue growth partially offset by an increased investment in content, including a higher number of series produced for distribution on multiple platforms, including third-party services, and the expansion of the Company's digital initiatives.

Net earnings from continuing operations for the three months ended September 30, 2018 increased $17 \%$ from the same prior-year period and included a net tax benefit resulting from tax law changes. Adjusted net earnings from continuing operations increased $11 \%$, driven by a lower effective income tax rate in 2018 resulting from the enactment of new federal tax legislation in December 2017. Net earnings for the three months ended September 30, 2018 was $\$ 488$ million, or $\$ 1.29$ per diluted share, compared with $\$ 592$ million, or $\$ 1.46$ per diluted share, for the three months ended September 30, 2017, which included, in discontinued operations, a noncash gain to adjust the carrying value of CBS Radio Inc. ("CBS Radio"). Adjusted diluted earnings per share ("EPS") increased $12 \%$ as a result of higher adjusted earnings and lower weighted average shares outstanding. Adjusted operating income, adjusted net earnings from continuing operations and adjusted diluted EPS are non-GAAP financial measures. See page 42 for details of the discrete items excluded from financial results, and reconciliations of adjusted results to the most directly comparable financial measures in accordance with GAAP.

Operational Highlights - Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018 versus Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017 Consolidated results of operations
Nine Months Ended September 30, GAAP:
Revenues
Operating income
Net earnings from continuing operations
Net earnings
Diluted EPS from continuing operations
Diluted EPS

|  | Increase/(Decrease) |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2018 | 2017 | $\$$ | $\%$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| $\$ 10,490$ | $\$ 9,771$ | $\$ 719$ | 7 | $\%$ |
| $\$ 2,121$ | $\$ 2,145$ | $\$(24$ | $)$ | $(1$ |$) \%$

Non-GAAP: (a)
$\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Adjusted operating income } & \$ 2,211 & \$ 2,145 & \$ 6 & 3 & \%\end{array}$
Adjusted net earnings from continuing operations $\$ 1,414 \quad \$ 1,250 \$ 164 \quad 13 \quad \%$
Adjusted net earnings
Adjusted diluted EPS from continuing operations
Adjusted diluted EPS

| $\$ 3.70$ | $\$ 3.05$ | $\$ .65$ | 21 | $\%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

n/m - not meaningful
(a) See page 43 for reconciliations of adjusted results to the most directly comparable financial measures in accordance with GAAP.
For the nine months ended September 30, 2018, revenues increased 7\% reflecting growth across each of the Company's main revenue streams. Advertising revenues increased $8 \%$, primarily driven by the Company's acquisition of Network 10 in the fourth quarter of 2017 and higher political advertising sales, partially offset by the absence of the National Semifinals and National Championship games of the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship ("NCAA Tournament"), which the CBS Television Network broadcast in the second quarter of 2017 and Turner Broadcasting System, Inc. ("Turner") broadcast in 2018. Content licensing and distribution revenues grew $10 \%$, mainly
as a result of growth from domestic and international licensing, including the start of the license periods for previously signed renewals of contracts for library programming. Content licensing and distribution revenues and advertising revenues also included higher revenues as a result of the adoption of a new revenue recognition standard in 2018, which resulted in revenues from the distribution of third-party content now being
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recognized based on the gross amount of consideration received from the customer, with an offsetting increase to participation expenses (see "Adoption of New Revenue Standard"). Affiliate and subscription fees increased 5\%, led by $22 \%$ higher station affiliation fees and retransmission revenues, as well as $77 \%$ growth from digital initiatives, including the Company's owned streaming subscription services and virtual MVPDs. These increases were partially offset by Showtime Networks' distribution of the Floyd Mayweather/Conor McGregor pay-per-view boxing event in the third quarter of 2017.

Operating income for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 decreased $1 \%$ from the same prior-year period and included costs for restructuring and other corporate matters that affected the comparability of results. Adjusted operating income increased $3 \%$, reflecting the revenue growth, which was partially offset by an increased investment in content and digital initiatives.

Net earnings from continuing operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 increased 10\%. Adjusted net earnings from continuing operations increased $13 \%$, driven by the higher adjusted operating income and a lower effective income tax rate in 2018. Net earnings for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 was $\$ 1.40$ billion, or $\$ 3.66$ per diluted share, compared with $\$ 398$ million, or $\$ .97$ per diluted share, for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 which included, in discontinued operations, a noncash charge to adjust the carrying value of CBS Radio. Adjusted diluted EPS increased $15 \%$ as a result of higher earnings and lower weighted average shares outstanding. Adjusted operating income, adjusted net earnings from continuing operations and adjusted diluted EPS are non-GAAP financial measures. See page 43 for details of the discrete items excluded from financial results, and reconciliations of adjusted results to the most directly comparable financial measures in accordance with GAAP.

The Company generated operating cash flow from continuing operations of $\$ 1.18$ billion for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 compared with $\$ 935$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. Free cash flow for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 was $\$ 1.08$ billion compared with $\$ 823$ million for the same prior-year period. These increases primarily reflect lower cash payments for income taxes and growth in affiliate and subscription fees, which were partially offset by an increased investment in content, including a higher number of series produced for distribution on multiple platforms. Free cash flow is a non-GAAP financial measure. See "Free Cash Flow and Adjusted Free Cash Flow" on pages 60-61 for a reconciliation of net cash flow provided by (used for) operating activities, the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure, to free cash flow.

Corporate Transitions
As announced on August 1, 2018, the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board") has retained two law firms to conduct a full investigation of the allegations in recent press reports about the Company's former Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Leslie Moonves, CBS News and cultural issues at all levels of the Company. This investigation is ongoing. On September 9, 2018, the Company entered into a separation and settlement agreement and releases with Mr. Moonves, pursuant to which Mr. Moonves resigned as a director and as Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company. On September 9, 2018, effective upon Mr. Moonves's separation from the Company, the Company appointed its then Chief Operating Officer, Mr. Joseph R. Ianniello, as President and Acting Chief Executive Officer of the Company. In October 2018, the Company announced the appointments of David Nevins as Chief Creative Officer, and Christina Spade as Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer. Further, pursuant to a settlement and release agreement regarding the dismissal of all claims in the legal proceedings involving the Company and its controlling stockholder, National Amusements, Inc.
("NAI"), among others (the "Settlement Agreement"), on September 9, 2018, seven members of the Board resigned and the Board appointed six new members to the Board. Subsequently, on September 23, 2018, two directors who had served as members of the Board prior to September 9, 2018
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resigned to pursue other interests, and, on October 21, 2018, another director resigned for health related reasons. The outcomes of investigations and any related legal proceedings, which are inherently unpredictable, and any associated costs, and the uncertainties arising from the transitions involving the Company's senior executives and members of its Board, may have an adverse effect on the Company's business. See "Legal Matters" for a description of the agreements and investigations and related legal proceedings referred to above.

Share Repurchases, Cash Dividends and Contingent Stock Dividend
During the third quarter of 2018, the Company repurchased 1.8 million shares of its Class B Common Stock under its share repurchase program for $\$ 100$ million, at an average cost of $\$ 55.13$ per share. During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the Company repurchased 9.4 million shares of its Class B Common Stock for $\$ 500$ million, at an average cost of $\$ 52.94$ per share, leaving $\$ 2.56$ billion of authorization at September 30, 2018.

During the third quarter of 2018, the Company declared a quarterly cash dividend of $\$ .18$ per share on its Class A and Class B Common Stock, resulting in total dividends of $\$ 68$ million, which were paid on October 1, 2018. During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the Company declared total per share cash dividends of $\$ .54$ on its Class A and Class B Common Stock, resulting in total dividends of \$206 million.

On May 17, 2018, the Board voted 11 to 3 in favor of a pro rata dividend of 0.5687 of a share of the Company's voting Class A Common Stock for each share of the Company's Class A Common Stock and non-voting Class B Common Stock to stockholders of record as of the close of business on the record date and conditioned the issuance of such dividend on Delaware court approval (the "May 2018 Stock Dividend"). In connection with the Settlement Agreement, on September 9, 2018, the Board rescinded the May 2018 Stock Dividend. See "Legal Matters" for related information. Adoption of New Revenue Standard

During the first quarter of 2018, the Company adopted Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification 606 ("ASC 606") on the recognition of revenues which primarily resulted in two changes to the Company's revenue recognition policies.
Revenues from Distribution Arrangements
Revenues from the Company's distribution of third-party content are now recognized based on the gross amount of consideration received from the customer, with an offsetting participation expense recognized for the fees paid to the third party. Under previous accounting guidance, such revenues, which include content licensing and distribution revenues and advertising revenues, were recognized at the net amount retained by the Company after the payment of fees to the third party. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively, revenues and operating expenses relating to such distribution arrangements were each $\$ 93$ million and $\$ 217$ million higher under ASC 606 than the amounts that would have been reported under previous accounting guidance, with no impact to operating income.
Revenues from the Renewal of Licensing Agreements
Revenues associated with the renewal of an existing license agreement are now recognized at the beginning of the renewal period. Under previous accounting guidance, these revenues were recognized upon the execution of such renewal. Content licensing and distribution revenue comparisons will continue to be impacted by fluctuations resulting from the timing of when Company-owned television series are made available for multiyear licensing agreements. Therefore, this change is not expected to have a

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material impact on the trend of the Company's financial results. Additionally, historically, on an annual basis, revenues from renewals executed each year have approximated revenues associated with renewal periods that began in the same year.
The Company applied the modified retrospective method of adoption and therefore, prior periods continue to be presented under previous accounting guidance. The following tables present the Company's revenues, operating income, net earnings from continuing operations, and diluted EPS from continuing operations, as well as the corresponding year-over-year comparisons, as if results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 were recognized under ASC 606. These amounts are non-GAAP financial measures and are reconciled below to the most directly comparable financial measures in accordance with GAAP. The Company believes that presenting its financial results for 2017 under ASC 606 is relevant and useful for investors because it allows investors to view results for 2017 on a basis consistent with the 2018 presentation, and makes it easier to compare the Company's year-over-year results. Three Months Ended September 30,

2017

| 2018 |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Reported | Reportee ASC 606 <br> Adjustments |
| Under <br> ASC <br> 606 |  |


| Revenues | $\$ 3,263$ | $\$ 3,171$ | $\$ 40$ | $\$ 3,211$ | 3 | $\%$ | 2 | $\%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Operating income | $\$ 690$ | $\$ 729$ | $\$(14$ | $)$ | $\$ 715$ | $(5) \%$ | $(3) \%$ |  |


| Net earnings from <br> continuing operations | $\$ 488$ | $\$ 418$ | $\$(10$ | $)$ | $\$ 408$ | $17 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | $20 \%$

