

DOVER MOTORSPORTS INC  
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**United States  
Securities and Exchange Commission**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**Form 10-K**

**Annual Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015**

**Commission file number 1-11929**

**Dover Motorsports, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**51-0357525**  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**1131 North DuPont Highway, Dover, Delaware 19901**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**(302) 883-6500**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

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Title of Class	Name of Exchange on Which Registered
Common Stock, \$.10 Par Value	New York Stock Exchange

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: **None.**

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Act. Yes  No

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

Indicate 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  No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

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 the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company

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

The aggregate market value of common stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant was \$34,426,054 as of June 30, 2015 (the last day of our most recently completed second quarter).

As of February 26, 2016, the number of shares of each class of the registrant's common stock outstanding is as follows:

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Common Stock -	18,329,173 shares
Class A Common Stock -	18,510,975 shares

**Documents Incorporated by Reference**

Portions of the registrant's Proxy Statement in connection with the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held April 27, 2016 are incorporated by reference into Part III, Items 10 through 14 of this report.

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**Part I**

References in this document to we, us and our mean Dover Motorsports, Inc. and/or its wholly owned subsidiaries, as appropriate.

**Item 1. Business**

Dover Motorsports, Inc. is a public holding company that is a leading marketer and promoter of motorsports entertainment in the United States. Through our subsidiaries, we own and operate Dover International Speedway® in Dover, Delaware and Nashville Superspeedway® near Nashville, Tennessee. Our Dover facility promoted the following six events during 2015, all of which were under the auspices of the premier sanctioning body in motorsports - the National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing ( NASCAR ):

- 2 NASCAR Sprint Cup Series events;
- 2 NASCAR XFINITY Series events;
- 1 NASCAR Camping World Truck Series event; and
- 1 NASCAR K&N Pro Series East event.

In 2016, we are scheduled to promote these same six events at Dover International Speedway. Total revenues from these events were approximately 97% of total revenues in 2015, 2014 and 2013.

We have hosted the Firefly Music Festival on our property in Dover, Delaware for four consecutive years and it is scheduled to return on June 16-19, 2016 with over 90 musical acts. The inaugural three day festival with 40 musical acts was held in July 2012, followed by a three day festival in June 2013 with over 70 musical acts, a four day festival in June 2014 with over 100 musical acts and a four day festival in June 2015 with 120 musical acts. In September 2014, Red Frog Events LLC formed RFGV Festivals LLC - a joint venture with Goldenvoice that promotes Firefly. Goldenvoice is owned by AEG Live, one of the world's largest presenters of live music and entertainment events. We entered into an amended agreement with RFGV Festivals granting them two 5 year options to extend our facility rental agreement through 2032 (from its original expiration date of 2022) in exchange for a rental commitment to secure our property for up to two festivals per year. Rent is at differing rates depending on how many events are actually held. On June 26-28, 2015, the inaugural Big Barrel Country Music Festival was held at our facility. The three day festival was promoted by RFGV Festivals and featured 40 musical acts. On January 28, 2016, RFGV Festivals announced it will not promote the event in 2016. In addition to the facility rental fee, we also receive a percentage of the concession sales we manage at the events.

We generate revenues primarily from the following sources:

- rights fees obtained for television and radio broadcasts of our events;
- ticket sales;
- sponsorship payments;
- luxury suite rentals;
- hospitality tent rentals and catering;
- concessions and souvenir sales and vendor commissions for the right to sell concessions and souvenirs at our facilities;
- expo space rentals; and
- track and facility rentals and other event-related revenues.

We began our motorsports operations in 1969 in Dover, Delaware. Our predecessor, Dover Downs, Inc., was also engaged in harness horse racing operations and later ran our other gaming operations. As a result of several restructurings, our operations were segregated into two main operating subsidiaries - Dover International Speedway, Inc., incorporated in 1994, encompassed our motorsports operations, and Dover Downs, Inc., incorporated in 1967, conducted our gaming operations.

Effective March 31, 2002, we spun-off our gaming business which was then owned by our subsidiary, Dover Downs Gaming & Entertainment, Inc. ( Gaming ). On a tax-free basis, we made a pro rata distribution of all of the capital stock of Gaming to our stockholders. Our continuing operations subsequent to the spin-off consist solely of our motorsports activities and property rentals.

Nashville Superspeedway no longer promotes NASCAR events and has not entered into sanction agreements with NASCAR since 2011. We currently use the facility on a limited basis for motorsports track rentals. On May 29, 2014, we entered into an agreement to sell the facility for \$27 million in cash and the assumption by the potential buyer of obligations of ours under certain Variable Rate Tax Exempt Infrastructure Revenue Bonds. The sales agreement was amended several times extending the closing date. In consideration for these amendments, during 2014 we received \$1,700,000 in non-refundable deposits from the potential buyer which was to be applied against the purchase price at closing. As of December 31, 2014, the \$1,700,000 was included in accrued expenses in our consolidated balance sheets. In 2015, we received \$1,200,000 in non-refundable deposits to extend closing under the agreement, a portion of which was to be applied against the purchase price depending on the closing date. During the first and second quarters of 2015, \$427,000 and \$606,000, respectively, was recorded as income from assets held for sale in our consolidated statements of earnings as those deposit amounts were not to be applied against the purchase price at closing based on the terms of the amendments. On June 1, 2015, the potential buyer defaulted under the agreement and did not subsequently cure the default. The amended closing date under the agreement was July 27, 2015; therefore, the agreement expired by its terms. Accordingly, we recorded as income from assets held for sale the remaining deposits of \$1,867,000 in the third quarter of 2015. We have expanded our sales efforts and are in discussions with additional prospective buyers. The assets of Nashville Superspeedway are reported as assets held for sale in our consolidated balance sheets at December 31, 2015 and 2014.

#### **Dover International Speedway**

We have promoted NASCAR-sanctioned racing events for 47 consecutive years at Dover International Speedway and currently promote six NASCAR-sanctioned events at the facility annually. Two races are in the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series professional stock car racing circuit, two races are in the NASCAR XFINITY Series racing circuit, one race is in the NASCAR Camping World Truck Series racing circuit and one race is in the NASCAR K&N Pro Series East racing circuit.

Each of the NASCAR XFINITY Series events, the Camping World Truck Series event and the K&N Pro Series East event at Dover International Speedway are conducted on the days before a NASCAR Sprint Cup Series event. Dover International Speedway is one of only seven speedways in North America that presents two NASCAR Sprint Cup Series events and two NASCAR XFINITY Series events each year. Additionally, it is one of only nine tracks to host three major NASCAR events at one facility on the same weekend. The spring and fall event dates have historically allowed Dover International Speedway to hold the first and last NASCAR Sprint Cup Series events in the Maryland to Maine region each year. Our fall event is the third of ten races in the Chase for the NASCAR Sprint Cup which determines the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series champion for the racing season. Beginning in 2014, NASCAR changed the format for the Chase for the NASCAR Sprint Cup races and our fall event is now an elimination race in the Chase. On January 19, 2016, NASCAR announced that the XFINITY Series and the Camping World Truck Series will include a Chase format starting in the 2016 racing season. Our fall XFINITY Series event is the second of seven races in the Chase for the NASCAR XFINITY Cup which determines the series champion for the racing season.

Dover International Speedway, widely known as the Monster Mile®, is a high-banked, one-mile, concrete superspeedway with permanent grandstand seating capacity of approximately 96,000. Unlike some superspeedways, substantially all grandstand and skybox seats offer an unobstructed view of the entire track. The concrete racing surface makes Dover International Speedway the only concrete superspeedway (one mile or greater in length) that conducts NASCAR Sprint Cup Series events. The superspeedway facility also features the Monster Bridge®. The climate controlled bridge spans across the width of the superspeedway at a height of 29 feet and houses 50-luxury seats, a refreshment bar and other amenities. The Monster Bridge is the only one of its kind in the motorsports industry and has been patented.



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In 2014, we removed certain grandstand seating at our Dover International Speedway facility and have written off the remaining net book value of the assets of \$2,045,000 which is reported in our consolidated statements of earnings as loss on disposal of long-lived assets. The cost to remove the grandstand seating of \$358,000 is also included in loss on disposal of long-lived assets in our consolidated statements of earnings.

In the first quarter of 2015, we identified certain track related assets that, as a result of the aforementioned reduction of grandstand seating, were retired at the end of our 2015 race season. As a result, we adjusted the service lives of those assets to properly reflect their shortened estimated useful life. We recorded depreciation expense of \$2,216,000 in 2015 related to these assets and they are now fully depreciated.

### **Nashville Superspeedway**

In April 2001, we opened Nashville Superspeedway ( Nashville ) a motorsports complex approximately 35 miles from downtown Nashville in Wilson County, Tennessee.

Nashville Superspeedway no longer promotes NASCAR events and has not entered into sanction agreements with NASCAR since 2011. We currently use the facility on a limited basis for motorsports track rentals and as discussed above the facility is currently held for sale.

### **Agreements with NASCAR**

Our most recent sanction agreements with NASCAR are for a five year period (2016-2020). Pursuant to the typical sanction agreement, NASCAR grants its sanction to a promoter, such as Dover International Speedway, to organize, promote and hold a particular competition. The promoter sells tickets to the competition, sells or arranges for the sale of merchandise and concessions, and sells advertising, sponsorships and hospitality services. NASCAR conducts the competition, arranges for the drivers, and has sole control over the competition, including the right to require alterations to the promoter's facility and the right to approve or disapprove any advertising or sponsorship of the promoter. NASCAR also has exclusive rights to exploit live broadcast and certain broadcast and intellectual property rights related to the competition, and exclusive rights to sponsorship and promotional rights relative to the series to which a particular competition belongs. The promoter must pay the sanction fee and purse monies and receives a share of the live broadcast revenue contracted for by NASCAR. The promoter is responsible for the condition of the facility, for compliance with laws, for control of the public, for fire and medical equipment and personnel, for security, for insurance and for providing facilities and services required by NASCAR officials and the live broadcast personnel.

Dover International Speedway, Inc. has entered into two sanction agreements with NASCAR pursuant to which it will organize and promote two NASCAR Sprint Cup Series events in 2016 through 2020. Our business is substantially dependent on these two agreements.

Under the terms of our sanction agreements, NASCAR retains 10% of the gross broadcast rights fees allocated to each NASCAR-sanctioned event as a component of its sanction fee. The remaining 90% is recorded as revenue. The event promoter is required to pay 25% of the gross broadcast rights fees to the event as part of the awards to the competitors, which we record as operating expenses.

### **Impairment Charge Recorded in 2013**



Based upon the economic conditions that existed in the fourth quarter of 2013 and their impact on real estate values at that time, we concluded that it was necessary for us to review the carrying value of the long-lived assets at Nashville for impairment. The Nashville assets recorded on our consolidated balance sheets consist exclusively of land. The recoverability of the assets was measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of the assets to the estimated undiscounted future cash flows expected to result from the use and eventual disposition of the assets. As a result of the recoverability test, we concluded that the carrying amount of our Nashville facility exceeded the undiscounted cash flows.

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Since the carrying amount of the assets exceeded the fair value, an impairment charge was recognized by the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeded the fair value. Fair value of the assets for the Nashville facility was determined based on the value of owned real estate at the facility. The long-lived assets deemed to be impaired consisted of land.

Based on the results of this analysis, we recorded a non-cash pre-tax impairment charge in the fourth quarter of 2013 to write-down the carrying value of long-lived assets at our Nashville facility to fair value, as follows:

	<b>Carrying Value of Long-Lived Assets</b>		<b>Fair Value of Long-Lived Assets</b>		<b>Non-Cash Impairment Charges</b>
Nashville facility	\$ 30,329,000	\$	26,000,000	\$	4,329,000

### Competition

Our racing events compete with other racing events sanctioned by various racing bodies and with other sports and recreational events scheduled on or around the same dates. Racing events sanctioned by different organizations are often held on the same dates at different tracks. The quality of the competition, type of racing event, caliber of the event, sight lines, ticket pricing, location and customer conveniences and amenities, among other things, differentiate the motorsports facilities. We also compete with improving and expanding media coverage and content by network and cable broadcasters.

### Seasonality

We derive substantially all of our total revenues from admissions, television broadcast rights and other event-related revenue attributable to two major motorsports event weekends held in the spring and fall. As a result, our business is highly seasonal.

### Employees

As of December 31, 2015, we had approximately 54 full-time employees and 3 part-time employees. We engage temporary personnel to assist during our motorsports racing season. We believe that we enjoy a good relationship with our employees.

### Available Information

We file annual, quarterly and current reports, information statements and other information with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). The public may read and copy any materials we file with the SEC at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. The public may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. The SEC also maintains an Internet site that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC. The address of that site is [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

**Internet Address**

We maintain a website where additional information concerning our business and various upcoming events can be found. The address of our Internet website is [www.dovermotorsports.com](http://www.dovermotorsports.com). We provide a link on our website, under Investor Relations, to our filings with the SEC, including our annual report on Form 10-K, proxy statement, Section 16 reports, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and all amendments to those reports.

**Item 1A.    Risk Factors**

In addition to historical information, this report includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, relating to our financial condition, profitability, liquidity, resources, business outlook, possible acquisitions, market forces, corporate strategies, consumer preferences, contractual commitments, legal matters, capital requirements and other matters.  
Documents

incorporated by reference into this report may also contain forward-looking statements. The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 provides a safe harbor for forward-looking statements. To comply with the terms of the safe harbor, we note that a variety of factors could cause our actual results and experience to differ substantially from the anticipated results or other expectations expressed in our forward-looking statements. When words and expressions such as: believes, expects, anticipates, estimates, plans, intends, objectives, goals, aims, forecasts, possible, seeks, may, could, should, might, likely or similar words or expressions are used, as well as phrases such as "in" there can be no assurance or "there is no way to anticipate with certainty," forward-looking statements may be involved.

In the section that follows below, in cautionary statements made elsewhere in this report, and in other filings we have made with the SEC, we list important factors that could cause our actual results to differ from our expectations. Our actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of the risk factors described below and other factors set forth in or incorporated by reference in this report.

These factors and cautionary statements apply to all future forward-looking statements we make. Many of these factors are beyond our ability to control or predict. Do not put undue reliance on forward-looking statements or project any future results based on such statements or on present or prior earnings levels.

Additional information concerning these, or other factors, which could cause the actual results to differ materially from those in our forward-looking statements is contained from time to time in our other SEC filings. Copies of those filings are available from us and/or the SEC.

#### *Our Relationships With And The Success Of NASCAR Is Vital To Our Success In Motorsports*

Our continued success in motorsports is dependent upon the success of NASCAR and our ability to secure favorable contracts with and maintain a good working relationship with them. NASCAR regularly issues and awards sanctioned events and their issuance depends, in large part, on maintaining good working relationships with NASCAR. By awarding a sanctioned event or a series of sanctioned events, NASCAR does not warrant, nor are they responsible for, the financial success of any sanctioned event. Our success is directly tied to our ability to negotiate favorable terms to our sanction agreements, including the amount of the sanction fee and purse, and our ability to continue to derive economic benefits from such agreements, such as our share of live broadcast revenues.

