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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 10-Q**

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

**For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2002**

Commission File Number 333-63825

**SCOTIA PACIFIC COMPANY LLC**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation or organization)

**68-0414690**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

**P. O. Box 712**  
**125 Main Street, 2nd Floor**  
**Scotia, California**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**95565**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(707) 764-2330**

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes ☒ No ☐

**Registrant meets the conditions set forth in General Instruction H(1)(a) and (b) of Form 10-Q and is therefore filing this Form with the reduced disclosure format.**

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**SCOTIA PACIFIC COMPANY LLC**

**BALANCE SHEET**  
(In millions of dollars)

	<u>March 31,</u> <u>2002</u>	<u>December 31,</u> <u>2001</u>
	<u>(Unaudited)</u>	
<b>Assets</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash . . . . .	\$ 8.0	\$ 37.8
Marketable securities, restricted . . . . .	17.7	17.1
Receivables from Pacific Lumber . . . . .	6.1	3.8
Prepaid timber harvesting costs . . . . .	8.0	7.9
Other current assets . . . . .	<u>0.2</u>	<u>0.6</u>
Total current assets . . . . .	40.0	67.2
Timber and timberlands, net of accumulated depletion of \$264.4 and \$261.6, respectively . . . . .	246.1	247.9
Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$13.5 and \$13.0, respectively . . . . .	21.2	20.9
Deferred financing costs, net . . . . .	16.1	16.4
Restricted cash, marketable securities and other investments . . . . .	54.6	87.6
Other assets . . . . .	<u>6.3</u>	<u>6.5</u>
	<u>\$ 384.3</u>	<u>\$ 446.5</u>
<b>Liabilities and Member Deficit</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Due to Pacific Lumber . . . . .	\$ 0.9	\$ 1.0
Accrued interest . . . . .	11.0	25.4
Other accrued liabilities . . . . .	2.5	3.0
Current maturities of long-term debt, excluding \$2.4 and \$2.3, respectively, of repurchased Timber Notes held in the SAR Account . . . . .	<u>15.4</u>	<u>14.9</u>
Total current liabilities . . . . .	29.8	44.3
Long-term debt, less current maturities and excluding \$53.5 and \$55.4, respectively, of repurchased Timber Notes held in the SAR Account . . . . .	<u>742.3</u>	<u>754.5</u>
Total liabilities . . . . .	<u>772.1</u>	<u>798.8</u>
Contingencies (See Note 3)		
Member deficit . . . . .	<u>(387.8)</u>	<u>(352.3)</u>
	<u>\$ 384.3</u>	<u>\$ 446.5</u>

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

**SCOTIA PACIFIC COMPANY LLC**

**STATEMENT OF INCOME**  
**(In millions of dollars)**

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>	
	<b>March 31,</b>	
	<b>2002</b>	<b>2001</b>
	<b>(Unaudited)</b>	
Log sales to Pacific Lumber . . . . .	\$ 15.9	\$ 13.1
Operating expenses:		
General and administrative . . . . .	4.5	3.6
Depletion, depreciation and amortization . . . . .	3.4	1.7
	<u>7.9</u>	<u>5.3</u>
Operating income . . . . .	8.0	7.8
Other income (expense):		
Interest and other income . . . . .	1.4	2.4
Interest expense . . . . .	<u>(14.5)</u>	<u>(14.8)</u>
	<u>(13.1)</u>	<u>(12.4)</u>
Net loss . . . . .	<u><u>\$ (5.1)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (4.6)</u></u>

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**SCOTIA PACIFIC COMPANY LLC**

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
(In millions of dollars)