Diluted EPS from continuing operations |  | $\$ 1.29$ | $\$ 1.03$ | $\$(.02$ | $)$ | $\$ 1.00^{(a)}$ | $25 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | (a) Amount does not sum as a result of rounding.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017

|  | 2018 <br> Reported | Report | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ASC } 606 \\ & \text { Adjustments } \end{aligned}$ | Under ASC 606 | 2017 <br> Report | 2017 <br> Under <br> dASC <br> 606 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenues | \$ 10,490 | \$9,771 | \$ 173 | \$9,944 | 7 \% | $5 \%$ |
| Operating income | \$2,121 | \$2,145 | \$ (4 | \$2,141 | (1)\% | (1)\% |
| Net earnings from continuing operations | \$1,399 | \$ 1,269 | \$ (3 | \$ 1,266 | 10 \% | 11 \% |
| Diluted EPS from continuing operations | \$3.66 | \$3.10 | \$ (.01 ) | \$3.09 | 18 \% | 18 \% |

Operating income $\quad \$ 2,121 \quad \$ 2,145 \quad \$(4 \quad) \quad \$ 2,141 \quad(1) \% \quad(1) \%$
Net earnings from
continuing operations
Diluted EPS from continuing operations

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## Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Measures

Results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017 included discrete items that were not part of the normal course of operations. The following tables present non-GAAP financial measures, which exclude the impact of these discrete items, reconciled to the most directly comparable financial measures in accordance with GAAP. The Company believes that presenting its financial results adjusted for the impact of discrete items is relevant and useful for investors because it allows investors to view performance in a manner similar to the method used by the Company's management and provides a clearer perspective on the underlying performance of the Company.
Three Months Ended September 30,

2018

| Corporate |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Reporte Matters | Tax |
| (a) | Item ${ }^{(b)}$ | Adjusted

$\left.\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Operating income } & \$ 690 & \$ 46 & - & \$ 736 \\ \text { Interest expense } & (115 & ) & - & - & (115\end{array}\right)$
(a) Primarily reflects professional fees of $\$ 45$ million ( $\$ 34$ million, net of tax) related to legal proceedings and the ongoing investigations at the Company. This amount also includes a contribution of $\$ 20$ million ( $\$ 15$ million, net of tax) to organizations dedicated to fostering safe and equitable work environments, offset by a reversal of incentive compensation relating to prior periods of $\$ 19$ million ( $\$ 14$ million, net of tax) as a result of changes in senior management (See "Legal Matters").
(b) Reflects a net tax benefit associated with changes in tax law (See "Provision for Income Taxes"). Three Months Ended September 30, 2017
Reported

Of Debt $\quad$| Extinguishment |
| :--- |
| Discontinued |
| Operations |
| Items ${ }^{\text {(a) }}$ | Adjusted

$\left.\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Operating income } & \$ 729 & \$ & \$- & \$ 729 \\ \text { Interest expense } & (116 & - & - & - \\ \text { Interest income } & 17 & - & - & (116\end{array}\right)$

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(a) Reflects a noncash gain of $\$ 100$ million to adjust the carrying value of CBS Radio to the value indicated by the stock valuation of Entercom Communications Corp. ("Entercom") and a tax benefit of $\$ 45$ million from the resolution of a tax matter in a foreign jurisdiction relating to a previously disposed business.
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(a) Primarily reflects restructuring charges of $\$ 25$ million ( $\$ 19$ million, net of tax) and professional fees of $\$ 64$ million ( $\$ 49$ million, net of tax) related to legal proceedings, the ongoing investigations at the Company and the evaluation of a potential combination with Viacom Inc. This amount also includes a contribution of $\$ 20$ million ( $\$ 15$ million, net of $\operatorname{tax})$ to organizations dedicated to fostering safe and equitable work environments, offset by a reversal of incentive compensation relating to prior periods of $\$ 19$ million ( $\$ 14$ million, net of tax) as a result of changes in senior management (See "Legal Matters").
(b) Reflects a net tax benefit associated with changes in tax law (See "Provision for Income Taxes"). Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017

|  | Reported | ExtinguishmentTax |  | Discontinued <br> Operations <br> Items ${ }^{\text {(b) }}$ | Adjusted |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | f Debt | Items ${ }^{\text {(a) }}$ |  |  |
| Operating income | \$2,145 | \$ - | \$- | \$ - | \$ 2,145 |
| Interest expense | (336 ) | - | - | - | (336) |
| Interest income | 45 | - | - | - | 45 |
| Loss on early extinguishment of debt | (5 ) | 5 | - | - | - |
| Other items, net | (56 ) | - | - | - | (56 ) |
| Earnings from continuing operations before income taxes | 1,793 | 5 | - | - | 1,798 |
| Provision for income taxes | (479 ) | (2 | ) (22) | - | (503 ) |
| Equity in loss of investee companies, net of tax | (45 ) | - | - | - | (45 ) |
| Net earnings from continuing operations | 1,269 | 3 | (22) | - | 1,250 |
| Net earnings (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax | (871 ) | - | - | 939 | 68 |
| Net earnings | \$398 | \$ 3 | \$(22) | \$ 939 | \$ 1,318 |
| Diluted EPS from continuing operations | \$3.10 | \$ . 01 | \$(.05) | \$ - | \$ 3.05 |
| Diluted EPS | \$. 97 | \$ . 01 | \$(.05) | \$ 2.29 | \$3.21 |

(a) Reflects a tax benefit in the first quarter of 2017 from the resolution of certain state income tax matters.
(b) Reflects a noncash charge of $\$ 980$ million to adjust the carrying value of CBS Radio to the value indicated by the stock valuation of Entercom; a restructuring charge of $\$ 7$ million ( $\$ 4$ million, net of tax) at CBS Radio; and a tax
benefit of $\$ 45$ million from the resolution of a tax matter in a foreign jurisdiction relating to a previously disposed business.
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## Consolidated Results of Operations

Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018 versus Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017 Revenues


Advertising
For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, advertising revenues increased $14 \%$ and $8 \%$, respectively, driven by the Company's acquisition of Network 10 in the fourth quarter of 2017 and higher political advertising sales associated with the U.S. midterm elections. Advertising revenues for 2018 also benefited from higher revenues from the distribution of third-party content, resulting from such revenues now being recognized at the gross amount of consideration received from the customer, with an offsetting increase to operating expenses, as a result of the adoption of a new revenue recognition standard (see "Adoption of New Revenue Standard"). Under previous guidance such distribution revenues were recognized at the net amount retained by the Company after the payment of fees to the third party. For the nine-month period, these increases were partially offset by the absence of the National Semifinals and National Championship games of the NCAA Tournament, which the CBS Television Network broadcast in the second quarter of 2017 and Turner broadcast in 2018. The National Semifinals and National Championship games of the NCAA Tournament are broadcast by the CBS Television Network every other year through 2032 under the current agreements with the NCAA and Turner. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 underlying CBS Television Network advertising was comparable with the same prior-year periods.

During the fourth quarter of 2018, advertising revenues are expected to continue to benefit from the acquisition of Network 10 and political advertising spending associated with the U.S. midterm elections. Additionally, the CBS Television Network's upfront advertising sales for the 2018/2019 television broadcast season, which runs from the middle of September 2018 through the middle of September 2019, resulted in pricing and volume increases compared with the prior broadcast season, which are expected to benefit the Company's advertising revenues during the 2018/2019 broadcast season. However, overall advertising revenues for the Company will be dependent on ratings for its programming and market conditions, including demand in the scatter advertising market, which is when advertisers
purchase the remaining advertising spots closer to the broadcast of the related programming.
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During the first nine months of 2018, compared to the same period in 2017, the Company has experienced lower ratings, which was offset by higher pricing. Additionally, the comparison in the fourth quarter of 2018 will be impacted by the absence of CBS's broadcast of four Thursday Night Football games in 2017. However, this will result in an improvement in the Company's operating income margin.

Content Licensing and Distribution
For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, content licensing and distribution revenues increased $8 \%$ and $10 \%$, respectively, benefiting from higher revenues from the distribution of third-party content, resulting from such revenues now being recognized at the gross amount of consideration received from the customer, with an offsetting increase to participation expense, as a result of the adoption of a new revenue recognition standard (see "Adoption of New Revenue Standard"). Under previous guidance such distribution revenues were recognized at the net amount retained by the Company after the payment of fees to the third party. The increase for the three-month period also reflects higher domestic licensing and for the nine-month period reflects higher domestic and international licensing.

For the remainder of 2018, the content licensing and distribution revenues comparison will continue to be impacted by fluctuations resulting from the timing of when Company-owned television series are made available for multiyear licensing agreements, and the new revenue recognition standard.
Affiliate and Subscription Fees
For the three months ended September 30, 2018, affiliate and subscription fees decreased $12 \%$, reflecting Showtime Networks' distribution of the Floyd Mayweather/Conor McGregor pay-per-view boxing event in the third quarter of 2017, which impacted the third quarter comparison by 27 percentage points. Underlying results reflect $79 \%$ growth from digital initiatives, including the Company's owned streaming subscription services, CBS All Access and the Showtime digital streaming subscription offering, and virtual MVPDs, as well as $15 \%$ higher station affiliation fees and retransmission revenues.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2018, affiliate and subscription fees increased 5\%, reflecting $22 \%$ higher station affiliation fees and retransmission revenues and $77 \%$ growth from digital initiatives, including CBS All Access, the Showtime digital streaming subscription offering, and virtual MVPDs. These increases were partially offset by the above-mentioned pay-per-view boxing event, which impacted the nine-month comparison by 11 percentage points.

Over the next few years, the Company expects to benefit from the renewal of several of its agreements with station affiliates and MVPDs, including virtual MVPDs. In addition, the Company's existing agreements with station affiliates and MVPDs include annual contractual increases. Together, these factors are expected to result in continued growth in affiliate and subscription fees over the next several years.

## International Revenues

The Company generated approximately $16 \%$ and $12 \%$ of its total revenues from international regions for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and generated $18 \%$ and $14 \%$ of its total revenues from international regions for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The increases in international revenues were primarily driven by the Company's acquisition of Network 10 in the fourth quarter of 2017.

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Operating Expenses

| Operating Expenses by Type | Three Months Ended September 30, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2018 |  |  | 2017 | Oper <br> Expe |  | \$ | \% |  |
| Programming | \$523 | 27 | \% | \$749 | 40 | \% | \$ (226) |  | \% |
| Production | 700 | 37 |  | 572 | 31 |  | 128 | 22 |  |
| Participation, distribution and royalty | 331 | 17 |  | 199 | 11 |  | 132 | 66 |  |
| Other | 368 | 19 |  | 342 | 18 |  | 26 | 8 |  |
| Total Operating Expenses | \$ 1,922 | 100 | \% | \$ 1,862 | 100 | \% | \$ 60 | 3 | \% |
|  | \% of |  |  |  | \% of |  | Increase/(Decrease) |  |  |
| Operating Expenses by Type | 2018 |  |  | 2017 |  |  | \$ | \% |  |
| Programming | \$2,070 | 32 | \% | \$2,258 | 38 | \% | \$ (188 | (8 | )\% |
| Production | 2,361 | 36 |  | 1,955 | 33 |  | 406 | 21 |  |
| Participation, distribution and royalty | 984 | 15 |  | 725 | 12 |  | 259 | 36 |  |
| Other | 1,091 | 17 |  | 1,002 | 17 |  | 89 | 9 |  |
| Total Operating Expenses | \$6,506 | 100 | \% | \$5,940 | 100 | \% | \$ 566 |  | \% |

Programming
For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, the decreases in programming expenses of $30 \%$ and $8 \%$, respectively, were primarily driven by costs associated with Showtime Networks' distribution of the Floyd Mayweather/Conor McGregor pay-per-view boxing event in the third quarter of 2017, partially offset by costs for programming on Network 10, which was acquired in the fourth quarter of 2017.

