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#### **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, 2019

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: 001-14461

**Entercom Communications Corp.** 

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania (State or other jurisdiction of

23-1701044 (I.R.S. employer

incorporation or organization)

identification no.)

401 E. City Avenue, Suite 809

Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania 19004

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(610) 660-5610

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (section 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, and emerging growth company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer Smaller reporting company

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 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act and Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No

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

Trading Name of each exchange

Title of each class Class A Common Stock, Symbol(s) ETM on which registered New York Stock Exchange

## par value \$.01 per share

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

Class A common stock, \$0.01 par value 138,563,358 Shares Outstanding as of April 30, 2019

(Class A Shares Outstanding include 4,144,421 unvested and vested but deferred restricted stock units)

Class B common stock, \$0.01 par value 4,045,199 Shares Outstanding as of April 30, 2019.

#### ENTERCOM COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

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#### Private Securities Litigation Reform Act Safe Harbor Statement

In addition to historical information, this report contains statements by us with regard to our expectations as to financial results and other aspects of our business that involve risks and uncertainties and may constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Forward-looking statements are presented for illustrative purposes only and reflect our current expectations concerning future results and events. All statements other than statements of historical fact are—forward-looking statements—for purposes of federal and state securities laws, including, without limitation, any projections of earnings, revenues or other financial items; any statements of the plans, strategies and objectives of management for future operations; any statements concerning proposed new services or developments; any statements regarding future economic conditions or performance; any statements of belief; and any statements of assumptions underlying any of the foregoing.

You can identify forward-looking statements by our use of words such as anticipates, believes. continues. expects, opportunity, potential, could. may, plans, project, will, would. seeks. similar expressions which identify forward-looking statements, whether in the negative or the affirmative. We cannot guarantee that we actually will achieve these plans, intentions or expectations. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks, uncertainties and other factors, some of which are beyond our control, which could cause actual results to differ materially from those forecasted or anticipated in such forward-looking statements. You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which reflect our view only as of the date of this report. We undertake no obligation to update these statements or publicly release the result of any revision(s) to these statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this report or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

Key risks to our company are described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) on February 27, 2019, and as may be supplemented by the risks described under Part II, Item 1A, of our quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and in our Current Reports on Form 8-K.

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## **PART I**

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## **ITEM 1. Financial Statements**

## ENTERCOM COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

## (amounts in thousands)

# (unaudited)

	M	ARCH 31, 2019	DEC	CEMBER 31, 2018
ASSETS:				
Cash	\$	68,266	\$	122,893
Restricted cash				69,365
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts		269,945		342,766
Prepaid expenses, deposits and other		33,840		25,205
Total current assets		372,051		560,229
Investments		11,205		11,205
Net property and equipment		327,901		317,030
Operating lease right-of-use assets		293,638		317,030
Radio broadcasting licenses		2,499,490		2,516,625
Goodwill		534,607		539,469
Assets held for sale		22,795		19,603
Other assets, net of accumulated amortization		38,517		56,197
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	4,100,204	\$	4,020,358
LIABILITIES:				
Accounts payable	\$	2,826	\$	1,858
Accrued expenses		46,890		58,449
Other current liabilities		114,491		118,438
Operating lease liabilities		37,434		
Total current liabilities		201,641		178,745
Long-term debt, net of current portion		1,692,258		1,872,203
Operating lease liabilities, net of current portion		275,739		
Deferred tax liabilities		546,971		545,982
Other long-term liabilities		52,097		89,168

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Total long-term liabilities	2,567,065	2,507,353
Total liabilities	2,768,706	2,686,098
CONTINGENCIES AND COMMITMENTS		
SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY:		
Class A, B and C common stock	1,427	1,412
Additional paid-in capital	1,682,891	1,693,512
Accumulated deficit	(352,820)	(360,664)
Total shareholders equity	1,331,498	1,334,260
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY	\$ 4,100,204 \$	4,020,358

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

## ENTERCOM COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(amounts in thousands, except share and per share data)

(unaudited)

	THREE MONTHS ENDE MARCH 31,			
		2019		2018
NET REVENUES	\$	309,005	\$	300,560
OPERATING EXPENSE:				
Station operating expenses		248,985		255,725
Depreciation and amortization expense		11,104		8,471
Corporate general and administrative expenses		20,935		18,669
Integration costs		1,135		9,729
Restructuring charges		1,014		1,481
Merger and acquisition costs		9		1,383
Net time brokerage agreement (income) fees		40		(426)
Net (gain) loss on sale or disposal of assets		(4,600)		(161)
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Total operating expense		278,622		294,871
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)		30,383		5,689
NET INTEREST EXPENSE		25,220		23,404
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE INCOME TAXES (BENEFIT)		5,163		(17,715)
INCOME TAXES (BENEFIT)		2,038		(3,509)
NET INCOME (LOSS) AVAILABLE TO COMMON				
SHAREHOLDERS - CONTINUING OPERATIONS		3,125		(14,206)
Income from discontinued operations, net of income taxes (benefit)				328
•				
NET INCOME (LOSS) AVAILABLE TO COMMON				
SHAREHOLDERS	\$	3,125	\$	(13,878)
NET INCOME (LOSS) AVAILABLE TO COMMON				
SHAREHOLDERS PER SHARE - BASIC AND DILUTED				
Net income (loss) from continuing operations per share available to common				
shareholders - Basic and Diluted	\$	0.02	\$	(0.10)
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Net income (loss) from discontinued operations per share available to				
common shareholders - Basic and Diluted	\$		\$	

NET INCOME (LOSS) AVAILABLE TO COMMON
SHAREHOLDERS PER SHARE - BASIC AND DILUTED

φ (0.10)	\$	0.02	\$	(0.10)
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WEIGHTED AVERAGE SHARES:		
Basic	138,099,180	138,939,309
Diluted	138,523,371	138,939,309

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

## ENTERCOM COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2019 AND YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

# (amounts in thousands, except share data)

# (unaudited)

		Common S	Stock		Additional		Retained Earnings	
	Class A Shares	A Amount	Class	B Amount	Paid-in	•	cumulated Deficit)	Total
Balance, December 31,	Snares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Capital		Deficit)	1 otai
2017	139,675,781	\$ 1,397	4,045,199	\$ 40	\$1,737,132	\$	25,791	\$1,764,360
Net income (loss)								
available to the							(12.070)	(12.070)
Company Compensation expense							(13,878)	(13,878)
related to granting of								
stock awards	(157,680)	(2)			3,915			3,913
Issuance of common								
stock related to the								
Employee Stock	20 106				321			321
Purchase Plan ( ESPP ) Exercise of stock	39,196				321			321
options	10,000				13			13
Common stock	·							
repurchase	(1,833,200)	(18)			(19,361)			(19,379)
Purchase of vested								
employee restricted stock units	(328,196)	(3)			(3,460)			(3,463)
Payment of dividends on	(328,190)	(3)			(3,400)			(3,403)
common stock					(13,036)			(13,036)
Dividend equivalents,								
net of forfeitures					342			342
Dalanaa Marah 21								
Balance, March 31, 2018	137,405,901	\$ 1,374	4,045,199	\$ 40	\$ 1,705,866	\$	11,913	\$ 1,719,193
Net income (loss)	137,403,701	Ψ 1,574	1,013,177	Ψ 10	ψ 1,703,000	Ψ	11,713	ψ 1,717,173
available to the								
Company							(347,557)	(347,557)
Compensation expense								
related to granting of stock awards	1,053,514	11			11,225			11,236
SIOCK awards	1,033,314	11			11,223			11,230

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Issuance of common							
stock related to the							
Employee Stock	100.021	0			1 105		1 107
Purchase Plan ( ESPP )	189,031	2			1,105		1,107
Exercise of stock	102 127	1			120		1.40
options	103,137	1			139		140
Common stock	(1 202 100)	(14)			(10.014)		(10.029)
repurchase Purchase of vested	(1,393,100)	(14)			(10,014)		(10,028)
employee restricted stock units	(178,270)	(2)			(1,721)		(1,723)
Payment of dividends on	(176,270)	(2)			(1,721)		(1,723)
common stock					(12,746)	(24,861)	(37,607)
Dividend equivalents,					(12,740)	(24,001)	(37,007)
net of forfeitures					(342)	(159)	(501)
net of forfeitures					(342)	(137)	(301)
Balance, December 31,							
2018	137,180,213	\$ 1,372	4,045,199	\$ 40	\$1,693,512	\$ (360,664)	\$ 1,334,260
Net income (loss)		+ -,- / -	1,0 12,23	7	+ -,0> -,	+ (000,000)	+ -,,
available to the							
Company						3,125	3,125
Compensation expense							
related to granting of							
stock awards	1,406,722	14			3,559		3,573
Issuance of common							
stock related to the							
Employee Stock							
Purchase Plan ( ESPP )	84,958	1			378		379
Exercise of stock							
options	180,300	2			242		244
Purchase of vested							
employee restricted							
stock units	(204,499)	(2)			(1,424)		(1,426)
Payment of dividends on							
common stock					(12,913)		(12,913)
Dividend equivalents,					(4.62)		(152)
net of forfeitures					(463)		(463)
Application of amended						4.710	4.710
leasing guidance						4,719	4,719
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Balance, March 31,	120 647 604	¢ 1 207	4.045.100	\$ 40	¢ 1 602 001	¢ (252.920)	¢ 1 221 400
2019	138,647,694	\$ 1,387	4,045,199	\$ 40	\$ 1,682,891	\$ (352,820)	\$ 1,331,498

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

## ENTERCOM COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

# (amounts in thousands)

# (unaudited)

	REE MON MAR( 2019	
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net income (loss) available to the Company	\$ 3,125	\$ (13,878)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	11,104	8,471
Net amortization of deferred financing costs (net of original issue discount and debt	11,101	0,171
premium)	86	79
Net deferred taxes (benefit) and other	(2,669)	(5,252)
Provision for bad debts	326	2,982
Net (gain) loss on sale or disposal of assets	(4,600)	(161)
Non-cash stock-based compensation expense	3,573	3,913
Deferred compensation	2,802	126
Accretion expense (income), net of asset retirement obligation adjustments	17	15
Changes in assets and liabilities (net of effects of acquisitions, dispositions,		
consolidation, and deconsolidation of Variable Interest Entities (VIEs)):		
Accounts receivable	72,495	66,692
Prepaid expenses and deposits	(8,808)	(3,968)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(12,789)	206
Accrued interest expense	6,698	7,155
Accrued liabilities - long-term	(5,629)	(455)
Prepaid expenses - long-term		(40)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	65,731	65,885
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Additions to property and equipment	(18,622)	(5,413)
Proceeds from sale of radio stations and other assets	24,503	461
Additions to amortizable intangible assets	(1,888)	(1,578)
Purchases of investments		(1,250)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	3,993	(7,780)

## ENTERCOM COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

## (amounts in thousands)

(unaudited)

	TH	REE MON' MARC 2019	
FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		2019	2010
Payments of long-term debt	\$	(180,000)	\$ (21,325)
Proceeds from issuance of employee stock plan		379	321
Proceeds from the exercise of stock options		244	13
Purchase of vested employee restricted stock units		(1,426)	(3,463)
Payment of dividends on common stock		(12,430)	(12,441)
Payment of dividend equivalents on vested restricted stock units		(483)	(595)
Repurchase of common stock			(20,012)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		(193,716)	(57,502)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND RESTRICTED CASH CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND RESTRICTED CASH, BEGINNING OF		(123,992)	603
YEAR		192,258	34,167
CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND RESTRICTED CASH, END OF PERIOD	\$	68,266	\$ 34,770
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION:			
Cash paid during the period for:			
Interest	\$	18,446	\$ 16,497
Income taxes	\$	1,790	\$ 45
Dividends on common stock	\$	12,430	\$ 12,441

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

#### ENTERCOM COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

#### NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2019 AND 2018

#### 1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SIGNIFICANT POLICIES

The condensed consolidated interim unaudited financial statements included herein have been prepared by Entercom Communications Corp. and its subsidiaries (collectively, the Company ) in accordance with: (i) generally accepted accounting principles (U.S. GAAP) for interim financial information; and (ii) the instructions of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) for Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by U.S. GAAP for annual financial statements. In the opinion of management, the financial statements reflect all adjustments considered necessary for a fair statement of the results of operations and financial position for the interim periods presented. All such adjustments are of a normal and recurring nature. The Company s results are subject to seasonal fluctuations and, therefore, the results shown on an interim basis are not necessarily indicative of results for a full year.

This Form 10-Q should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and related notes included in the Company s audited financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2018, and filed with the SEC on February 27, 2019, as part of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations.

The Company considers the applicability of any variable interest entities (VIEs) that are required to be consolidated by the primary beneficiary. As of March 31, 2019, there were no VIEs requiring consolidation in these financial statements. As of December 31, 2018, there was one VIE that required consolidation in these financial statements. During 2018, the Company entered into an agreement with a third party qualified intermediary (QI), under which the Company was primarily responsible for the oversight and completion of certain construction projects. This agreement related to the creation of leasehold improvement assets on property that had already been made available for tenant use. The Company believed it was the primary beneficiary of the VIE as the Company had the power to direct the activities that were most significant to the VIE and the Company had the obligation to absorb losses or the right to receive returns that would be significant to the VIE during the period of the agreement.

The use of a QI in a like-kind exchange enabled the Company to reduce its current tax liability in connection with certain asset dispositions. Under Section 1031 of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code ), the property to be exchanged in the like-kind exchange was required to be received by the Company within 180 days. This period of time lapsed during the first quarter of 2019, at which point, the Company acquired the interests of the QI. This arrangement effectively transformed the QI from a consolidated VIE to a consolidated subsidiary of the Company.

