

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

FORM 8-K

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 7, 2019

Riviera Resources, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction
Of Incorporation)

333-225927
(Commission
File Number)

82-5121920
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

600 Travis Street, Suite 1700
Houston, Texas
(Address of principal executive offices)

77002
(Zip Code)

(281) 840-4000
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

NOT APPLICABLE
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
None	None	None

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

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

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On November 7, 2019, Riviera Resources, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing its earnings for the quarter ended September 30, 2019, and its updated guidance for 2019. The press release is being furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference. Also on November 7, 2019, the Company held an earnings call. The transcript is being furnished as Exhibit 99.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference.

This Form 8-K and the exhibit hereto shall be deemed “furnished” and not “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any of the Company’s filings under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, whether made before or after the date hereof and regardless of any general incorporation language in such filings, except to the extent expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) *Exhibits.*

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press release dated November 7, 2019.
99.2	Earnings Call Script dated November 7, 2019.
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

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 hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: November 7, 2019

RIVIERA RESOURCES, INC.

By: /s/ David B. Rottino

Name: David B. Rottino

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer



NEWS RELEASE

RIVIERA RESOURCES REPORTS THIRD-QUARTER 2019 RESULTS AND ANNOUNCES SALE OF EAST TEXAS OVERTON PROPERTIES FOR \$18.5 MILLION

HOUSTON, November 7, 2019 – Riviera Resources, Inc. (OTCQX: RVRA) (“Riviera” or the “Company”) and its wholly owned subsidiary, Blue Mountain Midstream LLC (“Blue Mountain”) announces financial and operating results for the third quarter 2019.

The Company highlights the following accomplishments:

- Increased previously announced \$100 million share repurchase authorization to a total of \$150 million
- Returned over \$140 million of capital to shareholders through share repurchases and tender offer since the beginning of the year, and over \$295 million since August 2018
- Signed definitive agreements to sell our remaining Hugoton Basin assets for a contract price of \$295 million, and interests in properties located in the Overton field of East Texas for a contract price of \$18.5 million
- Ended the third quarter with a consolidated cash balance of ~\$83 million and ~\$61 million drawn on the Blue Mountain Credit Facility
- Averaged approximately 242 MMcfe/d of production in the third quarter, in line with our guidance range
- Invested Upstream capital of approximately \$6 million, ~33% below the guidance target for the quarter

Blue Mountain highlights:

- Entered into a long-term, fee-based crude oil gathering agreement with Roan Resources, Inc. (“Roan”) and construction commenced on initial facilities for the North and South systems
- Roan entered into an agreement and plan of merger with Citizen Energy Operating, LLC (“Citizen”), which is a portfolio company of Warburg Pincus
- Placed into service water gathering pipelines, connecting to 14 Roan pads
- Closed the acquisition of Lumen Midstream Partnership, LLC, and constructed interconnect facilities, with volumes redirected to the cryo plant beginning on October 1, 2019
- Continued engagement with Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co. to review strategic alternatives to unlock unrealized value

David Rottino, Riviera’s President and Chief Executive Officer, commented, “I am very pleased with Riviera’s performance in the third quarter. We remain relentlessly focused on our commitment to maximizing shareholder value through our strategy of capital discipline, returning capital to shareholders and efficiently managing our assets. So far this year, we have generated approximately \$220 million in proceeds through opportunistic asset monetizations, and returned over \$140 million of capital to shareholders through our ongoing share repurchase program and July tender offer. In addition, we will generate significant proceeds from the sale of our remaining Hugoton assets that we still expect to close in the fourth quarter of this year that can be used to return capital to shareholders. Finally, we continue to work with Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co. to review strategic alternatives for our Blue Mountain midstream business.”

Key Financial Results (1)

\$ in millions	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Average daily production (MMcfe/d)	242	302	264	338
Total oil, natural gas and NGL revenues	\$ 51	\$ 90	\$ 194	\$ 314
(Loss) income from continuing operations	\$ (226)	(\$ 33)	\$ (220)	\$ 10
(Loss) income from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	\$ —	(\$ 15)	\$ —	\$ 20
Net (loss) income	\$ (226)	(\$ 48)	\$ (220)	\$ 30
Adjusted EBITDAX (a non-GAAP financial measure) (2)	\$ 21	\$ 12	\$ 84	\$ 63
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 29	(\$ 85)	\$ 88	(\$ 28)
Oil and natural gas capital	\$ 6	\$ 7	\$ 60	\$ 24
Total capital (3)	\$ 42	\$ 34	\$ 144	\$ 143

- (1) All amounts reflect continuing operations with the exception of net (loss) income for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2018.
- (2) Includes severance costs of approximately \$2 million and success fee on capital reimbursement agreement of approximately \$2 million for both the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2019, and severance costs of approximately \$8 million and \$26 million for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively.
- (3) Includes approximately \$3 million of capital for the Lumen acquisition for both the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2019.

Opportunistic Asset Monetizations

Thus far in 2019, the Company has closed six transactions that in combination generated proceeds of approximately \$220 million. The six transactions include the sale of the Arkoma Basin assets (closed January 2019), the monetization of a portion of the Company's helium reserves in the Hugoton Basin utilizing a VPP structure (closed March 2019), the sale of certain non-operated properties located in the Hugoton Basin (closed May 2019), the sale of properties located in Michigan (closed July 2019), the sale of certain non-core properties located in North Louisiana (closed August 2019), and the sale of properties located in Illinois (closed September 2019).

The Company has also signed definitive agreements to sell its remaining interests in properties located in the Hugoton Basin, expected to close in the fourth quarter of 2019, and its interest in properties located in the Overton field in East Texas, that is expected to close in the first quarter of 2020. In combination, the transactions are expected to generate estimated proceeds of approximately \$300 million. The Board and management will determine the use of proceeds, which consistent with past history may include a significant return of capital to shareholders.

Continuation of Share Repurchase Plan

The Company has returned over \$140 million of capital to shareholders through a tender offer and share repurchases since the beginning of the year, and over \$295 million since August 2018.

On July 18, 2019, the Board increased the share repurchase authorization to \$150 million of the Company's outstanding shares of common stock. Through September 30, 2019, the Company repurchased an aggregate of 8,916,526 shares at an average price of \$13.55 for a total cost of approximately \$121 million. In the third quarter alone the Company bought back 2,327,416 shares at an average price of \$10.70 for a total cost of approximately \$25 million. As of October 31, 2019, approximately \$28 million was available for share repurchase under the program.

