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#### PART I

#### **ITEM 1. BUSINESS**

#### Overview

All references to "LSB Industries," "LSB," "the Company," "we," "us," and "our" refer to LSB Industries, Inc. and its subsidiaries, except where the context makes clear that the reference is only to LSB Industries, Inc. itself and not its subsidiaries. Notes referenced throughout this document refer to consolidated financial statement footnote disclosures that are found in Item 8.

The Company was formed in 1968 as an Oklahoma corporation and became a Delaware corporation in 1977. We manufacture and market chemical products for the agricultural, industrial and mining markets. We own and operate facilities in El Dorado, Arkansas (the "El Dorado Facility"), Cherokee, Alabama (the "Cherokee Facility"), and Pryor, Oklahoma (the "Pryor Facility"), and we operate a facility on behalf of a global chemical company in Baytown, Texas (the "Baytown Facility"). Our products are sold through distributors and directly to end customers throughout the United States and parts of Mexico and Canada.

#### **Our Business**

Our business manufactures products for three principal markets:

- Agricultural Markets: ammonia, fertilizer grade ammonium nitrate ("AN" and "HDAN") and urea ammonia nitrate ("UAN");
- *Industrial Markets:* high purity and commercial grade ammonia, high purity AN, sulfuric acids, concentrated, blended and regular nitric acid, mixed nitrating acids, carbon dioxide, and diesel exhaust fluid ("DEF"); and
- Mining Markets: industrial grade AN ("LDAN") and AN solutions.

The products we manufacture at our facilities are primarily derived from natural gas (a raw material feedstock). Our facilities and production processes have been designed to produce products that are marketable at nearly each stage of production. This design has allowed us to develop and deploy a business model optimizing the mix of products to capture the value opportunities in the end markets we serve with a focus on balancing our production.

The chart below highlights representative products and applications in each of our end markets.

End Market	Products	Applications
Agricultural	UAN, HDAN and ammonia	Fertilizer and fertilizer blends for corn and other crops; NPK fertilizer blends
Industrial	Nitric acid, metallurgical and commercial grade ammonia, sulfuric acid, diesel exhaust fluid and other urea solutions, Specialty E-2 ammonium nitrate and CO2	Semi-conductor and polyurethane intermediates, ordnance; Pulp and paper, alum, water treatment, metals and vanadium processing; Power plant emissions abatement, water treatment, refrigerants, metals processing; Exhaust stream additive, horticulture / greenhouse applications; refrigeration
Mining	LDAN, AN solution and HDAN	Ammonium nitrate fuel oil (ANFO) and specialty emulsions for mining applications, surface mining, quarries, and construction

The following table summarizes net sales information relating to our products:

	2020	2019
Percentage of consolidated net sales:		
Agricultural products	51%	52%
Industrial products	38%	38%
Mining products	11%	10%
	100%	100%

For information regarding our net sales, operating results and total assets for the past three fiscal years, see the Consolidated Financial Statements included in this report.

#### **Our Strategy**

We pursue a strategy of balancing the sale of product as fertilizer into the agriculture markets at spot prices or short duration pre-sales and developing industrial and mining customers that purchase substantial quantities of products, primarily under contractual obligations and/or pricing arrangements that generally provide for the pass through of some raw material and other manufacturing costs. We believe this product and market diversification strategy allows us to have more consistent levels of production compared to some of our competitors and helps reduce the volatility risk inherent in the prices of our raw material feedstock and/or the changes in demand for our products.

The strategy of developing industrial and mining customers helps to moderate the risk inherent in the agricultural markets where spot sales prices of our agricultural products may not have a correlation to the natural gas feedstock costs but rather reflect market conditions for like and competing nitrogen sources. This volatility of sales pricing in our agricultural products may, from time to time, compromise our ability to recover our full cost to produce the product. Additionally, the lack of sufficient non-seasonal agricultural sales volume to operate our manufacturing facilities at optimum levels can preclude us from balancing production and storage capabilities. Looking forward, we remain focused on upgrading margins by maximizing downstream production. Our strategy calls for further development of industrial customers who assume the volatility risk associated with the raw material costs and mitigate the effects of seasonality in the agricultural sector.

Our strategy also includes evaluating acquisitions of strategic assets or companies, mergers with other companies and investment in additional production capacity where we believe those acquisitions, mergers or expansion of production capacity will enhance the value of the Company and provide appropriate returns.

#### **Key Operating Initiatives for 2021**

As discussed in more detail under "Key Operating Initiatives for 2021" of "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" ("MD&A") contained in Item 7 of this report, we believe our future results of operations and financial condition will depend significantly on our ability to successfully implement the following key initiatives:

- Continue Focusing on Becoming a "Best in Class" Chemical Plant Operator with respect to Safe, Reliable Operations that Produce the Highest Ouality Product.
- Continue Broadening the Distribution of our Products.
- Development of a Strategy to Capitalize on Ammonia Opportunities in a Renewable Energy Focused Economy.
- Improving Our Capital Structure and Overall Cost of Capital.
- Evaluate Acquisition of Strategic Assets or Companies.

# **COVID-19 Pandemic**

All of the facilities we operate have been designated as essential critical infrastructure based on guidelines issued by the United States Department of Homeland Security's Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency. Since we produce fertilizer products used by the agriculture industry, as well as chemical products required in a variety of industrial manufacturing processes, LSB has been determined to be a critical service provider, and therefore, our facilities have remained operational despite the government mandated operational limitations or business closings resulting from the federal, state and local government responses to the evolving global health crisis resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. Management has taken significant measures to ensure the health and safety of our employees and our business continuity during this challenging situation. For our personnel at our manufacturing facilities and retail agricultural centers, we have developed plans and procedures that have allowed them to operate in a safe manner in order to protect them, their families, our vendors and our customers. These include daily health screenings, including temperature checks and questionnaires, use of proper personal protection equipment, regular disinfection and cleaning of equipment and workspaces, social distancing, working from home where appropriate and quarantining of employees according to specific protocols. We intend to maintain our discipline in this regard for however long the current health risk persists.

The nitrogen chemical industry was under pressure during most of 2020. As a result of the global economic downturn caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and the resultant decline in energy prices, industry operating rates increased globally, resulting in greater supply and lower fertilizer pricing. Pricing for all major agricultural product categories was impacted by the continued oversupply of ammonia in our primary end markets, along with increased imports of some of our downstream products. Industrial and mining sales volume declined as a result of pandemic-related weakness in demand in several of our end markets.

Looking ahead to 2021, while much of the U.S. economy has a least partially reopened, uncertainty remains with respect to our various end markets. On the agricultural side, the corn market has recently experienced some positive indicators as discussed below under "Agricultural Market Conditions." However, improvements in fertilizer pricing could be tempered from higher natural gas costs and additional imported fertilizers. With respect to industrial and mining sales volume, we are seeing gradual improvement in demand for nitric acid, industrial ammonia and ammonium nitrate as sectors such as automotive manufacturing, home building, and copper mining have increased activity. Also see discussion below under "Industrial and Mining Products" concerning a new long-term nitric acid supply contract with a customer.

On the liquidity front, as of December 31, 2020, we had approximately \$58.1 million of combined cash and borrowing capacity, which, we believe, provides us with ample liquidity to fund our operations and meet our current obligations. Also see discussions under "Liquidity and Capital Resources" of our MD&A.

#### **Our Competitive Strengths**

### Strategically Located Chemical Assets and Long-Standing Customer Relationships

Our business benefits from highly advantageous locations with logistical and distribution benefits. We have access to the Nustar ammonia pipeline from the U.S. Gulf at our El Dorado Facility, which provides low-cost transportation to distribution points. The El Dorado Facility also has rail access providing favorable freight logistics to our industrial and agricultural customers and cost advantaged when selling a number of our products West of the Mississippi River. Our Cherokee Facility is located east of the Mississippi River, allowing it to reach customers that are not freight logical for others. Our Cherokee Facility sits adjacent to the Tennessee River, providing barge receipt and shipping access, in addition to truck and rail delivery access. Our Pryor Facility is located in the heart of the Southern Plains with close proximity to the Port of Catoosa along with strategic rail and truck delivery access.

### **Advantaged Raw Material Cost Position**

We produce ammonia at our El Dorado, Cherokee and Pryor Facilities, which allows us to take advantage of the spread between producing and purchasing ammonia at those facilities.

#### **Diversified Sources of Revenue**

Our business serves a broad range of end markets, which we believe diminishes the cyclicality of our financial performance. Our business serves the agricultural, industrial and mining markets. The flexible nature of our production process and storage capability allows us the ability to shift our product mix based on end market demand.

#### **Operation of Multiple Facilities and High Production Capacity**

We operate our business through several facilities. Operating multiple facilities diversifies the risk and impact of operational issues that may occur at a single plant, which gives us a strategic advantage over competitors that operate their company through a single facility. Additionally, our competitive production capacity of our combined plants allows us to decrease manufacturing costs, helping us to achieve enhanced margins.

# **Agricultural Market Conditions**

As discussed in more detail under "Key Industry Factors" of MD&A, the price at which our agricultural products are ultimately sold depends on numerous factors, including the supply and demand for nitrogen fertilizers which, in turn, depends upon world grain demand and production levels, the cost and availability of transportation and storage, weather conditions, competitive pricing and the availability of imports. Additionally, expansions or upgrades of competitors' facilities and international and domestic political and economic developments continue to play an important role in the global nitrogen fertilizer industry economics. These factors can affect, in addition to selling prices, the level of inventories in the market which can cause price volatility and affect product margins.

Looking forward to 2021, favorable dynamics for U.S. agriculture have translated into higher prices to date for a variety of crops, including corn, which has prompted an increase in demand for fertilizers by farmers seeking to maximize yields in the coming spring planting season. Favorable grower income in 2020, coupled with significant increase in Chinese imports of agricultural commodities, lower ending U.S. corn inventory levels, and drought conditions in South America have pushed commodity prices, including corn, to their highest level in over seven years. According to certain industry sources, the estimated corn acres to be planted in 2021 is between 92 to 94 million. These factors have resulted in a price rally for fertilizers over the last several months which we expect will continue through the spring planting season.

See discussion above concerning the COVID-19 pandemic under "Our Strategy."

## **Agricultural Products**

We produce and sell UAN, HDAN and ammonia, all of which are nitrogen-based fertilizers. We sell these agricultural products to farmers, ranchers, fertilizer dealers and distributors primarily in the ranch land and grain production markets in the U.S. Our nitrogen-based fertilizers are used to grow food crops, biofuel feedstock crops, pasture land for grazing livestock and forage production. We maintain long-term relationships with wholesale agricultural distributors and retailers and also sell directly to agricultural end-users through our network of wholesale and retail distribution centers.

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During 2020, we completed a key storage project that will allow us to further maximize our production of HDAN at our El Dorado Facility, which we expect to enable us to achieve higher production, a lower cost per ton and increased sales of that product during periods of more attractive pricing.

We develop our market position in these areas by emphasizing high quality products, customer service and technical advice.

In addition, we have an agreement with a third-party purchaser, Coffeyville Resources Nitrogen Fertilizers, LLC, ("CVR"), to market and sell a portion of our UAN. Demand for sales under this agreement is based on the expected needs of the purchaser's customers. The agreement provides the exclusive right (but not the obligation) to purchase, at market prices, substantially all of the UAN produced at our Pryor Facility. The term of the agreement runs through June 2021, with automatic one-year extensions, subject to a 180-day advance notice of termination from CVR or a 90-day advance notice from us.

We sell most of our agricultural products at the current spot market price in effect at the time of shipment, although we periodically enter into forward sales commitments for some of these products.

#### **Industrial and Mining Market Conditions**

As discussed in more detail under "Key Industry Factors" of MD&A, in our industrial markets, our sales volumes are typically driven by changes in general economic conditions, energy prices, metals market prices and our contractual arrangements with certain large customers. In our mining markets, our sales volumes are typically driven by changes in the overall North American consumption levels of mining products that can be impacted by weather. Additionally, changes in natural gas prices and demand in renewable power sources, such as wind and solar in the electrical generation sector, will impact demand for our mining products and impact competition within the other sectors of this market.

Looking forward to 2021, we are seeing gradual recovery in these end markets. As COVID-19 vaccines are increasingly distributed, demand for our products from sectors like automotive manufacturing and power generation is expected to recover to pre-pandemic levels. We expect strong metals mining prices will drive strong demand for our mining products as producers push to extract as much as possible. As it relates to the coal mining, the U.S. Energy Information Administration ("EIA") is projecting an increase in production driven by a forecasted increase in natural gas prices for electricity generators, making coal more competitive in the electric power sector.

See discussion above concerning the COVID-19 pandemic under "Our Strategy."

# **Industrial and Mining Products**

We manufacture and sell industrial acids and other chemical products primarily to the polyurethane intermediates, paper, fibers, emission control, and electronics industries. In addition, we produce and sell blended and regular nitric acid and industrial and high purity ammonia for many specialty applications, including the reduction of air emissions from power plants.

Sales of our industrial and mining products are generally made to customers pursuant to sales contracts or pricing arrangements on terms that include the cost of the primary raw materials as a pass-through component in the sales price. These contractual sales stabilize the effect of commodity cost changes and fluctuations in demand for these products due to the cyclicality of the end markets.

During 2020, one of our subsidiaries, El Dorado Chemical Company ("EDC") entered into a contract with a customer to supply nitric acid. Under the agreement, EDC will supply between 70,000 to 100,000 tons of nitric acid annually. The initial contract term began in January 2021 and extends through 2027 but includes automatic one-year renewal terms.

In addition, EDC and Koch Fertilizer LLC ("Koch Fertilizer") are parties to an ammonia purchase and sale agreement, under which Koch Fertilizer agreed to purchase, with minimum purchase requirements, a portion of the ammonia that is in excess of EDC's internal needs. The term of the agreement runs until June 2022, with annual renewal options thereafter.

We operate the Baytown Facility on behalf of a global chemical company, and we believe it is one of the largest and most technologically advanced nitric acid manufacturing units in the U.S. We operate and maintain this facility pursuant to a long-term operating contract. The term of this agreement runs until June 2022 with options for renewal.

Our industrial products sales volumes are dependent upon general economic conditions primarily in the housing, automotive, and paper industries. Our sale prices generally vary with the market price of ammonia, sulfur or natural gas, as applicable, in our pricing arrangements with customers.

Our industrial business competes based upon service, price and location of production and distribution sites, product quality and performance and provides inventory management as part of the value-added services offered to certain customers. See our discussion concerning a new contract to capture and sell carbon dioxide out our El Dorado Facility under "Key Operating Initiatives for 2021" in our MD&A.

We also produce and sell LDAN, HDAN and AN solution to the mining industry, which are primarily used as AN fuel oil and specialty emulsions for usage in the quarry and the construction industries, for metals mining, and to a lesser extent, for coal mining. We have signed long-term contracts with certain customers that provide for the annual sale of LDAN, which a portion include various natural-gas-based pricing arrangements. One of our customers has a plant located at our El Dorado Facility.

# **Raw Materials**

The products we manufacture at our facilities are primarily derived from natural gas. This raw material feedstock is a commodity and subject to price fluctuations. Natural gas is the primary raw material for producing ammonia, UAN, nitric acid and acid blends and other products at our El Dorado, Cherokee and Pryor Facilities. For 2020, we purchased approximately 30.1 million MMBtus of natural gas.

The chemical facilities' natural gas feedstock requirements are generally purchased at spot market price. Periodically, we enter into volume purchase commitments and/or forward contracts to lock in the cost of certain of the expected natural gas requirements primarily to match quantities needed to produce product that has been sold forward. At December 31, 2020, we had natural gas contracts of approximately 11.1 million MMBtus, representing approximately 37% of our annual usage, at an average cost of \$2.70 per MMBtu. These contracts extend through December 2021.

See further discussion relating to the outlook for our business under "Key Industry Factors."

### Competition

We operate in a highly competitive market with many other larger chemical companies, such as Austin Powder Company: CF Industries Holdings, Inc., Chemtrade Logistics L.L.C.; Cornerstone Chemical, OCI Partners NV, Dyno Nobel, a subsidiary of Incitec Pivot Limited, The Gavilon Group, Helm AG, Koch Industries, Norfalco, Nutrien, Orica Limited; Praxair, Inc., Quad Chemical Corporation, and Trammo Inc. (some of whom are our customers), many of whom have greater financial and other resources than we do. We believe that competition within the markets we serve is primarily based upon service, price, location of production and distribution sites, and product quality and performance.

#### **Human Capital Management**

See discussion above concerning the COVID-19 pandemic under "Our Strategy."

As of December 31, 2020, we employed 573 persons, 188 of whom are represented by unions under agreements, including agreements being negotiated, that expire in July 2021 through November 2022. We believe we have good relationships with our employees.

# **Oversight & Management**

Our success depends on the capabilities and strength of our workforce. Our Human Resources Director is responsible for developing and executing our human capital strategy. This strategy includes the acquisition, development, and retention of talent to deliver on our overall strategy. Our Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") regularly updates our Board of Directors ("Board") on the operation and status of these human capital activities including:

- *Training & Development* We are committed to the continued development of our employees. Quarterly reviews of operations and talent occur across all operational business units and corporate functions. It is the responsibility of the CEO and the executive staff to review talent data on an annual basis and plan development actions to ensure succession and continuous improvement and growth.
- *Engagement* We believe that we have favorable relations with our employees. Approximately 33% of our employees are represented under collective bargaining agreements. We take proactive measures, such as conducting employee surveys to understand and drive employee engagement. Additionally, we conduct benefit surveys annually in an effort to ensure that any changes to benefits are improvements or add value for employees. Each of our business units conducts roundtable

- discussions to develop action plans to improve the work environment. We have continued to increase our communication efforts with employees, which our workforce has recognized favorably.
- Health and Safety Our Health and Safety Management System continues to build to establish a consistent approach to enhance the work
  environment and culture at each business unit. This system is guided by a newly formed executive committee that provides focus and priority to
  compliance and industry best practices that protect our employees while performing work within our operations. Each business team is
  responsible for evaluating its unique operations and applying the defined controls to engage employees and manage injury risk. We use leading
  and lagging metrics, such as near miss tracking, assigning potential risk consequences to events, incident tracking, and releases to monitor our
  performance and effectiveness across our operations and individual business teams.

Like many other companies, we have experienced challenges resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic and have focused energy and effort on protecting our employees and their families from potential virus exposure while continuing safe and compliant operations. Since the beginning of the pandemic, we established detailed plans and protocols, executed remote work arrangements, and increased communication to employees. To date, our focused actions, which have aligned with the guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, have not resulted in any work stoppage.

# **Government Laws and Regulations**

Our facilities and operations are subject to numerous federal, state and local laws and regulations, including matters regarding environmental, health and safety, many of which provide for certain performance obligations, substantial fines and criminal sanctions for violations. Certain of these laws and regulations impose strict liability as well as joint and several liability for costs required to remediate and restore sites where hazardous substances, hydrocarbons or solid wastes have been stored or released. We may be required to remediate contaminated properties currently or formerly owned or operated by us or facilities of third parties that received waste generated by our operations regardless of whether such contamination resulted from the conduct of others or from consequences of our own actions that were in compliance with all applicable laws at the time those actions were taken.

There can be no assurance that we will not incur material costs or liabilities in complying with such laws or in paying fines or penalties for violation of such laws. Our insurance may not cover all environmental risks and costs or may not provide sufficient coverage if an environmental claim is made against us. These laws and regulations (including enforcement policies thereunder) have in the past resulted, and could in the future result, in significant compliance expenses, cleanup costs (for our sites or third-party sites where our wastes were disposed of), penalties or other liabilities relating to the handling, manufacture, use, emission, discharge or disposal of hazardous or toxic materials at or from our facilities or the use or disposal of certain of its chemical products. Historically, our subsidiaries have incurred significant expenditures in order to comply with these laws and regulations and are reasonably expected to do so in the future. We will also be obligated to manage certain discharge water outlets and monitor groundwater contaminants at our chemical facilities should we discontinue the operations of a facility.

Also see discussions concerning our risk factors under Item 1A of this report.

#### **Available Information**

We make available free of charge through our Internet website (<a href="www.lsbindustries.com">www.lsbindustries.com</a>) or by calling Investor Relations (212) 836-9607 our Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K and, if applicable, amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with, or furnish it to, the SEC. In addition to the reports filed or furnished with the SEC, we publicly disclose material information from time to time in press releases, at annual meetings of stockholders, in publicly accessible conferences and investor presentations, and through our website. The information included in our website does not constitute part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act requires our directors, officers, and beneficial owners of more than 10% of our common stock to file with the SEC reports of holdings and changes in beneficial ownership of our stock. Based solely on a review of copies of the Forms 3, 4 and 5 furnished to us with respect to 2020, or written representations that no Form 5 was required to be filed, we believe that during 2020 all our directors and officers and beneficial owners of more than 10% of our common stock timely filed their required Forms 3, 4, or 5.

#### ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

# 1. Risks Relating to Our Liquidity

We may not be able to generate sufficient cash to service our debt and may be required to take other actions to satisfy the obligations under our debt agreements or to redeem our preferred stock, which may not be successful.

Our ability to make scheduled payments on our debt obligations and our ability to satisfy the redemption obligations for our Series E cumulative redeemable Class C preferred stock ("Series E Redeemable Preferred") depends on our financial condition and operating performance, prevailing economic and competitive conditions, and certain financial, business and other factors, some of which may be beyond our control. We may not be able to maintain a level of cash flows sufficient to pay the principal and interest on our debt, including the \$435 million principal amount of our Senior Secured Notes (the "Senior Secured Notes"), or the outstanding amount of the Working Capital Revolver Loan or to pay the cumulative dividends and redemption payment on the Series E Redeemable Preferred should the holder choose to redeem it on or after October 25, 2023, that applicable optional redemption date with respect thereto.

If cash flows and capital resources are insufficient to fund our debt, dividend or preferred stock redemption obligations, we could face substantial liquidity problems and will need to seek additional capital through the issuance of debt, the issuance of equity, asset sales or a combination of the foregoing. If we are unsuccessful, we will need to reduce or delay investments and capital expenditures, or to dispose of other assets or operations, seek additional capital, or restructure or refinance debt or redeemable equity. These alternative measures may not be successful, may not be completed on economically attractive terms, or may not be adequate for us to meet our debt or preferred stock redemption obligations when due. Additionally, our debt agreements and the operating agreements associated with our Series E Redeemable Preferred limit the use of the proceeds from many dispositions of assets or operations. As a result, we may not be permitted to use the proceeds from these dispositions to satisfy our debt or preferred stock redemption obligations. If we cannot make scheduled payments on our debt, we will be in default and the outstanding principal and interest on our debt could be declared to be due and payable, in which case we could be forced into bankruptcy or liquidation or required to substantially restructure or alter our business operations or debt obligations. In such an event, we may not have sufficient assets to repay all of our debt.

Further, if we suffer or appear to suffer from a lack of available liquidity, the evaluation of our creditworthiness by counterparties and rating agencies and the willingness of third parties to do business with us could be materially and adversely affected. In particular, our credit ratings could be lowered, suspended or withdrawn entirely at any time by the rating agencies. Downgrades in our long-term debt ratings generally cause borrowing costs to increase and the potential pool of investors and funding sources to decrease and could trigger liquidity demands pursuant to the terms of contracts, leases or other agreements. Any future transactions by us, including the issuance of additional debt, the sale of any operating assets, or any other transaction to manage our liquidity, could result in temporary or permanent downgrades of our credit ratings.

Our substantial indebtedness level, including dividend requirements relating to our preferred stock, could limit our financial and operating activities, and adversely affect our ability to incur additional debt to fund future needs.

We currently have a substantial amount of indebtedness, as well as dividend and redemption requirements relating to our preferred stock. As a result, this level could, among other things:

- require us to dedicate a substantial portion of our cash flow to the payment of principal, interest and dividends, thereby reducing the funds
  available for operations and future business opportunities;
- make it more difficult for us to satisfy our obligations, including our repurchase obligations;
- limit our ability to borrow additional money if needed for other purposes, including working capital, capital expenditures, debt service requirements, acquisitions and general corporate or other purposes, on satisfactory terms or at all;
- limit our ability to adjust to changing economic, business and competitive conditions;
- place us at a competitive disadvantage with competitors who may have less indebtedness or greater access to financing;
- make us more vulnerable to an increase in interest rates, a downturn in our operating performance or a decline in general economic conditions; and
- make us more susceptible to changes in credit ratings, which could affect our ability to obtain financing in the future and increase the cost of such financing.

Any of the foregoing could adversely affect our liquidity, operating results and financial condition.

Our debt agreements and our preferred stock contain covenants and restrictions that could restrict or limit our financial and business operations. A breach of these covenants or restrictions could result in an event of default under one or more of our debt agreements or contracts at different entities within our capital structure, including as a result of cross acceleration or default provisions.

Our debt agreements and our preferred stock contain various covenants and other restrictions that, among other things, limit flexibility in operating our businesses. A breach of any of these covenants or restrictions could result in a significant portion of our debt

becoming due and payable or could result in significant contractual liability. These covenants and other restrictions limit our ability to, among other things:

- incur additional debt or issue preferred shares;
- pay dividends on, repurchase or make distributions in respect of capital stock, make other restricted payments;
- or make investments;
- sell or transfer assets;
- create liens on assets to secure debt:
- engage in certain fundamental corporate changes or changes to our business activities;
- make certain material acquisitions;
- consolidate, merge, sell or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of our assets;
- enter into transactions with affiliates;
- designate subsidiaries as unrestricted subsidiaries; and
- · repay, repurchase or modify certain subordinated and other material debt.

The Working Capital Revolver Loan also contains certain affirmative covenants and requires the borrowers to comply with a fixed charge coverage ratio (as defined in the Working Capital Revolver Loan) if their excess availability (as defined in the Working Capital Revolver Loan) falls below a certain level.

These covenants and restrictions could affect our ability to operate our business and may limit our ability to react to market conditions or take advantage of potential business opportunities as they arise. Additionally, our ability to comply with these covenants may be affected by events beyond our control, including general economic and credit conditions and industry downturns.

In addition, certain failures to make payments when due on, or the acceleration of, significant indebtedness constitutes a default under some of our debt instruments, including the indenture governing the notes. Further, a breach of any of the covenants or restrictions in a debt instrument could result in an event of default under such debt instrument. Upon the occurrence of an event of default under one of these debt instruments, our lenders or noteholders could elect to declare all amounts outstanding under such debt instrument to be immediately due and payable and/or terminate all commitments to extend further credit. Such actions by those lenders or noteholders could cause cross defaults or accelerations under our other debt. If we were unable to repay those amounts, the lenders or noteholders could proceed against any collateral granted to them to secure such debt. In the case of a default under debt that is guaranteed, holders of such debt could also seek to enforce the guarantees. If lenders or noteholders accelerate the repayment of all borrowings, we would likely not have sufficient assets and funds to repay those borrowings. Such occurrence could result in our or our applicable subsidiary going into bankruptcy, liquidation or insolvency.

# The age of our chemical manufacturing facilities increases the risk for unplanned downtime, which may be significant.

Our business is comprised of operating units of various ages and levels of automated control. While we have continued to make significant annual capital improvements, potential age or control related issues have occurred in the past and may occur in the future, which could cause damage to the equipment and ancillary facilities. As a result, we have experienced and may continue to experience additional downtime at our chemical facilities in the future.

The equipment required for the manufacture of our products is specialized, and the time for replacement of such equipment can be lengthy, resulting in extended downtime in the affected unit. In addition, the cost for such equipment could be influenced by changes in regulatory policies (including tariffs) of foreign governments, as well as the U.S. laws and policies affecting foreign trade and investment.

Although we use various reliability and inspection programs and maintain a significant inventory of spare equipment, which are intended to mitigate the extent of production losses, unplanned outages may still occur. As a result, these planned and unplanned downtime events at our chemical facilities have in the past and could in the future adversely affect our liquidity, operating results and financial condition.

# LSB is a holding company and depends, in large part, on receiving funds from its subsidiaries to fund our indebtedness.

Because LSB is a holding company and operations are conducted through its subsidiaries, LSB's ability to meet its obligations depends, in large part, on the operating performance and cash flows of its subsidiaries and the ability of its subsidiaries to make distributions and pay dividends to LSB.

# 2. Risks Relating to Our Business

Pandemics or disease outbreaks, such as COVID-19, have and may in the future disrupt our business, which could adversely affect our financial performance.

COVID-19 has evolved into a global pandemic and the full extent of its impact will depend on future developments that are uncertain and cannot be accurately predicted, including new information that may emerge concerning the COVID-19 pandemic and the actions to contain the COVID-19 pandemic or treat its impact. Currently, all of the facilities we own and operate have been designated as

essential critical infrastructure based on guidelines issued by the United States Department of Homeland Security's Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency. Since we produce fertilizer products used by the agriculture industry, as well as chemical products required in a variety of industrial manufacturing processes, LSB has been determined to be a critical service, and therefore, our facilities are remaining in operation despite the evolving global health crisis resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. However, if additional mandatory closures of businesses are imposed by the federal, state and local governments to control the spread of the virus, these closures could disrupt the operations of our management, business and finance teams. In addition, a significant downturn in global economic growth, or recessionary conditions in major geographic regions, may lead to reduced demand for a portion or all our products. Legislative, regulatory, judicial or social influences related to the COVID-19 pandemic may affect our financial performance and our ability to conduct our business.

In addition, an extended period of remote work arrangements due to the COVID-19 pandemic could exacerbate cybersecurity risks. Our business depends on the proper functioning and availability of our information technology platform, including communications and data processing systems. We are also required to effect electronic transmissions with third parties including clients, vendors and others with whom we do business, and with our Board. We believe we have implemented appropriate security measures, controls and procedures to safeguard our information technology systems and to prevent unauthorized access to such systems and any data processed or stored in such systems, and we periodically evaluate and test the adequacy of such systems, measures, controls and procedures and perform third-party risk assessments; however, there can be no guarantee that such systems, measures, controls and procedures will be effective, that we will be able to establish secure capabilities with all of third parties, or that third parties will have appropriate controls in place to protect the confidentiality of our information. Security breaches could expose us to a risk of loss or misuse of our information, litigation and potential liability.

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to impact communities, our business operations could be disrupted or delayed, and our business, financial condition, and results of operations could be adversely affected.

Terrorist attacks and other acts of violence or war, and natural disasters (such as hurricanes, etc.), have negatively affected and could negatively affect U.S. and foreign companies, the financial markets, the industries where we operate, our operations and our profitability.

Terrorist attacks in the U.S and elsewhere and natural disasters (such as hurricanes or pandemic health crises) have in the past and can in the future negatively affect our operations. We cannot predict further terrorist attacks and natural disasters in the U.S. and elsewhere. These attacks or natural disasters have contributed to economic instability in the U.S. and elsewhere, and further acts of terrorism, violence, war or natural disasters could affect the industries where we operate, our ability to purchase raw materials, our business, results of operations and financial condition. In addition, terrorist attacks and natural disasters may directly affect our physical facilities, especially our chemical facilities, or those of our suppliers or customers and could affect our sales, our production capability and our ability to deliver products to our customers. In the past, hurricanes affecting the Gulf Coast of the U.S. have negatively affected our operations and those of our customers. As previously noted, some scientists have concluded that increasing concentrations of greenhouse gases in the Earth's atmosphere may produce climate changes that have significant physical effects, such as increased frequency and severity of storms, droughts and floods and other climatic events. If any such effects, whether anthropogenic or otherwise, were to occur in areas where we or our clients operate, they could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

A major factor underlying the current high level of demand for our nitrogen-based fertilizer products is the production of ethanol. A decrease in ethanol production or an increase in ethanol imports could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition and ability to make cash distributions.

A major factor underlying the solid level of demand for our nitrogen-based fertilizer products is the production of ethanol in the United States and the use of corn in ethanol production. Ethanol production in the United States is highly dependent upon a myriad of federal statutes and regulations and is made significantly more competitive by various federal and state incentives and mandated usage of renewable fuels pursuant to the federal renewable fuel standards ("RFS"). To date, the RFS has been satisfied primarily with fuel ethanol blended into gasoline. However, a number of factors, including the continuing "food versus fuel" debate and studies showing that expanded ethanol usage may increase the level of greenhouse gases in the environment as well as be unsuitable for small engine use, have resulted in calls to reduce subsidies for ethanol, allow increased ethanol imports and to repeal or waive (in whole or in part) the current RFS, any of which could have an adverse effect on corn-based ethanol production, planted corn acreage and fertilizer demand. Therefore, ethanol incentive programs may not be renewed, or if renewed, they may be renewed on terms significantly less favorable to ethanol producers than current incentive programs. Therefore, a decrease in ethanol production or an increase in ethanol imports could have a material adverse effect on our overall business, results of operations, financial condition and liquidity.

# We are reliant on a limited number of key facilities.

Our nitrogen production is concentrated in four separate complexes. The suspension of operations at any of these complexes could adversely affect our ability to produce our products and fulfill our commitments and could have a material adverse effect on liquidity, financial condition, results of operations and business.

#### Seasonality can adversely affect our business.

If seasonal demand is less than we expect, we may be left with excess inventory that will have to be stored (in which case our results of operations will be negatively affected by any related increased storage costs) or liquidated (in which case the selling price may be below our production, procurement and storage costs). The risks associated with excess inventory and product shortages are exacerbated by the volatility of natural gas and nitrogen fertilizer prices and the relatively brief periods during which farmers can apply nitrogen fertilizers. If prices for our products rapidly decrease, we may be subject to inventory write-downs, adversely affecting our operating results. If seasonal demand is greater than we expect, we may experience product shortages, and customers of ours may turn to our competitors for products that they would otherwise have purchased from us.

# Weather conditions adversely affect our business.

The products (primarily agricultural) produced and sold by us have been in the past, and could be in the future, materially affected by adverse weather conditions (such as excessive rain or drought) in the primary markets for our fertilizer and related agricultural products. In addition, weather can cause an interruption to the operations of our chemical facilities. Many scientists have concluded that increasing concentrations of greenhouse gases in the Earth's atmosphere may produce climate changes that have significant physical effects, such as increased frequency and severity of storms, droughts and floods and other climatic events. These climate changes might also occur as the result of other phenomena that human activity is unable to influence, including changes in solar activity and volcanic activity. Regardless of the cause, if any of these unusual weather events occur during the primary seasons for sales of our agricultural products (March-June and September-November), this could have a material adverse effect on our agricultural sales and our financial condition and results of operations.

#### Our business and customers are sensitive to adverse economic cycles.

Our business can be affected by cyclical factors such as inflation, currency exchange rates, global energy policy and costs, regulatory policies (including tariffs), global market conditions and economic downturns in specific industries. Certain sales are sensitive to the level of activity in the agricultural, mining, automotive and housing industries. Therefore, substantial changes could adversely affect our operating results, liquidity, financial condition and capital resources.

#### There is intense competition in the markets we serve.

Substantially all of the markets in which we participate are highly competitive with respect to product quality, price, distribution, service, and reliability. We compete with many companies, domestic and foreign, that have greater financial, marketing and other resources. Competitive factors could require us to reduce prices or increase spending on product development, marketing and sales, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operation and financial condition.