Total results of operations of the VIE for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and the year ended December 31, 2018 were not significant. The VIE had no impact on the Company's results of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2018. The consolidated VIE had a material amount of cash as of December 31, 2018, which was reflected as restricted cash on the consolidated balance sheet. Restrictions on these deposits lapsed during the first quarter of 2019. As a result, the Company does not present restricted cash at March 31, 2019. The VIE had no other assets or liabilities as of December 31, 2018. The assets of the Company's consolidated VIE could only be used to settle the obligations of the VIE. There was a lack of recourse by the creditors of the VIE against the Company's general

creditors. Refer to Note 14, Contingencies And Commitments, for additional information.

There have been no material changes from Note 2, Significant Accounting Policies, as described in the notes to the Company s financial statements contained in its Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018, that was filed with the SEC on February 27, 2019, other than as described below.

# **Changes in Accounting Policies** Leases

In February 2016, the accounting guidance was modified to increase transparency and comparability among organizations by requiring the recognition of right-of-use ( ROU ) assets and lease liabilities on the balance sheet.

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The guidance was effective for the Company as of January 1, 2019, and was implemented using a modified retrospective approach at the beginning of the period of adoption, rather than at the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented in these financial statements.

As a result, the Company has changed its accounting policy for leases as described below. Except for the changes below, the Company has consistently applied its accounting policies to all periods presented in these consolidated financial statements. Refer to Note 4, Leases, for additional information.

Under certain practical expedients elected, the Company did not reassess whether any expired or existing contracts are or contain leases. The Company did not reassess lease classification between operating and finance leases for any expired or existing leases. The Company did not reassess initial direct costs for any existing leases.

Results for reporting periods beginning after January 1, 2019 are presented under the amended accounting guidance, while prior period amounts are not adjusted and continue to be reported in accordance with the Company s historic accounting guidance. Based upon the Company s assessment, the impact of this guidance had a material impact on the Company s financial position and the impact to the Company s results of operations and cash flows through March 31, 2019 was not material. As of January 1, 2019, the Company recorded a cumulative-effect adjustment to its accumulated deficit of \$4.7 million, net of taxes of \$1.7 million. This adjustment was attributable to the recognition of deferred gains from sale and leaseback transactions under the previous accounting guidance for leases.

The Company recognizes the assets and liabilities that arise from leases on the commencement date of the lease. The Company recognizes the liability to make lease payments as a lease liability as well as a ROU asset representing its right to use the underlying asset for the lease term, on the consolidated balance sheet.

#### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

All new accounting pronouncements that are in effect that may impact the Company s financial statements have been implemented. The Company does not believe that there are any other new accounting pronouncements that have been issued (other than as noted below or those included in the notes to the Company s financial statements contained in its Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018, that was filed with the SEC on February 27, 2019) that might have a material impact on the Company s financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

#### **Leasing Transactions**

As discussed above, the Company implemented the amended accounting guidance for leasing transactions on January 1, 2019. There was no impact to previously reported results of operations for any interim period. The most significant impact of the adoption of the new leasing guidance was the recognition of ROU assets and lease liabilities for operating leases on the balance sheet of \$288.7 million and \$306.2 million, respectively, on January 1, 2019. The difference between the ROU assets and lease liabilities recorded upon implementation is primarily attributable to deferred rent balances and unfavorable lease liabilities which were combined and presented net within the ROU assets. Refer to Note 4, Leases, for additional information.

#### Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior year s notes to the consolidated financial statements to conform to the presentation in the current year, which did not have a material impact on the Company s previously reported financial statements.

## 2. BUSINESS COMBINATIONS

The Company records acquisitions under the acquisition method of accounting, and allocates the purchase price to the assets and liabilities based upon their respective fair values as determined as of the acquisition date. Merger and acquisition costs are excluded from the purchase price as these costs are expensed for book purposes and amortized for tax purposes.

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#### 2018 WXTU Transaction

On July 18, 2018, the Company entered into an agreement with Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. (Beasley) to sell certain assets of WXTU-FM, serving the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania radio market for \$38.0 million in cash (the WXTU Transaction). The Company also simultaneously entered into a time brokerage agreement (TBA) with Beasley where Beasley commenced operations of WXTU-FM on July 23, 2018. During the period of the TBA, the Company excluded net revenues and station operating expenses associated with operating WXTU-FM in the Company s consolidated financial statements. The Company completed this disposition, which was subject to customary regulatory approvals, during the third quarter of 2018 and recognized a gain of approximately \$4.4 million.

Based on this timing, the Company s consolidated financial statements for the three months ended March 31, 2019 do not reflect the results of this divested station, whereas the Company s consolidated financial statements for the three months ended March 31, 2018 do reflect the results of this divested station.

#### 2018 Jerry Lee Transaction

On September 27, 2018, the Company completed a transaction to acquire the assets of WBEB-FM, serving the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania radio market from Jerry Lee Radio, LLC ( Jerry Lee ) for a purchase price of \$57.5 million in cash, less certain working capital and other credits (the Jerry Lee Transaction ). The Company used proceeds from the WXTU Transaction and cash on hand to fund this acquisition. Upon the completion of the WTXU Transaction and the Jerry Lee Transaction, the Company will continue to operate six radio stations in the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania market.

On August 7, 2018, the Company entered into a TBA with Jerry Lee. During the period of the TBA, the Company included net revenues, station operating expenses and monthly TBA fees associated with operating WBEB-FM in the Company s consolidated financial statements.

Based on this timing, the Company s consolidated financial statements for the three months ended March 31, 2019 reflect the results of this acquired station, whereas the Company s consolidated financial statements for the three months ended March 31, 2018 do not reflect the results of this acquired station.

The allocations presented in the table below are based upon management s estimate of the fair values using valuation techniques including income, cost and market approaches. In estimating the fair value of the acquired FCC broadcasting licenses, the fair value estimates are based on, but not limited to, expected future revenue and cash flows that assume an expected future growth rate of 1.0% and an estimated discount rate of 9.0%. The gross profit margins utilized were considered appropriate based on management s expectations and experience in equivalent sized markets. The Company determines the fair value of the broadcasting licenses by relying on a discounted cash flow approach assuming a start-up scenario in which the only assets held by an investor are broadcasting licenses. The Company s fair value analysis contains assumptions based upon past experience, reflects expectations of industry observers and includes judgments about future performance using industry normalized information for an average station within a certain market. Any excess of the purchase price over the assets acquired was reported as goodwill. The Company recorded goodwill on its books, which is fully deductible for income tax purposes. Management believes that this acquisition provides the Company with an opportunity to benefit from operational efficiencies from combining operations of the acquired station with the Company s existing stations within the Philadelphia market.

The following preliminary purchase price allocations are based upon the valuation of assets and these estimates and assumptions are subject to change as the Company obtains additional information during the measurement period, which may be up to one year from the acquisition date. These assets pending finalization include intangible assets.

Differences between the preliminary and final valuation could be substantially different from the initial estimates.

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	inary Value in thousands)	Useful Live From	s in Years To
<u>Assets</u>			
Equipment	\$ 981	3	7
Total tangible property	981		
Advertising contracts	477	1	1
Radio broadcasting licenses	27,346	non-am	ortizing
Goodwill	24,396	non-am	ortizing
Net working capital	3,234	not app	olicable
Total intangible and other assets	55,453	•	
Total assets	\$ 56,434		
Preliminary fair value of net assets acquired	\$ 56,434		

#### 2018 Emmis Acquisition

On April 30, 2018, the Company completed a transaction to acquire two radio stations in St. Louis, Missouri from Emmis Communications Corporation (Emmis) for a purchase price of \$15.0 million in cash (the Emmis Acquisition). The Company borrowed under its revolving credit facility (the Revolver) to fund the acquisition. With this acquisition, the Company increased its presence in St. Louis, Missouri, to five radio stations.

On March 1, 2018, the Company entered into an asset purchase agreement and a TBA with Emmis to operate two radio stations. During the period of the TBA, the Company included in net revenues, station operating expenses and monthly TBA fees associated with operating these stations in the Company s consolidated financial statements.

Based on this timing, the Company s consolidated financial statements for the three months ended March 31, 2019 reflect the results of these acquired stations, whereas the Company s consolidated financial statements for the three months ended March 31, 2018 reflect the results of these acquired stations only for the portion of the period in which the TBA was in effect.

The allocations presented in the table below are based upon management s estimate of the fair values using valuation techniques including income, cost and market approaches. In estimating the fair value of the acquired FCC broadcasting licenses, the fair value estimates are based on, but not limited to, expected future revenue and cash flows that assume an expected future growth rate of 1.0% and an estimated discount rate of 9.0%. The gross profit margins utilized were considered appropriate based on management s expectations and experience in equivalent sized markets. The Company determines the fair value of the broadcasting licenses by relying on a discounted cash flow approach assuming a start-up scenario in which the only assets held by an investor are broadcasting licenses. The Company s fair value analysis contains assumptions based upon past experience, reflects expectations of industry observers and includes judgments about future performance using industry normalized information for an average station within a certain market. Any excess of the purchase price over the assets acquired was reported as goodwill.

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The following table reflects the final allocation of the purchase price to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed.

	 Final Value (amounts in thousands)	
<u>Assets</u>		
Equipment	\$ 1,558	
Total tangible property	1,558	
Advertiser relationships	207	
Advertising contracts	114	
Radio broadcasting licenses	12,785	
Goodwill	332	
Other noncurrent assets	4	
Total intangible and other assets	13,442	
Total assets	\$ 15,000	
Fair value of assets acquired	\$ 15,000	

#### 2017 CBS Radio Business Acquisition

On February 2, 2017, the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiary (Merger Sub), entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the CBS Radio Merger Agreement) with CBS Corporation (CBS) and its wholly-owned subsidiary CBS Radio Inc. (CBS Radio). Pursuant to the CBS Radio Merger Agreement, Merger Sub merged with and into CBS Radio with CBS Radio surviving as the Company s wholly-owned subsidiary (the Merger). On November 13, 2018, the Company changed the name of CBS Radio Inc. to Entercom Media Corp. The parties to the Merger believe that the Merger was tax-free to CBS and its shareholders. The Merger was effected through a stock for stock Reverse Morris Trust transaction.

On November 17, 2017, the Company acquired the CBS Radio business from CBS to further strengthen its scale and capabilities to compete more effectively with other media for a larger share of advertising dollars. The purchase price was \$2.56 billion and consisted of \$1.17 billion of total equity consideration and \$1.39 billion of assumed debt.

The CBS Radio business acquisition was completed pursuant to the CBS Radio Merger Agreement, dated February 2, 2017, by and among the Company, CBS, CBS Radio, and Merger Sub. On November 17, 2017, (i) Merger Sub was merged with and into CBS Radio, with CBS Radio continuing as the surviving corporation and a direct, wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company and (ii) each share of CBS Radio common stock was converted into one share of the Company s common stock.

The Company issued 101,407,494 shares of its Class A common Stock to the former holders of CBS Radio common stock. At the time of the Merger, each outstanding restricted stock unit (RSU) and stock option with respect to CBS Class B common stock held by employees of CBS Radio was canceled and converted into equity awards for the Company s Class A common stock. The conversion was based on the ratio of the volume-weighted average per share closing prices of CBS stock on the five trading days prior to the date of acquisition and the Company s stock on the

five trading days following the date of acquisition. Entercom Communications Corp. is considered to be the acquiring company for accounting purposes.

To complete the Merger, certain divestitures were required by the FCC in order to comply with the FCC s ownership rules and policies. These divestitures consisted of: (i) the exchange transaction with iHeartMedia, Inc. ( iHeart ); (ii) a station exchange with Beasley; (iii) a cash sale to Bonneville International Corporation ( Bonneville ); and (iv) a cash sale to Educational Media Foundation ( EMF ).

Due to the structure of the transaction, there was no step-up in tax basis for the assets acquired as the Company assumed the existing tax basis in the assets of CBS Radio. The absence of a step-up in tax basis will limit the Company s tax deductions in future years and impacts the amount of deferred tax liabilities recorded as part of purchase price accounting. If any of the Internal Distributions or the Final Distribution, each as defined in the CBS Radio Merger Agreement, does not qualify as a transaction that is tax-free for U.S. federal income tax purposes under Section 355 of the Code or the Merger does not qualify as a tax-free reorganization under Section 368(a) of the Code, including as a result of actions taken in connection with the distributions made by CBS to facilitate the

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Merger or as a result of subsequent acquisitions of shares of CBS, Entercom, or CBS Radio, then CBS and/or holders of CBS Common Stock that received Radio Common Stock in the Final Distribution may be required to pay substantial U.S. federal income taxes, and, in certain circumstances, CBS Radio and Entercom may be required to indemnify CBS for any such tax liability.

#### 2017 Local Marketing Agreement: The Bonneville Transaction

On November 1, 2017, the Company assigned assets to a trust and the trust subsequently entered into two local marketing agreements (LMAs) with Bonneville. The LMAs, which were effective upon the closing of the Merger, allowed Bonneville to operate eight radio stations in the San Francisco, California and Sacramento, California markets. Of the eight radio stations operated by Bonneville, three were originally owned by the Company and the remaining five were originally owned by CBS Radio. The Company conducted an analysis and determined the assets of the eight stations satisfied the criteria to be presented as assets held for sale. The stations which were acquired from CBS Radio and were never operated by the Company are included within discontinued operations. On August 2, 2018, the Company entered into an asset purchase agreement with Bonneville to dispose of the eight radio stations in the San Francisco, California and Sacramento, California markets for \$141.0 million in cash. During the year ended December 31, 2018, the Company closed on this sale, which resulted in a loss of approximately \$0.4 million to the Company. Refer to Note 12, Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations, for additional information.