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>	
	<b>March 31,</b>	
	<b>2002</b>	<b>2001</b>
	<b>(Unaudited)</b>	
<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>		
Net loss	\$ (5.1)	\$ (4.6)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used for operating activities:		
Depletion, depreciation and amortization	3.4	1.7
Amortization of deferred financing costs	0.3	0.3
Increase (decrease) in cash resulting from changes in:		
Receivables from Pacific Lumber	(2.3)	6.3
Prepaid timber harvesting costs	(0.1)	(0.8)
Due to Pacific Lumber	(0.3)	0.1
Accrued interest	(14.4)	(15.1)
Other accrued liabilities	(0.5)	(1.8)
Other	<u>0.3</u>	<u>0.2</u>
Net cash used for operating activities	<u>(18.7)</u>	<u>(13.7)</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities:</b>		
Capital expenditures	<u>(1.3)</u>	<u>(0.7)</u>
Net cash used for investing activities	<u>(1.3)</u>	<u>(0.7)</u>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities:</b>		
Principal payments on Timber Notes and other timber related debt	(11.6)	(11.4)
Other changes in restricted cash	31.2	9.9
Member distributions	<u>(29.4)</u>	<u>(73.1)</u>
Net cash used for financing activities	<u>(9.8)</u>	<u>(74.6)</u>
<b>Net decrease in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash</b>	<b>(29.8)</b>	<b>(89.0)</b>
<b>Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at beginning of period</b>	<b><u>37.8</u></b>	<b><u>98.1</u></b>
<b>Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash at end of period</b>	<b><u>\$ 8.0</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 9.1</u></b>
<b>Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:</b>		
Interest paid	\$ 28.5	\$ 29.5

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

## SCOTIA PACIFIC COMPANY LLC

### CONDENSED NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 1. General

The information contained in the following notes to the financial statements is condensed from that which would appear in the annual financial statements; accordingly, the financial statements included herein should be reviewed in conjunction with the financial statements and related notes thereto contained in the Form 10-K. Any capitalized terms used but not defined in these Condensed Notes to Financial Statements are defined in the “Glossary of Defined Terms” contained in Appendix A. Accounting measurements at interim dates inherently involve greater reliance on estimates than at year end. The results of operations for the interim periods presented are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the entire year.

The financial statements included herein are unaudited; however, they include all adjustments of a normal recurring nature which, in the opinion of management, are necessary for a fair presentation of the financial position of the Company at March 31, 2002, and the results of operations and cash flows for the three months ended March 31, 2002 and 2001. The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Pacific Lumber which is a wholly owned subsidiary of MGI. MGI is a wholly owned subsidiary of MGHI which is a wholly owned subsidiary of MAXXAM.

#### *New Accounting Standards*

In June 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 143, which addresses accounting and reporting standards for obligations associated with the retirement of tangible long-lived assets and the related asset retirement costs. The Company is required to adopt SFAS No. 143 beginning on January 1, 2003. In general, SFAS No. 143 requires the recognition of a liability resulting from anticipated asset retirement obligations, offset by an increase in the value of the associated productive asset for such anticipated costs. Over the life of the asset, depreciation expense is to include the ratable expensing of the retirement cost included with the asset value. The statement applies to all legal obligations associated with the retirement of a tangible long-lived asset that results from the acquisition, construction, or development and (or) the normal operation of a long-lived asset, except for certain lease obligations. Excluded from this statement are obligations arising solely from a plan to dispose of a long-lived asset and obligations that result from the improper operation of an asset (i.e. certain types of environmental obligations). The Company is continuing its evaluation of SFAS No. 143. However, the Company does not currently expect the adoption of SFAS No. 143 to have a material impact on its future financial statements.

In April 2002, the FASB issued SFAS No. 145 which rescinds the previous guidance for debt extinguishments. This statement also amends other existing authoritative pronouncements to make various technical corrections, clarify meanings, or describe applicability under changed conditions. SFAS No. 145 eliminates the requirement that gains and losses from extinguishment of debt be aggregated and, if material, classified as an extraordinary item, net of related income tax effect. However, transactions would not be prohibited from extraordinary item classification if they meet the criteria in APB Opinion 30, “Reporting the Results of Operations – Reporting the Effects of Disposal of a Segment of a Business, and Extraordinary, Unusual and Infrequently Occurring Events and Transactions.” Applying the provisions of APB 30 will distinguish transactions that are part of an entity’s recurring operations from those that are unusual or infrequent or that meet the criteria for classification as an extraordinary item. This statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after May 15, 2002. The Company does not expect the adoption of SFAS No. 145 to have a material impact on its financial statements.