Third Quarter 2019 Activity – Upstream Assets

The Company performed in line with expectations in the third quarter with respect to its upstream assets. Production for the third quarter averaged approximately 242 MMcf/d, in line with our guidance range. Upstream capital expenditures were approximately \$6 million, 33% below the guidance target for the quarter. Adjusted G&A expenses were approximately \$9 million, and operating expenses were approximately \$39 million, both in-line with guidance ranges for the quarter.

Blue Mountain Business Update

In the third quarter of 2019, natural gas throughput averaged 114 MMcf/d and NGLs produced were 7,250 bpd. Average natural gas throughput for the nine months ending September 30, 2019 was 117 MMcf/d. During the third quarter, 13 wells were turned to sales on the Blue Mountain system; however, throughput volumes were impacted due to our primary customer Roan preloading or temporarily shutting-in 15 producing wells during the quarter, contributing to an average throughput loss on the system of ~11 MMcf/d since the second quarter of 2019. We anticipate these wells and volumes to return in the fourth quarter of 2019 and the first quarter of 2020.

Management expects throughput volumes from its primary customer to remain relatively flat during the remainder of 2019 as Roan recently entered into an agreement and plan of merger with Citizen. Roan has significantly curtailed operations pending the closing of that transaction, which is anticipated to take place prior to yearend. Citizen is a portfolio company of Warburg Pincus, which has over \$62 billion of assets under management and substantial experience in the energy sector.

On August 5, 2019, Blue Mountain acquired 100% interests in Lumen Midstream Partnership, LLC, including approximately 55 miles of natural gas gathering pipelines and an 18 MMcf/d processing plant. During the quarter, the Lumen system was connected to the Blue Mountain system, adding natural gas throughput of ~5 MMcf/d at the cryo plant, beginning on October 1, 2019.

Blue Mountain began gathering produced water on pipelines for Roan in July 2019, averaging 8,280 bpd during the third quarter of 2019. As the company progresses on the buildout of its water gathering system, it continues to transport produced water via third-party trucking services, hauling 5 million barrels of water in total, or averaging 54,165 bpd, during the third quarter of 2019. In September 2019, Blue Mountain executed a new water services agreement with a large independent producer. The agreement includes a minimum volume commitment of 5,000 bpd over a three-year term, with facilities estimated in-service in November 2019. In addition, Blue Mountain has placed in-service its first owned and operated disposal well and is constructing two more water disposal facilities, one of which is estimated to be in-service in the fourth quarter of 2019. Furthermore, Blue Mountain has acquired additional disposal capacity through a non-operated interest in another well that went in service in October 2019.

Blue Mountain entered into a crude oil gathering agreement with Roan Resources in July 2019. Construction has commenced on the initial facilities consisting of approximately 50 miles of gathering pipelines across the North and South systems, with an estimated in-service date in the first half of 2020.

During the quarter, the business was impacted by lower throughput volumes and overall lower commodity prices. Also, the business continued to be impacted by the NGL pricing differentials at Conway and Mont Belvieu, along with ineffective hedges related to these pricing differences. As a result, Blue Mountain's third quarter adjusted EBITDA decreased by approximately \$5 million compared with second quarter results. The elimination of the impact of the hedges would have added approximately \$3 million to Blue Mountain's Adjusted EBITDA. Management expects to eliminate all basis dislocation in the first quarter of 2020 when ONEOK's Arbuckle II Pipeline is completed.

Capital expenditures for the third quarter were approximately \$36 million (including approximately \$3 million of acquisition capital), with the majority of capital being invested in the construction of water gathering pipelines.

Balance Sheet and Liquidity

Riviera and Blue Mountain have established separate credit facilities. As of September 30, 2019, there were no borrowings outstanding on Riviera's revolving credit facility, and borrowing commitments of up to \$90 million with available borrowing capacity of approximately \$57 million, inclusive of outstanding letters of credit. At quarter end, Riviera had approximately \$62 million of cash. In September 2019, Riviera amended its Credit Facility. The amendment resulted in a borrowing commitment reduction from \$230 million to \$90 million, primarily due to pending asset sales, including the sale of remaining Hugoton Basin properties expected to close in the fourth quarter of 2019. In addition to extending the facility's term by one year, Riviera reduced its pricing grid by 50 basis points.

As of September 30, 2019, Blue Mountain had approximately \$61 million drawn on its revolving credit facility, and borrowing commitments of up to \$200 million with available borrowing capacity of approximately \$126 million, including outstanding letters of credit, subject to covenant restrictions in the Blue Mountain Credit Facility, and approximately \$21 million ending cash balance.

As of September 30, 2019 the Company had a consolidated ending cash balance of approximately \$83 million. With \$61 million drawn on Blue Mountain's credit facility, the company had approximately \$22 million in net cash.

Third Quarter Actuals

Below is a summary of the Company's consolidated third quarter results.

	Q3 2019 Actuals	Q3 2019 Actuals	Q3 2019 Actuals
	Upstream	Blue Mountain	Consolidated
Net Production (MMcfe/d)	242		242
Natural gas (MMcf/d)	194		194
Oil (Bbls/d)	2,085		2,085
NGL (Bbls/d)	5,979		5,979
Other revenues, net (in thousands)(1)	\$ 8,679(2)	\$ 6,426(3)	\$ 15,105(4)
Helium revenues	\$ 5,120(5)		\$ 5,120(5)
Jayhawk / Other	\$ 3,559		\$ 3,559
Blue Mountain		\$ 6,426(3)	\$ 6,426(3)
Costs (in thousands)	\$ 39,050	\$ 643	\$ 39,693
Lease operating expenses	\$ 18,307		\$ 18,307
Transportation expenses	\$ 16,275		\$ 16,275
Taxes, other than income taxes	\$ 4,468	\$ 643	\$ 5,111
Adjusted general and administrative expenses (Non-GAAP) (6)	\$ 8,612(7)	\$ 3,317(8)	\$ 11,929(9)
General and administrative- severance expenses	\$ 2,246		\$ 2,246
(in thousands)			
Adjusted EBITDAX (Non-GAAP)	\$ 19,464	\$ 1,219(10)	\$ 20,683(10)
Cash interest expense (Non-GAAP) (11)	\$ 1,008	\$ 492	\$ 1,500
Oil and natural gas capital	\$ 5,803		\$ 5,803
Total capital	\$ 5,904	\$ 36,590	\$ 42,494

(1) Includes other revenues and margin on marketing activities

(2) Includes other revenues of approximately \$5.5 million, plus marketing revenues of approximately \$11.1 million, less marketing expenses of approximately \$7.9 million