#### **Restructuring Charges**

Restructuring charges were expensed as a separate line item in the consolidated statements of operations.

The components of restructuring charges are as follows:

	Three Months Ended			
	March 31,			
	2	2019	2	2018
	(amounts in thousands)			
Costs to exit duplicative contracts	\$		\$	143
Workforce reduction		693		590
Lease abandonment costs				257
Other restructuring costs		321		491
Total restructuring charges	\$	1,014	\$	1,481

#### **Restructuring Plan**

During the fourth quarter of 2017, the Company initiated a restructuring plan as a result of the integration of the CBS Radio stations acquired in November 2017. The restructuring plan included: (i) a workforce reduction and realignment charges that included one-time termination benefits and related costs; (ii) lease abandonment costs; and (iii) costs associated with realigning radio stations within the overlap markets between CBS Radio and the Company. A portion of unpaid restructuring charges as of March 31, 2019 were including in accrued expenses as these expenses are expected to be paid in less than one year.

The estimated amount of unpaid restructuring charges as of March 31, 2019 includes amounts in accrued expenses that are expected to be paid in less than one year and long-term restructuring costs for lease abandonment costs covering the remaining non-cancellable lease term.

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	Three Months Ended March 31, 2019	Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2018 in thousands)	
Restructuring charges and lease abandonment	(amounts	iii tiiot	asarras)
costs, beginning balance	\$ 7,077	\$	16,086
Additions resulting from the integration of CBS	. ,		,
Radio	1,014		5,830
Payments	(2,659)		(14,839)
Restructuring charges and lease abandonment costs unpaid and outstanding	5,432		7,077
Restructuring charges and lease abandonment costs noncurrent portion	(650)		(988)
Restructuring charges and lease abandonment costs current portion	\$ 4,782	\$	6,089

#### **Integration Costs**

The Company incurred integration costs of \$1.1 million and \$9.7 million during the three months ended March 31, 2019 and March 31, 2018, respectively. Integration costs were expensed as a separate line item in the consolidated statements of operations. These costs primarily relate to change management consultants and technology-related costs incurred subsequent to the Merger.

#### **Unaudited Pro Forma Summary Of Financial Information**

The following unaudited pro forma information for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and 2018 assumes that the acquisitions in 2018 had occurred as of January 1, 2017. Refer to information within this Note 2, Business Combinations, and to the financial statements and related notes included in the Company s audited financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2018, and filed with the SEC on February 27, 2019, for a description of the Company s acquisition and disposition activities. The unaudited pro forma information presented gives effect to certain adjustments, including: (i) depreciation and amortization of assets; (ii) change in the effective tax rate; (iii) merger and acquisition costs; and (iv) interest expense on any debt incurred to fund the acquisitions which would have been incurred had such acquisitions had been consummated at an earlier time.

For purposes of this presentation, the pro forma data: (i) includes revenue and earnings of stations divested to Bonneville during 2018; and (ii) includes revenue and earnings of the station divested to Beasley during 2018.

This unaudited pro forma information has been prepared based on estimates and assumptions, which management believes are reasonable. These unaudited pro forma results have been prepared for comparative purposes only and do not purport to be indicative of what would have occurred had the acquisitions been made as of that date or results which may occur in the future.

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2019 2018 (amounts in thousands, except per share data)			
				s, except )
Net revenues	\$	Actual 309,005	Pr \$	o Forma 305,425
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$	3,125	\$	(13,681)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	\$		\$	328
Net income (loss) available to the Company	\$	3,125	\$	(13,353)
Net income (loss) available to common shareholders	\$	3,125	\$	(13,353)
Income (loss) from continuing operations per common share basic	\$	0.02	\$	(0.10)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations per common share - basic	\$		\$	
Net income (loss) available to common shareholders per common share - basic	\$	0.02	\$	(0.10)
Income (loss) from continuing operations per common share - diluted	\$	0.02	\$	(0.10)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations per common share - diluted	\$		\$	
Net income (loss) available to common shareholders per common share - diluted	\$	0.02	\$	(0.10)
Weighted shares outstanding basic	13	8,099,180	13	8,939,309
Weighted shares outstanding diluted	13	8,523,371	13	8,939,309

# 3. REVENUE Nature Of Goods And Services

The following is a description of principal activities from which the Company generates its revenue.

The Company generates revenue from the sale to advertisers of various services and products, including but not limited to: (i) commercial broadcast time; (ii) digital advertising; (iii) promotional and sponsorship event revenue;

(iv) e-commerce revenue; and (v) trade and barter revenue. Services and products may be sold separately or in bundled packages. The typical length of a contract for service is less than 12 months.

Revenue is recognized when or as performance obligations under the terms of a contract with customers are satisfied. This typically occurs at the point in time that advertisements are broadcast, marketing services are provided, or as an event occurs. For commercial broadcast time and digital advertising, the Company recognizes revenue at the point in time when the advertisement is broadcast. For e-commerce revenue transactions, revenue is recognized as each third party sale is made and the advertisers—good or service is transferred to the end customer. For trade and barter transactions, revenue is recognized at the point in time when the promotional advertising is aired.

For bundled packages, the Company accounts for each product or performance obligation separately if they are distinct. A product or service is distinct if it is separately identifiable from other items in the bundled package and if a customer can benefit from it on its own or with other resources that are readily available to the customer. The consideration is allocated between separate products and services in a bundle based on their stand-alone selling prices. The stand-alone selling prices are determined based on the prices at which the Company separately sells the commercial broadcast time, digital advertising, or digital product and marketing solutions.

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#### **Broadcast Revenues**

Commercial broadcast time - The Company sells air-time to advertisers and broadcasts commercials at agreed upon dates and times. The Company s performance obligations are broadcasting advertisements for advertisers at specifically identifiable days and dayparts. The amount of consideration the Company receives and revenue it recognizes is fixed based upon contractually agreed upon rates. The Company recognizes revenue at a point in time when the advertisements are broadcast and the performance obligations are satisfied. Revenues are recorded on a net basis, after the deduction of advertising agency fees by the advertising agencies.

Digital advertising - The Company sells digital marketing services to advertisers. The Company s performance obligations are providing broadcasting advertisements and integrated marketing services for advertisers. The Company recognizes revenue at a point in time when the advertisements are broadcast, the marketing services are provided and the performance obligations are satisfied. Revenues are recorded on a gross basis as the Company acts as a principal in these transactions.

#### **Event And Other Revenues**

Promotional and Sponsorship Event revenue - The Company provides promotional advertising to advertisers in exchange for cash proceeds from ticket sales. Performance obligations are broadcasting advertisements for advertisers events at specifically identifiable days and dayparts. The Company also sells sponsorships to advertisers at various local events. Performance obligations include providing advertising space at the Company s event. The Company recognizes revenue at a point in time, as the event occurs. Revenues are recorded on a net basis when the Company is not the primary party hosting the event and acts as an agent in these transactions.

*E-Commerce revenue* - The Company sells discount certificates to listeners on its websites. Listeners purchase goods and services from the advertiser at a discount to the fair value of the merchandise or service. Performance obligations include the promotion of advertisers discount offers on the Company s website as well as revenue share payments to the advertiser. The Company records revenue on a net basis as it acts as an agent in these transactions.

#### **Trade And Barter Revenues**

Trade and barter The Company provides advertising broadcast time in exchange for certain products, supplies, and services. The term of the exchanges generally permit the Company to preempt such broadcast time in favor of advertisers who purchase time on regular terms. Other than network barter programming, which is reflected on a net basis, the Company includes the value of such exchanges in both broadcasting net revenues and station operating expenses. Trade and barter value is based upon management s estimate of the fair value of the products, supplies and services received.

#### **Contract Balances**

Refer to the table below for information about receivables, contract assets and contract liabilities from contracts with customers. Accounts receivable balances in the table below exclude other receivables that are not generated from contracts with customers. These amounts are \$9.1 million and \$11.8 million as of March 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018, respectively.

## **Description**

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	March 31, 2019 (amounts	2018
Receivables, included in Accounts receivable net of		
allowance for doubtful accounts	\$ 260,857	\$ 330,983
Unearned revenue - current	21,208	22,692
Unearned revenue - noncurrent	700	1,138

#### **Changes in Contract Balances**

The timing of revenue recognition, billings and cash collections results in billed accounts receivable, unbilled receivables, and customer advances and deposits (unearned revenue) on the Company s consolidated balance sheet. At times, however, the Company receives advance payments or deposits from its customers before revenue is recognized, resulting in contract liabilities. The contract liabilities primarily relate to the advance consideration received from customers on certain contracts. For these contracts, revenue is recognized in a manner that is consistent with the satisfaction of the underlying performance obligations. The contract liabilities are reported on the consolidated balance sheet on a contract-by-contract basis at the end of each respective reporting period within the other current liabilities and other long-term liabilities line items.

Significant changes in the contract liabilities balances during the period are as follows:

Description	M	Anoths Ended arch 31, 2019 ned Revenue
_	(amounts	s in thousands)
Beginning balance on January 1, 2019	\$	23,830
Revenue recognized during the period that was included in the beginning balance of contract		
liabilities		(7,438)
Additional amounts recognized during period		5,516
Ending balance	\$	21,908

# Disaggregation of revenue

The following table presents the Company s revenues disaggregated by revenue source:

	Three Moi	Three Months Ended	
	Marc	March 31,	
	2019	2018	
	(amou	ınts in	
Revenue by Source	thous	thousands)	
Broadcast revenues	\$ 284,465	\$ 274,453	
Event and other revenues	19,526	22,609	
Trade and barter revenues	5,014	3,498	
Net revenues	\$ 309,005	\$ 300,560	

#### **Performance obligations**

A performance obligation is a promise in a contract with a customer to transfer a good or service to the customer, and is the unit of account under this guidance. A contract s transaction price is allocated to each distinct performance obligation and is recognized as revenue when the performance obligation is satisfied. Some of the Company s contracts have one performance obligation which requires no allocation. For other contracts with multiple performance obligations, the Company allocates the contract s transaction price to each performance obligation using its best estimate of the standalone selling price of each distinct good or service in the contract.

The Company s performance obligations are either satisfied at a point in time or are satisfied over a period of time. As the Company s inputs are expended evenly throughout the performance period, the Company recognizes revenue on a straight-line basis over the life of a contract. For performance obligations that are satisfied at a point in time, the Company recognizes revenue when an advertisement is aired and the customer has received the benefits of advertising.

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Performance obligations for all products and services, with the exception of event revenues, are satisfied over the term of the contracts, which are typically less than 12 months.

#### **Practical expedients**

As a practical expedient, when the period of time between when the Company transfers a promised good or service to a customer and when the customer pays for that good or service will be one year or less, the Company will not adjust the promised amount of consideration for the effects of a significant financing component.

The Company elected to apply the practical expedient which allows it to not disclose information about remaining performance obligations that have original expected durations of one year or less. The Company has contracts with customers which will result in the recognition of revenue beyond one year. From these contracts, the Company expects to recognize \$0.7 million of revenue in excess of one year.

The Company also elected to apply the practical expedient which allows it to not disclose the amount of the transaction price allocated to the remaining performance obligations and an explanation of when the Company expects to recognize that amount as revenue for all reporting periods presented before January 1, 2018.

The Company elected to apply the practical expedient which allows the Company to recognize the incremental costs of obtaining contracts as an expense when incurred if the amortization period of the assets that the Company otherwise would have recognized is one year or less. These costs are included in station operating expenses on the consolidated statements of operations.

#### Significant judgments

For performance obligations satisfied at a point in time, the Company does not estimate when a customer obtains control of the promised goods or services. Rather, the Company recognizes revenues at the point in time in which performance obligations are satisfied.

The Company records a provision against revenues for estimated sales adjustments when information indicates allowances are required.

For contracts with multiple performance obligations, the Company allocates the contract stransaction price to each performance obligation using its best estimate of the standalone selling price of each distinct good or service in the contract.

For all revenue streams with the exception of barter revenues, the transaction price is contractually determined. Accordingly, no estimates are required and there is no variable consideration. For trade and barter revenues, the Company estimates the consideration by estimating the fair value of the goods and services received.

Net revenues from network barter programming have historically been recorded on a net basis. This treatment will continue to be the Company s policy under the amended accounting guidance for revenue recognition.

#### 4. LEASES

#### **Leasing Transactions**

The Company s leased assets primarily include real estate, broadcasting towers and equipment. The Company s leases have remaining lease terms of less than 1 year up to 30 years, some of which include one or more options to extend the leases, with renewal terms up to fifteen years and some of which include options to terminate the leases within the next year. Many of the Company s leases include options to extend the terms of the agreements. Generally, renewal options are excluded when calculating the lease liabilities, as the Company does not consider the exercise of such options to be reasonably certain. Unless a renewal options is considered reasonably assured, the optional terms and related payments are not included within the lease liability. The Company s lease agreements do not contain any material residual value guarantees or material restrictive covenants.