## 2. Cash, Marketable Securities and Other Investments

### *Restricted Cash, Marketable Securities and Other Investments*

Cash, marketable securities and other investments include the following amounts which are restricted under the terms of the Company's debt agreements (in millions):

	<u>March 31, 2002</u>	<u>December 31, 2001</u>
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents, restricted .....	\$ 6.0	\$ 35.3
Marketable securities, restricted:		
Amounts held in SAR Account .....	<u>17.7</u>	<u>17.1</u>
	23.7	52.4
Long-term restricted cash, marketable securities and other investments:		
Amounts held in SAR Account .....	102.5	137.8
Other amounts restricted under the Indenture .....	2.7	2.8
Less: Amounts attributable to Timber Notes held in SAR Account .....	<u>(50.6)</u>	<u>(53.0)</u>
	54.6	87.6
Total restricted cash, marketable securities and other investments .....	<u>\$ 78.3</u>	<u>\$ 140.0</u>

### *Other Investments*

Funds held in the SAR Account include a limited partnership interest in the Equity Fund Partnership, which invests in a diversified portfolio of common stocks and other equity securities whose issuers are involved in merger, tender offer, spin-off or recapitalization transactions. This investment is accounted for under the equity method. The following table shows the Company's investment in the Equity Fund Partnership and the ownership interest (dollars in millions).

	<u>March 31, 2002</u>	<u>December 31, 2001</u>
Investment in Equity Fund Partnership .....	\$ 7.7	\$ 10.6
Percentage of ownership held .....	2.4%	3.1%

As of March 31, 2002, long-term restricted cash, marketable securities, and other investments also included \$4.9 million related to an investment in a limited partnership which invests in, among other things, debt and equity securities associated with developed and emerging markets.

## 3. Contingencies

Regulatory and environmental matters play a significant role in the Company's forest products business, which is subject to a variety of California and federal laws and regulations, as well as the HCP and SYP, dealing with timber harvesting practices, threatened and endangered species and habitat for such species, and air and water quality.

The SYP complies with regulations of the California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection requiring timber companies to project timber growth and harvest on their timberlands over a 100-year planning period and to demonstrate that their projected average annual harvest for any decade within a 100-year planning period will not exceed the average annual harvest level during the last decade of the 100-year planning period. The SYP is effective for 10 years (subject to review after five years) and may be amended by Pacific Lumber, subject to approval by the CDF. Revised SYPs will be prepared every decade that address the harvest level based upon assessment of changes in the resource base and other factors. The HCP and incidental take permits related to the HCP allow incidental "take" of certain species located on the Company's timberlands which species have been listed as endangered or threatened under the ESA and/or the CESA so long as there is no "jeopardy" to the continued existence of such species. The HCP identifies the measures to be instituted in order to minimize and mitigate the anticipated level of take to the greatest extent practicable. The SYP is also subject to certain of these provisions. The HCP and related Permits have a term of 50 years.

Under the CWA, the EPA is required to establish TMDLs in water courses that have been declared to be "water quality impaired." The EPA and the North Coast Water Board are in the process of establishing TMDLs for 17 northern California rivers and certain of their tributaries, including nine water courses that flow within the Company's timberlands. The Company expects this process to continue into 2010. In December 1999, the EPA issued a report dealing with TMDLs on two of the nine water courses. The agency indicated that the requirements under the HCP would significantly address the sediment issues that resulted in TMDL requirements for these water courses. The North Coast Water Board

has begun the process of establishing the final TMDL requirements applicable to the Company's timberlands. This will be a lengthy process, and the final TMDL requirements applicable to the Company's timberlands may require aquatic protection measures that are different from or in addition to the prescriptions to be developed pursuant to the watershed analysis process provided for in the HCP.