(3) Includes marketing revenues of approximately \$34.7 million, less adjusted marketing expenses of approximately \$28.3 million. Adjusted marketing expenses is a non-GAAP measure that excludes share-based compensation expenses of less than \$0.1 million, and losses on derivatives of approximately \$1.4 million

(4) Includes other revenues of approximately \$5.5 million, plus marketing revenues of approximately \$45.8 million, less adjusted marketing expenses of approximately \$36.2 million. Adjusted marketing expenses is a non-GAAP measure that excludes share-based compensation expenses of less than \$0.1 million, and losses on derivatives of approximately \$1.4 million

(5) Includes helium revenues from the VPP Interests of approximately \$3.7 million

(6) Adjusted general and administrative expenses is a non-GAAP measure that excludes share-based compensation expenses and severance expenses presented for the purpose of comparing to guidance

(7) Represents general and administrative expenses of approximately \$11.4 million, excluding share-based compensation expenses of approximately \$0.6 million, and severance expenses of approximately \$2.2 million

(8) Represents general and administrative expenses of approximately \$5.5 million, excluding share-based compensation expenses of approximately \$2.2 million

(9) Represents general and administrative expenses of approximately \$16.9 million, excluding share-based compensation expenses of approximately \$2.8 million, and severance expenses of approximately \$2.2 million

(10) Includes success fee on capital reimbursement agreement for partial sale of NW STACK gathering infrastructure to producer of approximately \$1.7 million

(11) Excludes non cash amortization

Upstream Segment - Third Quarter Actuals versus Guidance

The comparison to guidance below is for the upstream assets only. The Company did not provide third quarter 2019 guidance for Blue Mountain.

	Q3 2019 Actuals	Q3 2019 Guidance
Net Production (MMcfe/d)	242	233 – 255
Natural gas (MMcf/d)	194	185 – 205
Oil (Bbls/d)	2,085	1,900 – 2,100
NGL (Bbls/d)	5,979	6,000 – 6,300
Other revenues, net (in thousands)⁽¹⁾	\$ 8,679⁽²⁾	\$ 7,000 – \$ 9,000
Helium revenues	\$ 5,120 ⁽³⁾	\$ 4,500 – \$ 5,500 ⁽³⁾
Jayhawk / Other	\$ 3,559	\$ 2,500 – \$ 3,500
Costs (in thousands)	\$ 39,050	\$ 36,500 – \$ 41,500
Lease operating expenses	\$ 18,307	\$ 17,000 – \$ 19,000
Transportation expenses	\$ 16,275	\$ 16,000 – \$ 17,000
Taxes, other than income taxes	\$ 4,468	\$ 3,500 – \$ 5,500
Adjusted general and administrative expenses (Non-GAAP) ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 8,612 ⁽⁵⁾	\$ 8,500 – \$ 9,500
General and administrative-severance expenses	\$ 2,246	\$ 1,500 – \$ 2,000
Targets (Mid-Point) (in thousands)		
Adjusted EBITDAX (Non-GAAP)	\$ 19,464	\$ 19,000
Capital expenditures	\$ 5,904	\$ 9,000
VPP Notes interest expense payments ⁽⁶⁾	\$ 1,011	\$ 1,000
VPP Notes principal payments	\$ 2,666	\$ 2,700

(1) Includes other revenues and margin on marketing activities

(2) Includes other revenues of approximately \$5.5 million, plus marketing revenues of approximately \$11.1 million, less marketing expenses of approximately \$7.9 million

(3) Includes helium revenues from the VPP Interests of approximately \$3.7 million

(4) Adjusted general and administrative expenses is a non-GAAP measure that excludes share-based compensation expenses and severance expenses presented for the purpose of comparing to guidance

(5) For the three months ended September 30, 2019 represents general and administrative expenses of approximately \$11.4 million, excluding share-based compensation expenses of approximately \$0.6 million, and severance expenses of approximately \$2.2 million

(6) Excludes non cash amortization

Upstream Segment - Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2019 Guidance

The guidance below is for the Upstream assets only. Guidance estimates have been adjusted for the sale of remaining properties located in Hugoton expected to close in the fourth quarter of 2019.

	Q4 2019E	FY 2019E
Net Production (MMcfe/d)	162 – 180	238 – 243
Natural gas (MMcf/d)	133 – 147	194 – 198
Oil (Bbls/d)	1,400 – 1,600	1,655 – 1,705
NGL (Bbls/d)	3,500 – 3,900	5,650 – 5,750
Other revenues, net (in thousands)⁽¹⁾	\$ 3,000 – \$ 5,000	\$ 31,000 – \$ 33,000
Helium revenues	\$ 1,000 – \$ 2,000 ⁽²⁾	\$ 16,500 – \$ 17,500 ⁽³⁾
Jayhawk / Other	\$ 2,000 – \$ 3,000	\$ 14,500 – \$ 15,500
Costs (in thousands)	\$ 25,500 – \$ 29,500	\$ 157,500 – \$ 161,500
Lease operating expenses	\$ 13,500 – \$ 15,500	\$ 80,000 – \$ 82,000
Transportation expenses	\$ 9,000 – \$ 10,000	\$ 63,000 – \$ 64,000
Taxes, other than income taxes	\$ 3,000 – \$ 4,000	\$ 14,500 – \$ 15,500
Adjusted general and administrative expenses (Non-GAAP) ^{(4), (7)}	\$ 8,500 – \$ 9,500	\$ 33,000 – \$ 34,000
General and administrative- severance expenses	\$ 3,500 – \$ 4,000	\$ 6,000 – \$ 6,500
Costs per Mcfe (Mid-Point)	\$ 1.74	\$ 1.81
Lease operating expenses	\$ 0.92	\$ 0.92
Transportation expenses	\$ 0.61	\$ 0.72
Taxes, other than income taxes	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.17
Targets (Mid-Point in thousands)		
Adjusted EBITDAX (Non-GAAP) ⁽⁷⁾	\$ 11,000 ⁽⁵⁾	\$ 81,000 ⁽⁶⁾
Capital expenditures	\$ 4,000	\$ 66,000
VPP Notes interest expense payments	\$ 500	\$ 2,600
VPP Notes principal payments	\$ 1,500	\$ 6,800
Weighted Average NYMEX Differentials		
Natural gas (MMBtu)	(\$0.40) – (\$ 0.20)	(\$ 0.35) – (\$ 0.30)
Oil (Bbl)	(\$ 2.40) – (\$ 1.80)	(\$ 1.70) – (\$ 1.30)
NGL price as a % of crude oil price	24% – 28%	28% – 32%