We compete with many U.S. producers and producers in other countries, including state-owned and government-subsidized entities. Some competitors have greater total resources and are less dependent on earnings from chemical sales, which make them less vulnerable to industry downturns and better positioned to pursue new expansion and development opportunities. Our competitive position could suffer to the extent we are not able to expand our own resources sufficiently either through investments in new or existing operations or through acquisitions, joint ventures or partnerships. An inability to compete successfully could result in the loss of customers, which could adversely affect our sales and profitability.

#### An increase of imported agricultural products could adversely affect our business.

Russia and Ukraine both have substantial capacity to produce and export fertilizers. Producers in these countries also benefit from below-market prices for natural gas, due to government regulation and other factors. Imports into the U.S. from those countries has increased over the last twelve months.

In addition, producers in China have substantial capacity to produce and export urea. Depending on various factors, including prevailing prices from other exporters, the price of coal, and the price of China's export tariff, higher volumes of urea from China could be imported into the U.S. at prices that could have an adverse effect on the selling prices of other nitrogen products, including the nitrogen products we manufacture and sell.

# A substantial portion of our sales is dependent upon a limited number of customers.

For 2020, eight customers accounted for approximately 42% of our consolidated net sales. The loss of, or a material reduction in purchase levels by, one or more of these customers could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, financial condition and liquidity if we are unable to replace a customer with other sales on substantially similar terms.

A change in the volume of products that our customers purchase on a forward basis, or the percentage of our sales volume that is sold to our customers on a forward basis, could increase our exposure to fluctuations in our profit margins and materially adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

We offer our customers from time-to-time, the opportunity to purchase products from us on a forward basis at prices and delivery dates we propose. Under our forward sales programs, customers generally make an initial cash down payment at the time of order and pay the remaining portion of the contract sales under their usual invoice terms when the performance obligation is satisfied. Forward sales improve our liquidity due to the cash payments received from customers in advance of shipment of the product and allow us to

improve our production scheduling and planning and the utilization of our manufacturing and distribution assets. Any cash payments received in advance from customers in connection with forward sales are reflected on our consolidated balance sheets as a current liability until the related performance obligations are satisfied, which can take up to several months. We believe the ability to purchase products on a forward basis is most appealing to our customers during periods of generally increasing prices for nitrogen fertilizers. Our customers may be less willing or even unwilling to purchase products on a forward basis during periods of generally decreasing or stable prices or during periods of relatively high fertilizer prices due to the expectation of lower prices in the future or limited capital resources. In periods of rising fertilizer prices, selling our nitrogen fertilizers on a forward basis may result in lower profit margins than if we had not sold fertilizer on a forward basis. Conversely, in periods of declining fertilizer prices, selling our nitrogen fertilizers on a forward basis may result in higher profit margins than if we had not sold fertilizer on a forward basis. In addition, fixing the selling prices of our products, often months in advance of their ultimate delivery to customers, typically causes our reported selling prices and margins to differ from spot market prices and margins available at the time the performance obligation is satisfied.

#### Cost and the lack of availability of raw materials could materially affect our profitability and liquidity.

Our sales and profits are heavily affected by the costs and availability of primary raw materials. These primary raw materials are subject to considerable price volatility. Historically, when there have been rapid increases in the cost of these primary raw materials, we have sometimes been unable to timely increase our sales prices to cover all of the higher costs incurred. While we periodically enter into futures/forward contracts to economically hedge against price increases in certain of these raw materials, there can be no assurance that we will effectively manage against price fluctuations in those raw materials.

Natural gas represents the primary raw material feedstock in the production of most of our chemical products. Although we enter into contracts with certain customers that provide for the pass-through of raw material costs, we have a substantial amount of sales that do not provide for the pass-through of raw material costs. Also, the spot sales prices of our agricultural products may not correlate to the cost of natural gas but rather reflect market conditions for similar and competing nitrogen sources. This lack of correlation can compromise our ability to recover our full cost to produce the products in this market. As a result, in the future, we may not be able to pass along to all of our customers the full amount of any increases in raw material costs. Future price fluctuations in our raw materials may have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition, liquidity and results of operations.

Additionally, we depend on certain vendors to deliver natural gas and other key components that are required in the production of our products. Any disruption in the supply of natural gas and other key components could result in lost production or delayed shipments.

The price of natural gas in North America and worldwide has been volatile in recent years and has declined on average due in part to the development of significant natural gas reserves, including shale gas, and the rapid improvement in shale gas extraction techniques, such as hydraulic fracturing and horizontal drilling. Future production of natural gas from shale formations could be reduced by regulatory changes that restrict drilling or hydraulic fracturing or increase its cost or by reduction in oil exploration and development prompted by lower oil prices and resulting in production of less associated natural gas. Additionally, increased demand for natural gas, particularly in the Gulf Coast Region, due to increased industrial demand and increased natural gas exports could result in increased natural gas prices.

We have suspended in the past, and could suspend in the future, production at our chemical facilities due to, among other things, the high cost or lack of availability of natural gas and other key components, which could adversely affect our competitiveness in the markets we serve. Accordingly, our business, financial condition, liquidity and results of operations could be materially affected in the future by the lack of availability of natural gas and other key components and increase costs relating to the purchase of natural gas and other key components.

# Our business is subject to risks involving derivatives and the risk that our hedging activities might not be effective.

We may utilize natural gas derivatives to hedge our financial exposure to the price volatility of natural gas, the principal raw material used in the production of nitrogen-based products. We may use futures, financial swaps and option contracts traded in the over-the-counter markets or on exchanges to hedge our risk. Our use of derivatives can result in volatility in reported earnings due to the unrealized mark-to-market adjustments that occur from changes in the value of the derivatives that do not qualify for, or to which we do not apply, hedge accounting. To the extent that our derivative positions lose value, we may be required to post collateral with our counterparties, adversely affecting our liquidity. We have also used fixed-price, physical purchase and sales contracts to hedge our exposure to natural gas price volatility. Hedging arrangements are imperfect and unhedged risks will always exist. In addition, our hedging activities may themselves give rise to various risks that could adversely affect us. For example, we are exposed to counterparty credit risk when our derivatives are in a net asset position. The counterparties to our derivatives are multi-national commercial banks, major financial institutions or large energy companies. Our liquidity could be negatively impacted by a counterparty default on settlement of one or more of our derivative financial instruments or by the trigger of any cross-default provisions or credit support requirements. Additionally, the International Swaps and Derivative Association master netting arrangements for most of our derivative instruments contain credit-risk-related contingent features, such as cross-default and/or acceleration provisions and credit support requirements. In the event of certain defaults or a credit ratings downgrade, our counterparty may request early termination and net settlement of certain derivative trades or may require us to collateralize derivatives in a net

liability position. At other times we may not utilize derivatives or derivative strategies to hedge certain risks or to reduce the financial exposure of price volatility. As a result, we may not prevent certain material adverse impacts that could have been mitigated through the use of derivative strategies.

# Our transportation and distribution activities rely on third-party providers, which subject us to risks and uncertainties beyond our control that may adversely affect our operations.

We rely on railroad, trucking, pipeline and other transportation service providers to transport raw materials to our manufacturing facilities, to coordinate and deliver finished products to our storage and distribution system and our retail centers and to ship finished products to our customers. These transportation operations, equipment and services are subject to various hazards, including adverse operating conditions, extreme weather conditions, system failures, work stoppages, equipment and personnel shortages, delays, accidents such as spills and derailments and other accidents and operating hazards

In the event of a disruption of existing transportation or terminaling facilities for our products or raw materials, alternative transportation and terminaling facilities may not have sufficient capacity to fully serve all of our customers or facilities. An extended interruption in the delivery of our products to our customers or the supply of natural gas, ammonia or sulfur to our production facilities could adversely affect sales volumes and margins.

These transportation operations, equipment and services are also subject to environmental, safety, and regulatory oversight. Due to concerns related to accidents, terrorism or increasing concerns regarding transportation of potentially hazardous substances, local, provincial, state and federal governments could implement new regulations affecting the transportation of raw materials or our finished products. If transportation of our products is delayed or we are unable to obtain raw materials as a result of any third party's failure to operate properly or the other hazards described above, or if new and more stringent regulatory requirements are implemented affecting transportation operations or equipment, or if there are significant increases in the cost of these services or equipment, our revenues and cost of operations could be adversely affected. In addition, we may experience increases in our transportation costs, or changes in such costs relative to transportation costs incurred by our competitors.

#### Future technological innovation could affect our business.

Future technological innovation, such as the development of seeds that require less crop nutrients, or developments in the application of crop nutrients, if they occur, could have the potential to adversely affect the demand for our products and results of operations.

# Cyber security risks could adversely affect our business.

As we continue to increase our dependence on information technologies to conduct our operations, including as a result of remote work environments due to COVID-19, the risks associated with cyber security also increase. We rely on our enterprise resource planning software ("ERP") and other information systems, among other things, to manage our manufacturing, supply chain, accounting and financial functions. Additionally, third parties on whose systems we place significant reliance for the conduct of our business are also subject to cyber security risks. We are significantly dependent upon internet connectivity and a third-party cloud hosting vendor. We have implemented security procedures and measures in order to protect our information from being vulnerable to theft, loss, damage or interruption from a number of potential sources or events. Although we believe these measures and procedures are appropriate, we may not have the resources or technical sophistication to anticipate, prevent, or recover from rapidly evolving types of cyberattacks. Compromises to our information systems could have an adverse effect on our business, results of operations, liquidity and financial condition.

#### 3. Risks Relating to Legal, Regulatory and Compliance Matters

### Our operations and the production and handling of our products involve significant risks and hazards.

Our operations are subject to hazards inherent in the manufacture, transportation, storage and distribution of chemical products, including some products that are highly toxic and corrosive. These hazards include, among other things, explosions; fires; severe weather and natural disasters; train derailments, collisions, vessel groundings and other transportation and maritime incidents; leaks and ruptures involving storage tanks, pipelines and rail cars; spills, discharges and releases of toxic or hazardous substances or gases; deliberate sabotage and terrorist incidents; mechanical failures; unscheduled plant downtime; labor difficulties and other risks. Some of these hazards can cause bodily injury and loss of life, severe damage to or destruction of property and equipment and environmental damage and may result in suspension of operations for an extended period of time and/or the imposition of civil or criminal penalties and liabilities. We periodically experience minor releases of ammonia related to leaks from our equipment. Similar events may occur in the future. As a result, such events could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition.

# Current and future legislative or regulatory requirements affecting our business may result in increased costs and decreased revenues, cash flows and liquidity or could have other negative effects on our business.

Our business is subject to numerous health, safety, security and environmental laws and regulations. The manufacture and distribution of chemical products are activities that entail health, safety and environmental risks and impose obligations under health, safety and environmental laws and regulations, many of which provide for substantial fines and potential criminal sanctions for violations. Although we believe we have established processes to monitor, review and manage our businesses to comply with the numerous

health, safety and environmental laws and regulations, we previously were, and in the future, may be, subject to fines, penalties and sanctions for violations and substantial expenditures for cleanup costs and other liabilities relating to the handling, manufacture, use, emission, discharge or disposal of effluents at or from our chemical facilities. Further, a number of our chemical facilities are dependent on environmental permits to operate, the loss or modification of which could have a material adverse effect on their operations and our results of operation and financial condition. These operating permits are subject to modification, renewal and revocation. In addition, third parties may contest our ability to receive or renew certain permits that we need to operate, which can lengthen the application process or even prevent us from obtaining necessary permits. We regularly monitor and review our operations, procedures and policies for compliance with permits, laws and regulations. Despite these compliance efforts, risk of noncompliance or permit interpretation is inherent in the operation of our business.

There can be no assurance as to the amount or timing of future expenditures for environmental compliance or remediation, and actual future expenditures may be different from the amounts we currently anticipate. We try to anticipate future regulatory requirements that might be imposed and plan accordingly to remain in compliance with changing environmental laws and regulations and to minimize the costs of compliance.

Changes to the production equipment at our chemical facilities that are required in order to comply with health, safety and environmental regulations may require substantial capital expenditures.

Explosions and/or losses at other chemical facilities that we do not own (such as the April 2013 explosion in West, Texas) could also result in new or additional legislation or regulatory changes, particularly relating to public health, safety or any of the products manufactured and/or sold by us or the inability on the part of our customers to obtain or maintain insurance as to certain products manufactured and/or sold by us, which could have a negative effect on our revenues, cash flow and liquidity.

In summary, new or changed laws and regulations or the inability of our customers to obtain or maintain insurance in connection with any of our chemical products could have an adverse effect on our operating results, liquidity and financial condition.

# We may not have adequate insurance.

While we maintain liability, property and business interruption insurance, including certain coverage for environmental contamination, it is subject to coverage limits and policies that may exclude coverage for some types of damages. Although there may currently be sources from which such coverage may be obtained, the coverage may not continue to be available to us on commercially reasonable terms or the possible types of liabilities that may be incurred by us may not be covered by our insurance. In addition, our insurance carriers may not be able to meet their obligations under the policies, or the dollar amount of the liabilities may exceed our policy limits. Even a partially uninsured claim, if successful and of significant magnitude, could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, financial condition and liquidity.

Furthermore, we are subject to litigation for which we could be obligated to bear legal, settlement and other costs, which may be in excess of any available insurance coverage. If we are required to incur all or a portion of the costs arising out of any litigation or investigation as a result of inadequate insurance proceeds, if any, our business, results of operations, financial condition and liquidity could be materially adversely affected. For further discussion of our litigation, please see "Other Pending, Threatened or Settled Litigation" in Note 8 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in this report.

# We may be required to modify or expand our operating, sales and reporting procedures and to install additional equipment in order to comply with current and possible future government regulations.

The chemical industry in general, and producers and distributors of ammonia and AN specifically, are scrutinized by the government, industry and public on security issues. Under current and proposed regulations, we may be required to incur substantial additional costs relating to security at our chemical facilities and distribution centers, as well as in the transportation of our products. These costs could have a material effect on our results of operations, financial condition, and liquidity. The cost of such regulatory changes, if significant, could lead some of our customers to choose other products over ammonia and AN, which may have a significant adverse effect on our business.

The "Secure Handling of Ammonium Nitrate Act of 2007" was enacted by the U.S. Congress, and subsequently the U.S. Department of Homeland Security ("DHS") published a notice of proposed rulemaking in 2011. This regulation proposes to require sellers, buyers, their agents and transporters of solid AN and certain solid mixtures containing AN to possess a valid registration issued by DHS, keep certain records, report the theft or unexplained loss of regulated materials, and comply with certain other new requirements. We and others affected by this proposal have submitted appropriate comments to DHS regarding the proposed regulation. It is possible that DHS could significantly revise the requirements currently being proposed. Depending on the provisions of the final regulation to be promulgated by DHS and on our ability to pass these costs to our customers, these requirements may have a negative effect on the profitability of our AN business and may result in fewer distributors who are willing to handle the product. DHS has not finalized this rule, and has indicated that its next action, and the timing of such an action, is undetermined.

On August 1, 2013, U.S. President Obama issued an executive order addressing the safety and security of chemical facilities in response to recent incidents involving chemicals such as the explosion at West, Texas. The President directed federal agencies to

enhance existing regulations and make recommendations to the U.S. Congress to develop new laws that may affect our business. In January 2016, the U.S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board ("CSB") released its final report on the West, Texas incident. The CSB report identifies several federal and state regulations and standards that could be strengthened to reduce the risk of a similar incident occurring in the future. While the CSB does not have authority to directly regulate our business, the findings in this report, and other activities taken in response to the West, Texas incident by federal, state, and local regulators may result in additional regulation of our processes and products.

In January 2017, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") finalized revisions to its Risk Management Program ("RMP"). The revisions include new requirements for certain facilities to perform hazard analyses, third-party auditing, incident investigations and root cause analyses, emergency response exercises, and to publicly share chemical and process information. Compliance with many of the rule's new requirements will be required beginning in 2021. The EPA temporarily delayed the rule's effective date however, the delay was subsequently vacated with an immediate effective date. On December 3, 2018, the EPA published a final rule that incorporates amendments to the RMP under 40 CFR Part 68. However, on November 21, 2019, EPA finalized its Risk Management Program Reconsideration Rule which rescinded third-party auditing, incident investigation and root cause analysis, and the public sharing of specific chemical and process information. The passage of the Reconsideration Rule has reduced the potential negative effect on the profitability of our AN business compared to the January 2017 RMP amendments. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration ("OSHA") is likewise considering changes to its Process Safety Management standards. In addition, DHS, the EPA, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives updated a joint chemical advisory on the safe storage, handling, and management of AN. While these actions may result in additional regulatory requirements or changes to our operators, it is difficult to predict at this time how these and any other possible regulations, if and when adopted, will affect our business, operations, liquidity or financial results.

# Proposed and existing governmental laws and regulations relating to greenhouse gas and other air emissions may subject certain of our operations and customers to significant new costs and restrictions on their operations and may reduce sales of our products.

Our chemical manufacturing facilities use significant amounts of electricity, natural gas and other raw materials necessary for the production of their chemical products that result, or could result, in certain greenhouse gas emissions into the environment. Federal and state legislatures and administrative agencies, including the EPA, are considering the scope and scale of greenhouse gas or other air emission regulation. Legislation and administrative actions have been considered that would regulate greenhouse gas emissions at some point in the future for our facilities, and existing and possible actions have already affected certain of our customers, leading to closure or rate reductions of certain facilities.

In response to findings that emissions of carbon dioxide, methane and other greenhouse gases present an endangerment to public health and the environment, the EPA adopted regulations pursuant to the federal Clean Air Act to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from various sources. For example, the EPA requires certain large stationary sources to obtain preconstruction and operating permits for pollutants regulated under the Prevention of Significant Deterioration and Title V programs of the Clean Air Act. Facilities required to obtain preconstruction permits for such pollutants are also required to meet "best available control technology" standards that are being established by the states. These regulatory requirements could adversely affect our operations and restrict or delay our ability to obtain air permits for new or modified sources.

Although greenhouse gas regulation could: increase the price of the electricity and other energy sources purchased by our chemical facilities; increase costs for natural gas and other raw materials (such as ammonia); potentially restrict access to or the use of certain raw materials necessary to produce our chemical products; and require us to incur substantial expenditures to retrofit our chemical facilities to comply with the proposed new laws and regulations regulating greenhouse gas emissions. Federal, state and local governments may also pass laws mandating the use of alternative energy sources, such as wind power and solar energy, which may increase the cost of energy use in certain of our chemical and other manufacturing operations. For instance, the EPA published a rule, known as the Clean Power Plan, to limit greenhouse gases from electric power plants. The EPA is currently reviewing the Clean Power Plan however, it could result in increased electricity costs due to increased requirements for use of alternative energy sources, and a decreased demand for coal-generated electricity.

### Laws, regulations or other issues related to climate change could have a material adverse effect on us.

If we, or other companies with which we do business become subject to laws or regulations related to climate change, it could have a material adverse effect on us. The United States may enact new laws, regulations and interpretations relating to climate change, including potential cap-and-trade systems, carbon taxes and other requirements relating to reduction of carbon footprints and/or greenhouse gas emissions. Other countries have enacted climate change laws and regulations, and the United States has been involved in discussions regarding international climate change treaties. The federal government and some of the states and localities in which we operate have enacted certain climate change laws and regulations and/or have begun regulating carbon footprints and greenhouse gas emissions. Although these laws and regulations have not had any known material adverse effect on us to date, they could result in substantial costs, including compliance costs, monitoring and reporting costs and capital. Furthermore, our reputation could be damaged if we violate climate change laws or regulations. We cannot predict how future laws and regulations, or future

interpretations of current laws and regulations, related to climate change will affect our business, results of operations, liquidity and financial condition. Lastly, the potential physical impacts of climate change on our operations are highly uncertain and would be particular to the geographic circumstances in areas in which we operate. These may include changes in rainfall and storm patterns and intensities, water shortages and changing temperatures. Any of these matters could have a material adverse effect on us.

#### 4. Risks Relating to Debt

Despite our current levels of debt, we may still incur more debt ranking senior or equal in right of payment with our existing obligations, including secured debt, which would increase the risks described herein.

The agreements relating to our debt, including the Senior Secured Notes Indenture and the credit agreement governing our Working Capital Revolver Loan, limit but do not prohibit our ability to incur additional debt, including additional secured debt. Notwithstanding the fact that the Senior Secured Notes Indenture and the credit agreement governing our Working Capital Revolver Loan limit our ability to incur additional debt or grant certain liens on our assets, the restrictions on the incurrence of additional indebtedness and liens are subject to a number of important qualifications and exceptions, and the additional indebtedness and liens incurred in compliance with these restrictions could be substantial. If new debt is added to our current debt levels, the related risks that we now face could intensify.

Borrowings under our Working Capital Revolver Loan bear interest at a variable rate, which subjects us to interest rate risk and could cause our debt service obligations to increase.

All of our borrowings under our Working Capital Revolver Loan are at variable rates of interest and expose us to interest rate risk. If interest rates increase, our debt service obligations on this variable rate indebtedness would increase even though the amount borrowed remained the same. Although we may enter into interest rate swaps to reduce interest rate volatility, we cannot provide assurances that we will be able to do so or that such swaps will be effective.

#### 5. Risks Relating to Human Capital

### Loss of key personnel could negatively affect our business.

Our performance has been and will continue to be dependent upon the efforts of our principal executive officers. We cannot ensure that our principal executive officers will continue to be available. Although we have employment agreements with certain of our principal executive officers, including Mark T. Behrman and Cheryl A. Maguire, we do not have employment agreements with all of our key personnel. The loss of any of our principal executive officers could have a material adverse effect on us. We believe that our future success will depend in large part on our continued ability to attract and retain highly skilled and qualified personnel.

# We are subject to collective bargaining agreements with certain employees.

Approximately 33% of our employees are covered by collective bargaining agreements. We may not be able to renew our collective bargaining agreements on terms similar to current terms or renegotiate collective bargaining agreements on terms acceptable to us. The prolonged failure to renew or renegotiate a collective bargaining agreement could result in work stoppages. Additionally, if a collective bargaining agreement is negotiated at higher-than-anticipated cost, absorbing those costs or passing them through to customers in the form of higher prices may make us less competitive.

# 6. Risks Relating to Shareholders

# Certain of our stockholders control a significant amount of our voting stock, and their interests could conflict with interests of other stockholders.

LSB Funding LLC ("LSB Funding"), our largest voting shareholder, owned 4,069,324 shares of common stock and one share of Series F redeemable Class C preferred stock (the "Series F Redeemable Preferred"), which has voting rights equal to 456,225 shares of common stock, which together represents approximately 15.3% of the voting power of our common stock and the Series F Redeemable Preferred as of December 31, 2020.

Jack E. Golsen ("J. Golsen"), Barry H. Golsen and certain of their related parties (collectively, the "Golsen Holders") owned as of December 31, 2020, an aggregate of 2,531,810 shares of our common stock and 686,855 shares of our voting preferred stock (673,360 of which shares have 0.875 votes per share, or 589,190 votes), which together vote as a class and represent approximately 10.5% of the voting power (prior to conversion of the shares of voting preferred) of our issued and outstanding voting securities as of that date. The series of preferred represented by the 13,495 shares of voting preferred is convertible into an aggregate of 449,835 shares of our common stock.

Pursuant to a Board Representation and Standstill Agreement, as amended, entered into in connection with LSB Funding's purchase of preferred stock in, LSB Funding has the right to designate two directors on our Board, and the Golsen Holders have the right to appoint two directors on our Board, subject to reduction in each case in certain circumstances. This is in addition to their ability to vote generally in the election of directors. As a result, each of LSB Funding and the Golsen Holders have significant influence over the election of directors to our Board.

The interests of LSB Funding and the Golsen Holders may conflict with interests of other stockholders (as well as with each other). As a result of the voting power and board designation rights of LSB Funding and the Golsen Holders, the ability of other stockholders to influence our management and policies could be limited.

# We are subject to a variety of factors that could discourage other parties from attempting to acquire us.

Our certificate of incorporation provides for a staggered Board and, except in limited circumstances, a two-thirds vote of outstanding voting shares to approve a merger, consolidation or sale of all, or substantially all, of our assets. In addition, we have entered into severance agreements with our executive officers and some of the executive officers of certain subsidiaries that provide, among other things, that if, within a specified period of time after the occurrence of a change in control of LSB, these officers are terminated, other than for cause, or the officer terminates his employment for good reason, the officer would be entitled to certain severance benefits. Certain of our preferred stock series and debt instruments also provide special rights in a change of control, including in some cases the ability to be repaid in full or redeemed.

We have authorized and unissued (including shares held in treasury) 45,791,355 shares of common stock and 4,090,231 shares of preferred stock as of December 31, 2020. These unissued shares could be used by our management to make it more difficult, and thereby discourage an attempt to acquire control of us.

The foregoing provisions and agreements may discourage a third-party tender offer, proxy contest, or other attempts to acquire control of us and could have the effect of making it more difficult to remove incumbent management. In addition, LSB Funding and the Golsen Holders have significant voting power and rights to designate board representatives, all of which may further discourage a third-party tender offer, proxy contest, or other attempts to acquire control of us.

Delaware has adopted an anti-takeover law which, among other things, will delay for three years business combinations with acquirers of 15% or more of the outstanding voting stock of publicly-held companies (such as us), unless:

- prior to such time the Board of the corporation approved the business combination that results in the stockholder becoming an invested stockholder;
- the acquirer owned at least 85% of the outstanding voting stock of such company prior to commencement of the transaction;
- two-thirds of the stockholders, other than the acquirer, vote to approve the business combination after approval thereof by the Board; or
- the stockholders of the corporation amend its articles of incorporation or by-laws electing not to be governed by this provision.

### We have not paid dividends on our outstanding common stock in many years.

We have not paid cash dividends on our outstanding common stock in many years, and we do not currently anticipate paying cash dividends on our outstanding common stock in the near future. Although our Board of Directors (the "Board") has not made a decision whether or not to pay dividends on our common stock in 2021, it is unlikely we will pay dividends on our common stock until we have repaid or refinanced our debt and our preferred stock. In addition, there are certain limitations contained in our loan and securities purchase agreements that may limit our ability to pay dividends on our outstanding common stock.

Future issuances or potential issuances of our common stock or preferred stock could adversely affect the price of our common stock and our ability to raise funds in new stock offerings and could dilute the percentage ownership or voting power of our common stockholders.

Future sales of substantial amounts of our common stock, preferred stock or equity-related securities in the public market, or the issuance of a substantial amount of our common stock as the result of the conversion of our outstanding convertible preferred stocks, or the perception that such sales or conversions could occur, could adversely affect prevailing trading prices of our common stock and could dilute the value of common stock held by our existing stockholders. No prediction can be made as to the effect, if any, that future sales of common stock, preferred stock, or equity-related securities, conversions of our outstanding preferred stocks into shares of common stock, or the availability of shares of common stock for future sale will have on the trading price of our common stock. Such future sales or conversions could also significantly reduce the percentage ownership and voting power of our existing common stockholders.

# 7. General Risk Factors

Deterioration of global market and economic conditions could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flow.

A slowdown of, or persistent weakness in, economic activity caused by a deterioration of global market and economic conditions could adversely affect our business in the following ways, among others: conditions in the credit markets could impact the ability of our customers and their customers to obtain sufficient credit to support their operations; the failure of our customers to fulfill their purchase obligations could result in increases in bad debts and affect our working capital; and the failure of certain key suppliers could increase our exposure to disruptions in supply or to financial losses. We also may experience declining demand and falling prices for

some of our products due to our customers' reluctance to replenish inventories. The overall impact of a global economic downturn or reduced overall global trade on us is difficult to predict, and our business could be materially adversely impacted.

In addition, conditions in the international market for nitrogen fertilizer significantly influence our operating results. The international market for fertilizers is influenced by such factors as the relative value of the U.S. currency and its impact on the importation of fertilizers, foreign agricultural policies, the existence of, or changes in, import or foreign currency exchange barriers in certain foreign markets and other regulatory policies (including tariffs) of foreign governments, as well as the U.S. laws and policies affecting foreign trade and investment.

#### SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements contained within this report may be deemed "Forward-Looking Statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 (as amended, the "Securities Act") and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act. All statements in this report other than statements of historical fact are Forward-Looking Statements that are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which could cause actual results and performance of the Company to differ materially from such statements. The words "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "plan," "may," "could" and similar expressions identify Forward-Looking Statements. Forward-Looking Statements contained herein include, but are not limited to, the following: our ability to invest in projects that will generate best returns for our stockholders;

- our ability to invest in projects that will generate the best returns for our stockholders
- our future liquidity outlook;
- the outlook our chemical products and related markets;
- the amount, timing and effect on the nitrogen market from the current nitrogen expansion projects;
- the effect from the lack of non-seasonal volume;
- our belief that competition is based upon service, price, location of production and distribution sites, and product quality and performance;
- our outlook for the coal industry;
- the availability of raw materials;
- the result of our product and market diversification strategy;
- changes in domestic fertilizer production;
- the increasing output and capacity of our existing production facilities;
- production volumes at our production facilities;
- our ability to moderate risk inherent in agricultural markets;
- the sources to fund our cash needs and how this cash will be used;
- the ability to enter into the additional borrowings;
- the anticipated cost and timing of our capital projects;
- certain costs covered under warranty provisions;
- our ability to pass to our customers cost increases in the form of higher prices;
- our belief as to whether we have sufficient sources for materials and components;
- annual natural gas requirements;
- compliance by our facilities with the terms of our permits;
- the costs of compliance with environmental laws, health laws, security regulations and transportation regulations;
- our belief as to when Turnarounds will be performed and completed;
- expenses in connection with environmental projects;
- the effect of litigation and other contingencies;
- · the increase in interest expense;
- our ability to comply with debt servicing and covenants;
- our ability to meet debt maturities or redemption obligations when due;
- the effects of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and relate response; and
- our beliefs as to whether we can meet all required covenant tests for the next twelve months.

While we believe, the expectations reflected in such Forward-Looking Statements are reasonable, we can give no assurance such expectations will prove to have been correct. There are a variety of factors which could cause future outcomes to differ materially from those described in this report, including, but not limited to, the following:

- changes in general economic conditions, both domestic and foreign;
- material reductions in revenues;
- material changes in interest rates;
- our ability to collect in a timely manner a material amount of receivables;
- increased competitive pressures;
- adverse effects on increases in prices of raw materials;
- changes in federal, state and local laws and regulations, especially environmental regulations or the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act, or in the interpretation of such;
- changes in laws, regulations or other issues related to climate change;
- releases of pollutants into the environment exceeding our permitted limits;
- material increases in equipment, maintenance, operating or labor costs not presently anticipated by us;
- the requirement to use internally generated funds for purposes not presently anticipated;
- the inability to secure additional financing for planned capital expenditures or financing obligations due in the near future;
- our substantial existing indebtedness;
- material changes in the cost of natural gas and certain precious metals;
- limitations due to financial covenants;
- changes in competition;
- the loss of any significant customer;
- increases in cost to maintain internal controls over financial reporting;
- changes in operating strategy or development plans;
- an inability to fund the working capital and expansion of our businesses;
- · changes in the production efficiency of our facilities;
- adverse results in our contingencies including pending litigation;
- unplanned downtime at one or more of our chemical facilities;
- changes in production rates at any of our chemical plants;
- an inability to obtain necessary raw materials and purchased components;
- material increases in cost of raw materials;
- material changes in our accounting estimates;
- significant problems within our production equipment;
- fire or natural disasters;
- an inability to obtain or retain our insurance coverage;
- · difficulty obtaining necessary permits;
- difficulty obtaining third-party financing;
- risks associated with proxy contests initiated by dissident stockholders;
- changes in fertilizer production;
- reduction in acres planted for crops requiring fertilizer;

- decreases in duties for products we sell resulting in an increase in imported products into the U.S.;
- adverse effects from regulatory policies, including tariffs;
- volatility of natural gas prices;
- weather conditions;
- increases in imported agricultural products;
- · other factors described in the MD&A contained in this report; and
- other factors described in "Risk Factors" contained in this report.

Given these uncertainties, all parties are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such Forward-Looking Statements. We disclaim any obligation to update any such factors or to publicly announce the result of any revisions to any of the Forward-Looking Statements contained herein to reflect future events or developments.

# **Defined Terms**

The following is a list of terms used in this report.

ADEQ - The Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality.

AN - Ammonium nitrate.
ARO - Asset retirement obligation.

ASU - Accounting Standard Update.

**Baytown Facility** - The nitric acid production facility located in Baytown, Texas.

**Board** - Board of Directors

**CAO** - A consent administrative order.

CARES - Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act.

**CEO** - Chief Executive Officer.

**Cherokee Facility** - Our chemical production facility located in Cherokee, Alabama.

**Chevron** - Chevron Environmental Management Company.

**COVID-19** - The novel coronavirus disease of 2019.

**CVR** - Coffeyville Resources Nitrogen Fertilizers, LLC.

**DD&A** - Depreciation, depletion and amortization.

**DEF** - Diesel Exhaust Fluid.

**DHS** - The U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

EDA - El Dorado Ammonia L.L.C.

EDC - El Dorado Chemical Company.

EDN - El Dorado Nitrogen L.L.C.

**EIA** - U.S. Energy Information Administration

El Dorado Facility - Our chemical production facility located in El Dorado, Arkansas.

**EPA** - The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

**EUC** - Environmental Use Control.

**Environmental and Health Laws** 

**Financial Covenant** - Certain springing financial covenants associated with the working capital revolver loan.

GAAP - U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

**Global** - Global Industrial, Inc., a subcontractor asserting mechanics liens for work rendered to LSB and EDC.

Golsen Holders - Jack E. Golsen, Barry H. Golsen and certain of their related parties identified as beneficial owners of our

Numerous federal, state and local environmental, health and safety laws.

securities.

**Hallowell Facility** A chemical facility previously owned by two of our subsidiaries located in Kansas.

**HDAN** High density ammonium nitrate prills used in the agricultural industry.

**Interim Loan** A loan agreement between EDC and a lender with up to \$7.5 million of available borrowing for the

construction of certain equipment.

**Interim Loan Period** The time period covered by the Interim Loan for certain equipment construction between EDC and a lender.

IRS U.S. Internal Revenue Service.

J. Golsen Jack E. Golsen.

**KDHE** The Kansas Department of Health and Environment.

**Koch Fertilizer** Koch Fertilizer L.L.C.

**LDAN** Low density ammonium nitrate prills used in the mining industry.

Leidos Leidos Constructors L.L.C.

The Series E Redeemable Preferred liquidation preference of \$1,000 per share plus accrued and unpaid **Liquidation Preference** 

dividends plus the participation rights value.

LSB LSB Industries, Inc. LSB Funding LSB Funding L.L.C.

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations found in Item 7 of MD&A

this report.

**New Notes** The notes issued on June 21, 2019 with an interest rate of 9.625%, which mature in May 2023.

NOL Net Operating Loss.

Note A note in the accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

The notes issued on April 28, 2018 with an interest rate of 9.625%, which mature in May 2023. Notes

**NPDES** National Pollutant Discharge Elimination.

NPK Compound fertilizer products which are a solid granular fertilizer product for which the nutrient content is a

combination of nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium.