Since the consummation of the Headwaters Agreement in March 1999, there has been a significant amount of work required in connection with the implementation of the Environmental Plans, and this work is expected to continue for several more years. During the implementation period, government agencies had until recently failed to approve THPs in a timely manner. The rate of approvals of THPs during 2001 improved over that for the prior year, and further improvements have been experienced thus far in 2002. Although delays in the approvals of THPs may from time to time continue to impact the Company's ability to meet its harvesting goals, the Company anticipates that once the Environmental Plans are fully implemented, the process of preparing THPs will become more streamlined, and the time to obtain approval of THPs will potentially be shortened.

Lawsuits are pending and threatened which seek to prevent the Company from implementing the HCP and/or the SYP, implementing certain of the Company's approved THPs, or carrying out certain other operations. On December 2, 1997, the *Wrigley lawsuit* was filed. This action alleges, among other things, that the defendants' logging practices have contributed to an increase in flooding and damage to domestic water systems in a portion of the Elk River watershed. The Company believes that it has strong factual and legal defenses with respect to the *Wrigley lawsuit*; however, there can be no assurance that it will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial position, results of operations or liquidity.

On March 31, 1999, the *EPIC-SYP/Permits lawsuit* was filed alleging, among other things, various violations of the CESA and the California Environmental Quality Act, and challenging, among other things, the validity and legality of the SYP and the Permits issued by California. August 5, 2002, has been set as the trial date. On March 31, 1999, the *USWA lawsuit* was filed also challenging the validity and legality of the SYP. June 10, 2002, has been set as the trial date. The Company believes that appropriate procedures were followed throughout the public review and approval process concerning the HCP and the SYP, and the Company is working with the relevant government agencies to defend these challenges. Although uncertainties are inherent in the final outcome of the *EPIC-SYP/Permits lawsuit* and the *USWA lawsuit*, the Company believes that the resolution of these matters should not result in a material adverse effect on its financial condition, results of operations or the ability to harvest timber.

On July 24, 2001, the *Bear Creek lawsuit* was filed. The lawsuit alleges that Pacific Lumber's harvesting and other activities under certain of its approved and proposed THPs will result in discharges of pollutants in violation of the CWA. The plaintiff asserts that the CWA requires the defendants to obtain a permit from the North Coast Water Board before beginning timber harvesting and road construction activities in the Bear Creek watershed, and is seeking to enjoin these activities until such permit has been obtained. The plaintiff also seeks civil penalties of up to \$27,000 per day for the defendant's alleged continued violation of the CWA. The EPA has been joined as a defendant in this case. The Company believes that the requirements under the HCP are adequate to ensure that sediment and pollutants from its harvesting activities will not reach levels harmful to the environment. Furthermore, EPA regulations specifically provide that such activities are not subject to CWA permitting requirements. The Company believes that it has strong legal defenses in this matter; however, there can be no assurance that this lawsuit will not have a material adverse effect on its financial condition or results of operations.

While the Company expects environmentally focused objections and lawsuits to continue, it believes that the HCP, the SYP and the Permits should enhance its position in connection with these continuing challenges and, over time, reduce or minimize such challenges.



#### 4. Comprehensive Loss and Member Deficit

Comprehensive loss includes the following (in millions):

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2002	2001
Net loss .....	\$ (5.1)	\$ (4.6)
Other comprehensive income (loss):		
Net change in fair value of available-for-sale investments .....	(1.0)	0.6
Total comprehensive loss .....	<u>\$ (6.1)</u>	<u>\$ (4.0)</u>

A reconciliation of the activity in member deficit is as follows (in millions):

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2002	2001
Balance at beginning of period .....	\$ (352.3)	\$ (288.0)
Comprehensive loss .....	(6.1)	(4.0)
Member distribution .....	(29.4)	(73.1)
Balance at end of period .....	<u>\$ (387.8)</u>	<u>\$ (365.1)</u>

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

The following should be read in conjunction with the financial statements in Part I, Item 1 of this Report, Item 7. "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and Item 8. "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" of the Form 10-K. Any capitalized terms used but not defined in this Item are defined in the "Glossary of Defined Terms" contained in Appendix A. Except as otherwise noted, all references to notes represent the Notes to the Condensed Financial Statements included in Item 1.