The Company s operating leases are reflected on the Company s balance sheet within the Operating lease right-of-use assets line item and the related current and non-current liabilities are included within the Operating lease liabilities and Operating lease liabilities, net of current portion line items, respectively. ROU assets represent the right to use an underlying asset for the lease term, and lease liabilities represent the obligation to make lease payments arising from leases. Operating lease ROU assets and liabilities are recognized at commencement date based upon the present value of lease payments over the respective lease term. Lease expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

As the rate implicit in the lease is not readily determinable for the Company s operating leases, the Company generally uses an incremental borrowing rate based upon information available at the commencement date to determine the present value of future lease payments. The incremental borrowing rate is the rate of interest that the Company would have to pay to borrow on a collateralized basis over a similar term an amount equal to the lease payments in similar economic environment. In order to measure the operating lease liability and determine the present value of lease payments, the Company estimated what the incremental borrowing rate was for each lease using an applicable treasury rate compatible to the remaining life of the lease and the applicable margin for the Company s Revolver.

In determining whether a contract is or contains a lease at inception of a contract, the Company considers all relevant facts and circumstances, including whether the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. This consideration involves judgment with respect to whether the Company has the right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from the use of the identified asset and whether the Company has the right to direct the use of the identified asset.

On January 1, 2019, the Company implemented the new leasing guidance using a modified retrospective approach with a cumulative-effect adjustment to its accumulated deficit of \$4.7 million, net of taxes of \$1.7 million.

## **Practical Expedients**

The Company elected the practical expedient which allows it to: (i) apply the new lease requirements at the effective date and recognize a cumulative effect adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings in the period of adoption; (ii) continue to report comparative periods presented in the financial statements in the period of adoption under the former U.S. GAAP; and (iii) provide the required disclosures under former U.S. GAAP for all periods presented under former U.S. GAAP.

The Company elected the package of practical expedients, which were applied consistently to all of its leases, and enable it to not reassess: (i) whether any expired or existing contracts contain leases; (ii) the lease classification for any expired or existing leases; and (iii) initial direct costs for any existing leases.

As a practical expedient, the Company may choose not to separate nonlease components from lease components as an accounting policy election by class of underlying asset. The Company elected this practical expedient by all classes of underlying assets in instances where leases contain common area maintenance. In certain leases, the right to control the use of an asset that meets the lease criteria is combined with the related common area maintenance services provided under the contract into a single lease component.

As an accounting policy election, the Company elected not to apply the recognition requirements to short-term leases for all underlying classes of assets. For these leases which have a term of twelve months or less at lease inception, the Company will recognize the lease payments in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term and variable lease payments in the period in which the obligation for these payments is incurred.

# Lease Expense

The components of lease expense were as follows:

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Lease Cost	Ma	onths Ended rch 31, 2019
	(amounts	in thousands)
Operating lease cost	\$	12,468
Variable lease cost		2,052
Short-term lease cost		98
Total lease cost	\$	14,618

## **Supplemental Cash Flow**

Supplemental cash flow information related to leases was as follows:

Description	Three Months Ended March 31, 2019 (amounts in thousands	
Cash paid for amounts included in measurement		
of lease liabilities		
Operating cash flows from operating leases	\$	13,109
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for		
lease obligations		
Operating leases (1)	\$	307,618

(1) ROU assets obtained in exchange for lease obligations include transition liabilities upon implementation of the amended leasing guidance, as well as new leases entered into during the three months ended March 31, 2019.

## **Balance Sheet**

Supplemental balance sheet information related to leases was as follows:

Description	March 31, 2019 (amounts in thousands)	
Operating Leases		
Operating Leases right-of-use assets	\$	293,638
Operating lease liabilities (current)	\$	37,434
Operating lease liabilities (noncurrent)		275,739
Total operating lease liabilities	\$	313,173

Weighted Average Remaining Lease Term	
Operating leases	9 years
Weighted Average Discount Rate	
Operating leases	4.9%

#### **Maturities**

The aggregate maturities of the Company s lease liabilities are as follows:

	Opera	Maturities ting Leases in thousands)
Years ending December 31:		
Remainder of 2019	\$	38,695
2020		51,819
2021		48,116
2022		42,763
2023		39,563
Thereafter		168,387
Total lease payments	\$	389,343
Less: imputed interest		(76,170)
Total	\$	313,173

As of March 31, 2019, the Company has not entered into any leases that have not yet commenced.

The aggregate maturities of the Company s lease liabilities as of December 31, 2018, which were based on the former accounting guidance for leases, were as follows:

	Opera	Maturities ting Leases in thousands)
Years ending December 31:		
2019	\$	51,375
2020		50,504
2021		46,847
2022		41,457
2023		38,230
Thereafter		165,905
Total lease payments	\$	394,318

#### 5. INTANGIBLE ASSETS AND GOODWILL

Goodwill and certain intangible assets are not amortized for book purposes. They may be, however, amortized for tax purposes. The Company accounts for its acquired broadcasting licenses as indefinite-lived intangible assets and, similar to goodwill, these assets are reviewed at least annually for impairment. At the time of each review, if the fair value is less than the carrying value of the reporting unit, then a charge is recorded to the results of operations.

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The following table presents the changes in the carrying value of broadcasting licenses. Refer to Note 12, Assets Held For Sale And Discontinued Operations, for additional information.

	Broadcasting Licenses Carrying Amount			
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		cember 31, 2018	
	(amounts in thousands)			
Broadcasting licenses balance as of January 1,	\$ 2,516,625	\$	2,649,959	
Acquisition of radio stations - Emmis Acquisition			12,785	
Acquisition of a radio station - Jerry Lee Transaction			27,346	
Loss on impairment			(148,564)	
Disposition of a radio station - WXTU Transaction			(24,901)	
Assets held for sale - (See Note 12)	(17,135)			
Ending period balance	\$ 2,499,490	\$	2,516,625	

The following table presents the changes in goodwill. Refer to Note 12, Assets Held For Sale And Discontinued Operations, for additional information.

	<b>Goodwill Carrying Amount</b>			
	201			ember 31, 2018
	(am	ounts i	n thou	isands)
Goodwill balance before cumulative loss on				
impairment as of January 1,	\$ 982	,663	\$	988,056
Accumulated loss on impairment as of January 1,	(443	,194)		(126,056)
Goodwill beginning balance after cumulative loss on				
impairment as of January 1,	539	,469		862,000
Loss on impairment during year				(317,138)
Disposition of a radio station - WXTU Transaction				(8,623)
Measurement period adjustments to acquired				
goodwill				(21,498)
Acquisition of radio stations - Emmis Acquisition				332
Acquisition of a radio station - Jerry Lee Transaction				24,396
Assets held for sale - (See Note 12)	(4	,862)		
Ending period balance	\$ 534	,607	\$	539,469

## **Broadcasting Licenses Impairment Test**

The Company performs its annual broadcasting license impairment test during the second quarter of each year by evaluating its broadcasting licenses for impairment at the market level using the Greenfield method.

There were no events or circumstances since the Company s prior year fourth quarter interim broadcasting licenses impairment test that indicated an interim review of broadcasting licenses was required.

## **Goodwill Impairment Test**

The Company performs its annual goodwill impairment test during the second quarter of each year by assessing goodwill for its single reporting unit on a consolidated basis.

There were no events or circumstances since the Company s prior year fourth quarter interim goodwill impairment test that indicated an interim review of goodwill was required.

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#### 6. OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES

Other current liabilities consist of the following as of the periods indicated:

	Other Curi	Other Current Liabilities			
	March 31, 2019	Dec	ember 31, 2018		
	(amounts	(amounts in thousand			
Accrued compensation	\$ 32,618	\$	31,192		
Accounts receivable credits	5,101		5,743		
Advertiser obligations	7,046		4,190		
Accrued interest payable	12,705		6,007		
Unearned revenue	21,208		22,692		
Unfavorable lease liabilities			2,852		
Unfavorable sports liabilities	4,634		4,634		
Accrued benefits	8,183		8,646		
Non-income tax liabilities	6,662		6,748		
Income taxes payable	11,357		10,558		
Other	4,977		15,176		
Total other current liabilities	\$ 114,491	\$	118,438		

During the third quarter of 2018, the Company disposed of certain property that the Company considered as surplus to its operations and that resulted in significant gains reportable for tax purposes. Upon the successful completion of a like-kind exchange under Section 1031 of the Code, a portion of the income taxes payable generated from these gains were reclassified to a deferred tax liability. Refer to Note 14, Contingencies And Commitments, for additional information.

## 7. LONG-TERM DEBT

## (A) Senior Debt

#### The Credit Facility

On November 17, 2017, in connection with the Merger, the Company refinanced its previously outstanding indebtedness and also assumed CBS Radio s outstanding indebtedness. As a result of the refinancing activity and the Merger, the Company s outstanding Credit Facility is comprised of the Revolver and a term loan component (the Term B-1 Loan ).

The \$250.0 million Revolver has a maturity date of November 17, 2022. The amount available under the Revolver, which includes the impact of outstanding letters of credit, was \$244.1 million as of March 31, 2019.

The Term B-1 Loan has a maturity date of November 17, 2024. The Term B-1 Loan amortizes: (i) with equal quarterly installments of principal in annual amounts equal to 1.0% of the original principal amount of the Term B-1 Loan; and (ii) mandatory yearly prepayments based upon a percentage of Excess Cash Flow as defined in the agreement.

The Term B-1 Loan requires mandatory prepayments equal to a percentage of Excess Cash Flow, as defined within the agreement, subject to incremental step-downs, depending on the Consolidated Net Secured Leverage Ratio as defined in the agreement. The Excess Cash Flow payment, if any, is due in the first quarter of each year, and is based on the Excess Cash Flow and Consolidated Net Secured Leverage Ratio for the prior year. Because the Company made voluntary prepayments against the Term B-1 Loan in 2018, which may be applied toward the Excess Cash Flow payment, no Excess Cash Flow payment was due in the first quarter of 2019.

The Company expects to use the Revolver to: (i) provide for working capital; and (ii) provide for general corporate purposes, including capital expenditures and any or all of the following (subject to certain restrictions): repurchase of Class A common stock, dividends, investments and acquisitions. In addition, the Credit Facility is secured by a lien on substantially all of the assets (including material real property) of Entercom Media Corp. and its subsidiaries with limited exclusions. All of the Company s subsidiaries, jointly and severally guaranteed the Credit Facility. The assets securing the Credit Facility are subject to customary release provisions which would enable the Company to sell such assets free and clear of encumbrance, subject to certain conditions and exceptions.

The Credit Facility has usual and customary covenants including, but not limited to, a net secured leverage ratio, restricted payments and the incurrence of additional debt. Specifically, the Credit Facility requires the Company to comply with a certain financial covenant which is a defined term within the agreement, including a maximum Consolidated Net Secured Leverage Ratio that cannot exceed 4.0 times at March 31, 2019. In certain circumstances, if the Company consummates additional acquisition activity permitted under the terms of the Credit Facility, the Consolidated Net Secured Leverage Ratio will be increased to 4.5 times for a one year period following the consummation of such permitted acquisition. As of March 31, 2019, the Company s Consolidated Net Secured Leverage Ratio was 3.3 times.

Failure to comply with the Company s financial covenant or other terms of its Credit Facility and any subsequent failure to negotiate and obtain any required relief from its lenders could result in a default under the Company s Credit Facility. Any event of default could have a material adverse effect on the Company s business and financial condition. The acceleration of the Company s debt repayment could have a material adverse effect on its business. The Company may seek from time to time to amend its Credit Facility or obtain other funding or additional funding, which may result in higher interest rates.

Management believes that over the next 12 months, the Company can continue to maintain compliance with its financial covenant. The Company s operating cash flow is positive, and management believes that it is adequate to fund the Company s operating needs and mandatory debt repayments under the Company s Credit Facility. As of March 31, 2019, the Company is in compliance with the financial covenant and all other terms of the Credit Facility in all material respects. The Company s ability to maintain compliance with its covenant is highly dependent on its results of operations.

Management believes that cash on hand, borrowing capacity from the Revolver and cash from operating activities will be sufficient to permit the Company to meet its liquidity requirements over the next 12 months, including its debt repayments. The cash available from the Revolver is dependent on the Company s Consolidated Net Secured Leverage Ratio at the time of such borrowing.

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Long-term debt was comprised of the following as of March 31, 2019:

	Long-Term Debt March 31, December 31, 2019 2018 (amounts in thousands)		
Credit Facility			
Revolver, due November 17, 2022	\$	\$ 180,000	
Term B-1 Loan, due November 17, 2024	1,291,700	1,291,700	
Plus unamortized premium	2,362	2,470	
	1,294,062	1,474,170	
Senior Notes			
7.250% senior unsecured notes, due October 17, 2024	400,000	400,000	
Plus unamortized premium	13,551	14,158	
	413,551	414,158	
Other Debt			
Other	889	912	
Total debt before deferred financing costs	1,708,502	1,889,240	
Current amount of long-term debt			
Deferred financing costs (excludes the revolving credit)	(16,244)	(17,037)	
Total long-term debt, net of current debt	\$ 1,692,258	\$ 1,872,203	
Outstanding standby letters of credit	\$ 5,862	\$ 5,862	

#### (B) Senior Unsecured Debt

#### **The Senior Notes**

Simultaneously with entering into the Merger and assuming the Credit Facility on November 17, 2017, the Company also assumed the 7.250% unsecured senior notes (the Senior Notes) that were subsequently modified and mature on October 17, 2024 in the amount of \$400.0 million. The Senior Notes were originally issued by CBS Radio (now Entercom Media Corp) on October 17, 2016. The deferred financing costs and debt premium on the Senior Notes will be amortized over the term under the effective interest rate method. As of any reporting period, the amount of any unamortized debt finance costs and debt premium costs are reflected on the balance sheet as a subtraction and an addition to the \$400.0 million liability, respectively.

Interest on the Senior Notes accrues at the rate of 7.250% per annum and is payable semi-annually in arrears on May 1 and November 1 of each year.