## Production

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, the increases in production expenses of $22 \%$ and $21 \%$, respectively, were primarily driven by an increased investment in content, including a higher number of series produced for distribution on multiple platforms, and the acquisition of Network 10 in the fourth quarter of 2017. The increase for the nine-month period also included costs associated with the increase in television licensing revenues.

## Participation, Distribution and Royalty

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, the increases in participation, distribution and royalty costs of $66 \%$ and $36 \%$, respectively, were primarily driven by the adoption of new revenue recognition guidance, which resulted in revenues from the Company's distribution of third-party content now being recognized based on the gross amount of consideration received from the customer, with an offsetting participation expense recognized for the fees paid to the third party. Under previous accounting guidance, such revenues were recognized at the net amount retained by the Company after the payment of fees to the third party. This change resulted in an increase to both revenues and participation expenses of $\$ 93$ million and $\$ 217$ million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively, with no impact on the Company's operating income. The increases for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 also reflected higher participations and residuals associated with the increase in television licensing revenues.

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## Other

Other operating expenses primarily include compensation and costs associated with book sales, including printing and warehousing. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, the increases in other expenses of $8 \%$ and $9 \%$, respectively, primarily reflected expenses of Network 10, which was acquired in the fourth quarter of 2017, and higher costs associated with the Company's digital initiatives.

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses
Three Months Ended September 30,


Selling, general and administrative expenses $\begin{array}{llllllllll}\$ 1,605 & 15 & \% & \$ 1,520 & 16 & \% & 6 & \%\end{array}$
Selling, general and administrative ("SG\&A") expenses include expenses incurred for selling and marketing costs, occupancy and back office support. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, the increases in SG\&A expenses of $5 \%$ and $6 \%$, respectively, were primarily driven by the Company's acquisition of Network 10 in the fourth quarter of 2017 and higher advertising and marketing costs for series premieres.
Depreciation and Amortization

|  | Three Months Ended | Nine Months Ended September |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| September 30, | 30, |  |  |  |
| 20182017 | Increase/(Decrease) | 2018 | 2017 | Increase/(Decrease) |
| Depreciation and amortization | $\$ 56 \$ 55$ | 2 | $\%$ | $\$ 168$ |

Restructuring and Other Corporate Matters
During the second quarter of 2018 , in a continued effort to reduce its cost structure, the Company initiated restructuring plans across several of its businesses, primarily for the reorganization of certain business operations. As a result, the Company recorded restructuring charges of $\$ 25$ million, reflecting $\$ 17$ million of severance costs and $\$ 8$ million of costs associated with exiting contractual obligations and other related costs. These restructuring activities are expected to reduce the Company's annual cost structure by approximately $\$ 25$ million.
During the year ended December 31, 2017, the Company recorded restructuring charges of $\$ 63$ million, reflecting $\$ 54$ million of severance costs and $\$ 9$ million of costs associated with exiting contractual obligations and other related costs. During the year ended December 31, 2016, the Company recorded restructuring charges of $\$ 30$ million, reflecting $\$ 19$ million of severance costs and $\$ 11$ million of costs associated with exiting contractual obligations and other related costs.
As of September 30, 2018, the cumulative settlements for the 2018, 2017 and 2016 restructuring charges were $\$ 67$ million, of which $\$ 56$ million was for severance costs and $\$ 11$ million was for costs associated with contractual obligations and other related costs. The Company expects to substantially utilize its restructuring reserves by the end of 2019 .
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|  | Balance at <br> December 31, <br>  <br>  <br> 2017 | 2018 | 2018 |  | Balance at <br> September 30, |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Charges |  |  |  |  |  |

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, the Company recorded expenses of $\$ 46$ million and $\$ 65$ million, respectively, primarily for professional fees related to legal proceedings and the ongoing investigations at the Company. (See "Legal Matters"). The nine-month period also included professional fees related to the evaluation of a potential combination with Viacom Inc.
Interest Expense/Income
Three Months Ended September 30, Nine Months Ended September 30, 20182017 Increase/(Decrease) 20182017 Increase/(Decrease)
Interest expense $\$(115) \$(116) \quad(1 \quad$ ) $\% ~(349) \$(336) \quad 4 \quad \%$
Interest income \$12 \$17 (29 )\% \$43 \$45 (4) \%
The following table presents the Company's outstanding debt balances, excluding capital leases, and the weighted average interest rate as of September 30, 2018 and 2017:

At September 30,

| Weighted |  | Weighted |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Average |  | Average |
| Interest | 2017 | Interest |
| Rate | Rate |  |
| Ras |  |  |
| $4.26 \%$ | $\$ 9,039$ | $4.43 \%$ |
| $2.41 \%$ | $\$ 590$ | $1.44 \%$ |

Loss on Early Extinguishment of Debt
For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, the loss on early extinguishment of debt of $\$ 5$ million reflected a pre-tax loss associated with the redemption of the Company's $\$ 300$ million outstanding $4.625 \%$ senior notes due May 2018.

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Other Items, Net

| Three | Nine Months |
| :---: | :---: |
| Months | Ended |
| Ended | September |
| September | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sep } \\ & 30, \end{aligned}$ |
| 20182017 | 20182017 |
| \$(16) \$(22) | \$(47) \$(65) |
| (1 ) (1 ) | $(2) 5$ |
| 4 | (3) 4 |
| \$(17) \$(19) | \$(52) \$(56) |

Beginning in the first quarter of 2018, as a result of the adoption of new accounting guidance, the Company presents pension and postretirement benefit costs, other than service cost, within "Other items, net" on the Consolidated Statements of Operations. All prior periods have been reclassified to conform to this presentation. (See Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements.)

Provision for Income Taxes
The provision for income taxes represents federal, state and local, and foreign income taxes on earnings from continuing operations before income taxes and equity in loss of investee companies.

Three Months Ended September 30, Nine Months Ended September 30, 20182017 Increase/(Decrease) 20182017 Increase/(Decrease)
Provision for income taxes, including interest and before other discrete items (a) Impact of tax law changes ${ }^{(b)}$
Excess tax benefits from stock-based compensation ${ }^{\text {(c) }}$
Other discrete items ${ }^{(d)}$
Provision for income taxes $\quad \$ 64 \quad \$ 172 \quad(63 \quad) \% \quad \$ 312 \quad \$ 479 \quad(35 \quad) \%$ Effective income tax rate
11.2 \% $28.4 \%$
17.7 \% 26.7 \%
(a) The lower tax provision for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 primarily reflects a reduction in the federal corporate income tax rate from $35 \%$ to $21 \%$ as a result of the enactment of new federal tax legislation in December 2017 (the "Tax Reform Act").
(b) During the third quarter of 2018, in connection with the preparation of its 2017 federal tax return, the Company elected to utilize a federal tax law provision that was retroactively renewed in 2018. This tax law provision allowed the Company to immediately expense certain qualified production costs on its 2017 tax return. As a result, during the third quarter of 2018, the Company established a deferred tax liability associated with this deduction at the 2017 federal tax rate of $35 \%$, and concurrently recorded a net tax benefit of $\$ 69$ million, primarily reflecting the re-measurement of this deferred tax liability at the reduced federal corporate tax rate of $21 \%$ under the Tax Reform Act. This benefit was partially offset by a charge of $\$ 15$ million to adjust the provisional amount of transition tax on cumulative foreign earnings and profits that resulted from the enactment of the Tax Reform Act. (See Note 9 to the consolidated financial statements.)
(c) Reflects the difference between the tax benefit from stock-based compensation expense and the deduction on the tax return associated with the exercise of stock options and vesting of RSUs. This difference occurs because

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stock-based compensation expense is recorded based on the grant-date fair value of the award, whereas the tax deduction is based on the fair value on the date the stock option is exercised or the RSU vests.
(d) For the nine months ended September 30, 2017, primarily reflects tax benefits from the resolution of certain state income tax matters.
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Equity in Loss of Investee Companies, Net of Tax Three Months Ended September Nine Months Ended September 30, 30, 20182017 Increase/(Decrease) 20182017 Increase/(Decrease) Equity in loss of investee companies, $\$(18) \$(16) \quad 13 \quad \% \quad \$(52) \$(45) \quad 16 \quad \%$ net of tax

Net Earnings from Continuing Operations and Diluted EPS from Continuing Operations Three Months Ended September 30,

Nine Months Ended September 30, 20182017 Increase/(Decrease) 20182017 Increase/(Decrease) Net earnings from continuing operations $\begin{array}{lllllllll} & 488 & \$ 418 & 17 & \% & \$ 1,399 & \$ 1,269 & 10 & \%\end{array}$ Diluted EPS from continuing operations $\begin{array}{llllllll}1.29 & \$ 1.03 & 25 & \% & \$ 3.66 & \$ 3.10 & 18 & \%\end{array}$ For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, net earnings from continuing operations increased $17 \%$ and $10 \%$, respectively, driven by the lower effective income tax rate in 2018. Diluted EPS from continuing operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 increased $25 \%$ and $18 \%$, respectively, reflecting higher earnings and lower weighted average shares outstanding.

Net Earnings (Loss) from Discontinued Operations, Net of Tax
The Company reported net earnings from discontinued operations, net of tax, of $\$ 174$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2017, and a net loss from discontinued operations, net of tax, of $\$ 871$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017. The Company recorded a noncash gain of $\$ 100$ million for the three months ended September 30, 2017 and a noncash charge of $\$ 980$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017, to adjust the carrying value of CBS Radio to the value indicated by the stock valuation of Entercom. (See Note 13 to the consolidated financial statements.)

