
UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 10-Q

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2002

or

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

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission file number 1-7320

ANR Pipeline Company
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation or Organization)

38-1281775
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

El Paso Building
1001 Louisiana Street
Houston, Texas
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

77002
(Zip Code)

Telephone Number: **(713) 420-2600**

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

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

Common Stock, par value \$1 per share. Shares outstanding on May 15, 2002: 1,000.

**ANR PIPELINE COMPANY MEETS THE CONDITIONS OF GENERAL
INSTRUCTION H(1)(a) AND (b) OF FORM 10-Q AND IS THEREFORE FILING THIS REPORT
WITH A REDUCED DISCLOSURE FORMAT AS PERMITTED BY SUCH INSTRUCTION.**

PART I — FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

ANR PIPELINE COMPANY CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (In millions) (Unaudited)

	Quarter Ended March 31,	
	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Operating revenues	\$156	\$193
Operating expenses		
Operation and maintenance	58	88
Merger-related costs	—	67
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	9	10
Taxes, other than income taxes	7	7
	<u>74</u>	<u>172</u>
Operating income	<u>82</u>	<u>21</u>
Earnings from unconsolidated affiliates	—	5
Income before interest, income taxes and other charges	<u>82</u>	<u>26</u>
Non-affiliated interest and debt expense	11	11
Affiliated interest income, net	(1)	(1)
Income taxes	<u>26</u>	<u>6</u>
	<u>36</u>	<u>16</u>
Income before extraordinary items	46	10
Extraordinary items, net of income taxes	—	(3)
Net income	<u>\$ 46</u>	<u>\$ 7</u>

See accompanying notes.

ANR PIPELINE COMPANY
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(In millions, except share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	March 31, 2002	December 31, 2001
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ —	\$ —
Accounts and notes receivable, net		
Customer	7	49
Affiliates	411	309
Other	5	6
Materials and supplies	19	19
Other	2	22
Total current assets	<u>444</u>	<u>405</u>
Property, plant and equipment, at cost	3,597	3,562
Less accumulated depreciation, depletion and amortization	<u>2,182</u>	<u>2,177</u>
Total property, plant and equipment, net	<u>1,415</u>	<u>1,385</u>
Other assets		
Investment in unconsolidated affiliates	3	3
Other	4	6
	<u>7</u>	<u>9</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 1,866</u>	<u>\$1,799</u>
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY		
Current liabilities		
Accounts and notes payable		
Trade	\$ 18	\$ 22
Affiliates	57	46
Other	45	45
Interest payable	15	9
Taxes payable	72	53
Other	12	12
Total current liabilities	<u>219</u>	<u>187</u>
Long-term debt	<u>498</u>	<u>498</u>
Other liabilities		
Deferred income taxes	138	134
Payable to affiliates	204	204
Other	65	80
	<u>407</u>	<u>418</u>
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholder's equity		
Common stock, par value \$1 per share; authorized and issued 1,000 shares at March 31, 2002, and par value \$100 per share; authorized and issued 1,000 shares at December 31, 2001	—	—
Additional paid-in capital	468	468
Retained earnings	274	228
Total stockholder's equity	<u>742</u>	<u>696</u>
Total liabilities and stockholder's equity	<u>\$ 1,866</u>	<u>\$1,799</u>

See accompanying notes.

ANR PIPELINE COMPANY
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(In millions)
(Unaudited)

	Quarter Ended March 31,	
	2002	2001
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net income	\$ 46	\$ 7
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash from operating activities		
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	9	10
Deferred income tax expense	5	3
Extraordinary items	—	5
Undistributed earnings of unconsolidated affiliates	—	(5)
Non-cash portion of merger-related costs	—	42
Working capital changes	99	10
Non-working capital changes and other	(16)	11
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>143</u>	<u>83</u>
Cash flows from investing activities		
Additions to property, plant and equipment	(40)	(5)
Net proceeds from the sale of assets	(1)	—
Net change in affiliated advances receivable	(102)	(45)
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(143)</u>	<u>(50)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities		
Dividends paid	—	(30)
Other	—	5
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>—</u>	<u>(25)</u>
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	—	8
Cash and cash equivalents		
Beginning of period	—	1
End of period	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 9</u>

See accompanying notes.