Unhedged Commodity Price Assumptions

	Oct 19	Nov 19	Dec 19	2019E
Natural gas (MMBtu)	\$ 2.43	\$ 2.21	\$ 2.46	\$ 2.59
Oil (Bbl)	\$54.70	\$54.70	\$54.78	\$56.47
NGL (Bbl)	\$14.52	\$14.38	\$13.76	\$17.03

- (1) Includes other revenues and margin on marketing activities for Upstream assets, only
- (2) Includes helium revenues from the VPP Interests of approximately \$1.8 million
- (3) Includes helium revenues from the VPP Interests of approximately \$12.8 million
- (4) Excludes share-based compensation expenses and severance expenses
- (5) Includes severance expenses of approximately \$3.7 million
- (6) Includes severance expenses of approximately \$6.0 million
- (7) The Company does not provide a reconciliation of such non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures on a forward-looking basis as it is unable to forecast certain items that we have defined as “Selected Items Impacting Comparability”, which items are set forth later in this press release under the heading “Non-GAAP Financial Measures and Selected Items Impacting Comparability,” without unreasonable effort, due to the uncertainty and inherent difficulty of predicting the occurrence and financial impact of and the periods in which such items may be recognized. Thus, a reconciliation of such non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures could result in disclosure that could be imprecise or potentially misleading. These items could be material to and have a significant impact on the Company’s results computed in accordance with GAAP.

Hedging Update

Riviera Upstream Hedges

	2019		2020	
	Volume (MMMBtu/d)	Average Price (per MMBtu)	Volume (MMMBtu/d)	Average Price (per MMBtu)
<u>Natural Gas</u>				
Swaps	141	\$ 2.88	30	\$ 2.82
Collars	20	\$ 2.75 - \$3.00		
<u>Oil</u>				
Swaps	1,000	\$ 64.32	500	\$ 64.63
<u>Natural Gas Basis Differential positions</u>				
PEPL Basis Swaps	70	(\$ 0.64)	20	(\$ 0.45)
NWPL Basis Swaps	10	(\$ 0.61)	—	\$ —

Blue Mountain Revenue Hedges

	2019		2020	
	Volume (MMMBtu/d)	Average Price (per MMBtu)	Volume (MMMBtu/d)	Average Price (per MMBtu)
<u>Natural Gas</u>				
Swaps	15	\$ 2.81	—	\$ —
<u>Oil</u>				
Swaps	98	\$ 66.60	49	\$ 55.90
<u>Natural Gas Basis Differential positions</u>				
Southern Star Basis Swaps	5	(\$ 0.57)	—	\$ —
Enable Basis Swaps	5	(\$ 0.23)	—	\$ —
<u>NGL positions</u>				
<u>Margin spreads</u>				
Mont Belvieu propane and Conway propane	63	(\$ 0.07)	—	\$ —
Mont Belvieu pentane and Conway pentane	63	(\$ 0.09)	—	\$ —

Blue Mountain Cost Hedges

	2019		2020	
	Volume (gallons/d in thousands)	Average Price (per gallon)	Volume (gallons/d in thousands)	Average Price (per gallon)
<u>NGL positions</u>				
<u>Fixed price swaps</u>				
Mont Belvieu ethane	126	\$ 0.34	—	\$ —
Mont Belvieu propane	42	\$ 0.68	—	\$ —

Earnings Call / Form 10-Q

The Company will host a conference call Thursday, November 7, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. (Central) to discuss the Company's third quarter 2019 results and expects to file its third quarter Form 10-Q with the Securities and Exchange Commission on or around that date. There will be prepared remarks by executive management followed by a question and answer session.

Investors and analysts are invited to participate in the call by dialing (866)416-7462, or (409) 217-8223 for international calls using Conference ID: 6994895. Interested parties may also listen over the internet at www.rivieraresourcesinc.com. A replay of the call will be available on the Company's website.

Supplemental information can be found at the following link on our website <http://ir.rivieraresourcesinc.com/events-and-presentations>

ABOUT RIVIERA RESOURCES

Riviera Resources, Inc. is an independent oil and natural gas company with a strategic focus on efficiently operating its mature low-decline assets, developing its growth-oriented assets, and returning capital to its stockholders. Riviera's properties are located in East Texas, North Louisiana, the Uinta Basin and Mid-Continent regions. Riviera also owns Blue Mountain Midstream LLC, a midstream company centered in the core of the Merge play in the Anadarko Basin.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures and Selected Items Impacting Comparability

To supplement our financial information presented in accordance with GAAP, management uses additional measures known as "non-GAAP financial measures" in its evaluation of past performance and prospects for the future. The primary additional measures used by management are earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization, exploration costs, noncash gains and losses on commodity derivatives, accrued settlements on commodity derivative contracts related to current production period, share-based compensation expenses, gains and losses on asset sales and other, reorganization items, and asset impairments ("Adjusted EBITDAX") and earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization, noncash gains and losses on commodity derivatives, accrued settlements on commodity derivative contracts related to current production period, share-based compensation expenses, gains and losses on asset sales and other, and asset impairments ("Adjusted EBITDA"). Management believes these non-GAAP financial measures provide useful information to investors because these non-GAAP measures, when viewed with the Company's GAAP results and accompanying reconciliations, provide a more complete understanding of the Company's performance than GAAP results alone.

Forward-Looking Statements

Statements made in this press release that are not historical facts are "forward-looking statements." These statements are based on certain assumptions and expectations made by the Company which reflect management's experience, estimates and perception of historical trends, current conditions, and anticipated future developments. These statements include, among others, statements regarding our 2019 guidance, planned capital expenditures, increases in oil and gas production, the number of anticipated wells to be drilled or completed after the date hereof, future cash flows and borrowings, our strategic objectives with respect to Blue Mountain Midstream, our financial position, business strategy and other plans and objectives for future operations. Such statements are subject to a number of assumptions, risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond the control of the Company, which may cause actual results to differ materially from those implied or anticipated in the forward-looking statements. These include risks relating to the Company's financial and operational performance and results, low or declining commodity prices and demand for oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids, ability to hedge future production, ability to replace reserves and efficiently develop current reserves, the capacity and utilization of midstream facilities and the regulatory environment. These and other important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated or implied in the forward-looking statements. Please read "Risk Factors" in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and other public filings. The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information or future events.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Unaudited)

