

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Measures: EBITDA

EBITDA means earnings before interest, income taxes, depreciation, depletion, amortization and impairments. Mariner believes that EBITDA is a widely-accepted financial indicator that provides additional information about its ability to meet its future requirements for debt service, capital expenditures and working capital, but EBITDA should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for net income, operating income, net cash provided by operating activities or any other measure of financial performance presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) or as a measure of a company's profitability or liquidity. The 2008 illustration of EBITDA is based on previously disclosed production and cost guidance provided in February 2008. Pricing assumes actual January-September NYMEX settlements and three months' NYMEX strip at 10/03/08. Actual results may vary significantly based on operational performance and price realizations.

	2005	2006	2007
EBITDA Reconciliation			
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Net income (GAAP)	\$ 40,481	\$ 121,462	\$ 143,934
+ Net interest expense	8,172	39,649	54,665
+ Provision for income taxes	21,294	67,344	77,324
+ Depreciation, depletion and amortization	59,469	292,180	384,321
EBITDA (Non-GAAP)	\$ 129,416	\$ 520,635	\$ 660,244

EBITDA for 2005, 2006 and 2007 includes \$25.7MM, \$10.2MM and \$10.9MM of non-cash stock compensation expense, respectively.