**ODEQ** The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality. **OSHA** 

Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

**PAR** Permit Appeal Resolution

**PBRS** Performance-based restricted stock.

**PCC** Pryor Chemical Company. PP&E Plant, property and equipment. PPP Paycheck Protection Program

**Pryor Facility** Our chemical production facility located in Pryor, Oklahoma.

**Purchaser** LSB Funding L.L.C.

**Retirement Date** Date of retirement of Jack E. Golsen as Executive Chairman of the Board, December 31, 2017.

**RFS** Federal renewable fuel standards. **RMP** Risk Management Program.

**RSU** Restricted stock unit.

**SBA** U.S. Small Business Administration.

SEC The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. Secured Financing due 2023

 A secured financing arrangement between EDC and an affiliate of LSB Funding L.L.C. which matures in June 2023

**Secured Financing due 2025** 

A secured financing arrangement between EDA and an affiliate of LSB Funding L.L.C. which matures in August 2025.

Secured Loan Agreement due 2025

- A secured loan agreement between EDC and an affiliate of LSB Funding L.L.C. which matures in March 2025.

**Secured Promissory Note due 2021** 

- A secured promissory note between EDC and a lender which matures in March 2021.

**Secured Promissory Note due 2023** 

A secured promissory note between EDA and a lender which was paid off during August 2020 with a portion of the proceeds from the Secured Financing due 2025.

**Senior Secured Notes** 

- The Senior Secured Notes due on May 1, 2023 with a stated interest rate of 9.625%.

Series B Preferred

- The Series B 12% cumulative convertible Class C Preferred stock.

Series D Preferred

The Series D 6% cumulative convertible Class C preferred stock.

Series E Redeemable Preferred

 The 14% Series E Redeemable Preferred stock with participating rights and liquidating distributions based on a certain number of shares of our common stock, including the amended terms discussed in Note 10 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Series F Redeemable Preferred

- The Series F Redeemable Preferred stock with one share to vote as a single class on all matters with our common stock equal to 456,225 shares of our common stock, including the amended terms discussed in Note 10 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

SG&A

- Selling, general and administrative expense.

**Transition Agreement** 

An agreement between Jack E. Golsen and LSB, dated June 30, 2017.

TSR

- Total shareholder return.

Turnaround

- A planned major maintenance activity.

UAN

Urea ammonia nitrate.

U.S.

United States.

USDA

United States Department of Agriculture.

WASDE

- World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates Report.

West Fertilizer

West Fertilizer Company.

**Working Capital** 

- Our secured revolving credit facility.

Revolver Loan 2005 Agreement

- A death benefit agreement with Jack E. Golsen.

2008 Plan

The 2008 Incentive Stock Plan.

2016 Plan

The 2016 Long Term Incentive Plan.

2019 Crop

Corn crop marketing year (September 1 - August 31), which began in 2018 and ended in 2019 and primarily relates to corn planted and harvested in 2018.

2020 Crop

Corn crop marketing year (September 1 - August 31), which began in 2019 and ended in 2020 and primarily relates to corn planted and harvested in 2019.

2021 Crop

Corn crop marketing year (September 1 - August 31), which began in 2020 and will end in 2021 and primarily relates to corn planted and harvested in 2020.

# **ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS**

Not applicable.

#### **ITEM 2. PROPERTIES**

The following table presents our significant properties for 2020:

Facility	El Dorado Facility	Cherokee Facility	Pryor Facility	Baytown Facility	Chemical Distribution Centers
Location	El Dorado, AR	Cherokee, AL	Pryor, OK	Baytown, TX	(A)
Plant Area (acres)	150	160	47	2	
Site Area (acres)	1,400	1,300	104	(B)	
				Operating	
Site Status	Owned	Owned	Owned	Agreement	(A)
Ammonia Production Capacity (tons)				Not	
	493,000 (C)	188,000 (D)	246,000 (E)	Applicable	

- (A) We distribute our agricultural products through 10 wholesale and retail distribution centers, with 9 of the centers located in Texas (8 of which we own and 1 of which we lease); and 1 center located in Missouri (owned).
- (B) This facility is located within a chemical production complex owned by a global chemical company.
- (C) The ammonia production capacity is based on optimal 1,350 tons per day of production for the year.
- (D) The ammonia production capacity is based on 515 tons per day of production for the year.
- (E) The ammonia production capacity is based on 675 tons per day of production for the year.

For 2020, our facilities produced approximately 827,000 tons of ammonia. During 2020, we did not perform any ammonia plant Turnarounds at the El Dorado, Cherokee or Pryor Facilities.

Most of our real property and equipment located at our chemical facilities are being used to secure our long-term debt. All of the properties utilized by our businesses are suitable and adequate to meet the current needs of that business and relate to domestic operations.

#### ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

See Legal Matters under Note 8 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in this report.

# **ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES**

Not applicable

# PART II

# ITEM 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

# **Market Information**

Our common stock is trading on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "LXU".

# **Stockholders**

As of February 16, 2021, we had approximately 382 record holders of our common stock. This number does not include investors whose ownership is recorded in the name of their brokerage company.

# **Equity Compensation Plans**

Discussions relating to our equity compensation plans under Item 12 of Part III are incorporated by reference to our definitive proxy statement which we intend to file with the SEC on or before April 30, 2021.

# **Sale of Unregistered Securities**

There were no unregistered sales of equity securities in 2020 that have not been previously reported in a Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q or Current Report on Form 8-K.

Year ended December 31,									
								2016	
(In Thousands, Except Per Share Data)  Selected Statement of Operations Data in Dollars:									
\$	351.316	\$	365.070	\$	378.160	\$	427.504	\$	374,585
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	51,115		46,389		43,064		37,267		30,945
	(4,749)		(20,924)		1,740		(40,759)		(41,956)
	(61,911)		(63,417)		(72,226)		(30,293)		(88,133)
	_		_		_		1,076		200,301
	(61,911)		(63,417)		(72,226)		(29,217)		112,168
\$	(99,419)	\$	(96,441)	\$	(102,741)	\$	(59,447)	\$	64,760
\$	(3.53)	\$	(3.44)	\$	(3.74)	\$	(2.22)	\$	(5.28)
\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	0.04	\$	7.82
\$	(3.53)	\$	(3.44)	\$	(3.74)	\$	(2.18)	\$	2.54
\$	(3.53)	\$	(3.44)	\$	(3.74)	\$	(2.22)	\$	(5.28)
\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	0.04	\$	7.82
\$	(3.53)	\$	(3.44)	\$	(3.74)	\$	(2.18)	\$	2.54
\$1	,053,302	\$ :	1,088,489	\$	1,148,333	\$ 1	1,189,182	\$ 3	1,270,420
\$	484,190	\$	459,044	\$	425,199	\$	409,399	\$	420,220
\$	272,101	\$	234,893	\$	202,169	\$	174,959	\$	145,029
\$	149,643	\$	247,327	\$	342,197	\$	438,196	\$	492,513
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<sup>(1)</sup> The following selected consolidated financial data were derived from our audited consolidated financial statements and should be read in conjunction with, and are qualified by reference, to the MD&A contained in Item 7 of Part II of this report. The financial information presented may not be indicative of our future performance.

<sup>(2)</sup> Upon adoption of ASC 606, net sales for the years 2016 and 2017 have not been adjusted under the modified retrospective method.

<sup>(3)</sup> See discussion of our discontinued operations in Note 2 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in our 2017 Form 10-K, filed on February 26, 2018.

# ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following MD&A should be read in conjunction with a review of the other Items included in this Form 10-K and our December 31, 2020 consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this report. A reference to a "Note" relates to a note in the accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements. Certain statements contained in this MD&A may be deemed to be forward-looking statements. See "Special Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements."

#### **Overview**

# General

LSB is headquartered in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and through its subsidiaries, manufactures and sells chemical products for the agricultural, mining, and industrial markets. We own and operate facilities in Cherokee, Alabama; El Dorado, Arkansas; and Pryor, Oklahoma, and operate a facility on behalf of a global chemical company in Baytown, Texas. Our products are sold through distributors and directly to end customers throughout the U.S. and parts of Mexico and Canada.

# **Key Operating Initiatives for 2021**

We believe our future results of operations and financial condition will depend significantly on our ability to successfully implement the following key initiatives:

- Continue Focusing on Becoming a "Best in Class" Chemical Plant Operator with respect to Safe, Reliable Operations that Produce the Highest Quality Product.
  - We believe that high safety standards are critical and a precursor to improved plant performance. With that in mind, we implemented and are currently managing enhanced safety programs at our facilities that focus on improving our safety culture that will reduce risks and continuously improve our safety performance.
  - We have several initiatives underway that we believe will improve the overall reliability of our plants and allow us to produce more products for sale while lowering our cost of production. Those initiatives are focused on, operations excellence through enhancements in the operating procedure program, asset health monitoring optimization and asset care excellence maintenance programs, and product quality programs focused on providing products to the customer that meet the highest quality standards.
- Continue Broadening the Distribution of our Products. To further leverage our plants current production capacity, we are continuing to expand the distribution of our industrial and mining products by partnering with customers to take product into different markets both within and outside the U.S.
  - In October 2020, we announced a new long-term nitric acid supply contract with a customer. Under the agreement, we agreed to supply between 70,000 to 100,000 tons of nitric acid per year, with sales beginning the first quarter of 2021. This contract advances our focus to leverage underutilized nitric acid production capacity at our El Dorado Facility.
  - We also executed a new contract to capture and sell carbon dioxide out of our El Dorado Facility, where our customer is building a guest plant. We expect to begin sales under this agreement in the fourth quarter of 2021.
  - Additionally, early in the second quarter of 2020, we completed a key storage project that will allow us to further maximize our
    production of HDAN at our El Dorado Facility, which we expect to enable us to achieve higher production, a lower cost per ton and
    increased sales of that product during periods of more attractive pricing.
- Development of a Strategy to Capitalize on Ammonia Opportunities in a Renewable Energy Focused Economy. As there is a heightened global focus on significantly increasing the use of renewable energy to reduce carbon emissions, we are currently developing a strategy to enter the market for low-carbon or no carbon ammonia, a rapidly emerging trend referred to as "blue-green ammonia." Many studies have shown that ammonia is the best carrier for hydrogen, given higher energy content and relative ease of storage via hydrogen gas. Ammonia can also be used as zero carbon fuel in the maritime sector, a carbon free fertilizer and as a coal substitute in energy constrained countries. If ammonia were to be used for energy consumption globally, this would equate to 5 times the amount of current global annual production of ammonia, or approximately 50 times of the current seaborne trade. We believe we are well-placed to partake in this opportunity given the ability to retrofit our existing plants rather than the need to invest in greenfield projects thereby reducing the time to market and the upfront capital expenditures which will help the overall economics.
- *Improving Our Capital Structure and Overall Cost of Capital.* We are actively seeking ways to improve our capital structure and reduce our overall cost of capital. We believe that continued improvement in operating performance combined with improving fundamentals in the agriculture market and the continued economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic will be a benefit in achieving those efforts.

• Evaluate Acquisitions of Strategic Assets or Companies. We are evaluating opportunities to acquire strategic assets or companies, mergers with other companies and investment in additional production capacity where we believe those acquisitions, mergers or expansion of production capacity will enhance the value of the Company and provide appropriate returns.

We may not successfully implement any or all of these initiatives. Even if we successfully implement the initiatives, they may not achieve the results that we expect or desire.

#### **Business Developments-2020**

#### COVID-19 Pandemic

All of the facilities we operate have been designated as essential critical infrastructure based on guidelines issued by the United States Department of Homeland Security's Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency. Since we produce fertilizer products used by the agriculture industry, as well as chemical products required in a variety of industrial manufacturing processes, LSB has been determined to be a critical service provider, and therefore, our facilities have remained operational despite the government mandated operational limitations or business closings resulting from the federal, state and local government responses to the evolving global health crisis resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. Management has taken significant measures to ensure the health and safety of our employees and our business continuity during this challenging situation. For our personnel at our manufacturing facilities and retail agricultural centers, we have developed plans and procedures that have allowed them to operate in a safe manner in order to protect them, their families, our vendors and our customers. These include daily health screenings, including temperature checks and questionnaires, use of proper personal protection equipment, regular disinfection and cleaning of equipment and workspaces, social distancing, working from home where appropriate and quarantining of employees according to specific protocols. We intend to maintain our discipline in this regard for however long the current health risk persists.

The nitrogen chemical industry was under pressure during most of 2020. As a result of the COVID-19 global economic downturn and the resultant decline in energy prices, industry operating rates globally have risen, resulting in greater supply and lower fertilizer pricing. Pricing for all major agricultural product categories was impacted by the continued oversupply of ammonia in our primary end markets, along with increased imports of some of our downstream products. In addition, our industrial and mining sales volume declined as a result of pandemic-related weakness in demand in several of our end markets.

Looking ahead to 2021, while much of the U.S. economy has a least partially reopened and we have seen a healthy recovery of the economy, we are not yet back to pre-pandemic operating levels and uncertainty still remains for some of our end markets. With respect to our agricultural business, the corn market has experienced positive indicators beginning during the latter part of 2020. According to certain industry sources, the estimated corn acres to be planted in 2021 ranges between 92 to 94 million. Also, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (the "USDA") currently estimates the U.S. ending corn stocks to be approximately 38.2 million metric tons, compared to 48.8 million metric tons relating to the 2020 crop. In addition, demand from ethanol-related consumption has increased since the second quarter of 2020, although overall demand continues to be lower compared to 2019 due to the stay-at-home orders, we experienced in the U.S. Increased Chinese import of corn and lower than expected ending corn inventory is currently improving corn pricing and is driving higher fertilizer pricing thus far for the 2021 spring season. However, improvements in fertilizer pricing could be tempered higher natural gas costs and from additional imported fertilizers. With respect to our industrial and mining business, we are seeing gradual improvement in demand for nitric acid, industrial ammonia and ammonium nitrate as sectors such as automotive manufacturing, home building, and copper mining have increased activity. Also see discussion below concerning a new long-term nitric acid supply contract with a customer.

On the liquidity front, as of December 31, 2020, we had approximately \$58.1 million of combined cash and borrowing capacity, which, we believe, provides us with ample liquidity to fund our operations and meet our current obligations.

As discussed in footnotes (D) and (G) of Note 6, in April 2020, we received a \$10 million loan through the PPP within the CARES Act stimulus package. The funds from this loan, along with the decisive action we implemented to defer expenses and capital expenditures, have enabled us to avoid the need to furlough or terminate employees to counteract the lost volume and pricing impacts we have seen or expect as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Also, during August 2020, EDA entered into a \$30 million secured financing arrangement with an affiliate of LSB Funding with an interest rate of 8.75%. Beginning in September 2020, principal and interest are payable in 60 equal monthly installments with a final balloon payment of approximately \$5 million due in August 2025. This \$30 million financing arrangement is secured by an ammonia storage tank and is guaranteed by LSB. A portion of the proceeds from this secured financing arrangement was used to pay off the Secured Promissory Note that was scheduled to mature in May 2023.

Also see discussions below under "Liquidity and Capital Resources."

# Long-Term Nitric Acid Supply Contract

During October 2020, EDC entered into a new long-term nitric acid supply contract with a customer. Under the agreement, EDC agreed to supply between 70,000 to 100,000 tons of nitric acid annually, with sales beginning in the first quarter of 2021. The initial

contract term extends through 2027 but includes automatic one-year renewal terms unless terminated by either party pursuant to the terms of the contract.

#### Settlements with Certain Vendors

As discussed in Note 8, in June 2020, EDC and certain vendors mediated settlements totaling \$7.6 million for EDC to recover certain costs associated with our new nitric acid plant at our El Dorado Facility. The construction of this plant was completed and began production in 2016. Of the \$7.6 million, approximately \$5.7 million is classified as a reduction to cost of sales and approximately \$1.9 million is classified as a reduction to PP&E. The recovery amount was applied against the original classification of the underlying costs.

#### **Business Development-February 2021**

On February 21, 2021, we began the phased restart of our Pryor Facility, which was taken out of service on February 12, 2021 after extreme cold weather caused a surge in natural gas prices in the region, along with the curtailment of gas distribution by the operator of the pipeline that supplies natural gas to the facility.

As weather across the middle of the country has improved and temperatures have warmed, natural gas prices have normalized and supply volumes have been restored to levels required for full operation of our facilities. The Pryor Facility is in the process of restarting and we expect the facility to return to pre-shutdown production volume levels as safely and as soon as practicable.

Also, as a result of unprecedented cold weather conditions, on February 17, 2021, the primary natural gas supplier to our El Dorado Facility asserted a claim of force majeure and materially restricted the supply of gas to the facility. However, effective February 23, 2021, the force majeure was lifted and the facility's ammonia plant is currently in production.

Notably, our Cherokee Facility was not materially impacted by the extreme cold weather and related natural gas price and supply issues and operated at targeted levels throughout February.

# **Key Industry Factors**

# Supply and Demand

# **Agricultural**

See discussion above concerning the COVID-19 pandemic under "Business Developments-2020."

The price at which our agricultural products are ultimately sold depends on numerous factors, including the supply and demand for nitrogen fertilizers which, in turn, depends upon world grain demand and production levels, the cost and availability of transportation and storage, weather conditions, competitive pricing and the availability of imports. Additionally, expansions or upgrades of competitors' facilities and international and domestic political and economic developments continue to play an important role in the global nitrogen fertilizer industry economics, including the impact from the Phase 1 trade agreement between the U.S and China. These factors can affect, in addition to selling prices, the level of inventories in the market which can cause price volatility and affect product margins.

From a farmers' perspective, the demand for fertilizer is affected by the aggregate crop planting decisions and fertilizer application rate decisions of individual farmers. Individual farmers make planting decisions based largely on prospective profitability of a harvest, while the specific varieties and amounts of fertilizer they apply depend on factors such as their financial resources, soil conditions, weather patterns and the types of crops planted.

Additionally, changes in corn prices and those of soybean, cotton and wheat prices, can affect the number of acres of corn planted in a given year, and the number of acres planted will drive the level of nitrogen fertilizer consumption, likely effecting prices.

For 2020 as noted in the table below, the USDA estimates the number of acres of corn planted in the U.S. was approximately 91 million acres and U.S ending stocks to be approximately 38 million metric tons, a 22% decrease from a year ago.

The following February estimates are associated with the corn market:

	2021 Crop	2020 Crop		2019 Crop	
	(2020 Harvest)	(2019 Harvest)	Percentage	(2018 Harvest)	Percentage
	February Report (1)	February Report (1)	Change (2)	February Report (1)	Change (3)
U.S. Area Planted (Million acres)	90.8	89.7	1.2%	88.9	2.1%
U.S. Yield per Acre (Bushels)	172.0	167.5	2.7%	176.4	(2.5%)
U.S. Production (Million bushels)	14,182	13,620	4.1%	14,340	(1.1%)
U.S. Ending Stocks (Million metric tons)	38.2	48.8	(21.7%)	56.4	(32.3%)
World Ending Stocks (Million metric tons)	286.5	303.0	(5.4%)	320.1	(10.5%)

- (1) Information obtained from WASDE report dated February 9, 2021 ("February Report") for the 2020/2021 ("2021 Crop"), 2019/2020 ("2020 Crop") and 2018/2019 ("2019 Crop") corn marketing years. The marketing year is the twelve-month period during which a crop normally is marketed. For example, the marketing year for the current corn crop is from September 1 of the current year to August 31 of the next year. The year begins at the harvest and continues until just before harvest of the following year.
- (2) Represents the percentage change between the 2021 Crop amounts compared to the 2020 Crop amounts.
- (3) Represents the percentage change between the 2021 Crop amounts compared to the 2019 Crop amounts.

After a challenging 2019 for U.S. corn farmers, the number of planted corn acres in 2020 increased slightly and corn production increased 4% year over year. Despite the national restrictions and stay at home orders placed on traveling during 2020, in an attempt to slow the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic, the USDA estimates a slight demand increase in corn for ethanol production compared to last year. Most gasoline has 10% ethanol content. Ethanol is commonly made from corn and ethanol production is the largest user of U.S. corn, representing roughly 40% of total U.S. corn demand. Lastly, due to the overall demand for corn, the USDA significantly decreased the U.S. ending corn stocks to approximately 38 million metric tons, compared to 49 million metric tons relating to the 2020 crop.

For 2021, this decrease in ending corn stocks has elevated current and projected corn prices not seen in seven years, which may positively impact fertilizer demand and prices for the spring planting season.

On the supply side, given the low price of natural gas in North America over the last several years, North American fertilizer producers have become the global low-cost producers for delivered fertilizer products to the Midwest U.S. Several years ago, the market believed that low natural gas prices would continue. That belief, combined with favorable fertilizer pricing, stimulated investment in numerous expansions of existing nitrogen chemical facilities and the construction of new nitrogen chemical facilities. Following the expansions, global nitrogen fertilizer supply outpaced global nitrogen fertilizer demand causing oversupply in the global and North American markets. In addition, the new domestic supply of ammonia and other fertilizer products changed the physical flow of ammonia in North America placing pressure on nitrogen fertilizer selling prices as the new capacity was absorbed by the market.

Beginning in late 2019 and into 2020, ammonia pricing was under pressure due to inordinately inclement weather, followed by sluggish industrial demand throughout 2020, as a result of pandemic related weakness, which led to increased supply and resultant lower overall pricing for ammonia. Also, in 2020, ammonia prices in the Southern Plains market were under additional pricing pressure relating to the closure of the Magellan ammonia pipeline during 2019, which also led to a build-up in ammonia supply in this market.

Beginning in the latter half of 2019 and throughout 2020, UAN prices traded at a discount to urea on a nitrogen equivalent basis, due in part to European anti-dumping duties that were imposed on imports from certain countries, including the U.S., which resulted in increased imports of UAN into the U.S. primarily from Trinidad and Russia and decreased exports from the U.S., resulting in increased overall supply in the U.S market.

Looking forward to 2021, favorable dynamics for U.S. agriculture have translated into higher prices to date for a variety of crops, including corn, which has prompted an increase in demand for fertilizers by farmers seeking to maximize yields in the coming spring planting season. Favorable grower income in 2020, coupled with significant increase in Chinese imports of agricultural commodities, lower ending U.S. corn inventory levels, and drought conditions in South America have pushed commodity prices, including corn, to their highest level in over seven years. According to certain industry sources, the estimated corn acres to be planted in 2021 is between 92 to 94 million. These factors have resulted in a price rally for fertilizers over the last several months, which we expect will continue through the spring planting season.

#### **Industrial and Mining**

See discussion above concerning the COVID-19 pandemic under "Business Developments-2020."

Our industrial products sales volumes are dependent upon general economic conditions primarily in the housing, automotive, and paper industries. According to the American Chemistry Council, the U.S. economic indicators are improving and pointing towards continued improvement despite continuing COVID-19 pandemic related difficulties in the markets we serve. Our sales prices generally vary with the market price of ammonia or natural gas, as applicable, in our pricing arrangements with customers. See discussion above concerning a new long-term nitric acid supply contract under "Business Developments-2020."

Our mining products are LDAN and AN solution, which are primary used as AN fuel oil and specialty emulsions for usage in the quarry and the construction industries, for metals mining, and to a lesser extent, for coal. In our mining markets, our sales volumes are typically driven by changes in the overall North American consumption levels of mining products that can be impacted by weather. Metals mining prices have seen strong pricing during 2020 which in turn we expect will drive strong demand for our mining products for 2021 as producers push to extract as much as possible. Also, although U.S. coal production decreased by 24% during 2020, the EIA is projecting a 12% increase in 2021 because of a forecast 41% increase in natural gas prices for electricity generators, making coal more competitive in the electric power sector. We believe our plants are well located to support the more stable quarry and construction industries and the metals mining industries.

#### **Farmer Economics**

The demand for fertilizer is affected by the aggregate crop planting decisions and fertilizer application rate decisions of individual farmers. Individual farmers make planting decisions based largely on prospective profitability of a harvest, while the specific varieties and amounts of fertilizer they apply depend on factors such as their financial resources, soil conditions, weather patterns and the types of crops planted.

#### **Natural Gas Prices**

Natural gas is the primary feedstock used to produce nitrogen fertilizers at our manufacturing facilities. In recent years, U.S. natural gas reserves have increased significantly due to, among other factors, advances in extracting shale gas, which has reduced and stabilized natural gas prices, providing North America with a cost advantage over certain imports. As a result, our competitive position and that of other North American nitrogen fertilizer producers has been positively affected.

We historically have purchased natural gas either on the spot market, through forward purchase contracts, or a combination of both and have used forward purchase contracts to lock in pricing for a portion of our natural gas requirements. These forward purchase contracts are generally either fixed-price or index-price, short-term in nature and for a fixed supply quantity. We are able to purchase natural gas at competitive prices due to our connections to large distribution systems and their proximity to interstate pipeline systems. The following table shows the annual volume of natural gas we purchased and the average cost per MMBtu:

	2	2020	2019
Natural gas volumes (MMBtu in millions)		30.1	27.4
Natural gas average cost per MMBtu	\$	2.09	\$ 2.55

#### **Transportation Costs**

Costs for transporting nitrogen-based products can be significant relative to their selling price. For example, ammonia is a hazardous gas at ambient temperatures and must be transported in specialized equipment, which is more expensive than other forms of nitrogen fertilizers. In recent years, a significant amount of the ammonia consumed annually in the U.S. was imported. Therefore, nitrogen fertilizers prices in the U.S. are influenced by the cost to transport product from exporting countries, giving domestic producers who transport shorter distances an advantage. However, we continue to evaluate the recent rising costs of rail and truck freight domestically. Additionally, the Magellan ammonia pipeline, which had an annual capacity to transport approximately 900,000 tons per year, most of which was produced in Oklahoma and Texas and delivered via the pipeline in the Midwest has been permanently shut down. Without the pipeline in place for ammonia transport, producers that relied on the pipeline to transport their ammonia now have to rely on other transportation modes, primarily trucks, but will also include rail and barge transport of ammonia. Due to increases in demand for ammonia trucks during the spring and fall planting seasons, higher transportation costs have and could continue to impact our margins, if we were unable to fully pass through these costs to our customers. As a result, we continue to evaluate supply chain efficiencies to reduce or counter the impact of higher logistics costs.

# **Key Operational Factors**

# **Facility Reliability**

Consistent, reliable and safe operations at our chemical plants are critical to our financial performance and results of operations. The financial effects of planned downtime at our plants, including Turnarounds (primarily associated with our ammonia plants), is mitigated through a diligent planning process that considers the availability of resources to perform the needed maintenance and other factors. Unplanned downtime of our plants typically results in lost contribution margin from lost sales of our products, lost fixed cost absorption from lower production of our products and increased costs related to repairs and maintenance. All Turnarounds result in

lost contribution margin from lost sales of our products, lost fixed cost absorption from lower production of our products, and increased costs related to repairs and maintenance, which repair and maintenance costs are expensed as incurred.

Our Cherokee Facility is currently on a three-year ammonia plant Turnaround cycle with the next ammonia plant Turnaround planned in the third quarter of 2021.

Our El Dorado and Pryor Facilities are currently on a three-year ammonia plant Turnaround cycle with the next ammonia plant Turnaround planned in the third quarter of 2022.

#### **Ammonia Production**

Ammonia is the basic product used to produce all of our upgraded products. The ammonia production rates of our plants affect the total cost per ton of each product produced and the overall sales of our products.

Total ammonia production in 2020 was 827,000 tons. For 2021, we are targeting total ammonia production of approximately 830,000 tons to 850,000 tons despite a 30-day Turnaround at our Cherokee Facility, which will lower ammonia production during the third quarter by approximately 15,000 tons.

We believe that our focus on continuous improvement in reliability as discussed in key operating initiatives will result in year over year improvement in ammonia production for 2021.

#### **Forward Sales Contracts**

We use forward sales of our fertilizer products to optimize our asset utilization, planning process and production scheduling. These sales are made by offering customers the opportunity to purchase product on a forward basis at prices and delivery dates that are agreed upon, with dates typically occurring within 12 months. We use this program to varying degrees during the year depending on market conditions and our view of changing price environments. Fixing the selling prices of our products months in advance of their ultimate delivery to customers typically causes our reported selling prices and margins to differ from spot market prices and margins available at the time of shipment.

#### **Consolidated Results for 2020**

Our consolidated net sales for 2020 were \$351.3 million compared to \$365.1 million for 2019. Our consolidated operating loss was \$15.5 million compared to \$39.1 million for 2019. The items affecting our operating results are discussed below and under "Results of Operations."

### **Items Affecting Comparability of Results**

#### **Selling Prices**

For 2020, average agricultural selling prices for our ammonia, UAN, and HDAN decreased 29%, 25% and 11%, respectively, compared to 2019. As discussed above under "Key Industry Factors," the COVID-19 economic downturn and the resultant decline in energy prices has led to lower natural gas prices globally. These factors have led to an increase in operating rates for nitrogen producers around the globe, resulting in greater supply of nitrogen products and lower fertilizer pricing. This, combined with elevated ammonia inventory levels from the inordinately inclement weather throughout the Midwest in 2019 and the closure of the Magellan ammonia pipeline in September 2019, has led to excess ammonia supply in the Southern Plains market. Also pricing pressures were driven by the impact of ammonia producers selling ammonia that would otherwise have been sold into the industrial market but was instead sold into the agricultural market due to the pandemic-related slowdown of the industrial market. UAN prices were negatively impacted by European anti-dumping duties, which resulted in less exports of UAN from the U.S. and more imports of UAN from Russia and Trinidad into the U.S. HDAN prices were impacted by the overall decline in agricultural commodity prices.

Our 2020 average industrial selling prices for our products were lower compared to the same period of 2019 as a result of the aforementioned negative impact on the markets we serve from the COVID-19 pandemic and the elevated ammonia inventory levels. The Tampa Ammonia pricing declined 6% compared to 2019, which led to a decrease in industrial selling prices as many of our industrial contracts are indexed to the Tampa Ammonia benchmark price. Our 2020 average mining selling prices were lower compared to 2019 primarily as a result of certain mining sales contracts are linked to natural gas indexes and as the cost of natural gas declines, the pricing for these products declines accordingly.

# Legal Fees-Leidos

For 2020 and 2019, certain legal fees were approximately \$5.7 million and \$9.6 million, respectively. These fees relate to claims we are pursuing against Leidos to recover damages and losses associated with the construction of the ammonia plant at the El Dorado Facility as discussed in footnote B of Note 8. Due to the impact from the COVID-19 pandemic, the trial date has been delayed, which resulted in reduced costs in 2020. We are awaiting a new trial date.

# Settlements with Certain Vendors (2020 only)

As discussed above under "Business Developments-2020", EDC and certain vendors mediated settlements for EDC to recover certain costs associated with a nitric acid plant at our El Dorado Facility. As a result, a recovery from these settlements was recognized which includes approximately \$5.7 million classified as a reduction to cost of sales.

#### Ammonia Plant Turnaround Activities (2019 only)

When an ammonia plant Turnaround is performed, overall results are negatively impacted. This impact includes lost contribution margin from lost sales, lost fixed cost absorption from lower production, and increased costs associated with repairs and maintenance. The effects of our ammonia plant Turnarounds, exclusive of the impacts due to lost production during the downtime, are shown below:

		Turnaround	Turnare	ound Expense	Estimated Lost Production
Facility	2019 Related Period	Downtime	(In T	Thousands)	(In Tons)
Pryor Facility	3rd/4th Quarter	67 days	\$	9,088	45,000
El Dorado Facility	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	18 days		2,702	24,000
			\$	11,790	69,000

#### Charge Associated with Assets Held for Sale (2019 only)

In 2019, we recognized a non-cash charge of \$9.7 million associated with assets held for sale, which amount is included in other expense.

# **Benefit for Income Taxes**

For 2020, the benefit for income taxes was \$4.7 million, with an effective benefit rate of 7.1%. The effective tax rate was impacted by adjustments made to our valuation allowances. For 2019, the benefit for income taxes was \$20.9 million and the resulting increase in the effective benefit rate for 2019 was 24.8%, which includes changes to the state deferred tax assets and liabilities resulting from state tax law changes enacted and due to federal and state indefinite lived carryforward benefits that can be realized through the reversal of deferred tax liabilities.

# **Results of Operations**

The following Results of Operations should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 and accompanying notes and the discussions under "Overview" and "Liquidity and Capital Resources" included in this MD&A. You should carefully review and consider the information in the MD&A of our 2019 Form 10-K, filed with the SEC on February 25, 2020, for an understanding of our results of operations and liquidity discussions and analysis comparing 2019 to 2018.

We present the following information about our results of operations. Net sales to unaffiliated customers are reported in the consolidated financial statements and gross profit represents net sales less cost of sales. Net sales are reported on a gross basis with the cost of freight being recorded in cost of sales.

# Year Ended December 31, 2020 Compared to Year Ended December 31, 2019

The following table contains certain financial information:

	20	2020 2019 (Dollars In Thousands)				Change	Percentage Change
Net sales:				,			
Agricultural products	\$	180,036	\$	187,641	\$	(7,605)	(4)%
Industrial and mining products		171,280		177,429		(6,149)	(3)%
Total net sales	\$	351,316	\$	365,070	\$	(13,754)	(4)%
Gross profit:	_		_		_		
Agricultural products (1)	\$	19,348	\$	28,453	\$	(9,105)	(32)%
Industrial and mining products (1)		61,612		58,005		3,607	6%
Adjusted gross profit by market (1)		80,960		86,458		(5,498)	(6)%
Depreciation and amortization (2)		(69,500)		(68,263)		(1,237)	2%
Turnaround expense		(76)		(13,210)		13,134	
Recovery from settlements with certain vendors (3)		5,664				5,664	
Total gross profit		17,048	'	4,985		12,063	242%
Selling, general and administrative expense		32,084		34,172		(2,088)	(6)%
Other expense, net		499		9,904		(9,405)	
Operating loss		(15,535)		(39,091)		23,556	(60)%
Interest expense, net (4)		51,115		46,389		4,726	10%
Non-operating other expense (income), net		10		(1,139)		1,149	
Benefit for income taxes		(4,749)		(20,924)		16,175	
Net loss	\$	(61,911)	\$	(63,417)	\$	1,506	(2)%
Other information:							
Gross profit percentage (5)		4.9%		1.4%		3.5%	
Property, plant and equipment expenditures	\$	30,471	\$	36,081	\$	(5,610)	(16)%

- (1) Represents a non-GAAP measure since the amount excludes unallocated depreciation and amortization, Turnaround expenses and a recovery from settlements.
- (2) Represents amount classified as cost of sales.
- (3) See discussion above under "Business Developments 2020."
- (4) Includes interest expense of \$1.6 million associated with a litigation judgment issued during 2020 as discussed in footnote (B) of Note 8.
- (5) As a percentage of total net sales.

The following table provides certain financial information by market (dollars in thousands):

	202	20		2019								
	Industrial					]	Industrial and			Iı	dustrial	
	gricultural Products		and Mining Products	Agricultural Products		Agricultural Mining			ricultural roducts	and Mining Products		
Net sales	\$ 180,036	\$	171,280	\$	187,641	\$	177,429	\$	(7,605)	\$	(6,149)	
Adjusted gross profit by market (1)	\$ 19,348	\$	61,612	\$	28,453	\$	58,005	\$	(9,105)	\$	3,607	
Adjusted gross profit percentage by market (2)	10.7%		36.0%		 15.2%		32.7%		(4.5)%		3.3%	

- (1) Represents a non-GAAP measure since the amount excludes depreciation and amortization, Turnaround expenses and a recovery from settlements. See reconciliation included in the financial information table above.
- (2) As a percentage of the respective net sales.