Net Earnings and Diluted EPS
Three Months Ended September Nine Months Ended September
30, 30,
20182017 Increase/(Decrease) 20182017 Increase/(Decrease)
Net earnings \$488 \$592 (18 )\% \$1,399 \$398 n/m
Diluted EPS \$1.29 \$1.46 (12 )\% $\begin{aligned} & \text { (12 }\end{aligned}$
$\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{m}$ - not meaningful
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## Segment Results of Operations

The Company presents operating income (loss) excluding costs for restructuring and other corporate matters, where applicable, ("Segment Operating Income") as the primary measure of profit and loss for its operating segments in accordance with FASB guidance for segment reporting. The Company believes the presentation of Segment Operating Income is relevant and useful for investors because it allows investors to view segment performance in a manner similar to the primary method used by the Company's management and enhances their ability to understand the Company's operating performance. The reconciliation of Segment Operating Income to the Company's consolidated Net earnings (loss) is presented in Note 11 to the consolidated financial statements.
Three Months Ended September 30, 2018 and 2017

| Three Months Ended September 30, |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2018 | \% of |  | \% of |  | Decrease) |
|  | Total | 2017 | Total | \$ | \% |
|  | Revenues |  | Revenues |  | \% |

Revenues:
$\left.\begin{array}{llllllllll}\text { Entertainment } & \$ 2,151 & 66 & \% & \$ 1,815 & 57 & \% & \$ 336 & 19 & \% \\ \text { Cable Networks } & 569 & 18 & & 840 & 26 & (271 & ) & (32 & ) \\ \text { Publishing } & 240 & 7 & & 228 & 7 & 12 & 5 & \\ \text { Local Media } & 434 & 13 & & 397 & 13 & 37 & 9 & \\ \text { Corporate/Eliminations }(131 & (4) & (4) & (109 & ) & (3) & ) & (22 & ) & (20\end{array}\right)$

Three Months Ended September 30, \% of $\%$ of Total Total Increase/(Decrease)
Segment Segment
2018 Operating 2017 Operating \$ Income Income
Segment Operating Income (Loss):

| Entertainment | $\$ 377$ | 51 | $\%$ | $\$ 350$ | 48 | $\%$ | $\$ 27$ | 8 | $\%$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Cable Networks | 248 | 34 |  | 296 | 41 |  | $(48$ | $)$ | $(16$ | $)$ |
| Publishing | 51 | 7 |  | 47 | 6 | 4 | 9 |  |  |  |
| Local Media | 124 | 17 |  | 106 | 15 | 18 | 17 |  |  |  |
| Corporate | $(64$ | $)$ | $(9$ | $)$ | $(70$ | $)$ | $(10$ | $)$ | 6 | 9 |
| Total Segment Operating Income | 736 | 100 | $\%$ | 729 | 100 | $\%$ | 7 |  |  |  |
| Corporate matters | $(46)$ |  | - |  |  | $(46$ | $)$ | $n / m$ |  |  |
| Total Operating Income | $\$ 690$ |  | $\$ 729$ |  | $\$(39$ | $)$ | $(5$ | $) \%$ |  |  |

$\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{m}$ - not meaningful
Three Months Ended
September 30,
Increase/(Decrease)
Depreciation and Amortization:
Entertainment
Cable Networks
Publishing

| 5 | 5 | - | - | $\%$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | 2 | $(1$ | $)$ | $(50$ | $)$ |

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| Local Media | 11 | 11 | - |  | - |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Corporate | 8 | 8 | - |  |  |
| Total Depreciation and Amortization | $\$ 56$ | $\$ 55$ | $\$$ | 1 | 2 |

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Nine Months Ended September 30,


Revenues:

| Entertainment | $\$ 7,232$ | 69 | $\%$ | $\$ 6,346$ | 65 | $\%$ | $\$ 886$ | 14 | $\%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Cable Networks | 1,769 | 17 |  | 1,954 | 20 | $(185$ | $)$ | $(9$ | $)$ |
| Publishing | 607 | 6 |  | 595 | 6 | 12 | 2 |  |  |
| Local Media | 1,269 | 12 |  | 1,218 | 13 | 51 | 4 |  |  |
| Corporate/Eliminations $(387$ | $)(4$ | $)$ | $(342$ | $(4$ | $)$ | $(45$ | $)$ | $(13$ | $)$ |
| Total Revenues | $\$ 10,490$ | 100 | $\%$ | $\$ 9,771$ | 100 | $\%$ | $\$ 719$ | 7 | $\%$ | Nine Months Ended September 30,


| \% of | \% of |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Total | Total | Increase/(Decrease) |

2018 Operating 2017 Operating\$ \% Income Income
Segment Operating Income (Loss):

| Entertainment | \$ 1,225 | 55 \% | \$ 1,104 | 52 \% | \$ 121 |  | 11 | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cable Networks | 734 | 33 | 801 | 37 | (67 |  | (8) |  |
| Publishing | 98 | 5 | 91 | 4 | 7 |  | 8 |  |
| Local Media | 370 | 17 | 358 | 17 | 12 |  | 3 |  |
| Corporate | (216 | (10) | (209 | ) (10) | (7 |  | (3 | ) |
| Total Segment Operating Income | 2,211 | $100 \%$ | 2,145 | 100 \% | 66 |  | 3 |  |
| Restructuring and other corporate matters | (90 |  | - |  | (90 |  | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{m}$ |  |
| Total Operating Income | \$2,121 |  | \$2,145 |  | \$ (24 |  | (1 | )\% |

$\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{m}$ - not meaningful

|  | Increase/(Decrease) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 2018 | 2017 | $\$$ | $\%$ |  |  |
| Depreciation and Amortization: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Entertainment | $\$ 92$ | $\$ 85$ | $\$$ | 7 | 8 | $\%$ |
| Cable Networks | 16 | 17 | $(1$ | $)$ | $(6$ | $)$ |
| Publishing | 4 | 5 | $(1$ | $)$ | $(20$ | $)$ |
| Local Media | 33 | 34 | $(1$ | $)$ | $(3$ | $)$ |
| Corporate | 23 | 25 | $(2$ | $)$ | $(8$ | $)$ |
| Total Depreciation and Amortization | $\$ 168$ | $\$ 166$ | $\$ 2$ | 1 | $\%$ |  |

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Entertainment (CBS Television Network, CBS Television Studios, CBS Studios International, CBS Television Distribution, Network 10, CBS Interactive and CBS Films)
Three Months Ended September 30, 2018 and 2017

|  | Three Months Ended September 30, |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Increase/(Decrease) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Entertainment | 2018 | 2017 | $\$$ | $\%$ |  |  |
| Revenues | $\$ 2,151$ | $\$ 1,815$ | $\$ 336$ | 19 | $\%$ |  |
| Segment Operating Income | $\$ 377$ | $\$ 350$ | $\$ 27$ | 8 | $\%$ |  |
| Segment Operating Income as a $\%$ of revenues | 18 | $\%$ | 19 | $\%$ |  |  |
| Depreciation and amortization | $\$ 31$ | $\$ 29$ | $\$ 2$ | 7 | $\%$ |  |
| Capital expenditures | $\$ 19$ | $\$ 25$ | $\$(6$ | $)$ | $(24$ | $) \%$ |

For the three months ended September 30, 2018, the $19 \%$ increase in revenues reflects growth across each of the main revenue streams. Advertising revenues grew $16 \%$, reflecting the acquisition of Network 10 in the fourth quarter of 2017. Network advertising for the three months ended September 30, 2018 was comparable with the same prior-year period. Affiliate and subscription fee revenues grew $32 \%$, driven by higher station affiliation fees and revenues from digital initiatives, including CBS All Access and virtual MVPDs. Content licensing and distribution revenues increased $16 \%$, benefiting from higher revenues from international licensing, as well as additional series produced for third-parties. Entertainment revenues also included higher revenues from distribution arrangements, with an offsetting increase to operating expenses, as a result of the adoption of a new revenue recognition standard in the first quarter of 2018. (See Note 12 to the consolidated financial statements.)

For the three months ended September 30, 2018, operating income increased $8 \%$, driven by the higher revenues, partially offset by an increased investment in content and digital initiatives.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018 and 2017

|  | Nine Months Ended September 30, |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Increase/(Decrease) |  |  |  |  |
| Entertainment | 2018 | 2017 | $\$$ | $\%$ |  |
| Revenues | $\$ 7,232$ | $\$ 6,346$ | $\$ 886$ | 14 | $\%$ |
| Segment Operating Income | $\$ 1,225$ | $\$ 1,104$ | $\$ 121$ | 11 | $\%$ |
| Segment Operating Income as a \% of revenues | 17 | $\%$ | 17 | $\%$ |  |
| Restructuring charges | $\$ 6$ | $\$-$ | $\$ 6$ | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{m}$ |  |
| Depreciation and amortization | $\$ 92$ | $\$ 85$ | $\$ 7$ | 8 | $\%$ |
| Capital expenditures | $\$ 56$ | $\$ 63$ | $\$(7)$ | $(11$ | $) \%$ |

$\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{m}$ - not meaningful
For the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the $14 \%$ increase in revenues mainly reflected $36 \%$ growth in affiliate and subscription fee revenues, primarily as a result of higher station affiliation fees and growth from digital initiatives including CBS All Access and virtual MVPDs. Also contributing to the revenue increase was $10 \%$ growth in advertising revenues, driven by the acquisition of Network 10 in the fourth quarter of 2017, partially offset by the absence of the National Semifinals and National Championship games of the NCAA Tournament, which the CBS Television Network broadcast in the second quarter of 2017 and Turner broadcast in 2018. Underlying Network advertising was comparable with the same prior-year period. Content licensing and distribution revenues increased $11 \%$, driven by growth from international licensing, as well as additional series produced for third parties, partially offset by lower domestic licensing. Entertainment revenues also included higher revenues from distribution arrangements, with an offsetting increase to operating expenses, as a result of the

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adoption of a new revenue recognition standard in the first quarter of 2018. (See Note 12 to the consolidated financial statements.)

For the nine months ended September 30, 2018, operating income increased $11 \%$ as a result of higher revenues, partially offset by an increased investment in content and digital initiatives. Restructuring charges for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 primarily reflected severance costs and costs associated with exiting contractual obligations.
Cable Networks (Showtime Networks, CBS Sports Network and Smithsonian Networks)
Three Months Ended September 30, 2018 and 2017

Cable Networks
Revenues $\quad \$ 569 \quad \$ 840 \quad \$(271)(32) \%$
Segment Operating Income $\quad \$ 248 \quad \$ 296 \quad \$(48 \quad)(16) \%$
Segment Operating Income as a \% of revenues $44 \quad \% \quad 35 \quad \%$
Depreciation and amortization $\quad \$ 5 \quad \$ 5 \quad \$-\quad$ - $\%$
Capital expenditures $\$ 5 \quad \$ 5 \quad \$-\quad$ - $\%$
For the three months ended September 30, 2018, the $32 \%$ decrease in revenues was driven by Showtime Networks' distribution of the Floyd Mayweather/Conor McGregor pay-per-view boxing event in the third quarter of 2017 and the timing of international licensing of Showtime original series, partially offset by growth from the Showtime digital streaming subscription offering. As of September 30, 2018, subscriptions totaled approximately 26 million for Showtime, the Company's premium television network, and the Showtime digital streaming subscription offering combined, 50 million for CBS Sports Network and 31 million for Smithsonian Networks.

For the three months ended September 30, 2018, operating income decreased $16 \%$ as a result of an increased investment in programming and higher advertising costs, including from the original series premieres of Who Is America? and Kidding on Showtime during the third quarter of 2018.
Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018 and 2017

|  | Nine Months Ended September 30, |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
|  |  | Increase/(Decrease) |  |  |  |  |
| Cable Networks | 2018 | 2017 | $\$$ | $\%$ |  |  |
| Revenues | $\$ 1,769$ | $\$ 1,954$ | $\$(185$ | $)$ | $(9) \%$ |  |
| Segment Operating Income | $\$ 734$ | $\$ 801$ | $\$(67$ | $)$ | $(8) \%$ |  |
| Segment Operating Income as a $\%$ of revenues | 41 | $\%$ | 41 | $\%$ |  |  |
| Depreciation and amortization | $\$ 16$ | $\$ 17$ | $\$(1$ | $)$ | $(6) \%$ |  |
| Capital expenditures | $\$ 12$ | $\$ 12$ | $\$-$ | $-\%$ |  |  |

For the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the $9 \%$ decrease in revenues was driven by Showtime Networks' distribution of the Floyd Mayweather/Conor McGregor pay-per-view boxing event in the third quarter of 2017, partially offset by higher licensing sales of Showtime original series and growth from the Showtime digital streaming subscription offering.
For the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the $8 \%$ decrease in operating income was driven by an increased investment in programming, partially offset by growth from the Showtime digital streaming subscription offering.