ANR PIPELINE COMPANY
NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Unaudited)

1. Basis of Presentation

Our 2001 Annual Report on Form 10-K includes a summary of our significant accounting policies and other disclosures. You should read it in conjunction with this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. The financial statements as of March 31, 2002, and for the quarters ended March 31, 2002 and 2001, are unaudited. The balance sheet as of December 31, 2001, is derived from the audited balance sheet filed in our Form 10-K. These financial statements have been prepared pursuant to the rules and regulations of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and do not include all disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. In our opinion, we have made all adjustments, all of which are of a normal, recurring nature (except for merger-related costs and extraordinary items which are discussed below), to fairly present our interim period results. Information for interim periods may not necessarily indicate the results of operations for the entire year due to the seasonal nature of our businesses. The prior period information also includes reclassifications which were made to conform to the current period presentation. These reclassifications have no effect on our reported net income or stockholder's equity.

Our accounting policies are consistent with those discussed in our Form 10-K, except as discussed below.

Asset Impairments

On January 1, 2002, we adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 144, *Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets*. The provisions of this statement supersede SFAS No. 121, *Accounting for the Impairment of Long-Lived Assets and for Long-Lived Assets to Be Disposed Of*. There was no initial financial statement impact of adopting this standard.

2. Merger-Related Costs

During the quarter ended March 31, 2001, we incurred merger-related costs of \$67 million associated with El Paso Corporation's merger with The Coastal Corporation. These charges consist of \$57 million in employee severance, retention and transition costs, including postretirement benefits settled and curtailed under existing benefit plans for severed employees and early retirees that occurred as a result of El Paso's merger-related workforce reduction and consolidation. Following the merger, approximately 900 full-time positions were eliminated through a combination of early retirements and terminations. The pension and post-retirement benefits were accrued on the merger date and will be paid over the applicable benefit periods of the terminated and retired employees. All other employee-related costs were expensed as incurred and were paid in the first and second quarters of 2001. Also included in merger-related costs are \$9 million in other miscellaneous charges and \$1 million in merger-related asset impairments. A majority of the cash-related charges were paid in the first quarter of 2001.

3. Extraordinary Items

As a result of El Paso's merger with Coastal, Deepwater Holdings Inc., our unconsolidated affiliate, was required, under a Federal Trade Commission order, to dispose of its interests in the Stingray pipeline system. The sale was completed in February 2001. Our proportional share of the loss was approximately \$3 million, net of income tax benefits of approximately \$2 million. We reported this loss as an extraordinary item in the first quarter of 2001.

4. Commitments and Contingencies

Legal Proceedings

In 1997, we and a number of our affiliates were named defendants in actions brought by Jack Grynberg on behalf of the U.S. Government under the False Claims Act. Generally, these complaints allege an

industry-wide conspiracy to under report the heating value as well as the volumes of the natural gas produced from federal and Native American lands, which deprived the U.S. Government of royalties. These matters have been consolidated for pretrial purposes (In re: Natural Gas Royalties *Qui Tam* Litigation, U.S. District Court for the District of Wyoming, filed June 1997). In May 2001, the court denied the defendants' motions to dismiss.

We and a number of our affiliates were named defendants in *Quinque Operating Company, et al v. Gas Pipelines and Their Predecessors, et al*, filed in 1999 in the District Court of Stevens County, Kansas. This class action complaint alleges that the defendants mismeasured natural gas volumes and heating content of natural gas on non-federal and non-Native American lands. The Quinque complaint was transferred to the same court handling the Grynberg complaint and has now been sent back to Kansas State Court for further proceedings. A motion to dismiss this case is pending.

We are also a named defendant in numerous lawsuits and governmental proceedings that arise in the ordinary course of our business. For each of these matters, we evaluate the merits of the case, our exposure to the matter and possible legal or settlement strategies and the likelihood of an unfavorable outcome. If we determine that an unfavorable outcome is probable and can be estimated, we make the necessary accruals. As new information becomes available, our estimates may change. The impact of these changes may have a material effect on our results of operations. As of March 31, 2002, we had a reserve of approximately \$1 million for all outstanding legal matters.

While the outcome of the matters discussed above cannot be predicted with certainty, based on information known to date and our existing accruals, we do not expect the ultimate resolution of these matters will have a material adverse effect on our ongoing financial position, operating results or cash flows.