The following tables provide key sales metrics for the agricultural products:

Product (tons sold)	2020	2019	Change	Percentage Change
UAN	498,738	359,905	138,833	39%
HDAN	292,679	277,820	14,859	5%
Ammonia	97,367	83,924	13,443	16%
Other	18,024	19,655	(1,631)	(8)%
Total	906,808	741,304	165,504	22%

Gross Average Selling Prices (price per ton)	2	020	2019	Change	Percentage Change
UAN	\$	150	\$ 200	\$ (50)	(25)%
HDAN	\$	237	\$ 266	\$ (29)	(11)%
Ammonia	\$	230	\$ 324	\$ (94)	(29)%

With respect to sales of industrial products, the following tables indicate key operating metrics of our major products:

				Percentage
Product (tons sold)	2020	2019	Change	Change
Ammonia	269,485	275,253	(5,768)	(2)%
Nitric Acid	94,395	99,544	(5,149)	(5)%
Other Industrial Products	47,875	35,107	12,768	36%
Total	411,755	409,904	1,851	—%
Tampa Ammonia Benchmark (price per metric ton)	\$ 233	\$ 248	\$ (15)	(6)%

With respect to sales of mining products, the following tables indicate key operating metrics of our major products:

				Percentage
Product (tons sold)	2020	2019	Change	Change
LDAN/HDAN/AN Solution	161,516	151,935	9,581	6%

#### **Net Sales**

- Agricultural product sales decreased driven by lower selling prices for all of our agricultural products. The impact from the decline in selling prices was partially offset by an increase in sales volume of all our major agricultural products, including UAN as a result of higher production from the Pryor Facility as a result of the new Urea reactor which was installed in the fourth quarter of 2019.
- Industrial products sales decreased primarily from lower selling prices due primarily to lower Tampa Ammonia benchmark pricing. The average Tampa ammonia pricing was approximately \$15 per ton lower compared to 2019. Additionally, overall sales volumes were slightly higher into markets we serve, as a result of higher production, despite the impact from the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Mining products sales increase slightly primarily as the result of overall higher sales volumes as customer demand has recently improved in certain markets we serve partially offset by lower selling prices. Certain mining sales contracts are linked to natural gas indexes and as the cost of natural gas declines, the pricing for these products declines accordingly.

#### **Gross Profit**

As noted in the tables above, we recognized a gross profit of \$17 million for 2020 compared to \$5 million for 2019, or an increase of approximately \$12 million. Overall, our gross profit percentage increased to 4.9% for 2020 compared to 1.4% for 2019.

Our agricultural products adjusted gross profit percentage decreased to 11% for 2020 from 15% for 2019 due primarily to decreased selling prices for all of our agricultural products partially offset by increased sales volumes for all of our major products as discussed above.

Industrial and mining products adjusted gross profit percentage increased for 2020 to 36% from 33% for 2019 primarily driven by a shift of product mix, lower production costs and higher sales volumes of our mining products and certain industrial products partially offset by lower overall Tampa Ammonia pricing, which averaged approximately \$233 per metric ton during 2020 compared to approximately \$248 per metric ton for 2019 as discussed above.

The net negative effect on gross profit from activity discussed above was offset by approximately \$13.9 million in lower natural gas costs per MMBtu and the result of settlements with certain vendors resulting in a recovery of approximately \$5.7 million as discussed in Note 8. Also, during 2019, we incurred Turnaround costs totaling approximately \$13.2 million (no Turnarounds were performed during 2020).

#### Selling, General and Administrative

Our SG&A expenses were \$32.1 million for 2020, a decrease of \$2.1 million compared to 2019. This net decrease was primarily driven by lower professional fees of \$3.3 million, including legal fees discussed above under "Items Affecting Comparability", partially offset by an increase in compensation-related and other miscellaneous costs of \$1.2 million.

#### Other Expense, net

Other expense for 2019 was \$9.9 million primarily relating to a non-cash charge associated with assets held for sale (minimal for 2020).

#### Interest Expense, net

Interest expense for 2020 was \$51.1 million compared to \$46.4 million for 2019. The net increase relates primarily to interest expense incurred associated with the issuance of the New Notes in 2019, the Secured Financing due 2023 and the Secured Financing Agreement due 2025 as discussed in Note 6 in addition to a litigation judgment discussed in footnote (B) of Note 8.

## **Benefit for Income Taxes**

The benefit for income taxes for 2020 was \$4.7 million compared to \$20.9 million for 2019. The resulting benefit rate for 2020 was 7.1% compared to 24.8% for 2019. For 2020, the effective tax rate was impacted by adjustments made to our valuation allowances. The 2019 effective tax rate was impacted primarily due to changes to the state deferred tax assets and liabilities resulting from state tax law changes enacted during 2019 and due to federal and state indefinite lived carryforward benefits that can be realized through the reversal of deferred tax liabilities. Also, see discussion in Note 7.

## LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

The following table summarizes our cash flow activities for 2020 and 2019:

	 2020		2019	(	Change
		(In Thou	sands)		
Net cash flows from operating activities	\$ (2,513)	\$	2,099	\$	(4,612)
Net cash flows from investing activities	\$ (28,426)	\$	(35,925)	\$	7,499
Net cash flows from financing activities	\$ 24,412	\$	30,569	\$	(6,157)

## **Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities**

Net cash used by operating activities was \$2.5 million for 2020 compared net cash provided of \$2.1 million for 2019, a decrease of \$4.6 million.

For 2020, net cash used is the result of a net loss of \$61.9 million plus adjustments of \$69.6 million for depreciation and amortization of PP&E, and other adjustments of \$9.4 million less an adjustment of \$4.8 million for deferred taxes and net cash used of approximately \$14.8 million primarily from our working capital, including accounts payable, accounts receivable and prepaid deposits.

For 2019, net cash provided is the result of a net loss of \$63.4 million plus adjustments of \$68.3 million for depreciation and amortization of PP&E, non-cash charge of \$9.7 million associated assets held for sale, and other adjustments of \$7.0 million less an adjustment of \$20.9 million for deferred taxes and net cash provided of approximately \$1.4 million primarily from our working capital.

## **Net Cash Flow from Investing Activities**

Net cash used by investing activities was \$28.4 million for 2020 compared to \$35.9 million for 2019, a change of \$7.5 million.

For 2020 and 2019, net cash used relates primarily to expenditures for PP&E.

## **Net Cash Flow from Financing Activities**

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$24.4 million for 2020 compared to \$30.6 million for 2019, a change of \$6.2 million.

For 2020, net cash provided primarily consists of proceeds of \$57.2 million from other long-term debt and insurance premium short-term financing partially offset by payments on other long-term debt and short-term financing of \$32.3 million and payments of \$0.5 million for other financing activities.

For 2019, net cash provided primarily consists of net proceeds of \$35.1 million from the New Notes, net proceeds of \$7.5 million, net of payments, from other long-term debt and insurance premium short-term financing partially offset by net payments of \$10 million on the Working Capital Revolver Loan, and payments of \$2.0 million for other financing activities.

#### **Capitalization**

The following is our total current cash, long-term debt, redeemable preferred stock and stockholders' equity:

	December 31,		
	2020	2019	
	(In Mi	llions)	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 16.3	\$ 22.8	
Revolving credit facility and long-term debt:			
Working Capital Revolver Loan	_	_	
Senior Secured Notes due 2023	435.0	435.0	
Secured Promissory Note due 2021	1.2	4.7	
Unsecured Loan Agreement due 2022 (1)	10.0	_	
Secured Financing due 2023	10.7	13.5	
Secured Loan Agreement due 2025	6.8	5.2	
Secured Financing due 2025 (1)	28.6	_	
Secured Promissory Note due 2023 (1)	_	12.7	
Other	0.5	0.2	
Unamortized discount and debt issuance costs	(8.6)	(12.3)	
Total long-term debt, including current portion, net	484.2	\$ 459.0	
Series E and F redeemable preferred stock (2)	272.1	\$ 234.9	
Total stockholders' equity	149.6	\$ 247.3	

- (1) See discussions below under "Loan Agreements and Redeemable Preferred Stock" concerning these financing transactions during 2020.
- (2) Liquidation preference of \$278.0 million as of December 31, 2020.

See discussion above concerning the COVID-19 pandemic under "Business Developments - 2020."

We currently have a revolving credit facility, our Working Capital Revolver Loan, with a borrowing base of \$65 million. As of December 31, 2020, our Working Capital Revolver Loan was undrawn and had approximately \$41.8 million of availability.

We expect capital expenditures to be approximately \$30 million for 2021, which includes approximately \$5 million for margin enhancement projects. The remaining capital spending is planned for reliability and maintenance capital projects.

We believe that the combination of our cash on hand, the availability on our revolving credit facility, and our cash flow from operations will be sufficient to fund our anticipated liquidity needs for the next twelve months.

## **Compliance with Long - Term Debt Covenants**

As discussed below under "Loan Agreements," the Working Capital Revolver Loan requires, among other things, that we meet certain financial covenants. The Working Capital Revolver Loan does not include financial covenant requirements unless a defined covenant trigger event has occurred and is continuing. As of December 31, 2020, no trigger event had occurred.

## **Loan Agreements and Redeemable Preferred Stock**

**Senior Secured Notes due 2023** – LSB has \$435 million aggregate principal amount of the 9.625% Senior Secured Notes currently outstanding, as discussed in footnote (B) of Note 6. Interest is to be paid semiannually on May 1<sup>st</sup> and November 1<sup>st</sup>, maturing May 1, 2023.

**Secured Promissory Note due 2021** – EDC is party to a secured promissory note due in March 2021. This promissory note bears interest at the annual rate of 5.25%. Principal and interest are payable in monthly installments.

**Unsecured Loan Agreement due 2022** – As discussed in footnote (D) of Note 6, LSB is a party to an unsecured PPP loan with a lender pursuant to a new loan program through the SBA as the result of the PPP established by the CARES Act and amended by the Paycheck Protection Program Flexibility Act of 2020. We have used all or substantially all of the proceeds from the PPP loan for payroll, rent, utilities, and other specified costs that qualify for loan forgiveness. Under the current terms of the PPP loan, loan forgiveness applications are due within 10 months after the end of the loan forgiveness covered period, which period began on the date the PPP loan was disbursed and ends either 8-weeks or 24-weeks after disbursement of the loan. Once the SBA notifies the lender the amount of the loan which has been approved for forgiveness, the lender will determine the date that the equal monthly principal and interest payments will begin for the remaining loan balance, if any. As of December 31, 2020, the loan matures in April 2022, which term may be extended to April 2025 if mutually agreed to by the parties. As for the potential loan forgiveness, once the PPP loan is,

wholly or partially, forgiven and a legal release is received, the liability would be reduced by the amount forgiven and a gain on extinguishment would be recorded.

**Secured Financing due 2023** – EDC is party to a secured financing arrangement with an affiliate of LSB Funding. Principal and interest are payable in 48 equal monthly installments with a final balloon payment of approximately \$3 million due in June 2023.

**Secured Loan Agreement due 2025** - EDC is party to a secured loan agreement with an affiliate of LSB Funding, which provided for available borrowings (the "Interim Loan") during the construction of certain equipment (the "Interim Loan Period"), subject to certain conditions. During the Interim Loan Period, interest only was payable in monthly installments. Effective February 28, 2020, the Interim Loan Period ended, and the Interim Loan was replaced by a secured promissory note due in March 2025. Under the terms of the note, principal and interest are payable in 60 equal monthly installments.

**Secured Financing due 2025** – As discussed in footnote (G) of Note 6, EDA is party to a \$30 million secured financing arrangement with an affiliate of LSB Funding. Principal and interest are payable in 60 equal monthly installments with a final balloon payment of approximately \$5 million due in August 2025.

**Working Capital Revolver Loan** - At December 31, 2020, the Working Capital Revolver Loan was undrawn and the net credit available for borrowings under our Working Capital Revolver Loan was approximately \$41.8 million, based on our eligible collateral, less outstanding standby letters of credit as of that date. Also see discussion above under "Compliance with Long-Term Debt Covenants.

**Redemption of Series E Redeemable Preferred** – At December 31, 2020, there were 139,768 outstanding shares of Series E Redeemable Preferred and the aggregate liquidation preference (par value plus accrued dividends) was \$278.0 million.

At any time on or after October 25, 2023, each Series E holder has the right to elect to have such holder's shares redeemed by us at a redemption price per share equal to the liquidation preference per share of \$1,000 plus accrued and unpaid dividends plus the participation rights value (the "Liquidation Preference"). Additionally, at our option, we may redeem the Series E Redeemable Preferred at any time at a redemption price per share equal to the Liquidation Preference of such share as of the redemption date. Lastly, with receipt of (i) prior consent of the electing Series E holder or a majority of shares of Series E Redeemable Preferred and (ii) all other required approvals, including under any principal U.S. securities exchange on which our common stock is then listed for trading, we can redeem the Series E Redeemable Preferred by the issuance of shares of common stock having an aggregate common stock price equal to the amount of the aggregate Liquidation Preference of such shares being redeemed in shares of common stock in lieu of cash at the redemption date.

In the event of liquidation, the Series E Redeemable Preferred is entitled to receive its Liquidation Preference before any such distribution of assets or proceeds is made to or set aside for the holders of our common stock and any other junior stock. In the event of a change of control, we must make an offer to purchase all of the shares of Series E Redeemable Preferred outstanding at the Liquidation Preference.

Since carrying values of the redeemable preferred stocks are being increased by periodic accretions (including the amount for dividends earned but not yet declared or paid) using the interest method so that the carrying amount will equal the redemption value as of October 25, 2023, the earliest possible redemption date by the holder, this accretion has and will continue to affect income (loss) per common share. However, this accretion will change if the expected redemption date changes.

Also, see discussion in Note 10.

#### Capital Expenditures – 2020

For 2020, capital expenditures relating to PP&E were \$30.5 million, which expenditures include approximately \$1.8 million associated with maintaining compliance with environmental laws, regulations and guidelines. The capital expenditures were funded primarily from cash and working capital.

See discussion above under "Capitalization" for our expected annual capital expenditures for 2021.

## **Expenses Associated with Environmental Regulatory Compliance**

We are subject to numerous federal, state and local laws and regulations, including matters regarding environmental, health and safety matters. As a result, we incurred expenses of \$4.0 million in 2020 in connection with environmental projects. For 2021, we expect to incur expenses ranging from \$4.1 million to \$4.6 million in connection with additional environmental projects. However, it is possible that the actual costs could be significantly different than our estimates.

## **Dividends**

We have not paid cash dividends on our outstanding common stock in many years, and we do not currently anticipate paying cash dividends on our outstanding common stock in the near future.

Dividends on the Series E Redeemable Preferred are cumulative and payable semi-annually (May 1 and November 1) in arrears at the current annual rate of 14% of the liquidation value of \$1,000 per share, but such annual rate will increase beginning on April 25, 2021 as discussed in Note 10. Each share of Series E Redeemable Preferred is entitled to receive a semi-annual dividend, only when

declared by our Board. In addition, dividends in arrears at the dividend date, until paid, shall compound additional dividends at the current annual rate of 14%, but such annual rate will increase beginning on April 25, 2021. The current semi-annual compounded dividend is approximately \$136.29 per share for the current aggregate semi-annual dividend of \$19.0 million. We also must declare a dividend on the Series E Redeemable Preferred on a pro rata basis with our common stock. As long as the Purchaser holds at least 10% of the Series E Redeemable Preferred, we may not declare dividends on our common stock and other preferred stocks unless and until dividends have been declared and paid on the Series E Redeemable Preferred for the then current dividend period in cash. As of December 31, 2020, the amount of accumulated dividends on the Series E Redeemable Preferred was approximately \$138.2 million.

Dividends on the Series D 6% cumulative convertible Class C preferred stock (the "Series D Preferred") and Series B 12% cumulative convertible Class C Preferred Stock (the "Series B Preferred") are payable annually, only when declared by our Board, as follows:

- \$0.06 per share on our outstanding non-redeemable Series D Preferred for an aggregate dividend of \$60,000, and
- \$12.00 per share on our outstanding non-redeemable Series B Preferred for an aggregate dividend of \$240,000.

As of December 31, 2020, the amount of accumulated dividends on the Series D Preferred and Series B Preferred totaled approximately \$1.6 million. All shares of the Series D Preferred and Series B Preferred are owned by the Golsen Holders and an immediate family member. There are no optional or mandatory redemption rights with respect to the Series B Preferred or Series D Preferred.

#### Seasonality

We believe fertilizer products sold to the agricultural industry are seasonal while sales into the industrial and mining sectors generally are less susceptible. The selling seasons for agricultural products are primarily during the spring and fall planting seasons, which typically extend from March through June and from September through November in the geographical markets we distribute the majority of our agricultural products. As a result, we typically increase our inventory of fertilizer products prior to the beginning of each planting season in order to meet the demand for our products. In addition, the amount and timing of sales to the agricultural markets depend upon weather conditions and other circumstances beyond our control.

#### **Performance and Payment Bonds**

We are contingently liable to sureties in respect of insurance bonds issued by the sureties in connection with certain contracts entered into by subsidiaries in the normal course of business. These insurance bonds primarily represent guarantees of future performance of our subsidiaries. As of December 31, 2020, we have agreed to indemnify the sureties for payments, up to \$10 million, made by them in respect of such bonds. All of these insurance bonds are expected to expire or be renewed in 2021.

## **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

We do not have any off-balance sheet arrangements as defined in Item 303(a)(4)(ii) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

## **Aggregate Contractual Obligations**

As of December 31, 2020, our aggregate contractual obligations are summarized in the following table:

	Payments Due in the Year Ending December 31,								
Contractual Obligations	Total	2021	2	2022	2023	2024	2025	The	ereafter
					(In Thousands)				
Long-term debt:									
Senior Secured Notes	\$ 435,000	\$ —	\$	_	\$ 435,000	\$ 	\$ 	\$	_
Other	57,838	16,893		12,641	11,291	7,427	9,586		_
Total long-term debt	492,838	16,893	-	12,641	446,291	7,427	 9,586		_
Interest payments on long-term debt (1)	114,998	45,670	4	44,823	22,931	1,200	374		_
Series E redeemable preferred stock (2)	139,768	_		_	139,768	_	_		_
Dividends earned - Series E redeemable preferred stock									
(2)	276,783			_	276,783	_	_		_
Capital expenditures (3)	30,000	30,000		_	_	_	_		_
Operating leases	31,468	8,585		7,398	6,422	4,799	2,319		1,945
Firm purchase commitments	10,631	10,631		_	_	_	_		_
Natural gas pipeline commitment (4)	3,780	720		720	720	720	720		180
Other contractual obligations	10,863	2,636		1,095	3,573	1,095	1,095		1,369
Other contractual obligations included in									
noncurrent accrued and other liabilities (5)	5,017			3,552	1,465				
Total	\$1,116,146	\$ 115,135	\$ 7	70,229	\$ 897,953	\$ 15,241	\$ 14,094	\$	3,494

- (1) The estimated interest payments are based on interest rates at December 31, 2020 which debt is all fixed interest rate debt.
- (2) The Series E redeemable preferred stock (including dividends) are assumed to be redeemed and paid on the earliest possible redemption date by the holder (October 25, 2023) and that dividends are accrued until that date.
- (3) Capital expenditures include only the budgeted amounts at December 31, 2020.
- (4) Our proportionate share of the minimum costs to ensure capacity relating to a gathering and pipeline system.
- (5) The future cash flows relating to executive and death benefits are based on estimates at December 31, 2020. The participation rights value associated with embedded derivative of our Series E redeemable preferred stock is based on the value of our common stock at December 31, 2020 and is based on the earliest possible redemption date by the holder, October 25, 2023.

#### **New Accounting Pronouncements**

Refer to Note 1 for recently issued accounting standards.

## **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and disclosures of contingencies and fair values. It is reasonably possible that the estimates and assumptions utilized as of December 31, 2020, could change in the near term. The more critical areas of financial reporting affected by management's judgment, estimates and assumptions include the following:

Contingencies — Certain conditions may exist which may result in a loss, but which will only be resolved when future events occur. We and our legal counsel assess such contingent liabilities, and such assessment inherently involves an exercise of judgment. If the assessment of a contingency indicates that it is probable that a loss has been incurred, we would accrue for such contingent losses when such losses can be reasonably estimated. If the assessment indicates that a potentially material loss contingency is not probable but reasonably possible, or is probable but cannot be estimated, the nature of the contingent liability, together with an estimate of the range of possible loss if determinable and material, would be disclosed. Estimates of potential legal fees and other directly related costs associated with contingencies are not accrued but rather are expensed as incurred. Loss contingency liabilities are included in current and noncurrent accrued and other liabilities and are based on current estimates that may be revised in the near term. In addition, we recognize contingent gains when such gains are realized or realizable and earned.

We are involved in various legal matters that require management to make estimates and assumptions, including costs relating to the lawsuit styled *City of West, Texas v CF Industries, Inc., et al*, discussed under "Other Pending, Threatened or Settled Litigation" of Note 8.

It is reasonably possible that the actual costs could be significantly different than our estimates.

Regulatory Compliance – As discussed under "Government Laws and Regulations" in Item 1 of this report, we are subject to numerous federal, state, and local laws and regulations, including matters regarding environmental, health and safety matters. We have developed policies and procedures related to regulatory compliance. We must continually monitor whether we have maintained compliance with such laws and regulations and the operating implications, if any, and amount of penalties, fines and assessments that may result from noncompliance. We will also be obligated to manage certain discharge water outlets and monitor groundwater contaminants at our chemical facilities should we discontinue the operations of a facility. However, certain conditions exist which may result in a loss, but which will only be resolved when future events occur relating to these matters. We are involved in various environmental matters that require management to make estimates and assumptions, including matters discussed under footnote A of Note 8. At December 31, 2020 and 2019, liabilities totaling \$0.5 million and \$0.2 million, respectively, have been accrued relating to these matters. It is also reasonably possible that the estimates and assumptions utilized as of December 31, 2020 could change in the near term. Actual results could differ materially from these estimates and judgments, as additional information becomes known.

**Income Tax** – As discussed under "Income Taxes" in Note 1 and in Note 7, income taxes are accounted for under the asset and liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those differences are expected to be recovered or settled. We establish valuation allowances if we believe it is more-likely-than-not that some or all of deferred tax assets will not be realized. Significant judgment is applied in evaluating the need for and the magnitude of appropriate valuation allowances against deferred tax assets. At December 31, 2020 and 2019, our valuation allowance on deferred tax assets was \$64.7 million and \$51.6 million, respectively.

**Redeemable Preferred Stocks** – Our outstanding Series E and F Redeemable Preferred are redeemable outside of our control and are classified as temporary/mezzanine equity on our consolidated balance sheet. In addition, certain embedded features (the "embedded derivative") included in the Series E Redeemable Preferred required bifurcation and are classified as derivative liabilities.

Currently, the carrying values of the redeemable preferred stocks are being increased by periodic accretions (recorded to retained earnings and included in determining income or loss per share) using the interest method so that the carrying amount will equal the redemption value as of October 25, 2023, the earliest possible redemption date by the holder. Approximately \$37 million of accretion (including the amount for earned dividends) was recorded to retained earnings in 2020. At December 31, 2020, the carrying value of these redeemable preferred stocks was \$272.1 million.

For the embedded derivative, changes in fair value are recorded in our statement of operations. At December 31, 2020 and 2019, we had estimated that the contingent redemption features had fair value since we had assessed that it was probable that a portion of the shares of this preferred stock would have been redeemed prior to October 25, 2023.

At December 31, 2020 and 2019, the fair value of the embedded derivative was \$1.0 million and \$1.1 million, respectively, primarily relating to the participation rights based on the equivalent of 303,646 shares of our common stock at \$3.39 and \$4.20 per share, respectively. The valuation is classified as Level 3.

Management's judgment and estimates in the above areas are based on information available from internal and external resources at that time. Actual results could differ materially from these estimates and judgments, as additional information becomes known.

#### ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

## **General**

Our results of operations and operating cash flows are affected by changes in market prices of ammonia and natural gas and changes in market interest rates.

## **Forward Sales Commitments Risk**

Periodically, we enter into forward firm sales commitments for products to be delivered in future periods. As a result, we could be exposed to embedded losses should our product costs exceed the firm sales prices at the end of a reporting period. At December 31, 2020, we had no embedded losses associated with sales commitments with firm sales prices.

#### **Commodity Price Risk**

A substantial portion of our products and raw materials are commodities whose prices fluctuate as market supply and demand fundamentals change. Since we are exposed to commodity price risk, we periodically enter into contracts to purchase natural gas for anticipated production needs to manage risk related to changes in prices of natural gas commodities. Generally, these contracts are considered normal purchases because they provide for the purchase of natural gas that will be delivered in quantities expected to be used over a reasonable period of time in the normal course of business, these contracts are exempt from the accounting and reporting requirements relating to derivatives. As discussed in Note 9, during 2020, we entered into certain natural gas contracts, which are accounted for on a mark-to-market basis. At December 31, 2020, these natural gas contracts included 7.3 million MMBtus of natural gas and therefore a \$0.10 change in natural gas price would impact pre-tax operating results by approximately \$0.7 million.

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

Generally, we are exposed to variable interest rate risk with respect to our revolving credit facility. As of December 31, 2020, we had no outstanding borrowings on this credit facility and no other variable rate borrowings. We currently do not hedge our interest rate risk associated with these variable interest loans.

The following table presents principal amounts and related weighted-average interest rates by maturity date for our interest rate sensitive debt agreements as of December 31, 2020:

	Years ending December 31,											
		2021		2022		2023	2024		2025	There	after	Total
	(Dollars In Thousands)											
Expected maturities of long-term debt (1):												
Fixed interest rate debt	\$	16,893	\$	12,641	\$	446,291	\$ 7,427	\$	9,586	\$	_	\$ 492,838
Weighted-average interest rate		9.42%		9.53%		9.54%	8.75%		8.75%		_	9.51%

(1) The debt balances and weighted-average interest rate are based on the aggregate amount of debt outstanding as of December 31, 2020.

At December 31, 2020 and 2019, we did not have any financial instruments with fair values materially different from their carrying amounts (which excludes issuance costs, if applicable). The fair value of financial instruments is not indicative of the overall fair value of our assets and liabilities since financial instruments do not include all assets, including intangibles, and all liabilities.

## ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

We have included the financial statements and supplementary financial information required by this item immediately following Part IV of this report and hereby incorporate by reference the relevant portions of those statements and information into this Item 8.

## ITEM 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

None.

## ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

As of the end of the period covered by this report, we carried out an evaluation, with the participation of our Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15 under the Exchange Act). Our disclosure controls and procedures are designed to provide reasonable assurance that the information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms. These include

controls and procedures designed to ensure that this information is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Based upon that evaluation, our Principal Executive Officer and our Principal Financial Officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective. There were no changes to our internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended December 31, 2020 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

#### Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) of the Exchange Act). Our internal control system is a process, under the supervision of the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, designed to provide reasonable assurance to our management and Board of Directors regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. All internal control systems, no matter how well designed, have inherent limitations. Therefore, even those systems determined to be effective can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation and presentation.

Our management, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, assessed the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2020. In making this assessment, it used the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission in Internal Control - Integrated Framework (2013 Framework). Based on our assessment, we believe that, as of December 31, 2020, our internal control over financial reporting is effective based on those criteria.

#### **ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION**

None.

## PART III

Item 10, Item 11, Item 12, Item 13 and Item 14 are incorporated by reference to our definitive proxy statement which we intend to file with the SEC on or before April 30, 2021.

## PART IV

# ITEM 15. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

# (a) (1) Financial Statements

The following consolidated financial statements of the Company appear immediately following this Part IV:

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## (a) (2) Financial Statement Schedule

The Company has included the following schedule in this report:

## <u>II - Valuation and Qualifying Accounts</u> F-39

We have omitted all other schedules because the conditions requiring their filing do not exist or because the required information appears in our Consolidated Financial Statements, including the notes to those statements.

# (a)(3) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Title	Incorporated by Reference to the Following
3(i).1	Restated Certificate of Incorporation of LSB Industries, Inc., dated January 21, 1977, as amended August 27, 1987	Exhibit 3(i).1 to the Company's Form 10-K filed on February 28, 2013
3(ii).1	Amended and Restated Bylaws of LSB Industries, Inc. dated August 20, 2009, as amended February 18, 2010, January 17, 2014, February 4, 2014 and August 21, 2014	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
3(ii).2	Fifth Amendment to the Amended and Restated Bylaws of LSB Industries, Inc., dated as of April 26, 2015	Exhibit 3(ii) to the Company's Form 8-K filed April 30, 2015
3(ii).3	Sixth Amendment to the Amended and Restated Bylaws of LSB Industries, Inc., dated as of December 2, 2015	Exhibit 3(ii) to the Company's Form 8-K filed December 8, 2015
3(ii).4	Seventh Amendment to the Amended and Restated Bylaws of LSB Industries, Inc., dated as of December 22, 2015	Exhibit 3(ii) to the Company's Form 8-K filed December 29, 2015
3.1	Certificate of Designations of Series G Class C Preferred Stock of LSB Industries, Inc., as filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on July 6, 2020	
4.1(P)	Specimen Certificate for the Company's Series B Preferred Stock	Exhibit 4.27 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-3 No. 33-9848
4.2	<u>Specimen Certificate for the Company's Series D 6% Cumulative, Convertible Class C Preferred Stock</u>	Exhibit 4.3 to the Company's Form 10-K filed March 3, 2011
4.3	Specimen Certificate for the Company's Common Stock	Exhibit 4.3 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-3 ASR filed November 16, 2012
4.4	<u>Certificate of Designations of Series E Cumulative Redeemable Class C Preferred Stock of LSB Industries, Inc., dated as of December 4, 2015</u>	Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed December 8, 2015
4.5	<u>Certificate of Designations of Series E-1 Cumulative Redeemable Class C</u> <u>Preferred Stock of LSB Industries, Inc., dated as of October 18, 2018</u>	Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed October 19, 2018
4.6	<u>Certificate of Correction to Certificate of Designations of the Series E-1</u> <u>Cumulative Redeemable Class C Preferred Stock of LSB Industries, Inc.</u>	Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed November 2, 2018
4.7	<u>Certificate of Designations of Series F Cumulative Redeemable Class C Preferred Stock of LSB Industries, Inc., dated as of December 4, 2015</u>	Exhibit 4.2 to the Company's Form 8-K filed December 8, 2015
4.8	<u>Certificate of Designations of Series F-1 Redeemable Class C Preferred Stock of LSB Industries, Inc., dated as of October 18, 2018</u>	Exhibit 4.2 to the Company's Form 8-K filed October 19, 2018
4.9	Section 382 Rights Agreement, dated as of July 6, 2020, between LSB Industries, Inc. and Computershare Trust Company, N.A., as rights agent	Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed July 6, 2020
4.10	<u>Indenture, dated August 7, 2013, among LSB Industries, Inc., the guarantors named therein and UMB Bank, n.a., as trustee</u>	Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed August 14, 2013
4.11	First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of September 7, 2016, by and among LSB Industries, Inc., the guarantors party thereto and UMB Bank, n.a., as trustee and notes collateral agent	
4.12	Intercreditor Agreement, dated August 7, 2013, by and among Wells Fargo Capital Finance, Inc., as agent and UMB Bank, n.a., as collateral agent, and acknowledged and agreed to by LSB Industries, Inc. and the other grantors named therein	2013
4.13	<u>Indenture, dated as of April 25, 2018, among LSB Industries, Inc., the subsidiary guarantors party thereto and Wilmington Trust, National Association, as trustee and collateral agent.</u>	

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4.14	From (0.0000/ Co.), Co. (1.1000 / 1.100	Exhibit 4.2 to the Company's Form 8-K filed April 25,
4.15(a)	Form of 9.625% Senior Secured Notes due 2023 (included in Exhibit 4.1).  Description of Registrant's Securities Registered Pursuant to Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934	2018
10.1*	Form of Death Benefit Plan Agreement, dated April 1, 1981	Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Form 10-K filed March 31, 2006
10.2*	LSB Industries, Inc. Outside Directors Stock Purchase Plan, dated May 24, 1999	Exhibit 99.2 to the Company's Form 8-K filed October 23, 2014
10.3*	LSB Industries, Inc. 2008 Incentive Stock Plan, effective June 5, 2008, as amended by First Amendment, effective June 5, 2014	
10.4*	Form of Restricted Stock Agreement	Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Form 8-K filed January 8, 2016
10.5*	Form of Incentive Stock Option Agreement for 2008 Plan	Exhibit 10.8 to the Company's Form 10-K filed February 29, 2016
10.6*	LSB Industries, Inc. 2016 Long Term Incentive Plan	Exhibit 4.8 to the Company's Form S-8 filed June 28, 2016
10.7*	Form of LSB Industries, Inc. 2016 Long Term Incentive Plan Stock Option Agreement	Exhibit 4.9 to the Company's Form S-8 filed June 28, 2016
10.8*	Form of LSB Industries, Inc. 2016 Long Term Incentive Plan Restricted	
10.9*	Stock Unit Agreement (Director Award) Form of LSB Industries, Inc. 2016 Long Term Incentive Plan Restricted	2016 Exhibit 4.11 to the Company's Form S-8 filed June 28,
10.5	Stock Agreement	2016
10.10*	Form of Time-Based Restricted Stock Agreement of LSB Industries, Inc.	Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Form 8-K filed January 3, 2019
10.11*	Form of Performance-Based Restricted Stock Agreement of LSB Industries, <u>Inc.</u>	Exhibit 10.5 to the Company's Form 8-K filed January 3, 2019
10.12*	Notice Period Extension Regarding Employment Agreement by and between LSB Industries, Inc. and Mark Behrman	Exhibit 10.12 to the Company's Form 10-K filed February 26, 2019
10.13*	Notice Period Extension Regarding Employment Agreement by and between LSB Industries, Inc. and Mark Behrman	Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Form 10-Q filed October 24, 2018
10.14*	Employment Agreement, dated December 30, 2018, between LSB Industries, Inc. and Mark T. Behrman	Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed January 3, 2019
10.15*	Restricted Stock Agreement by and between LSB Industries, Inc. and Mark Behrman, dated as of December 31, 2015	Exhibit 10.17 to the Company's Form 10-K filed February 29, 2016
10.16*	Employment Agreement by and between LSB Industries, Inc. and Daniel D. Greenwell, dated as of December 31, 2015	Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 8-K/A filed January 7, 2016
10.17*	Notice Period Extension Regarding Employment Agreement by and between LSB Industries, Inc. and Daniel D. Greenwell	Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Form 10-Q filed October 24, 2018
10.18*	Notice Period Extension Regarding Employment Agreement by and between LSB Industries, Inc. and Daniel D. Greenwell	Exhibit 10.18 to the Company's Form 10-K filed February 26, 2019
10.19*	General Release Agreement by and between LSB Industries, Inc. and Daniel D. Greenwell, dated as of January 14, 2019	Exhibit 10.19 to the Company's Form 10-K filed February 26, 2019
10.20*	Restricted Stock Agreement by and between LSB Industries, Inc. and Daniel D. Greenwell, dated as of December 31, 2015	Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Form 8-K/A filed January 7, 2016
10.21*	Employment Agreement by and between LSB Industries, Inc. and Michael Foster, dated as of January 5, 2016	Exhibit 10.25 to the Company's Form 10-K filed February 29, 2016
10.22*	Notice Period Extension Regarding Employment Agreement by and between LSB Industries, Inc. and Michael J. Foster	Exhibit 10.5 to the Company's Form 10-Q filed October 24, 2018
10.23*	Notice Period Extension Regarding Employment Agreement by and between LSB Industries, Inc. and Michael J. Foster	Exhibit 10.23 to the Company's Form 10-K filed February 26, 2019
10.24*	Employment Agreement, dated December 30, 2018, between LSB Industries, Inc. and Michael J. Foster	Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Form 8-K filed January 3, 2019