# (C) Net Interest Expense

The components of net interest expense are as follows:

	Net Interest Expense Three Months Ended March 31,		
	2019 2018		
	(amounts in	thousands)	
Interest expense	\$ 25,734	\$ 23,334	
Amortization of deferred financing costs	801	795	
Amortization of original issue discount (premium) of senior			
notes	(715)	(716)	
Interest income and other investment income	(600)	(9)	
Total net interest expense	\$ 25 220	\$ 23 404	

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#### 8. NET INCOME (LOSS) PER COMMON SHARE

The following table presents the computations of basic and diluted net income (loss) per share:

2019 2018 (amounts in thousands except per share data) Basic Income (Loss) Per Share **Numerator** Net income available to common shareholders from continuing operations 3.125 \$ (14,206) Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax 328 Net income (loss) available to common shareholders 3.125 \$ (13,878) **Denominator** Basic weighted average shares outstanding 138,099 138,939 Net Income (Loss) Per Common Share - Basic: Net income (loss) from continuing operations per share available to common shareholders - Basic \$ 0.02 (0.10)Net income (loss) from discontinued operations per share available to common shareholders - Basic Net income (loss) per share available to common shareholders - Basic 0.02 (0.10)**Diluted Income (Loss) Per Share** Numerator Net income available to common shareholders from continuing operations \$ 3,125 \$ (14,206) Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax 328 Net income (loss) available to common shareholders 3,125 \$ (13,878) **Denominator** Basic weighted average shares outstanding 138,099 138,939 Effect of RSUs and options under the treasury stock method 424 Diluted weighted average shares outstanding 138,523 138,939

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Net Income (Loss) Per Common Share - Diluted:

Net income (loss) from continuing operations per share available to common shareholders - Diluted

Net income (loss) from discontinued operations per share available to common shareholders - Diluted

Net income (loss) per share available to common shareholders - Diluted

\$ 0.02 \$

(0.10)

## **Disclosure of Anti-Dilutive Shares**

The following table presents those shares excluded as they were anti-dilutive:

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Impact Of Equity Issuances	Three Months Ende March 31, 2019 2018 (amounts in thousand		2018	
	exc	cept per	shar	e data)
Shares excluded as anti-dilutive under the treasury stock method:				
Options		553		367
Price range of options: from	\$	6.43	\$	9.66
Price range of options: to	\$	13.98	\$	13.98
RSUs with service conditions		1,666		
RSUs excluded with service and market conditions as market conditions not met		220		226
Excluded shares as anti-dilutive when reporting a net loss				1,313

## 9. SHARE-BASED COMPENSATION

Under the Entercom Equity Compensation Plan (the Plan ), the Company is authorized to issue share-based compensation awards to key employees, directors and consultants.

## Restricted Stock Units ( RSUs ) Activity

The following is a summary of the changes in RSUs under the Plan during the current period:

		Number of Restricted Stock	Purchase	Remaining Contractual	,
	Period Ended	Units		Term (Years)	2019
		(amounts i	n thousan	ds)	
RSUs outstanding as of:	December 31, 2018	3,685			
RSUs awarded		1,489			
RSUs released		(636)			
RSUs forfeited		(83)			
RSUs outstanding as of:	March 31, 2019	4,455	\$	1.6	\$ 23,350
RSUs vested and expected to vest as of:	March 31, 2019	4,455	\$	1.6	\$ 23,347

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RSUs exercisable (vested and deferred) as				
of:	March 31, 2019	41	\$	\$ 217
Weighted average remaining recognition period in years		2.5		
Unamortized compensation expense		\$ 27,619		

#### **RSUs With Service and Market Conditions**

The Company issued RSUs with service and market conditions that are included in the table above. These shares vest if: (i) the Company s stock achieves certain shareholder performance targets over a defined measurement period; and (ii) the employee fulfills a minimum service period. The compensation expense is recognized even if the market conditions are not satisfied and are only reversed in the event the service period is not met, as all of the conditions need to be satisfied. These RSUs are amortized over the longest of the explicit, implicit or derived service periods, which range from approximately one to three years.

<b>Three Months</b>	Year
Ended	Ended
March 31,	December 31,
2019	2018
(amounts	in thousands,
e	xcept
ner sh	are data)

	per sinur	c aata,
<b>Reconciliation of RSUs with Service And Market</b>	_	
<b>Conditions</b>		
Beginning of period balance	226	650
Number of RSUs granted		
Number of RSUs forfeited	(6)	(110)
Number of RSUs vested		(314)
End of period balance	220	226
Weighted average fair value of RSUs granted with		
market conditions	\$	\$

The fair value of RSUs with service conditions is estimated using the Company s closing stock price on the date of the grant. To determine the fair value of RSUs with service and market conditions, the Company used the Monte Carlo simulation lattice model. The Company s determination of the fair value was based on the number of shares granted, the Company s stock price on the date of grant and certain assumptions regarding a number of highly complex and subjective variables. If other reasonable assumptions were used, the results could differ.

## **Option Activity**

The following table provides summary information related to the exercise of stock options:

Option Exercise Data	2019	Ended March 31 2018 n thousands)		
Intrinsic value of options exercised	\$ 1,272	\$	101	
Tax benefit from options exercised (1)	\$ 73	\$	27	
Cash received from exercise price of options exercised	\$ 242	\$	13	

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<sup>(1)</sup> Amounts exclude any impact from any compensation expense subject to Section 162(m) of the Code, which is nondeductible for income tax purposes.

The following table presents the option activity during the current period under the Plan:

	Period Ended	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term (Years)	Intrinsic Value as of March 31, 2019
Options outstanding as of:	December 31, 2018	755,210	\$ 9.42		
Options granted					
Options exercised		(180,300)	1.34		
Options forfeited					
Options expired		(24,828)	11.69		
Options outstanding as of:	March 31, 2019	550,082	\$ 11.97	1.6	\$ 2,450
Options vested and expected to vest as					
of:	March 31, 2019	550,082	\$ 11.97	1.6	\$ 2,450
Options vested and exercisable as of:	March 31, 2019	550,082	\$ 11.97	1.6	\$ 2,450
Weighted average remaining recognition period in years					

Unamortized compensation expense

\$

The following table summarizes significant ranges of outstanding and exercisable options as of the current period:

			Options Outstandin	g	Options E	xercisa	able
	ge of se Prices	Number of Options Outstanding March 31,	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual	Weighted Average Exercise	Number of Options Exercisable March 31,	A	eighted verage xercise
From	To	2019	Life	Price	2019		Price
\$ 4.76	\$ 9.66	209,375	1.6	\$ 9.50	209,375	\$	9.50
\$ 13.11	\$ 13.98	340,707	1.6	\$ 13.48	340,707	\$	13.48
\$ 4.76	\$ 13.98	550,082	1.6	\$ 11.97	550,082	\$	11.97

## **Recognized Non-Cash Stock-Based Compensation Expense**

The following non-cash stock-based compensation expense, which is related primarily to RSUs, is included in each of the respective line items in the Company s statement of operations:

	Three Months Ended March 31,			
		2019		2018
	(an	nounts ir	tho	usands)
Station operating expenses	\$	1,416	\$	1,958
Corporate general and administrative expenses		2,157		1,955
Stock-based compensation expense included in operating				
expenses		3,573		3,913
Income tax benefit (1)		748		816
After-tax stock-based compensation expense	\$	2.825	\$	3 097

<sup>(1)</sup> Amounts exclude impact from any compensation expense subject to Section 162(m) of the Code, which is nondeductible for income tax purposes.

#### 10. INCOME TAXES

## Tax Rate For The Three Months Ended March 31, 2019

The effective income tax rate was 39.5% which was determined using a forecasted rate based upon taxable income for the year. The effective income tax rate is typically higher in the first quarter of the year primarily due to: (i) the seasonality of the business which results in a lower reported figure for income before income taxes; and (ii) the disproportionate impact that discrete items may have on such lower reported income before income taxes figures.

#### Tax Rate For The Three Months Ended March 31, 2018

The effective income tax rate was 19.8%, which was determined using a forecasted rate based upon taxable income for the year. The income tax rate was estimated to be lower than in previous years primarily due to: (i) an income tax benefit resulting from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act that was enacted on December 22, 2017 which reduced the U.S. federal corporate tax rate; and (ii) a reduction in non-deductible transaction costs in 2018 due to the closing of the Merger on November 17, 2017.

#### **Net Deferred Tax Assets And Liabilities**

As of March 31, 2019, and December 31, 2018, net deferred tax liabilities were \$547.0 million and \$546.0 million, respectively. The income tax accounting process to determine the deferred tax liabilities involves estimating all temporary differences between the tax and financial reporting bases of the Company s assets and liabilities, based on enacted tax laws and statutory tax rates applicable to the period in which the differences are expected to affect taxable income. The Company estimated the current exposure by assessing the temporary differences and computing the provision for income taxes by applying the estimated effective tax rate to income.

# 11. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

#### Fair Value of Financial Instruments Subject to Fair Value Measurements

#### **Recurring Fair Value Measurements**

The following table sets forth the Company s financial assets and/or liabilities that were accounted for at fair value on a recurring basis and are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The Company s assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement requires judgment and may affect the valuation of fair value and its placement within the fair value hierarchy levels. During the periods presented, there were no transfers between fair value hierarchical levels.

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	Fair Value Measurements At Reporting Date								
	Balance	<b>Quoted prices</b>	Significant other	Significant	Measured at				
	at	in active	observable	unobservable	<b>Net Asset Value</b>				
					as a				
	March 31,	markets	inputs	inputs	<b>Practical</b>				
Description	2019	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Expedient (2)				
•		(amounts in thousands)							
Liabilities		•		,					
Deferred compensation plan liabilities									
(1)	\$ 30,626	\$ 23,506	\$	\$	\$ 7,120				
		Quoted			Measured				
		prices	Significant	Significant	at				
	Balance	-	J	J					
	at	in active	other observab	vabl <b>e</b> ınobservable Net Asset Val					
					as a				
	December 31,	markets	inputs	inputs	<b>Practical</b>				
Description	2018	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Expedient (2)				
•		(am	ounts in thous	sands)	•				
Liabilities				,					
Deferred compensation plan liabilities									
(1)	\$ 30,928	\$ 23,476	\$	\$	\$ 7,452				
	1 7-	,	•	•					

- (1) The Company s deferred compensation liability, which is included in other long-term liabilities, is recorded at fair value on a recurring basis. The unfunded plan allows participants to hypothetically invest in various specified investment options.
- (2) The fair value of underlying investments in collective trust funds is determined using the net asset value ( NAV ) provided by the administrator of the fund as a practical expedient. The NAV is determined by each fund s trustee based upon the fair value of the underlying assets owned by the fund, less liabilities, divided by outstanding units. In accordance with appropriate accounting guidance, these investments have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy.

## Fair Value of Financial Instruments Subject to Disclosures

The carrying amount of the following assets and liabilities approximates fair value due to the short maturity of these instruments: (i) cash and cash equivalents; (ii) accounts receivable; and (iii) accounts payable, including accrued liabilities.

The following table presents the carrying value of financial instruments and, where practicable, the fair value as of the periods indicated:

March 31, December 31, 2019 2018

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	Carrying Value	Fair Value (amounts ir	Fair Value	
Term B Loans (1)	\$ 1,291,700	\$ 1,259,408	\$1,291,700	\$1,243,261
Revolver (2)	\$	\$	\$ 180,000	\$ 180,000
Senior Notes (3)	\$ 400,000	\$ 399,500	\$ 400,000	\$ 378,000
Other debt (4)	\$ 889		\$ 912	
Letters of credit (4)	\$ 5,862		\$ 5,862	

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of financial instruments:

- (1) The Company s determination of the fair value of the Term B-1 Loans was based on quoted prices for these instruments and is considered a Level 2 measurement as the pricing inputs are other than quoted prices in active markets.
- (2) The fair value of the Revolver was considered to approximate the carrying value as the interest payments are based on LIBOR rates that reset periodically. The Revolver is considered a Level 2 measurement as the pricing inputs are other than quoted prices in active markets.
- (3) The Company utilizes a Level 2 valuation input based upon the market trading prices of the Senior Notes to compute the fair value as these Senior Notes are traded in the debt securities market. The Senior Notes are considered a Level 2 measurement as the pricing inputs are other than quoted prices in active markets.
- (4) The Company does not believe it is practicable to estimate the fair value of the other debt or the outstanding standby letters of credit.

## **Investments Valued Under the Measurement Alternative**

The Company holds investments in privately held companies that are not exchange-traded and therefore not supported with observable market prices. The Company does not have significant influence over the investees. The amended accounting guidance for financial instruments provides an alternative to measure equity securities without readily determinable fair values at cost less impairment (if any), plus or minus observable price changes from an identical or similar investment of the same issuer (the measurement alternative ). The Company elected the measurement alternative for its qualifying equity securities.

The Company s investments are recognized on the consolidated balance sheet at their cost basis, which represents the amount the Company paid to acquire the investments.

The Company periodically evaluates the carrying value of its investments, when events and circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the assets may not be recoverable. The Company considers investee financial performance and other information received from the investee companies, as well as any other available estimates of the fair value of the investee companies in its evaluation.

If certain impairment indicators exist, the Company determines the fair value of its investments. If the Company determines the carrying value of an investment exceeds its fair value, the Company writes down the value of the investment to its fair value. The fair value of the investments are not adjusted if there are no identified adverse events or changes in circumstances that may have a material effect on the fair value of the investment.