*This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains statements which constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements appear in a number of places in this section and in Part II. Item 1. "Legal Proceedings." Such statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "believes," "expects," "may," "estimates," "will," "should," "plans" or "anticipates" or the negative thereof or other variations thereon or comparable terminology, or by discussions of strategy. Readers are cautioned that any such forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve significant risks and uncertainties, and that actual results may vary materially from the forward-looking statements as a result of various factors. These factors include the effectiveness of management's strategies and decisions, general economic and business conditions, developments in technology, new or modified statutory or regulatory requirements and changing prices and market conditions. This Form 10-Q and the Form 10-K identify other factors that could cause such differences between the forward-looking statements and actual results. No assurance can be given that these are all of the factors that could cause actual results to vary materially from the forward-looking statements.*

### Background

*This section contains statements which constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. See above for cautionary information with respect to such forward-looking statements.*

Regulatory and environmental matters play a significant role in the Company's operations. See Note 3 to the Condensed Financial Statements and Item 1. "Business—Regulatory and Environmental Factors" of the Form 10-K for a discussion of these matters. Regulatory compliance and related litigation have caused delays in obtaining approvals of THPs and delays in harvesting on THPs once they are approved. This has resulted in a decline in harvest, an increase in the cost of logging operations, and lower net sales.

Since the consummation of the Headwaters Agreement in March 1999, there has been a significant amount of work required in connection with the implementation of the Environmental Plans, and this work is expected to continue for several more years. During the implementation period, government agencies had until recently failed to approve THPs in a timely manner. The rate of approvals of THPs during 2001 improved over that for the prior year, and further improvements have been experienced thus far in 2002. Although delays in the approvals of THPs may from time to time continue to impact the Company's ability to meet its harvesting goals, the Company anticipates that once the Environmental Plans are fully implemented, the process of preparing THPs will become more streamlined, and the time to obtain approval of THPs will potentially be shortened.

While the Company has experienced recent improvements in the THP approval process, there can be no assurance that the Company will not in the future have difficulties in receiving approvals of its THPs similar to those experienced in the past. Furthermore, there can be no assurance that certain pending legal, regulatory and environmental matters or future governmental regulations, legislation or judicial or administrative decisions, or adverse weather conditions, would not have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial position, results of operations or liquidity. See Part II. Item 1. "Legal Proceedings" and Note 3 to the Condensed Financial Statements for further information regarding regulatory and legal proceedings affecting the Company.

### Results of Operations

#### *General*

*Mbfe Concept.* The Mbfe concept was used in structuring the Timber Notes in order to take account of the relative values of the species and categories of timber included in the Company Timber. Under the Mbfe concept, one thousand board feet, net Scribner scale, of old growth redwood timber equates to one Mbfe. One thousand board feet, net Scribner scale, of each other species and category of timber included in the Company Timber was assigned a value in Mbfe equal

to a fraction of an Mbfe. This fraction was generally determined by dividing the SBE Price applicable to such species and category for the first half of 1998 by the SBE Price applicable to old growth redwood for the first half of 1998. Historical harvest volumes reflected in this report are stated on an Mbfe basis.

*Master Purchase Agreement Governing Log Sales to Pacific Lumber.* The Master Purchase Agreement generally contemplates that all sales of logs by the Company to Pacific Lumber will be at the SBE Price. Harvest Value Schedules setting forth the SBE Prices are published by the California State Board of Equalization twice a year for the purpose of computing a yield tax imposed on timber harvested between January 1 and June 30 and July 1 and December 31. Harvest Value Schedules are based on twenty-four months of actual log and timber sales that occur within nine specified timber value areas. These sales are arms length transactions adjusted for time by indexing the prices (using log and lumber price trends) to a specific date, which is approximately sixty days prior to the effective date of the Harvest Value Schedules. However, SBE prices may not necessarily be representative of actual prices that would be realized from unrelated parties at subsequent dates.