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Title	Incorporated by Reference to the Following
10.25*	Restricted Stock Agreement by and between LSB Industries, Inc. and	
10.76*	Michael Foster, dated as of January 5, 2016	February 29, 2016  Evhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 9 V filed August 2
10.26*	Employment Agreement by and between LSB Industries, Inc. and John Diesch, executed as of July 21, 2016	2016
10.27*	Employment Agreement by and between LSB Industries, Inc. and John Diesch, executed as of February 8, 2019	Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed February 11, 2019
10.28*	Employment Agreement, dated December 30, 2018, between LSB Industries, Inc. and Cheryl Maguire	Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Form 8-K filed January 3, 2019
10.29*	Employment Agreement, dated December 20, 2019 and to be effective not later than February 3, 2020, between LSB Industries, Inc. and John Burns	Exhibit 10.30 to the Company's Form 10-K filed February 25, 2019
10.30*	Severance and Change in Control Agreement, dated April 6, 2020, between LSB Industries, Inc. and Kristy Carver	-
10.31*	Form of Retention Bonus Agreement	Exhibit 10.28 to the Company's Form 10-K filed February 29, 2016
10.32	Indemnification Agreement, dated October 14, 2015, by and between the Company and Jack E. Golsen, together with a schedule identifying other substantially identical agreements between the Company and each of the other directors identified on the schedule	
10.33	Indemnification Agreement, dated October 14, 2015 by and between the Company and David M. Shear, together with a schedule identifying other substantially identical agreements between the Company and each of its executive officers identified on the schedule	
10.34	Indemnification Agreement, dated as of December 4, 2015, by and between LSB Industries, Inc. and Jonathan S. Bobb, together with a schedule identifying other substantially identical agreements between the Company and each of the other directors identified on the schedule	
10.35	Asset Purchase Agreement, dated as of December 6, 2002, by and among Energetic Systems Inc. LLC, UTeC Corporation, LLC, SEC Investment Corp. LLC, DetaCorp Inc. LLC, Energetic Properties, LLC, Slurry Explosive Corporation, Universal Tech Corporation, El Dorado Chemical Company, LSB Chemical Corp., LSB Industries, Inc. and Slurry Explosive Manufacturing Corporation, LLC	
10.36	Exhibits and Disclosure Letters to the Asset Purchase Agreement, dated as of December 6, 2002, by and among Energetic Systems Inc. LLC, UTeC Corporation, LLC, SEC Investment Corp. LLC, DetaCorp Inc. LLC, Energetic Properties, LLC, Slurry Explosive Corporation, Universal Tech Corporation, El Dorado Chemical Company, LSB Chemical Corp., LSB Industries, Inc. and Slurry Explosive Manufacturing Corporation, LLC	
10.37	Ammonia Purchase and Sale Agreement by and between El Dorado Chemical Company and Koch Fertilizer, LLC, dated as of November 2, 2015	

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Title	Incorporated by Reference to the Following
10.38	Second Amendment to Ammonia Purchase and Sale Agreement Between Koch Fertilizer, LLC and El Dorado Chemical Company, dated as of	
	September 30, 2019	CERTAIN CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION WITHIN THIS EXHIBIT HAS BEEN OMITTED.
10.39	<u>Urea Ammonium Nitrate Purchase and Sale Agreement dated as of March</u> 3, 2016 and effective as of June 1, 2016 between Coffeyville Resources	
	Nitrogen Fertilizers, LLC and Pryor Chemical Company	CERTAIN INFORMATION WITHIN THIS EXHIBIT HAS BEEN OMITTED AS IT IS THE SUBJECT OF A COMMISSION ORDER CF #33783. DATED AUGUST 30, 2016, GRANTING REQUEST BY THE COMPANY FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT BY THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT.
10.40	Stock Purchase Agreement by and among Consolidated Industries L.L.C. The Climate Control Group, Inc., NIBE Energy Systems Inc. and, solely for purposes of Sections 6.8, 6.19 and 11.15 therein, LSB Industries, Inc., and solely for purposes of Section 11.16 therein, NIBE Industrier AB (publ), dated as of May 11, 2016.	
10.41	Contract on the supply of Basic Engineering Package, Detail Engineering Package, Tagged Major Equipment and related Advisory Services, between Weatherly Inc. and El Dorado Chemical Company, dated November 30, 2012	
10.42	Engineering, Procurement and Construction Agreement, dated August 12, 2013, between El Dorado Ammonia L.L.C. and SAIC Constructors, LLC	Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed August 15, 2013
10.43	Construction Agreement-DMW2, dated November 6, 2013, between El Dorado Chemical Company and SAIC Constructors, LLC	Exhibit 99.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed November 12, 2013
10.44	<u>Construction Agreement – NACSAC, dated November 6, 2013, between El Dorado Chemical Company and SAIC Constructors, LLC</u>	Exhibit 99.2 to the Company's Form 8-K filed November 12, 2013
10.45	Engineering, Procurement and Construction Agreement, dated December 31, 2013, between El Dorado Chemical Company and SAIC Constructors, LLC	
10.46	Engineering, Procurement and Construction Contract, Amendment No. 1 dated October 20, 2015, by and between El Dorado Ammonia LLC and SAIC Constructors, LLC	
10.47	Settlement Agreement, dated April 26, 2015, by and among the Company and Starboard Value LP and its certain affiliates and associates	Exhibit 99.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed April 30, 2015
10.48	Consent Decree, dated May 28, 2014, by and among, LSB Industries, Inc., El Dorado Chemical Co., Cherokee Nitrogen Co., Pryor Chemical Co., El Dorado Nitrogen, L.P., the U.S. Department of Justice, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Alabama Department of Environmental Management, and the Oklahoma Department of	
10.49	Environment Quality  Second Amended and Restated Loan and Security Agreement, dated December 31, 2013, by and among LSB Industries, Inc., each of its subsidiaries that are signatories thereto, the lenders signatories thereto, and Wells Fargo Capital Finance, LLC	

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Title	Incorporated by Reference to the Following
10.50	Amendment No. 1 to the Second Amended and Restated Loan and Security Agreement, dated as of June 11, 2015, by and among LSB Industries, Inc. its subsidiaries identified on the signature pages thereof, the lenders identified on the signature pages thereof and Wells Fargo Capital Finance, LLC, as the arranger and administrative agent for the Lenders	2015
10.51	Amendment No. 2 to the Second Amended and Restated Loan and Security Agreement, dated as of November 9, 2015, by and among LSB Industries, Inc., its subsidiaries identified on the signature pages thereof, the lenders identified on the signature pages thereof, and Wells Fargo Capital Finance, LLC, as the arranger and administrative agent for the Lenders	November 16, 2015
10.52	Third Amended and Restated Loan and Security Agreement, dated as of January 17, 2017, by and among LSB Industries, Inc., the subsidiaries of LSB Industries, Inc. party thereto, the lenders party thereto, and Wells Fargo Capital Finance, LLC, as the arranger and administrative agent.	January 20, 2017
10.53	First Amendment to Third Amended and Restated Loan and Security Agreement, dated as of April 16, 2018, by and among Wells Fargo Capital Finance, LLC, as the arranger and administrative agent, the lenders party thereto, LSB Industries, Inc. and its subsidiaries identified on the signature pages thereto as borrowers and the Company's subsidiaries identified on the signature pages thereto as guarantors.	2018
10.54	Second Amendment to Third Amended and Restated Loan and Security Agreement, dated as of February 26, 2019, by and among Wells Fargo Capital Finance, LLC, as the arranger and administrative agent, the lenders party thereto, LSB Industries, Inc. and its subsidiaries identified on the signature pages thereto as borrowers and the Company's subsidiaries identified on the signature pages thereto as guarantors.	28, 2019
10.55	Third Amendment to Third Amended and Restated Loan and Security Agreement, dated as of April 20, 2020, by and among Wells Fargo Capital Finance, LLC, as the arranger and administrative agent, the lenders party thereto, LSB Industries, Inc. and its subsidiaries identified on the signature pages thereto as borrowers and the Company's subsidiaries identified on the signature pages thereto as guarantors	2020
10.56	Security Agreement dated as of August 7, 2013, among LSB Industries, Inc. and the other grantors identified therein in favor of UMB Bank, N.A. as Collateral Agent	
10.57	Supplement No. 1 to Security Agreement February 12, 2014 among LSB Industries, Inc. and the other grantors identified therein in favor of UMB Bank, N.A., as Collateral Agent	
10.58	Note Purchase Agreement, dated November 9, 2015, by and among LSB Industries, Inc., the guarantors party thereto and LSB Funding LLC	Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed November 16, 2015
10.59	Promissory Note, dated November 9, 2015, by LSB Industries, Inc.	Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Form 8-K filed November 16, 2015
10.60	Joinder Agreement to Intercreditor Agreement, dated November 9, 2015, by and among LSB Funding LLC, Wells Fargo Capital Finance, Inc., as ABL Agent, UMB Bank, N.A., as Notes Agent, LSB Industries, Inc. and the guarantors party thereto	November 16, 2015
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Exhibit Number	Exhibit Title	Incorporated by Reference to the Following
10.61	Amendment No. 1 to Intercreditor Agreement, dated as of April 25, 2018, among Wells Fargo Capital Finance, LLC, UMB Bank, n.a. and Wilmington Trust, National Association, and acknowledged by LSB Industries, Inc. and the subsidiary guarantors party thereto.	2018
10.62	<u>Joinder Agreement to Security Agreement, dated November 9, 2015, by and among LSB Funding LLC, UMB Bank, N.A., as Collateral Agent, LSB Industries, Inc. and the guarantors party thereto</u>	
10.63	<u>Securities Purchase Agreement by and among LSB Industries, Inc., LSB Funding LLC, and Security Benefit Corporation, dated as of December 4, 2015</u>	
10.64	Board Representation and Standstill Agreement by and among LSB Industries, Inc., LSB Funding LLC, Security Benefit Corporation, Todd Boehly and the Golsen Holders (as defined therein), dated as of December 4, 2015	December 8, 2015
10.65	Registration Rights Agreement by and between LSB Industries, Inc. and LSB Funding LLC, dated as of December 4, 2015	December 8, 2015
10.66	Letter Agreement, dated as of August 12, 2016, by and among LSB Industries, Inc., LSB Funding LLC and Security Benefit Corporation	2016
10.67	Securities Exchange Agreement, dated as of October 18, 2018, by and between LSB Industries, Inc. and LSB Funding LLC	Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed October 19, 2018
10.68*	<u>Transition Agreement dated June 30, 2017 by and between Jack E. Golsen and LSB Industries, Inc.</u>	Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed on June 30, 2017
10.69	Amendment, dated October 26, 2017, to the Board Representation and Standstill Agreement by and between LSB Industries, Inc., LSB Funding LLC, Security Benefit Corporation, Todd Boehly, Jack E. Golsen, Barry H. Golsen, Linda Golsen Rappaport, Golsen Family LLC, SBL LLC and Golsen Petroleum Corp., dated as of December 4, 2015	October 26, 2017
10.70	Amendment to Board Representation and Standstill Agreement, dated as of October 18, 2018, by and among LSB Industries, Inc., LSB Funding LLC, Security Benefit Corporation, Todd Boehly and the Golsen Holders (as defined therein)	October 19, 2018
21.1(a)	Subsidiaries of the Company	
23.1(a)	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm	
31.1(a)	<u>Certification of Mark T. Behrman, Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, Section 302</u>	
31.2(a)	<u>Certification of Cheryl A. Maguire, Chief Financial Officer, pursuant to Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, Section 302</u>	
32.1(b)	Certification of Mark T. Behrman, Chief Executive Officer, furnished pursuant to Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, Section 906	
32.2(b)	Certification of Cheryl A. Maguire, Chief Financial Officer, furnished pursuant to Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, Section 906	
101.INS(a)	Inline XBRL Instance Document	
101.SCH(a)	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document	
101.CAL(a)	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document	
101.DEF(a)	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document	
101.LAB(a)	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Labels Linkbase Document	
101.PRE(a)	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document	

Exhib	it Number	Exhibit Title	Incorporated by Reference to the Following
104		Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as Inline XBRL and contained in Exhibit 101)	
* (a) (b) (P)	Executive ( Filed herew Furnished l Paper copy	nerewith	

#### **Signatures**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated:

February 25, 2021

By: /s/ Mark T. Behrman

Mark T. Behrman, President, Chief Executive Officer and Director

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Dated:

February 25, 2021

By: /s/ Mark T. Behrman

Mark T. Behrman, President and Chief Executive Officer

(Principal Executive Officer) and Director

By: /s/ Cheryl A. Maguire

Cheryl A. Maguire, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial Officer)

By: /s/ Harold L. Rieker Jr.

Harold L. Rieker Jr., Vice President - Financial Reporting

(Principal Accounting Officer)

By: /s/ Richard W. Roedel

Richard W. Roedel, Chairman of the Board of Directors

By: /s/ Jonathan S. Bobb

Jonathan S. Bobb, Director

By: /s/ Barry H. Golsen

Barry H. Golsen, Director

By: /s/ Kanna Kitamura

Kanna Kitamura, Director

By: /s/ Steven L. Packebush

Steven L. Packebush, Director

By: /s/ Diana M. Peninger

Diana M. Peninger, Director

y: /s/ Richard S. Sanders Jr.

Richard S. Sanders Jr., Director

By: /s/ Lynn F. White

Lynn F. White, Director

# Consolidated Financial Statements And Schedule for Inclusion in Form 10-K For the Fiscal Year ended December 31, 2020

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#### Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Shareholders and the Board of Directors of LSB Industries, Inc.

#### **Opinion on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of LSB Industries, Inc. (the Company) as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, the related consolidated statements of operations, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes and the financial statement schedule listed in the index at Item 15(a)(2) (collectively referred to as the "consolidated financial statements"). In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company at December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2020, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

## Adoption of ASU No. 2016-02 (Topic 842)

As discussed in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company changed its method of accounting for leases in the December 31, 2019 financial statements to reflect the accounting method change due to the adoption of ASU 2016-02 Leases (Topic 842), and the related amendments.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the US federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal controls over financial reporting. As part of our audits, we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial report. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

#### Critical audit matter

The critical audit matter communicated below is a matter arising from the current period audit of the financial statements that was communicated or required to be communicated to the audit committee and that: (1) relates to an account or disclosure that is material to the financial statements and (2) involved our especially challenging, subjective or complex judgments. The communication of the critical audit matter does not alter in any way our opinion on the consolidated financial statements, taken as a whole, and we are not, by communicating the critical audit matter below, providing a separate opinion on the critical audit matter or on the account or disclosure to which it relates.

### Pending, threatened, or settled litigation

Description of the matter

As discussed in Note 8 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company is involved in various claims, legal proceedings, and other disputes that require management to make assessments relating to future outcomes. Based on the Company's assessment, contingent losses are accrued when such losses are probable and reasonably estimable. If the assessment indicates that a potentially material loss contingency is not probable but reasonably possible, or is probable but cannot be estimated, the nature of the contingent liability, together with an estimate of the range of possible loss if determinable and material, is disclosed.

Auditing management's accounting for, and disclosure of, pending, threatened, or settled litigation is challenging because management's evaluation of the likelihood and amount of potential loss is highly subjective and requires significant judgment. The determination is sensitive to the uncertainties related to the outcome of the contingency, the status and uncertainty of the litigation and/or the appeals process, and the status of any settlement discussions associated with the contingent matter

How we addressed the matter in our audit

To test the Company's legal contingencies and the related disclosures, our audit procedures included, among others, assessing the completeness of the litigation matters, legal claims and other disputes subject to evaluation by the Company, evaluating the Company's assessment of the probability of outcome, and disclosure of probable and reasonably possible losses. As part of these procedures, we read the minutes of the meetings of the committees of the board of directors, read summaries of rulings and/or settlement agreements, evaluated the responses of internal and external legal counsel confirmation letters, inquired of internal legal counsel to understand developments and progression in potential settlement discussions, requested and obtained written representations from executives of the Company related to contingent matters, and evaluated the Company's disclosures for consistency with our understanding of the Company's contingent matters.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

We have served as the Company's auditor since 1968.

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma February 25, 2021

# Consolidated Balance Sheets

	Decem	
	 2020 (In Tho	2019
Assets	(111 1110	usanus)
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 16,264	\$ 22,791
Accounts receivable	42,929	40,203
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(378)	(261)
Accounts receivable, net	 42,551	39,942
Inventories:		
Finished goods	17,778	21,738
Raw materials	1,795	1,573
Total inventories	19,573	23,311
Supplies, prepaid items and other:		
Prepaid insurance	12,315	11,837
Precious metals	6,787	5,568
Supplies	25,288	24,689
Other	6,802	2,735
Total supplies, prepaid items and other	 51,192	44,829
Total current assets	129,580	130,873
Property, plant and equipment, net	891,198	936,474
Other assets:		
Operating lease assets	26,403	15,330
Intangible and other assets, net	6,121	5,812
	32,524	21,142
	\$ 1,053,302	\$ 1,088,489

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# Consolidated Balance Sheets (continued)

	Decem 2020	ber 31,	2019
		ousands)	2013
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 46,551	\$	58,477
Short-term financing	13,576		9,929
Accrued and other liabilities	30,367		25,484
Current portion of long-term debt	 16,801		9,410
Total current liabilities	107,295		103,300
Long-term debt, net	467,389		449,634
Noncurrent operating lease liabilities	19,845		11,404
Other noncurrent accrued and other liabilities	6,090		6,214
Deferred income taxes	30,939		35,717
Commitments and contingencies (Note 8)			
Redeemable preferred stocks:			
Series E 14% cumulative, redeemable Class C preferred stock, no par value, 210,000 shares issued; 139,768 outstanding; aggregate liquidation preference of \$277,982,000 (\$242,800,000 at December 31, 2019)	272,101		234,893
Series F redeemable Class C preferred stock, no par value, 1 share issued and outstanding; aggregate liquidation preference of \$100	_		_
Stockholders' equity:			
Series B 12% cumulative, convertible preferred stock, \$100 par value; 20,000 shares issued and outstanding; aggregate liquidation preference	2.000		2,000
of \$3,265,000 (\$3,025,000 at December 31, 2019)	2,000		2,000
Series D 6% cumulative, convertible Class C preferred stock, no par value; 1,000,000 shares issued and outstanding; aggregate liquidation preference of \$1,312,000 (\$1,252,000 at December 31, 2019)	1,000		1,000
Common stock, \$.10 par value; 75,000,000 shares authorized, 31,283,210 shares issued	3,128		3,128
Capital in excess of par value	198,215		196,833
Retained earnings (accumulated deficit)	(41,487)		57,632
	 162,856		260,593
Less treasury stock, at cost:			
Common stock, 2,074,565 shares (2,009,566 shares at December 31, 2019)	 13,213		13,266
Total stockholders' equity	 149,643		247,327
	\$ 1,053,302	\$	1,088,489

# Consolidated Statements of Operations

		Year Ended December 31,				
		2020	2019	2018		
NT I	ф		isands, Except Per Share A			
Net sales	\$	351,316	\$ 365,070	\$ 378,160		
Cost of sales		334,268	360,085	362,325		
Gross profit		17,048	4,985	15,835		
Selling, general and administrative expense		32,084	34,172	40,811		
Other expense (income), net		499	9,904	(1,951)		
Operating loss		(15,535)	(39,091)	(23,025)		
Interest expense, net		51,115	46,389	43,064		
Loss on extinguishment of debt		_	_	5,951		
Non-operating other expense (income), net		10	(1,139)	(1,554)		
Loss before provision (benefit) for income taxes		(66,660)	(84,341)	(70,486)		
Provision (benefit) for income taxes		(4,749)	(20,924)	1,740		
Net loss		(61,911)	(63,417)	(72,226)		
Dividends on convertible preferred stocks		300	300	300		
Dividends on Series E redeemable preferred stock		35,182	30,729	26,840		
Accretion of Series E redeemable preferred stock		2,026	1,995	3,375		
Net loss attributable to common stockholders	\$	(99,419)	\$ (96,441)	\$ (102,741)		
Basic and diluted net loss per common share	\$	(3.53)	\$ (3.44)	\$ (3.74)		

 $LSB\ Industries,\ Inc.$  Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity

	Common	Treasury Stock- Common	Redee Prefe	on- emable erred		ommon Stock	Capital in Excess of	]	Retained Earnings ccumulated	Treasury Stock-	
	Stock Shares	Shares	Sto	ock	Pa	r Value	Par Value usands)		Deficit)	Common	Total
Balance at December 31, 2017	31,281	(2,662)	\$ :	3,000	\$	3,128	\$ 193,956	\$	256,214	\$ (18,102)	\$438,196
Net loss	,	(=,===)		_,	•	-,	4,	-	(72,226)	4 (,)	(72,226)
Dividend accrued on redeemable preferred									( , -,		( , -,
stock									(26,840)		(26,840)
Accretion of redeemable preferred stock									(3,375)		(3,375)
Stock-based compensation							8,358				8,358
Issuance of restricted stock, net		224					(3,852)			1,916	(1,936)
Other	2						20				20
Balance at December 31, 2018	31,283	(2,438)		3,000		3,128	198,482		153,773	(16,186)	342,197
Net loss									(63,417)		(63,417)
Dividend accrued on redeemable preferred											
stock									(30,729)		(30,729)
Accretion of redeemable preferred stock									(1,995)		(1,995)
Stock-based compensation							2,220				2,220
Issuance of restricted stock, net		428					(3,869)			2,920	(949)
Balance at December 31, 2019	31,283	(2,010)		3,000		3,128	196,833		57,632	(13,266)	247,327
Net loss									(61,911)		(61,911)
Dividend accrued on redeemable preferred											
stock									(35,182)		(35,182)
Accretion of redeemable preferred stock									(2,026)		(2,026)
Stock-based compensation							1,761				1,761
Issuance of restricted and unrestricted											
stock, net		58					(379)			379	_
Acquisition of shares withheld for											
employee taxes		(123)			_			_		(326)	(326)
Balance at December 31, 2020	31,283	(2,075)	\$ 3	3,000	\$	3,128	\$198,215	\$	(41,487)	<u>\$ (13,213)</u>	\$149,643

# Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

	 2020	Year l	Ended December 31, 2019	2018
			(In Thousands)	
Cash flows from continuing operating activities				
Net loss	\$ (61,911)	\$	(63,417)	\$ (72,226)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided (used) by				
continuing operating activities:				
Deferred income taxes	(4,778)		(20,895)	1,825
Depreciation and amortization of property, plant and				
equipment	69,581		68,325	70,266
Amortization of intangible and other assets	1,260		1,249	2,361
Loss (gain) on sales of property and equipment	636		678	(1,637)
Loss associated with assets held for sale	_		9,701	_
Stock-based compensation	1,761		2,220	8,358
Loss associated with commodity contracts	1,613		_	_
Charge on extinguishment of debt	_		_	5,951
Other	4,081		2,794	2,098
Cash provided (used) by changes in assets and liabilities				
(net of effects of discontinued operations):				
Accounts receivable	(4,702)		8,800	(2,167)
Inventories	3,550		6,092	(6,698)
Other supplies, prepaid items and other	84		(934)	564
Accounts payable	(6,561)		(7,987)	14,208
Accrued interest	1,578		586	(6,919)
Other current and noncurrent liabilities	(8,705)		(5,113)	1,638
Net cash provided (used) by continuing operating activities	 (2,513)		2,099	17,622
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Cash flows from continuing investing activities				
Expenditures for property, plant and equipment	(30,471)		(36,081)	(37,050)
Proceeds from vendor settlements associated with			·	
property, plant and equipment	1,647		_	_
Proceeds from sales of property and equipment	394		61	6,660
Proceeds from property insurance recovery associated with property,				
plant and equipment				1,531
Net proceeds from sale of discontinued operations	_		_	2,730
Other investing activities	4		95	389
Net cash used by continuing investing activities	 (28,426)		(35,925)	(25,740)
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# Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (continued)

	Year Ended December 31, 2020 2019			2018
	 2020		nousands)	2010
Cash flows from continuing financing activities				
Proceeds from revolving debt facility	\$ 30,000	\$	5,000	\$ 10,000
Payments on revolving debt facility	(30,000)		(15,000)	_
Net proceeds from 9.625% senior secured notes	_		35,086	390,473
Payments on senior secured notes	_		_	(375,000)
Proceeds from other long-term debt	42,570		20,219	_
Payments on other long-term debt	(21,356)		(14,073)	(9,170)
Payments of debt-related costs, including extinguishment and				
modification costs	(124)		(1,065)	(10,974)
Proceeds from short-term financing	14,589		12,179	10,865
Payments on short-term financing	(10,941)		(10,828)	(10,872)
Taxes paid on equity awards	(326)		(949)	(2,018)
Payments of preferred stock modification costs	_		_	(2,777)
Proceeds from exercises of stock options	_		_	20
Net cash provided by continuing financing activities	 24,412		30,569	 547
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(6,527)		(3,257)	(7,571)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	22,791		26,048	33,619
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 16,264	\$	22,791	\$ 26,048

#### Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

#### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

**Basis of Consolidation** – LSB Industries, Inc. ("LSB") and its subsidiaries (the "Company", "we", "us", or "our") are consolidated in the accompanying consolidated financial statements. LSB is a holding company with no significant operations or assets other than cash, cash equivalents, and investments in its subsidiaries. All material intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated. Certain prior period amounts reported in our consolidated financial statements and notes thereto have been reclassified to conform to current period presentation.

Nature of Business – We are engaged in the manufacture and sale of chemical products. The chemical products we primarily manufacture, market and sell are ammonia, fertilizer grade AN ("HDAN") and UAN for agricultural applications, high purity and commercial grade ammonia, high purity AN, sulfuric acids, concentrated, blended and regular nitric acid, mixed nitrating acids, carbon dioxide, and diesel exhaust fluid for industrial applications, and industrial grade AN ("LDAN") and solutions for the mining industry. We manufacture and distribute our products in four facilities; three of which we own and are located in El Dorado, Arkansas (the "El Dorado Facility"); Cherokee, Alabama (the "Cherokee Facility"); and Pryor, Oklahoma (the "Pryor Facility"); and one of which we operate on behalf of a global chemical company in Baytown, Texas (the "Baytown Facility").

Sales to customers include farmers, ranchers, fertilizer dealers and distributors primarily in the ranch land and grain production markets in the United States ("U.S."); industrial users of acids throughout the U.S. and parts of Canada; and explosive manufacturers in the U.S. and parts of Mexico and Canada.

**Use of Estimates** – The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Cash and Cash Equivalents** – Investments, which consist of highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, are considered cash equivalents.

Accounts Receivable – Our accounts receivable is stated at net realizable value. This value includes an appropriate allowance for estimated uncollectible accounts to reflect any loss anticipated on accounts receivable balances. Our estimate is based on historical experience and periodic assessment of outstanding accounts receivable, particularly those accounts that are past due (based upon the terms of the sale). Our periodic assessment of our accounts receivable is based on our best estimate of amounts that are not recoverable. Our contract assets consist of receivables from contracts with customers. Our accounts receivable primarily relate to these contract assets and are presented in our consolidated balance sheets.

Sales to our customers are generally unsecured. Credit is extended to customers based on an evaluation of the customer's financial condition and other factors. Customer payments are generally due thirty to sixty days after the invoice date. Concentrations of credit risk with respect to trade receivables are monitored and this risk is reduced due to short-term payment terms relating to most of our significant customers. Ten customers (including their affiliates) account for approximately 52% of our total net receivables at December 31, 2020.

**Inventories** – Inventories are stated at the lower of cost (determined using the first-in, first-out ("FIFO") basis) or net realizable value, which is the estimated selling prices in the ordinary course of business, less reasonably predictable costs of completion, transportation or disposal. Finished goods include material, labor, and manufacturing overhead costs.

Inventory reserves associated with cost exceeding net realizable value were not material at December 31, 2020 and 2019.

**Property, Plant and Equipment** – Property, plant and equipment ("PP&E") are stated at cost, net of accumulated depreciation, depletion and amortization ("DD&A"). Leases meeting finance lease criteria are capitalized in PP&E. Major renewals and improvements that increase the life, value, or productive capacity of assets are capitalized in PP&E while maintenance, repairs and minor renewals are expensed as incurred. In addition, maintenance, repairs and minor renewal costs relating to planned major maintenance activities ("Turnarounds") are expensed as they are incurred. All long-lived assets relate to domestic operations.

Fully depreciated assets are retained in PP&E and accumulated DD&A accounts until disposal. When PP&E is retired, sold, or otherwise disposed, the asset's carrying amount and related accumulated DD&A is removed from the accounts and any gain or loss is included in other income or expense.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

For financial reporting purposes, depreciation of the costs of PP&E is primarily computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. No provision for depreciation is made on construction in progress or capital spare parts until such time as the relevant assets are put into service.

In general, assets held for sale are reported at the lower of the carrying amounts of the assets or fair values less costs to sell.

**Impairment of Long-Lived Assets** – Long-lived assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset (asset group) may not be recoverable. An impairment loss would be recognized when the carrying amount of an asset (asset group) exceeds the estimated undiscounted future cash flows expected to result from the use of the asset (asset group) and its eventual disposition. If assets to be held and used are considered to be impaired, the impairment to be recognized is the amount by which the carrying amounts of the assets exceed the fair values of the assets as measured by the present value of future net cash flows expected to be generated by the assets or their appraised value. In general, and depending on the event or change in circumstances, our asset groups are reviewed for impairment on a facility-by-facility basis (such as the Cherokee, El Dorado or Pryor Facility).

In addition, if the event or change in circumstance relates to the probable sale of an asset (or group of assets), the specific asset (or group of assets) is reviewed for impairment.

**Leases** – On January 1, 2019, we adopted ASU 2016-02, *Leases (Topic 842)*. We determine if an arrangement is a lease at inception or modification of a contract and classify each lease as either an operating or finance lease based on the terms of the contract. We reassess lease classification subsequent to commencement upon a change to the expected lease term or a modification to the contract. A contract contains a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of the identified property or equipment, explicitly or implicitly, for a period of time in exchange for consideration. Control of an underlying asset is conveyed if we obtain the rights to direct the use of and obtain substantially all of the economic benefit from the use of the underlying asset.

An operating lease asset represents our right to use the underlying asset as a lessee for the lease term and an operating lease liability represent our obligation to make lease payments arising from the lease. Currently, most of our leases are classified as operating leases and primarily relate to railcars, other equipment and office space. Our leases that are classified as finance leases and other leases under which we are the lessor are not material. Variable payments are excluded from the present value of lease payments and are recognized in the period in which the payment is made. Our current leases do not contain residual value guarantees. Most of our leases do not include options to extend or terminate the lease prior to the end of the term. Leases with a term of 12 months or less are not recognized in the balance sheet.

Since our leases generally do not provide an implicit rate, we use our incremental borrowing rate based on the lease term and other information available at the commencement date in determining the present value of lease payments. Lease expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the applicable lease term.

**Concentration of Credit Risks for Cash and Cash Equivalents and Sales** – Financial instruments relating to cash and cash equivalents potentially subject us to concentrations of credit risk. These financial instruments were held by financial institutions within the U.S. None of the financial instruments held within U.S. were in excess of the federally insured limits.

Net sales to one customer, Koch Fertilizer LLC ("Koch Fertilizer"), represented approximately 10%, 11% and 13% of our total net sales for 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively. Net sales to one customer, Coffeyville Resources Nitrogen Fertilizer, LLC ("CVR"), represented approximately 13%, 9% and 11% of our total net sales for 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Accrued Insurance Liabilities – We are self-insured up to certain limits for group health, workers' compensation and general liability claims. Above these limits, we have commercial stop-loss insurance coverage for our contractual exposure on group health claims and statutory limits under workers' compensation obligations. We also carry umbrella insurance of \$100 million for most general liability and auto liability risks. We have a separate \$50 million insurance policy covering pollution liability at our chemical facilities. Additional pollution liability coverage for our other facilities is provided in our general liability and umbrella policies.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

#### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Our accrued self-insurance liabilities are based on estimates of claims, which include the reported incurred claims amounts plus the reserves established by our insurance adjustors and/or estimates provided by attorneys handling the claims, if any, up to the amount of our self-insurance limits. In addition, our accrued insurance liabilities include estimates of incurred, but not reported, claims based on historical claims experience. The determination of such claims and the appropriateness of the related liability is periodically reviewed and revised, if needed. Changes in these estimated liabilities are charged to operations. Potential legal fees and other directly related costs associated with insurance claims are not accrued but rather are expensed as incurred. Accrued insurance claims are included in accrued and other liabilities. It is reasonably possible that the actual development of claims could be different than our estimates.

**Executive Benefit Agreements** – We are party to certain benefit agreements with certain key current and former executives. Costs associated with these individual benefit agreements are accrued based on the estimated remaining service period when such benefits become probable, they will be paid. Total costs accrued equal the present value of specified payments to be made after benefits become payable.

**Income Taxes** – Income taxes are accounted for under the asset and liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in the statement of operations in the period that includes the enactment date. We establish valuation allowances if we believe it is more-likely-than-not that some or all of deferred tax assets will not be realized. Significant judgment is applied in evaluating the need for and the magnitude of appropriate valuation allowances against deferred tax assets.

In addition, we do not recognize a tax benefit unless we conclude that it is more likely than not that the benefit will be sustained on audit by the relevant taxing authorities based solely on the technical merits of the associated tax position. If the recognition threshold is met, we recognize a tax benefit measured at the largest amount of the tax benefit that, in our judgment, is greater than 50% likely to be realized. We record interest related to unrecognized tax positions in interest expense and penalties in operating other expense.

Income tax benefits associated with amounts that are deductible for income tax purposes are recorded through the statement of operations. These benefits are principally generated from the vesting of restricted stock. We reduce income tax expense for investment tax credits in the period the credit arises and is earned.

See Note 7 - Income Taxes discussing the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security ("CARES") Act.

Contingencies — Certain conditions may exist which may result in a loss, but which will only be resolved when future events occur. We and our legal counsel assess such contingent liabilities, and such assessment inherently involves an exercise of judgment. If the assessment of a contingency indicates that it is probable that a loss has been incurred, we would accrue for such contingent losses when such losses can be reasonably estimated. If the assessment indicates that a potentially material loss contingency is not probable but reasonably possible, or is probable but cannot be estimated, the nature of the contingent liability, together with an estimate of the range of possible loss if determinable and material, would be disclosed. Estimates of potential legal fees and other directly related costs associated with contingencies are not accrued but rather are expensed as incurred. Loss contingency liabilities are included in current and noncurrent accrued and other liabilities and are based on current estimates that may be revised in the near term. In addition, we recognize contingent gains when such gains are realized or when the contingencies have been resolved (generally at the time a settlement has been reached).