Environmental Matters

We are subject to extensive federal, state and local laws and regulations governing environmental quality and pollution control. These laws and regulations require us to remove or remedy the effect on the environment of the disposal or release of specified substances at current and former operating sites. As of March 31, 2002, we had a reserve of approximately \$16 million for expected remediation costs. In addition, we expect to make capital expenditures for environmental matters of approximately \$37 million in the aggregate for the years 2002 through 2007. These expenditures primarily relate to compliance with clean air regulations.

We have been designated and have received notice that we could be designated, or have been asked for information to determine whether we could be designated, as a Potentially Responsible Party (PRP) with respect to three active sites under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) or state equivalents. We have sought to resolve our liability as a PRP at these CERCLA sites, as appropriate, through indemnification by third parties and settlements which provide for payment of our allocable share of remediation costs. As of March 31, 2002, we have estimated our share of the remediation costs at these sites to be approximately \$1 million and have provided reserves that we believe are adequate for such costs. Since the clean-up costs are estimates and are subject to revision as more information becomes available about the extent of remediation required, and because in some cases we have asserted a defense to any liability, our estimates could change. Moreover, liability under the federal CERCLA statute is joint and several, meaning that we could be required to pay in excess of our pro rata share of remediation costs. Our understanding of the financial strength of other PRPs has been considered, where appropriate, in the determination of our estimated liabilities. We presently believe that based on our existing reserves, and information known to date, the impact of the costs associated with these CERCLA sites will not have a material adverse effect on our financial position, operating results or cash flows.

It is possible that new information or future developments could require us to reassess our potential exposure related to environmental matters. We may incur significant costs and liabilities in order to comply with existing environmental laws and regulations. It is also possible that other developments, such as increasingly strict environmental laws and regulations and claims for damages to property, employees, other persons and the environment resulting from our current or past operations, could result in substantial costs and liabilities in the future. As this information becomes available, or other relevant developments occur, we will

adjust our accrual amounts accordingly. While there are still uncertainties relating to the ultimate costs we may incur, based on our evaluation and experience to date, we believe the recorded reserves are adequate.

Rates and Regulatory Matters

In September 2001, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR). The NOPR proposes to apply the standards of conduct governing the relationship between interstate pipelines and marketing affiliates to all energy affiliates. The proposed regulations, if adopted by the FERC, would dictate how we conduct business and interact with our energy affiliates. In December 2001, we filed comments with the FERC addressing our concerns with the proposed rules. In April 2002, the FERC Staff issued a notice of a public conference to be held on May 21, 2002, at which interested parties will be given an opportunity to comment further on the NOPR. We cannot predict the outcome of the NOPR, but adoption of the regulations in substantially the form proposed would, at a minimum, place additional administrative and operational burdens on us.

While we cannot predict with certainty the final outcome or the timing of the resolution of all of our rates and regulatory matters discussed above, we believe the ultimate resolution of these issues, based on information known to date, will not have a material adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

5. Related Party Transactions

We participate in El Paso's cash management program which matches short-term cash surpluses and needs of its participating affiliates, thus minimizing total borrowing from outside sources. We had advanced \$401 million at March 31, 2002, at a market rate of interest which was 1.9%. At December 31, 2001, we had advanced \$299 million, at a market rate of interest which was 2.1%.

At March 31, 2002 and at December 31, 2001, we had accounts receivable from other related parties of \$10 million. In addition, we had accounts payable to related parties of \$57 million at March 31, 2002, and \$46 million at December 31, 2001. These balances arose in the normal course of business.

At both March 31, 2002 and December 31, 2001, we had a long-term payable to an affiliate of \$204 million for obligations related to a non-cancelable lease on our Detroit building. This charge was incurred as a result of the relocation of our headquarters from Detroit, Michigan to Houston, Texas and the transfer of this lease to our affiliate from a third party. The lease payment is due semi-annually.

6. Common Stock

On March 7, 2002, our Board of Directors approved and we filed an amended and restated certificate of incorporation, changing the total number of authorized shares of stock to 1,000 shares of common stock, with a par value of \$1.00 per share. As of December 31, 2001, we had 1,000 authorized and issued shares with a par value of \$100 per share.

7. New Accounting Pronouncement Issued But Not Yet Adopted

Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations

In August 2001, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued SFAS No. 143, *Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations*. This Statement requires companies to record a liability relating to the retirement and removal costs of assets used in their business. The liability is discounted to its present value, and the related asset value is increased by the amount of the resulting liability. Over the life of the asset, the liability will be accreted to its future value and eventually extinguished when the asset is taken out of service. Capitalized retirement and removal costs will be depreciated over the useful life of the related asset. The provisions of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2002. We are currently evaluating the effects of this pronouncement.