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Publishing (Simon \& Schuster)
Three Months Ended September 30, 2018 and 2017

| Three Months Ended September 30, |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Increase/(Decrease) |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2018 | 2017 | $\$$ | $\%$ |  |  |
| $\$ 240$ | $\$ 228$ | $\$ 12$ | 5 | $\%$ |  |
| $\$ 51$ | $\$ 47$ | $\$ 4$ | 9 | $\%$ |  |
| 21 | $\%$ | 21 | $\%$ |  |  |
| $\$ 1$ | $\$ 2$ | $\$(1)$ | $(50$ | $) \%$ |  |
| $\$ 2$ | $\$ 1$ | $\$ 1$ | 100 | $\%$ |  |

For the three months ended September 30, 2018, the 5\% increase in revenues reflects higher print book sales and digital audio sales. Bestselling titles in the third quarter of 2018 included Fear: Trump in the White House by Bob Woodward and Whiskey in a Teacup by Reese Witherspoon.
For the three months ended September 30, 2018, the $9 \%$ increase in operating income primarily reflects the higher revenues.
Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018 and 2017

|  | Nine Months Ended September 30, |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  | Increase/(Decrease) |  |  |  |  |
| Publishing | 2018 | 2017 | $\$$ | $\%$ |  |  |
| Revenues | $\$ 607$ | $\$ 595$ | $\$ 12$ | 2 | $\%$ |  |
| Segment Operating Income | $\$ 98$ | $\$ 91$ | $\$ 7$ | 8 | $\%$ |  |
| Segment Operating Income as a \% of revenues | 16 | $\%$ | 15 | $\%$ |  |  |
| Restructuring charges | $\$ 1$ | $\$-$ | $\$ 1$ | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{m}$ |  |  |
| Depreciation and amortization | $\$ 4$ | $\$ 5$ | $\$(1$ | $(20$ | $) \%$ |  |
| Capital expenditures | $\$ 4$ | $\$ 2$ | $\$ 2$ | 100 | $\%$ |  |

$\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{m}$ - not meaningful
For the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the $2 \%$ increase in revenues primarily reflected higher digital audio sales.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the $8 \%$ increase in operating income reflects the higher revenues. -55-

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Local Media (CBS Television Stations and CBS Local Digital Media)
Three Months Ended September 30, 2018 and 2017

|  | Three Months Ended September 30, |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Increase/(Decrease) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Local Media | 2018 | 2017 | $\$$ | $\%$ |  |  |
| Revenues | $\$ 434$ | $\$ 397$ | $\$ 37$ | 9 | $\%$ |  |
| Segment Operating Income | $\$ 124$ | $\$ 106$ | $\$ 18$ | 17 | $\%$ |  |
| Segment Operating Income as a \% of revenues | 29 | $\%$ | 27 | $\%$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Depreciation and amortization | $\$ 11$ | $\$ 11$ | $\$-$ |  | $\%$ | $\%$ |
| Capital expenditures | $\$ 6$ | $\$ 8$ | $\$(2$ | $)$ | $(25$ | $\%$ |

For the three months ended September 30, 2018, the $9 \%$ increase in revenues reflects $13 \%$ growth in retransmission revenues and higher advertising revenues, driven by political advertising sales associated with the U.S. midterm elections.

For the three months ended September 30, 2018, the $17 \%$ increase in operating income reflects the higher revenues. In the fourth quarter of 2018 , advertising revenues are expected to continue to benefit from increased political advertising sales associated with the U.S. midterm elections.
Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018 and 2017

|  | Nine Months Ended September 30, |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Increase/(Decrease) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Local Media | 2018 | 2017 | $\$$ | $\%$ |  |  |
| Revenues | $\$ 1,269$ | $\$ 1,218$ | $\$ 51$ | 4 | $\%$ |  |
| Segment Operating Income | $\$ 370$ | $\$ 358$ | $\$ 12$ | 3 | $\%$ |  |
| Segment Operating Income as a \% of revenues | 29 | $\%$ | 29 | $\%$ |  |  |
| Restructuring charges | $\$ 11$ | $\$-$ | $\$ 11$ | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{m}$ |  |  |
| Depreciation and amortization | $\$ 33$ | $\$ 34$ | $\$(1)$ | $(3$ | $) \%$ |  |
| Capital expenditures | $\$ 15$ | $\$ 20$ | $\$(5)$ | $(25$ | $) \%$ |  |

## $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{m}$ - not meaningful

For the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the $4 \%$ increase in revenues reflected $14 \%$ growth in retransmission revenues, partially offset by lower advertising sales primarily driven by the absence of the National Semifinals and National Championship games of the NCAA Tournament.
For the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the 3\% increase in operating income primarily reflects the higher revenues. Restructuring charges for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 primarily reflected severance costs and costs associated with exiting contractual obligations.

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Corporate
Three Months Ended September 30, 2018 and 2017
Three Months Ended September
30,
Corporate 20182017 \$ \%
Segment Operating Loss $\$(64) \$(70) \$ 6 \quad 9 \quad \%$
Depreciation and amortization $\$ 8 \quad \$ 8 \quad \$ \quad-\quad-\%$
Capital expenditures $\$ 5 \quad \$ 5 \quad \$ \quad-\quad$ - \%
Corporate expenses include general corporate overhead, unallocated shared company expenses, and intercompany eliminations. For the three months ended September 30, 2018, corporate expenses decreased 9\%, primarily reflecting lower compensation costs resulting from changes in senior management.
Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018 and 2017
Nine Months Ended September 30,
Increase/(Decrease)
Corporate 20182017 \$ \%
Segment Operating Loss $\$(216) \$(209) \$(7)(3) \%$
Restructuring charges $\quad \$ 7 \quad \$-\quad \$ 7 \mathrm{n} / \mathrm{m}$
Depreciation and amortization $\$ 23 \quad \$ 25 \quad \$(2) \quad(8) \%$
Capital expenditures $\quad \$ 12 \quad \$ 15 \quad \$(3)(20) \%$
$\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{m}$ - not meaningful
For the nine months ended September 30, 2018, corporate expenses increased 3\%. Restructuring charges for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 primarily reflected severance and other related costs.
Financial Position
The balance sheet at September 30, 2018 is presented under ASC 606 while December 31, 2017 is presented under previous accounting guidance. See Note 12 to the consolidated financial statements for the amount by which each balance sheet line item at September 30, 2018 was impacted by the adoption of ASC 606.


Current Assets:

| Cash and cash equivalents | $\$ 182$ | $\$ 285$ | $\$(103)$ | $(36) \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Receivables, net | 3,697 | 3,697 | - | - |
| Programming and other inventory | 1,828 | 1,828 | - | - |
| Prepaid income taxes ${ }^{\text {(a) }}$ | - | 78 | $(78$ | $(100)$ |
| All other current assets ${ }^{\text {(b) }}$ | 333 | 385 | $(52$ | $)(14)$ |
| Total current assets | $\$ 6,040$ | $\$ 6,273$ | $\$(233)$ | $(4) \%$ |

(a) The decrease reflects the timing of income tax payments.
(b) The decrease is primarily due to the timing of deposits for acquired programming.
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At At Increase/(Decrease)

| September December |
| :--- |
| 30,2018 |
| 31,2017 |$\$ \quad \%$

Programming and other inventory ${ }^{(a)} \quad \$ 3,868 \quad \$ 2,881 \quad \$ 987 \quad 34 \%$
(a) The increase primarily reflects higher investment in programming, as well as the seasonality of the Company's programming.

| At | At | Increase/(Decrease) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| September 30, | December |  | $\%$ |
| 2018 | 31,2017 |  | $\%$ |
| Other assets ${ }^{\text {(a) }}$ | $\$ 2,367$ | $\$ 2,852$ | $\$(485$ |$)$

(a) The decrease primarily reflects lower noncurrent receivables as a result of the adoption of ASC 606.

| At | At | Increase/(Decrease) |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| September | 30, | December | 31, |
| 2018 | 2017 | $\$$ | $\%$ |

Current Liabilities:
$\left.\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Accounts payable } & \$ 229 & \$ 231 & \$(2 & ) & (1 \\ ) & \% \\ \text { Accrued compensation (a) } & 256 & 343 & (87 & ) & (25 \\ \hline\end{array}\right)$
$\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{m}$ - not meaningful
(a) The increase (decrease) primarily reflects the timing of payments.
(b) The increase reflects the timing of income tax payments.
(c) The increase primarily reflects the reclassification of the sales returns reserve to "Other current liabilities" as a result of the adoption of ASC 606.

| At At Increase/(Decrease)  <br> September 30, <br> 2018 December 31, <br> 2017 $\$$  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\$ 1,226$ $\$ 1,328$ | $\$(102)$ | $(8) \%$ |

Pension and postretirement benefit obligations ${ }^{\text {(a) }}$
(a) The decrease primarily reflects contributions to the Company's non-qualified pension and other postretirement benefit plans to satisfy benefit payments due under these plans.
At At Increase/(Decrease)

September 30, December 31,
20182017
Other liabilities ${ }^{\text {(a) }} \$ 3,307 \quad \$ 3,621 \quad \$(314)(9) \%$
(a) The decrease primarily reflects lower participation and residual liabilities as a result of the adoption of ASC 606, and the timing of payments.

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## Cash Flows

The changes in cash and cash equivalents were as follows:
Nine Months Ended September 30,
20182017 Increase/(Decrease)
Net cash flow provided by operating activities from:

Continuing operations
Discontinued operations
Net cash flow provided by operating activities
Net cash flow used for investing activities from:
Continuing operations
Discontinued operations
Net cash flow used for investing activities
Net cash flow used for financing activities
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents
$\$ 1,179 \quad \$ 935 \quad \$ 244$
$1 \quad 52 \quad$ (51 )
$1,180 \quad 987 \quad 193$
(196 ) (399 ) 203
(23 ) (18 ) (5 )
(219 ) (417 ) 198
$(1,064)(1,018) \quad(46)$
\$(103 ) \$(448) \$ 345

Operating Activities. For the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the increase in cash provided by operating activities from continuing operations was primarily driven by lower cash payments for income taxes and growth in affiliate and subscription fees, which were partially offset by an increased investment in content, including a higher number of series produced for distribution on multiple platforms. During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the Company received net income tax refunds of $\$ 19$ million compared to net income tax payments of $\$ 321$ million for the same prior-year period. The 2018 net refund was primarily due to a federal tax overpayment carryforward from 2017 and the receipt of refundable state film production tax credits.