Asset Retirement Obligations – In general, we record the estimated fair value of an asset retirement obligation ("ARO") associated with tangible long-lived assets in the period it is incurred and when there is sufficient information available to estimate the fair value. An ARO associated with long-lived assets is a legal obligation under existing or enacted law, statute, written or oral contract or legal construction. AROs, which are initially recorded based on estimated discounted cash flows, are accreted to full value over time through charges to cost of sales. In addition, we capitalize the corresponding asset retirement cost as PP&E, which cost is depreciated or depleted over the related asset's respective useful life. We do not have any assets restricted for the purpose of settling our AROs.

**Redeemable Preferred Stocks** — Our redeemable preferred stocks that are redeemable outside of our control are classified as temporary/mezzanine equity. The redeemable preferred stocks were recorded at fair value upon issuance, net of issuance costs or discounts. In addition, certain embedded features included in the Series E Redeemable Preferred required bifurcation and are classified as derivative liabilities. The carrying values of the redeemable preferred stocks are being increased by periodic accretions (including the amount for dividends earned but not yet declared or paid) using the interest method so that the carrying amount will equal the redemption value as of October 25, 2023, the earliest possible redemption date by the holder. The accretion was recorded to retained earnings. However, this accretion will change if the expected redemption date changes.

#### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

**Equity Awards** – Equity award transactions with employees are measured based on the estimated fair value of the equity awards issued. For equity awards with service conditions that have a graded vesting period, we recognize compensation cost on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period for the entire award. Forfeitures are accounted for as they occur. We may issue new shares of common stock or may use treasury shares associated with the equity awards.

## **Revenue Recognition and Other Information**

#### Revenue Recognition and Performance Obligations

We determine revenue recognition through the following steps:

- Identification of the performance obligations in the contract;
- Determination of the transaction price;
- Allocation of the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract; and
- Recognition of revenue when, or as, we satisfy a performance obligation.

A performance obligation is a promise in a contract to transfer a distinct good or service to the customer and is the unit of account. A contract's transaction price is allocated to each distinct performance obligation and recognized as revenue when, or as, the performance obligation is satisfied. Generally, satisfaction occurs when control of the promised goods is transferred to the customer or as services are rendered or completed in exchange for consideration in an amount for which we expect to be entitled. Generally, control is transferred when the preparation for shipment of the product to a customer has been completed. Most of our contracts contain a single performance obligation with the promise to transfer a specific product.

Most of our revenue is recognized from performance obligations satisfied at a point in time, however, we have a performance obligation to perform certain services that are satisfied over a period of time. Revenue is recognized from this type of performance obligation as services are rendered and are based on the amount for which we have a right to invoice, which reflects the amount of expected consideration that corresponds directly with the value of the services performed.

## Transaction Price Constraints and Variable Consideration

For most of our contracts with customers, the transaction price from the inception of a contract is constrained to a short period of time (generally one month) as these contracts contain terms with variable consideration related to both price and quantity. These contract prices are often based on commodity indexes (such as NYMEX natural gas index) published monthly and the contract quantities are typically based on estimated ranges. The quantities become fixed and determinable over a period of time as each sale order is received from the customer.

The nature of our contracts also gives rise to other types of variable consideration, including volume discounts and rebates, make-whole provisions, other pricing concessions, and short-fall charges. We estimate these amounts based on the expected amount to be provided to customers, which result in a transaction price adjustment reducing revenue (net sales) with the offset increasing contract or refund liabilities. These estimates are based on historical experience, anticipated performance and our best judgment at the time. We reassess these estimates on a quarterly basis.

The aforementioned constraints over transaction prices in conjunction with the variable consideration included in our material contracts prevent a practical assignment of a specific dollar amount to performance obligations at the beginning and end of the period. Therefore, we have applied the variable consideration allocation exception.

Future revenues to be earned from the satisfaction of performance obligations will be recognized when control transfers as goods are loaded and weighed or services are performed over the remaining duration of our contracts.

#### **Practical Expedients and Other Information**

We have applied the following practical expedients:

- to recognize revenue in the amount we have the right to invoice relating to certain services that are performed for customers and, not disclosing the value of unsatisfied performance obligations related to such services.
- not disclosing the value of unsatisfied performance obligations for contracts with an original expected duration of one year or less.
- not adjusting the promised amount of consideration for the effects of a significant financing component if we expect the financing time period to be one year or less.
- expense as incurred any incremental costs of obtaining a contract if the associated period of benefit is one year or less.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

## 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

All net sales and long-lived assets relate to domestic operations for the periods presented. In addition, net sales to non-U.S. customers were minimal.

Recognition of Incentive Tax Credits (Other Than Credits Associated with Income Taxes) — If an incentive tax credit relates to a recovery of taxes (other than income taxes) incurred, we recognize the incentive tax credit when it is probable and reasonably estimable. If an incentive tax credit relates to an amount in excess of taxes incurred, the incentive tax credit is a contingent gain, which we recognize the incentive tax credit when it is realized or when the contingencies have been resolved (generally at the time a settlement has been reached). Amounts recoverable from the taxing authorities, if any, are included in accounts receivable. The same financial statement classification is used for an incentive tax credit as the associated tax incurred.

At December 31, 2020 and 2019, our incentive tax credits receivable totaled \$1.4 million and \$2.3 million, respectively.

**Recognition of Insurance Recoveries** – If an insurance claim relates to a recovery of our losses, we recognize the recovery when it is probable and reasonably estimable. If our insurance claim relates to a contingent gain, we recognize the recovery when it is realized or when the contingencies have been resolved (generally at the time a settlement has been reached). Amounts recoverable from our insurance carriers, if any, are included in accounts receivable. An insurance recovery in excess of recoverable costs relating to a business interruption claim, if any, is a reduction to cost of sales.

Cost of Sales – Cost of sales includes materials, labor and overhead costs, including depreciation, to manufacture the products sold plus inbound freight, purchasing and receiving costs, inspection costs, internal transfer costs, loading and handling costs, warehousing costs, railcar lease costs and outbound freight. Maintenance, repairs and minor renewal costs relating to Turnarounds are included in cost of sales as they are incurred. Precious metals used as a catalyst and consumed during the manufacturing process are included in cost of sales. Recoveries and gains from precious metals and business interruption insurance claims, if any, are reductions to cost of sales.

Selling, General and Administrative Expense – Selling, general and administrative expense ("SG&A") includes costs associated with the sales, marketing and administrative functions. Such costs include personnel costs, including benefits, professional fees, office and occupancy costs associated with the sales, marketing and administrative functions. Also included in SG&A are any distribution fees paid to third parties to distribute our products.

**Derivatives, Hedges and Financial Instruments** – Derivatives are recognized in the balance sheet and are measured at fair value. Changes in fair value of derivatives are recorded in results of operations unless the normal purchase or sale exceptions apply, or hedge accounting is elected.

The fair value amounts recognized for our derivative contracts executed with the same counterparty under a master netting arrangement may be offset. We have the choice to offset or not, but that choice must be applied consistently. A master netting arrangement exists if the reporting entity has multiple contracts with a single counterparty that are subject to a contractual agreement that provides for the net settlement of all contracts through a single payment in a single currency in the event of default on or termination of any one contract. Offsetting the fair values recognized for the derivative contracts outstanding with a single counterparty results in the net fair value of the transactions being reported as an asset or a liability in the balance sheet. When applicable, we present the fair values of our derivative contracts under master netting agreements using a gross fair value presentation.

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value are classified using the following hierarchy, which is based upon the transparency of inputs to the valuation as of the measurement date:

- **Level 1** Valuations of contracts classified as Level 1 are based on quoted prices in active markets for identical contracts.
- Level 2 Valuations of contracts classified as Level 2 are based on quoted prices for similar contracts and valuation inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for these contracts.
- **Level 3** Valuations of assets and liabilities classified as Level 3 are based on prices or valuation techniques that require inputs that are both unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement.

At December 31, 2020 and 2019, we did not have any financial instruments with fair values materially different from their carrying amounts (which excludes issuance costs, if applicable). The fair value of financial instruments is not indicative of the overall fair value of our assets and liabilities since financial instruments do not include all assets, including intangibles, and all liabilities.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

#### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

**Income (Loss) per Common Share** – Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders is computed by adjusting net income (loss) by the amount of dividends and dividend requirements on preferred stocks and the accretion of redeemable preferred stocks, if applicable. Basic loss per common share is computed by dividing net loss attributable to common stockholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding, excluding contingently issuable common shares (unvested restricted stock), if applicable. For periods we earn net income, a proportional share of net income is allocated to participating securities, if applicable, determined by dividing total weighted average participating securities by the sum of the total weighted average common shares and participating securities (the "two-class method"). Certain securities (Series E Redeemable Preferred and restricted stock units) participate in dividends declared on our common stock and are therefore considered to be participating securities.

Participating securities have the effect of diluting both basic and diluted income per common share during periods of net income. For periods we incur a net loss, no loss is allocated to participating securities because they have no contractual obligation to share in our losses. Diluted loss per common share is computed after giving consideration to the dilutive effect of our potential common stock instruments that are outstanding during the period, except where such non-participating securities would be anti-dilutive.

**Segment Information** - We operate in one principal business segment – our chemical business.

### **Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements**

ASU 2020-06 - In August 2020, the FASB issued ASU 2020-06, *Debt-Debt with Conversion and other Options (Subtopic 470-20) and Derivatives and Hedging – Contracts in Entity's own Equity (Subtopic 815-40).* This ASU addresses the complexity associated with applying GAAP to certain financial instruments with characteristics of liabilities and equity. The ASU includes amendments to the guidance on convertible instruments and the derivative scope exception for contracts in an entity's own equity and simplifies the accounting for convertible instruments which include beneficial conversion features or cash conversion features by removing certain separation models. Additionally, the ASU requires entities to use the "if-converted" method when calculating diluted earnings per share for convertible instruments. This ASU will be effective for us on January 1, 2024, however early adoption is permitted beginning January 1, 2021. We are evaluating the timing and the effect of our pending adoption of this ASU on our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures at this time.

ASU 2020-04 – In March 2020, the FASB issued ASU 2020-04, *Reference Rate Reform (Topic 848): Facilitation of the Effects of Reference Rate Reform on Financial Reporting*, which provides optional guidance for a limited time to ease the potential accounting burden associated with transitioning away from reference rates such as LIBOR that are expected to be discontinued. This ASU provides exceptions and optional expedients for applying GAAP to contract modifications, hedging relationships, and other transactions that reference LIBOR or other reference rates to be discontinued as a result of reference rate reform. They do not apply to modifications made or hedges entered into or evaluated after December 31, 2022, unless the hedging relationships existed as of that date and optional expedients for them were elected and retained through the end of the hedging relationship. This ASU became effective upon issuance. We continue to evaluate the effect of this ASU and plan to utilize this relief for our debt agreements that include LIBOR rates.

**ASU 2019-12** – In December 2019, the FASB issued ASU 2019-12, *Income Taxes* (*Topic 740*): Simplifying the Accounting for Income Taxes which affects general principles within Topic 740, Income Taxes. The amendments of ASU 2019-12 are meant to simplify and reduce the cost of accounting for income taxes. The ASU removes certain exceptions to the general framework and also seeks to simplify and/or clarify accounting for income taxes by adding certain requirements that would simplify GAAP for financial statement preparers. We have adopted this new standard on January 1, 2021, which is not expected to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements or related disclosures.

## Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

## 2. Loss per Common Share

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted net loss per common share:

		2020 (Dollars In 7	2019 Thousands, Except Per Shar		e Amo	2018
Numerator:		(Bonars in	nousu	ndo, Except I el olidi	c 7 mio	unts)
Net loss	\$	(61,911)	\$	(63,417)	\$	(72,226)
Adjustments for basic net loss per common share:						
Dividend requirements on Series E Redeemable Preferred		(35,182)		(30,729)		(26,840)
Dividend requirements on Series B Preferred		(240)		(240)		(240)
Dividend requirements on Series D Preferred		(60)		(60)		(60)
Accretion of Series E Redeemable Preferred		(2,026)		(1,995)		(3,375)
Numerator for basic and diluted net loss per common	-					
share - net loss attributable to common stockholders	\$	(99,419)	\$	(96,441)	\$	(102,741)
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Denominator:						
Denominator for basic and diluted net loss per common						
share - adjusted weighted-average shares (1)		28,200,983		28,039,625		27,490,717
Basic and diluted net loss per common share	\$	(3.53)	\$	(3.44)	\$	(3.74)

(1) All periods exclude the weighted-average shares of unvested restricted stock that are contingently issuable.

The following weighted-average shares of securities were not included in the computation of diluted net loss per common share as their effect would have been antidilutive:

	2020	2019	2018
Restricted stock and stock units	1,327,307	832,103	1,183,622
Convertible preferred stocks	916,666	916,666	916,666
Series E redeemable preferred stock - embedded derivative	303,646	303,646	303,646
Stock options	123,886	124,000	175,454
	2,671,505	2,176,415	2,579,388

# 3. Property, Plant and Equipment

	Average		Decem	ber 31,	
	useful lives (1)		2020		2019
			(In Tho	usands)	
Machinery, equipment and automotive	25	\$	1,213,359	\$	1,204,695
Buildings and improvements	26		44,123		38,810
Land improvements	34		8,223		8,223
Furniture, fixtures and store equipment	5		1,080		1,122
Construction in progress	N/A		18,389		31,575
Capital spare parts	N/A		26,894		24,245
Land	N/A		4,567		4,575
			1,316,635		1,313,245
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization			425,437		376,771
		\$	891,198	\$	936,474

<sup>(1)</sup> Weighted average useful lives as of December 31, 2020.

Machinery, equipment and automotive primarily includes the categories of property and equipment and estimated useful lives as follows: processing plants and plant infrastructure (15-30 years); certain processing plant components (3-10 years); and trucks, automobiles, trailers, and other rolling stock (2-7 years).

## 4. Current and Noncurrent Accrued and Other Liabilities

	Decem	ber 31	
	 2020		2019
	(In Tho	usands	)
Accrued interest	\$ 8,669	\$	7,091
Current portion of operating lease liabilities	6,706		4,066
Accrued payroll and benefits	5,837		5,385
Accrued death and other executive benefits	2,539		2,564
Deferred revenue	1,890		3,443
Other	10,816		9,149
	 36,457		31,698
Less noncurrent portion	6,090		6,214
Current portion of accrued and other liabilities	\$ 30,367	\$	25,484

# 5. Asset Retirement Obligations

We own the land on which our owned plants operate, limiting asset retirement obligations at our owned chemical facilities. However, we have various legal requirements related to operations at our chemical facilities mainly for the disposal of wastewater generated at certain of these facilities. At December 31, 2020 and 2019, our accrued liability for AROs was \$100,000. However, the facilities and some of the water related assets have an indeterminate life and as a result there is insufficient information to estimate the fair value for certain of our AROs. We will continue to review these obligations and record a liability when a reasonable estimate of the fair value can be made.

## 6. Long-Term Debt

	December 31,				
		2020		2019	
		(In Tho	usands)		
Working Capital Revolver Loan, with a current interest rate of 3.75% (A)	\$	_	\$	_	
Senior Secured Notes due 2023 (B)		435,000		435,000	
Secured Promissory Note due 2021, with an interest rate of 5.25% (C)		1,221		4,746	
Unsecured Loan Agreement due 2022, with an interest rate of 1.00% (D)		10,000			
Secured Financing due 2023, with an interest rate of 8.32% (E)		10,715		13,476	
Secured Loan Agreement due 2025, with an interest rate of 8.75% (F)		6,834		5,219	
Secured Financing due 2025, with an interest rate of 8.75% (G)		28,636		_	
Secured Promissory Note due 2023 (G)		_		12,705	
Other		432		159	
Unamortized discount, net of premium and debt issuance					
costs		(8,648)		(12,261)	
		484,190		459,044	
Less current portion of long-term debt (H)		16,801		9,410	
Long-term debt due after one year, net (H)	\$	467,389	\$	449,634	

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

## 6. Long-Term Debt (continued)

(A) Our revolving credit facility, as amended (the "Working Capital Revolver Loan"), provides for advances up to \$65 million (the "Maximum Revolver Amount"), based on specific percentages of eligible accounts receivable and inventories and up to \$10 million of letters of credit, the outstanding amount of which reduces the available for borrowing under the Working Capital Revolver Loan. At December 31, 2020, our available borrowings under our Working Capital Revolver Loan were approximately \$41.8 million, based on our eligible collateral, less outstanding letters of credit and loan balance. The maturity date of the Working Capital Revolver Loan is on the earlier of (i) the date that is 90 days prior to the earliest stated maturity date of the Senior Secured Notes (unless refinanced or repaid) and (ii) February 26, 2024. Subject to certain conditions and subject to lender approval, the Maximum Revolver Amount may increase up to an additional \$10 million, less the outstanding aggregate principal amount of the unforgiven portion (as defined in the agreement) of the PPP loan discussed below within footnote (D). The Working Capital Revolver Loan also provides for a springing financial covenant (the "Financial Covenant"), which requires that, if the borrowing availability is less than 10.0% of the total revolver commitments, then the borrowers must maintain a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio of not less than 1.00 to 1.00. The Financial Covenant, if triggered, is tested monthly.

Interest accrues on outstanding borrowings under the Working Capital Revolver Loan at a rate equal to, at our election, either (a) LIBOR for an interest period selected by us plus an applicable margin equal to 1.50% per annum or 1.75% per annum, depending on borrowing availability under the Working Capital Revolver Loan, or (b) Wells Fargo Capital Finance's prime rate plus an applicable margin equal to 0.50% per annum or 0.75% per annum, depending on borrowing availability under the Working Capital Revolver Loan. Interest is paid quarterly, if applicable.

The Working Capital Revolver Loan contains customary covenants including limitations on asset sales, liens, debt incurrence, restricted payments, investments, dividends and transactions with affiliates.

The Working Capital Revolver Loan includes customary events of default. Upon the occurrence of any event of default, the obligations under the Working Capital Revolver Loan may be accelerated and the revolver commitments may be terminated.

Obligations under the Working Capital Revolver Loan are secured by a first priority security interest in substantially all of our current assets, including accounts receivable and inventory, subject to certain customary exceptions.

**(B)** On April 25, 2018, LSB completed the issuance and sale of \$400 million aggregate principal amount of its 9.625% Senior Secured Notes due 2023 (the "Notes"). The Notes were issued pursuant to an indenture, dated as of April 25, 2018 (the "Indenture"), by and among LSB, the subsidiary guarantors named therein, and Wilmington Trust, National Association, a national banking association, as trustee and collateral agent (the "Notes Trustee"). The Notes were issued at a price equal to 99.509% of their face value.

On June 21, 2019, LSB completed the issuance and sale of \$35 million aggregate principal amount of its 9.625% Senior Secured Notes due 2023 (the "New Notes"). The New Notes were issued pursuant to the Indenture (the Notes together with the New Notes, the "Senior Secured Notes"). The New Notes were issued at a price equal to 102.125% of their face value, plus accrued interest from May 1, 2019 to June 21, 2019.

The Senior Secured Notes will mature on May 1, 2023 and rank senior in right of payment to all of our debt that is expressly subordinated in right of payment to the notes and will rank pari passu in right of payment with all of our liabilities that are not so subordinated, including the Working Capital Revolver Loan. LSB's obligations under the Senior Secured Notes are jointly and severally guaranteed by the subsidiary guarantors named in the Indenture on a senior secured basis.

Interest on the Senior Secured Notes accrues at a rate of 9.625% per annum and is payable semi-annually in arrears on May 1 and November 1 of each year.

LSB may redeem the Senior Secured Notes at its option, in whole or in part, subject to the payment of a premium of 3.609% of the principal amount so redeemed, in the case of any optional redemption prior to May 1, 2022. If LSB experiences a change of control, it must offer to purchase the notes at 101% of their principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to but excluding the date of purchase.

The Indenture contains covenants that limit, among other things, LSB and certain of its subsidiaries' ability to (1) incur additional indebtedness; (2) declare or pay dividends, redeem stock or make other distributions to stockholders; (3) make other restricted payments, including investments; (4) create dividend and other payment restrictions affecting its subsidiaries; (5) create liens or use assets as security in other transactions; (6) merge or consolidate, or sell, transfer, lease or dispose of all or substantially all of our assets; and (7) enter into transactions with affiliates. Further, during any such time when the Senior Secured Notes are rated investment grade by each of Moody's Investors Service, Inc. and Standard & Poor's Investors Ratings Services and no Default (as defined in the Indenture) has occurred and is continuing, certain of the covenants will be suspended with respect to the Senior Secured Notes.

# Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

# 6. Long-Term Debt (continued)

The Indenture provides for customary events of default (subject in certain cases to customary grace and cure periods), which include nonpayment, breach of covenants in the Indenture, payment defaults or acceleration of other indebtedness, a failure to pay certain judgments and certain events of bankruptcy and insolvency.

Obligations in respect of the Senior Secured Notes are secured by a first priority security interest in substantially all of our fixed assets, subject to certain customary exceptions.

As it relates to the issuance of the Notes in April 2018, a portion of the net proceeds from the Notes were used to purchase/redeem the \$375 million aggregate principal amount of senior secured notes scheduled to mature in 2019. A portion of the 2018 transaction was accounted for as an extinguishment of debt and a portion was accounted for as a non-substantial debt modification. As a result, approximately \$0.9 million of fees were expensed, as incurred, and are included in interest expense in 2018. In addition, we recognized a loss on extinguishment of debt of approximately \$6.0 million in 2018, primarily consisting of a portion of the redemption premiums paid and the expensing of a portion of debt issuance costs associated with the senior secured notes.

- **(C)** El Dorado Chemical Company ("EDC"), one of our subsidiaries, is party to a secured promissory note due in March 2021. Principal and interest are payable in monthly installments.
- **(D)** In April 2020, LSB entered into a federally guaranteed loan agreement ("PPP loan") for \$10 million with a lender pursuant to a new loan program through the U.S. Small Business Administration ("SBA") as the result of the Paycheck Protection Program ("PPP") established by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security ("CARES") Act and amended by the Paycheck Protection Program Flexibility Act of 2020. We applied ASC 470, *Debt*, to account for the PPP loan. We have used all or substantially all of the proceeds from the PPP loan for payroll, rent, utilities, and other specified costs that qualify for loan forgiveness. Under the current terms of the PPP loan, loan forgiveness applications are due within 10 months after the end of the loan forgiveness covered period, which period began on the date the PPP loan was disbursed and ends either 8-weeks or 24-weeks after disbursement of the loan. Once the SBA notifies the lender the amount of the loan which has been approved for forgiveness, the lender will determine the date that the equal monthly principal and interest payments will begin for the remaining loan balance, if any. Currently, the loan matures in April 2022, which term may be extended to April 2025 if mutually agreed to by the parties. As for the potential loan forgiveness, once the PPP loan is, wholly or partially, forgiven and a legal release is received, the liability would be reduced by the amount forgiven and a gain on extinguishment would be recorded.
- **(E)** During 2019, EDC entered into a secured financing arrangement with an affiliate of LSB Funding L.L.C. ("LSB Funding"). Principal and interest are payable in 48 equal monthly installments with a final balloon payment of approximately \$3 million due in June 2023. A portion of the proceeds from this secured financing arrangement was used to pay off a secured promissory note that was scheduled to mature in 2019.
- **(F)** During 2019, EDC entered into an interim secured loan agreement with an affiliate of LSB Funding, which provided for available borrowings (the "Interim Loan") during the construction of certain equipment (the "Interim Loan Period"), subject to certain conditions. During the Interim Loan Period, interest only was payable in monthly installments. Effective February 28, 2020, the Interim Loan Period ended, and the Interim Loan was replaced by a secured loan agreement due in March 2025. Under the terms of the loan, principal and interest will be payable in 60 equal monthly installments.
- (G) In August 2020, El Dorado Ammonia L.L.C. ("EDA"), one of our subsidiaries, entered into a \$30 million secured financing arrangement with an affiliate of LSB Funding. Beginning in September 2020, principal and interest are payable in 60 equal monthly installments with a final balloon payment of approximately \$5 million due in August 2025. This financing arrangement is secured by an ammonia storage tank and is guaranteed by LSB. A portion of the proceeds from this secured financing arrangement was used to pay off the Secured Promissory Note that was scheduled to mature in May 2023.

# Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

# 6. Long-Term Debt (continued)

(H) Maturities of long-term debt for each of the five years after December 31, 2020 are as follows (in thousands):

2021	\$ 16,893
2022	12,641
2023	446,291
2024	7,427
2025	9,586
Thereafter	_
Less: Discount, net of premium, and debt issuance costs	8,648
	\$ 484,190

# 7. Income Taxes

The CARES Act, which was signed into law on March 27, 2020, provides relief to corporate taxpayers by permitting a five-year carryback of 2018-2020 net operating losses ("NOLs"), removing the 80% limitation on the carryback of those NOLs, increasing the Section 163(j) 30% limitation on interest expense deductibility to 50% of adjusted taxable income for 2019 and 2020, and accelerates refunds for minimum tax credit carryforwards, along with other provisions. During 2020, no material adjustments were required to the income tax benefit as a result of the enactment of the CARES Act.

Provision (benefit) for income taxes are as follows:

	2020 2019 (In Thousands)			2018		
Current:			(1	ii Tiiousaiius)		
Federal	\$	(4)	\$	_	\$	11
State		33		(29)		(96)
Total Current	\$	29	\$	(29)	\$	(85)
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Deferred:						
Federal	\$	(4,631)	\$	(14,739)	\$	1,415
State		(147)		(6,156)		410
Total Deferred	\$	(4,778)	\$	(20,895)	\$	1,825
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	\$	(4,749)	\$	(20,924)	\$	1,740

The current provision for federal income taxes shown above includes regular federal income tax after the consideration of permanent and temporary differences between income for GAAP and tax purposes. The current benefit for state income taxes includes regular state income tax and provisions for uncertain income tax positions, and other similar adjustments.

The deferred tax provision (benefit) results from the recognition of changes in our prior year deferred tax assets and liabilities, and the utilization of state NOL carryforwards and other temporary differences. We reduce income tax expense for tax credits in the year they arise and are earned. At December 31, 2020, our gross amount of tax credits available to offset state income taxes was not material. Most of these tax credits do not expire and carryforward indefinitely. The gross amount of federal tax credits was \$8.1 million. These credits carryforward for 20 years and begin expiring in 2034.

# 7. Income Taxes (continued)

In 2018, we utilized approximately \$3.4 million, which includes the impact of changes in tax law, of state NOL carryforwards to reduce tax liabilities (minimal in 2020 and 2019). At December 31, 2020, we have remaining federal and state tax NOL carryforwards of \$629.3 million and \$794.4 million, respectively. The federal NOL carryforwards begin expiring in 2033 and the state NOL carryforwards began expiring in 2020.

We considered both positive and negative evidence in our determination of the need for valuation allowances for the deferred tax assets associated with federal and state NOLs and federal credits and in conjunction with the IRC Section 382 limitation. Information evaluated includes our financial position and results of operations for the current and preceding years, the availability of deferred tax liabilities and tax carrybacks, as well as an evaluation of currently available information about future years. In the second quarter of 2018, we established a valuation allowance on a portion of our federal deferred tax assets. Valuation allowances are reflective of our quarterly analysis of the four sources of taxable income, including the calculation of the reversal of existing tax assets and liabilities, the impact of annual utilization limitations of interest expense and net operating losses and our results of operations. Based on our analysis, we believe that it is more-likely-than-not that a portion of our federal deferred tax assets will not be able to be utilized. In addition, we believe that it is more-likely-than-not that a portion of our state deferred tax assets will not be able to be utilized. Information relating to our valuation allowance are included in the two tables below. In 2018, the provision for income taxes includes a reversal of approximately \$2.3 million of valuation allowance related to tax law changes in 2018.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities include temporary differences and carryforwards as follows:

	December 31,						
	 2020		2019				
	(In Tho	ısand	s)				
Deferred compensation	\$ 2,106	\$	2,073				
Other accrued liabilities	2,142		1,051				
Right-of-use-assets	6,471		3,774				
Interest expense carryforward	36,165		23,164				
Net operating loss	170,362		163,750				
Other	10,255		11,220				
Less valuation allowance on deferred tax assets	(64,655)		(51,589)				
Total deferred tax assets	\$ 162,846	\$	153,443				
Property, plant and equipment	(183,335)		(182,572)				
Lease liability	(6,508)		(3,809)				
Prepaid and other insurance reserves	(3,942)		(2,779)				
Total deferred tax liabilities	\$ (193,785)	\$	(189,160)				
Net deferred tax liabilities	\$ (30,939)	\$	(35,717)				

All of our loss before taxes relates to domestic operations. Detailed below are the differences between the amount of the provision (benefit) for income taxes and the amount which would result from the application of the federal statutory rate to "Loss before provision (benefit) for income taxes."

	 2020 2019			2018		
Benefit for income taxes at federal statutory rate	\$ (13,999)	\$	(17,712)	\$	(14,802)	
State current and deferred income tax benefit	(5,094)		(5,282)		(4,089)	
Valuation allowance - Federal	8,758		2,739		14,604	
Valuation allowance - State	4,308		2,961		4,112	
State tax law changes	(660)		(4,388)		_	
Other	1,938		758		1,915	
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	\$ (4,749)	\$	(20,924)	\$	1,740	

# 7. Income Taxes (continued)

A reconciliation of the beginning and ending amount of uncertain tax positions is as follows:

	2020		:	2019	2018
			(In T	housands)	
Balance at beginning of year	\$	519	\$	577	\$ 618
Additions based on tax positions related to the current year		_		_	_
Reductions for tax positions of prior years		(55)		(58)	(41)
Balance at end of year	\$	464	\$	519	\$ 577

We expect that the amount of unrecognized tax benefits may change as the result of ongoing operations, the outcomes of audits, and the expiration of statute of limitations. This change is not expected to have a significant effect on our results of operations or financial condition. For 2020, 2019, and 2018, if recognized, the effect on the effective tax rate from unrecognized tax benefits would be insignificant.

We record interest related to unrecognized tax positions in interest expense and penalties in operating other expense. For 2020, 2019 and 2018, the amounts for interest and penalties associated with unrecognized tax benefits were minimal. In addition, the amounts accrued for interest and penalties were minimal at December 31, 2020 and 2019.

LSB and certain of its subsidiaries file income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction and various state jurisdictions. With few exceptions, the 2016-2020 years remain open for all purposes of examination by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") and other major tax jurisdictions. During 2018, the IRS concluded their examination of our 2015 tax return and there are no changes to our financial position, results of operations or cash flow resulting from the audit.

### 8. Commitments and Contingencies

Purchase and Sales Commitments – We have the following significant purchase and sales commitments.

UAN supply agreement – The Pryor Chemical Company ("PCC") is party to an agreement with CVR. CVR has the exclusive right (but not the obligation) to purchase all the tons of UAN that are produced by PCC with certain limitations. If CVR fails to take delivery of certain tons, PCC pursuant to the terms of the agreement may immediately sell such unpurchased product to a third-party without restriction. The current term of the agreement expires in June 2021, but includes automatic renewals for one or more additional one-year terms unless terminated by either party. However, CVR may unilaterally terminate the agreement upon 180 days' advance written notice of termination to PCC; provided, however, that each party's rights and obligations pertaining to UAN that CVR committed to purchase before such advance notice will survive termination. Additionally, PCC can terminate the agreement upon 90 days' advance written notice of termination to CVR; provided, however, that each party's rights and obligations pertaining to UAN that PCC committed to sell prior to such advance notice will survive termination.

Ammonia supply agreement – EDC is party to an agreement, as amended, with Koch Fertilizer under which Koch Fertilizer agrees to purchase, with minimum purchase requirements, the ammonia that (a) will be produced at the El Dorado Facility and (b) a portion that is in excess of EDC's needs as defined. As amended, the term of the agreement expires in June 2022 but automatically continues for one or more additional one-year terms unless terminated by either party by delivering a notice of termination at least nine months prior to the end of term in effect.

Nitric acid supply agreement – EDC is party to an agreement with a customer to supply nitric acid. Under the agreement, EDC agreed to supply between 70,000 to 100,000 tons of nitric acid annually. The initial contract term began in 2021 and extends through 2027 but includes automatic one-year renewal terms unless terminated by either party in writing 180 days before the current contract expiration date.

Natural Gas Purchase and Other Commitments – Certain of our subsidiaries are parties to contracts to purchase natural gas for anticipated production needs at certain of our facilities. Since these contracts are considered normal purchases because they provide for the purchase of natural gas that will be delivered in quantities expected to be used over a reasonable period of time in the normal course of business and are documented as such, these contracts are exempt from the accounting and reporting requirements relating to derivatives. At December 31, 2020, these natural gas contracts, which qualify as normal purchases under GAAP and thus are not mark-to-market, included volume purchase commitments of approximately 3.8 million MMBtus of natural gas. These contracts extend through March 2021 at a weighted-average cost of \$2.80 per MMBtu (\$10.6 million) and a weighted-average market value of \$2.36 per MMBtu (\$9.0 million).

In addition, we had standby letters of credit outstanding of approximately \$2.5 million at December 31, 2020.

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# 8. Commitments and Contingencies (continued)

**Wastewater Pipeline Operating Agreement** – EDC is party to an operating agreement for the right to use a pipeline to dispose its wastewater. EDC is contractually obligated to pay a portion of the operating costs of the pipeline, which portion is estimated to be \$100,000 to \$150,000 annually. The initial term of the operating agreement is through December 2053.

**Performance and Payment Bonds** – We are contingently liable to sureties in respect of certain insurance bonds issued by the sureties in connection with certain contracts entered into by certain subsidiaries in the normal course of business. These insurance bonds primarily represent guarantees of future performance of our subsidiaries. As of December 31, 2020, we have agreed to indemnify the sureties for payments, up to \$10 million, made by them in respect of such bonds. All of these insurance bonds are expected to expire or be renewed in 2021.

**Employment and Severance Agreements** - We have employment and severance agreements with several of our officers. The agreements, as amended, provide for annual base salaries, bonuses and other benefits commonly found in such agreements. In the event of termination of employment due to a change in control (as defined in the agreements), the agreements provide for payments aggregating \$8.6 million at December 31, 2020. Also see Note 14-Related Party Transactions.

# **Settlements of Gain Contingencies**

During 2020, EDC and certain vendors mediated settlements for EDC to recover certain costs associated with a nitric acid plant at our El Dorado Facility. The construction of this plant was completed, and the plant began production in 2016. As a result of the settlements, the vendors paid EDC \$4.3 million, provided parts totaling \$0.3 million and have agreed to provide services and parts totaling \$2.5 million, which amount, or portion thereof, may be paid in cash at the option of the vendors (amount included in noncurrent accounts receivable, which is classified as a noncurrent other asset at December 31, 2020). As part of the settlements, EDC paid the vendors \$2.7 million to settle \$3.2 million of invoices that were held in our accounts payable. As a result, the recovery from these settlements recognized during 2020 includes approximately \$5.7 million classified as a reduction to cost of sales and approximately \$1.9 million classified as a reduction to PP&E.