Our ability to obtain additional sanctioned events in the future and to negotiate favorable terms to our sanction agreements and the success of NASCAR in attracting drivers and teams, signing series sponsors and negotiating favorable television and/or radio broadcast rights is dependent on many factors which are largely outside of our control. As our success depends on the terms of our sanction agreements and the success of each event or series that we are promoting, a material change in the terms of a sanction agreement or a material adverse effect on NASCAR, such as the loss or defection of top drivers, the loss of significant series sponsors, or the failure to obtain favorable broadcast coverage or to properly advertise the event or series could result in a reduction in our revenues from live broadcast coverage, admissions, luxury suite rentals, sponsorships, hospitality, concessions and merchandise, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

#### *Changes To Media Rights Revenues Could Adversely Affect Us*

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Broadcast revenues that are paid to us by NASCAR represent the largest component of our revenues and earnings and any adverse changes to such revenues could adversely impact our results. NASCAR's broadcast agreements, which expired in 2014, have yielded us significant cash flow. In 2013, NASCAR announced it reached a ten-year extension of its broadcast rights with FOX Sports Media Group ( FOX ). This agreement extends through the 2024 NASCAR season and allows FOX to retain the television rights to 16 NASCAR Sprint Cup Series races, 14 NASCAR XFINITY Series events and the entire NASCAR Camping World Truck Series season. Additionally in 2013, NASCAR announced it reached a ten-year agreement with NBC Sports Group granting exclusive rights through 2024 to 20 NASCAR Sprint Cup Series races, 19 NASCAR XFINITY Series events, select NASCAR Regional & Touring Series events and other live content which began in 2015. Material changes in the broadcast industry or the financial value of broadcast agreements, material changes in the ratings for NASCAR events or in the

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NASCAR race schedule, or material changes in the perception of fans or sponsors due to such factors could have a material adverse effect on our revenues and financial results.

### *We Rely On Sponsorship Contracts To Generate Revenues*

We receive a portion of our annual revenues from sponsorship agreements, including the sponsorship of our various events and venue, such as title, official product and promotional partner sponsorships, billboards, signage and skyboxes. We are continuously in negotiations with existing sponsors and actively seeking new sponsors as there is significant competition for sponsorships. Some of our events may not secure a title sponsor every year, may not secure a sufficient number of sponsorships on favorable terms, or may not secure sponsorships sufficiently enough in advance of an event for maximum impact. Loss of our existing title sponsors or other major sponsorship agreements or failure to secure sponsorship agreements in the future on favorable terms could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

### *Our Motorsports Events Face Intense Competition For Attendance, Television Viewership And Sponsorship*

We compete with other auto speedways for the patronage of motor racing spectators as well as for sponsorships. Moreover, racing events sanctioned by different organizations are often held on the same dates at different tracks. The quality of the competition, type of racing event, caliber of the event, sight lines, ticket pricing, location and customer conveniences and amenities, among other things, distinguish the motorsports facilities. In addition, all of our events compete with other sports and recreational events scheduled on the same dates. As a result, our revenues and operations are affected not only by our ability to compete in the motorsports promotion market, but also by the availability of alternative spectator sports events, forms of entertainment, changing consumer preferences and opportunities for corporations to acquire sponsorships.

### *General Market And Economic Conditions, Including Consumer And Corporate Spending, Could Negatively Affect Our Financial Results*

Our financial results depend significantly upon a number of factors relating to discretionary consumer and corporate spending, including economic conditions affecting disposable consumer income and corporate budgets. The combination of high unemployment and underemployment, escalating health care costs, rising interest rates, tight credit markets, difficult residential real estate and mortgage markets, stock market volatility, changes in (together with political uncertainty concerning) governmental policies relative to spending, taxation and regulation, among other factors, have led to low levels of consumer confidence. These economic factors have dampened, and may continue to dampen, consumer and corporate spending, including adversely impacting disposable income and recreational and entertainment spending, resulting in a negative impact on our motorsports and non-motorsports activities. We are unable to quantify the effect of these economic factors, but we believe that reduced consumer and corporate spending has, and we believe may continue to, negatively impact admissions, sponsorship, advertising and hospitality spending, concession and souvenir sales demand, luxury suite, and other event related revenue, with related effects on our revenues, profitability and cash flows. High fuel prices could also significantly impact our future results.

These factors can impact both attendance at our events and advertising and marketing dollars available from the motorsports industry's principal sponsors and potential sponsors. Economic and other lifestyle conditions such as illiquid consumer and business credit markets adversely affect consumer and corporate spending thereby impacting our growth, revenue and profitability.

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We cannot determine when or whether economic conditions will improve. Other factors that can affect consumer and corporate spending include hurricanes, flooding, earthquakes and other natural disasters, elevated terrorism alerts, terrorist attacks, military actions, air travel concerns, outbreaks of disease, and geopolitical events, as well as various industry and other business conditions. Such factors or incidents, even if not directly impacting us, can disrupt or otherwise adversely impact the financial results, spending sentiment and interest of our present or potential customers. There can be no assurance that consumer and corporate spending will not be further adversely impacted by current or unforeseen economic or geopolitical conditions, thereby possibly having a material adverse impact on our future operating results and growth.

*The Sales Tax And Property Tax Revenues To Service The Revenue Bonds For Infrastructure Improvements At Nashville May Be Inadequate*

In September 1999, the Sports Authority of the County of Wilson (Tennessee) issued \$25,900,000 in revenue bonds to build local infrastructure improvements which benefit Nashville Superspeedway, of which \$17,200,000 was outstanding at December 31, 2015. Debt service on the bonds is payable solely from sales taxes and incremental property taxes generated from the facility. As of December 31, 2015 and 2014, \$1,976,000 and \$1,932,000, respectively, was available in the sales and incremental property tax fund maintained by the Sports Authority to pay the remaining principal and interest due under the bonds. During 2015, we paid \$983,000 into the sales and incremental property tax fund and \$939,000 was deducted from the fund for principal and interest payments. These bonds are direct obligations of the Sports Authority and therefore have historically not been required to be recorded on our consolidated balance sheet. In the event the sales taxes and incremental property taxes ( applicable taxes ) are insufficient to cover the payment of principal and interest on the bonds, we would become responsible for the difference. We are exposed to fluctuations in interest rates for these bonds. In the event we were unable to make the payments, they would be made under a \$17,488,000 irrevocable direct-pay letter of credit issued by our bank group. We would be responsible to reimburse the banks for any drawings made under the letter of credit. Such an event could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations and compliance with debt covenants.

Nashville Superspeedway no longer promotes NASCAR events and has not entered into sanction agreements with NASCAR since 2011. We currently use the facility on a limited basis for motorsports track rentals. The assets of Nashville Superspeedway are reported as assets held for sale in our consolidated balance sheets at December 31, 2015 and 2014, and we are actively seeking a buyer. In 2011 we recorded a \$2,250,000 provision for contingent obligation reflecting the present value of the estimated portion of the revenue bonds debt service that may not be covered by the projected sales and incremental property taxes from the facility. Due to changing interest rates, the provision for contingent obligation decreased by \$86,000, \$30,000 and \$91,000 in 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively, and is \$1,727,000 at December 31, 2015. An increase in interest rates would result in an increase in the portion of debt service not covered by applicable taxes and therefore an increase in our liability. See NOTE 12 Commitments and Contingencies of the consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this document for further discussion.

*The Seasonality Of Our Motorsports Events Increases The Variability Of Quarterly Earnings*

Our business has been, and is expected to remain, seasonal given that it depends on our outdoor event weekends. We derive substantially all of our total revenues from admissions, event-related and broadcasting revenue attributable to our NASCAR-sanctioned events at Dover, Delaware which were held in the second and fourth quarters of 2015 and the second and third quarters of 2014 and 2013. As a result, quarterly earnings will vary.

*Substantially All Of Our Motorsports Revenue is Attributable to One Location*

Substantially all of our revenue comes from Dover International Speedway in Dover, Delaware. Any prolonged disruption of operations at this facility due to damage or destruction, inclement weather, natural disaster, work stoppages or other reasons could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations. We maintain property and business interruption insurance to protect against certain types of disruption, but there can be no assurance that the proceeds of such insurance would be adequate to repair or rebuild our facilities or to otherwise compensate us for lost profits.

*Our Insurance May Not Be Adequate To Cover Catastrophic Incidents*



We maintain insurance policies that provide coverage within limits that are sufficient, in the opinion of management, to protect us from material financial loss incurred in the ordinary course of business. We also purchase special event insurance for motorsports events to protect against race-related liability. However, there can be no assurance that this insurance will be adequate at all times and in all circumstances. If we are held liable for damages beyond the scope of our insurance coverage, including punitive damages, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected.

In addition, sanctioning bodies could impose more stringent rules and regulations for safety, security and operational activities. Such regulations have included, for example, the installation of new retaining walls at our facilities, which have increased our capital expenditures, and increased security procedures which have increased our operational expenses.

*Bad Weather Can Have An Adverse Financial Impact On Our Motorsports Events*

We sponsor and promote outdoor motorsports events. Weather conditions, or even the forecast of poor weather, can affect sales of tickets, concessions and merchandise at these events. Although we sell many tickets well in advance of the outdoor events and these tickets are issued on a non-refundable basis, poor weather may adversely affect additional ticket sales and concessions and merchandise sales, which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We do not currently maintain weather-related insurance for major events. Due to the importance of clear visibility and safe driving conditions to motorsports racing events, outdoor racing events may be significantly affected by weather patterns and seasonal weather changes. Any unanticipated weather changes could impact our ability to stage events. This could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

*Postponement And/Or Cancellation Of Major Motorsports Events Could Adversely Affect Us*

If one of our events is postponed because of weather or other reasons such as, for example, the general postponement of all major sporting events in this country following the September 11, 2001 terrorism attacks, we could incur increased expenses associated with conducting the rescheduled event, as well as possible decreased revenues from tickets, concessions and merchandise at the rescheduled event. If an event is cancelled, we could incur the expenses associated with preparing to conduct the event as well as lose the revenues, including live broadcast revenues associated with the event.

If a cancelled event is part of a NASCAR series, we could experience a reduction in the amount of money received from television revenues for all of our NASCAR-sanctioned events in the series that experienced the cancellation. This would occur if, as a result of the cancellation, and without regard to whether the cancelled event was scheduled for one of our facilities, NASCAR experienced a reduction in broadcast revenues greater than the amount scheduled to be paid to the promoter of the cancelled event.

*Due To Our Concentrated Stock Ownership, Stockholders May Have No Effective Voice In Our Management*

We have elected to be treated as a controlled corporation as defined by New York Stock Exchange ( NYSE ) Rule 303A. We are a controlled corporation because a single person, Henry B. Tippie, the Chairman of our Board of Directors, controls in excess of fifty percent of our voting power. This means that he has the ability to determine the outcome of the election of directors at our annual meetings and to determine the outcome of many significant corporate transactions, many of which only require the approval of a majority of our voting power. Such a concentration of voting power could also have the effect of delaying or preventing a third party from acquiring us at a premium. In addition, as a controlled corporation, we are not required to comply with certain NYSE rules.

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### *Our Success Depends On The Availability And Performance Of Key Personnel*

Our continued success depends upon the availability and performance of our senior management team which possesses unique and extensive industry knowledge and experience. Our inability to retain and attract key employees in the future could have a negative effect on our operations and business plans.

### *We Are Subject To Changing Governmental Regulations And Legal Standards That Could Increase Our Expenses*

Our motorsports facilities are on large expanses of property which we own. Laws and regulations governing the use and development of real estate may delay or complicate any improvements we choose to make and/or increase the costs of any improvements or our costs of operating.

If it is determined that damage to persons or property or contamination of the environment has been caused or exacerbated by the operation or conduct of our business or by pollutants, substances, contaminants or wastes used, generated or disposed of by us, or if pollutants, substances, contaminants or wastes are found on property currently or previously owned or operated by us, we may be held liable for such damage and may be required to pay the cost of investigation and/or remediation of such contamination or any related damage.

State and local laws relating to the protection of the environment also can include noise abatement laws that may be applicable to our racing events. In addition certain laws and regulations, including the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Occupational Safety and Health Act are constantly evolving. Changes in the provisions or application of federal, state or local environmental, land use or other laws, regulations or requirements to our facilities or operations, or the discovery of previously unknown conditions, could require us to make additional material expenditures to remediate or attain compliance.

Regulations governing the use and development of real estate may prevent us from acquiring or developing facilities, substantially delay or complicate the process of improving facilities, and/or increase the costs of any of such activities.

We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements as a result of future developments, events or conditions. New risk factors emerge from time to time and it is not possible for us to predict all such risk factors, nor can we assess the impact of all such risk factors on our business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause actual results to differ significantly from those forecast in any forward-looking statements. Given these risks and uncertainties, stockholders should not overly rely or attach undue weight to our forward-looking statements as an indication of our actual future results.

#### **Item 1B.      Unresolved Staff Comments**

We have not received any written comments that were issued within 180 days before December 31, 2015, the end of the fiscal year covered by this report, from the SEC staff regarding our periodic or current reports under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that remain unresolved.

#### **Item 2.      Properties**

##### **Dover International Speedway**

Dover International Speedway is located in Dover, Delaware, on approximately 770 acres of land we own. Prior to the spin-off of Gaming from our company in 2002, both companies shared certain real property in Dover, Delaware. At the time of the spin-off, some of this real property was transferred to Gaming to ensure that the real property holdings of each company were aligned with its past uses and future business needs. During its harness racing season, Gaming has historically used the 5/8-mile harness racing track that is located on our property and is on the inside of our one-mile motorsports superspeedway. In order to continue this historic use, we granted a perpetual easement to the harness track to Gaming at the time of the spin-off. This perpetual easement allows Gaming to have exclusive use of the harness track during the period beginning November 1 of each year and ending April 30 of the following year, together with set up and tear down rights for the two weeks before and after such period. The easement requires that Gaming maintain the harness track but does not require the payment of any rent.

Various easements and agreements relative to access, utilities and parking have also been entered into between us and Gaming relative to our respective Dover, Delaware facilities. We pay rent to Gaming for the lease of our principal executive office space. Gaming also allows us to use its indoor grandstands in connection with our two annual motorsports weekends. This occasional grandstand use is not material to us and Gaming does not assess rent for it; Gaming may also discontinue our use at its discretion.

### **Nashville Superspeedway**

Nashville Superspeedway is located on approximately 1,400 acres of land we own in Wilson County and Rutherford County, Tennessee. The facility is approximately 35 miles from downtown Nashville.

## **Intellectual Property**

We have various registered and common law trademark rights, including, but not limited to, Dover, Dover Motorsports, Dover International Speedway, Nashville Speedway, Nashville Superspeedway, Monster Mile, Miles the Monster, Velocity, Monster Bridge, The Most Exciting Seat in Sports!, Concrete Monster, and Take a Kid to the Races. We also have limited rights to use the names and logos of NASCAR, various sponsors, drivers and other businesses in connection with promoting our events and certain merchandising programs. Due to the value of our intellectual property rights for promotional purposes, it is our intention to vigorously protect these rights, through litigation, if necessary.

### **Item 3. Legal Proceedings**

We are a party to ordinary routine litigation incidental to our business. Management does not believe that the resolution of any of these matters is likely to have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition or cash flows.

### **Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures**

Not applicable.

### **Executive Officers Of The Registrant**

See Part III, Item 10 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K for information about our executive officers.