Investing Activities
$\left.\begin{array}{lll}\text { Nine Months } \\ \text { Ended September } \\ 30, \\ 2018 & 2017 & \\ \$(76 & ) & \$(67\end{array}\right)$

Investments in and advances to investee companies ${ }^{(a)} \quad \$(76) \quad \$(67)$
Capital expenditures $\quad(99)(112)$
Acquisitions (including acquired television library) ${ }^{(b)} \quad(29) \quad(258)$
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Other investing activities } & 8 & 38\end{array}$
Net cash flow used for investing activities from continuing operations (196) (399 )
Net cash flow used for investing activities from discontinued operations (23) (18)
Net cash flow used for investing activities
\$(219) \$(417)
(a) Mainly includes the Company's investment in The CW as well as its other domestic and international television joint ventures.
(b) 2017 includes a payment of $\$ 138$ million for the acquisition of Network 10 , which closed in the fourth quarter of 2017, as well as the acquisition of a television programming library.
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Financing Activities

> Nine Months Ended September 30, 20182017
(Repayments of) proceeds from short-term debt borrowings, net Proceeds from issuance of senior - 889 notes
Repayment of senior notes
Repurchase of CBS
Corp. Class B
Common Stock
Dividends $\$$
(305
)
\$ 140

Payment of payroll taxes in lieu of issuing shares for stock-based compensation
Proceeds from
exercise of stock
23
options
All other financing activities, net
Net cash flow used
for financing $\quad \$ \quad(1,064 \quad$ ) $\quad(1,018)$ activities
Free Cash Flow and Adjusted Free Cash Flow
Free cash flow and adjusted free cash flow are non-GAAP financial measures. Free cash flow reflects the Company's net cash flow provided by (used for) operating activities before operating cash flow from discontinued operations, and less capital expenditures; and adjusted free cash flow reflects the Company's net cash flow provided by (used for) operating activities before operating cash flow from discontinued operations and discretionary contributions to prefund the Company's pension plans, and less capital expenditures. The Company's calculations of free cash flow and adjusted free cash flow include capital expenditures because investment in capital expenditures is a use of cash that is directly related to the Company's operations. Adjusted free cash flow excludes discretionary contributions to prefund the Company's pension plans because management assesses the Company's ability to generate operating cash flows without considering the impact from discretionary pension contributions, and decisions regarding the timing of pension plan funding are not dependent on the level of operating cash flows generated during the period. The Company's net cash flow provided by (used for) operating activities is the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure.

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Management believes free cash flow and adjusted free cash flow provide investors with an important perspective on the cash available to the Company to service debt, make strategic acquisitions and investments, maintain its capital assets, satisfy its tax obligations, and fund ongoing operations and working capital needs. As a result, free cash flow and adjusted free cash flow are significant measures of the Company's ability to generate long-term value. It is useful for investors to know whether this ability is being enhanced or degraded as a result of the Company's operating performance. The Company believes the presentation of free cash flow and adjusted free cash flow is relevant and useful for investors because it allows investors to evaluate the cash generated from the Company's underlying operations in a manner similar to the method used by management. Free cash flow and adjusted free cash flow are among several components of incentive compensation targets for certain management personnel. In addition, free cash flow and adjusted free cash flow are primary measures used externally by the Company's investors, analysts and industry peers for purposes of valuation and comparison of the Company's operating performance to other companies in its industry.

As free cash flow and adjusted free cash flow are not measures calculated in accordance with GAAP, free cash flow and adjusted free cash flow should not be considered in isolation of, or as a substitute for, either net cash flow provided by (used for) operating activities as a measure of liquidity or net earnings (loss) as a measure of operating performance. Free cash flow and adjusted free cash flow, as the Company calculates them, may not be comparable to similarly titled measures employed by other companies. In addition, free cash flow and adjusted free cash flow as measures of liquidity have certain limitations, do not necessarily represent funds available for discretionary use and are not necessarily measures of the Company's ability to fund its cash needs. When comparing free cash flow

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and adjusted free cash flow to net cash flow provided by (used for) operating activities, the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure, users of this financial information should consider the types of events and transactions that are not reflected in free cash flow or adjusted free cash flow.

The following table presents a reconciliation of the Company's net cash flow provided by operating activities to free cash flow and adjusted free cash flow.

|  | Nine Months |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Ended |  |
|  | September 30, |  |
|  | 2018 | 2017 |
|  | $\$ 1,180$ | $\$ 987$ |
| Net cash flow provided by operating activities | $(99$ | $(112)$ |
| Capital expenditures | 1 | 52 |
| Less: Operating cash flow from discontinued operations | 1,080 | 823 |
| Free cash flow |  | $(64)$ |
| Less: Discretionary pension plan contributions, net of tax | - | $\$ 1,080$ |
| Adjusted free cash flow | $\$ 887$ |  |

Repurchase of Company Stock, Cash Dividends and Contingent Stock Dividend
During the third quarter of 2018, the Company repurchased 1.8 million shares of its Class B Common Stock under its share repurchase program for $\$ 100$ million, at an average cost of $\$ 55.13$ per share. During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the Company repurchased 9.4 million shares of its Class B Common Stock for $\$ 500$ million, at an average cost of $\$ 52.94$ per share, leaving $\$ 2.56$ billion of authorization at September 30, 2018.

During the third quarter of 2018, the Company declared a quarterly cash dividend of $\$ .18$ per share on its Class A and Class B Common Stock, resulting in total dividends of $\$ 68$ million, which were paid on October 1, 2018. During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, the Company declared total per share cash dividends of $\$ .54$ on its Class A and Class B Common Stock, resulting in total dividends of $\$ 206$ million.
On May 17, 2018, the Board voted 11 to 3 in favor of a pro rata dividend of 0.5687 of a share of the Company's voting Class A Common Stock for each share of the Company's Class A Common Stock and non-voting Class B Common Stock to stockholders of record as of the close of business on the record date and conditioned the issuance of such dividend on Delaware court approval (the "May 2018 Stock Dividend"). In connection with the Settlement Agreement, on September 9, 2018, the Board rescinded the May 2018 Stock Dividend. See "Legal Matters" for related information.
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Capital Structure
The following table sets forth the Company's debt.

|  | At | At |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | September 30, |  |
|  | 2018 | December 31, |
|  | $\$ 374$ | $\$ 679$ |
| Commercial paper | 4,433 | 9,426 |
| Senior debt $(2.30 \%-7.875 \%$ due 2019 - 2045 | 974 |  |
| Obligations under capital leases | 46 | 57 |
| Total debt | 9,853 | 10,162 |
| Less commercial paper | 374 | 679 |
| Less current portion of long-term debt | 14 | 19 |
| Total long-term debt, net of current portion | $\$ 9,465$ | $\$ 9,464$ |

(a) At September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the senior debt balances included (i) a net unamortized discount of $\$ 60$ million and $\$ 65$ million, respectively, (ii) unamortized deferred financing costs of $\$ 44$ million and $\$ 47$ million, respectively, and (iii) a decrease in the carrying value of the debt relating to previously settled fair value hedges of $\$ 4$ million and $\$ 3$ million, respectively. The face value of the Company's senior debt was $\$ 9.54$ billion at both September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017.

At September 30, 2018, the Company classified $\$ 600$ million of debt maturing in August 2019 as long-term debt on the Consolidated Balance Sheet, reflecting its intent and ability to refinance this debt on a long-term basis.
Commercial Paper
The Company had outstanding commercial paper borrowings under its $\$ 2.5$ billion commercial paper program of $\$ 374$ million and $\$ 679$ million at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively, each with maturities of less than 90 days. The weighted average interest rate for these borrowings was $2.41 \%$ at September 30, 2018 and $1.88 \%$ at December 31, 2017.

Credit Facility
At September 30, 2018, the Company had a $\$ 2.5$ billion revolving credit facility (the "Credit Facility") which expires in June 2021. The Credit Facility requires the Company to maintain a maximum Consolidated Leverage Ratio of 4.5 x at the end of each quarter as further described in the Credit Facility. At September 30, 2018, the Company's Consolidated Leverage Ratio was approximately 3.0x.

The Consolidated Leverage Ratio is the ratio of the Company's indebtedness from continuing operations, adjusted to exclude certain capital lease obligations, at the end of a quarter, to the Company's Consolidated EBITDA for the trailing four consecutive quarters. Consolidated EBITDA is defined in the Credit Facility as operating income plus interest income and before depreciation, amortization and certain other noncash items.

The Credit Facility is used for general corporate purposes. At September 30, 2018, the Company had no borrowings outstanding under the Credit Facility and the remaining availability under the Credit Facility, net of outstanding letters of credit, was $\$ 2.49$ billion.

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

The Company continually projects anticipated cash requirements for its operating, investing and financing needs as well as cash flows generated from operating activities available to meet these needs. The Company's operating needs

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include, among other items, commitments for sports programming rights, television and film programming, talent contracts, operating leases, interest payments, and pension funding obligations. The Company's investing

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and financing spending includes capital expenditures, share repurchases, dividends and principal payments on its outstanding indebtedness. The Company believes that its operating cash flows; cash and cash equivalents; borrowing capacity under the Credit Facility, which had $\$ 2.49$ billion of remaining availability at September 30, 2018; and access to capital markets are sufficient to fund its operating, investing and financing requirements for the next twelve months.

The Company's funding for short-term and long-term obligations will come primarily from cash flows from operating activities. Any additional cash funding requirements are financed with short-term borrowings, including commercial paper, and long-term debt. To the extent that commercial paper is not available to the Company, the existing Credit Facility provides sufficient capacity to satisfy short-term borrowing needs. The Company routinely assesses its capital structure and opportunistically enters into transactions to lower its interest expense, which could result in a charge from the early extinguishment of debt.

The Company's long-term debt obligations due over the next five years of $\$ 2.59$ billion are expected to be funded by cash generated from operating activities and the Company's ability to refinance its debt.

## Legal Matters

General. On an ongoing basis, the Company vigorously defends itself in numerous lawsuits and proceedings and responds to various investigations and inquiries from federal, state, local and international authorities (collectively, "litigation'"). Litigation may be brought against the Company without merit, is inherently uncertain and always difficult to predict. However, based on its understanding and evaluation of the relevant facts and circumstances, the Company believes that the below-described legal matters and other litigation to which it is a party are not likely, in the aggregate, to have a material adverse effect on its results of operations, financial position or cash flows. Under the separation agreement between the Company and Viacom Inc., the Company and Viacom Inc. have agreed to defend and indemnify the other in certain litigation in which the Company and/or Viacom Inc. is named.

Litigation Settled in September 2018 Involving the Company and Its Controlling Stockholder, National Amusements, Inc., Among Others, in the Delaware Court of Chancery. On May 14, 2018, the Company and certain of the independent directors of the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board") filed a lawsuit in the Delaware Court of Chancery against NAI, Ms. Shari Redstone, Mr. Sumner M. Redstone, NAI Entertainment Holdings LLC ("NAIEH") and the Sumner M. Redstone National Amusements Trust (the "SMR Trust") (collectively, the "NAI Parties"). The verified complaint, as amended on May 23, 2018, alleged, among other things, that NAI, Mr. Sumner M. Redstone and Ms. Shari Redstone had breached their fiduciary duties to the Company's stockholders by abusing their control to threaten the independent corporate governance of the Company. The amended verified complaint sought a declaration that the May 2018 Stock Dividend (as defined below) was valid and permissible, a declaration that the Bylaw Amendments (as defined below) were invalid or were ineffective as of May 17, 2018 and an injunction against any action by any of the NAI Parties to interfere with the composition of the Board or to modify the Company's governance documents before the issuance of any shares pursuant to the May 2018 Stock Dividend.