During 2018, we and a vendor mediated a settlement relating primarily to a business interruption claim caused by defective work performed by the vendor at our Pryor Facility. As a result of the settlement, the vendor paid us \$4.0 million. As part of the settlement, we paid the vendor \$0.5 million to settle \$1.1 million of invoices that were held in our accounts payable. As a result, we recognized during 2018 a recovery from this settlement totaling \$4.6 million of which \$4.4 million was classified as a reduction to cost of sales and the remaining balance of \$0.2 million classified as a reduction to PP&E.

**Legal Matters** - Following is a summary of certain legal matters involving the Company:

#### A. Environmental Matters

Our facilities and operations are subject to numerous federal, state and local environmental laws and to other laws regarding health and safety matters (collectively, the "Environmental and Health Laws"), many of which provide for certain performance obligations, substantial fines and criminal sanctions for violations. Certain Environmental and Health Laws impose strict liability as well as joint and several liability for costs required to remediate and restore sites where hazardous substances, hydrocarbons or solid wastes have been stored or released. We may be required to remediate contaminated properties currently or formerly owned or operated by us or facilities of third parties that received waste generated by our operations regardless of whether such contamination resulted from the conduct of others or from consequences of our own actions that were in compliance with all applicable laws at the time those actions were taken.

In addition, claims for damages to persons or property, including natural resources, may result from the environmental, health and safety effects of our operations.

There can be no assurance that we will not incur material costs or liabilities in complying with such laws or in paying fines or penalties for violation of such laws. Our insurance may not cover all environmental risks and costs or may not provide sufficient coverage if an environmental claim is made against us. The Environmental and Health Laws and related enforcement policies have in the past resulted, and could in the future result, in significant compliance expenses, cleanup costs (for our sites or third-party sites where our wastes were disposed of), penalties or other liabilities relating to the handling, manufacture, use, emission, discharge or disposal of hazardous or toxic materials at or from our facilities or the use or disposal of certain of its chemical products. Further, a number of our facilities are dependent on environmental permits to operate, the loss or modification of which could have a material adverse effect on their operations and our financial condition.

Historically, significant capital expenditures have been incurred by our subsidiaries in order to comply with the Environmental and Health Laws, and significant capital expenditures are expected to be incurred in the future. We will also be obligated to manage certain discharge water outlets and monitor groundwater contaminants at our facilities should we discontinue the operations of a facility.

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# 8. Commitments and Contingencies (continued)

As of December 31, 2020, our accrued liabilities for environmental matters totaled \$468,000 relating primarily to the matters discussed below. Estimates of the most likely costs for our environmental matters are generally based on preliminary or completed assessment studies, preliminary results of studies, or our experience with other similar matters. It is reasonably possible that a change in the estimate of our liability could occur in the near term. Also, see discussion in Note 5 – Asset Retirement Obligations.

# 1. Discharge Water Matters

Each of our manufacturing facilities generates process wastewater, which may include cooling tower and boiler water quality control streams, contact storm water and miscellaneous spills and leaks from process equipment. The process water discharge, storm-water runoff and miscellaneous spills and leaks are governed by various permits generally issued by the respective state environmental agencies as authorized and overseen by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. These permits limit the type and amount of effluents that can be discharged and control the method of such discharge.

In October 2017, PCC filed a Permit Renewal Application for its Non-Hazardous Injection Well Permit at the Pryor Facility. Although the Injection Well Permit expired in 2018, PCC continues to operate the injection well pending the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality ("ODEQ") action on the Permit Renewal Application. PCC and ODEQ are engaged in ongoing discussions related to the renewal of the injection well to address the wastewater stream.

Our El Dorado Facility is subject to a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("NPDES") permit issued by the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality ("ADEQ") in 2004. In 2010, the ADEQ issued a draft NPDES permit renewal for the El Dorado Facility, which contained more restrictive discharge limits than the previous 2004 permit. In August 2017, ADEQ issued a final NPDES permit with new dissolved mineral limits. EDC filed an appeal in September 2017 and a Permit Appeal Resolution ("PAR") was signed in July 2018. EDC is in compliance with the revised permit limits agreed upon in the PAR.

In November 2006, the El Dorado Facility entered into a Consent Administrative Order ("CAO") that recognizes the presence of nitrate contamination in the shallow groundwater. The CAO required EDC to perform semi-annual groundwater monitoring, continue operation of a groundwater recovery system, submit a human health and ecological risk assessment, and submit a remedial action plan.

The risk assessment was submitted in August 2007. In February 2015, the ADEQ stated that El Dorado Chemical was meeting the requirements of the CAO and should continue semi-annual monitoring. Subsequent to the PAR mentioned previously, a new CAO was signed in October 2018, which required an Evaluation Report of the data and effectiveness of the groundwater remedy for nitrate contamination. In February 2019, the Evaluation Report was submitted to the ADEQ and the ADEQ approved the report in August 2019. No liability has been established at December 31, 2020, in connection with this ADEQ matter.

# 2. Other Environmental Matters

In 2002, certain of our subsidiaries sold substantially all of their operating assets relating to a Kansas chemical facility (the "Hallowell Facility") but retained ownership of the real property where the facility is located. Our subsidiary retained the obligation to be responsible for, and perform the activities under, a previously executed consent order to investigate the surface and subsurface contamination at the real property, develop a corrective action strategy based on the investigation, and implement such strategy. In addition, certain of our subsidiaries agreed to indemnify the buyer of such assets for these environmental matters.

As the successor to a prior owner of the Hallowell Facility, Chevron Environmental Management Company ("Chevron") has agreed in writing, within certain limitations, to pay and has been paying one-half of the costs of the investigation and interim measures relating to this matter as approved by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (the "KDHE"), subject to reallocation.

During this process, our subsidiary and Chevron retained an environmental consultant that prepared and performed a corrective action study work plan as to the appropriate method to remediate the Hallowell Facility. During 2020, the KDHE selected a remedy of annual monitoring and the implementation of an Environmental Use Control ("EUC"). This remedy primarily relates to long-term surface and groundwater monitoring to track the natural decline in contamination and is subject to a 5-year re-evaluation with the KDHE.

The final remedy, including the EUC, the finalization of the cost estimates and any required financial assurances remains under discussion with the KDHE, but continues to be delayed due to the impact from the COVID-19 pandemic. Pending the results from our discussions regarding the final remedy, we continue to accrue our allocable portion of costs primarily for the additional testing, monitoring and risk assessments that could be reasonably estimated, which amount is included in our accrued liabilities for environmental matters discussed above.

The estimated amount is not discounted to its present value. As more information becomes available, our estimated accrual will be refined, as necessary.

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#### 8. Commitments and Contingencies (continued)

# B. Other Pending, Threatened or Settled Litigation

In 2013, an explosion and fire occurred at the West Fertilizer Co. ("West Fertilizer") located in West, Texas, causing death, bodily injury and substantial property damage. West Fertilizer is not owned or controlled by us, but West Fertilizer was a customer of EDC, and purchased AN from EDC from time to time. LSB and EDC received letters from counsel purporting to represent subrogated insurance carriers, personal injury claimants and persons who suffered property damages informing LSB and EDC that their clients are conducting investigations into the cause of the explosion and fire to determine, among other things, whether AN manufactured by EDC and supplied to West Fertilizer was stored at West Fertilizer at the time of the explosion and, if so, whether such AN may have been one of the contributing factors of the explosion. Initial lawsuits filed named West Fertilizer and another supplier of AN as defendants.

In 2014, EDC and LSB were named as defendants, together with other AN manufacturers and brokers that arranged the transport and delivery of AN to West Fertilizer, in the case styled *City of West, Texas vs. CF Industries, Inc., et al.*, in the District Court of McLennan County, Texas. The plaintiffs allege, among other things, that LSB and EDC were negligent in the production and marketing of fertilizer products sold to West Fertilizer, resulting in death, personal injury and property damage. EDC retained a firm specializing in cause and origin investigations with particular experience with fertilizer facilities, to assist EDC in its own investigation. LSB and EDC placed its liability insurance carrier on notice, and the carrier is handling the defense for LSB and EDC concerning this matter.

Our product liability insurance policies have aggregate limits of general liability totaling \$100 million, with a self-insured retention of \$250,000, which retention limit has been met relating to the West Fertilizer matter. In August 2015, the trial court dismissed plaintiff's negligence claims against us, and EDC based on a duty to inspect but allowed the plaintiffs to proceed on claims for design defect and failure to warn.

Subsequently, we and EDC have entered into confidential settlement agreements (with approval of our insurance carriers) with several plaintiffs that had claimed wrongful death and bodily injury and insurance companies asserting subrogation claims for damages from the explosion. While these settlements resolve the claims of a number of the claimants in this matter, we continue to be party to litigation related to the explosion. We continue to defend these lawsuits vigorously and we are unable to estimate a possible range of loss at this time if there is an adverse outcome in this matter. As of December 31, 2020, no liability reserve has been established in connection with this matter.

In 2015, we and EDA received formal written notice from Global Industrial, Inc. ("Global") of Global's intention to assert mechanic liens for labor, service, or materials furnished under certain subcontract agreements for the improvement of the new ammonia plant ("Ammonia Plant") at our El Dorado Facility. Global was a subcontractor of Leidos Constructors, LLC ("Leidos"), the general contractor for EDA for the construction for the Ammonia Plant. Leidos terminated the services of Global with respect to their work performed at our El Dorado Facility.

LSB and EDA are pursuing the recovery of any damage or loss caused by Global's work performed through their contract with Leidos at our El Dorado Facility. In March 2016, EDC and LSB were served a summons in a case styled *Global Industrial*, *Inc. d/b/a Global Turnaround vs. Leidos Constructors*, *LLC et al.*, in the Circuit court of Union County, Arkansas, wherein Global sought damages under breach of contract and other claims. At the time of the summons, our accounts payable included invoices totaling approximately \$3.5 million related to the claims asserted by Global but such invoices were not approved by Leidos for payment. We have requested indemnification from Leidos under the terms of our contracts, which they have denied. As a result, we are seeking reimbursement of legal expenses from Leidos under our contracts. We also seek damages from Leidos for their wrongdoing during the expansion, including breach of contract, fraud, professional negligence, and gross negligence.

On September 25, 2018, the Court bifurcated the case into: (1) Global's claims against Leidos and LSB, and (2) the cross-claims between Leidos and LSB. Part (1) of the case was tried in the Court during the fall of 2018 and the Court rendered an interim judgment in March 2020 and issued its final judgment on April 23, 2020. In summary, the judgment awarded Global (i) approximately \$7.4 million (amount includes the \$3.5 million discussed above) for labor, service, and materials furnished relating to the Ammonia Plant, (ii) approximately \$1.3 million for prejudgment interest, and (iii) a claim of lien on certain property and the foreclosure of the lien to satisfy these obligations. In addition, post-judgment interest will accrue at the annual rate of 4.25% until paid. As a result of the judgment, we accounted for the following:

- accrued an additional \$3.9 million in accounts payable, which offset amount was capitalized as PP&E, since such costs directly related to the
  construction of the Ammonia Plant;
- recognized additional depreciation expense of \$0.5 million associated with the amount above capitalized to PP&E, which offset amount was a credit to PP&E (accumulated depreciation);
- accrued prejudgment and post-judgment interest totaling \$1.6 million in accrued interest, which offset amount was classified as interest expense.

We have filed a notice of intent to appeal and the Court entered a stay of the judgment pending appeal.

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# 8. Commitments and Contingencies (continued)

LSB intends to vigorously prosecute its claims against Leidos and vigorously contest the cross-claims in Part (2) of the matter. Due to the impact from the COVID-19 pandemic, the Trial date for Part (2) of the matter has been delayed and we are awaiting a new trial date.

No liability was established at December 31, 2020 or 2019, in connection with the cross-claims in Part (2) of the matter, except for certain invoices held in accounts payable.

We are also involved in various other claims and legal actions (including matters involving gain contingencies). It is possible that the actual future development of claims could be different from our estimates but, after consultation with legal counsel, we believe that changes in our estimates will not have a material effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

# 9. Derivatives, Hedges and Financial Instruments

For the periods presented, the following significant instruments are accounted for on a fair value basis:

#### **Natural Gas Contracts**

During 2020, we entered into certain forward natural gas contracts ("natural gas contracts"), which are accounted for on a mark-to-market basis. We are utilizing these natural gas contracts as economic hedges for risk management purposes, but these contracts are not designated as hedging instruments. At December 31, 2020, our natural gas contracts included 7.3 million MMBtu of natural gas and extend through December 2021 (there were none at December 31, 2019). The valuations of the natural gas contracts are classified as Level 2. At December 31, 2020, the valuation inputs included the contractual weighted-average cost of \$2.65 per MMBtu and the weighted-average market value of \$2.49 per MMBtu.

For 2020, we recognized a \$1.6 million loss (none for 2019 or 2018), classified as cost of sales, which amount includes an unrealized loss of \$1.2 million attributed to natural gas contracts still held at the reporting date.

# **Embedded Derivative**

As discussed in Note 10, certain embedded features ("embedded derivative") relating to the redemption of the Series E Redeemable Preferred, which includes certain contingent redemption features and the participation rights value have been bifurcated from the Series E Redeemable Preferred and recorded as a liability.

At December 31, 2020 and 2019, we had estimated that the contingent redemption features had fair value since we had assessed that it was probable that a portion of the shares of this preferred stock would have been redeemed prior to October 25, 2023. For certain other embedded features, we had estimated no fair value.

The fair value of the embedded derivative included using discounted cash flow models and primarily based on the difference in the present value of estimated future cash flows with no redemptions prior to October 25, 2023 compared to certain redemptions deemed probable during the same period and applying the effective dividend rate of the Series E Redeemable Preferred.

At December 31, 2020 and 2019, the fair value of the embedded derivative included the valuation of the participation rights, which was based on the equivalent of 303,646 shares of our common stock at \$3.39 and \$4.20 per share, respectively.

The valuations of the embedded derivative are classified as Level 3. This derivative is valued using market information, management's redemption assumptions, the underlying number of shares as defined in the terms of the Series E Redeemable Preferred, and the market price of our common stock.

# 9. Derivatives, Hedges and Financial Instruments (continued)

For 2020, 2019 and 2018, we recognized unrealized gains of approximately \$0.1 million, \$0.5 million and \$1.2 million, respectively, due to the change in fair value of the embedded derivative. These unrealized gains are included in non-operating other income and expense.

The following details our assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis at December 31, 2020 and 2019:

				Fai De												
Description	П	Total Fair Value at December 31, 2020		Value at December 31,		Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)		in Active Sign Markets for C Identical Obs Assets In (Level 1) (Le		in Active Markets for Identical Assets		ignificant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2) Thousands)	Un	ignificant observable Inputs evel 3) (1)	7	otal Fair Value at cember 31, 2019
Assets - Supplies, prepaid items and other:					(111	Tilousunus)										
Natural gas contracts	\$	80	\$	_	\$	80	\$	_	\$	_						
Total	\$	80	\$	_	\$	80	\$	_	\$	_						
Liabilities - Current and noncurrent accrued and																
other liabilities:																
Natural gas contracts	\$	1,285	\$	_	\$	1,285	\$	_	\$	_						
Embedded derivative	\$	1,029	\$	_	\$	_	\$	1,029	\$	1,084						
Total	\$	2,314	\$	_	\$	1,285	\$	1,029	\$	1,084						

<sup>(1)</sup> There was no Level 3 transfer activity during 2020, 2019 or 2018.

# 10. Redeemable Preferred Stocks

# Series E Redeemable Preferred

The Series E Redeemable Preferred has a 14% annual dividend rate and a participating right in dividends and liquidating distributions equal to 303,646 shares of common stock (participation rights value). Dividends accrue semi-annually in arrears and are compounded. Dividends are payable only when and if declared by our Board of Directors (the "Board").

Pursuant to the terms of the Series E Redeemable Preferred, the annual dividend rate will increase (a) by 0.50% in April 2021 (b) by an additional 0.50% in April 2022 and (c) by an additional 1.0% in April 2023.

Additionally, we must declare a dividend on the Series E Redeemable Preferred on a pro rata basis with the common stock. As long as LSB Funding holds at least 10% of the Series E Redeemable Preferred, we may only declare dividends on Junior Stock unless and until dividends have been declared and paid on the Series E Redeemable Preferred for the then current dividend period in cash. The Series E Redeemable Preferred has a liquidation preference per share of \$1,000 plus accrued and unpaid dividends plus the participation rights value (the "Liquidation Preference"). The participation rights value is the product of the pro rata number of Series E Redeemable Preferred shares being redeemed and the price of our common stock as of such date.

During 2018, in connection with the issuance and sale of the Notes as discussed in Note 6, we entered into a letter agreement with the holder of our Series E Redeemable Preferred. The letter agreement extended the date upon which the holder of the Series E Redeemable Preferred has the right to elect to redeem the Series E Redeemable Preferred shares from August 2, 2019 to October 25, 2023. The letter agreement also provided for the amendment of certain other terms relating to the Series E Redeemable Preferred, including an increase in the per annum dividend rate payable in respect of the Series E Redeemable Preferred as described above. To reflect the changes stated in the letter agreement, we subsequently entered into a securities exchange agreement by and between LSB and the holder and entered into the Certificate of Designations ("COD")setting forth the rights, preferences, privileges and restrictions currently applicable to the Series E Redeemable Preferred and Series F Redeemable Preferred, as filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware (the "Series E COD" and "Series F COD"). The Series E COD authorizes 139,768 shares of Series E Redeemable Preferred, which is the number of shares outstanding at December 31, 2020 and 2019.

The transaction associated with the letter agreement was determined to be a non-substantial modification. As a result, a fee of approximately \$2.8 million paid to the holder was deferred (reducing the Series E Redeemable Preferred balance) and is periodically accreted using the interest method through October 25, 2023, the earliest possible redemption date by the holder. In addition, the letter agreement included a contingent redemption feature, which was bifurcated from the Series E Redeemable Preferred.

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# 10. Redeemable Preferred Stocks

With respect to the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of LSB, whether voluntary or involuntary, the Series E Redeemable Preferred ranks (i) senior to the common stock, the Series B 12% Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock, the Series D 6% Cumulative Convertible Class C Preferred Stock, the Series 4 Junior Participating Class C Preferred Stock and any other class or series of stock of LSB (other than Series E Redeemable Preferred) that ranks junior to the Series E Redeemable Preferred either or both as to the payment of dividends and/or as to the distribution of assets on any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation (the "Junior Stock"); (ii) on a parity with the other shares of Series E Redeemable Preferred and any other class or series of stock of LSB (other than Series E Redeemable Preferred) created after the date of the Series E COD (that specifically ranks pari passu to the Series E Redeemable Preferred) and (iii) junior to any other class or series of stock of LSB created after the date of the Series E Redeemable Preferred.

Generally, the holders of the Series E Redeemable Preferred Shares (the "Series E Holders") will not have any voting rights or powers, and consent of the Series E Holders will not be required for taking of any action by us. However, the Series E Holders' consent is required for:

- amendments to increase or decrease the authorized amount of Series E Redeemable Preferred,
- the creation or increase of any shares of any class or series of capital stock of LSB ranking pari passu with or senior to the Series E Redeemable Preferred, or
- any amendment that adversely affect the powers, preferences or special rights of the Series E Redeemable Preferred.

At any time on or after October 25, 2023, each Series E Holder has the right to elect to have such holder's shares redeemed by us at a redemption price per share equal to the Liquidation Preference of such share as of the redemption date. Additionally, we, at our option, may redeem the Series E Redeemable Preferred at any time at a redemption price per share equal to the Liquidation Preference of such share as of the redemption date. Lastly, with receipt of (i) prior consent of the electing Series E Holder or a majority of shares of Series E Redeemable Preferred and (ii) all other required approvals, including under any principal U.S. securities exchange on which our common stock is then listed for trading, we can redeem the Series E Redeemable Preferred by the issuance of shares of common stock having an aggregate common stock price equal to the amount of the aggregate Liquidation Preference of such shares being redeemed in shares of common stock in lieu of cash at the redemption date.

In the event of liquidation, the Series E Redeemable Preferred is entitled to receive its Liquidation Preference before any such distribution of assets or proceeds is made to or set aside for the holders of our common stock and any other Junior Stock. In the event of a change of control, we must make an offer to purchase all of the shares of Series E Redeemable Preferred outstanding.

The Series E Redeemable Preferred is redeemable outside of our control and is therefore classified as temporary/mezzanine equity. As a result of an analysis performed on the embedded derivatives within the Series E Redeemable Preferred, certain contingent redemption features were determined to not be clearly and closely related to the debt-like host and also did not meet any other scope exceptions for derivative accounting. Therefore, these redemption features and participation rights value are being accounted for as derivative instruments and the fair value of these derivative instruments were bifurcated from the Series E Redeemable Preferred and recorded as a liability. See discussion in Note 9.

# Series F Redeemable Preferred

The Series F COD authorizes one (1) share of Series F Redeemable Preferred.

As of December 31, 2020, the Series F Redeemable Preferred has voting rights (the "Series F Voting Rights") to vote as a single class on all matters which the common stock have the right to vote and is entitled to a number of votes equal to 456,225 shares of our common stock.

With respect to the distribution of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of LSB, whether voluntary or involuntary, the Series F Redeemable Preferred ranks (i) senior to our common stock and (ii) ranks junior to LSB's Series B 12% Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock, Series D 6% Cumulative Convertible Class C Preferred Stock, Series 4 Junior Participating Class C Preferred Stock, Series E Redeemable Preferred and any other class or series of stock of LSB after the date of the Series F COD that specifically ranks senior to the Series F Redeemable Preferred.

The Series F Redeemable Preferred will be automatically redeemed by LSB, in whole and not in part, for \$0.01 immediately following the date upon which the Series F Voting Rights have been reduced to zero.

In the event of liquidation, the Series F Redeemable Preferred is entitled to receive its liquidation preference of \$100 before any such distribution of assets or proceeds is made to or set aside for the holders of our common stock and any other stock junior to the Series F Redeemable Preferred.

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# 10. Redeemable Preferred Stocks

Changes in our Series E and Series F Redeemable Preferred are as follows:

	Series E Redee	mable	Preferred	Series F Redee	mabl	ble Preferred	
	Shares	Amount		Shares		Amount	
			(Dollars In	Thousands)			
Balance at December 31, 2019	139,768	\$	234,893	1	\$	_	
Accretion relating to liquidation preference on preferred stock	_		943	_		_	
Accretion for discount and issuance costs on							
preferred stock	_		1,083	_		_	
Accumulated dividends	_		35,182	_		_	
Balance at December 31, 2020	139,768	\$	272,101	1	\$	_	

# 11. Stockholders' Equity

**2016** Long Term Incentive Plan – During 2016, our Board adopted our 2016 Long Term Incentive Plan (the "2016 Plan"), which plan was approved by our shareholders at our annual meeting of shareholders held on June 2, 2016. The effective date of the 2016 Plan is April 19, 2016 and no awards may be granted under the 2016 Plan on and after the tenth anniversary of its effective date.

In addition, no further awards will be granted under our 2008 Incentive Stock Plan (the "2008 Plan") on or after the effective date of the 2016 Plan. Any awards that remain outstanding under the 2008 Plan will continue to be governed by the respective plan's terms and the terms of the specific award agreement, as applicable.

The maximum aggregate number of shares reserved and available for issuance under the 2016 Plan shall not exceed 2,750,000 shares plus any shares that become available for reissuance under the share counting provisions of the 2008 Plan following the effective date of the 2016 Plan, subject to adjustment as permitted under the 2016 Plan. Shares subject to any award that is canceled, forfeited, expires unexercised, settled in cash in lieu of common stock or otherwise terminated without a delivery of shares to a participant will again be available for awards under the 2016 Plan to the extent allowable by law. Under the 2016 Plan, awards may be made to employees, directors and consultants (for services rendered) of LSB or our subsidiaries subject to limitations as defined by the 2016 Plan.

The 2016 Plan is administered by the compensation committee (the "Committee") of our Board. Our Board or the Committee may amend the 2016 Plan, except that if any applicable statute, rule or regulation requires shareholder approval with respect to any amendment of the 2016 Plan, then to the extent so required, shareholder approval will be obtained. Shareholder approval will also be obtained for any amendment that would increase the number of shares stated as available for issuance under the 2016 Plan.

The following may be granted by the Committee under the 2016 Plan:

**Stock Awards, Restricted Stock, Restricted Stock Units, and Other Awards** – The Committee may grant awards of restricted stock, restricted stock units, and other stock and cash-based awards, which may include the payment of stock in lieu of cash (including cash payable under other incentive or bonus programs) or the payment of cash (which may or may not be based on the price of our common stock).

Stock Appreciation Rights ("SARs") – The Committee may grant SARs as a right in tandem with the number of shares underlying stock options granted under the 2016 Plan or on a stand-alone basis. SARs are the right to receive payment per share of the SAR exercised in stock or in cash equal to the excess of the share's fair market value, as defined in the 2016 Plan, on the date of exercise over its fair market value on the date the SAR was granted. Exercise of a SAR issued in tandem with stock options will result in the reduction of the number of shares underlying the related stock option to the extent of the SAR exercise.

**Stock Options** – The Committee may grant either incentive stock options or non-qualified stock options. The Committee sets option exercise prices and terms, except that the exercise price of a stock option may be no less than 100% of the fair market value, as defined in the 2016 Plan, of the shares on the date of grant. At the time of grant, the Committee will have sole discretion in determining when stock options are exercisable and when they expire, except that the term of a stock option cannot exceed 10 years subject to certain conditions.

# Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

# 11. Stockholders' Equity (continued)

Stock Incentive Plans - The following information relates to our long-term incentive plans:

	December	31, 2020
	2016 Plan	2008 Plan
Maximum number of securities for issuance	2,750,000	
Number of awards available to be granted (1)	1,016,951	
Number of unvested restricted stock/performance-based		
restricted stock/restricted stock units outstanding	1,169,527	_
Number of options outstanding	_	122,000
Number of options exercisable	_	122,000

(1) Includes 2008 Plan shares canceled, forfeited, expired unexercised, which became available for reissuance under the 2016 Plan after the effective date of the 2016 Plan.

**Restricted Stock and Restricted Stock Units** – During 2020, 2019, and 2018, the Committee approved various grants under the 2016 Plan of shares of restricted stock to certain executives and employees. These shares have vesting provisions including vesting at the end of each one-year period at the rate of one-third per year for three years, vesting 100% at the end of three years, and vesting 100% at the end of one year. The unvested restricted shares carry dividend and voting rights. Sales of these shares are restricted prior to the date of vesting. Pursuant to the terms of the underlying restricted stock agreements, unvested restricted shares will immediately vest upon the occurrence of a change in control (as defined by agreement), termination without cause or death.

During 2020, the Committee approved the grant of shares of restricted stock and performance based restricted stock ("PBRS") to a certain executive. These shares are reflected in the 2020 information below.

On December 31, 2019, the Committee approved the grant of 275,119 shares of performance-based restricted stock to certain executives. Key information to finalize the performance targets and range of vesting shares was approved by the Board during February 2020, which is the grant date for financial reporting purposes. The terms of this PBRS grant are discussed below and these PBRS shares are reflected in the 2020 information below.

On December 30, 2018, the Committee approved the grant of 210,602 shares of PBRS to certain executives. Key information to finalize the performance targets and range of vesting shares was approved by the Board during January 2019, which is the grant date for financial reporting purposes. The terms of this PBRS grant are discussed below and these PBRS shares are reflected in the 2019 information below.

During 2020, 2019, and 2018, the Committee approved the grant of shares of restricted stock units ("RSU") to our non-employee directors for payment of a portion of their director fees under the 2016 Plan. Each RSU represents a right to receive one share of our common stock following the grant date and are non-forfeitable. Vesting occurs upon the earliest to occur: (i) the director's separation from service, (ii) the first anniversary of the grant date (for 2020 grants), (iii) the third anniversary of the grant date (for 2019 and 2018 grants), or (iv) the occurrence of a change of control as defined by the agreement. Based on terms of the RSU agreements, the grant date fair value was recognized as stock-based compensation expense (SG&A) on the grant date in each respective year.

# 11. Stockholders' Equity (continued)

A summary of restricted stock activity during 2020 is presented below:

	Restri	cted	Stock	Perforn Restri			Restricted Stock Units				
	Shares		Weighted- Average Grant Date Fair Value	Weighted- Average Grant Date Shares Fair Value			Shares		Weighted- Average Grant Date Fair Value		
Unvested outstanding beginning of year	618,072	\$	5.42	221,439	\$	7.26	86,340	\$	6.51		
Granted	31,138	\$	2.81	306,257	\$	3.20	231,816	\$	1.10		
Vested	(283,418)	\$	4.90	_	\$	_	(18,996)	\$	9.87		
Cancelled or forfeited	(23,121)	\$	7.97	_	\$	_	_	\$	_		
Unvested outstanding end of year	342,671	\$	4.53	527,696	\$	4.90	299,160	\$	2.11		

sted outstanding end of year	342,071	Ψ 4.0		327,030	Ψ		4.50	5,100	Ψ	
				2020	)	Res	stricted Stock 2019		2018	
Shares of restricted stock granted			_		31,138		285,956		369,350	
Total fair value of restricted stock granted			\$		87,000	\$	1,223,000	\$	2,019,000	
Weighted-average fair value per restricted st	tock granted duri	ng year	\$		2.81	\$	4.28	\$	5.47	
Stock-based compensation expense - Cost o	f sales		\$	. (	62,000	\$	255,000	\$	385,000	
Stock-based compensation expense - SG&A	(1)		\$	1,0	78,000	\$	1,263,000	\$	7,574,000	
Income tax benefit			\$	(2)	79,000)	\$	(374,000)	\$	(398,000)	
Total weighted-average remaining vesting p	eriod in years				1.61		2.18		1.78	
Total fair value of restricted stock vested du	ring the year		\$	1,3	89,000	\$	3,371,000	\$	7,355,000	
				formance- estricted S			Performance-Based Restricted Stock			
				2020 (2)		2019 (2)		_		
Shares of PBRS granted				30	6,257		221,439			
Total fair value of PBRS granted			\$	98	0,000	\$	1,608,000			
Weighted-average fair value per PBRS gran	ted during year		\$		3.20	\$	7.26			
Stock-based compensation expense - Cost o	f sales		\$		_	\$	53,000			
Stock-based compensation expense - SG&A	L		\$	21	8,000	\$	290,000			
Income tax benefit			\$	(5	3,000)	\$	(84,000	)		
Total weighted-average remaining vesting p	eriod in years				1.57		1.85			
Total fair value of PBRS vested during the y	ear -		\$		_	\$	_			
				2020	)	Restri	cted Stock Units 2019		2018	
Shares of RSU granted			_	2	31,816		31,833		35,511	
Total fair value of RSU granted			\$	2	55,000	\$	187,000	\$	187,000	
Weighted-average fair value per RSU grante	0,		\$		1.10	\$	5.89	\$	5.28	
Stock-based compensation expense - SG&A			\$		55,000	\$	187,000	\$	187,000	
Income tax benefit			\$	(	63,000)	\$	(46,000)	\$	(34,000)	
Total weighted-average remaining vesting p					0.48		1.57		1.75	
Total fair value of RSU vested during the year	ar		\$	18	87,000	\$	187,000	\$	125,000	

<sup>(1)</sup> As it relates to 2018, see Note 14-Related Party Transactions.

<sup>(2)</sup> The PBRS restricted stock grants are tied to our free cash flow, fixed costs per ton of ammonia measured annually over a three-year period and modified based on our ranking relative to total stockholder return (share price appreciation plus dividends reinvested) ("TSR") versus the companies in our 2020 and 2019 peer group ("Peer Group") for the year of grant over a three-year measurement period. The actual number of shares that will vest at the end of the third year will be based on our performance against the metrics set in the awards but are subject to reduction to a minimum (or even zero) for recording less than the targeted performance. The threshold performance for free cash flow is 70% and for fixed costs per ton of ammonia is 60% of the targeted improvement with a maximum for each of 120% of target. The TSR modifier will adjust the overall actual performance up or down by as much as 25% based on our TSR versus the Peer Group average TSR. We estimate the fair value of each PBRS on the date of grant using a Monte Carlo simulation.

# 11. Stockholders' Equity (continued)

**Stock Options** – No stock options have been granted under the 2016 Plan during 2020, 2019 or 2018. As it relates to stock options granted under the 2008 plan, the exercise price of the outstanding options granted were equal to the market value of our common stock at the date of grant and vested at the end of each one-year period at the rate of 16.5% per year for the first five years and the remaining unvested options vested at the end of the sixth year. The fair value for of the stock options granted under the 2008 Plan were estimated, using an option pricing model, as of the date of the grant, which date was also the service inception date.

A summary of stock option activity in 2020 is presented below:

	2020						
	Shares		eighted-Average Exercise Price				
Outstanding at beginning of year	124,000	\$	33.86				
Granted	_	\$	_				
Exercised	_	\$	_				
Forfeited or expired	(2,000)	\$	34.50				
Outstanding at end of year	122,000	\$	33.85				
Exercisable at end of year	122,000	\$	33.85				

	2020	2019	2018
Stock-based compensation expense - Cost of sales	\$ 106,000	\$ 122,000	\$ 141,000
Stock-based compensation expense - SG&A	\$ 42,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 71,000
Income tax benefit	\$ (36,000)	\$ (42,000)	\$ (54,000)
Total intrinsic value of options exercised during the year	\$ _	\$ _	\$ _
Total fair value of options vested during the year	\$ 180,000	\$ 169,000	\$ 169,000
Total intrinsic value of options outstanding at end of year	\$ _	\$ _	\$ _
Total intrinsic value of options exercisable at end of year	\$ _	\$ _	\$ _
Total weighted-average remaining vesting period in years	_	0.49	1.05
Total weighted-average remaining contractual life period in years (options outstanding)	2.64	3.61	4.61
Total weighted-average remaining contractual life period in years (options exercisable)	2.64	3.47	4.31

**Stock-based Compensation Expense Not Yet Recognized** – At December 31, 2020, the total stock-based compensation expense not yet recognized is \$2,212,000, relating to all forms of non-vested equity awards, which we will be amortizing (subject to adjustments for actual forfeitures and performance assessments associated with the PBRS restricted stock) through the respective remaining vesting periods through December 2022.

**Reserved Shares of Common Stock** – As of December 31, 2020, we have reserved 1.6 million shares of common stock issuable upon potential conversion of preferred stocks and equity awards pursuant to their respective terms.

**NOL Rights Agreement** - On July 6, 2020, we entered into the Section 382 Rights Agreement (the "NOL Rights Agreement"), dated as of July 6, 2020, between LSB and Computershare Trust Company, N.A., as rights agent.

The purpose of the NOL Rights Agreement is to facilitate our ability to preserve our NOLs and other tax attributes in order to be able to offset potential future income taxes for federal income tax purposes. Our ability to use these NOLs and other tax attributes would be substantially limited if we experience an "ownership change," as defined in Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). A company generally experiences an ownership change if the percentage of the value of its stock owned by certain 5% shareholders, as defined in Section 382 of the Code, increases by more than 50% points over a rolling three-year period. The NOL Rights Agreement is intended to reduce the likelihood of an ownership change under Section 382 of the Code by deterring any person (as defined in the NOL Rights Agreement) or group of affiliated or associated persons ("Group") from acquiring beneficial ownership of 4.9% or more of our outstanding common shares.