## **Part II**

### **Item 5. Market For Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters And Issuer Purchases Of Equity Securities**

Our common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange ( NYSE ) under the ticker symbol DVD. Our Class A common stock is not publicly traded but is freely convertible on a one-for-one basis into common stock at any time at the option of the holder thereof. As of February 26, 2016, there were 18,329,173 shares of common stock and 18,510,975 shares of Class A common stock outstanding. There were 777 holders of record for common stock and 12 holders of record for Class A common stock.

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The high and low sales prices for our common stock on the NYSE and the dividends declared per share for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 are detailed in the following table:

<b>Quarter Ended:</b>	<b>High</b>	<b>Low</b>	<b>Dividends Declared</b>
December 31, 2015	\$ 2.36	\$ 2.07	\$ 0.05
September 30, 2015	\$ 2.42	\$ 2.10	None
June 30, 2015	\$ 2.56	\$ 2.11	None
March 31, 2015	\$ 2.85	\$ 2.10	None
December 31, 2014	\$ 2.80	\$ 2.20	\$ 0.05
September 30, 2014	\$ 3.71	\$ 2.27	None
June 30, 2014	\$ 3.08	\$ 2.08	None
March 31, 2014	\$ 2.57	\$ 2.05	None

On July 28, 2004, our Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to 2,000,000 shares of our outstanding common stock. The purchases may be made in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions as conditions warrant. The repurchase authorization has no expiration date, does not obligate us to acquire any specific number of shares and may be suspended at any time. No purchases of our equity securities were made pursuant to this authorization during the fourth quarter of 2015. At December 31, 2015, we had remaining repurchase authority of 1,178,131 shares.

**Item 6.**            **Selected Financial Data**

Not applicable.

**Item 7.**            **Management's Discussion And Analysis Of Financial Condition And Results Of Operation**

The following discussion is based upon and should be read together with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included elsewhere in this document.

We classify our revenues as admissions, event-related, broadcasting and other. Admissions includes ticket sales for all of our events. Event-related revenue includes amounts received from sponsorship fees; luxury suite rentals; hospitality tent rentals and catering; concessions and souvenir sales and vendor commissions for the right to sell concessions and souvenirs at our facilities; sales of programs; track rentals and other event-related revenues. Additionally, event-related revenue includes amounts received for the use of our property and a portion of the concession sales we manage from the Firefly Music Festival and the Big Barrel Country Music Festival. Broadcasting revenue includes rights fees obtained for television and radio broadcasts of events held at our speedway and any ancillary media rights fees.

Revenues pertaining to specific events are deferred until the event is held. Concession revenue from concession stand sales and sales of souvenirs are recorded at the time of sale. Revenues and related expenses from barter transactions in which we provide sponsorship packages in exchange for goods or services are recorded at fair value. Barter transactions accounted for \$721,000, \$550,000 and \$477,000 of total revenues for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

Expenses that are not directly related to a specific event are expensed as incurred. Expenses that specifically relate to an event are deferred until the event is held, at which time they are expensed. These expenses include prize and point fund monies and sanction fees paid to NASCAR, a majority of our marketing expenses and other expenses associated with the promotion of our racing events.

Our operating results reflect a decrease in admissions revenue. In 2015, much of this was weather related. However, management believes that our admissions revenue may continue to be negatively impacted if consumer and corporate spending continues to be impacted by the economic downturn, high food and health-care costs, high unemployment and underemployment, difficult housing and credit markets, low levels of consumer confidence, stock market volatility, increasing interest rates, and other economic factors that can adversely impact recreational and entertainment spending. The strength and duration of recovery in the United States economy remains uncertain. Changes in governmental taxing, regulatory, spending and other policies could also significantly impact consumer spending, economic recovery and our future results.



Much of our total revenues are generated under long-term contracts, and much of our future revenues are already contracted under NASCAR's television broadcasting rights agreements. As discussed further below in Liquidity and Capital Resources, NASCAR is operating under an expanded multi-year, multi-platform broadcasting rights agreement for the years 2015 through 2024. Management believes the attractive demographics surrounding motorsports continue to provide substantial opportunities for increasing our number of longer-term sponsorship partners.

## Results of Operations

*Year Ended December 31, 2015 vs. Year Ended December 31, 2014*

Admissions revenue was \$7,967,000 in 2015 as compared to \$8,727,000 in 2014. The \$760,000 decrease was related to lower attendance at our 2015 NASCAR event weekends at Dover International Speedway, particularly our fall race weekend which was negatively impacted by the forecast of a potential hurricane, the postponement of all Friday activities and threatening weather for the balance of the weekend.

Event-related revenue was \$8,617,000 in 2015 as compared to \$8,450,000 in 2014. The \$167,000 increase was primarily related to revenues from the inaugural Big Barrel Country Music Festival which was held on our property. Similar to our arrangement for the Firefly Music Festival, we received a fee for the use of our property and a percentage of the concession sales we managed. Additionally, higher sponsorship sales at our 2015 NASCAR event weekends contributed to the increase. These increases were partially offset by lower concession revenues from the Firefly Music Festival which was held on our property. The festival was forced to close early one evening due to inclement weather which negatively impacted concession sales.

Broadcasting revenue increased to \$29,949,000 in 2015 as compared to \$28,463,000 in 2014 due to contractual increases in NASCAR's broadcasting rights agreement.

Operating and marketing expenses were \$27,818,000 in 2015 as compared to \$27,171,000 in 2014. The increase was related to higher purse and sanction fees for our NASCAR event weekends.

General and administrative expenses increased to \$7,414,000 in 2015 as compared to \$7,146,000 in 2014 primarily from higher employee wages and benefit costs.

Loss on disposal of long-lived assets in 2015 and 2014 related to the removal and disposal of grandstand seating at our Dover facility.

Depreciation expense increased to \$5,326,000 in 2015 as compared to \$3,262,000 in 2014. The increase was due primarily to shortening of the service lives of certain track related assets that were retired as a result of our planned reduction of grandstand seating. We recorded \$2,216,000 of depreciation expense on these assets in 2015, which are now fully depreciated.

Income from assets held for sale relates to non-refundable payments we received from the potential buyer of our Nashville Superspeedway facility to extend the closing date of settlement. The sales agreement expired on July 27, 2015 and all payments made to us were recognized as income from assets held for sale.

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Net interest expense was \$323,000 in 2015 as compared to \$467,000 in 2014. The decrease was due primarily to lower average borrowings and lower letter of credit fees.

Our effective income tax rates for 2015 and 2014 were 38.5% and 40.4%, respectively.

Earnings before income taxes were \$8,599,000 in 2015 as compared to \$5,281,000 in 2014. Excluding the income from assets held for sale in 2015, the accelerated depreciation on retired assets in 2015 and the loss on disposal of long-lived assets in 2015 and 2014, our adjusted earnings before income taxes were \$7,955,000 in 2015 as compared to \$7,684,000 in 2014.

	2015	2014
Earnings before income taxes	\$ 8,599,000	\$ 5,281,000
Income from assets held for sale	(2,900,000)	
Accelerated depreciation	2,216,000	
Loss on disposal of long-lived assets	40,000	2,403,000
Adjusted earnings before income taxes	\$ 7,955,000	\$ 7,684,000

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Net earnings were \$5,285,000 in 2015 as compared to \$3,145,000 in 2014. Excluding the income from assets held for sale in 2015, the accelerated depreciation on retired assets in 2015 and the loss on disposal of long-lived assets in 2015 and 2014, net of income taxes, our adjusted net earnings were \$4,739,000 in 2015 as compared to \$4,592,000 in 2014.

	2015		2014
Net earnings	\$ 5,285,000	\$	3,145,000
Income from assets held for sale	(1,886,000)		
Accelerated depreciation	1,316,000		
Loss on disposal of long-lived assets, net of income taxes	24,000		1,447,000
Adjusted net earnings	\$ 4,739,000	\$	4,592,000

The above financial information is presented using other than generally accepted accounting principles ( non-GAAP ) and is reconciled to comparable information presented using GAAP. Non-GAAP adjusted earnings before income taxes and non-GAAP adjusted net earnings is derived by adjusting amounts determined in accordance with GAAP for the income from assets held for sale, the accelerated depreciation and the loss on disposal of long-lived assets. We believe such non-GAAP information is useful and meaningful to investors, and is used by investors and us to assess core operations. This non-GAAP financial information may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other entities and should not be considered as an alternative to earnings before income taxes and net earnings which is determined in accordance with GAAP.

### *Year Ended December 31, 2014 vs. Year Ended December 31, 2013*

Admissions revenue was \$8,727,000 in 2014 as compared to \$9,521,000 in 2013. The \$794,000 decrease was related to lower attendance at our 2014 NASCAR event weekends at Dover International Speedway.

Event-related revenue was \$8,450,000 in 2014 as compared to \$9,190,000 in 2013. The \$740,000 decrease was primarily related to lower corporate spending at our 2014 NASCAR event weekends, partially offset by higher revenues from the Firefly Music Festival which was held on our property in June of both years. For 2014, the festival was expanded from three to four days. We received a fee for the use of our property and a percentage of the concession sales we managed in both years.

Broadcasting revenue increased to \$28,463,000 in 2014 as compared to \$27,445,000 in 2013 due to contractual increases in NASCAR's broadcasting rights agreement.

Operating and marketing expenses were \$27,171,000 in 2014 as compared to \$26,648,000 in 2013. The increase was related to higher expenses for our NASCAR event weekends, primarily increased purse and sanction fees, advertising and promotions expenses and security expenses.

General and administrative expenses decreased to \$7,146,000 in 2014 as compared to \$7,252,000 in 2013. The decrease was due primarily to lower professional services expenses.

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Loss on disposal of long-lived assets relates to the removal and disposal of grandstand seating at our Dover facility.

Depreciation expense remained consistent at \$3,262,000 in 2014 as compared to \$3,291,000 in 2013.

Net interest expense was \$467,000 in 2014 as compared to \$959,000 in 2013. The decrease was due primarily to lower average borrowings as well as a lower average interest rate. Additionally, lower letter of credit and credit facility fees contributed to the decrease.

Our effective income tax rates for 2014 and 2013 were 40.4% and 48.7%, respectively. The higher effective income tax rate in 2013 was primarily due to changes in the mix of taxable income and losses within our subsidiaries. One subsidiary had state taxable income which resulted in state income tax expense; however, another subsidiary with state tax losses has no state income tax benefits based upon the valuation allowances that we have recorded in connection with state net operating loss carry-forwards.

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Earnings before income taxes were \$5,281,000 in 2014 as compared to \$3,949,000 in 2013. Excluding the loss on disposal of long-lived assets in 2014 and the non-cash pre-tax impairment charge in 2013, our adjusted earnings before income taxes were \$7,684,000 in 2014 as compared to \$8,278,000 in 2013.

	2014		2013
Earnings before income taxes	\$ 5,281,000	\$	3,949,000
Loss on disposal of long-lived assets	2,403,000		
Non-cash impairment charge			4,329,000
Adjusted earnings before income taxes	\$ 7,684,000	\$	8,278,000

Net earnings were \$3,145,000 in 2014 as compared to \$2,024,000 in 2013. Excluding the loss on disposal of long-lived assets in 2014 and the non-cash impairment charge in 2013, net of income taxes, our adjusted net earnings were \$4,592,000 in 2014 as compared to \$4,838,000 in 2013.

	2014		2013
Net earnings	\$ 3,145,000	\$	2,024,000
Loss on disposal of long-lived assets, net of income taxes	1,447,000		
Non-cash impairment charge, net of income taxes			2,814,000
Adjusted net earnings	\$ 4,592,000	\$	4,838,000

The above financial information is presented using other than generally accepted accounting principles ( non-GAAP ) and is reconciled to comparable information presented using GAAP. Non-GAAP adjusted earnings before income taxes and non-GAAP adjusted net earnings is derived by adjusting amounts determined in accordance with GAAP for the loss on disposal of long-lived assets, the non-cash impairment charge and benefit for contingent obligation. We believe such non-GAAP information is useful and meaningful to investors, and is used by investors and us to assess core operations. This non-GAAP financial information may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other entities and should not be considered as an alternative to earnings before income taxes and net earnings which is determined in accordance with GAAP.

### Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our operations and cash flows from operating activities are seasonal in nature.

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$7,063,000 in 2015 as compared to \$7,498,000 in 2014. The decrease was primarily due to higher income tax payments in 2015. Partially offsetting this decrease were receipts from the inaugural Big Barrel Country Music Festival.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$268,000 in 2015 as compared to \$1,458,000 in 2014. Capital expenditures in 2015 related to improvements, primarily the installation of fiber optic cable, equipment purchases, and improvements at our Dover facility. Capital expenditures in 2014 related to improvements, primarily the replacement of the speedway safety fence, and equipment purchases at our Dover facility. In May 2014, we entered into an agreement to sell our Nashville Superspeedway facility. During 2015 and 2014, we received \$1,200,000 and \$1,700,000, respectively, in non-refundable fees from the potential buyer to extend the closing date. The amended closing date under the agreement was July 27, 2015; therefore, the agreement expired by its terms.

Net cash used in financing activities was \$6,818,000 in 2015 as compared to \$6,020,000 in 2014. We had net repayments on our outstanding line of credit of \$4,860,000 in 2015 as compared to \$4,060,000 in 2014. We paid \$1,837,000 and \$1,831,000 in cash dividends during 2015 and 2014, respectively. During 2014, we purchased and retired 13,950 shares of our outstanding common stock in the open market for \$32,000. No purchases of our equity securities from the open market were made during 2015. Additionally, we purchased and retired 49,078 and 40,210 shares of our outstanding common stock for \$121,000 and \$97,000 during 2015 and 2014, respectively, from employees in connection with the vesting of restricted stock awards under our stock incentive plan.

At December 31, 2015, Dover Motorsports, Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiaries Dover International Speedway, Inc. and Nashville Speedway, USA, Inc., as co-borrowers had a \$35,000,000 secured credit agreement with a bank group. The credit facility expires on July 31, 2017. Interest is based upon LIBOR plus a margin that varies

between 125 and 175 basis points depending on the leverage ratio (150 basis points at December 31, 2015). The facility provides that we may elect to enter into a negative pledge with the bank group in exchange for the release of the security interest in the collateral securing the agreement. In the event we elect to enter into the negative pledge, interest will be based upon LIBOR plus a margin that varies between 150 and 200 basis points depending on the leverage ratio. The credit facility contains certain covenants including maximum funded debt to earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ( leverage ratio ) and a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio. Material adverse changes in our results of operations could impact our ability to maintain financial ratios necessary to satisfy these requirements. In addition, the credit agreement includes a material adverse change clause and provides the lenders with a first lien on all of our assets. The credit facility also provides that if we default under any other loan agreement, that would be a default under this facility. At December 31, 2015, there was \$5,900,000 outstanding under the credit facility at an interest rate of 1.93%. The credit facility provides for seasonal funding needs, capital improvements, letter of credit requirements and other general corporate purposes. At December 31, 2015, we were in compliance with the terms of the credit facility. After consideration of stand-by letters of credit outstanding, the remaining maximum borrowings available pursuant to the credit facility were \$11,612,000 at December 31, 2015. We expect to be in compliance with the financial covenants, and all other covenants, for all measurement periods during the next twelve months.