	September 30, 2019	December 31, 2018
	(in thousands, except share amounts)	
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 83,161	\$ 18,529
Accounts receivable – trade, net	67,156	114,489
Derivative instruments	14,132	10,758
Restricted cash	45,757	31,248
Other current assets	12,699	26,721
Assets held for sale	419,290	38,396
Total current assets	<u>642,195</u>	<u>240,141</u>
Noncurrent assets:		
Oil and natural gas properties (successful efforts method)	316,973	756,552
Less accumulated depletion and amortization	(64,796)	(93,507)
	252,177	663,045
Other property and equipment	461,847	606,244
Less accumulated depreciation	(54,991)	(62,368)
	406,856	543,876
Derivative instruments	1,243	4,603
Deferred income taxes	—	129,091
Other noncurrent assets	9,376	12,078
	<u>10,619</u>	<u>145,772</u>
Total noncurrent assets	<u>669,652</u>	<u>1,352,693</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 1,311,847</u>	<u>\$ 1,592,834</u>
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 104,726	\$ 159,228
Derivative instruments	4,087	4,719
Other accrued liabilities	48,122	34,474
Liabilities held for sale	127,023	3,725
Total current liabilities	<u>283,958</u>	<u>202,146</u>
Noncurrent liabilities:		
Credit facilities	61,100	24,500
Asset retirement obligations	52,143	103,814
Other noncurrent liabilities	13,210	—
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>126,453</u>	<u>128,314</u>
Commitments and contingencies (Note 10)		
Equity:		
Preferred Stock (\$0.01 par value, 30,000,000 shares authorized; no shares issued at September 30, 2019, or December 31, 2018)	—	—
Common Stock (\$0.01 par value, 270,000,000 shares authorized; 58,632,328 shares and 69,197,284 shares issued at September 30, 2019, and December 31, 2018, respectively)	586	692
Additional paid-in capital	1,115,483	1,256,730
Retained earnings	(214,633)	4,952
Total equity	<u>901,436</u>	<u>1,262,374</u>
Total liabilities and equity	<u>\$ 1,311,847</u>	<u>\$ 1,592,834</u>

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
	(in thousands, except per share amounts)			
Revenues and other:				
Oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids sales	\$ 51,029	\$ 89,653	\$ 194,131	\$ 313,533
Gains (losses) on commodity derivatives	5,665	(3,175)	12,673	(25,730)
Marketing revenues	45,828	67,246	166,569	156,480
Other revenues	5,532	5,877	16,685	18,158
	<u>108,054</u>	<u>159,601</u>	<u>390,058</u>	<u>462,441</u>
Expenses:				
Lease operating expenses	18,307	22,930	66,204	94,902
Transportation expenses	16,275	22,304	53,478	62,611
Marketing expenses	37,688	63,149	132,888	145,231
General and administrative expenses	16,954	90,931	49,434	228,105
Exploration costs	1,947	2,487	4,154	3,742
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	20,060	21,515	65,013	71,960
Impairment of assets held for sale	95,080	—	113,470	—
Taxes, other than income taxes	5,111	7,162	14,010	22,729
(Gains) losses on sale of assets and other, net	(7,587)	221	(24,967)	(208,009)
	<u>203,835</u>	<u>230,699</u>	<u>473,684</u>	<u>421,271</u>
Other income and (expenses):				
Interest expense, net of amounts capitalized	(2,329)	(594)	(5,403)	(1,582)
Other, net	(595)	105	(708)	473
	<u>(2,924)</u>	<u>(489)</u>	<u>(6,111)</u>	<u>(1,109)</u>
Reorganization items, net	(284)	(1,277)	(756)	(4,487)
(Loss) income from continuing operations before income taxes	(98,989)	(72,864)	(90,493)	35,574
Income tax expense (benefit)	126,646	(39,628)	129,092	25,247
(Loss) income from continuing operations	(225,635)	(33,236)	(219,585)	10,327
(Loss) income from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	—	(14,899)	—	19,674
Net (loss) income	<u><u>\$ (225,635)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (48,135)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (219,585)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 30,001</u></u>
Income (loss) per share:				
(Loss) income from continuing operations per share – Basic	<u>\$ (3.76)</u>	<u>\$ (0.43)</u>	<u>\$ (3.40)</u>	<u>\$ 0.13</u>
(Loss) income from continuing operations per share – Diluted	<u>\$ (3.76)</u>	<u>\$ (0.43)</u>	<u>\$ (3.40)</u>	<u>\$ 0.13</u>
(Loss) income from discontinued operations per share – Basic	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ (0.20)</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 0.26</u>
(Loss) income from discontinued operations per share – Diluted	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ (0.20)</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 0.26</u>
Net (loss) income per share – Basic	<u>\$ (3.76)</u>	<u>\$ (0.63)</u>	<u>\$ (3.40)</u>	<u>\$ 0.39</u>
Net (loss) income per share – Diluted	<u>\$ (3.76)</u>	<u>\$ (0.63)</u>	<u>\$ (3.40)</u>	<u>\$ 0.39</u>
Weighted average shares outstanding – Basic	<u>60,004</u>	<u>76,135</u>	<u>64,576</u>	<u>76,171</u>
Weighted average shares outstanding – Diluted	<u>60,004</u>	<u>76,135</u>	<u>64,576</u>	<u>76,518</u>

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,	
	2019	2018
	(in thousands)	
Cash flow from operating activities:		
Net (loss) income	\$(219,585)	\$ 30,001
Adjustments to reconcile net (loss) income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Income from discontinued operations	—	(19,674)
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	65,013	71,960
Impairment of assets held for sale	113,470	—
Deferred income taxes	129,092	25,382
Total (gains) losses on derivatives, net	(6,386)	25,730
Cash settlements on derivatives	5,740	(25,341)
Share-based compensation expenses	10,624	16,105
Gains on sale of assets and other, net	(27,366)	(204,644)
Other	8,897	1,336
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Decrease in accounts receivable – trade, net	37,305	57,674
Decrease in other assets	5,367	61,309
Decrease in accounts payable and accrued expenses	(29,997)	(51,608)
Decrease in other liabilities	(4,331)	(15,750)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>87,843</u>	<u>(27,520)</u>
Cash flow from investing activities:		
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(3,380)	—
Development of oil and natural gas properties	(67,864)	(56,116)
Purchases of other property and equipment	(82,232)	(116,237)
Proceeds from sale of properties and equipment and other	177,907	367,086
Net cash provided by investing activities — continuing operations	24,431	194,733
Net cash provided by investing activities — discontinued operations	—	7,000
Net cash provided by investing activities	<u>24,431</u>	<u>201,733</u>
Cash flow from financing activities:		
Net transfers to Parent	—	(481,449)
Repurchases of shares	(143,097)	(7,576)
Proceeds from borrowings	142,825	—
Repayments of debt	(29,615)	—
Debt issuance costs paid	(3,246)	(2,505)
Distributions to unitholders	—	(18,717)
Other	—	(841)
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>(33,133)</u>	<u>(511,088)</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash	79,141	(336,875)
Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash:		
Beginning	49,777	520,922
Ending	<u>\$ 128,918</u>	<u>\$ 184,047</u>

Adjusted EBITDAX (Non-GAAP Measure)

The non-GAAP financial measure of Adjusted EBITDAX, as defined by the Company, may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies. Therefore, this non-GAAP measure should be considered in conjunction with net income (loss) and other performance measures prepared in accordance with GAAP. Adjusted EBITDAX should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for GAAP.