Since its initial date of investment, the Company has not identified any events or changes in circumstances which would require the Company to estimate the fair value of its investments. Accordingly, there has been no impairment in the Company s investments measured under the measurement alternative. Additionally, there have been no returns of capital or changes resulting from observable price changes in orderly transactions. As a result, the investments measured under the measurement alternative continue to be presented at their original cost basis on the consolidated balance sheets.

There was no material change in the carrying value of the Company s cost-method investments since the year ended December 31, 2018.

The following table presents the Company s investments valued under the measurement alternative:

	Investments Valued Under the Measurement Alternative			
	March 31, 2019 (amounts	ember 31, 2018 ousands)		
Investment balance before cumulative impairment as of	Ф 11 205	ф	0.055	
January 1, Accumulated impairment as of January 1,	\$ 11,205	\$	9,955	
Investment beginning balance after cumulative				
impairment as of January 1,	11,205		9,955	
Acquisition of interest in a privately held company			1,250	
Ending period balance	\$ 11,205	\$	11,205	

# 12. ASSETS HELD FOR SALE AND DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS Assets Held for Sale

Long-lived assets to be sold are classified as held for sale in the period in which they meet all the criteria for the disposal of long-lived assets. The Company measures assets held for sale at the lower of their carrying amount or fair value less cost to sell. Additionally, the Company determined that these assets comprise operations and cash flows that can be clearly distinguished, operationally and for financial reporting purposes, from the rest of the Company.

As of December 31, 2018, the Company entered into an agreement with a third party to dispose of land and land improvements, buildings and equipment. The Company conducted an analysis and determined the assets met the criteria to be classified as held for sale. In aggregate, these assets had a carrying value of approximately \$19.6 million. In the first quarter of 2019, the Company completed this sale for \$24.5 million in cash. The Company recognized a gain on the sale, net of sales commissions and other expenses, of approximately \$4.5 million.

On February 13, 2019, the Company entered into an agreement with Cumulus Media Inc. ( Cumulus ) under which the Company will exchange three of its stations in Indianapolis, Indiana for two Cumulus stations in Springfield, Massachusetts, and one Cumulus station in New York City, New York. The Company and Cumulus began programming the respective stations under an LMA on March 1, 2019. The Company conducted an analysis and determined the assets to be exchanged to Cumulus met the criteria to be classified as held for sale at March 31, 2019. The exchange transaction (the Cumulus Exchange ) is expected to close in the second quarter of 2019.

Long-lived assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. This is considered a Level 3 measurement.

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The major categories of these assets held for sale are as follows:

	Assets Held for Sale										
		M	arc	ch 31, 20	19		<b>December 31, 2018</b>				.8
					O	Other				(	Other
			$\mathbf{C}$	umulus	Asse	ets Held			Cumulus	Ass	ets Held
	To	tal	Ex	change	for	r Sale	Total		Exchange	fo	r Sale
					(amo	ounts in	n thousands)				
Land and land improvements	\$	401	\$	401	\$		\$ 2,64	5	\$	\$	2,645
Building		8		8			1,05	3			1,053
Equipment		389		389			15,90	5			15,905
Net property and equipment		798		798			19,60	3			19,603
Net radio broadcasting licenses	17	,135		17,135							
Goodwill	4	,862		4,862							
Total intangibles	21	,997		21,997							
Net assets held for sale	\$22	,795	\$	22,795	\$		\$ 19,60	3	\$	\$	19,603

## **Discontinued Operations**

The results of operations for several radio stations acquired from CBS, which were never a part of the Company s continuing operations as these radio stations have been disposed, were classified as discontinued operations for the period commencing after the Merger.

Refer to Note 2, Business Combinations, for additional information on the Bonneville Transaction.

The following table presents the results of operations of the discontinued operations:

	Three Months Ende March 31,		
	2019	2	2018
	(amounts	in thou	ısands)
Net time brokerage agreement (income) fees			415
Income before income taxes			415
Income taxes			87
Income from discontinued operations, net of income taxes	\$	\$	328

# 13. SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY Dividends

On November 2, 2017, the Company s Board of Directors approved an increase to the annual common stock dividend program to \$0.36 per share, beginning with the dividend paid in the fourth quarter of 2017. Management estimates quarterly dividend payments to approximate \$12.4 million per quarter (without considering any further reduction in shares from the Company s stock buyback program). Any future dividends will be at the discretion of the Board based upon the relevant factors at the time of such consideration, including, without limitation, compliance with the restrictions set forth in the Company s Credit Facility and the Senior Notes.

During the second quarter of 2016, the Company s Board of Directors commenced an annual \$0.30 per share common stock dividend program, with payments that approximated \$2.9 million per quarter.

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#### **Dividend Equivalents**

The Company s grants of RSUs include the right, upon vesting, to receive a cash payment equal to the aggregate amount of dividends, if any, that holders would have received on the shares of common stock underlying their RSUs if such RSUs had been vested during the period.

The following table presents the amounts accrued and unpaid on unvested RSUs:

	Dolones Chest	Dividend	Dividend Equivalent Liabilities				
Balance Sheet  Location	March 31, 2019		December 31, 2018				
		(amou	ınts in	thous	ands)		
Short-term	Other current liabilities	\$ 1,8	378	\$	1,279		
Long-term	Other long-term liabilities	8	888		1,041		
Total		\$ 2,7	'66	\$	2,320		

#### **Employee Stock Purchase Plan**

The Company s Entercom Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the ESPP) allows participants to purchase the Company s stock at a price equal to 85% of the market value of such shares on the purchase date. The maximum number of shares authorized to be issued under the ESPP is 1.0 million. Pursuant to the ESPP, the Company does not record compensation expense to the employee as income subject to tax on the difference between the market value and the purchase price, as the ESPP was designed to meet the requirements of Section 423(b) of the Code. The Company recognizes the 15% discount in the Company s consolidated statements of operations as non-cash compensation expense.

Pursuant to the CBS Radio Merger Agreement, the Company agreed not to issue or authorize any shares of its capital stock until the earlier of the termination of the CBS Radio Merger Agreement or the consummation of the Merger. As a result, the Company effectively suspended the ESPP during the second quarter of 2017. There were no shares purchased and the Company did not recognize any non-cash compensation expense in connection with the ESPP during the second, third or fourth quarters of 2017. The Company resumed the ESPP in the first quarter of 2018.

		Three Months Ended March 31,			
	2019	2018			
	(amounts in	thousands)			
Number of shares purchased	85	39			
Non-cash compensation expense recognized	\$ 67	\$ 57			

#### **Share Repurchase Program**

On November 2, 2017, the Company s Board of Directors announced a share repurchase program (the 2017 Share Repurchase Program ) to permit the Company to purchase up to \$100.0 million of the Company s issued and outstanding shares of Class A common stock through open market purchases. Shares repurchased by the Company under the 2017 Share Repurchase Program will be at the discretion of the Company based upon the relevant factors at the time of such consideration, including, without limitation, compliance with the restrictions set forth in the Company s Credit Facility and the Senior Notes.

During the three months ended March 31, 2019, the Company did not repurchase any shares under the 2017 Share Repurchase Program.

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# 14. CONTINGENCIES AND COMMITMENTS Contingencies

The Company is subject to various outstanding claims which arise in the ordinary course of business and to other legal proceedings. Management anticipates that any potential liability of the Company, which may arise out of or with respect to these matters, will not materially affect the Company s financial position, results of operations or cash flows. There were no material changes from the contingencies listed in the Company s Form 10-K, filed with the SEC on February 27, 2019, except as described below.

#### **Like-Kind Exchange Proceeds**

During the third quarter of 2018, the Company disposed of certain property that the Company considered as surplus to its operations and that resulted in significant gains reportable for tax purposes. In order to minimize the tax impact on a certain portion of these taxable gains, the Company created an entity that serves as a QI for tax purposes and that held the net sales proceeds of \$70.2 million. The net sales proceeds were deposited into the account of the QI to comply with requirements under Section 1031 of the Code to execute a like-kind exchange and were reflected as restricted cash on the Company consolidated balance sheet at December 31, 2018.

The Company used a portion of these funds in a tax-free exchange by using the net sales proceeds from relinquished property for the purchase of replacement property. This QI was treated as a VIE and was included in the Company s prior year consolidated financial statements as the Company was considered the primary beneficiary.

Under Section 1031 of the Code, the property to be exchanged in the like-kind exchange was required to be received by the Company within 180 days. This period of time lapsed during the first quarter of 2019, at which point, the restrictions on the cash balances were released. As a result, the Company does not present restricted cash on its balance sheet at March 31, 2019.

The following table provides a reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash reported within the consolidated balance sheet that aggregate to the total of the same such amounts shown in the consolidated statement of cash flows:

	Cash, Cash Equivalents and Restricted Cash				
	March 31, 2019			December 31, 2018	
		(amounts	in tho	usands)	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	68,266	\$	122,893	
Restricted cash				69,365	
Total cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash shown					
in the statement of cash flows	\$	68,266	\$	192,258	

#### 15. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Events occurring after March 31, 2019, and through the date that these consolidated financial statements were issued, were evaluated to ensure that any subsequent events that met the criteria for recognition have been included and are as follows:

On April 30, 2019, the Company s finance subsidiary, Entercom Media Corp., issued \$325.0 million in aggregate principal amount of senior secured second-lien notes due 2027 (the Notes). Interest on the Notes accrues at the rate of 6.5% per annum. The Company used net proceeds of the offering, along with cash on hand and \$89.0 million under its Revolver, to repay \$425.0 million of existing indebtedness under its Term B-1 Loan. The Notes are fully and unconditionally guaranteed on a senior secured second-lien basis by each direct and indirect subsidiary of Entercom Media Corp. The Notes and the related guarantees are secured on a second-priority basis by liens on substantially all of the assets of Entercom Media Corp. and the guarantors. The Notes will not be a registered security and there are no plans to register the Notes as a security in the future.

In addition, on April 30, 2019, Entercom Media Corp amended the financial covenant in its Senior Secured Credit Agreement such that the calculation of Consolidated Secured Net Leverage Ratio only includes first lien secured debt.

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## ITEM 2. Management s Discussion And Analysis Of Financial Condition And Results Of Operations

In preparing the discussion and analysis contained in this Item 2, we presume that readers have read or have access to the discussion and analysis contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) on February 27, 2019. In addition, you should read the following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this report. Our results of operations during the relevant periods represent the operations of the radio stations owned or operated by us.

#### **Results Of Operations For The Year-To-Date**

The following significant factors affected our results of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2019, as compared to the three months ended March 31, 2018:

#### **WXTU Transaction**

On July 18, 2018, we entered into an agreement with Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc. (Beasley) to sell certain assets of WXTU-FM, serving the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania radio market for \$38.0 million in cash (the WXTU Transaction). In connection with this disposition, which closed during the third quarter of 2018, we recognized a gain of approximately \$4.4 million.

Based on the timing of this transaction, our consolidated financial statements for the three months ended March 31, 2019 do not reflect the net revenues, station operating expenses, depreciation and amortization expenses of this divested station, whereas our consolidated financial statements for the three months ended March 31, 2018 do reflect the net revenues, station operating expenses, depreciation and amortization expenses of this divested station.

## Jerry Lee Transaction

On September 27, 2018, we completed a transaction to acquire the assets of WBEB-FM, serving the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania radio market from Jerry Lee Radio, LLC ( Jerry Lee ) for a purchase price of \$57.5 million in cash, less certain working capital and other credits (the Jerry Lee Transaction ). We used proceeds from the WXTU Transaction and cash on hand to fund this acquisition.

Based on the timing of this transaction, our consolidated financial statements for the three months ended March 31, 2019 reflect the net revenues, station operating expenses, depreciation and amortization expenses of this acquired station, whereas our consolidated financial statements for the three months ended March 31, 2018 do not reflect the net revenues, station operating expenses, depreciation and amortization expenses of this acquired station.

#### **Integration Costs And Restructuring Charges**

On February 2, 2017, we and our wholly-owned subsidiary ( Merger Sub ) entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the CBS Radio Merger Agreement ) with CBS Corporation ( CBS ) and its wholly-owned subsidiary CBS Radio Inc. ( CBS Radio ). Pursuant to the CBS Radio Merger Agreement, Merger Sub merged with and into CBS Radio with CBS Radio surviving as our wholly-owned subsidiary (the Merger ). The Merger closed on November 17, 2017.

In connection with the Merger, we incurred integration costs, including transition services, consulting services and professional fees of \$1.1 million and \$9.7 million during the three months ended March 31, 2019 and March 31, 2018, respectively. Amounts were expensed as incurred and are included in integration costs.

In connection with the Merger, we incurred restructuring charges, including costs to exit duplicative contracts, lease abandonment costs, workforce reductions and other restructuring costs of \$1.0 million and \$1.5 million during the three months ended March 31, 2019 and March 31, 2018, respectively. Amounts were expensed as incurred and are included in restructuring charges.

## Merger And Acquisition Costs

During the three months ended March 31, 2018, transaction costs were \$1.4 million, and were expensed as incurred.