Nashville Superspeedway no longer promotes NASCAR events and has not entered into sanction agreements with NASCAR since 2011. We currently use the facility on a limited basis for motorsports track rentals. On May 29, 2014, we entered into an agreement to sell the facility for \$27 million in cash and the assumption by the potential buyer of obligations of ours under certain Variable Rate Tax Exempt Infrastructure Revenue Bonds. The sales agreement was amended several times extending the closing date. In consideration for these amendments, during 2014 we received \$1,700,000 in non-refundable deposits from the potential buyer which was to be applied against the purchase price at closing. As of December 31, 2014, the \$1,700,000 was included in accrued expenses in our consolidated balance sheets. In 2015, we received \$1,200,000 in non-refundable deposits to extend closing under the agreement, a portion of which was to be applied against the purchase price depending on the closing date. During the first and second quarters of 2015, \$427,000 and \$606,000, respectively, was recorded as income from assets held for sale in our consolidated statements of earnings as those deposit amounts were not to be applied against the purchase price at closing based on the terms of the amendments. On June 1, 2015, the potential buyer defaulted under the agreement and did not subsequently cure the default. The amended closing date under the agreement was July 27, 2015; therefore, the agreement expired by its terms. Accordingly, we recorded as income from assets held for sale the remaining deposits of \$1,867,000 in the third quarter of 2015. We have expanded our sales efforts and are in discussions with additional prospective buyers. The assets of Nashville Superspeedway are reported as assets held for sale in our consolidated balance sheets at December 31, 2015 and 2014.

We promoted six racing events in 2015 and 2014, all of which were sanctioned by NASCAR and held at our Dover International Speedway facility. We have entered into five year sanction agreements with NASCAR for these same racing events in 2016-2020.

Broadcasting revenues continue to be a significant long-term revenue source for our business. Management believes this long-term contracted revenue helps stabilize our financial strength, earnings and cash flows. Also, NASCAR ratings can impact attendance at our events and sponsorship opportunities. A substantial portion of our profits in recent years has resulted from television revenues received from NASCAR under its agreements with various television networks, which is expected to continue for the foreseeable future. Our share of these television broadcast revenues and purse and sanction fees are fixed under our NASCAR sanction agreements through the year 2020. We are obligated to conduct events in the manner stipulated under the terms and conditions of these sanctioning agreements.

NASCAR is operating under a ten-year, multi-platform agreement with FOX Sports Media Group ( FOX ) for the broadcasting and digital rights to 16 NASCAR Sprint Cup Series races, 14 XFINITY Series races and the entire Camping World Truck Series (along with practice and qualifying) from 2015 through 2024. The agreement includes TV Everywhere rights that allow live-streaming of all FOX races, before and after race coverage, in-progress and finished race highlights, and replays of FOX-televised races to a Fox Sports-affiliated website which began in 2013. The agreement also allows re-telecast of races on a FOX network and via video-on-demand for 24 hours and other ancillary programming, including a nightly NASCAR news and information show and weekend at-track shows. NASCAR and FOX Deportes, the number one US Latino sports network, have teamed up to provide our sport s





most expansive Spanish-language broadcast offering ever with coverage of 15 NASCAR Sprint Cup Series races which started in 2013.

NASCAR also operates under a ten-year comprehensive agreement with NBC Sports Group granting NBCUniversal ( NBC ) exclusive rights to 20 NASCAR Sprint Cup Series races, 19 NASCAR XFINITY Series events, select NASCAR Regional & Touring Series events and other live content which began in 2015. Further, NBC has been granted Spanish-language rights, certain video-on-demand rights and exclusive TV Everywhere rights for its NASCAR Sprint Cup Series and NASCAR XFINITY Series events.

Looking forward, our sanction agreements with NASCAR contain annual increases of between 3 and 4 percent in media rights fees for each sanctioned event conducted, and provide a specific percentage of media rights fees to be paid to competitors. The sanction agreements also provide for annual increases in sanction fees and non-media rights related prize and point fund monies (to be paid to competitors) of between 4 and 4.5 percent annually over the term of the agreements.

We have hosted the Firefly Music Festival on our property in Dover, Delaware for four consecutive years and it is scheduled to return on June 16-19, 2016 with over 90 musical acts. The inaugural three day festival with 40 musical acts was held in July 2012, followed by a three day festival in June 2013 with over 70 musical acts and an expanded four day festival in June 2014 with over 100 musical acts. The event returned to Dover on June 18-21, 2015 with 120 musical acts. In September 2014, Red Frog Events LLC formed RFGV Festivals LLC - a joint venture with Goldenvoice that promotes Firefly. Goldenvoice is owned by AEG Live, one of the world's largest presenters of live music and entertainment events. We entered into an amended agreement with RFGV Festivals granting them two 5 year options to extend our facility rental agreement through 2032 (from its original expiration date of 2022) in exchange for a rental commitment to secure our property for up to two festivals per year. Rent is at differing rates depending on how many events are actually held. On June 26-28, 2015, the inaugural Big Barrel Country Music Festival was held at our facility. The three day festival was promoted by RFGV Festivals and featured 40 musical acts. On January 28, 2016, RFGV Festivals announced it will not promote the event in 2016. In addition to the facility rental fee, we also receive a percentage of the concession sales we manage at the events.

We expect that our net cash flows from operating activities and funds available from our credit facility will be sufficient to provide for our working capital needs, capital spending requirements, stock repurchases, as well as any cash dividends our Board of Directors may declare at least through the next twelve months and also provide for our long-term liquidity. Based on current business conditions, we expect to spend approximately \$2,250,000 - \$2,750,000 on capital expenditures during 2016. We do not expect to contribute to our defined benefit pension plans during 2016.

### Contractual Obligations

At December 31, 2015, we had the following contractual obligations and other commercial commitments:

	Total	2016	Payments Due by Period				Thereafter
			2017	2018	2019	2020	
Revolving line of credit	\$ 5,900,000	\$	\$ 5,900,000	\$	\$	\$	\$
Estimated interest payments on revolving line of credit(a)	180,000	114,000		66,000			
Contingent obligation(b)	1,727,000						1,727,000
Total contractual cash obligations	\$ 7,807,000	\$ 114,000	\$ 5,966,000	\$	\$	\$	\$ 1,727,000

(a) The future interest payments on our revolving credit agreement were estimated using the current outstanding principal as of December 31, 2015 and current interest rates.

(b) In September 1999, the Sports Authority of the County of Wilson (Tennessee) issued \$25,900,000 in Variable Rate Tax Exempt Infrastructure Revenue Bonds, Series 1999, to acquire, construct and develop certain public infrastructure improvements which benefit Nashville Superspeedway, of which \$17,200,000 was outstanding at December 31, 2015. Annual principal payments range from \$900,000 in September 2016 to \$1,600,000 in 2029 and are payable solely from sales taxes and incremental property taxes generated from the facility. These bonds are direct obligations of the Sports Authority and therefore have historically not been required to be recorded on our

consolidated balance sheet. If the applicable taxes are insufficient for the payment of principal and interest on the bonds, we would become responsible for the difference. In the event we were unable to make the payments, they would be made pursuant to a \$17,488,000 irrevocable direct-pay letter of credit issued by our bank group. We are exposed to fluctuations in interest rates for these bonds.

As of December 31, 2015 and 2014, \$1,976,000 and \$1,932,000, respectively, was available in the sales and incremental property tax fund maintained by the Sports Authority to pay the remaining principal and interest due under the bonds. During 2015, we paid \$983,000 into the sales and incremental property tax fund and \$939,000 was deducted from the fund for principal and interest payments. If we fail to maintain the letter of credit that secures the bonds or we allow an uncured event of default to exist under our reimbursement agreement relative to the letter of credit, the bonds would be immediately redeemable.

Nashville Superspeedway no longer promotes NASCAR events and has not entered into sanction agreements with NASCAR since 2011. We currently use the facility on a limited basis for motorsports track rentals. In 2011 we recorded a \$2,250,000 provision for contingent obligation reflecting the present value of the estimated portion of the revenue bonds debt service that may not be covered by the projected sales and incremental property taxes from the facility. Due to changing interest rates, the provision for contingent obligation decreased by \$86,000, \$30,000 and \$91,000 in 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively, and is \$1,727,000 at December 31, 2015. See NOTE 12 Commitments and Contingencies of the consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this document for further discussion.

#### **Related Party Transactions**

See NOTE 11 Related Party Transactions of the consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this document.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies**

The accounting policies described below are those we consider critical in preparing our consolidated financial statements. These policies include significant estimates made by management using information available at the time the estimates are made. As described below, these estimates could change materially if different information or assumptions were used.

#### *Income Taxes*

Income taxes are accounted for under the asset and liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the estimated future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases and operating losses. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates in effect for the year in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in the period that includes the enactment date. We record a valuation allowance to reduce our deferred tax assets to the amount that is more likely than not to be realized. As of December 31, 2015, our valuation allowance on state net operating loss carry-forwards net of federal income taxes was \$10,326,000, which decreased by \$78,000 in 2015. These state net operating losses are related to our Midwest facilities that have not produced taxable income. Valuation allowances fully reserve the state net operating loss carryforwards, net of federal tax benefit. We have considered ongoing prudent and feasible tax planning strategies in assessing the need for a valuation allowance. In the event we were to determine that we would be able to realize all or a portion of these deferred tax assets, an adjustment to the valuation allowance

would increase earnings in the period such determination was made. Likewise, should we determine that we would not be able to realize all or a portion of our remaining deferred tax assets in the future, an adjustment to the valuation allowance would be charged to earnings in the period such determination was made.

*Property and Equipment*

Property and equipment are recorded at cost. Depreciation is provided for financial reporting purposes using the straight-line method over estimated useful lives ranging from 3 to 10 years for furniture, fixtures and equipment

and up to 40 years for facilities. These estimates require assumptions that are believed to be reasonable. We perform reviews for impairment of long-lived assets whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of an asset may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is measured as the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset exceeds its fair value.

#### *Accrued Pension Cost*

On June 15, 2011, we decided to freeze participation and benefit accruals under our defined benefit pension plans. The freeze was effective July 31, 2011. The benefits provided by our defined benefit pension plans are based on years of service and employee's remuneration through July 31, 2011. Accrued pension costs are developed using actuarial principles and assumptions which consider a number of factors, including estimates for the discount rate, expected long-term rate of return on assets and mortality. Changes in these estimates would impact the amounts that we record in our consolidated financial statements.

#### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

See NOTE 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies to our consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this document for a full description of recent accounting pronouncements that affect us.

#### **Factors That May Affect Operating Results; Forward-Looking Statements**

This report and the documents incorporated by reference may contain forward-looking statements. In Item 1A of this report, we disclose the important factors that could cause our actual results to differ from our expectations.

#### **Item 7A. Quantitative And Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk**

Not applicable.

#### **Item 8. Financial Statements And Supplementary Data**

Our consolidated financial statements and the Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm included in this report are shown on the Index to Consolidated Financial Statements on page 26.

**Item 9.**  
**Disclosure**

**Changes In And Disagreements With Accountants On Accounting And Financial**

None.

**Item 9A. Controls and Procedures**

Our management is responsible for the preparation, integrity and objectivity of the consolidated financial statements and other financial information included in this Form 10-K. The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and reflect the effects of certain estimates and judgments made by management.

Our management also is responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal controls designed to provide reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded and transactions are properly recorded and executed in accordance with management's authorization. The system is regularly monitored by direct management review and by internal auditors who conduct an extensive program of audits throughout our organization. The Director of Internal Audit reports directly to the Audit Committee of our Board of Directors. We have confidence in our financial reporting, the underlying system of internal controls, and our people, who are objective in their responsibilities and operate under our Code of Business Conduct and with the highest level of ethical standards. These standards are a key element of our control system.

The Audit Committee of our Board of Directors, which is comprised entirely of independent directors, has direct and private access to and meets regularly with management, our internal auditors and our independent registered public accounting firm to review accounting, reporting, auditing and internal control matters.

Management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, does not expect that our internal controls will prevent or detect all errors and all fraud. A control system, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Further, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of internal controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, have been detected. Also, any evaluation of the effectiveness of controls in future periods are subject to the risk that those internal controls may become inadequate because of changes in business conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedure may deteriorate.

*(a) Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures*

We have established disclosure controls and procedures to ensure that relevant, material information is made known to the officers who certify our financial reports and to other members of senior management and the Board of Directors.

Based on their evaluation as of December 31, 2015, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) are effective to ensure that the information we are required to disclose in the reports that we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in SEC rules and forms.

*(b) Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting*

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. We conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting based on the framework in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework (2013)* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Based on our evaluation, management concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2015.

This annual report does not include an attestation report of our independent registered public accounting firm regarding internal control over financial reporting. Management's report was not subject to attestation by our independent registered public accounting firm pursuant to the rules of the SEC that permit us to provide only management's report in this annual report.

*(c) Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting*



There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2015 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

**Item 9B.**      **Other Information**

None.

**Part III**

**Item 10.**      **Directors, Executive Officers And Corporate Governance**

Except as presented below, biographical information relating to our directors and executive officers, information regarding our audit committee financial experts and information on Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership

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Reporting Compliance called for by this Item 10 are incorporated by reference to our Proxy Statement to be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on April 27, 2016.

We have a Code of Business Conduct applicable to all of our employees, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer. We also have a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics for Directors and Executive Officers and Related Party Transactions Policy applicable to all directors and executive officers. Copies of these Codes and other corporate governance documents are available on our website at [www.dovermotorsports.com](http://www.dovermotorsports.com) under the heading, Investor Relations. We will post on our website any amendments to, or waivers from, these Codes as required by law.

Executive Officers of the Registrant. As of December 31, 2015, our executive officers were:

Name	Position	Age	Term of Office
Denis McGlynn	President and Chief Executive Officer	69	11/79 to date
Michael A. Tatoian	Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer	55	01/07 to date
Timothy R. Horne	Sr. Vice President-Finance and Chief Financial Officer	49	04/08 to date
Klaus M. Belohoubek	Sr. Vice President-General Counsel and Secretary	56	07/99 to date
Thomas Wintermantel	Treasurer and Assistant Secretary	57	07/02 to date

Our Chairman of the Board, Henry B. Tippie, is a non-employee director and, therefore, not an executive officer. Mr. Tippie has served as Chairman of the Board for 16 years and prior to that served as Vice Chairman of the Board. Mr. Tippie also serves as Chairman of the Board to Gaming as a non-employee director.

Denis McGlynn has served as our President and Chief Executive Officer for 36 years. Mr. McGlynn also serves as President and Chief Executive Officer to Gaming.

Michael A. Tatoian joined us as Executive Vice President in January 2007. Mr. Tatoian has more than 27 years of experience in professional sports ownership, management and operations. He served as Chief Executive Officer and Managing Partner of Victory Sports Group, LLC, where he oversaw the development and management of professional sports organizations, including minor league baseball, minor league hockey and a NASCAR Nationwide Series team. Mr. Tatoian also served as Chief Operating Officer of United Sports Ventures, Inc., an umbrella sports company that owned and operated eight minor league teams.

Timothy R. Horne has been Sr. Vice President-Finance and Chief Financial Officer since April 2008. Mr. Horne was the Chief Financial Officer of Dover Motorsports, Inc. from 1996 until its 2002 spin-off of Gaming. He has served as Sr. Vice President-Finance, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer of Gaming since 2002, but has been actively involved in the financial departments of both companies.