Adjusted EBITDAX is a measure used by Company management to evaluate the Company's operational performance and for comparisons to the Company's industry peers. Management also believes this information may be useful to investors and analysts to gain a better understanding of the Company's financial results.

The following presents a reconciliation of net income (loss) to Adjusted EBITDAX:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
	(in thousands)			
Net (loss) income	\$(225,635)	\$(48,135)	\$(219,585)	\$ 30,001
Plus (less):				
Loss (income) from discontinued operations	—	14,899	—	(19,674)
Interest expense, net of amounts capitalized	2,329	594	5,403	1,582
Income tax expense (benefit)	126,646	(39,628)	129,092	25,247
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	20,060	21,515	65,013	71,960
Exploration costs	1,947	2,487	4,154	3,742
EBITDAX	(74,653)	(48,268)	(15,923)	112,858
Plus (less):				
Noncash losses (gains) on commodity derivatives	3,738	2,869	(478)	20,360
Accrued settlements on commodity derivative contracts related to current production period ⁽¹⁾	(154)	(124)	(1,182)	1,444
Share-based compensation expenses	2,832	56,063	12,819	131,288
(Gains) losses on sale of assets and other, net ⁽²⁾	(6,444)	23	(25,230)	(207,237)
Reorganization items, net ⁽³⁾	284	1,277	756	4,487
Impairment of assets held for sale	95,080	—	113,470	—
Adjusted EBITDAX ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 20,683	\$ 11,840	\$ 84,232	\$ 63,200

- (1) Represent amounts related to commodity derivative contracts that settled during the respective period (contract terms had expired) but cash had not been received as of the end of the period.
- (2) Primarily represent gains or losses on the sale of assets, earnings from equity method investments, gains or losses on inventory valuation, and write-off of deferred financing fees.
- (3) Represent costs and income directly associated with the predecessor's filing for voluntary reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code since the petition date, and also include adjustments to reflect the carrying value of certain liabilities subject to compromise at their estimated allowed claim amounts, as such adjustments were determined.
- (4) Includes success fee on capital reimbursement agreement of approximately \$2 million for both the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2019.

Adjusted EBITDAX and Adjusted EBITDA (Non-GAAP Measures)

The non-GAAP financial measures of Adjusted EBITDAX and adjusted EBITDA, as defined by the Company, may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies. Therefore, these non-GAAP measures should be considered in conjunction with net income (loss) and other performance measures prepared in accordance with GAAP. Adjusted EBITDAX and Adjusted EBITDA should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for GAAP.

Adjusted EBITDAX and Adjusted EBITDA are measures used by Company management to evaluate the Company's operational performance and for comparisons to the Company's industry peers. Management also believes this information may be useful to investors and analysts to gain a better understanding of the Company's financial results.

The following presents a reconciliation of net income (loss) to Adjusted EBITDAX and Adjusted EBITDA:

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2019		
	(in thousands)		
	Consolidated	Upstream	Blue Mountain
Net loss	\$ (225,635)	\$ (222,365)	\$ (3,270)
Plus (less):			
Interest expense	2,329	1,711	618
Income tax expense	126,646	126,646	—
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	20,060	17,593	2,467
EBITDA	(76,600)	(76,415)	(185)
Exploration costs	1,947	1,947	—
EBITDAX	(74,653)	(74,468)	(185)
Plus (less):			
Noncash losses (gains) on commodity derivatives	3,738	4,629	(891)
Accrued settlements on commodity derivative contracts related to current production period (1)	(154)	(68)	(86)
Share-based compensation expenses	2,832	623	2,209
(Gains) losses on sale of assets and other, net(2)	(6,444)	(6,616)	172
Reorganization items, net(3)	284	284	—
Impairment of assets held for sale	95,080	95,080	—
Adjusted EBITDAX / Adjusted EBITDA (4)	\$ 20,683	\$ 19,464	\$ 1,219

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2019		
	(in thousands)		
	Consolidated	Upstream	Blue Mountain
Net loss	\$ (219,585)	\$(213,878)	\$ (5,707)
Plus (less):			
Interest expense	5,403	4,170	1,233
Income tax expense	129,092	129,092	—
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	65,013	58,122	6,891
EBITDA	(20,077)	(22,494)	2,417
Exploration costs	4,154	4,154	—
EBITDAX	(15,923)	(18,340)	2,417
Plus (less):			
Noncash (gains) losses on commodity derivatives	(478)	(4,036)	3,558
Accrued settlements on commodity derivative contracts related to current production period (1)	(1,182)	(17)	(1,165)
Share-based compensation expenses	12,819	4,623	8,196
(Gains) losses on sale of assets and other, net(2)	(25,230)	(26,211)	981
Reorganization items, net(3)	756	756	—
Impairment of assets held for sale	113,470	113,470	—
Adjusted EBITDAX / Adjusted EBITDA (4)	\$ 84,232	\$ 70,245	\$ 13,987

- (1) Represent amounts related to commodity derivative contracts that settled during the respective period (contract terms had expired) but cash had not been received as of the end of the period.
- (2) Primarily represent gains or losses on the sale of assets, earnings from equity method investments, gains or losses on inventory valuation, and write-off of deferred financing fees.
- (3) Represent costs and income directly associated with the predecessor's filing for voluntary reorganization under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code since the petition date, and also include adjustments to reflect the carrying value of certain liabilities subject to compromise at their estimated allowed claim amounts, as such adjustments were determined.
- (4) Consolidated and Blue Mountain include success fee on capital reimbursement agreement of approximately \$2 million for both the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2019.