#### Three Months Ended March 31, 2019 As Compared To The Three Months Ended March 31, 2018

## THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31,

				%
	2019 2019		2018	Change
	(dollars in millions			)
NET REVENUES	\$ 309.0	\$	300.6	3%
OPERATING EXPENSE:				
Station operating expenses	249.0		255.7	(3%)
Depreciation and amortization expense	11.1		8.5	31%
Corporate general and administrative expenses	20.9		18.7	12%
Integration costs	1.1		9.7	(89%)
Restructuring charges	1.0		1.5	(33%)
Merger and acquisition costs			1.4	(100%)
Other operating (income) expenses	(4.5)		(0.6)	nmf
Total operating expense	278.6		294.9	(6%)
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	30.4		5.7	
NET INTEREST EXPENSE	25.2		23.4	8%
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE INCOME TAXES (BENEFIT)	5.2		(17.7)	129%
INCOME TAXES (BENEFIT)	2.1		(3.5)	160%
NET INCOME (LOSS) AVAILABLE TO COMMON				
SHAREHOLDERS - CONTINUING OPERATIONS	3.1		(14.2)	122%
Income from discontinued operations, net of income taxes (benefit)			0.3	(100%)
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NET INCOME (LOSS) AVAILABLE TO COMMON				
SHAREHOLDERS	\$ 3.1	\$	(13.9)	122%

#### **Net Revenues**

Contributing to the increase in net revenues was the operation of the station acquired in the Philadelphia market in connection with the Jerry Lee Transaction. Offsetting this increase, net revenues were negatively impacted by the disposal of a radio station in the Philadelphia market in connection with the WXTU Transaction.

Net revenues increased the most for our stations located in the New York City and Washington, D.C. markets.

Net revenues decreased the most for our stations located in the Chicago and Minneapolis markets.

## **Station Operating Expenses**

Station operating expenses decreased in the mid-single digits for the current period primarily due to a reduction in variable expenses associated with operating our stations more efficiently due to synergies recognized.

Station operating expenses include non-cash compensation expense of \$1.4 million and \$2.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and March 31, 2018, respectively.

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#### **Depreciation And Amortization Expense**

Depreciation and amortization expense increased primarily due to an increase in capital expenditures. The increase in capital expenditures was primarily due to the consolidation and relocation of several studio facilities in larger markets, an increase in our size and capital needs associated with the integration of common systems across the new markets acquired in the Merger.

#### **Corporate General And Administrative Expenses**

Corporate general and administrative expenses increased primarily due to an increase in software expenses and an increase in expense related to the Company s deferred compensation plan.

Corporate general and administrative expenses include non-cash compensation expense of \$2.2 million and \$2.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and March 31, 2018, respectively.

### **Integration Costs**

Integration costs were incurred in 2018 as a result of the Merger. These costs primarily consisted of ongoing costs related to effectively combining and incorporating CBS Radio into our operations. Based on the timing of the Merger, integration activities primarily occurred in 2018 and were reduced significantly in 2019.

### **Restructuring Charges**

We incurred restructuring charges in 2019 and 2018 primarily as a result of the restructuring of operations for the Merger. These costs primarily included workforce reduction charges, the abandonment of excess studio space in certain markets, costs to exit duplicative contracts and other charges.

We expect to incur restructuring costs in the range of \$9.0 to \$12.0 million in 2019.

#### **Merger And Acquisition Costs**

There was a significant reduction in the amount of legal, professional, and other advisory services incurred as the Merger closed in the fourth quarter of 2017.

#### **Other Operating (Income) Expenses**

During the three months ended March 31, 2019, we completed a sale of land and land improvements, buildings and equipment and recognized a gain of \$4.5 million. During the three months ended March 31, 2018, we had no such sales activities.

## **Operating Income (Loss)**

Operating income in the current period increased primarily due to: (i) an increase in net revenues, net of station operating expenses of \$15.2 million; (ii) a decrease in integration costs of \$8.6 million; (iii) a net increase in other operating (income) expenses of \$4.0 million; (iv) a decrease in merger and acquisition costs of \$1.4 million; and (v) a decrease in restructuring charges of \$0.5 million.

These increases were partially offset by: (i) an increase in depreciation and amortization expense of \$2.6 million; and (ii) an increase in corporate, general and administrative expenses of \$2.3 million.

## **Interest Expense**

During the three months ended March 31, 2019, we incurred an additional \$1.8 million of interest expense primarily due to the increase in LIBOR rates associated with our variable rate debt. This increase was partially offset by an overall reduction in our indebtedness.

## **Income (Loss) Before Income Taxes (Benefit)**

The generation of income before income taxes was primarily attributable to: (i) an increase in net revenues, net of station operating expenses; (ii) a decrease in integration costs; (iii) a net increase in other operating (income) expenses; (iv) a decrease in merger and acquisition costs; and (v) a decrease in restructuring charges. The increases in income before income taxes as a result of these activities were partially offset by increases in: (i) depreciation and amortization expenses; (ii) corporate, general and administrative expenses; and (iii) net interest expense.

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## **Income Taxes (Benefit)**

## Tax Rate For The Three Months Ended March 31, 2019

The effective income tax rate was 39.5% which was determined using a forecasted rate based upon taxable income for the year. The effective income tax rate is typically higher in the first quarter of the year primarily due to: (i) the seasonality of the business which results in a lower reported figure for income before income taxes; and (ii) the disproportionate impact that discrete items may have on such lower reported income before income taxes figures.

We estimate that our 2019 annual tax rate before discrete items, which may fluctuate from quarter to quarter, will be approximately 30%.

## Tax Rate For The Three Months Ended March 31, 2018

The estimated annual effective income tax rate was 19.8%, which was determined using a forecasted rate based upon taxable income for the year. The annual effective tax rate was estimated to be lower than in previous years primarily due to: (i) an income tax benefit resulting from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act that was enacted on December 22, 2017 which reduced the U.S. federal corporate tax rate; and (ii) a reduction in non-deductible transaction costs in 2018 due to the closing of the Merger on November 17, 2017.

## Net Deferred Tax Liabilities

As of March 31, 2019, and December 31, 2018, our net deferred tax liabilities were \$547.0 million and \$546.0 million, respectively. The deferred tax liabilities primarily relate to differences between the book and tax bases of certain of our indefinite-lived intangible assets (broadcasting licenses and goodwill). Under accounting guidance, we do not amortize our indefinite-lived intangibles for financial statement purposes, but instead test them annually for impairment. The amortization of our indefinite-lived assets for tax purposes but not for book purposes creates deferred tax liabilities. A reversal of deferred tax liabilities may occur when indefinite-lived intangibles: (i) become impaired; or (ii) are sold, which would typically only occur in connection with the sale of the assets of a station or groups of stations or the entire company in a taxable transaction. Due to the amortization for tax purposes and not book purposes of our indefinite-lived intangible assets, we expect to continue to generate deferred tax liabilities in future periods (without consideration of any impairment loss in future periods).

## **Net Income (Loss) Available To The Company - Continuing Operations**

The change in net income available to the Company from continuing operations was primarily attributable to the reasons described above under Income (Loss) Before Income Taxes (Benefit) and Income Taxes (Benefit).

## **Liquidity And Capital Resources**

## Amendment and Repricing CBS Radio (Now Entercom Media Corp.) Indebtedness

In connection with the Merger, we assumed CBS Radio s (now Entercom Media Corp. s) indebtedness outstanding under: (i) a credit agreement (the Credit Facility) among CBS Radio (now Entercom Media Corp.), the guarantors named therein, the lenders named therein, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent; and (ii) the Senior Notes (described below).

On March 3, 2017, CBS Radio entered into an amendment to the Credit Facility, to, among other things, create a tranche of Term B-1 Loans (the Term B-1 Tranche) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$500.0 million. The Term B-1 Tranche is governed by the Credit Facility and will mature on November 17, 2024.

Immediately prior to the Merger, the Credit Facility was comprised of a revolving credit facility and a term B loan. On the closing date of the Merger and the refinancing, the term B loan was converted into the Term B-1 Tranche and both were simultaneously refinanced (the Term B-1 Loan ).

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## Liquidity

Immediately following the refinancing activities described above, the Credit Facility as amended, is comprised of a \$250.0 million revolving credit facility (the Revolver ) and a \$1,330.0 million Term B-1 Loan.

As of March 31, 2019, we had \$1,291.7 million outstanding under the Term B-1 Loan and no amount outstanding under the Revolver. In addition, we had \$5.9 million in outstanding letters of credit and \$244.1 million undrawn under the Revolver. Our ability to draw additional amounts under the Revolver may be limited due to our Consolidated Net Secured Leverage Ratio, as defined in the agreement. As of March 31, 2019, we had \$68.3 million in cash and cash equivalents. For the three months ended March 31, 2019, we decreased our outstanding debt by \$180.0 million. As of March 31, 2019, our consolidated Net Secured Leverage Ratio was 3.3 times as calculated in accordance with the terms of our Credit Facility, which place restrictions on the amount of cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash that can be subtracted in determining consolidated total net debt.

## The Credit Facility

The Credit Facility is comprised of the Revolver and the Term B-1 Loan.

The \$250.0 million Revolver has a maturity date of November 17, 2022 and provides for interest based upon the prime rate or LIBOR plus a margin. The margin may increase or decrease based upon our Consolidated Net Secured Leverage Ratio as defined in the agreement.

The \$1,330.0 million Term B-1 Loan has a maturity date of November 17, 2024 and provides for interest based upon the Base Rate or LIBOR, plus a margin. The Term B-1 Loan requires mandatory prepayments equal to a percentage of Excess Cash Flow, subject to incremental step-downs, depending on our Consolidated Net Secured Leverage Ratio. The first Excess Cash Flow payment, if any, is due in the first quarter of each year, and is based on the Excess Cash Flow and Consolidated Net Secured Leverage Ratio for the prior year. Because we made voluntary prepayments against the Term B-1 Loan in 2018, which may be applied toward the Excess Cash Flow payment, no Excess Cash Flow payment was due in the first quarter of 2019.

As of March 31, 2019, we were in compliance with the financial covenant then applicable and all other terms of the Credit Facility in all material respects. Our ability to maintain compliance with our covenants under the Credit Facility is highly dependent on our results of operations.

Management believes that over the next 12 months we can continue to maintain compliance. Our operating cash flow remains positive, and we believe that it is adequate to fund our operating needs. We believe that cash on hand, cash from the Revolver, and cash from operating activities, will be sufficient to permit us to meet our liquidity requirements over the next 12 months, including our debt repayments.

Failure to comply with our financial covenant or other terms of our Credit Facility and any subsequent failure to negotiate and obtain any required relief from our lenders could result in a default under the Credit Facility. Any event of default could have a material adverse effect on our business and financial condition. The acceleration of our debt could have a material adverse effect on our business. We may seek from time to time to amend our Credit Facility or obtain other funding or additional funding, which may result in higher interest rates on our debt.

## The Former Credit Facility

On November 1, 2016, we and our wholly owned subsidiary Entercom Radio, LLC (Radio), entered into our previous credit agreement (the Former Credit Facility) with a syndicate of lenders for a \$540 million Former Credit Facility, which was initially comprised of: (i) the \$60 million revolving credit facility (the Former Revolver) that was set to mature on November 1, 2021; and (ii) the \$480 million term loan (the Former Term B Loan) that was set to mature on November 1, 2023.

#### **The Senior Notes**

Simultaneously with entering into the Merger and assuming the Credit Facility on November 17, 2017, we also assumed the Senior Notes that mature on October 17, 2024 in the amount of \$400.0 million (the Senior Notes). The Senior Notes, which were originally issued by CBS Radio (now Entercom Media Corp.) on October 17, 2016, were valued at a premium as part of the fair value measurement on the date of the Merger. The premium on the Senior Notes will be amortized over the term under the effective interest rate method. As of any reporting period, the unamortized premium on the Senior Notes is reflected on the balance sheet as an addition to the \$400.0 million liability.

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Interest on the Senior Notes accrues at the rate of 7.250% per annum and is payable semi-annually in arrears on May 1 and November 1 of each year. The Senior Notes may be redeemed at any time on or after November 1, 2019 at a redemption price of 105.438% of their principal amount plus accrued interest. The redemption price decreases over time to 100% of their principal amount plus accrued interest.

All of our subsidiaries, other than Entercom Media Corp., jointly and severally guaranteed the Senior Notes.

A default under our Senior Notes could cause a default under our Credit Facility. Any event of default, therefore, could have a material adverse effect on our business and financial condition.

We may from time to time seek to repurchase or retire our outstanding indebtedness through open market purchases, privately negotiated transactions or otherwise. Such repurchases, if any, will depend on prevailing market conditions, our liquidity requirements, contractual restrictions and other factors. The amounts involved may be material.

The Senior Notes are not a registered security and there are no plans to register our Senior Notes as a security in the future. As a result, Rule 3-10 of Regulation S-X promulgated by the SEC is not applicable and no separate financial statements are required for the guarantor subsidiaries.

## **The Former Senior Notes**

In 2016, we issued a call notice to redeem our \$220.0 million 10.5% unsecured Senior Notes due December 1, 2019 (the Former Senior Notes ) in full with an effective date of December 1, 2016, that was funded by the proceeds of the Former Credit Facility.

## **Perpetual Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock**

A portion of the proceeds from the debt refinancing that occurred on November 17, 2017 was used to fully redeem our outstanding perpetual cumulative convertible preferred stock ( Preferred ). As a result of this redemption, we removed the net carrying value of the Preferred from our books and, therefore, did not pay dividends on our Preferred during the three months ended March 31, 2019 or March 31, 2018.

#### **Operating Activities**

Net cash flows provided by operating activities were \$65.7 million and \$65.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and March 31, 2018, respectively.

The cash flows from operating activities decreased slightly due to an increase in net investment in working capital of \$17.6 million, which was partially offset by an increase in net income available to the Company of \$17.0 million. The increase in net investment in working capital was primarily due to: (i) the timing of settlements of accounts payable and accrued liabilities; and (ii) the timing of settlements of other long term liabilities.