On May 16, 2018, each of NAI and NAIEH delivered to the Company a written consent to amend (the "Bylaw Amendments") the Company's amended and restated bylaws (the "Bylaws"). On May 17, 2018, the Board voted 11 to 3 in favor of a pro rata dividend of 0.5687 of a share of the Company's voting Class A Common Stock for each share of the Company's Class A Common Stock and non-voting Class B Common Stock to stockholders of record as of the close of business on the record date and conditioned the issuance of such dividend on Delaware court approval (the

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On May 29, 2018, NAI, NAIEH and Ms. Shari Redstone filed a lawsuit in the Delaware Court of Chancery against the Company and certain of the Company's directors. NAI's verified complaint, as amended on June 25, 2018 and July 27, 2018, alleged, among other things, that the May 2018 Stock Dividend violated the Company's bylaws and certificate of incorporation, and that the directors named as defendants had breached their fiduciary duties in approving the May 2018 Stock Dividend. The amended verified complaint sought a declaration that the Bylaw Amendments were valid, a declaration that the May 2018 Stock Dividend was invalid, an injunction against issuance and payment of the May 2018 Stock Dividend and any action by the defendants to carry out the May 2018 Stock Dividend, and other relief. On June 7, 2018, the Court consolidated the aforementioned lawsuits under the consolidated action captioned In re CBS Corporation Litigation, Consol. C.A. No. 2018-0342-AGB (Del. Ch.) (the "consolidated action").
On May 31, 2018, Westmoreland County Employees' Retirement System ("Westmoreland"), a purported beneficial owner of the Company's Class B Common Stock, filed a class action complaint in the Delaware Court of Chancery against NAI, NAIEH, Mr. David R. Andelman, Mr. Robert N. Klieger and Ms. Shari Redstone (the "Westmoreland lawsuit"), which alleged breaches of contractual obligations, implied obligations and fiduciary duties to the Company's Class B Common Stock holders in connection with the Bylaw Amendments and interference with the issuance by the Board of the May 2018 Stock Dividend. Westmoreland's complaint sought a declaratory judgment that the Company's certificate of incorporation authorized the May 2018 Stock Dividend, that Westmoreland and the class were entitled to the May 2018 Stock Dividend, and that the Bylaw Amendments were invalid, as well as other relief. On September 14, 2018, the Delaware Court of Chancery entered a stipulation agreed to by the parties whereby the Westmoreland lawsuit was dismissed without prejudice as moot and the Court retained jurisdiction to consider any application for attorneys' fees and expenses submitted by Westmoreland or its counsel.
On September 9, 2018, the Company entered into a settlement and release agreement (the "Settlement Agreement") with NAI, NAIEH, the SMR Trust, Mr. Sumner M. Redstone, Ms. Shari Redstone and the other then members of the Board, among other parties. Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, among other matters, the parties dismissed with prejudice all claims in the consolidated action. The Settlement Agreement includes mutual releases and covenants not to sue among the parties with respect to NAI's and NAIEH's investment in the Company, including the claims asserted in such action, subject to certain exceptions, and the Company has agreed to indemnify, and reimburse expenses of, certain parties, on the terms set forth in the Settlement Agreement, including with respect to the consolidated action and the defendants in the Westmoreland lawsuit. In connection with the Settlement Agreement, the Board rescinded the May 2018 Stock Dividend. In addition, NAI and NAIEH took action by written consent to amend the Company's amended and restated bylaws.

Investigations and Related Matters. As announced on August 1, 2018, the Board has retained two law firms to conduct a full investigation of the allegations in recent press reports about the Company's former Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Leslie Moonves, CBS News and cultural issues at all levels of the Company. This investigation is ongoing. The Company has received subpoenas from the New York County District Attorney's Office and the New York City Commission on Human Rights regarding the subject matter of this investigation and related matters. The New York State Attorney General's Office has also requested information about these matters. The Company may receive additional related regulatory and investigative inquiries from these and other entities in the future. The Company is cooperating with the ongoing investigation and related inquiries.

On August 27, 2018, Gene Samit, individually and on behalf of others similarly situated, filed a putative class action suit in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York against the Company, its former Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer and its then Chief Operating Officer, who

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has been appointed as the Company's President and Acting Chief Executive Officer. This action is stated to be on behalf of a class of persons who acquired the Company's securities between February 14, 2014 and July 27, 2018. This action seeks to recover damages arising during this time period allegedly caused by the defendants' purported violations of the federal securities laws by allegedly making materially false and misleading statements or failing to disclose material information, as well as costs and expenses, and seeks remedies under Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder. On October 1, 2018, John Lantz, individually and on behalf of others similarly situated, filed a putative class action suit in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York against the Company, certain current and former senior executives and the members of the Board immediately prior to September 9, 2018. This action is stated to be on behalf of purchasers of the Company's Class A Common Stock and Class B Common Stock between November 3, 2017 and July 27, 2018. This action seeks to recover damages arising during this time period allegedly caused by the defendants' purported violations of the federal securities laws by allegedly making materially false and misleading statements or failing to disclose material information, as well as costs and expenses, and seeks remedies under Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Exchange Act and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder.

Separation Agreement. On September 9, 2018, the Company entered into a separation and settlement agreement and releases (the "Separation Agreement") with Mr. Leslie Moonves, pursuant to which Mr. Moonves resigned as a director and as Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company. Pursuant to the Separation Agreement, the Company will contribute the aggregate amount of $\$ 20$ million to one or more charitable organizations that support the \#MeToo movement and equality for women in the workplace, which organizations are mutually agreed by the Company and Mr. Moonves. The Company has recorded the contribution of $\$ 20$ million in "Restructuring and other corporate matters" on the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018. In October 2018, the Company also contributed $\$ 120$ million to a grantor trust. In the event the Board determines that the Company is entitled to terminate Mr. Moonves's employment for cause under his employment agreement and Mr. Moonves does not demand arbitration with respect to such determination, the assets of the grantor trust will be distributed to the Company and the Company will have no further obligations to Mr. Moonves. Any dispute related to the Board's determination is subject to binding arbitration as set forth in the Separation Agreement. In the event of arbitration, the assets of the grantor trust will also be distributed to the Company upon a final determination in the arbitration that the Company was entitled to terminate Mr. Moonves's employment for cause. The Board will make a determination whether the Company has grounds to terminate the employment of Mr. Moonves for cause under his employment agreement within thirty days following completion of the final report of the independent investigators in the ongoing internal investigation described above, but in no event later than January 31, 2019. In the event that the Board determines that the Company is not entitled to terminate Mr. Moonves's employment for cause, or in the event of a final determination in arbitration that the Company is not entitled to terminate Mr. Moonves's employment for cause, the assets of the grantor trust will be distributed to Mr. Moonves. The Company is currently unable to determine the amount of any such contingent distribution to Mr. Moonves and, accordingly, no accrual has been made in the Company's consolidated financial statements.

Claims Related to Former Businesses: Asbestos. The Company is a defendant in lawsuits claiming various personal injuries related to asbestos and other materials, which allegedly occurred as a result of exposure caused by various products manufactured by Westinghouse, a predecessor, generally prior to the early 1970s. Westinghouse was neither a producer nor a manufacturer of asbestos. The Company is typically named as one of a large number of defendants in both state and federal cases. In the majority of asbestos lawsuits, the plaintiffs have not identified which of the Company's products is the basis of a claim. Claims against the Company in which a product has been identified
principally relate to exposures allegedly caused by asbestos-containing insulating material in turbines sold for power-generation, industrial and marine use.
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Claims are frequently filed and/or settled in groups, which may make the amount and timing of settlements, and the number of pending claims, subject to significant fluctuation from period to period. The Company does not report as pending those claims on inactive, stayed, deferred or similar dockets which some jurisdictions have established for claimants who allege minimal or no impairment. As of September 30, 2018, the Company had pending approximately 31,500 asbestos claims, as compared with approximately 31,660 as of December 31, 2017 and 32,760 as of September 30, 2017. During the third quarter of 2018, the Company received approximately 770 new claims and closed or moved to an inactive docket approximately 1,020 claims. The Company reports claims as closed when it becomes aware that a dismissal order has been entered by a court or when the Company has reached agreement with the claimants on the material terms of a settlement. Settlement costs depend on the seriousness of the injuries that form the basis of the claims, the quality of evidence supporting the claims and other factors. The Company's total costs for the years 2017 and 2016 for settlement and defense of asbestos claims after insurance recoveries and net of tax were approximately $\$ 57$ million and $\$ 48$ million, respectively. The Company's costs for settlement and defense of asbestos claims may vary year to year and insurance proceeds are not always recovered in the same period as the insured portion of the expenses.

Filings include claims for individuals suffering from mesothelioma, a rare cancer, the risk of which is allegedly increased by exposure to asbestos; lung cancer, a cancer which may be caused by various factors, one of which is alleged to be asbestos exposure; other cancers, and conditions that are substantially less serious, including claims brought on behalf of individuals who are asymptomatic as to an allegedly asbestos-related disease. The predominant number of pending claims against the Company are non-cancer claims. The Company believes that its reserves and insurance are adequate to cover its asbestos liabilities. This belief is based upon many factors and assumptions, including the number of outstanding claims, estimated average cost per claim, the breakdown of claims by disease type, historic claim filings, costs per claim of resolution and the filing of new claims. While the number of asbestos claims filed against the Company has remained generally flat in recent years, it is difficult to predict future asbestos liabilities, as events and circumstances may occur including, among others, the number and types of claims and average cost to resolve such claims, which could affect the Company's estimate of its asbestos liabilities.

Other. The Company from time to time receives claims from federal and state environmental regulatory agencies and other entities asserting that it is or may be liable for environmental cleanup costs and related damages principally relating to historical and predecessor operations of the Company. In addition, the Company from time to time receives personal injury claims including toxic tort and product liability claims (other than asbestos) arising from historical operations of the Company and its predecessors.

## Related Parties

See Note 5 to the consolidated financial statements.
Recent Pronouncements and Adoption of New Accounting Standards
See Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements.
Critical Accounting Policies
See Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Results of Operations and Financial Condition in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, for a discussion of the Company's critical accounting policies.

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Cautionary Statement Concerning Forward-Looking Statements
This quarterly report on Form 10-Q, including "Item 2 - Management's Discussion and Analysis of Results of Operations and Financial Condition," contains both historical and forward looking statements. All statements other than statements of historical fact are, or may be deemed to be, forward looking statements within the meaning of section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These forward looking statements are not based on historical facts, but rather reflect the Company's current expectations concerning future results and events. These forward-looking statements generally can be identified by the use of statements that include phrases such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "plan," "foresee," "likely," "will," "may," "estimate" or other similar words or phrases. Similarly, statements that describe the Company's objectives, plans or goals are or may be forward looking statements. These forward looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that are difficult to predict and which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of the Company to be different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by these statements. These risks, uncertainties and other factors include, among others: changes in the public acceptance of the Company's content; advertising market conditions generally; changes in technology and its effect on competition in the Company's markets; changes in the federal communications laws and regulations; the impact of piracy on the Company's products; the impact of consolidation in the market for the Company's content; the impact of negotiations or the loss of affiliation agreements or retransmission agreements; the outcomes of investigations and related legal actions, which are inherently unpredictable, and any associated costs; the uncertainties arising from transitions involving senior executives and directors of the Company; the impact of union activity, including possible strikes or work stoppages or the Company's inability to negotiate favorable terms for contract renewals; other domestic and global economic, business, competitive and/or other regulatory factors affecting the Company's businesses generally; and other factors described in the Company's filings made under the securities laws, including, among others, those set forth under "Item 1A. Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 and in our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, and in the Company's recent Current Reports on Form 8-K. There may be additional risks, uncertainties and factors that the Company does not currently view as material or that are not necessarily known. The forward looking statements included in this document are made only as of the date of this document and the Company does not undertake any obligation to publicly update any forward looking statements to reflect subsequent events or circumstances.