Klaus M. Belohoubek has been Sr. Vice President-General Counsel and Secretary since 1999 and has provided us legal representation in various capacities since 1990. Mr. Belohoubek also serves as Sr. Vice President-General Counsel and Secretary of Gaming.

Thomas Wintermantel has been Treasurer and Assistant Secretary since July 2002. Previously, Mr. Wintermantel was the Financial Vice President and Treasurer of John W. Rollins & Associates, Financial Vice President of Rollins Jamaica, Ltd. and President and Director of the John W. Rollins Foundation.

**Item 11. Executive Compensation**

The information called for by this Item 11 is incorporated by reference to our Proxy Statement to be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on April 27, 2016.

**Item 12. Security Ownership Of Certain Beneficial Owners And Management And Related Stockholder Matters**

The information called for by this Item 12 is incorporated by reference to our Proxy Statement to be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on April 27, 2016.

**Equity Compensation Plan Information**

We have a stock incentive plan which provides for the grant of up to 2,000,000 shares of common stock to our officers and key employees through stock options and/or awards valued in whole or in part by reference to our common stock, such as nonvested restricted stock awards. Refer to NOTE 9 Stockholders Equity of the consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this document for further discussion. Securities authorized for issuance under equity compensation plans at December 31, 2015 are as follows:

Plan Category	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights (a)	Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights (b)	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a)) (c)
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders		\$	1,848,626
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders			
Total		\$	1,848,626

**Item 13. Certain Relationships And Related Transactions, And Director Independence**

The information called for by this Item 13 is incorporated by reference to our Proxy Statement to be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on April 27, 2016.

**Item 14. Principal Accounting Fees And Services**

The information called for by this Item 14 is incorporated by reference to our Proxy Statement to be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on April 27, 2016.

**Part IV**

**Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules**

(a)(1) Financial Statements See accompanying Index to Consolidated Financial Statements on page 26.

(2) Financial Statement Schedules None.

(3) Exhibits:

2.1 Share Exchange Agreement and Plan of Reorganization dated June 14, 1996 between Dover Motorsports, Inc. (formerly known as Dover Downs Entertainment, Inc.), Dover Downs, Inc., Dover Downs International Speedway, Inc. and the shareholders of Dover Downs, Inc. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to the Registration Statement, Number 333-8147, on Form S-1 dated July 15, 1996, which was declared effective on October 3, 1996).

2.2 Amended and Restated Agreement Regarding Distribution and Plan of Reorganization, dated as of February 15, 2002, by and between Dover Motorsports, Inc. (formerly known as Dover Downs Entertainment, Inc.) and Dover Downs Gaming & Entertainment, Inc. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to the Registration Statement of Dover Downs Gaming & Entertainment, Inc., Number 1-16791, on Form 10 dated February 26, 2002, which was declared effective on March 7, 2002).

3.1 Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Dover Motorsports, Inc. (formerly known as Dover Downs Entertainment, Inc.), dated March 10, 2000 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Form 10-Q dated April 28, 2000).

3.2 Amended and Restated By-laws of Dover Motorsports, Inc. dated October 23, 2013 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Form 8-K dated October 23, 2013).

4.1 Rights Agreement, dated as of June 14, 2006 between Dover Motorsports, Inc. and Mellon Investor Services, LLC (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form 8-A dated June 14, 2006).

10.1 Transition Support Services Agreement, dated as of January 15, 2002, by and between Dover Motorsports, Inc. (formerly known as Dover Downs Entertainment, Inc.) and Dover Downs Gaming & Entertainment, Inc. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Registration Statement of Dover Downs Gaming & Entertainment, Inc., Number 1-16791, on Form 10 dated January 16, 2002, which was declared effective on March 7, 2002).

10.2 Real Property Agreement, dated as of January 15, 2002, by and between Dover Motorsports, Inc. (formerly known as Dover Downs Entertainment, Inc.) and Dover Downs Gaming & Entertainment, Inc. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the Registration Statement of Dover Downs Gaming & Entertainment, Inc., Number 1-16791, on Form 10 dated January 16, 2002, which was declared effective on March 7, 2002).

10.3 Sanction Agreement between Dover International Speedway, Inc. and NASCAR Event Management, Inc. for the spring National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing, Inc. Sprint Cup Series event for the years 2016 - 2020 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Form 8-K dated February 23, 2016).

10.4 Sanction Agreement between Dover International Speedway, Inc. and NASCAR Event Management, Inc. for the fall National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing, Inc. Sprint Cup Series event for the years 2016 - 2020 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Form 8-K dated February 23, 2016).

10.5 Amended and Restated Employment and Non-Compete Agreement between Dover Motorsports, Inc. and Denis McGlynn dated February 13, 2006 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Form 8-K dated February 17, 2006).

10.6 Amended and Restated Employment and Non-Compete Agreement between Dover Motorsports, Inc. and Michael A. Tatoian dated July 26, 2007 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Form 8-K dated July 26, 2007).

10.7 Amended and Restated Employment and Non-Compete Agreement between Dover Motorsports, Inc. and Klaus M. Belohoubek dated February 13, 2006 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the Form 8-K dated February 17, 2006).

10.8 Amended and Restated Employment and Non-Compete Agreement between Dover Motorsports, Inc. and Thomas G. Wintermantel dated February 13, 2006 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to the Form 8-K dated February 17, 2006).

10.9 Amended and Restated Employment and Non-Compete Agreement between Dover Motorsports, Inc. and Timothy R. Horne dated January 3, 2008 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Form 8-K dated January 4, 2008).

10.10 Non-Compete Agreement between Dover Motorsports, Inc. and Henry B. Tippie dated June 16, 2004 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.6 to the Form 10-Q dated August 6, 2004).

10.11 Amendment to certain agreements between Dover Motorsports, Inc. and selected executives and directors (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Form 10-Q dated November 5, 2008).

10.12 Amendment to certain agreements between Dover Motorsports, Inc. and certain executives dated June 15, 2011 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to the Form 8-K dated June 15, 2011).

10.13 Dover Motorsports, Inc. 2014 Stock Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit A to our Proxy Statement filed on March 28, 2014).

10.14 Form of Restricted Stock Grant Agreement Used With Dover Motorsports, Inc. 2014 Stock Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Form 10-Q dated April 30, 2014).

10.15 Dover Motorsports, Inc. Supplemental Executive Retirement Savings Plan Dated November 9, 2012 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Form 10-Q dated November 9, 2012).

10.16 Credit Agreement between Dover Motorsports, Inc., Dover International Speedway, Inc. and Nashville Speedway, USA, Inc. and RBS Citizens, N.A., as agent, dated as of April 12, 2011 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Form 8-K dated April 12, 2011).

10.17 Modification Letter to Credit Agreement between Dover Motorsports, Inc., Dover International Speedway, Inc. and Nashville Speedway, USA, Inc. and RBS Citizens, N.A., as agent, dated as of October 2, 2012 (incorporated



herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Form 8-K dated October 2, 2012).

10.18 Loan Modification and Reaffirmation Agreement between Dover Motorsports, Inc., Dover International Speedway, Inc. and Nashville Speedway, USA, Inc. and RBS Citizens, N.A., as agent, dated as of April 29, 2013 (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Form 8-K dated April 29, 2013).

21.1 Subsidiaries

24.1 Powers of Attorney for Directors

31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a)

31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a)

32.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Sec. 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

32.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Sec. 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

99.1 Audit Committee Charter of Dover Motorsports, Inc. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit A to our Proxy Statement dated March 30, 2010).

101 The following materials from the Dover Motorsports, Inc. annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015, formatted in XBRL (eXtensible Business Reporting Language): (i) Consolidated Statements of Earnings and Comprehensive Income for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013; (ii) Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2015 and 2014; (iii) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013; and (iv) Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

**Signatures**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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.

DATED:	March 4, 2016	<u>Dover Motorsports, Inc.</u> Registrant
	BY:	<i>/s/ Denis McGlynn Denis McGlynn President, Chief Executive Officer and Director</i>

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated:

/s/ Denis McGlynn Denis McGlynn	<i>President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)</i>	March 4, 2016
/s/ Timothy R. Horne Timothy R. Horne	<i>Sr. Vice President Finance, Chief Financial Officer and Director (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)</i>	March 4, 2016

The Directors of the registrant (listed below) executed a power of attorney appointing Denis McGlynn and Timothy R. Horne their attorneys-in-fact, empowering them to sign this report on their behalf.

/s/ Henry B. Tippie Henry B. Tippie	<i>Chairman of the Board</i>	March 4, 2016
/s/ Patrick J. Bagley Patrick J. Bagley	<i>Director and Chairman of the Audit Committee</i>	March 4, 2016
/s/ Jeffrey W. Rollins	<i>Director</i>	March 4, 2016

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Jeffrey W. Rollins

/s/ R. Randall Rollins  
R. Randall Rollins

*Director*

March 4, 2016

/s/ Richard K. Struthers  
Richard K. Struthers

*Director*

March 4, 2016

/s/ Denis McGlynn  
Denis McGlynn

*As Attorney-in-Fact  
and Director*

March 4, 2016

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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

The Board of Directors and Stockholders

Dover Motorsports, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Dover Motorsports, Inc. and subsidiaries (the Company) as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the related consolidated statements of earnings and comprehensive income and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2015. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Dover Motorsports, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2015, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

KPMG LLP

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

March 4, 2016

## DOVER MOTORSPORTS, INC.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS

## AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(in thousands, except per share data)

	Years ended December 31,		
	2015	2014	2013
<b>Revenues:</b>			
Admissions	\$ 7,967	\$ 8,727	\$ 9,521
Event-related	8,617	8,450	9,190
Broadcasting	29,949	28,463	27,445
Other	6	34	24
	46,539	45,674	46,180
<b>Expenses:</b>			
Operating and marketing	27,818	27,171	26,648
General and administrative	7,414	7,146	7,252
Loss on disposal of long-lived assets	40	2,403	
Impairment charges			4,329
Depreciation	5,326	3,262	3,291
	40,598	39,982	41,520
Income from assets held for sale	2,900		
Operating earnings	8,841	5,692	4,660
Interest expense, net	(323)	(467)	(959)
Benefit for contingent obligation	86	30	91
Other (expense) income	(5)	26	157
Earnings before income taxes	8,599	5,281	3,949
Income tax expense	(3,314)	(2,136)	(1,925)
Net earnings	5,285	3,145	2,024
Unrealized (loss) gain on available-for-sale securities, net of income taxes	(17)	7	34
Change in pension net actuarial loss and prior service cost, net of income taxes	223	(1,761)	897
Comprehensive income	\$ 5,491	\$ 1,391	\$ 2,955
<b>Net earnings per common share (Note 2):</b>			
Basic	\$ 0.14	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.05
Diluted	\$ 0.14	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.05

The Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements are an integral part of these consolidated statements.



## DOVER MOTORSPORTS, INC.

## CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(in thousands, except share and per share data)

	December 31,	
	2015	2014
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 1	\$ 24
Accounts receivable	173	139
Inventories	72	70
Prepaid expenses and other	1,136	1,042
Receivable from Dover Downs Gaming & Entertainment, Inc.	44	
Income taxes receivable	1	170
Deferred income taxes	79	79
Assets held for sale	26,000	26,000
Total current assets	27,506	27,524
Property and equipment, net	53,542	58,236
Other assets	851	925
Deferred income taxes	549	580
Total assets	\$ 82,448	\$ 87,265
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 137	\$ 889
Accrued liabilities	3,215	4,944
Payable to Dover Downs Gaming & Entertainment, Inc.		22
Deferred revenue	1,278	1,348
Total current liabilities	4,630	7,203
Revolving line of credit	5,900	10,760
Liability for pension benefits	3,790	4,231
Provision for contingent obligation	1,727	1,813
Deferred income taxes	14,408	15,163
Total liabilities	30,455	39,170
Commitments and contingencies (see Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements)		
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, \$.10 par value; 1,000,000 shares authorized; shares issued and outstanding: none		
Common stock, \$.10 par value; 75,000,000 shares authorized; shares issued and outstanding: 18,220,484 and 18,116,562, respectively		
	1,822	1,812
Class A common stock, \$.10 par value; 55,000,000 shares authorized; shares issued and outstanding: 18,510,975 and 18,510,975, respectively		
	1,851	1,851
Additional paid-in capital	101,742	101,508
Accumulated deficit	(50,301)	(53,749)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(3,121)	(3,327)
Total stockholders' equity	51,993	48,095
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 82,448	\$ 87,265



The Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements are an integral part of these consolidated statements.

## DOVER MOTORSPORTS, INC.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(in thousands)

	Years ended December 31,		
	2015	2014	2013
<b>Operating activities:</b>			
Net earnings	\$ 5,285	\$ 3,145	\$ 2,024
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation	5,326	3,262	3,291
Amortization of credit facility fees	96	96	219
Stock-based compensation	316	278	291
Deferred income taxes	(828)	(881)	(836)
Benefit for contingent obligation	(86)	(30)	(91)
Income from assets held for sale	(2,900)		
Loss on disposal of long-lived assets, non-cash		2,045	
Gain on sale of property and equipment			(138)
Impairment charges			4,329
Changes in assets and liabilities:			
Accounts receivable	(34)	(111)	196
Inventories	(2)	44	10
Prepaid expenses and other	(125)	(60)	(34)
Receivable from/payable to Dover Downs Gaming & Entertainment, Inc.	(66)	26	(4)
Income taxes receivable/payable	182	(69)	30
Accounts payable	64	48	(120)
Accrued liabilities	(86)	190	(39)
Deferred revenue	(70)	(395)	(976)
Liability for pension benefits	(9)	(90)	(9)
Net cash provided by operating activities	7,063	7,498	8,143
<b>Investing activities:</b>			
Capital expenditures	(1,448)	(3,136)	(315)
Non-refundable deposit received on expected sale of facility	1,200	1,700	
Purchase of available-for-sale securities	(40)	(99)	(102)
Proceeds from sale of available-for-sale securities	20	77	90
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment			138
Net cash used in investing activities	(268)	(1,458)	(189)
<b>Financing activities:</b>			
Borrowings from revolving line of credit	29,740	35,520	28,760
Repayments on revolving line of credit	(34,600)	(39,580)	(33,640)
Dividends paid	(1,837)	(1,831)	(1,831)
Repurchase of common stock	(121)	(129)	(1,129)
Credit facility fees			(125)
Net cash used in financing activities	(6,818)	(6,020)	(7,965)
Net (decrease) increase in cash	(23)	20	(11)
Cash, beginning of year	24	4	15
Cash, end of year	\$ 1	\$ 24	\$ 4

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Supplemental information:

Interest paid	\$	453	\$	550	\$	784
Income tax payments	\$	3,960	\$	3,087	\$	2,779
Change in accounts payable for capital expenditures	\$	(816)	\$	816	\$	

The Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements are an integral part of these consolidated statements.

**DOVER MOTORSPORTS, INC.**

**NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**NOTE 1 Business Operations**

References in this document to we, us and our mean Dover Motorsports, Inc. and/or its wholly owned subsidiaries, as appropriate.