#### **Investing Activities**

Net cash flows provided by investing activities were \$4.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2019, which primarily reflect proceeds received from dispositions of assets in the amount of \$24.5 million, less additions to property and equipment and intangible assets of \$20.5 million.

Net cash flows used in investment activities were \$7.8 million for the three months ended March 31, 2018, which primarily reflect: (i) the purchase of property and equipment of \$5.4 million; (ii) cash paid to acquire amortizable intangible assets of \$1.6 million; and (iii) \$1.3 million of cash paid to acquire an interest in a privately held company.

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## **Financing Activities**

Net cash flows used in financing activities were \$193.7 million and \$57.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2019 and March 31, 2018, respectively.

For the three months ended March 31, 2019, the cash flows used in financing activities primarily reflect: (i) the payments of long term debt of \$180.0 million; and (ii) the payment of dividends on common stock of \$12.4 million.

For the three months ended March 31, 2018, the cash flows used in financing activities primarily reflect: (i) the payments of long term debt of \$21.3 million; (ii) the payment for repurchases of common stock of \$20.0 million; and (iii) the payment of dividends on common stock of \$12.4 million.

## **Dividends**

On November 2, 2017, our Board approved an increase to the annual common stock dividend program to \$0.36 per share, beginning with the dividend paid in the fourth quarter of 2017. We estimate quarterly dividend payments to approximate \$12.4 million per quarter (without considering any further reduction in shares from our stock buyback program). Any future dividends will be at the discretion of the Board based upon the relevant factors at the time of such consideration, including, without limitation, compliance with the restrictions set forth in our Credit Facility and the Senior Notes.

During the second quarter of 2016, we commenced an annual \$0.30 per share common stock dividend program, with payments that approximated \$2.9 million per quarter.

In addition to the quarterly dividend, we paid a special one-time cash dividend of \$0.20 per share of common stock on August 30, 2017. This special one-time cash dividend approximated \$7.8 million.

As discussed above, we retired our Preferred in full on November 17, 2017 and no further dividends were paid.

## **Share Repurchase Program**

On November 2, 2017, our Board announced a share repurchase program (the 2017 Share Repurchase Program) to permit us to purchase up to \$100.0 million of our issued and outstanding shares of Class A common stock through open market purchases. Shares repurchased by us under the 2017 Share Repurchase Program will be at our discretion based upon the relevant factors at the time of such consideration, including, without limitation, compliance with the restrictions set forth in our Credit Facility and the Senior Notes.

During the three months ended March 31, 2019, we did not repurchase any shares under the 2017 Share Repurchase Program. As of March 31, 2019, \$59.9 million is available for future share repurchases under the 2017 Share Repurchase Program.

## **Income Taxes**

During the three months ended March 31, 2019, we paid \$1.8 million in federal and state income taxes. As a result of the CBS Radio acquisition, the utilization of our net operating loss carryforwards ( NOLs ) will be limited under Internal Revenue Code ( Code ) Section 382. We may need to make additional federal and state estimated tax payments during the remainder of the year.

## **Capital Expenditures**

Capital expenditures, including amortizable intangibles, for the three months ended March 31, 2019 were \$20.5 million. We anticipate that total capital expenditures in 2019 will be approximately \$70 million. This figure includes approximately \$10 million which will be reimbursed by landlords for tenant improvement allowances.

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## **Contractual Obligations**

As of March 31, 2019, there have been no net material changes in the total amount from the contractual obligations listed in our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018, as filed with the SEC on February 27, 2019, other than as described below.

As discussed above, during the three months ended March 31, 2019, we decreased our long-term debt obligations outstanding by \$180.0 million. As a result of these debt payments made, we have no amount outstanding under our Revolver at March 31, 2019.

## **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

As of March 31, 2019, we did not have any material off-balance sheet transactions, arrangements or obligations, including contingent obligations.

During the third quarter of 2018, we disposed of certain property that we considered as surplus to our operations and that resulted in significant gains reportable for tax purposes. In order to minimize the tax impact on a certain portion of these taxable gains, we created an entity that served as a qualified intermediary (QI) for tax purposes and that held the net sales proceeds of \$70.2 million. The net sales proceeds were deposited into the account of the QI to comply with requirements under Section 1031 of the Code to execute a like-kind exchange and were reflected as restricted cash on our consolidated balance sheet at December 31, 2018.

We used a portion of these funds in a tax-free exchange by using the net sale proceeds from relinquished property for the purchase of replacement property. This QI was treated as a variable interest entity (VIE) and was included in our prior year consolidated financial statements as we were considered the primary beneficiary.

Under Section 1031 of the Code, the property to be exchanged in the like-kind exchange was required to be received by us within 180 days. This period of time lapsed during the first quarter of 2019, at which point, the restrictions on the cash balances were released. As a result, we do not present restricted cash on our balance sheet at March 31, 2019.

We do not have any other relationships with unconsolidated entities or financial partnerships, such as entities often referred to as structured finance or special purpose entities, which would have been established for the purpose of facilitating off-balance sheet financial arrangements or other contractually narrow or limited purposes as of March 31, 2019. Accordingly, we are not materially exposed to any financing, liquidity, market or credit risk that could arise if we had engaged in such relationships.

## **Future Impairments**

We may find it necessary to take impairment charges in future periods based on conditions at that time. Any such impairment could be material.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies**

There have been no material changes to our critical accounting policies from the information provided in Part II, Item 7, Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, under the heading Critical Accounting Policies in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018, and filed with the SEC on February 27, 2019, other than as described below.

## **Changes in Accounting Policies** Leases

In February 2016, the accounting guidance was modified to increase transparency and comparability among organizations by requiring the recognition of right-of-use ( ROU ) assets and lease liabilities on the balance sheet.

The guidance was effective for us as of January 1, 2019, and was implemented using a modified retrospective approach at the beginning of the period of adoption, rather than at the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented in these financial statements.

As a result, we changed our accounting policy for leases. Refer to Note 4, Leases, included elsewhere in this report for additional information. Except for this change, the Company has consistently applied its accounting policies to all periods presented in these consolidated financial statements.

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## ITEM 3. Quantitative And Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

We are exposed to market risk from changes in interest rates on our variable rate senior debt (the Term B-1 Loan and Revolver).

As of March 31, 2019, if the borrowing rates under LIBOR were to increase 1% above the current rates, our interest expense on: (i) our Term B Loan would increase \$12.9 million on an annual basis as our Term B-1 Loan provides for a minimum LIBOR floor; and (ii) our Revolver would increase by \$2.5 million, assuming our entire Revolver was outstanding as of March 31, 2019.

Assuming LIBOR remains flat, interest expense in 2019 versus 2018 is expected to be lower as we anticipate reducing our outstanding debt upon which interest is computed. We may seek from time to time to amend our Credit Facility or obtain additional funding, which may result in higher interest rates on our indebtedness and could increase our exposure to variable rate indebtedness.

From time to time, we may seek to limit our exposure to interest rate volatility through the use of interest rate hedging instruments. As of March 31, 2019, there were no interest rate hedging transactions outstanding.

From time to time, we invest all or a portion of our cash in cash equivalents, which are money market instruments consisting of short-term government securities and repurchase agreements that are fully collateralized by government securities. When such investments are made, we do not believe that we have any material credit exposure with respect to these assets. As of March 31, 2019, we did not have any investments in money market instruments.

Our credit exposure related to our accounts receivable does not represent a significant concentration of credit risk due to the quantity of advertisers, the minimal reliance on any one advertiser, the multiple markets in which we operate and the wide variety of advertising business sectors.

See also additional disclosures regarding liquidity and capital resources made under Liquidity and Capital Resources in Part 1, Item 2, above.

# ITEM 4. Controls And Procedures Evaluation Of Controls And Procedures

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) that are designed to ensure that: (i) information required to be disclosed in our Exchange Act reports is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission s rules and forms; and (ii) such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow for timely decisions regarding required disclosure. In designing and evaluating our disclosure controls and procedures, our management recognizes that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives, and our management is required to apply its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures.

We carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on the foregoing, our President/Chief Executive Officer and Executive Vice President/Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at the

reasonable assurance level.

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## **Changes In Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

On January 1, 2019, we implemented the amended accounting guidance for leases as described elsewhere in this report. The impact of this guidance had a material impact on our financial position as of March 31, 2019. The impact on our results of operations and cash flows for the three months ended March 31, 2019 was not material.

During our most recent fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2019, we implemented changes to our internal controls related to the implementation of the amended accounting guidance for leases. These changes included: (i) monitoring the adoption process and developing new disclosures required under the standard; (ii) performing an analysis of our leases; and (iii) implementing an updated information technology application for the calculation of ROU assets and lease liabilities.

As the implementation process continues, there may be additional changes in internal control over financial reporting. We will continue to evaluate the impact of any related changes to our internal control over financial reporting. Other than any changes in our internal control over financial reporting related to the implementation of the amended accounting guidance for leases, there were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the three months ended March 31, 2019 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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## **PART II**

## OTHER INFORMATION

## **ITEM 1. Legal Proceedings**

There were no material developments relating to the legal proceedings described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 27, 2019.

## **ITEM 1A. Risk Factors**

There have been no material changes to the Risk Factors described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 27, 2019.

## ITEM 2. Unregistered Sales Of Equity Securities And Use Of Proceeds

The following table provides information on our repurchases during the quarter ended March 31, 2019:

	(a) Total Number Of Shares	(b) Average Price Paid	(c) Total Number Of Shares Purchased As Part Of Publicly Announced Plans Or	(d) Maximum Approximate Dollar Value Of Shares That May Yet Be Purchased Under The Plans Or
<b>Period</b> (1)(2)	Purchased	Per Share		Programs
January 1, 2019 - January 31, 2019	2,224	\$ 5.95	S	\$ 59,918,176
February 1, 2019 - February 28, 2019	142,478	\$ 7.33		\$ 59,918,176
March 1, 2019 - March 31, 2019	59,797	\$ 6.16		\$ 59,918,176
Total	204,499			

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We withheld shares upon the vesting of RSUs in order to satisfy employees tax obligations. As a result, we are deemed to have purchased: (i) 2,224 shares at an average price of \$5.95 in January 2019; (ii) 142,478 shares at an average price of \$7.33 in February 2019; and (iii) 59,797 shares at an average price of \$6.16 in March 2019. These shares are included in the table above.

On November 2, 2017, our Board announced a share repurchase program (the 2017 Share Repurchase Program ) to permit us to purchase up to \$100.0 million of our issued and outstanding shares of Class A common stock through open market purchases. In connection with the 2017 Share Repurchase Program, we did not repurchase any shares during the three months ended March 31, 2019.

# ITEM 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None.

# ITEM 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable.

## ITEM 5. Other Information

None.

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# ITEM 6. Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
3.1 #	Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of Entercom Communications Corp. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.01 to Entercom s Amendment to Registration Statement on Form S-1, as filed on January 27, 1999 (File No. 333-61381))
3.2#	Articles of Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of Entercom Communications Corp.  (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of Entercom s Current Report on Form 8-K as filed on December 21, 2007)
3.3 #	Articles of Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of Entercom Communications Corp. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.02 to Entercom s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2009, as filed on August 5, 2009)
3.4#	Articles of Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of Entercom Communications Corp. dated November 17, 2017. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on November 17, 2017)
3.5 #	Statement with Respect to Shares, filed with the Pennsylvania Department of State on July 16, 2015. (Incorporated by reference to an Exhibit 3.1 to our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 17, 2015)
3.6 #	Amended and Restated Bylaws of Entercom Communications Corp. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Entercom s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 21, 2008)
3.7 #	Amendment No 1 to Amended and Restated Bylaws of Entercom Communications Corp. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 3, 2017)
3.8 #	Amendment No 2 to Amended and Restated Bylaws of Entercom Communications Corp. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on November 17, 2017)
4.1 #	Indenture for Senior Notes, dated as of October 17, 2016, by and among CBS Radio, Inc., the guarantors named therein, and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as trustee. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 of Entercom s Registration Statement on Form S-4 (File No. 333-217273))
4.2 #	Supplemental Indenture, dated as of November 17, 2017, by and among Entercom Radio, LLC, the other guarantor parties named therein, and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as trustee. (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to Entercom s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on November 17, 2017)
4.3 #	Supplemental Indenture, dated December 8, 2017, by and between CBS Radio Inc. and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as trustee (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 11, 2017)
4.4 #	Indenture for Senior Secured Second-Lien Notes due May 1, 2027, by and among Entercom Media Corp., the guarantors named therein, and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as trustee.  (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Entercom s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 1, 2019)
4.5 #	Form of 6.500% Senior Secured Second-Lien Note due 2027 (included in Exhibit 4.1). (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to Entercom s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 1, 2019)

Certification of President and Chief Executive Officer required by Rule 13a-14(a) or Rule 15d-14(a), as created by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. Filed herewith. 31.2 \* Certification of Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer required by Rule 13a-14(a) or Rule 15d-14(a), as created by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. Filed herewith. 32.1 ^ Certification of President and Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as created by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. 32.2 ^ Certification of Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as created by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. 101.INS **XBRL** Instance Document XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema 101.SCH 101.CAL XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase 101.DEF XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase

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# Incorporated by reference.

^ Furnished herewith. Exhibit is accompanying this report and shall not be deemed to be filed herewith.

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## **SIGNATURES**

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

## ENTERCOM COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

(Registrant)

Date: May 3, 2019 /S/ David J. Field

Name: David J. Field

Title: Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and

President

(principal executive officer)

Date: May 3, 2019 /S/ Richard J. Schmaeling

Name: Richard J. Schmaeling

Title: Executive Vice President - Chief Financial

Officer

(principal financial officer)

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