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Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.
There have been no significant changes to market risk since reported in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017.
Item 4. Controls and Procedures.
The Company's chief executive officer and chief financial officer have concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this report, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) or 15d-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) were effective, based on the evaluation of these controls and procedures required by Rule 13a-15(b) or $15 \mathrm{~d}-15$ (b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

No change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting occurred during the Company's last fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.
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## PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1.Legal Proceedings.
The information set forth in Note 14 to the consolidated financial statements appearing in Item 1 of Part I of this report under the captions "Litigation Settled in September 2018 Involving the Company and Its Controlling Stockholder, National Amusements, Inc., Among Others, in the Delaware Court of Chancery" and "Investigations and Related Matters" is incorporated by reference herein.
Item 1A.Risk Factors.
The following updates the corresponding risk factors included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017.

NAI, Through Its Voting Control of the Company, Is in a Position to Control Actions that Require Stockholder Approval

NAI, through its direct and indirect ownership of the Company's Class A Common Stock, has voting control of the Company. At September 30, 2018, NAI directly or indirectly owned approximately 79.7\% of the Company's voting Class A Common Stock, and approximately $10.4 \%$ of the Company's Class A Common Stock and non-voting Class B Common Stock on a combined basis. Mr. Sumner M. Redstone is the beneficial owner of the controlling interest in NAI and, accordingly, beneficially owns all such shares. Mr. Redstone, the controlling stockholder, chairman of the board of directors and chief executive officer of NAI, serves as Chairman Emeritus of the Company's Board of Directors, and Ms. Shari Redstone, the president and a director of NAI, serves as Vice Chair of the Company's Board of Directors. Mr. David R. Andelman is a director of NAI and was a director of the Company until his resignation on September 9, 2018. NAI is controlled by Mr. Redstone through the Sumner M. Redstone National Amusements Trust (the "SMR Trust"), which owns $80 \%$ of the voting interest of NAI, and such voting interest of NAI held by the SMR Trust is voted solely by Mr. Redstone until his incapacity or death. The SMR Trust provides that in the event of Mr. Redstone's death or incapacity, voting control of the NAI voting interest held by the SMR Trust will pass to seven trustees, who will include CBS Corporation director Ms. Shari Redstone; Mr. David R. Andelman also currently serves as a trustee. No member of the Company's management is a trustee of the SMR Trust.

Subject to the terms of the settlement and release agreement entered into by the Company and NAI, among others, on September 9,2018 , NAI is in a position to control the outcome of corporate actions that require, or may be accomplished by, stockholder approval, including amending the Company's bylaws, the election or removal of directors and transactions involving a change of control. For example, the Company's Amended and Restated Bylaws provide:
that the affirmative vote of not less than a majority of the aggregate voting power of all outstanding shares of capital stock of the Company then entitled to vote generally in an election of directors, voting together as a single class, is required for the stockholders of the Company to amend, alter, change, repeal or adopt any bylaws of the Company; that any or all of the directors of the Company may be removed from office at any time prior to the expiration of his or her term of office, with or without cause, only by the affirmative vote of the holders of record of outstanding shares representing at least a majority of all the aggregate voting power of outstanding shares of stock of the Company then entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, voting together as a single class at a special meeting of stockholders called expressly for that purpose; and
that, in accordance with the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, stockholders of the Company may act by written consent without a meeting if such stockholders hold the number of shares
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representing not less than the minimum number of votes that would be necessary to authorize or take such actions at a meeting at which all shares entitled to vote thereon were present and voted.

Accordingly, other stockholders who may have different interests are unable to affect the outcome of any such corporate actions for so long as NAI retains voting control.

## NAI and Any Common Director May Face Actual or Potential Conflicts of Interest

NAI has voting control of each of the Company and Viacom Inc. Mr. Redstone, the controlling stockholder through the SMR Trust, chairman of the board of directors and chief executive officer of NAI, serves as Chairman Emeritus of the Company and Chairman Emeritus of Viacom Inc. Ms. Redstone, the president and a director of NAI, serves as Vice Chair of the Board of Directors of each of the Company and Viacom Inc. This ownership overlap and this common director could create, or appear to create, potential conflicts of interest when the Company's and Viacom Inc.'s directors and controlling stockholder face decisions that could have different implications for the Company and Viacom Inc. For example, potential conflicts of interest could arise in connection with the resolution of any dispute between the Company and Viacom Inc. regarding the terms of the agreements governing the Separation and the relationship between the Company and Viacom Inc. thereafter. These agreements include the Separation Agreement, the Tax Matters Agreement and any commercial agreements between the parties or their affiliates. On occasion, the Company and Viacom Inc. may compete with each other in various commercial enterprises. Potential conflicts of interest could also arise if the Company and Viacom Inc. enter into any commercial arrangements with each other in the future. CBS Corp.'s certificate of incorporation contains provisions related to corporate opportunities that may be of interest to both the Company and Viacom Inc. CBS Corp.'s certificate of incorporation provides that in the event that a director, officer or controlling stockholder of the Company who is also a director, officer or controlling stockholder of Viacom Inc. acquires knowledge of a potential corporate opportunity for both the Company and Viacom Inc., such director, officer or controlling stockholder may present such opportunity to the Company or Viacom Inc. or both, as such director, officer or controlling stockholder deems appropriate in his or her sole discretion, and that by doing so such person will have satisfied his or her fiduciary duties to the Company and its stockholders. In addition, CBS Corp.'s certificate of incorporation provides that the Company renounces any interest in any such opportunity presented to Viacom Inc. Furthermore, CBS Corp.'s certificate of incorporation provides that neither the Company nor Viacom Inc. has any duty to refrain from engaging in the same or similar activities or lines of business as the other corporation, doing business with any potential or actual customer or supplier of the other corporation, or employing or soliciting for employment any officer or employee of the other corporation, and that no officer or director of either corporation shall be liable to the other corporation or the other corporation's stockholders for breach of any fiduciary duty by reason of any such activities of the Company or Viacom Inc., as the case may be. These provisions create the possibility that a corporate opportunity of one of such companies may be used for the benefit of the other company. If any such opportunity is directed to Viacom Inc., rather than the Company, the Company may be materially adversely affected.

[^2]Item 2.Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.
Company Purchases of Equity Securities
In November 2010, the Company announced that its Board of Directors approved a program to repurchase $\$ 1.5$ billion of the Company's common stock in open market purchases or other types of transactions (including accelerated stock repurchases or privately negotiated transactions). Since then, various increases totaling $\$ 16.4$ billion have been approved and announced, including most recently, an increase to the share repurchase program to a total availability of $\$ 6.0$ billion on July 28, 2016. Below is a summary of CBS Corp.'s purchases of its Class B Common Stock during the three months ended September 30, 2018 under this publicly announced share repurchase program.

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Item 6.Exhibits.
Exhibit
No. Description of Document
(3 ) Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws
(b) Amended and Restated Bylaws of CBS Corporation (filed herewith).
(4 ) Instruments defining the rights of security holders, including indentures
Amended and Restated Senior Indenture dated as of November 3, 2008 ("2008 Indenture") between CBS Corporation, CBS Operations Inc., and The Bank of New York Mellon, as senior trustee (incorporated by
(a) reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 of CBS Corporation filed November 3, 2008 (Registration No. 333-154962) (File No. 001-09553)).

First Supplemental Indenture to 2008 Indenture dated as of April 5, 2010 between CBS Corporation, CBS
(b) Operations Inc., and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as senior trustee (incorporated by reference to

Exhibit 4.3 to the Current Report on Form 8-K of CBS Corporation filed April 5, 2010 (File No. 001-09553)).
The other instruments defining the rights of holders of the long-term debt securities of CBS Corporation and its subsidiaries are omitted pursuant to section (b)(4)(iii)(A) of Item 601 of Regulation S-K. CBS Corporation hereby agrees to furnish copies of these instruments to the Securities and Exchange Commission upon request.
(10) Material Contracts
(a) Settlement and Release Agreement effective as of September 9, 2018 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit
(a) $10(\mathrm{a})$ to the Current Report on Form 8-K of CBS Corporation filed September 10, 2018) (File No. 001-09553). Separation and Settlement Agreement and Releases effective as of September 9, 2018 between CBS
(b) Corporation and Leslie Moonves (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b) to the Current Report on Form 8-K of CBS Corporation filed September 10, 2018) (File No. 001-09553).
Letter Agreement dated as of September 9, 2018 between CBS Corporation and Joseph R. Ianniello
(c) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(a) to the Current Report on Form 8-K of CBS Corporation filed September 27, 2018) (File No. 001-09553).
Separation Agreement dated October 11, 2018 between CBS Corporation and Anthony G. Ambrosio
(d) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10 to the Current Report on Form 8-K of CBS Corporation filed October 12, 2018) (File No. 001-09553).
Separation Agreement dated September 21, 2018 between CBS Corporation and Gil D. Schwartz
(e) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10(b) to the Current Report on Form 8-K of CBS Corporation filed September 27, 2018) (File No. 001-09553).
Employment Agreement dated October 18, 2018 between CBS Corporation and Christina Spade (incorporated
(f) by reference to Exhibit 10 to the Current Report on Form 8-K of CBS Corporation filed October 19, 2018) (File No. 001-09553).
(12) Statement Regarding Computation of Ratios (filed herewith).
(31) Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certifications
(a) Certification of the Chief Executive Officer of CBS Corporation pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a), or 15d-14(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002 (filed herewith).
Certification of the Chief Financial Officer of CBS Corporation pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a), or 15d-14(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002 (filed herewith).
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(32 ) Section 1350 Certifications
(a) Certification of the Chief Executive Officer of CBS Corporation furnished pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002 (furnished herewith).
(b) Certification of the Chief Financial Officer of CBS Corporation furnished pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002 (furnished herewith).
(101) Interactive Data File
101. INS XBRL Instance Document.
101. SCH XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema.
101. CAL XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase.
101. DEF XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase.
101. LAB XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase.
101. PRE XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase.
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## SIGNATURES

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

CBS CORPORATION
(Registrant)
Date: November 1, 2018 /s/ Joseph R. Ianniello
Joseph R. Ianniello
President and Acting Chief Executive Officer
Date: November 1, 2018 /s/ Lawrence Liding
Lawrence Liding
Executive Vice President, Controller and Chief Accounting Officer
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