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

The information contained in Item 2 updates, and you should read it in conjunction with, information disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed March 28, 2002, in addition to the financial statements and notes presented in Item 1, Financial Statements, of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Results of Operations

Below are the operating results and an analysis of these results for the quarters ended March 31:

	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
	<u>(In millions except volume amounts)</u>	
Operating revenues	\$ 156	\$ 193
Operating expenses	(74)	(172)
Other income, net	<u>—</u>	<u>5</u>
Earnings before interest expense and income taxes	<u>\$ 82</u>	<u>\$ 26</u>
Throughput volumes (BBtu/d) ⁽¹⁾	<u>3,779</u>	<u>3,938</u>

⁽¹⁾ BBtu/d means billion British thermal units per day.

Operating revenues for the quarter ended March 31, 2002, were \$37 million lower than the same period in 2001. The decrease was primarily due to lower realized prices on resales of natural gas purchased from the Dakota gasification facility, sales of excess natural gas in 2001 that did not recur in 2002, lower transportation revenues from capacity sold under short-term contracts and lower throughput due to milder weather in the first quarter of 2002.

Operating expenses for the quarter ended March 31, 2002, were \$98 million lower than the same period in 2001. The decrease was primarily due to merger-related costs incurred for employee benefits and severance charges in the first quarter of 2001. Also contributing to the decrease were lower prices on natural gas purchased at the Dakota gasification facility, lower operating expenses, due to cost efficiencies following El Paso's merger with Coastal and lower benefit costs in the first quarter of 2002.

Other income for the quarter ended March 31, 2002, was \$5 million lower than the same period in 2001 primarily due to the sale of our interest in the Iroquois pipeline system in the second quarter of 2001.

Income Taxes

The income tax expense for the quarters ended March 31, 2002 and 2001, was \$26 million and \$6 million, resulting in effective tax rates of 36 percent and 38 percent. Our effective tax rates were different than the statutory rate of 35 percent primarily due to state income taxes.

Commitments and Contingencies

See Item 1, Financial Statements, Note 4, which is incorporated herein by reference.

New Accounting Pronouncement Not Yet Adopted

See Item 1, Financial Statements, Note 7, which is incorporated herein by reference.

**CAUTIONARY STATEMENT FOR PURPOSES OF THE “SAFE HARBOR” PROVISIONS OF
THE PRIVATE SECURITIES LITIGATION REFORM ACT OF 1995**

This report contains or incorporates by reference forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Where any forward-looking statement includes a statement of the assumptions or bases underlying the forward-looking statement, we caution that, while we believe these assumptions or bases to be reasonable and to be made in good faith, assumed facts or bases almost always vary from the actual results, and the differences between assumed facts or bases and actual results can be material, depending upon the circumstances. Where, in any forward-looking statement, we or our management express an expectation or belief as to future results, that expectation or belief is expressed in good faith and is believed to have a reasonable basis. We cannot assure you, however, that the statement of expectation or belief will result or be achieved or accomplished. The words “believe,” “expect,” “estimate,” “anticipate” and similar expressions will generally identify forward-looking statements.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

This information updates, and you should read it in conjunction with, information disclosed in Part II, Item 7A in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001, in addition to the information presented in Items 1 and 2 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

There are no material changes in our quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risks from those reported in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001.

PART II — OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

See Part I, Item 1, Financial Statements, Note 4, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 2. Changes in Securities and Use of Proceeds

None.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None.

Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

None.

Item 5. Other Information

None.

Item 6. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K.

a. Exhibits

None.

Undertaking

We hereby undertake, pursuant to Regulation S-K, Item 601(b), paragraph (4)(iii), to furnish to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, all constituent instruments defining the rights of holders of our long-term debt not filed herewith for the reason that the total amount of securities authorized under any of such instruments does not exceed 10 percent of our total consolidated assets.

b. Reports on Form 8-K

None.

SIGNATURES

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

ANR PIPELINE COMPANY

Date: May 15, 2002

/s/ JOHN W. SOMERHALDER II

John W. Somerhalder II
Chairman of the Board and Director

Date: May 15, 2002

/s/ GREG G. GRUBER

Greg G. Gruber
*Senior Vice President,
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)*