Dover Motorsports, Inc. is a public holding company that is a leading marketer and promoter of motorsports entertainment in the United States. Through our subsidiaries, we own and operate Dover International Speedway® in Dover, Delaware and Nashville Superspeedway® near Nashville, Tennessee. Our Dover facility promoted the following six events during 2015, all of which were under the auspices of the premier sanctioning body in motorsports - the National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing ( NASCAR ):

- 2 NASCAR Sprint Cup Series events;
- 2 NASCAR XFINITY Series events;
- 1 NASCAR Camping World Truck Series event; and
- 1 NASCAR K&N Pro Series East event.

In 2016, we are scheduled to promote these same six events at Dover International Speedway. Total revenues from these events were approximately 97% of total revenues in 2015, 2014 and 2013.

We have hosted the Firefly Music Festival on our property in Dover, Delaware for four consecutive years and it is scheduled to return on June 16-19, 2016 with over 90 musical acts. The inaugural three day festival with 40 musical acts was held in July 2012, followed by a three day festival in June 2013 with over 70 musical acts, a four day festival in June 2014 with over 100 musical acts and a four day festival in June 2015 with 120 musical acts. In September 2014, Red Frog Events LLC formed RFGV Festivals LLC - a joint venture with Goldenvoice that promotes Firefly. Goldenvoice is owned by AEG Live, one of the world's largest presenters of live music and entertainment events. We entered into an amended agreement with RFGV Festivals granting them two 5 year options to extend our facility rental agreement through 2032 (from its original expiration date of 2022) in exchange for a rental commitment to secure our property for up to two festivals per year. Rent is at differing rates depending on how many events are actually held. On June 26-28, 2015, the inaugural Big Barrel Country Music Festival was held at our facility. The three day festival was promoted by RFGV Festivals and featured 40 musical acts. On January 28, 2016, RFGV Festivals announced it will not promote the event in 2016. In addition to the facility rental fee, we also receive a percentage of the concession sales we manage at the events.

Nashville Superspeedway no longer promotes NASCAR events and has not entered into sanction agreements with NASCAR since 2011. We currently use the facility on a limited basis for motorsports track rentals. On May 29, 2014, we entered into an agreement to sell the facility for \$27 million in cash and the assumption by the potential buyer of obligations of ours under certain Variable Rate Tax Exempt Infrastructure Revenue Bonds. The sales agreement was amended several times extending the closing date. In consideration for these amendments, during 2014 we received \$1,700,000 in non-refundable deposits from the potential buyer which was to be applied against the purchase price at closing. As of December 31, 2014, the \$1,700,000 was included in accrued expenses in our consolidated balance sheets. In 2015, we received \$1,200,000 in non-refundable deposits to extend closing under the agreement, a portion of which was to be applied against the purchase price depending on the closing date. During the first and second quarters of 2015, \$427,000 and \$606,000, respectively, was recorded as income from assets held for sale in our consolidated statements of earnings as those deposit amounts were not to be applied against the purchase price at closing based on the terms of the amendments. On June 1, 2015, the potential buyer defaulted under the agreement and did not subsequently cure the default. The amended closing date under the agreement was July 27, 2015; therefore, the agreement expired by its terms. Accordingly, we recorded as income from assets held for sale the remaining deposits of \$1,867,000 in the third quarter of 2015. We have expanded our sales efforts and are in discussions with additional prospective buyers. The assets of Nashville Superspeedway are reported as assets held for sale in our consolidated balance sheets at December 31, 2015 and 2014.

**NOTE 2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

*Basis of consolidation and presentation* The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Dover Motorsports, Inc. and our wholly owned subsidiaries. Intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated.

*Investments* Investments, which consist of mutual funds, are classified as available-for-sale and reported at fair-value in other assets in our consolidated balance sheets. Changes in fair value are reported in other comprehensive income (loss). See NOTE 8 Pension Plans, NOTE 9 Stockholders Equity and NOTE 10 Fair Value Measurements for further discussion.

*Accounts receivable* Accounts receivable are stated at their estimated collectible amount and do not bear interest.

*Inventories* Inventories of items for resale are stated at the lower of cost or market with cost being determined on the first-in, first-out basis.

*Property and equipment* Property and equipment is stated at cost. Depreciation is provided for financial reporting purposes using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Facilities	10-40 years
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	3-10 years

*Impairment of long-lived assets* Long-lived assets are assessed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is measured as the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset exceeds its fair value. Generally, fair value is determined using valuation techniques such as the comparable sales approach based on either independent third party appraisals or pending/completed sales transactions. See NOTE 3 Impairment Charge for further discussion.

*Income taxes* Deferred income taxes are provided on all differences between the tax basis of assets and liabilities and their reported amounts in the consolidated financial statements based upon enacted statutory tax rates in effect at the balance sheet date. We record a valuation allowance to reduce our deferred tax assets when uncertainty regarding their realizability exists. In assessing the realizability of deferred tax assets, management considers whether it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the generation of future taxable income during periods in which those temporary differences become deductible. Management considers the scheduled reversal of deferred tax liabilities, projected future taxable income and tax planning strategies in making this assessment. We recognize the effect of income tax

positions only if those positions are more likely than not of being sustained. Recognized income tax positions are measured at the largest amount that has a greater than 50% likelihood of being realized. Changes in recognition or measurement are reflected in the period in which the change in judgment occurs. As of December 31, 2015, our valuation allowance on state net operating loss carry-forwards net of federal income taxes was \$10,326,000, which decreased by \$78,000 in 2015. These state net operating losses are related to our Midwest facilities that have not produced taxable income in recent years to utilize the net operating loss carryforwards. As such, the valuation allowances fully reserve the state net operating loss carryforwards, net of federal tax benefit.

*Revenue recognition* We classify our revenues as admissions, event-related, broadcasting and other. Admissions revenue includes ticket sales for all of our events. Event-related revenue includes amounts received from sponsorship fees; luxury suite rentals; hospitality tent rentals and catering; concessions and souvenir sales and vendor commissions for the right to sell concessions and souvenirs at our facilities; sales of programs; track rentals and other event-related revenues. Additionally, event related revenue includes amounts received for the use of our property and a portion of the concession sales we manage from the Firefly Music Festival and the Big Barrel Country Music Festival.

Broadcasting revenue includes rights fees obtained for television and radio broadcasts of events held at our speedways and any ancillary media rights fees.

Revenues pertaining to specific events are deferred until the event is held. Concession and souvenir revenues are recorded at the time of sale. Revenues and related expenses from barter transactions in which we provide sponsorship packages in exchange for goods or services are recorded at fair value. Barter transactions accounted for \$721,000, \$550,000 and \$477,000 of total revenues for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

Under the terms of our sanction agreements, NASCAR retains 10% of the gross broadcast rights fees allocated to each NASCAR-sanctioned event as a component of its sanction fee. The remaining 90% is recorded as revenue. The event promoter is required to pay 25% of the gross broadcast rights fees to the event as part of the awards to the competitors, which we record as operating expenses.

*Expense recognition* The cost of non-event related advertising, promotion and marketing programs is expensed as incurred. Certain direct expenses pertaining to specific events, including prize and point fund monies and sanction fees paid to NASCAR, a majority of our marketing expenses and other expenses associated with the promotion of our racing events are deferred until the event is held, at which point they are expensed. Advertising expenses were \$1,364,000, \$1,191,000 and \$1,160,000 in 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

*Net earnings per common share* Nonvested share-based payment awards that include rights to dividends or dividend equivalents, whether paid or unpaid, are considered participating securities, and the two-class method of computing basic and diluted net earnings per common share ( EPS ) is applied for all periods presented. The following table sets forth the computation of EPS (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	2015	2014	2013
Net earnings per common share basic and diluted:			
Net earnings	\$ 5,285	\$ 3,145	\$ 2,024
Allocation to nonvested restricted stock awards	82	50	33
Net earnings available to common stockholders	\$ 5,203	\$ 3,095	\$ 1,991
Weighted-average shares outstanding	36,156	36,047	36,252
Net earnings per common share basic and diluted	\$ 0.14	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.05

There were no options outstanding during 2015, 2014 or 2013.

*Accounting for stock-based compensation* We recorded total stock-based compensation expense for our restricted stock awards of \$316,000, \$278,000 and \$291,000 as general and administrative expenses for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively. We recorded income tax benefits of \$128,000, \$113,000 and \$56,000 for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively, related to our restricted stock awards.

*Use of estimates* The preparation of the accompanying consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and



assumptions about future events. These estimates and the underlying assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosures about contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. These estimates and assumptions are based on our best estimates and judgment. We evaluate our estimates and assumptions on an ongoing basis using historical experience and other factors, including the current economic environment, which we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances. We adjust such estimates and assumptions when facts and circumstances dictate. Volatility in credit and equity markets and declines in consumer spending have combined to increase the uncertainty inherent in such estimates and assumptions. As future events and their effects cannot be determined with precision, actual results could differ from these estimates. Changes in those estimates resulting from continuing changes in the economic environment will be reflected in the consolidated financial statements in future periods.

*Recent accounting pronouncements* In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) issued Accounting Standards Update ( ASU ) No. 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, which provides a five step approach to be applied to all contracts with customers. ASU No. 2014-09 also requires

expanded disclosures about revenue recognition. This update is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016. We are currently analyzing the impact of ASU No. 2014-09 on our results of operations and, at this time, we are unable to determine the impact on the new standard, if any, on our consolidated financial statements.

In April 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-03, *Simplifying the Presentation of Debt Issuance Costs*, which requires an entity to present debt issuance costs as a direct reduction from the carrying amount of the related debt liability on the balance sheet. In August 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-15, *Presentation and Subsequent Measurement of Debt Issuance Costs Associated with Line-of-Credit Arrangements*, which clarifies the treatment of debt issuance costs from line-of-credit arrangements after adoption of ASU 2015-03. The SEC Staff announced they would not object to an entity deferring and presenting debt issuance costs as an asset and subsequently amortizing the deferred debt issuance costs ratably over the term of the line-of-credit arrangement, regardless of whether there are any outstanding borrowings on the line-of-credit arrangement. The update requires retrospective application and represents a change in accounting principle. This update becomes effective January 1, 2016. The adoption of this accounting standard update is not expected to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In July 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-11, *Inventory (Topic 330): Simplifying the Measurement of Inventory*, which requires companies to measure inventory at lower of cost and net realizable value, versus lower of cost or market. Net realizable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less reasonably predictable costs of completion, disposal, and transportation. This update is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016, including interim periods within those fiscal years. The adoption of this accounting standard update is not expected to have an impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In November 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-17, *Balance Sheet Classification of Deferred Taxes*, which requires companies to present deferred income tax assets and deferred income tax liabilities as noncurrent in a classified balance sheet instead of the current requirement to separate deferred income tax liabilities and assets into current and noncurrent amounts. ASU 2015-17 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016, including interim periods within those fiscal years. The adoption of this accounting standard update is not expected to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

### **NOTE 3 Impairment Charge**

Based upon the economic conditions that existed in the fourth quarter of 2013 and their impact on real estate values at that time, we concluded that it was necessary for us to review the carrying value of the long-lived assets at Nashville for impairment. The Nashville assets recorded on our consolidated balance sheets consist exclusively of land. The recoverability of the assets was measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of the assets to the estimated undiscounted future cash flows expected to result from the use and eventual disposition of the assets. As a result of the recoverability test, we concluded that the carrying amount of our Nashville facility exceeded the undiscounted cash flows.

Since the carrying amount of the assets exceeded the fair value, an impairment charge was recognized by the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeded the fair value. Fair value of the assets for the Nashville facility was determined based on the value of owned real estate at the facility. The long-lived assets deemed to be impaired consisted of land.

Based on the results of this analysis, we recorded a non-cash pre-tax impairment charge in the fourth quarter of 2013 to write-down the carrying value of long-lived assets at our Nashville facility to fair value, as follows:

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	<b>Carrying Value of Long-Lived Assets</b>		<b>Fair Value of Long-Lived Assets</b>		<b>Non-Cash Impairment Charges</b>
Nashville facility	\$ 30,329,000	\$	26,000,000	\$	4,329,000

There were no events or changes in circumstances during 2015 or 2014 which would indicate that the carrying value of these assets may not be recoverable.

The long-lived assets of our Nashville facility are reported as assets held for sale in our consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2015 and 2014.

**NOTE 4 Property and Equipment**

Property and equipment consists of the following as of December 31:

	2015	2014
Land	\$ 15,916,000	\$ 15,916,000
Facilities	83,625,000	80,721,000
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	8,181,000	7,137,000
Construction in progress	126,000	3,545,000
	107,848,000	107,319,000
Less accumulated depreciation	(54,306,000)	(49,083,000)
	\$ 53,542,000	\$ 58,236,000

In the first quarter of 2015, we identified certain track related assets that, as a result of our planned reduction of grandstand seating, were retired at the end of our 2015 race season. As a result, we adjusted the service lives of those assets to properly reflect their shortened estimated useful life. We recorded depreciation expense of \$2,216,000 in 2015 related to these assets and they are now fully depreciated.

In 2014, we removed certain grandstand seating at our Dover International Speedway facility and have written off the remaining net book value of the assets of \$2,045,000 which is reported in our consolidated statements of earnings as loss on disposal of long-lived assets. The cost to remove the grandstand seating of \$358,000 is also included in loss on disposal of long-lived assets in our consolidated statements of earnings.

**NOTE 5 Accrued Liabilities**

Accrued liabilities consist of the following as of December 31:

	2015	2014
Payroll and related items	\$ 573,000	\$ 446,000
Real estate taxes	995,000	995,000
Pension	954,000	897,000
Non-refundable deposit on expected sale of facility		1,700,000
Other	693,000	906,000
	\$ 3,215,000	\$ 4,944,000

**NOTE 6 Long-Term Debt**

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At December 31, 2015, Dover Motorsports, Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiaries Dover International Speedway, Inc. and Nashville Speedway, USA, Inc., as co-borrowers had a \$35,000,000 secured credit agreement with a bank group. The credit facility expires on July 31, 2017. Interest is based upon LIBOR plus a margin that varies between 125 and 175 basis points depending on the leverage ratio (150 basis points at December 31, 2015). The facility provides that we may elect to enter into a negative pledge with the bank group in exchange for the release of the security interest in the collateral securing the agreement. In the event we elect to enter into the negative pledge, interest will be based upon LIBOR plus a margin that varies between 150 and 200 basis points depending on the leverage ratio. The credit facility contains certain covenants including maximum funded debt to earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization ( leverage ratio ) and a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio. Material adverse changes in our results of operations could impact our ability to maintain financial ratios necessary to satisfy these requirements. In addition, the credit agreement includes a material adverse change clause and provides the lenders with a first lien on all of our assets. The credit facility also provides that if we default under any other loan agreement, that would be a default under this facility. At December 31, 2015, there was \$5,900,000 outstanding under the credit facility at an interest rate of 1.93%. The credit facility provides for seasonal funding needs, capital improvements, letter of credit requirements and other general corporate purposes. At December 31, 2015, we were in compliance with the terms of the credit facility. After consideration of stand-by letters of credit outstanding, the remaining maximum

borrowings available pursuant to the credit facility were \$11,612,000 at December 31, 2015. We expect to be in compliance with the financial covenants, and all other covenants, for all measurement periods during the next twelve months.