*Seasonality.* Logging operations on the Company's timberlands are highly seasonal and have historically been significantly higher in the months of April through November than in the months of December through March. Management expects that the Company's revenues and cash flows will continue to be markedly seasonal because of the harvesting, road use, wet weather and other restrictions imposed by the HCP. As a result, a substantial majority of the future harvesting on the Company's timberlands can be expected to be concentrated during the period from June through October of each year. Some of these restrictions may be modified under the adaptive management provision contained in the HCP, and as a result of the watershed analysis process to be performed over the five-year period which began March 1, 1999. See Note 3 to the Condensed Financial Statements.

#### *Log Sales to Pacific Lumber*

Net sales from logs were \$15.9 million and \$13.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively. The increase in sales was due to a 19,400 Mbfe increase in the volume of log deliveries over the first quarter of 2001. However, this increase was almost completely offset by a significant decrease in log prices. The SBE Prices published for the six months beginning January 1, 2002, reflected declines in the prices for redwood logs in the range of 40% to 50% from the six month period beginning January 1, 2001. The volume of log deliveries for the quarters ended March 31, 2002 and 2001, were 32,100 Mbfe and 12,700 Mbfe, respectively. The increase in volume was predominantly due to an increase in THP approvals beginning in the third quarter of 2001.

#### *Operating Income and Net Loss*

Operating income was \$8.0 million and \$7.8 million for the three months ended March 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively. The increase was principally due to the increase in log sales discussed above offset by an increase in depletion which is directly related to the increase in log volume.

Net losses were \$5.1 million and \$4.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively. The increase between periods is due to a decrease in interest income realized from cash and investments. This decrease in income was offset by a slight decrease in interest expense.

### **Financial Condition and Investing and Financing Activities**

*This section contains statements which constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. See above for cautionary information with respect to such forward-looking statements.*

At March 31, 2002, the Company could have borrowed a maximum of \$60.0 million under the Line of Credit, and there were no borrowings outstanding under the Line of Credit. The Company has requested that the Scotia LLC Line of Credit be extended for a period of not less than 364 days beginning July 12, 2002. If not extended, the Company may draw upon the full amount available. The amount drawn would be repayable in 12 semiannual installments on each note payment date (after the payment of certain other items, including the Aggregate Minimum Principal Amortization Amount, as defined, then due), commencing approximately two and one-half years following the date of the draw.

On the note payment date in January 2002, the Company had \$33.9 million set aside in the note payment account to pay the \$28.4 million of interest due as well as \$5.5 million of principal. The Company repaid an additional \$6.1 million of principal on the Timber Notes using funds held in the SAR Account, resulting in a total principal payment of \$11.6 million, an amount equal to Scheduled Amortization (as defined in the Indenture).

With respect to the note payment due in July 2002, the Company expects that it will require funds from the Line of Credit to pay a portion of the interest due, and that all of the funds used to pay the Scheduled Amortization amount will be provided from the SAR Account.

On March 5, 2002, the Company notified the trustee for the Timber Notes that the Company had met all of the requirements of the SAR Reduction Date, as defined in the Indenture. Accordingly, on March 20, 2002, the Company released \$29.4 million from the SAR Account and distributed this amount to Pacific Lumber.

Pacific Lumber's financial condition will affect its ability to purchase logs from the Company and to meet its obligations under the Services Agreement. Pacific Lumber's 2001 cash flows from operations were adversely affected by operating inefficiencies, lower lumber prices, an inadequate supply of logs and a related slowdown in lumber production. During 2001, comprehensive external and internal reviews were conducted of Pacific Lumber's business operations. These reviews were conducted in an effort to identify ways in which Pacific Lumber could operate on a more efficient and cost effective basis. Based upon the results of these reviews, Pacific Lumber has, among other things, indefinitely curtailed two of its four operating sawmills, eliminated certain of its operations, including its soil amendment and concrete block manufacturing operations, begun utilizing more efficient harvesting methods and adopted certain other cost saving measures. Most of these operational changes were implemented by Pacific Lumber during the last quarter of 2001, or during the first quarter of 2002. Pacific Lumber also terminated its internal logging operations (which performed approximately half of Pacific Lumber's logging operations) as of March 31, 2002, and intends to rely on third party contract loggers to conduct these activities.