The rights issued under the NOL Rights Agreement will expire on the earliest to occur of (i) the close of business on the day following the certification of the voting results of our 2021 annual meeting of stockholders, or other duly held stockholders' meeting, (ii) the date on which our Board determines in its sole discretion that (x) the NOL Rights Agreement is no longer necessary for the preservation of material valuable NOLs or tax attributes or (y) the NOLs and tax attributes have been fully utilized and may no longer be carried forward and (iii) the close of business on July 6, 2023.

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# 11. Stockholders' Equity (continued)

Our Board may, in its discretion, determine that a person, entity or a certain transaction is exempt from the operation of the NOL Rights Agreement or amend the terms of the rights.

This summary description of the NOL Rights Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Rights Agreement filed as an exhibit to our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 6, 2020.

# 12. Non-Redeemable Preferred Stock

Series Non-Redeemable B Preferred – The 20,000 shares of Series B 12% cumulative, convertible preferred stock ("Series B Preferred"), \$100 par value, are convertible, in whole or in part, into 666,666 shares of our common stock (33.3333 shares of common stock for each share of preferred stock) at any time at the option of the holder and entitle the holder to one vote per share. The Series B Preferred provides for annual cumulative dividends of 12% (\$12.00 per share) from date of issue, payable when and as declared. All of the outstanding shares of the Series B Preferred are owned by the Golsen Holders and an immediate family member.

Series Non-Redeemable D Preferred – The 1,000,000 shares of Series D 6% cumulative, convertible Class C preferred stock ("Series D Preferred") have no par value and are convertible, in whole or in part, into 250,000 shares of our common stock (1 share of common stock for 4 shares of preferred stock) at any time at the option of the holder. Dividends on the Series D Preferred are cumulative and payable annually in arrears at the rate of 6% per annum (\$0.06 per share) of the liquidation preference of \$1.00 per share. Each holder of the Series D Preferred shall be entitled to .875 votes per share. All of the outstanding shares of Series D Preferred are owned by the Golsen Holders and an immediate family member.

See discussions concerning dividends on the Series B and D Preferred in Note 14 – Related Party Transactions.

**Other** – At December 31, 2020, we are authorized to issue an additional 230,000 shares of \$100 par value preferred stock and an additional 3,860,000 shares of no-par value preferred stock. Upon issuance, our Board will determine the specific terms and conditions of such preferred stock.

# 13. Executive Benefit Agreement, Employee Savings Plans and Collective Bargaining Agreements

We are party to a death benefit agreement ("2005 Agreement") with Jack E. Golsen ("J. Golsen"), who retired as discussed in Note 14-Related Party Transactions.

The 2005 Agreement provides that, upon J. Golsen's death, we will pay to the designated beneficiary, a lump-sum payment of \$2,500,000 to be funded from the net proceeds received by us under certain life insurance policies on his life that are owned by us. We are obligated to keep in existence life insurance policies with a total face amount of no less than \$2,500,000 of the stated death benefit.

The following table includes information about this agreement:

	December 31,							
		2020		2019				
		(In Thousands)						
Total undiscounted death benefit	\$	2,500	\$	2,500				
Total accrued death benefit	\$	2,539	\$	2,564				

The accrued executive benefit under the 2005 Agreement is included in noncurrent accrued and other liabilities. We accrue for such liabilities when they become probable and discount the liabilities to their present value.

To assist us in funding the 2005 Agreement and for other business reasons, we purchased life insurance policies on various individuals in which we are the beneficiary. Some of these life insurance policies have cash surrender values that we have borrowed against. The net cash surrender values of these policies are included in other assets.

# 13. Executive Benefit Agreement, Employee Savings Plans and Collective Bargaining Agreements (continued)

The following table summarizes certain information about these life insurance policies.

		19				
Total face value of life insurance policies		\$	4,500	\$	4,500	
Total cash surrender values of life insurance policies		\$	1,796	\$	1,727	
Loans on cash surrender values			(1,703)		(1,629)	
Net cash surrender values		\$	93	\$	98	
	2	020	201 (In Thou	*	2018	
Cost of life insurance premiums	\$	215		215	\$	54
Decreases (increases) in cash surrender values		(69)		(70)		149
Net cost of life insurance premiums included in SG&A	\$	146	\$	145	\$	203

Employee Savings Plans - We sponsor a savings plan under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code under which participation is available to substantially all full-time employees. Beginning in January 2019, we began matching 50% of an employee's contribution, up to 6%, for substantially all full-time employees. Prior to 2019, we did not contribute to this plan except for certain employees. For 2020, 2019 and 2018, the amounts contributed to this plan were \$1,022,000, \$997,000, and \$243,000, respectively.

Collective Bargaining Agreements - As of December 31, 2020, we employed 573 persons, 188 of whom are represented by unions under agreements, including agreements being negotiated, that expire in July 2021 through November 2022.

# 14. Related Party Transactions

During 2020, we entered into a financing arrangement with an affiliate of LSB Funding as discussed in footnote (G) of Note 6, which transaction included debt issuance costs of approximately \$0.1 million paid to this affiliate. During 2019, we entered into two separate financing arrangements with an affiliate of LSB Funding as discussed in footnotes (E) and (F) Note 6, which transactions included debt issuance costs totaling approximately \$0.1 million paid to this affiliate. During 2019, we incurred a consent fee of approximately \$0.3 million from LSB Funding associated with the issuance of the New Notes discussed in footnote (B) of Note 6. During 2018, we sold \$50.0 million and \$0.5 million principal amount of notes to an affiliate of LSB Funding and Daniel D. Greenwell, respectively, associated with the issuance and sale of the Notes discussed in footnote (B) of Note 6. As discussed in Note 10, we paid a fee of \$2.8 million to LSB Funding relating to the letter agreement amending the terms of the Series E Redeemable Preferred. LSB Funding holds all outstanding shares of the Series E and Series F Redeemable Preferred discussed in Note 10. Pursuant to the terms of the Board Representation and Standstill Agreement, our Board includes two directors that are employees of affiliates of LSB Funding. During 2020, 2019 and 2018, we incurred director fees associated with these directors totaling approximately \$0.3 million for each respective year.

Effective December 30, 2018, Daniel D. Greenwell elected not to enter into a new employment agreement and resigned from the Board and his roles as Chairman and our Chief Executive Officer. Subject to the execution of a release agreement, which was executed in January 2019, Mr. Greenwell was entitled to certain severance benefits pursuant to the terms of his employment agreement. As a result, we incurred an expense of approximately \$2.6 million relating to these severance benefits in 2018. In addition, approximately \$2.7 million of share-based compensation was incurred in 2018 due to the accelerated vesting of 312,369 shares of restricted stock.

At December 31, 2020, accumulated dividends on the Series B and Series D Preferred totaled approximately \$1.6 million. The Series B Preferred and Series D Preferred are non-redeemable preferred stocks issued in 1986 and 2001, respectively, of which all outstanding shares are owned by the Golsen Holders and an immediate family member.

During 2020, 2019 and 2018, we incurred director fees associated with Barry H. Golsen totaling approximately \$0.1 million for each respective year.

# 14. Related Party Transactions (continued)

As the result of J. Golsen informing the Board of his election to retire as Executive Chairman effective December 31, 2017, we determined not to extend the employment agreement with J. Golsen beyond its then current term that expired on December 31, 2017 (the "Retirement Date") and, in accordance with the terms his employment agreement, delivered a notice of non-renewal to J. Golsen. Following the Retirement Date, J. Golsen serves as Chairman Emeritus of our Board.

During 2017, we entered into a transition agreement (the "Transition Agreement") with J. Golsen that commenced on January 1, 2018 and ends upon the earlier of his death or a change in control as defined in the Transition Agreement. During the term, J. Golsen will receive an annual cash retainer of \$480,000 and an additional monthly amount of \$4,400 to cover certain expenses. In accordance with the terms of the Transition Agreement, we will also reimburse J. Golsen for his cost of certain medical insurance coverage until his death. Effective as of the Retirement Date, the severance agreement that was in force with J. Golsen was terminated. In consideration for his services, including as Chairman Emeritus, we will pay J. Golsen a one-time payment equal to \$2,320,000 upon the consummation of a change in control should one occur prior to his death.

# 15. Supplemental Cash Flow Information

The following provides additional information relating to cash flow activities:

_	2020	20	)19		2018		
		(In Thousands)					
Cash payments (refunds) for:							
Interest on long-term debt and other, net of capitalized							
interest	45,730	\$	42,184	\$	35,719		
Income taxes, net	(312)	\$	(65)	\$	(1,138)		
Noncash investing and financing activities:							
Accounts receivable, supplies and accounts payable							
associated with additions of PP&E	16,286	\$	18,350	\$	16,484		
Dividend accrued on Series E Redeemable Preferred	35,182	\$	30,729	\$	26,840		
Accretion of Series E Redeemable Preferred	2,026	\$	1,995	\$	3,375		

#### 16. Net Sales

# **Disaggregated Net Sales**

As discussed in Note 1, we primarily derive our revenues from the sales of various chemical products. The following table presents our net sales disaggregated by our principal markets, which disaggregation is consistent with other financial information utilized or provided outside of our consolidated financial statements:

	2020	2019		2018
		)		
Net sales:				
Agricultural products	\$ 180,036	\$ 187,641	\$	187,164
Industrial products	133,024	139,643		148,598
Mining products	38,256	37,786		42,398
Total net sales	\$ 351,316	\$ 365,070	\$	378,160

# Other Information

Although most of our contracts have an original expected duration of one year or less, for our contracts with a duration greater than one year at contract inception, the average remaining expected duration was approximately 17 months at December 31, 2020.

Liabilities associated with contracts with customers (contract liabilities) primarily relate to deferred revenue and customer deposits associated with cash payments received in advance from customers for volume shortfall charges and product shipments. We had approximately \$2.5 million and \$3.6 million of contract liabilities as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively. During 2020, revenues of \$1.9 million were recognized and included in the balance at the beginning of the period.

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# 17. Leases

Information related to our leases as of December 31, 2020 and 2019 are presented below:

	 2020	2019	
	(Dollars In Tho	usands)	
Components of lease expense:			
Operating lease cost	\$ 7,611	\$	7,270
Short-term lease cost	4,372		2,665
Other cost (1)	75		64
Total lease cost	\$ 12,058	\$	9,999
Supplemental cash flow information related to leases:	 		
Operating cash flows from operating leases	\$ 7,782	\$	7,677
Operating cash flows from finance leases	15		16
Financing cash flows from finance leases	45		61
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities	\$ 7,842	\$	7,754
			_
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for new operating lease liabilities	\$ 17,064	\$	5,967
Other lease-related information:	 		
Weighted-average remaining lease term - operating leases (in years)	4.3		4.6
Weighted-average remaining lease term - finance leases (in years)	4.1		3.8
Weighted-average discount rate - operating leases	8.26%		8.70%
Weighted-average discount rate - finance leases	8.65%	ı	8.94%

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes variable and finance lease costs.

Additionally, under ASC 840, expenses associated with our operating leases agreements, including month-to-month leases, were \$10,235,000 in 2018. At December 31, 2020, future minimum operating lease payments due under ASC 842 are summarized by fiscal year in the table below:

	Ope	rating Leases
	(Ir	ı thousands)
2021	\$	8,585
2022		7,398
2023		6,422
2024		4,799
2025		2,319
Thereafter		1,945
Total lease payments		31,468
Less imputed interest		(4,917)
Present value of lease liabilities	\$	26,551

As of December 31, 2020, we did not have any executed operating leases with lease terms greater than one year that have not yet commenced.

# Supplementary Information

# Quarterly Financial Data (Unaudited)

Summarized unaudited quarterly financial data for 2020 and 2019 are as follows.

Three months ended							
N	Aarch 31					D	ecember 31
	(In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)						
\$	83,411	\$	105,033	\$	73,969	\$	88,903
\$	2,551	\$	19,021	\$	(1,059)	\$	(3,465)
\$	(19,452)	\$	(365)	\$	(20,402)	\$	(21,692)
\$	(28,338)	\$	(9,634)	\$	(29,874)	\$	(31,573)
\$	(1.01)	\$	(0.34)	\$	(1.06)	\$	(1.12)
\$	94,152	\$	121,527	\$	75,495	\$	73,896
\$	7,318	\$	19,677	\$	(9,733)	\$	(12,277)
\$	(11,540)	\$	6,631	\$	(30,794)	\$	(27,714)
\$	(19,367)	\$	(1,530)	\$	(39,133)	\$	(36,411)
\$	(0.69)	\$	(0.05)	\$	(1.39)	\$	(1.30)
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# Supplementary Financial Data

# Quarterly Financial Data (Unaudited)

(1) The following income (expense) items impacted gross profit (loss) and net income (loss):

2019 (B)

Recovery from settlements with certain vendors	M	arch 31	Three months ended June 30 September 30 (In Thousands)			December 31		
2020	¢		ď	E 664	φ		\$	
2020	\$	<u> </u>	\$	5,664	\$		<b>D</b>	
Turnaround expense: (A)								
2020	\$	_	\$	(11)	\$	(34)	\$	(31)
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2019	\$	_	\$	(604)	\$	(7,232)	\$	(5,374)
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Unrealized gain (loss) on natural gas contracts								
2020	\$	(527)	\$	396	\$	669	\$	(1,743)
(2) The following income (expense) items impacted net income (loss):  Charge associated with assets held for sale 2019	\$		\$		¢		¢	(9,701)
2019	Φ	<u> </u>	Þ		\$		\$	(9,701)
Legal fees associated with Leidos matter								
2020	\$	(3,287)	\$	(955)	\$	(901)	\$	(572)
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2019	\$	(932)	\$	(1,496)	\$	(3,330)	\$	(3,843)
Interest expense associated with Global judgment								
2020	\$	(1,327)	\$	(79)	\$	(80)	\$	(80)
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Benefit (provision) for income taxes								
2020	\$	339	\$	1,299	\$	1,370	\$	1,741

<sup>(</sup>A) Turnaround expenses do not include the impact on operating results relating to lost absorption or reduced margins due to the associated plants being shut down.

(400)

5,733

15,108

<sup>(</sup>B) The deferred tax benefit for the three-month period ended December 31, 2019 is primarily due to federal and state indefinite lived carryforward benefits that can be realized through the reversal of deferred tax liabilities.

# Schedule II - Valuation and Qualifying Accounts

# Years ended December 31, 2020, 2019, and 2018

(In Thousands)

Description (1)  Accounts receivable - allowance for doubtful accounts:	Additions- Charges to Balance at (Recovery of) Beginning of Costs and Year Expenses		Deductions- Write- offs/Costs Incurred			Balance at and of Year		
2020	\$	261	\$	141	\$	24	\$	378
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2019	\$	351	\$	175	\$	265	\$	261
2018	\$	303	\$	124	\$	76	\$	351
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Deferred tax assets - valuation allowance:								
2020	\$	51,589	\$	13,471	\$	405	\$	64,655
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2019	\$	45,626	\$	8,279	\$	2,316	\$	51,589
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2018	\$	26,920	\$	21,042	\$	2,336	\$	45,626

<sup>(1)</sup> Deducted in the consolidated balance sheet from the related assets to which the reserve applies.

Other valuation and qualifying accounts are detailed in our notes to consolidated financial statements.

# DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT'S SECURITIES REGISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

# DESCRIPTION OF COMMON STOCK

LSB Industries, Inc. (the "Company") has two classes of securities registered under Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"): (i) common stock, par value \$0.10 per share ("Common Stock"), and (ii) preferred stock purchase rights (the "Rights").

# DESCRIPTION OF COMMON STOCK

The following description of the Common Stock is based upon the Company's certificate of incorporation as currently in effect (the "Certificate of Incorporation"), the Company's Amended and Restated Bylaws (the "Bylaws" and, together with our Certificate of Incorporation, our "Charter Documents") and applicable provisions of law. We have summarized certain portions of the Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws below. The summary is not complete and is subject to, and is qualified in its entirety by express reference to, the provisions of the Company's Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws, each of which is filed as an exhibit to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of which this exhibit is a part.

# **Authorized Capital Stock**

The Company's authorized capital stock consists of 75,000,000 shares of Common Stock, \$0.10 par value per share, 250,000 shares of Preferred Stock, \$100 par value per share, and 5,000,000 shares have been designated as Class C Preferred Stock, no par value (both "Preferred Stock"). Of the Class C Preferred Stock, 139,768 shares have been designated Series E-1 Cumulative Redeemable Class C Preferred Stock ("Series E-1)" and 1 share has been designated Series F-1 Redeemable Class C Preferred Stock ("Series F-1").

# **Common Stock**

*Common Stock Outstanding*. The outstanding shares of the Common Stock are duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

*Voting Rights*. Each holder of shares of Common Stock is entitled to one vote for each share, in person or by proxy, at any and all meetings of the Stockholders of the Company, on all propositions before such meetings.

*Dividend Rights*. Subject to preferential dividend rights of any other class or series of stock, the holders of Common Stock are entitled to receive dividends, including dividends of stock, if, as and when declared by the Company's board of directors, subject to any limitations applicable by law and to the rights of the holders, if any, of the Company's preferred stock.

Other Rights and Restrictions. Subject to the preferential rights of any other class or series of stock, all shares of our Common Stock have equal dividend, distribution, liquidation and other rights, and have no preference, appraisal or exchange rights, except for any appraisal rights

provided by Delaware law. Furthermore, holders of our Common Stock have no conversion, sinking fund or redemption rights, or preemptive rights to subscribe for any of our securities. Our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws do not restrict the ability of a holder of our Common Stock to transfer the holder's shares of our Common Stock.

The rights, powers, preferences and privileges of holders of our Common Stock are subject to, and may be adversely affected by, the rights of holders of shares of our outstanding preferred stock and of any series of preferred stock which we may designate and issue in the future.

*Listing:* Our common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "LXU."

# Preferred Stock

Under the Certificate of Incorporation, the Preferred Stock may be issued from time to time in one or more series, each of such series to have such designations, preference and relative, participating, optional, voting or other special rights and qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof as are stated and expressed in a resolution or resolutions providing for the issue of such series as determined and adopted by the Board of Directors.

# Anti-Takeover Effects of Delaware Law, Our Certificate of Incorporation and Our Bylaws

Some provisions of Delaware law, our Certificate of Incorporation and our Bylaws contain provisions that could make the following transactions more difficult: acquisitions of us by means of a tender offer, a proxy contest or otherwise or removal of our incumbent officers and directors. These provisions may also have the effect of preventing changes in our management. It is possible that these provisions could make it more difficult to accomplish or could deter transactions that stockholders may otherwise consider to be in their best interest or in our best interests, including transactions that might result in a premium over the market price for our shares.

These provisions are expected to discourage coercive takeover practices and inadequate takeover bids. These provisions are also designed to encourage persons seeking to acquire control of us to first negotiate with us. We believe that the benefits of increased protection and our potential ability to negotiate with the proponent of an unfriendly or unsolicited proposal to acquire or restructure us outweigh the disadvantages of discouraging these proposals because, among other things, negotiation of these proposals could result in an improvement of their terms.

# Delaware Law

Section 203 of the DGCL prohibits a Delaware corporation from engaging in any business combination with any interested stockholder for a period of three years following the date that the stockholder became an interested stockholder, unless:

• the transaction is approved by the board of directors before the date the interested stockholder attained that status;

- upon consummation of the transaction that resulted in the stockholder becoming an interested stockholder, the interested stockholder owned at least 85% of the voting stock of the corporation outstanding at the time the transaction commenced; or
- on or after such time the business combination is approved by the board of directors and authorized at a meeting of stockholders by at least two-thirds of the outstanding voting stock that is not owned by the interested stockholder.

An interested stockholder is defined as a person who, together with any affiliates or associates of such person, beneficially owns, directly or indirectly, 15% or more of the outstanding voting shares of a Delaware corporation. The term "business combination" is broadly defined to include a broad array of transactions, including mergers, consolidations, sales or other dispositions of assets having a total value in excess of 10% of the consolidated assets of the corporation or all of the outstanding stock of the corporation, and some other transactions that would increase the interested stockholder's proportionate share ownership in the corporation.

# Our Certificate of Incorporation and Our Bylaws

Provisions of our Certificate of Incorporation and our Bylaws may delay or discourage transactions involving an actual or potential change in control or change in our management, including transactions in which stockholders might otherwise receive a premium for their shares, or transactions that our stockholders might otherwise deem to be in their best interests. Therefore, these provisions could adversely affect the price of our common stock.

Among other things, our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws:

- provide for the division of the Board into three classes, each class consisting as nearly as possible of one-third of the whole. The term of office of one class of directors expires each year; with each class of directors elected for a term of three years and until the stockholders elect their qualified successors;
- provide that all vacancies, including newly created directorships, may, except as otherwise required by law or, if applicable, the rights of holders of a series of preferred stock, be filled by a majority of directors then in office, even if less than a quorum, or by the sole remaining director;
- provide that our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws may be amended by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of our then outstanding voting stock;
- provide that special meetings of our stockholders may only be called by our chairman or by a majority of the directors then in office;
- provide that the affirmative vote of the holders of not less than two-thirds of the outstanding voting stock of the Company voting as a single class shall be required for the approval or authorization of any (i) merger or consolidation of the Company with or into any other corporation, or (ii) sale, lease or exchange of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company to or with any other corporation, person or entity; provided, however, that such

two-thirds voting requirement shall not be applicable if (a) the Company is merged with a corporation in which at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of each class of stock of such corporation is owned by the Company, or (b) if a transaction described in clauses (i) or (ii) above has been approved by a vote of at least a majority of the members of the board of directors of the Company. If such two-thirds voting requirement of the outstanding voting stock of the Company shall not be applicable under the provisions of clauses (a) or (b) above, then in such event transactions specified in (i) or (ii) above shall require only such affirmative vote as is required by law, regulation or any other provision of our Certificate of Incorporation; and

• provide that our Bylaws can be amended by our board of directors.

# DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED STOCK PURCHASE RIGHTS

The following description of the Rights is not complete and is subject to, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to, the full text and provisions of the Section 382 Rights Agreement, dated as of July 6, 2020, between the Company and Computershare Trust company, N.A., as rights agent, a copy of which is filed as an exhibit to the Annual Report on Form 10-K of which this exhibit is a part.

# Distribution Date; Exercisability; Expiration

Initially, the Rights will be attached to all certificates representing outstanding shares of Common Stock (the "Common Shares") (or other evidence of book-entry or other uncertificated ownership) and no separate certificates evidencing the Rights ("Right Certificates") will be issued. Until the Distribution Date (as defined below), the Rights will be transferred with and only with the Common Shares. As long as the Rights are attached to the Common Shares, the Company will issue one Right with each new Common Share so that all such Common Shares will have Rights attached (subject to certain limited exceptions).

The Rights will separate and begin trading separately from the Common Shares, and Right Certificates will be caused to evidence the Rights, on the earlier to occur of (i) the Close of Business (as such term is defined in the Rights Agreement) on the tenth day following a public announcement, or the public disclosure of facts indicating, that a Person or group of affiliated or associated Persons has acquired Beneficial Ownership of 4.9% or more of the outstanding Common Shares (an "Acquiring Person") (or, in the event that the Board of Directors determines to effect an exchange in accordance with Section 24 of the Rights Agreement and the Board of Directors determines that a later date is advisable, then such later date) and (ii) the Close of Business on the tenth Business Day (as such term is defined in the Rights Agreement) (or such later date as may be determined by action of the Board of Directors prior to such time as any Person becomes an Acquiring Person) following the commencement of a tender offer or exchange offer the consummation of which would result in the Beneficial Ownership by a Person or group of 4.9% or more of the outstanding Common Shares (the earlier of such dates, the "Distribution Date"). As soon as practicable after the Distribution Date, unless the Rights are recorded in book-entry or other uncertificated form, the Company will prepare and cause the Right Certificates to be sent to each record holder of Common Shares as of the Distribution Date.

An "Acquiring Person" will not include (i) the Company, (ii) any Subsidiary (as such term is defined in the Rights Agreement) of the Company, (iii) any employee benefit plan of the Company or of any Subsidiary of the Company, (iv) any entity holding Common Shares for or pursuant to the terms of any such employee benefit plan or (v) any Person who or which, together with all Affiliates and Associates (as such terms are defined in the Rights Agreement) of such Person, at the time of the first public announcement of the Rights Agreement, is a Beneficial Owner of 4.9% or more of the Common Shares then outstanding (a "Grandfathered Stockholder"). However, if a Grandfathered Stockholder becomes, after such time, the Beneficial Owner of any additional Common Shares (regardless of whether, thereafter or as a result thereof, there is an increase, decrease or no change in the percentage of Common Shares then outstanding Beneficially Owned (as such term is defined in the Rights Agreement) by such Grandfathered Stockholder) then such Grandfathered Stockholder shall be deemed to be an Acquiring Person unless, upon such

acquisition of Beneficial Ownership of additional Common Shares, such person is not the Beneficial Owner of 4.9% or more of the Common Shares then outstanding. In addition, upon the first decrease of a Grandfathered Stockholder's Beneficial Ownership below 4.9%, such Grandfathered Stockholder will no longer be deemed to be a Grandfathered Stockholder. In the event that after the time of the first public announcement of the Rights Agreement, any agreement, arrangement or understanding pursuant to which any Grandfathered Stockholder is deemed to be the Beneficial Owner of Common Shares expires, is settled in whole or in part, terminates or no longer confers any benefit to or imposes any obligation on the Grandfathered Stockholder, any direct or indirect replacement, extension or substitution of such agreement, arrangement or understanding with respect to the same or different Common Shares that confers Beneficial Ownership of Common Shares shall be considered the acquisition of Beneficial Ownership of additional Common Shares by the Grandfathered Stockholder and render such Grandfathered Stockholder an Acquiring Person for purposes of the Rights Agreement unless, upon such acquisition of Beneficial Ownership of additional Common Shares, such person is not the Beneficial Owner of 4.9% or more of the Common Shares then outstanding.

"Beneficial Ownership" is defined in the Rights Agreement to include any securities (i) which a Person or any of such Person's Affiliates or Associates (a) actually owns (directly or indirectly) or would be deemed to actually or constructively own for purposes of Section 382 of the Code or the Treasury Regulations (as such terms are defined in the Rights Agreement) promulgated thereunder, including any coordinated acquisition of securities by any Persons who have a formal or informal understanding with respect to such acquisition (to the extent ownership of such securities would be attributed to such Persons under Section 382 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder), (b) beneficially owns, directly or indirectly, within the meaning of Rules 13d-3 or 13d-5 promulgated under the Exchange Act or (c) has the right or ability to vote, or the right to acquire, pursuant to any agreement, arrangement or understanding (except under limited circumstances), (ii) which are directly or indirectly Beneficially Owned by any other Person with which a Person has any agreement, arrangement or understanding for the purpose of acquiring, holding or voting such securities, or obtaining, changing or influencing control of the Company or (iii) which are the subject of, or reference securities for, or that underlie, certain derivative positions of any Person or any of such Person's Affiliates or Associates; *provided*, that a Person shall not be deemed to be the Beneficial Owner of, or to Beneficially Own, (x) securities tendered pursuant to a tender or exchange offer made pursuant to, and in accordance with, the applicable rules and regulations promulgated under the Exchange Act until such tendered securities are accepted for purchase or exchange or (y) any shares of the Company's Preferred Stock or Class C Preferred Stock (other than the Preferred Shares).

The Rights are not exercisable until the Distribution Date. The Rights will expire on the earliest to occur of (i) the Close of Business on the day following the certification of the voting results of the Company's 2021 annual meeting of stockholders, if at such stockholder meeting or any other meeting of stockholders of the Company duly held prior to such meeting, a proposal to ratify the Rights Agreement has not been passed by the requisite vote of the Company's stockholders, (ii) the date on which the Board of Directors determines in its sole discretion that (x) the Rights Agreement is no longer necessary for the preservation of material valuable NOLs or Tax Attributes or (y) the NOLs and Tax Attributes have been fully utilized and may no longer be carried forward and (iii) the Close of Business on July 6, 2023 (the "Final Expiration Date").

# **Exempt Persons and Transactions**

The Board of Directors may, in its sole and absolute discretion, determine that a Person is exempt from the Rights Agreement (an "Exempt Person"), so long as such determination is made prior to such time as such Person becomes an Acquiring Person. Any Person will cease to be an Exempt Person if the Board of Directors makes a contrary determination with respect to such Person regardless of the reason therefor. In addition, the Board of Directors may, in its sole and absolute discretion, exempt any transaction from triggering the Rights Agreement, so long as the determination in respect of such exemption is made prior to such time as any Person becomes an Acquiring Person. Any Person, together with all Affiliates and Associates of such Person, who proposes to acquire 4.9% or more of the outstanding Common Shares may apply to the Board of Directors in advance for an exemption in accordance with and pursuant to the terms of the Rights Agreement.

# Flip-in Event

If a Person or group becomes an Acquiring Person at any time after the date of the Rights Agreement (with certain limited exceptions), the Rights will become exercisable for Common Shares having a value equal to two times the exercise price of the Right. From and after the announcement that any Person has become an Acquiring Person, if the Rights evidenced by a Right Certificate are or were acquired or Beneficially Owned by an Acquiring Person or any Associate or Affiliate of an Acquiring Person, such Rights shall become void, and any holder of such Rights shall thereafter have no right to exercise such Rights. If the Board of Directors so elects, the Company may deliver upon payment of the exercise price of a Right an amount of cash, securities or other property equivalent in value to the Common Shares issuable upon exercise of a Right.

# Exchange

At any time after any Person becomes an Acquiring Person, the Board of Directors may exchange the Rights (other than Rights owned by any Person which have become void), in whole or in part, at an exchange ratio of one Common Share per Right (subject to adjustment). The Company may issue, transfer or deposit such Common Shares (or other property as permitted under the Rights Agreement) to or into a trust or other entity created upon such terms as the Board of Directors may determine and may direct that all holders of Rights receive such Common Shares or other property only from the trust or other entity. In the event that the Board of Directors determines, before the Distribution Date, to effect an exchange, the Board of Directors may delay the occurrence of the Distribution Date to such time as it deems advisable.

# Flip-over Event

If, at any time after a Person becomes an Acquiring Person, (i) the Company consolidates with, or merges with, any other Person (or any Person consolidates with, or merges with, the Company) and, in connection with such consolidation or merger, all or part of the Common Shares are or will be changed into or exchanged for stock or other securities of any other Person or cash or any other property or (ii) 50% or more of the Company's consolidated assets or Earning Power (as defined in the Rights Agreement) is sold, then proper provision will be made so that each holder of a Right will thereafter have the right to receive, upon the exercise thereof at the then current

exercise price of the Right, that number of shares of common stock of the acquiring company which at the time of such transaction will have a market value of two times the exercise price of the Right.

# Redemption

At any time prior to the earlier to occur of (i) the Close of Business on the tenth day following the Stock Acquisition Date (as defined in the Rights Agreement) (or, if the tenth day following the Stock Acquisition Date occurs before the Record Date, the Close of Business on the Record Date) and (ii) the Final Expiration Date, the Board of Directors may redeem the Rights in whole, but not in part, at a price of \$0.001 per Right (the "Redemption Price"). The redemption of the Rights may be made effective at such time, on such basis and with such conditions as the Board of Directors in its sole discretion may establish. Immediately upon any redemption of the Rights, the right to exercise the Rights will terminate and the only right of the holders of Rights will be to receive the Redemption Price.

# **Amendment**

The terms of the Rights may be amended by the Board of Directors without the consent of the holders of the Rights, except that at any time after the Close of Business on the tenth day following the Stock Acquisition Date (or, if the tenth day following the Stock Acquisition Date occurs before the Record Date, the Close of Business on the Record Date), no such amendment may adversely affect the interests of the holders of the Rights (other than the Acquiring Person and its Affiliates and Associates).

# **Preferred Stock Rights**

Each one-thousandth of a Preferred Share will entitle the holder thereof to the same dividends and liquidation rights as if the holder held one Common Share and will be treated the same as a Common Share in the event of a merger, consolidation or other share exchange.

# **Rights of Holders**

Until a Right is exercised, the holder thereof, as such, will have no rights as a stockholder of the Company, including, without limitation, the right to vote or to receive dividends.

# LSB INDUSTRIES, INC. SUBSIDIARY LISTING December 31, 2020

LSB INDUSTRIES, INC. (Direct subsidiaries in bold italics)

# LSB Chemical L.L.C. (f/k/a/ LSB Chemical Corp.)

Cherokee Nitrogen L.L.C. (f/k/a Cherokee Nitrogen Company)

El Dorado Chemical Company

EDC Ag Products Company L.L.C.

Chemex I Corp. (f/k/a Slurry Explosive Corporation)

El Dorado Ammonia L.L.C.

El Dorado Nitrogen L.L.C. (f/k/a El Dorado Nitric L.L.C., f/k/a El Dorado Nitric Company, f/k/a El Dorado Nitrogen Company, f/k/a LSB Nitrogen Corporation, f/k/a LSB Import Corp.)

Pryor Chemical Company (f/k/a Pryor Plant Chemical Company, f/k/a LSB Financial Corp.)

TRISON Construction, Inc.

# Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the following Registration Statements:

- 1. Registration Statement (Form S-8 No. 333-199864) pertaining to the LSB Industries, Inc. 2008 Incentive Stock Plan, as amended by the First Amendment;
- 2. Registration Statement (Form S-8 No. 333-153103) pertaining to the LSB Industries, Inc. 2008 Incentive Stock Plan or any combination of the foregoing;
- 3. Registration Statement (Form S-8 No. 333-209838) pertaining to the LSB Industries, Inc. 2008 Incentive Plan, as amended;
- 4. Registration Statement (Form S-8 No. 333-212281) pertaining to the LSB Industries, Inc. 2016 Long Term Incentive Plan; and
- 5. Registration Statement (Form S-3 No. 333-228139) of LSB Industries, Inc.

of our report dated February 25, 2021, with respect to the consolidated financial statements and schedule of LSB Industries, Inc. included in this Annual Report (Form 10-K) of LSB Industries, Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2020.

/s/ ERNST & YOUNG LLP

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma February 25, 2021

# **CERTIFICATION**

# I, Mark T. Behrman, certify that:

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

Date: February 25, 2021

/s/ Mark T. Behrman

Mark T. Behrman President, Chief Executive Officer and Director

# **CERTIFICATION**

# I, Cheryl A. Maguire, certify that:

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

Date: February 25, 2021

/s/ Cheryl A. Maguire

Cheryl A. Maguire Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

# CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350 AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the annual report of LSB Industries, Inc. ("LSB") on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"). I, Mark T. Behrman, President and Chief Executive Officer of LSB, certify pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as adopted pursuant to §906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) the Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of LSB.

/s/ Mark T. Behrman

Mark T. Behrman President, Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) and Director

February 25, 2021

This certification is furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission solely for purpose of 18 U.S.C. §1350 subject to the knowledge standard contained therein, and not for any other purpose.

# CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350 AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the annual report of LSB Industries, Inc. ("LSB") on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2020 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Cheryl A. Maguire, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of LSB, certify pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as adopted pursuant to §906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) the Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13 (a) or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of LSB.

/s/ Cheryl A. Maguire
Cheryl A. Maguire
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial Officer)

February 25, 2021

This certification is furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission solely for purpose of 18 U.S.C. §1350 subject to the knowledge standard contained therein and not for any other purpose.