RIVIERA RESOURCES
THIRD QUARTER 2019 EARNINGS CALL SCRIPT
November 7th, 2019 – 10 a.m. Central Time

Management Participants:

- David Rottino – President and Chief Executive Officer of Riviera Resources
- Jim Frew – Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Riviera Resources
- Greg Harper – President and Chief Executive Officer of Blue Mountain Midstream

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION

Paula Melancon:

Good morning and welcome to Riviera Resources' third quarter 2019 earnings conference call. Today's call is being recorded. This is Paula Melancon, Director of Investor Relations, and in a moment I will introduce David Rottino, our President and Chief Executive Officer, but first I need to provide you with disclosure regarding forward-looking statements that will be made during this call. The statements describing our beliefs, goals, plans, strategies, expectations, projections, forecasts, and assumptions are forward-looking statements. Please note that the Company's actual results may differ from those anticipated by such forward-looking statements for a variety of reasons, many of which are beyond our control. Additional information concerning risk factors relating to our business, prospects, and results are available in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the Company's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2019 which we plan to file later today, and any other public filings and press releases.

Additionally, to the extent we discuss non-GAAP measures such as adjusted EBITDAX and adjusted EBITDA, please see our earnings press release for the calculation of these measures and the GAAP reconciliations.

Additional information can be found on Riviera Resources' website at www.RivieraResourcesInc.com in the Investor section. I will now turn the call over to David Rottino, Riviera's President and CEO.

David Rottino*Introduction*

Thanks Paula, and good morning everyone. We appreciate you taking time today to join us for the review of Riviera's third quarter 2019 results. Joining us today are Greg Harper, President and Chief Executive Officer of Blue Mountain Midstream, and Jim Frew, Riviera's Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. On our call today I will provide an overview of Riviera's strategic initiatives and third quarter results, and then turn the call over to my colleagues to discuss our Blue Mountain Midstream business, and financial results.

Strategic

Riviera continues to deliver on our commitment to drive shareholder value through efficiently managing our assets, remaining focused on capital discipline and returning capital to shareholders. Since our formation in August 2018, we continue to be extremely happy with our performance. In a short period of time, we have monetized approximately \$220 million of assets, and have returned the proceeds to investors through open market share repurchases and tender offers. We have done all of this in what has been a very tough energy market.

With respect to our upstream assets, we have met or exceeded production and adjusted EBITDAX guidance every quarter. We have drilled two wells in North Louisiana with expected IRRs in excess of 100%, and 6 NW STACK wells with encouraging results.

On the midstream side, we have successfully added two new lines of business in water and crude oil to go along with our gas gathering and processing business. We are very excited about the recent announcement of Citizen Energy's purchase of Roan Resources and believe this will bring an increased commitment to developing the assets extensive inventory and we look forward to partnering with them after the transaction closes. We will continue to work with Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co. on our strategic alternatives process with the goal of finding ways to maximize the value to our shareholders for this great asset.

Year to date we have closed six transactions, generating approximately \$220 million in proceeds. The closed transactions include the Arkoma Basin, Michigan, certain non-operated assets in the Hugoton Basin, a helium VPP, Illinois, and non-core assets in North Louisiana. Furthermore, we signed a definitive agreement to sell our remaining interests in properties located in the Hugoton Basin for a contract price of \$295 million that is still expected to close in the fourth quarter of 2019. These transactions align with our overall strategy of opportunistically pursuing asset sales and returning capital to shareholders as long as we believe we are receiving fair value for the assets sold and our stock continues to trade at or below net asset value.

In the last 15 months we have repurchased more than \$295 million of Riviera's shares, reducing the Company's outstanding share count by over 23%. In 2019 alone we have repurchased over 10.7 million shares for approximately \$144 million, including our tender offer that closed in July. The Company expects to continue buying back shares and as of October 31, 2019 approximately \$28 million was available for repurchase under our share repurchase authorization of up to \$150 million.

The Company also expects to return a significant amount of capital to shareholders from the proceeds of the pending Hugoton sale that is expected to close in the fourth quarter of 2019.

Third Quarter Update

Turning now to our third quarter performance, Riviera delivered strong operational results. The upstream business achieved production and adjusted EBITDAX guidance, on lower capital spending. This is the fifth straight quarter that Riviera has met or exceeded production and adjusted EBITDAX guidance.

So far this year we have turned to sales six wells in our NW STACK position, with strong results, and two wells in our prolific Ruston field in North Louisiana, with an expected IRR of over 100%. During the third quarter we did not drill any wells, and do not plan to drill any wells in the fourth quarter. However, we remain encouraged by the results in both plays and are currently reviewing plans for 2020 with the Board.

Before handing it over to Greg, I wanted to take a moment to thank the Riviera employees. Since our formation as a company only fifteen months ago, I look back on what we have accomplished together with pride. The employees have been working extremely hard to optimize the value of our assets and I am extremely appreciative of their efforts. I think we have a first-class organization and I am fortunate to work with the team each and every day.

I will now turn the call over to Greg to discuss the Blue Mountain operations in more detail.

Greg Harper

Thank you, David. Blue Mountain had a very busy third quarter as we made significant progress on our growth initiatives across our three-product midstream business.

On the gas gathering and processing side, our third quarter of 2019 average natural gas throughput was 114 MMcf/d and average NGLs produced were 7,250 bpd.

Average natural gas throughput for the nine months ending September 30, 2019 was 117 MMcf/d, in line with what we are projecting our average throughput for the full year to be. During the third quarter, while we turned 13 wells to sales on the Blue Mountain system; our throughput volumes continued to be hampered by our primary customer's preloading or temporarily shutting-in 15 producing wells, contributing to an average throughput loss on the system of approximately 11 MMcf/d since the second quarter of 2019. We anticipate these wells and volumes to return in the fourth quarter of 2019 and the first quarter of 2020.

As you are probably aware, Roan entered into a definitive merger agreement to be acquired by Citizen Energy Operating, LLC. As the parties go through their required regulatory steps to close the transaction, drilling has been reduced and completion activity has been put on hold as the new Roan CEO currently assesses its operations plan. We've met with both Citizen and Roan and expect throughput volumes from Roan to remain relatively flat during the remainder of 2019 as we are still attaching flowing split connected gas volumes as we build out to pads where we are also attaching our water gathering system during the fourth quarter.

In addition, during the third quarter, the Lumen system was connected to the Blue Mountain system, adding natural gas throughput of approximately 5 MMcf/d at the cryo plant, beginning on October 1, 2019. As we announced during our last quarterly call, on August 5, 2019, we closed on our acquisition of 100% interests in Lumen Midstream Partnership, LLC, including approximately 55 miles of natural gas gathering pipelines and an 18 MMcf/d processing plant.