The \$29.4 million release from the SAR Account discussed above improved Pacific Lumber's liquidity. However, Pacific Lumber may require funds available under Pacific Lumber's revolving credit agreement, additional repayments by MGI of an intercompany loan and/or capital contributions from MGI to enable it to meet its working capital and capital expenditure requirements for the next year. With respect to long-term liquidity, although Pacific Lumber expects that its existing cash and cash equivalents should provide sufficient funds to meet its working capital and capital expenditure requirements, until such time as Pacific Lumber has adequate cash flows from operations and/or dividends from the Company, there can be no assurance that this will be the case.

The Company believes that its existing cash, including cash available for principal payments from the SAR Account, and funds available under the Line of Credit, together with its ability to generate sufficient levels of cash flows from operations over the long term, should provide sufficient funds to meet its long-term working capital, capital expenditures and required debt service obligations. If the Company generates excess funds after the payment of operating expenses, capital expenditures, interest, premiums, required principal payments and replenishment of the SAR Account, it may at its option either make distributions, retain these funds for internal purposes or make voluntary principal payments. Cash flows from operations may continue to be adversely affected if the Company does not experience improvements in the SBE Price, continuation of the recent improvements in the THP approval process, or if inclement weather conditions or seasonal operating restrictions under the HCP hamper harvesting operations. Cash flows from operations would also be adversely affected if additional judicial or regulatory restrictions are imposed on the Company's harvesting activities, or if the Environmental Plans are not implemented in accordance with the Company's expectations.

### **Critical Accounting Policies**

See Item 7. "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Critical Accounting Policies" of the Form 10-K for a discussion of the Company's critical accounting policies.

## **PART II. OTHER INFORMATION**

### **ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

Reference is made to Item 3 of the Form 10-K for information concerning material legal proceedings with respect to the Company. No material developments have occurred with respect to such legal proceedings subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K.

**ITEM 6. EXHIBITS AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K**

**a. Exhibits:**

None.

**b. Reports on Form 8-K:**

On January 22, 2002, the Company filed a current report on Form 8-K (under Item 9), related to the filing of two certificates in respect of the Company's Timber Notes.

On February 20, 2002, the Company filed a current report on Form 8-K (under Item 9), related to the filing of a certificate in respect of the Company's Timber Notes.

On March 20, 2002, the Company filed a current report on Form 8-K (under Item 9), related to the filing of a certificate in respect of the Company's Timber Notes.

On April 22, 2002, the Company filed a current report on Form 8-K (under Item 9), related to the filing of a certificate in respect of the Company's Timber Notes.

On May 2, 2002, the Company filed a current report on Form 8-K dated as of April 30, 2002 (under Item 4), related to the change of Registrant's certifying accountant.

## SIGNATURE

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

SCOTIA PACIFIC COMPANY LLC

Date: May 15, 2002

By:           /S/      GARY L. CLARK          

Gary L. Clark  
Vice President – Finance and Administration  
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

## Glossary of Defined Terms

*Bear Creek lawsuit:* An action entitled *Environmental Protection Information Association v. Pacific Lumber, Scotia Pacific Company LLC* (No. C01-2821), filed July 24, 2001, in the U.S. District Court in the Northern District of California

*CDF:* California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

*CESA:* California Endangered Species Act

*Company:* Scotia Pacific Company LLC, a limited liability company wholly owned by Pacific Lumber

*Company Timber:* The timber located on the Company's timberlands which is not subject to harvesting rights by Pacific Lumber

*CWA:* Federal Clean Water Act

*Environmental Plans:* The HCP and the SYP

*EPA:* Environmental Protection Agency

*EPIC-SYP/Permits lawsuit:* An action entitled *Environmental Protection Information Association, Sierra Club v. California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, California Department of Fish and Game, The Pacific Lumber Company, Scotia Pacific Company LLC, Salmon Creek Corporation, et al.* (No. 99CS00639) filed March 31, 1999 in the Superior Court of Sacramento County