**NOTE 7 Income Taxes**

The current and deferred income tax (expense) benefit is as follows:

	Years ended December 31,		
	2015	2014	2013
<b>Current:</b>			
Federal	\$ (3,349,000)	\$ (2,273,000)	\$ (1,869,000)
State	(793,000)	(744,000)	(892,000)
	(4,142,000)	(3,017,000)	(2,761,000)
<b>Deferred:</b>			
Federal	652,000	703,000	773,000
State	176,000	178,000	63,000
	828,000	881,000	836,000
<b>Total income tax expense</b>	<b>\$ (3,314,000)</b>	<b>\$ (2,136,000)</b>	<b>\$ (1,925,000)</b>

A reconciliation of the effective income tax rate with the applicable statutory federal income tax rate is as follows:

	Years ended December 31,		
	2015	2014	2013
Federal tax at statutory rate	35.0%	35.0%	35.0%
State taxes, net of federal benefit	5.6%	6.1%	13.4%
Valuation allowance	(0.9)%	0.9%	0.1%
Non-deductible stock based compensation			1.6%
Other	(1.2)%	(1.6)%	(1.4)%
<b>Effective income tax rate</b>	<b>38.5%</b>	<b>40.4%</b>	<b>48.7%</b>

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are comprised of the following as of December 31:

	2015	2014
<b>Deferred income tax assets:</b>		
Accruals not currently deductible for income taxes	\$ 2,865,000	\$ 2,985,000
Net operating loss carry-forwards	10,863,000	10,948,000
Total deferred income tax assets	13,728,000	13,933,000
Valuation allowance	(10,326,000)	(10,404,000)
<b>Net deferred income tax assets</b>	<b>3,402,000</b>	<b>3,529,000</b>
<b>Deferred income tax liabilities:</b>		
Depreciation	(17,182,000)	(18,033,000)
Total deferred income tax liabilities	(17,182,000)	(18,033,000)
<b>Net deferred income tax liability</b>	<b>\$ (13,780,000)</b>	<b>\$ (14,504,000)</b>

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Amounts recognized in the consolidated balance sheets:

Current deferred income tax assets	\$	79,000	\$	79,000
Noncurrent deferred income tax assets		549,000		580,000
Noncurrent deferred income tax liabilities		(14,408,000)		(15,163,000)
	\$	(13,780,000)	\$	(14,504,000)

Deferred income taxes relate to the temporary differences between financial accounting income and taxable income and are primarily attributable to differences between the book and tax basis of property and equipment and net operating loss carry-forwards (expiring through 2030). At December 31, 2015, we have available state net operating loss carryforwards of \$216,417,000. Valuation allowances which fully reserve the state net operating loss

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carryforwards, net of federal tax benefit, (decreased) increased in 2015, 2014 and 2013 by (\$78,000), \$44,000 and (\$1,805,000), respectively.

We recognize interest expense and penalties on uncertain income tax positions as a component of interest expense. No interest expense or penalties were recorded for uncertain income tax matters in 2015, 2014 or 2013. As of December 31, 2015 and 2014, we had no liabilities for uncertain income tax matters.

We file income tax returns with the Internal Revenue Service and the states in which we conduct business. We have identified the U.S. federal and state of Delaware as our major tax jurisdictions. As of December 31, 2015, tax years after 2011 remain open to examination for federal and Delaware income tax purposes.

### NOTE 8 Pension Plans

We maintain a non-contributory tax qualified defined benefit pension plan that has been frozen since July 2011. All of our full time employees were eligible to participate in the qualified plan. Benefits provided by our qualified pension plan were based on years of service and employees remuneration over their employment period. Compensation earned by employees up to July 31, 2011 is used for purposes of calculating benefits under our pension plan with no future benefit accruals after this date. Participants as of July 31, 2011 continue to earn vesting credit with respect to their frozen accrued benefits as they continue to work. We also maintain a non-qualified, non-contributory defined benefit pension plan, the excess plan, for certain employees that has been frozen since July 2011. This excess plan provided benefits that would otherwise be provided under the qualified pension plan but for maximum benefit and compensation limits applicable under federal tax law. The cost associated with the excess plan is determined using the same actuarial methods and assumptions as those used for our qualified pension plan. The assets for the excess plan aggregate \$813,000 and \$820,000 as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively, and are recorded in other assets in our consolidated balance sheets (see NOTE 10 Fair Value Measurements).

The following table sets forth the defined benefit plans funded status and amounts recognized in our consolidated balance sheets as of December 31:

	2015	2014
<b>Change in benefit obligation:</b>		
Benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$ 13,273,000	\$ 9,982,000
Interest cost	515,000	491,000
Actuarial (gain) loss	(928,000)	3,002,000
Benefits paid	(234,000)	(206,000)
Other	(8,000)	4,000
Benefit obligation at end of year	12,618,000	13,273,000
<b>Change in plan assets:</b>		
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year	8,218,000	7,797,000
Actual (loss) gain on plan assets	(32,000)	583,000
Employer contribution		40,000
Benefits paid	(234,000)	(206,000)
Other	4,000	4,000
Fair value of plan assets at end of year	7,956,000	8,218,000
Unfunded status	\$ (4,662,000)	\$ (5,055,000)



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The following table presents the amounts recognized in our consolidated balance sheets as of December 31:

	2015		2014	
Accrued benefit cost	\$	(954,000)	\$	(897,000)
Liability for pension benefits		(3,708,000)		(4,158,000)
	\$	(4,662,000)	\$	(5,055,000)

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Amounts recognized in accumulated other comprehensive loss that have not yet been recognized as components of net periodic benefit (expense) at December 31 are as follows:

	2015	2014
Net actuarial loss, pre-tax	\$ 5,335,000	\$ 5,710,000

The accumulated benefit obligation for our pension plans was \$12,618,000 and \$13,273,000, respectively, as of December 31, 2015 and 2014.

The components of net periodic pension benefit for our defined benefit pension plans for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013 are as follows:

	2015	2014	2013
Interest cost	\$ 515,000	\$ 491,000	\$ 443,000
Expected return on plan assets	(643,000)	(612,000)	(552,000)
Recognized net actuarial loss	122,000	64,000	100,000
	\$ (6,000)	\$ (57,000)	\$ (9,000)

For the year ending December 31, 2016, we expect to recognize the following amounts as components of net periodic benefit (expense) which are included in accumulated other comprehensive loss as of December 31, 2015:

Actuarial loss	\$ 117,000
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The principal assumptions used to determine the net periodic pension benefit for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013, and the actuarial value of the benefit obligation at December 31, 2015 and 2014 (the measurement dates) for our pension plans are as follows:

	Net Periodic Pension Cost			Benefit Obligation	
	2015	2014	2013	2015	2014
Weighted-average discount rate	4.1%	5.0%	4.4%	4.4%	4.1%
Weighted-average rate of compensation increase	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Expected long-term rate of return on plan assets	8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	n/a	n/a

Historically, we have used a single weighted-average discount rate approach to determine the pension benefit obligation and the subsequent years interest cost component of the net periodic pension benefit. The weighted-average discount rate was determined by matching estimated benefit payment cash flows to a yield curve derived from long-term, high-quality corporate bond curves. This method represented the constant annual rate that would be required to discount all future benefit payments related to past service from the date of expected future payment to the measurement date. As of December 31, 2015, we have elected to use a yield curve to determine the benefit obligation and the subsequent years interest cost component of the net periodic pension benefit. This method will provide a more precise measurement of the interest cost by improving the correlation between projected benefit cash flows and the corresponding spot yield curve rates. The change in method did not impact the December 31, 2015 benefit obligation, but will result in a decrease in the interest component of the net periodic pension benefit starting in 2016. We have accounted for this as a change in estimate on a prospective basis.

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For 2015, we assumed a long-term rate of return on plan assets of 8.0%. In developing the 8.0% expected long-term rate of return assumption, we reviewed asset class return expectations and long-term inflation assumptions and considered our historical compounded return, which was consistent with our long-term rate of return assumption.

In 2014, we adopted the Society of Actuaries RP-2014 mortality tables and MP-2014 mortality improvement tables to determine our December 31, 2014 pension liability. These new mortality tables, along with a lower discount rate, resulted in the increase in the unfunded status of our pension plans and the increase in the accumulated other comprehensive loss at December 31, 2014. During 2015, we reviewed the mortality tables and adopted the new updated MP-2015 mortality improvement tables which resulted in a decrease in our pension benefit obligation.

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Our investment goals are to achieve a combination of moderate growth of capital and income with moderate risk. Acceptable investment vehicles will include mutual funds, exchange-traded funds (ETFs), limited partnerships, and individual securities. Our target allocations for plan assets are 60% equities and 40% fixed income. Of the equity portion, 50% will be invested in passively managed securities using ETFs and the other 50% will be invested in actively managed investment vehicles. We address diversification by investing in mutual funds and ETFs which hold large, mid and small capitalization U.S. stocks, international (non-U.S.) equity, REITS, and real assets (consisting of inflation-linked bonds, real estate and natural resources). A sufficient percentage of investments will be readily marketable in order to be sold to fund benefit payment obligations as they become payable.

The fair values of our pension assets as of December 31, 2015 by asset category are as follows (refer to NOTE 10 Fair Value Measurements for a description of Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 categories):

Asset Category	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Corporate common stocks	\$ 838,000	\$ 838,000		\$
Mutual funds/ETFs:				
Equity-large cap	1,636,000	1,636,000		
Equity-mid cap	742,000	742,000		
Equity-small cap	159,000	159,000		
Equity-international	975,000	975,000		
Fixed income	2,943,000	2,943,000		
Real estate	440,000	440,000		
Money market	223,000	223,000		
Total mutual funds/ETFs	7,118,000	7,118,000		
Grand total	\$ 7,956,000	\$ 7,956,000		\$

The fair values of our pension assets as of December 31, 2014 by asset category are as follows (refer to NOTE 10 Fair Value Measurements for a description of Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 categories):

Asset Category	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Corporate common stocks	\$ 838,000	\$ 838,000		\$
Mutual funds/ETFs:				
Equity-large cap	1,695,000	1,695,000		
Equity-mid cap	774,000	774,000		
Equity-small cap	165,000	165,000		
Equity-international	1,046,000	1,046,000		
Fixed income	3,065,000	3,065,000		
Real estate	439,000	439,000		
Money market	196,000	196,000		
Total mutual funds/ETFs	7,380,000	7,380,000		
Grand total	\$ 8,218,000	\$ 8,218,000		\$

We do not expect to contribute to our defined benefit pension plans in 2016.

Estimated future benefit payments are as follows:

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2016	\$	1,329,000
2017	\$	423,000
2018	\$	484,000
2019	\$	499,000
2020	\$	506,000
2021-2025	\$	2,874,000

We also maintain a non-elective, non-qualified supplemental executive retirement plan ( SERP ) which provides deferred compensation to certain highly compensated employees that approximates the value of benefits lost by the freezing of the pension plan which are not offset by our enhanced matching contributions in our 401(k) plan. The SERP is a discretionary defined contribution plan and contributions made to the SERP in any given year

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are not guaranteed and will be at the sole discretion of our Compensation and Stock Incentive Committee. In 2015, 2014 and 2013, we recorded expenses of \$81,000, \$73,000 and \$60,000, respectively, related to the SERP. During 2015, 2014 and 2013, we contributed \$72,000, \$65,000 and \$55,000 to the plan, respectively. The liability for SERP pension benefits was \$82,000 and \$73,000 as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

We also maintain a defined contribution 401(k) plan that permits participation by substantially all employees. Our matching contributions to the 401(k) plan were \$124,000, \$119,000 and \$110,000 in 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

**NOTE 9 Stockholders Equity**

Changes in the components of stockholders equity are as follows (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Common Stock	Class A Common Stock	Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss
<b>Balance at December 31, 2012</b>	\$ 1,836	\$ 1,851	\$ 102,166	\$ (55,256)	\$ (2,504)
Net earnings				2,024	
Dividends paid, \$0.05 per share				(1,831)	
Issuance of restricted stock awards, net of forfeitures	13		(13)		
Stock-based compensation			291		
Repurchase and retirement of common stock	(47)		(1,082)		
Unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities, net of income tax expense of \$23					34
Change in net actuarial loss and prior service cost, net of income tax expense of \$615					897
<b>Balance at December 31, 2013</b>	1,802	1,851	101,362	(55,063)	(1,573)
Net earnings				3,145	
Dividends paid, \$0.05 per share				(1,831)	
Issuance of restricted stock awards, net of forfeitures	15		(15)		
Stock-based compensation			278		
Repurchase and retirement of common stock	(5)		(124)		
Unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities, net of income tax expense of \$5					7
Change in net actuarial loss and prior service cost, net of income tax benefit of \$1,206					(1,761)
Excess tax benefit on restricted stock			7		
<b>Balance at December 31, 2014</b>	1,812	1,851	101,508	(53,749)	(3,327)
Net earnings				5,285	
Dividends paid, \$0.05 per share				(1,837)	
Issuance of restricted stock awards, net of forfeitures	15		(15)		

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Stock-based compensation						316		
Repurchase and retirement of common stock	(5)					(116)		
Unrealized loss on available-for-sale securities, net of income tax benefit of \$12								(17)
Change in net actuarial loss and prior service cost, net of income tax expense of \$152								223
Excess tax benefit on restricted stock						49		
<b>Balance at December 31, 2015</b>	\$	1,822	\$	1,851	\$	101,742	\$	(50,301) \$ (3,121)

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As of December 31, 2015 and 2014, accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of income taxes, consists of the following:

	2015	2014
Net actuarial loss and prior service cost not yet recognized in net periodic benefit cost, net of income tax benefit of \$2,171,000 and \$2,323,000, respectively	\$ (3,164,000)	\$ (3,387,000)
Accumulated unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities, net of income tax expense of \$31,000 and \$43,000, respectively	43,000	60,000
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	\$ (3,121,000)	\$ (3,327,000)

Holders of common stock have one vote per share and holders of Class A common stock have ten votes per share. There is no cumulative voting. Shares of Class A common stock are convertible at any time into shares of common stock on a share for share basis at the option of the holder thereof. Dividends on Class A common stock cannot exceed dividends on common stock on a per share basis. Dividends on common stock may be paid at a higher rate than dividends on Class A common stock. The terms and conditions of each issue of preferred stock are determined by our Board of Directors. No preferred shares have been issued.

We adopted a stockholder rights plan in 2006. The rights are attached to and trade in tandem with our common stock and Class A common stock. Each right entitles the registered holder to purchase from us one share of common stock. The rights, unless earlier redeemed by our Board of Directors, will detach and trade separately from our common stock upon the occurrence of certain events such as the unsolicited acquisition by a third party of beneficial ownership of 10% or more of our outstanding combined common stock and Class A common stock or the announcement by a third party of the intent to commence a tender or exchange offer for 10% or more of our outstanding combined common stock and Class A common stock. After the rights have detached, the holders of such rights would generally have the ability to purchase such number of either shares of our common stock or stock of an acquirer of ours having a market value equal to twice the exercise price of the right being exercised, thereby causing substantial dilution to a person or group of persons attempting to acquire control of us. The rights may serve as a significant deterrent to unsolicited attempts to acquire control of us, including transactions involving a premium to the market price of our stock. This rights agreement expires on June 13, 2016, unless earlier redeemed.

