CASELLA WASTE SYSTEMS INC Form 10-Q July 30, 2015

#### **UNITED STATES**

#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

#### **FORM 10-Q**

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

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2015

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 000-23211

CASELLA WASTE SYSTEMS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of

03-0338873 (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization)

**Identification No.)** 

25 Greens Hill Lane, Rutland, Vermont (Address of principal executive offices)

05701 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (802) 775-0325

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 x No "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes x No "

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check One):

Large accelerated filer "

Accelerated filer

X

Non-accelerated filer  $\,^{\circ}$  (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company  $\,^{\circ}$  Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes  $\,^{\circ}$  No  $\,^{\circ}$ 

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the registrant s classes of common stock, as of July 15, 2015:

Class A common stock, \$0.01 par value per share: Class B common stock, \$0.01 par value per share: 39,928,206 988,200

# PART I.

#### ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# CASELLA WASTE SYSTEMS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

#### CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(in thousands)

	June 30, 2015 (Unaudited)		Dec	eember 31, 2014
ASSETS				
CURRENT ASSETS:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,158	\$	2,205
Restricted cash				76
Accounts receivable trade, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$1,903 and				
\$2,153, respectively		63,509		55,750
Refundable income taxes		664		554
Prepaid expenses		7,329		8,763
Inventory		4,622		4,374
Deferred income taxes		2,013		2,095
Other current assets		3,541		4,852
Total current assets		84,836		78,669
Property, plant and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization				
of \$762,442 and \$736,839, respectively		399,022		414,542
Goodwill		118,976		119,170
Intangible assets, net		10,438		11,808
Restricted assets		968		6,632
Cost method investments		14,115		14,432
Other non-current assets		29,173		24,542
Total assets	\$	657,528	\$	669,795

# **CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Continued)**

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

	June 30, 2015 naudited)	Dec	cember 31, 2014
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS DEFICIT			
CURRENT LIABILITIES:			
Current maturities of long-term debt and capital leases	\$ 1,437	\$	1,656
Accounts payable	48,147		48,518
Accrued payroll and related expenses	5,842		6,289
Accrued interest	12,346		11,094
Current accrued capping, closure and post-closure costs	1,658		2,208
Other accrued liabilities	16,629		16,667
Total current liabilities	86,059		86,432
Long-term debt and capital leases, less current portion	526,853		534,055
Accrued capping, closure and post-closure costs, less current portion	39,968		37,621
Deferred income taxes	7,261		7,080
Other long-term liabilities	16,237		16,627
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES			
STOCKHOLDERS DEFICIT:			
Casella Waste Systems, Inc. stockholders deficit:			
Class A common stock, \$0.01 par value per share; 100,000,000 shares authorized;			
39,927,000 and 39,587,000 shares issued and outstanding, respectively	399		396
Class B common stock, \$0.01 par value per share; 1,000,000 shares authorized;			
988,000 shares issued and outstanding, 10 votes per share, respectively	10		10
Additional paid-in capital	342,487		340,773
Accumulated deficit	(361,737)		(353,490)
Accumulated other comprehensive income	27		58
Total Casella Waste Systems, Inc. stockholders deficit	(18,814)		(12,253)
Noncontrolling interests	(36)		233
Toncontrolling Interests	(30)		255
Total stockholders deficit	(18,850)		(12,020)
Total liabilities and stockholders deficit	\$ 657,528	\$	669,795

#### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

# (Unaudited)

# (in thousands, except for per share data)

	Three Mon June	e <b>30</b> ,	Six Montl June	30,
Revenues	2015	2014 \$ 127,270	2015	2014
	\$ 143,714	\$ 137,279	\$ 260,292	\$ 250,476
Operating expenses: Cost of operations	98,737	97,218	186,569	183,622
General and administration	•	15,594	34,876	·
	18,071			31,981
Depreciation and amortization  Divestiture transactions	16,241	17,167	29,990	30,775
	(677)	7,455	(5,611)	7,455
Development project charge		(46)		1,394
Severance and reorganization costs		350		430
Expense from divestiture, acquisition and financing costs		14		24
Gain on settlement of acquisition related contingent				(1.050)
consideration				(1,058)
	132,372	137,752	245,824	254,623
Operating in some (less)	11 242	(472)	14 460	(4.147)
Operating income (loss)	11,342	(473)	14,468	(4,147)
Other expense (income):	(70)	(0.5)	(011)	(105)
Interest income	(70)	(85)	(211)	(195)
Interest expense	10,150	9,588	20,276	19,194
Loss on debt extinguishment		• • • •	521	1.10
Loss on derivative instruments	47	298	198	448
Income from equity method investments		(63)		(90)
Loss on sale of equity method investment				221
Other income	(46)	(361)	(209)	(568)
Other expense, net	10,081	9,377	20,575	19,010
7 A N C	1.061	(0.050)	(6.107)	(22.157)
Income (loss) before income taxes	1,261	(9,850)	(6,107)	(23,157)
Provision for income taxes	318	528	914	831
Net income (loss)	943	(10,378)	(7,021)	(23,988)
Less: Net (loss) income attributable to noncontrolling interests	(82)	(3,723)	1,226	(3,910)
Net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders	\$ 1,025	\$ (6,655)	\$ (8,247)	\$ (20,078)
Basic earnings per share attributable to common stockholders:				
Weighted average common shares outstanding	40,447	39,995	40,432	39,952

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Basic earnings per common share	\$	0.03	\$	(0.17)	\$	(0.20)	\$	(0.50)
Diluted earnings per share attributable to common stockholders:								
Weighted average common shares outstanding	40,846		39,995		40,432		39,952	
Diluted earnings per common share	\$	0.03	\$	(0.17)	\$	(0.20)	\$	(0.50)

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF

# **COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)**

(Unaudited)

(in thousands)

	Three Months						
	En	ded	Six Mont	hs Ended			
	Jun	e 30,	June 30,				
	2015	2014	2015	2014			
Net income (loss)	\$ 943	\$ (10,378)	\$ (7,021)	\$ (23,988)			
Other comprehensive income, net of tax:							
Unrealized gain (loss) resulting from changes in fair value of							
marketable securities	3	6	(31)	3			
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	3	6	(31)	3			
Comprehensive income (loss)	946	(10,372)	(7,052)	(23,985)			
Less: Comprehensive (loss) income attributable to noncontrolling interests	(82)	(3,723)	1,226	(3,910)			
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to common stockholders	\$1,028	\$ (6,649)	\$ (8,278)	\$ (20,075)			

#### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF

#### STOCKHOLDERS DEFICIT

(Unaudited)

(in thousands)

		Casella Waste Systems, Inc. Stockholders Deficit										
		Clas Com		Class B Common			Accumulated					
		Sto	Stock		Stock Additional		al Other					
					Paid-In		Accumulatednprehensi			incontrolling		
	Total	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amoun	t Capital	Deficit	Inc	ome	In	terests	
Balance,												
December 31, 2014	\$ (12,020)	39,587	\$ 396	988	\$ 10	\$ 340,773	\$ (353,490)	\$	58	\$	233	
Net (loss) income	(7,021)						(8,247)				1,226	
Other comprehensive loss	(31)								(31)			
Issuances of Class A												
common stock	129	340	3			126						
Stock-based compensation	1,435					1,435						
Distribution to												
noncontrolling interest												
holder	(1,495)										(1,495)	
Excess tax benefit on the												
vesting of share based												
awards	153					153						
Balance, June 30, 2015	\$ (18,850)	39,927	\$ 399	988	\$ 10	\$ 342,487	\$ (361,737)	\$	27	\$	(36)	

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited)

(in thousands)

	Six Months Endo June 30,		
	2015	2014	
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:			
Net loss	\$ (7,021)	\$ (23,988)	
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Gain on sale of property and equipment	(93)	(333)	
Depletion of landfill operating lease obligations	4,359	5,038	
Interest accretion on landfill and environmental remediation liabilities	1,704	1,826	
Stock-based compensation	1,435	1,113	
Depreciation and amortization	29,990	30,775	
Divestiture transactions	(5,611)	7,455	
Development project charge		1,394	
Gain on settlement of acquisition related contingent consideration		(1,058)	
Amortization of discount on long-term debt	174	125	