*Equity Fund Partnership:* A partnership investing in equity securities in which the Company holds a limited partnership interest

*ESA:* The federal Endangered Species Act

*FASB:* Financial Accounting Standards Board

*Form 10-K:* The Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2001

*Harvest Value Schedule:* A schedule setting forth the SBE Prices published bi-annually by the California Board of Equalization applicable to the timber sold during the period covered by the schedule for purposes of computing timber yield taxes

*HCP:* The habitat conservation plan covering multiple species approved on March 1, 1999, in connection with the consummation of the Headwaters Agreement

*Headwaters Agreement:* The September 28, 1996, agreement between Pacific Lumber, Scotia LLC, Salmon Creek, the United States and California which provided the framework for the acquisition by the United States and California of the Headwaters Timberlands

*Headwaters Timberlands:* Approximately 5,600 acres of Pacific Lumber timberlands consisting of two forest groves commonly referred to as the Headwaters Forest and the Elk Head Springs Forest which were sold to the United States and California on March 1, 1999

*Indenture:* The indenture governing the Timber Notes

*Line of Credit:* The agreement between a group of lenders and the Company pursuant to which the Company may

borrow in order to pay up to one year's interest on the Timber Notes

*Master Purchase Agreement:* The agreement entered into between Pacific Lumber and the Company that governs all purchases of logs by Pacific Lumber from the Company

*MAXXAM:* MAXXAM Inc.

*Mbfe:* A concept developed for use in structuring the Timber Notes; under this concept one thousand board feet, net Scribner scale, of residual old growth redwood timber equates to one Mbfe

*MGHI:* MAXXAM Group Holdings Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of MAXXAM

*MGI:* MAXXAM Group Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of MGHI

*North Coast Water Board:* North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

*Pacific Lumber:* The Pacific Lumber Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of MGI

*Permits:* The incidental take permits issued by the United States and California pursuant to the HCP

*Salmon Creek:* Salmon Creek LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Pacific Lumber

*SAR Account:* Funds held in a reserve account to support principal payments on the Timber Notes

*SBE Price:* The applicable stumpage price for a particular species and category of log, as set forth in the most recent Harvest Value Schedule published by the California State Board of Equalization at six month intervals for the purpose of computing yield taxes imposed on the harvesting of timber

*Scheduled Amortization:* The amount of principal which the Company must pay through each Timber Note payment date in order to avoid prepayment or deficiency premiums

*Services Agreement:* An agreement whereby Pacific Lumber is to provide operational, management and related services with respect to the Company's timberlands and for which Pacific Lumber is paid a fee

*SFAS No. 143:* Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 143, "Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations"

*SFAS No. 145:* Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 145, "Rescission of FASB Statements No. 4, 44, and 64, Amendment of FASB Statement No. 13, and Technical Corrections"

*SYP:* The sustained yield plan approved on March 1, 1999, in connection with the consummation of the Headwaters Agreement

*THP:* Timber harvesting plan required to be filed with and approved by the CDF prior to the harvesting of timber

*Timber Notes:* The Company's \$867.2 million original aggregate principal amount of 6.55% Series B Class A-1 Timber Collateralized Notes, 7.11% Series B Class A-2 Timber Collateralized Notes and 7.71% Series B Class A-3 Timber Collateralized Notes due July 20, 2028

*TMDLs:* Total maximum daily load limits

*USWA lawsuit:* An action entitled *United Steelworkers of America, AFL-CIO, CLC, and Donald Kegley v. California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, The Pacific Lumber Company, Scotia Pacific Company LLC and Salmon Creek Corporation* (No. 99CS00626) filed March 31, 1999 in the Superior Court of Sacramento County

*Wrigley lawsuit:* An action entitled *Kristi Wrigley, et al. v. Charles Hurwitz, John Campbell, Pacific Lumber, MAXXAM Group Holdings Inc., Scotia Pacific Holding Company, MAXXAM Group Inc., MAXXAM Inc., Scotia Pacific Company LLC and Federated Development Company* (No. 9700399) filed December 2, 1997 in the Superior Court of Humboldt County