Turning to water, we began gathering produced water on pipelines for Roan in July 2019, averaging 8,280 bpd during the third quarter of 2019. As the company progresses on the buildout of its water gathering system, it continues to transport produced water via third-party trucking services, hauling 5 million barrels of water in total, or averaging 54,165 bpd, during the third quarter of 2019.

In September 2019, Blue Mountain executed a new water services agreement with a large independent producer. The agreement includes a minimum volume commitment of 5,000 bpd over a three-year term, with facilities estimated to be in-service in November 2019.

In addition, Blue Mountain has placed in-service its first owned and operated disposal well and is constructing two more water disposal wells, one of which is estimated to be in-service in the fourth quarter of 2019. Furthermore, Blue Mountain has acquired additional disposal capacity through an on-operated interest in another well that went in service in October 2019. With the operations assessment being performed by Roan, Blue Mountain is managing its remaining capital deployment to optimize between piped and trucked volumes without getting ahead of their decision making.

Also, in the third quarter, Blue Mountain entered into a crude oil gathering agreement with Roan and has commenced construction on the initial facilities. The North and South mainline systems will ultimately consist of approximately 50 miles of pipeline, and we are targeting an in-service date in the first half of 2020.

During the quarter, the business was impacted by lower throughput volumes and overall lower commodity prices. Also, the business continued to be impacted by the NGL pricing differentials at Conway and Mont Belvieu, along with ineffective hedges related to these pricing differences. As a result, Blue Mountain's third quarter adjusted EBITDA decreased by \$4.7 million compared with second quarter results. The elimination of the impact of the hedges settled in Q3 would have added \$2.6 million to Blue Mountain's Adjusted EBITDA. We expect to eliminate all basis dislocation in the first quarter of 2020 when ONEOK's Arbuckle II Pipeline is completed. As I mentioned before, our third quarter results were also impacted by the shut in volumes, and to a greater extent in Q3 versus Q2.

Capital expenditures for the third quarter were approximately \$36 million, with the majority of capital being invested in the construction of water gathering pipelines and disposal facilities. While we previously reduced our capital for the initial water system, we continue to keep our optionality open for a treating facility, however we have added capital for our new customer connection and several additional disposal wells, as we will look to do less treating and more disposal activities in the near term.

Before I turn it over to Jim, I'd like to say that we are excited for the Roan and Citizen announcement. We strongly believe that the Merge play remains very attractive and that once the transaction closes our customer will be managed by a growth-oriented team with a very strong financial sponsor.

Jim Frew

Thanks, Greg. Before opening the call up for Q&A, I'd like to discuss the following items: 1) third quarter performance, 2) balance sheet and liquidity, 3) share repurchases, and 4) 2019 upstream guidance.

Third Quarter Performance

We had another solid quarter with production averaging 242 MMcfe/d. This was in-line with expectations. Operating costs and adjusted EBITDAX were also in-line with guidance, on lower than expected capital.

In the third quarter of 2019, total oil, natural gas and NGL revenues were approximately \$51 million. Of that, approximately 65% of the revenue was from natural gas sales, 21% was from oil sales, and the remaining 14% was from the sales of NGLs.

With respect to costs, operating expenses for the third quarter were approximately \$39 million, which was in-line with guidance. General and administrative costs, excluding share based compensation and severance costs, were approximately \$12 million in the third quarter. Of that, approximately \$9 million was incurred by the Upstream business, and the remaining \$3 million was attributable to Blue Mountain. Upstream G&A, excluding share based compensation and severance costs, was at the low end of the third quarter guidance.

In the third quarter, Riviera invested approximately \$42 million of capital. Riviera Upstream capital was approximately \$6 million while Blue Mountain invested approximately \$36 million. Riviera's oil and natural gas capital investment during the third quarter was 33% below guidance.

Balance Sheet and Liquidity

With respect to the balance sheet and liquidity, Riviera and Blue Mountain have established separate credit facilities. As of September 30, 2019, there were no borrowings outstanding on Riviera's revolving credit facility, and approximately \$57 million of available borrowing capacity inclusive of outstanding letters of credit. In September 2019, Riviera's borrowing base was reduced from \$230 million to \$90 million in connection with pending asset sales, including the expected sale of remaining Hugoton Basin properties. Additionally, the credit facility was extended for an additional year utilizing a pricing grid 50 basis points better than our previous RBL.

Blue Mountain has established a separate credit facility with total borrowing commitments of up to \$200 million. As of September 30, 2019, Blue Mountain had approximately \$61 million drawn on its credit facility, and approximately \$126 million of available borrowing capacity, inclusive of outstanding letters of credit, subject to covenant restrictions in the Blue Mountain Credit Facility. Blue Mountain's liquidity was positively impacted by a \$17 million capital reimbursement and success fee received in the third quarter.

As of September 30, 2019, Riviera's ending consolidated cash balance was approximately \$83 million. Of that, approximately \$62 million was attributable to the Upstream business, and approximately \$21 million was held by Blue Mountain. Including the \$61 million drawn on Blue Mountain's credit facility, the Company had approximately \$22 million in net cash as of September 30, 2019.

Share Repurchases

The Company has returned over \$140 million of capital to shareholders through share repurchases and a tender offer since the beginning of the year, and over \$295 million since our inception in August 2018. On July 18, 2019, the Company's Board of Directors authorized an increase to the \$100 million repurchase program to a total of \$150 million. Since inception through October 31, 2019, Riviera has repurchased approximately 9 million shares for a total cost of \$122 million. As of October 31, 2019, Riviera had approximately 58.5 million shares outstanding.

Guidance

Looking ahead we have provided Upstream only guidance for 2019. In our supplemental presentation posted to our website today, we highlight the full year 2019 upstream guidance taking into consideration the remaining Hugoton Basin assets expected to close in the fourth quarter. Our pro forma year adjusted EBITDAX forecast for our upstream assets is \$81 million.

With respect to capital, the upstream business expects to invest \$66 million in 2019. Approximately 81% of the upstream capital will be devoted to drilling, with the balance dedicated to leasing, seismic, and other needs. Blue Mountain expects to invest \$112 million in 2019, down \$8 million from last quarter. Approximately 46% of the Blue Mountain capital is to construct a water gathering system in the Merge and approximately 11% will be used to build a crude gathering system. The remaining capital is allocated to natural gas gathering.

In closing, our assets performed well in the third quarter and our balance sheet allows us great flexibility. Moving forward, we continue to look for opportunities to maximize shareholder value, and we are committed to finding ways to return capital to shareholders. With that, I will hand it over to the operator to open this call up for questions.