On July 28, 2004, our Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to 2,000,000 shares of our outstanding common stock. The purchases may be made in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions as conditions warrant. The repurchase authorization has no expiration date, does not obligate us to acquire any specific number of shares and may be suspended at any time. During 2014, we purchased and retired 13,950 shares of our outstanding common stock at an average purchase price of \$2.27 per share, not including nominal brokerage commissions. No purchases of our equity securities were made pursuant to this authorization during 2015. At December 31, 2015, we had remaining repurchase authority of 1,178,131 shares.

During the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013, we purchased and retired 49,078, 40,210 and 33,950 shares of our outstanding common stock at an average purchase price of \$2.46, \$2.41 and \$1.80 per share, respectively. These purchases were made from employees in connection with the vesting of restricted stock awards under our Stock Incentive Plan and were not pursuant to the aforementioned repurchase authorization. Since the vesting of a restricted stock award is a taxable event to our employees for which income tax withholding is required, the plan allows employees to surrender to us some of the shares that would otherwise have vested in satisfaction of their tax liability. The surrender of these shares is treated by us as a purchase of the shares.

We have a stock incentive plan, adopted in 2014, which provides for the grant of up to 2,000,000 shares of common stock to our officers and key employees through stock options and/or awards valued in whole or in part by reference to our common stock, such as nonvested restricted stock awards. Under the plan, nonvested restricted stock vests an aggregate of twenty percent each year beginning on the second anniversary date of the grant. The aggregate market value of the nonvested restricted stock at the date of issuance is being amortized on a straight-line basis over the



six-year period. As of December 31, 2015, there were 1,848,626 shares available for granting options or stock awards.

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Nonvested restricted stock activity for the year ended December 31, 2015 was as follows:

	Number of Shares		Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Nonvested at December 31, 2014	585,800	\$	1.84
Granted	153,000	\$	2.44
Vested	(164,200)	\$	1.67
Nonvested at December 31, 2015	574,600	\$	2.05

The aggregate market value of the nonvested restricted stock at the date of issuance is being amortized on a straight-line basis over the six-year service period or the service period remaining until normal retirement age, if shorter. The total fair value of shares vested during the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013 based on the weighted average grant date fair value was \$274,000, \$318,000 and \$394,000, respectively.

The grant-date fair value of nonvested restricted stock awards granted during the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013 was \$2.44, \$2.50 and \$1.80, respectively. We recorded compensation expense of \$316,000, \$278,000 and \$291,000 related to restricted stock awards for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively. As of December 31, 2015, there was \$658,000 of total unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested restricted stock awards granted to employees under our stock incentive plan. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 3.9 years.

**NOTE 10 Fair Value Measurements**

Our financial instruments are classified and disclosed in one of the following three categories:

Level 1: Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities;

Level 2: Quoted prices in markets that are not active, or inputs which are observable, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability;

Level 3: Prices or valuation techniques that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable (i.e., supported by little or no market activity).

The following table summarizes the valuation of our financial instrument pricing levels as of December 31, 2015 and 2014:

	Total		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3
<b>2015:</b>							
Available-for-sale securities	\$	813,000	\$	813,000	\$		\$

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**2014:**

Available-for-sale securities	\$	820,000	\$	820,000	\$	\$
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Our investments in available-for-sale securities consist of mutual funds. These investments are included in other assets on our consolidated balance sheets.

The carrying amounts of other financial instruments reported in our consolidated balance sheets for current assets and current liabilities approximate their fair values because of the short maturity of these instruments.

At December 31, 2015 and 2014, there was \$5,900,000 and \$10,760,000, respectively, outstanding under our revolving credit agreement. The borrowings under our revolving credit agreement bear interest at the variable rate described in NOTE 6 Long-Term Debt and therefore we believe approximate fair value.

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The following table summarizes the valuation of our pricing levels for non-financial assets that are measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis as of December 31, 2015 and 2014:

	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	2013 Losses
Long-lived assets held for sale	\$ 26,000,000	\$	\$	\$ 26,000,000	\$ 4,329,000

Fair value of the long-lived assets held for sale was determined using a valuation methodology which gave specific consideration to the value of the owned real estate (refer to NOTE 3 – Impairment Charge for further discussion).

### NOTE 11 Related Party Transactions

During the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013, Dover Downs Gaming & Entertainment, Inc. ( Gaming ), a company related through common ownership, allocated costs of \$1,851,000, \$1,910,000 and \$1,854,000, respectively, to us for certain administrative and operating services, including leased space. We allocated certain administrative and operating service costs of \$252,000, \$240,000 and \$220,000, respectively, to Gaming for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013. The allocations were based on an analysis of each company's share of the costs. In connection with our NASCAR event weekends at Dover International Speedway, Gaming provided certain services, primarily catering, for which we were invoiced \$836,000, \$689,000 and \$801,000, during the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively. Additionally, we invoiced Gaming \$230,000, \$184,000 and \$294,000, during 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively, for tickets, display space, our commission for suite catering and other services to the events. As of December 31, 2015 and 2014, our consolidated balance sheets included a \$44,000 receivable from and a \$22,000 payable to Gaming for the aforementioned items. We settled these items in January of 2016 and 2015. The net costs incurred by each company for these services are not necessarily indicative of the costs that would have been incurred if the companies had been unrelated entities and/or had otherwise independently managed these functions; however, management believes that these costs are reasonable.

Prior to the spin-off of Gaming from our company in 2002, both companies shared certain real property in Dover, Delaware. At the time of the spin-off, some of this real property was transferred to Gaming to ensure that the real property holdings of each company was aligned with its past uses and future business needs. During its harness racing season, Gaming has historically used the 5/8-mile harness racing track that is located on our property and is on the inside of our one-mile motorsports superspeedway. In order to continue this historic use, we granted a perpetual easement to the harness track to Gaming at the time of the spin-off. This perpetual easement allows Gaming to have exclusive use of the harness track during the period beginning November 1 of each year and ending April 30 of the following year, together with set up and tear down rights for the two weeks before and after such period. The easement requires that Gaming maintain the harness track but does not require the payment of any rent.

Various easements and agreements relative to access, utilities and parking have also been entered into between us and Gaming relative to our respective Dover, Delaware facilities. We pay rent to Gaming for the lease of our principal executive office space. Gaming also allows us to use its indoor grandstands in connection with our two annual motorsports weekends. This occasional grandstand use is not material to us and Gaming does not assess rent for it; Gaming may also discontinue our use at its discretion.

In April of 2002, we spun-off our gaming business which was then owned by our subsidiary, Dover Downs Gaming & Entertainment, Inc. On a tax-free basis, we made a pro rata distribution of all of the capital stock of Gaming to our stockholders. Our continuing operations subsequent to the spin-off consist solely of our motorsports activities.

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In conjunction with the spin-off of Gaming by us, the two companies entered into various agreements that addressed the allocation of assets and liabilities between the two companies and that define the companies' relationship after the separation. Among these are the Real Property Agreement and the Transition Support Services Agreement.

The Real Property Agreement governs certain real property transfers, leases and easements affecting our Dover, Delaware facility.

The Transition Support Services Agreement provides for each of the two companies to provide each other with certain administrative and operational services. The party receiving the services is required to pay for them within 30 business days after receipt of an invoice at rates agreed upon by the companies. The agreement may be terminated in whole or in part 90 days after the request of the party receiving the services or 180 days after the request of the party providing the services.

Henry B. Tippie, Chairman of our Board of Directors, controls in excess of fifty percent of our voting power. Mr. Tippie's voting control emanates from his direct and indirect holdings of common stock and Class A common stock and from his status as trustee of the RMT Trust, our largest stockholder. This means that Mr. Tippie has the ability to determine the outcome of the election of directors and to determine the outcome of many significant corporate transactions, many of which only require the approval of a majority of our voting power.

Patrick J. Bagley, Timothy R. Horne, Denis McGlynn, Jeffrey W. Rollins, R. Randall Rollins, Richard K. Struthers and Henry B. Tippie are all Directors of Dover Motorsports, Inc. and Gaming. Denis McGlynn is the President and Chief Executive Officer of both companies, Klaus M. Belohoubek is the Senior Vice President General Counsel and Secretary of both companies and Timothy R. Horne is the Senior Vice President Finance and Chief Financial Officer of both companies. Mr. Tippie controls in excess of fifty percent of the voting power of Gaming.

#### **NOTE 12 Commitments and Contingencies**

We lease equipment at our facilities with leases expiring at various dates through 2020. Total rental payments charged to operations amounted to \$77,000, \$75,000 and \$44,000 for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

In September 1999, the Sports Authority of the County of Wilson (Tennessee) issued \$25,900,000 in Variable Rate Tax Exempt Infrastructure Revenue Bonds, Series 1999, to acquire, construct and develop certain public infrastructure improvements which benefit Nashville Superspeedway, of which \$17,200,000 was outstanding at December 31, 2015. Annual principal payments range from \$900,000 in September 2016 to \$1,600,000 in 2029 and are payable solely from sales taxes and incremental property taxes generated from the facility. These bonds are direct obligations of the Sports Authority and therefore have historically not been required to be recorded on our consolidated balance sheet. If the sales taxes and incremental property taxes ( applicable taxes ) are insufficient for the payment of principal and interest on the bonds, we would become responsible for the difference. In the event we were unable to make the payments, they would be made pursuant to a \$17,488,000 irrevocable direct-pay letter of credit issued by our bank group. We are exposed to fluctuations in interest rates for these bonds.

As of December 31, 2015 and 2014, \$1,976,000 and \$1,932,000, respectively, was available in the sales and incremental property tax fund maintained by the Sports Authority to pay the remaining principal and interest due under the bonds. During 2015, we paid \$983,000 into the sales and incremental property tax fund and \$939,000 was deducted from the fund for principal and interest payments. If we fail to maintain the letter of credit that secures the bonds or we allow an uncured event of default to exist under our reimbursement agreement relative to the letter of credit, the bonds would be immediately redeemable.

Nashville Superspeedway no longer promotes NASCAR events and has not entered into sanction agreements with NASCAR since 2011. We currently use the facility on a limited basis for motorsports track rentals. In 2011 we recorded a \$2,250,000 provision for contingent obligation reflecting the present value of the estimated portion of the revenue bonds debt service that may not be covered by the projected sales and incremental property taxes from the facility. Due to changing interest rates, the provision for contingent obligation decreased by \$86,000, \$30,000 and \$91,000 in 2015, 2014 and 2013, respectively, and is \$1,727,000 at December 31, 2015. An increase in interest rates would result in an increase in the portion of debt service not covered by applicable taxes and therefore an increase in our liability.

We have employment, severance and noncompete agreements with certain of our officers and directors under which certain change of control, severance and noncompete payments and benefits might become payable in the event of a change in our control, defined to include a tender offer or the closing of a merger or similar corporate

transactions. In the event of such a change in control and the subsequent termination of employment of all employees covered under these agreements, we estimate that the maximum contingent liability would range from \$7,800,000 to \$9,700,000 depending on the tax treatment of the payments.

To the extent that any of the potential payments or benefits due under the agreements constitute an excess parachute payment under the Internal Revenue Code and result in the imposition of an excise tax, each agreement requires that we pay the amount of such excise tax plus any additional amounts necessary to place the officer or director in the same after-tax position as he would have been had no excise tax been imposed. We estimate that the tax gross ups that could be paid under the agreements in the event the agreements were triggered due to a change of control could be between \$1,000,000 and \$2,900,000 and these amounts have been included in the maximum contingent liability disclosed above. This maximum tax gross up figure assumes that none of the payments made after the hypothetical change in control would be characterized as reasonable compensation for services rendered. Each agreement with an executive officer provides that fifty percent of the monthly amount paid during the term is paid in consideration of the executive officer's non-compete covenants. The exclusion of these amounts would reduce the calculated amount of excess parachute payments subject to tax. We are unable to conclude whether the Internal Revenue Service would characterize all or some of these non-compete payments as reasonable compensation for services rendered.

We are also a party to ordinary routine litigation incidental to our business. Management does not believe that the resolution of any of these matters is likely to have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial position or cash flows.



**NOTE 13 Quarterly Results (unaudited)**

	March 31(a)(b)	June 30(a)(b)	September 30(a)(b)(c)	December 31(a)
<b>Year Ended December 31, 2015</b>				
Revenues	\$ 10,000	\$ 25,380,000	\$ 133,000	\$ 21,016,000
Operating (loss) earnings	\$ (4,197,000)	\$ 9,124,000	\$ (2,298,000)	\$ 6,212,000
Net (loss) earnings	\$ (2,604,000)	\$ 5,494,000	\$ (1,396,000)	\$ 3,791,000
Net (loss) earnings per share basic and diluted	\$ (0.07)	\$ 0.15	\$ (0.04)	\$ 0.10
<b>Year Ended December 31, 2014</b>				
Revenues	\$ 183,000	\$ 24,273,000	\$ 21,061,000	\$ 157,000
Operating (loss) earnings	\$ (3,537,000)	\$ 8,411,000	\$ 4,251,000	\$ (3,433,000)
Net (loss) earnings	\$ (2,118,000)	\$ 4,844,000	\$ 2,601,000	\$ (2,182,000)
Net (loss) earnings per share basic and diluted	\$ (0.06)	\$ 0.13	\$ 0.07	\$ (0.06)

(a) In the first quarter of 2015, we shortened the service lives of certain assets at our Dover International Speedway facility that were retired at the end of the 2015 race season. This resulted in accelerated depreciation of \$729,000 (\$433,000 after income taxes), \$655,000 (\$389,000 after income taxes), \$655,000 (\$389,000 after income taxes) and \$177,000 (\$105,000 after income taxes) being recorded in the first, second, third and fourth quarters of 2015, respectively. See NOTE 4 Property and Equipment.

(b) In 2014, we entered into an agreement to sell our Nashville Superspeedway facility. The sales agreement was amended several times extending the closing date. In consideration for these amendments, during 2014 we received \$1,700,000 in non-refundable deposits from the potential buyer which was to be applied against the purchase price at closing. In 2015, we received \$1,200,000 in non-refundable deposits to extend closing under the agreement, a portion of which was to be applied against the purchase price depending on the closing date. During the first and second quarters of 2015, \$427,000 (\$278,000 after income taxes) and \$606,000 (\$394,000 after income taxes), respectively, was recorded as income from assets held for sale as those deposit amounts were not to be applied against the purchase price at closing based on the terms of the amendments. On June 1, 2015, the potential buyer defaulted under the agreement and did not subsequently cure the default. The amended closing date under the agreement was July 27, 2015; therefore, the agreement expired by its terms. Accordingly, we recorded as income from assets held for sale the remaining deposits of \$1,867,000 (\$1,214,000 after income taxes) in the third quarter of 2015.

(c) During the third quarter of 2014, we recorded a loss on disposal of long-lived assets of \$2,403,000 (\$1,447,000 after income taxes) related to the removal and disposal of certain grandstand seating at our Dover International Speedway facility. See NOTE 4 Property and Equipment.

Per share data amounts for the quarters have each been calculated separately. Accordingly, quarterly amounts may not add to the annual amounts due to differences in the weighted-average common shares outstanding during each period.

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Our operations are seasonal in nature. Our fall NASCAR event weekend was held in the third quarter of 2014; however, it was held in the fourth quarter of 2015.